

# FOX NEWS POLL

## OPINION DYNAMICS

29 July 2010

Polling was conducted by telephone July 27-28, 2010, in the evenings. The total sample is 900 registered voters nationwide with a margin of sampling error of  $\pm 3$  percentage points. Results are of registered voters, unless otherwise noted.

LV = likely voters

Democrats n=336,  $\pm 5$ ; Republicans n=366,  $\pm 5$ ; Independents n=140,  $\pm 8$

Whites n=737,  $\pm 4$ ; Blacks n=104,  $\pm 10$

### 1. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing as president?

\*\*\* President Obama Job Ratings Summary \*\*\*

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
Latest (27-28 Jul 10)	43%	50	7
High (27-28 Jan 09)	65%	16	19
Low (27-28 Jul 10)	43%	50	7
Average	51%	40	

	Approve	Disapprove	(DK)
27-28 Jul 10	43%	50	7
Democrats	80%	15	5
Republicans	14%	80	6
Independents	36%	56	8
<b>TREND</b>			
13-14 Jul 10	43%	48	9
Democrats	76%	15	9
Republicans	13%	80	8
Independents	40%	48	13
29-30 Jun 10	47%	45	9
Democrats	84%	10	6
Republicans	14%	78	8
Independents	40%	48	13
8-9 Jun 10	46%	45	8
Democrats	79%	13	8
Republicans	13%	81	6
Independents	38%	52	10
18-19 May 10	45%	46	8
Democrats	79%	12	9
Republicans	12%	84	4
Independents	39%	48	14
4-5 May 10	48%	43	9
Democrats	85%	9	7
Republicans	11%	82	6
Independents	38%	45	17

	Approve	Disapprove	(DK)
20-21 Apr 10	46%	46	8
Democrats	82%	12	5
Republicans	10%	82	7
Independents	39%	47	14
6-7 Apr 10	43%	48	9
Democrats	80%	12	8
Republicans	7%	87	6
Independents	38%	49	13
16-17 Mar 10	46%	48	6
23-24 Feb 10	47%	45	8
2-3 Feb 10	46%	47	7
12-13 Jan 10	50%	42	8
8-9 Dec 09	50%	44	7
17-18 Nov 09	46%	46	8
27-28 Oct 09	50%	41	10
13-14 Oct 09	49%	45	6
29-30 Sep 09	50%	42	8
15-16 Sep 09	54%	39	8
11-12 Aug 09	53%	40	7
21-22 Jul 09	54%	38	8
9-10 Jun 09	62%	31	8
12-13 May 09	60%	30	9
22-23 Apr 09	62%	29	8
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	58%	32	9
3-4 Mar 09	63%	26	11
17-18 Feb 09	60%	26	14
27-28 Jan 09	65%	16	19

2. - 10. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing on the following issues? (READ AND RANDOMIZE LIST)

\*\*\* SUMMARY CHART \*\*\*

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
Race relations	50%	34	15
Terrorism	49%	41	10
Afghanistan	42%	47	11
Taxes	41%	51	8
Health care	41%	55	4
Iran	40%	44	16
The economy	38%	59	3
Job creation	36%	57	6
Immigration	35%	54	11
Federal deficit	31%	65	5

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
Race relations			
27-28 Jul 10	50%	34	15
Democrats	75%	13	12
Republicans	30%	55	15
Independents	43%	37	21
Terrorism			
27-28 Jul 10	49%	41	10
Democrats	74%	15	11
Republicans	28%	65	7
Independents	41%	47	12
6-7 Apr 10	50%	37	13
23-24 Feb 10	50%	40	10
Afghanistan			
27-28 Jul 10	42%	47	11
Democrats	60%	31	9
Republicans	26%	64	10
Independents	44%	43	13
29-30 Jun 10	46%	41	13
6-7 Apr 10	49%	36	15
23-24 Feb 10	51%	36	14
8-9 Dec 09	49%	44	7
13-14 Oct 09	41%	43	15
15-16 Sep 09	51%	32	17
Iran			
27-28 Jul 10	40%	44	16
Democrats	60%	25	15
Republicans	22%	62	16
Independents	44%	38	18
6-7 Apr 10	41%	42	16
23-24 Feb 10	41%	42	17
13-14 Oct 09	44%	43	13

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
<b>The economy</b>			
27-28 Jul 10	38%	59	3
Democrats	71%	28	1
Republicans	10%	87	3
Independents	35%	62	3
6-7 Apr 10	42%	53	5
23-24 Feb 10	40%	56	5
8-9 Dec 09	45%	52	3
13-14 Oct 09	48%	49	3
15-16 Sep 09	55%	40	5
21-22 Jul 09	50%	43	7
<b>Taxes</b>			
27-28 Jul 10	41%	51	8
Democrats	73%	20	6
Republicans	16%	79	5
Independents	34%	54	12
<b>Health care</b>			
27-28 Jul 10	41%	55	4
Democrats	76%	20	4
Republicans	12%	87	1
Independents	36%	55	9
6-7 Apr 10	40%	53	7
23-24 Feb 10	37%	56	7
8-9 Dec 09	39%	54	7
13-14 Oct 09	42%	50	9
15-16 Sep 09	44%	48	8
21-22 Jul 09	43%	45	12
<b>Job creation</b>			
27-28 Jul 10	36%	57	6
Democrats	64%	29	7
Republicans	16%	80	4
Independents	24%	67	9
6-7 Apr 10	40%	54	6
23-24 Feb 10	41%	52	7
8-9 Dec 09	42%	52	6
<b>Federal deficit</b>			
27-28 Jul 10	31%	65	5
Democrats	59%	35	6
Republicans	8%	91	1
Independents	27%	64	9
6-7 Apr 10	31%	62	7
23-24 Feb 10	31%	61	8
8-9 Dec 09	33%	58	9
<b>Immigration</b>			
27-28 Jul 10 (n=420, ±5)	35%	54	11
Democrats	67%	23	10
Republicans	12%	80	8
Independents	22%	63	16
8-9 Jun 10	36%	52	12



13. If the election for Congress were held today, would you vote for the Democratic candidate in your district or the Republican candidate in your district? (If undecided) Well, if you had to vote, which way would you lean? (ROTATE)

	Democratic			Republican			(Undecided/Don't know)	
	--- Candidate ---	Total		--- Candidate ---	Total		(Other)	Don't know)
27-28 Jul 10	36%	33	3	47	42	5	3	13
Democrats	84%	78	6	10	8	2	2	5
Republicans	3%	3	-	88	82	6	2	8
Independents	20%	13	7	43	33	10	8	29
13-14 Jul 10	37%	33	4	41	38	3	4	18
Democrats	79%	72	7	6	6	-	1	13
Republicans	4%	4	-	83	78	5	2	10
Independents	31%	25	6	25	22	3	14	31
29-30 Jun 10	40%	36	4	42	38	4	4	13
Democrats	87%	80	7	8	7	1	1	5
Republicans	3%	3	-	90	82	8	-	6
Independents	25%	20	5	32	26	6	14	29
8-9 Jun 10	41%	37	4	38	32	6	5	17
Democrats	83%	77	6	4	4	-	1	11
Republicans	3%	2	1	85	74	11	3	8
Independents	20%	15	5	31	25	6	11	37
18-19 May 10	41%	37	4	41	35	6	5	14
Democrats	84%	79	5	4	4	-	1	10
Republicans	5%	4	1	85	77	9	3	7
Independents	23%	18	5	33	23	10	15	29
4-5 May 10	40%	35	5	42	37	5	4	14
Democrats	80%	71	9	7	6	1	2	11
Republicans	3%	3	-	86	78	8	2	8
Independents	31%	24	7	37	27	10	12	20
20-21 Apr 10	38%	35	3	42	38	4	4	15
Democrats	82%	75	7	6	5	1	2	9
Republicans	2%	1	1	91	84	7	2	5
Independents	20%	18	2	29	24	5	10	42
6-7 Apr 10	39%	35	4	43	38	5	4	15
Democrats	81%	76	5	5	4	1	3	11
Republicans	3%	2	1	89	81	8	2	6
Independents	23%	17	6	36	32	4	9	32
16-17 Mar 10	38%	34	4	42	38	4	6	14
Democrats	81%	72	9	4	4	-	4	11
Republicans	3%	3	-	89	82	7	2	6
Independents	25%	21	4	33	29	4	14	29

14. Imagine for a moment that you were running for elected office as a Democratic candidate this year -- would you want President Obama to campaign for you, or not?

	Yes, would want him to campaign	No, would not want him to campaign	(Don't know)
27-28 Jul 10	48%	50	3
Democrats	82%	17	1
Republicans	23%	75	2
Independents	38%	59	3

For reference: Imagine for a moment that you were running for elected office as a Republican this year. Would you want President Bush to campaign for you or not?  
 SCALE: 1. Yes, would want him to campaign 2. No, would not want him to campaign  
 3. (Don't know)

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
8-9 Aug 06	37%	60	3

15. If Republicans win control of Congress in the midterm election, do you think it is more likely to lead to:

SCALE: 1. Change for the better 2. Change for the worse 3. No real change 4. (Don't know)

	Better	Worse	No change	(Don't know)
27-28 Jul 10	37%	21	38	4
Democrats	13%	45	38	3
Republicans	63%	2	33	2
Independents	35%	17	44	4
27-28 Jun 06*	43%	23	30	5

\*Wording: "If Democrats win control..."

16. - 23. How important will each of the following issues be to your vote for Congress this year?

SCALE: 1. Extremely important 2. Very important 3. Somewhat important 4. Not at all important 5. (Don't know)

\*\*\*\*SUMMARY CHART\*\*\*\*

	Extremely important	Very important	Somewhat important	Not at all important (DK)
The economy	57%			
Health care	51%			
The federal deficit	44%			
Taxes	40%			
Terrorism	39%			
Immigration	30%			
Size of government	28%			
Iraq	24%			
	Extremely important	Very important	Somewhat important	Not at all important (DK)
The economy				
27-28 Jul 10	57%	38	4	- 1
Democrats	51%	41	6	1 1
Republicans	63%	35	2	- -
Independents	61%	35	3	- -
4-5 Nov 06 LV	32%	50	15	3 -
10-11 Oct 06 LV	39%	47	12	2 1
26-27 Sep 06 LV	48%	40	11	1 1
Health care				
27-28 Jul 10	51%	36	11	1 1
Democrats	50%	40	9	1 1
Republicans	54%	33	11	1 1
Independents	49%	34	15	2 -
The federal deficit				
27-28 Jul 10	44%	36	17	3 1
Democrats	36%	35	24	4 1
Republicans	49%	40	10	1 -
Independents	51%	31	14	5 1
Taxes				
27-28 Jul 10	40%	39	17	3 -
Democrats	31%	39	24	5 1
Republicans	49%	39	10	1 -
Independents	41%	36	17	5 -
4-5 Nov 06 LV	26%	45	22	7 -

	Extremely important	Very important	Somewhat important	Not at all important	(DK)
<b>Terrorism</b>					
27-28 Jul 10	39%	37	20	4	1
Democrats	34%	36	25	4	1
Republicans	45%	40	13	2	-
Independents	39%	31	26	3	-
4-5 Nov 06 LV	33%	42	19	5	1
10-11 Oct 06 LV	39%	36	19	5	1
26-27 Sep 06 LV	52%	33	12	1	1
<b>Immigration</b>					
27-28 Jul 10	30%	34	28	7	1
Democrats	22%	34	33	10	1
Republicans	33%	36	27	3	-
Independents	36%	31	20	13	-
4-5 Nov 06 LV	22%	38	27	12	1
10-11 Oct 06 LV	29%	35	24	10	1
26-27 Sep 06 LV	35%	28	26	10	1
<b>The size of government</b>					
27-28 Jul 10	28%	30	26	12	3
Democrats	19%	29	32	17	4
Republicans	36%	32	23	7	3
Independents	35%	30	20	13	3
<b>Iraq</b>					
27-28 Jul 10	24%	36	30	8	2
Democrats	24%	37	31	7	1
Republicans	23%	39	32	6	1
Independents	23%	33	30	11	2
4-5 Nov 06 LV	35%	46	15	4	1
10-11 Oct 06 LV*	45%	40	13	1	1
26-27 Sep 06 LV*	52%	36	9	3	1

\*"The situation in Iraq"

24. Do you think Barack Obama's positions on the issues are:

	Too liberal	Too conservative	About right	(Don't know)
27-28 Jul 10	47%	7	39	7
Democrats	17%	8	70	5
Republicans	75%	6	13	6
Independents	47%	8	38	7
22-23 Apr 09	35%	6	53	6
1-2 Nov 08 LV	40%	3	53	4
1-2 Nov 08 RV	39%	3	53	5
28-29 Oct 08 LV	43%	3	50	4
28-29 Oct 08 RV	41%	3	50	6

Questions 25-30 released separately

31. Since Barack Obama became president, do you think relations between the races in the United States have gotten better or worse?

	Better	Worse	(Same/No difference)	(Don't know)
27-28 Jul 10	30%	37	26	7
Democrats	48%	21	26	5
Republicans	17%	51	24	7
Independents	25%	38	28	9
Whites	30%	38	25	7
Blacks	34%	26	34	6
27-28 Jan 09*	69%	13	17	2

*\*2009 Wording: With the election of Barack Obama as president, do you think relations between the races in the United States will get better or get worse?*

POLITICAL IDENTIFICATION: When you think about politics, do you think of yourself as a Democrat or a Republican?

	Democrat	Republican	(Independent)	(Other)	(Refused/Don't know)
27-28 Jul 10	37%	41	16	3	3
13-14 Jul 10	37%	38	18	4	3
29-30 Jun 10	38%	36	20	3	3
8-9 Jun 10	41%	34	18	3	3
18-19 May 10	39%	35	20	3	3
4-5 May 10	41%	37	18	2	2
20-21 Apr 10	41%	36	18	2	2
6-7 Apr 10	40%	36	18	4	2
16-17 Mar 10	40%	37	18	4	2
23-24 Feb 10	38%	37	17	5	3
2-3 Feb 10	36%	36	22	3	3
12-13 Jan 10	39%	34	20	3	4
8-9 Dec 09	38%	38	18	3	3
17-18 Nov 09	38%	36	20	3	3