

Interviews with $\mathbf{1 , 0 1 8}$ adult Americans conducted by telephone by Opinion Research Corporation on July 16-21, 2010. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points. Results in this document labelled "All Americans" or "Total" are based on this sample of 1,018 adults.

Additional interviews were conducted among African-Americans, and combined with the African-Americans contacted in the initial sample of $\mathbf{1 , 0 1 8}$ for a total of 308 AfricanAmerican respondents. The margin of sampling error for results based on this sample of African-Americans is plus or minus 5.5 percentage points.

Additional interviews were also conducted among Hispanics, and combined with the Hispanics contacted in the initial sample of 1,018 for a total of 303 Hispanic respondents. The margin of sampling error for results based on this sample of Hispanics is plus or minus 5.5 percentage points.

Columns in this document labeled "Whites" show results only for the 757 respondents in the initial sample who described themselves as white in a question on racial background and did not describe themselves as Hispanic or Latino in a separate question on ethnicity. (Sampling error for non-Hispanic whites is $+/-3.5$ percentage points.) Columns in this document labeled "Blacks" refer to all respondents who described themselves as black or African-American and did not describe themselves as Hispanic or Latino in a separate question on ethnicity. Columns in this document labeled "Hispanics" refer to all respondents who described themselves as Hispanic or Latino in a separate question on ethnicity regardless of their race.

Trend results for racial groups are shown only for polls which had enough AfricanAmerican and Hispanic respondents to produce statistically valid results.
4. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling: (RANDOM ORDER)

|  | All <br> Americans | Blacks | Hispanics | $\underline{\text { Whites }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The economy |  |  |  |  |
| Approve | 42\% | 85\% | 41\% | 34\% |
| Disapprove | 57\% | 15\% | 58\% | 66\% |
| No opinion | * | * | 1\% | * |
| Health care policy |  |  |  |  |
| Approve | 44\% | 85\% | 56\% | 33\% |
| Disapprove | 54\% | 15\% | 41\% | 64\% |
| No opinion | 2\% | * | 3\% | 2\% |
| The situation in Afghanistan |  |  |  |  |
| Approve | 46\% | 72\% | 41\% | 41\% |
| Disapprove | 51\% | 27\% | 55\% | 56\% |
| No opinion | 3\% | 1\% | 4\% | 3\% |
| The situation in Iraq |  |  |  |  |
| Approve | 49\% | 78\% | 44\% | 44\% |
| Disapprove | 49\% | 22\% | 53\% | 53\% |
| No opinion | 2\% | * | 2\% | 2\% |
| Terrorism |  |  |  |  |
| Approve | 52\% | 84\% | 57\% | 47\% |
| Disapprove | 46\% | 15\% | 42\% | 51\% |
| No opinion | 2\% | 1\% | *\% | 2\% |
| The federal budget deficit |  |  |  |  |
| Approve | 36\% | 78\% | 41\% | 27\% |
| Disapprove | 62\% | 19\% | 57\% | 72\% |
| No opinion | 2\% | 3\% | 2\% | 2\% |
| Illegal immigration |  |  |  |  |
| Approve | 38\% | 73\% | 43\% | 29\% |
| Disapprove | 59\% | 24\% | 55\% | 68\% |
| No opinion | 3\% | 3\% | 2\% | 3\% |
| Race relations |  |  |  |  |
| Approve | 60\% | 94\% | 58\% | 54\% |
| Disapprove | 34\% | 5\% | 34\% | 39\% |
| No opinion | 6\% | 1\% | 8\% | 6\% |
| The situation in the Gulf of Mexico |  |  |  |  |
| Approve | 45\% | 75\% | 41\% | 40\% |
| Disapprove | 53\% | 24\% | 53\% | 58\% |
| No opinion | 2\% | 1\% | 6\% | 2\% |

[^0]4. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling: (RANDOM ORDER)

## The economy

July 16-21, 2010
March 25-28, 2010
March 19-21, 2010
January 8-10, 2010
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2009
September 11-13, 2009
August 28-31, 2009*
March 12-15, 2009
Health care policy
July 16-21, 2010
March 25-28, 2010
March 19-21, 2010
January 8-10, 2010
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2009
September 11-13, 2009
August 28-31, 2009*
March 12-15, 2009*
The situation in Afghanistan
July 16-21, 2010
March 19-21, 2010
January 8-10, 2010
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2009
August 28-31, 2009*
March 12-15, 2009*
The situation in Iraq
July 16-21, 2010
March 19-21, 2010
January 8-10, 2010
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2009*
March 12-15, 2009*

## Terrorism

| July 16-21,2010 | $52 \%$ | $46 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| March 19-21, 2010 | $53 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| January 8-10, 2010 | $50 \%$ | $49 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
| August 28-31, 2009* | $52 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| March 12-15, 2009* | $61 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $4 \%$ |

Approve
42\%
44\%
43\%
44\%
46\%
54\%
49\%
59\%

44\%
45\%
40\%
40\%
42\%
51\%
44\%
57\%

46\%
55\%
51\%
42\%
49\%
67\%

49\%
51\%
53\%
44\%
63\%

53\%
52\%
61\%

Disapprove
57\%
55\%
54\%
54\%
54\%
45\%
51\%
40\%

54\%
54\%
58\%
59\%
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47\%
53\%
41\%

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56\%
46\%
29\%

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46\%
43\%
53\%
35\%

## 46\%

4. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling: (RANDOM ORDER)

The federal budget deficit
July 16-21, 2010
March 19-21, 2010
January 8-10, 2010
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2009*
September 11-13, 2009
August 28-31, 2009*
March 12-15, 2009*

Illegal immigration
July 16-21, 2010
March 19-21, 2010
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2009
Race relations
July 16-21, 2010
August 28-31, 2009

The situation in the Gulf of Mexico
July 16-21, 2010
*ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE.
Approve Disapprove No opinion

36\%
36\%
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38\%
37\%
36\%

60\%
66\%

45\%
53\%

2\%
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1\%
2\%
3\%
1\%
2\%

58\%
$34 \%$
6\%
8\%
26\%
8\%
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3\%
7\%
6\%
5. If the elections for Congress were being held today, which party's candidate would you vote for in your Congressional district?
6. (IF UNSURE:) As of today, who do you lean more toward?

## QUESTIONS 5 AND 6 COMBINED

| Democratic | Republican <br> candidate |
| :---: | :---: |
| $\underline{\text { candidate }}$ |  |


| Neither | No |
| :---: | :---: |
| (vol.) | $\underline{\text { opinion }}$ |

## ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

July 16-21, 2010
Blacks
Hispanics
Whites

May 21-23, 2010
April 9-11, 2010
March 25-28, 2010
March 19-21, 2010
February 12-15, 2010
Jan. 8-10, 2010
Nov. 13-15, 2009
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009

## ALL RESPONDENTS

| July 16-21, 2010 | $44 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Blacks | $82 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $\%$ |
| Hhispanics | $50 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
|  | $36 \%$ | $59 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
| May 21-23, 2010 |  |  |  |  |
| April 9-11, 2010 | $48 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $1 \%$ |
| March 25-28, 2010 | $50 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| March 19-21, 2010 | $46 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| February 12-15, 2010 | $46 \%$ | $46 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Jan. 8-10, 2010 | $46 \%$ | $46 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Nov. 13-15, 2009 | $45 \%$ | $46 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009 | $49 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
|  | $51 \%$ | $41 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $2 \%$ |

7. How enthusiastic would you say you are about voting for Congress this year -- extremely enthusiastic, very enthusiastic, somewhat enthusiastic, not too enthusiastic, or not at all enthusiastic?

| Extremely <br> enthusiastic | Very <br> enthusiastic | Somewhat <br> enthusiastic | Not too <br> enthusiastic | Not at all <br> enthusiastic | No <br> opinion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

ALL REGISTERED VOTERS

| July 16-21, 2010 | 15\% | 19\% | 37\% | 17\% | 11\% | 1\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Blacks | 12\% | 19\% | 42\% | 9\% | 17\% | * |
| Hispanics | 15\% | 21\% | 35\% | 16\% | 13\% | * |
| Whites | 14\% | 19\% | 37\% | 19\% | 11\% | * |
| May 21-23, 2010 | 17\% | 25\% | 29\% | 15\% | 14\% | * |
| March 25-28, 2010 | 24\% | 21\% | 32\% | 12\% | 11\% | 1\% |
| January 8-10, 2010 | 20\% | 20\% | 35\% | 16\% | 10\% | * |
| Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009 | 22\% | 20\% | 32\% | 16\% | 9\% | * |
| Registered Democrats |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July 16-21, 2010 | 11\% | 16\% | 41\% | 19\% | 12\% | * |
| May 21-23, 2010 | 10\% | 22\% | 35\% | 18\% | 15\% | * |
| March 25-28, 2010 | 17\% | 19\% | 40\% | 14\% | 9\% | 1\% |
| January 8-10, 2010 | 13\% | 18\% | 42\% | 17\% | 10\% | * |
| Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009 | 17\% | 25\% | 34\% | 17\% | 6\% | 1\% |
| Registered Republicans |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July 16-21, 2010 | 19\% | 23\% | 34\% | 14\% | 10\% | * |
| May 21-23, 2010 | 25\% | 29\% | 24\% | 12\% | 10\% | * |
| March 25-28, 2010 | 32\% | 23\% | 24\% | 10\% | 11\% | 1\% |
| January 8-10, 2010 | 25\% | 24\% | 30\% | 14\% | 7\% | * |
| Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009 | 26\% | 17\% | 33\% | 16\% | 8\% | * |
| ALL RESPONDENTS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July 16-21, 2010 | 13\% | 20\% | 37\% | 16\% | 13\% | * |
| Blacks | 11\% | 19\% | 42\% | 9\% | 19\% | * |
| Hispanics | 12\% | 19\% | 39\% | 15\% | 16\% | * |
| Whites | 13\% | 19\% | 36\% | 19\% | 13\% | * |
| May 21-23, 2010 | 15\% | 22\% | 29\% | 16\% | 17\% | * |
| March 25-28, 2010 | 22\% | 20\% | 33\% | 12\% | 13\% | 1\% |
| January 8-10, 2010 | 19\% | 19\% | 35\% | 16\% | 11\% | * |
| Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009 | 21\% | 20\% | 32\% | 16\% | 10\% | * |

## Trends for comparison on next page

## FOR COMPARISON

How enthusiastic would you say you are about voting for President this year -- extremely enthusiastic, very enthusiastic, somewhat enthusiastic, not too enthusiastic, or not at all enthusiastic?

|  | Extremely enthusiastic | Very enthusiastic | Somewhat enthusiastic | Not too enthusiastic | Not at all enthusiastic | No opinion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| REGISTERED VOTERS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2008 | 37\% | 32\% | 16\% | 7\% | 8\% | * |
| Oct. 17-19, 2008 | 34\% | 24\% | 23\% | 11\% | 8\% | * |
| Sept. 5-7, 2008 | 30\% | 30\% | 23\% | 11\% | 6\% | * |
| Aug. 29-31, 2008 | 31\% | 27\% | 19\% | 15\% | 8\% | * |
| Aug. 23-24, 2008 | 26\% | 23\% | 28\% | 13\% | 11\% | * |
| June 4-5, 2008 | 23\% | 27\% | 24\% | 14\% | 12\% | * |
| Jan. 14-17, 2008 | 37\% | 26\% | 24\% | 8\% | 4\% | * |
| June 23-24, 2007 | 26\% | 28\% | 27\% | 13\% | 6\% | * |
| Republicans |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct. $30-\mathrm{Nov}. \mathrm{1}$, | 28\% | 32\% | 19\% | 9\% | 12\% | * |
| Oct. 17-19, 2008 | 24\% | 26\% | 27\% | 12\% | 10\% | * |
| Sept. 5-7, 2008 | 26\% | 28\% | 26\% | 15\% | 4\% | * |
| Aug. 29-31, 2008 | 24\% | 25\% | 23\% | 19\% | 9\% | * |
| Aug. 23-24, 2008 | 22\% | 21\% | 30\% | 16\% | 11\% | * |
| June 4-5, 2008 | 13\% | 24\% | 27\% | 21\% | 15\% | * |
| Jan. 14-17, 2008 | 33\% | 24\% | 29\% | 9\% | 5\% | * |
| June 23-24, 2007 | 27\% | 25\% | 27\% | 16\% | 6\% | * |
| Democrats |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oct. $30-\mathrm{Nov}. \mathrm{1}$, | 45\% | 34\% | 13\% | 4\% | 3\% | * |
| Oct. 17-19, 2008 | 45\% | 23\% | 20\% | 7\% | 5\% | * |
| Sept. 5-7, 2008 | 36\% | 30\% | 21\% | 6\% | 6\% | * |
| Aug. 29-31, 2008 | 37\% | 30\% | 17\% | 11\% | 6\% | * |
| Aug. 23-24, 2008 | 30\% | 26\% | 25\% | 11\% | 7\% | * |
| June 4-5, 2008 | 32\% | 31\% | 21\% | 8\% | 8\% | * |
| Jan. 14-17, 2008 | 41\% | 27\% | 22\% | 6\% | 3\% | * |
| June 23-24, 2007 | 28\% | 32\% | 27\% | 9\% | 4\% | * |

8. Overall, would you describe the views and policies of each of the following as too extreme, or as generally mainstream?

July 16-21, 2010

| July 16-21, 2010 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All <br> Americans | Blacks | Hispanics | $\underline{\text { Whites }}$ |  |
| The Republican Party |  |  |  |  |  |
| Too extreme | 39\% | 57\% | 43\% | 34\% |  |
| Generally mainstream | 56\% | 38\% | 54\% | 62\% |  |
| Mixed/Neither (vol.) | 4\% | 2\% | 3\% | 4\% |  |
| No opinion | 1\% | 3\% | * | 1\% |  |
| CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Too | Generally mainstream | Mixed/ Neither (vol.) | ${ }^{\text {No }}$ |
| The Republican Party |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2004 Sep 3-5 |  | 34 | 62 | 1 | 3 |
| 2004 Jul 30-Aug 1 |  | 40 | 55 | 2 | 3 |
| 2000 Aug 18-19 |  | 36 | 56 | 3 | 5 |
| 2000 Aug 4-5 |  | 33 | 58 | 3 | 6 |
|  |  | July 16 | 21,2010 |  |  |
|  | All <br> Americans | Blacks | Hispanics | $\underline{\text { Whites }}$ |  |
| The Democratic Party |  |  |  |  |  |
| Too extreme | 43\% | 19\% | 27\% | 51\% |  |
| Generally mainstream | 54\% | 75\% | 70\% | 47\% |  |
| Mixed/Neither (vol.) | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 2\% |  |
| No opinion | 1\% | 2\% | * | * |  |
| CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS |  |  |  |  |  |
| The Democratic Party |  |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }_{2004}^{2004 \text { Sep 3-5 } 30-\mathrm{Aug} 10}$ |  | 33 34 | 62 62 | ${ }_{2}^{2}$ | 3 2 |
| 2000 Aug 18-19 |  | 26 | 67 | 3 | 4 |
| 2000 Aug 4-5 |  | 25 | 66 | 3 | 6 |
|  |  | July 16 | 21, 2010 |  |  |
|  | All <br> Americans | Blacks | Hispanics | $\underline{\text { Whites }}$ |  |
| The Tea Party movement |  |  |  |  |  |
| Too extreme | 47\% | 58\% | 41\% | 45\% |  |
| Generally mainstream | 43\% | 35\% | 39\% | 46\% |  |
| Mixed/Neither (vol.) | 5\% | 3\% | 7\% | 5\% |  |
| No opinion | 5\% | 4\% | 13\% | 4\% |  |

19. Thinking about the health care bill that Congress passed earlier this year, which of the following statements best describes your view of what Congress should do in the future? (RANDOM ORDER)

ALL AMERICANS

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { July 16-21 } \\ \underline{2010} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mar. 25-28 } \\ \underline{2010} \end{gathered}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Congress should leave the bill as it is | 20\% | 23\% |  |
| Congress should make additional changes to increase the government's involvement in the nation's health care system | 30\% | 27\% |  |
| Congress should repeal most of the major provisions in that bill and replace them with a completely different set of proposals | 48\% | 47\% |  |
| No opinion | 2\% | 3\% |  |
|  | Blacks | July 16-21, 2010 <br> Hispanics | Whites |
| Congress should leave the bill as it is | 41\% | 24\% | 17\% |
| Congress should make additional changes to increase the government's involvement in the nation's health care system | 40\% | 40\% | 25\% |
| Congress should repeal most of the major provisions in that bill and replace them with a completely different set of proposals | 18\% | 33\% | 56\% |
| No opinion | 1\% | 3\% | 1\% |

*QUESTION WORDING FOR MARCH, 2010: Thinking about the health care bill that Congress passed this week, which of the following statements best describes your view of what Congress should do in the future?
36. As you may know, Congress has passed legislation that would increase federal regulation over banks, Wall Street investors, and other financial institutions. Based on what you have read or heard about this, do you favor or oppose this legislation? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 501 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

|  | July 16-21 <br> $\underline{2010}$ | May 21-23 <br> $\underline{2010}^{*}$ | Mar. 19-21 <br>  <br> Favor |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oppose | $58 \%$ |  |  |
| No opinion | $39 \%$ | $60 \%$ | $53 \%$ |
|  | $3 \%$ | $38 \%$ | $43 \%$ |
|  |  | $2 \%$ | $4 \%$ |

[^1]37. Generally speaking, do you approve or disapprove of government regulation of business?
38. (IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE) Do you feel strongly about that, or not so strongly? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 508INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

|  | Total |
| :--- | :---: |
|  |  |
| Approve strongly | $30 \%$ |
| Approve not so strongly | $25 \%$ |
| Disapprove not so strongly | $9 \%$ |
| Disapprove strongly | $36 \%$ |
| No opinion | $1 \%$ |

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|  | Approve <br> strongly | Approve <br> somewhat | Disapprove <br> somewhat | Disapprove <br> strongly | No <br> opinion |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1984 Apr 28-May 3 | 12 | 27 |  |  |  |  |
| 1982 Jan 3-7 | 13 | 20 | 26 | 26 | 9 |  |


[^0]:    RESULTS FOR ECONOMY AND RACE RELATIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED TRENDS FOR ALL AMERICANS ON NEXT PAGE

[^1]:    *QUESTION WORDING FOR MARCH AND MAY 2010: As you may know, Congress is considering legislation that would increase federal regulation over banks, Wall Street investors, and other financial institutions. Based on what you have read or heard about this, do you favor or oppose this legislation?

