

Sample 750 General Population Respondents
 Conducted April 24-27, 2010
 Margin of Error ±3.4%

1. How do you feel about increased drilling for oil and natural gas offshore in U.S. waters?

Strongly favor 39%
 Mildly favor 24%
 Mildly oppose 13%
 Strongly oppose 11%
 Not sure 13%

2. President Obama has proposed lifting the moratorium on offshore oil drilling on the East Coast, northern Alaska, and the eastern Gulf of Mexico. Which of these comes closest to your opinion?

Lifting the moratorium in these places is the right decision. 37%
 The moratorium on offshore oil drilling should be lifted in more places, and not just these. 40%
 There should be no offshore drilling in these places. 23%

3. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the following banks and financial institutions?

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Not sure
Goldman Sachs	3%	6%	15%	44%	32%
JPMorgan Chase	6%	22%	20%	26%	26%
Citigroup	3%	16%	24%	29%	28%
Morgan Stanley	3%	16%	19%	26%	36%
Bank of America	7%	22%	22%	31%	17%
American International Group (AIG)	2%	9%	17%	42%	30%

4. Have you read or heard anything about Goldman Sachs in the last week?

A lot	34%
A little	29%
Nothing at all	36%

5. The SEC charges that Goldman Sachs deceived investors by not telling buyers of risky mortgage investments that one of its clients, who helped create the securities, was betting on them to fail. Do you think that Goldman Sachs is guilty of these charges?

Definitely yes	31%
Probably yes	37%
Hard to say	27%
Probably no	4%
Definitely no	1%

6. Has the financial crisis had much of an impact on you personally?

A serious effect	50%
Not a very serious effect	43%
Not sure	7%

7. Do you think financial markets need more or less regulation by the federal government?

More	45%
About the same	19%
Less	21%
Not sure	15%

8. How do you feel about the handling of the financial crisis?

Enthusiastic	3%
Satisfied but not enthusiastic	21%
Dissatisfied but not angry	35%
Angry	32%
No opinion	9%

9. How much responsibility do you think the following groups have for CAUSING the current financial crisis?

	A great deal	Some	Only a little	None	Not sure
Wall Street companies	61%	24%	6%	1%	8%
Major banks and financial institutions	68%	20%	4%	1%	7%
The Securities Exchange Commission and other government agencies	52%	29%	6%	2%	11%
The Obama Administration	27%	17%	20%	27%	8%
The Bush Administration	47%	27%	14%	5%	7%
American consumers	22%	33%	22%	15%	7%
Congress	52%	28%	9%	1%	9%

10. How much responsibility do you think the following groups have for FIXING the current financial crisis?

	A great deal	Some	Only a little	None	Not sure
Wall Street companies	50%	22%	10%	8%	9%
Major banks and financial institutions	55%	20%	10%	7%	8%
The Securities Exchange Commission and other government agencies	50%	23%	9%	7%	10%
The Obama Administration	57%	20%	8%	8%	7%
American consumers	31%	35%	17%	9%	8%
Congress	55%	19%	10%	8%	8%

11. How much do you trust the following groups to fix the problems that caused the financial crisis?

	A great deal	Some	Only a little	None	Not sure
Wall Street companies	5%	18%	25%	45%	7%
Major banks and financial institutions	6%	17%	28%	42%	6%
The Securities Exchange Commission and other government agencies	6%	21%	32%	32%	9%
The Obama Administration	22%	25%	13%	34%	6%
American consumers	21%	33%	22%	15%	9%
Congress	8%	21%	28%	38%	6%

12. Congress has been debating whether to overhaul regulation of banks and the financial industry. For each of the following, tell us if you support or oppose that specific change in regulation of banks and the financial industry.

	Strongly support	Somewhat support	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Not sure
Eliminate any chance that taxpayers will ever again bail out big banks and financial institutions <small>(Asked of 50% of respondents)</small>	62%	17%	7%	2%	12%
Eliminate any chance that taxpayers will ever again bail out Wall Street banks and financial institutions <small>(Asked of 50% of respondents)</small>	57%	19%	6%	4%	13%
Create rules that allow government to disband and close failed banks and financial institutions, rather than keeping them open because they are "too big to fail"	41%	24%	7%	13%	15%
Limit how much risk banks and financial institutions can take on	40%	31%	10%	8%	12%
Limit how much banks and other financial institutions can pay their top executives	48%	18%	8%	15%	11%
Create a new Consumer Financial Protection Agency with rules about how banks treat customers	44%	22%	7%	15%	13%
Regulate the kind of complex financial trades that contributed to the financial crisis of 2008 and 2009	47%	24%	7%	7%	14%

13. If Congress puts a limit on how much risk banks and other financial institutions can take on through complex financial trades, should the same limits apply to large businesses outside the financial industry like Wal-Mart or Microsoft or Mattel, or should limits on risk through complex financial trades apply only to big banks and financial institutions?

Should also apply to large businesses outside of the financial industry29%
 Should apply to big banks and financial institutions only42%
 Not sure28%

14. Below are some issues facing the country. For each one, indicate whether you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling that issue.

	Strongly Approve	Somewhat Approve	Somewhat Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	No Opinion
The war in Iraq	12%	32%	21%	23%	12%
The economy	16%	25%	15%	37%	8%
Immigration	9%	20%	16%	37%	18%
The environment	14%	31%	17%	25%	13%
Terrorism	19%	27%	14%	28%	12%
Gay rights	11%	27%	14%	24%	24%
Education	17%	28%	16%	25%	14%
Health care	23%	20%	10%	40%	7%
Social security	12%	20%	15%	32%	20%
The budget deficit	12%	20%	14%	42%	11%
The war in Afghanistan	13%	31%	23%	22%	11%
Taxes	14%	25%	13%	36%	12%

15. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Very Important	Unimportant
The war in Iraq	44%	41%	10%	5%
The economy	84%	13%	1%	1%
Immigration	49%	32%	13%	6%
The environment	49%	33%	13%	5%
Terrorism	59%	29%	8%	3%
Gay rights	27%	24%	23%	27%
Education	62%	30%	6%	3%
Health care	74%	20%	5%	2%
Social security	66%	26%	6%	2%
The budget deficit	62%	30%	7%	2%
The war in Afghanistan	45%	40%	10%	4%
Taxes	64%	31%	3%	2%

16. Which of these is the **most** important issue for you?

The war in Iraq	1%
The economy	33%
Immigration	4%
The environment	5%
Terrorism	4%
Gay rights	4%
Education	6%
Health care	17%
Social security	11%
The budget deficit	8%
The war in Afghanistan	1%
Taxes	4%

17. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

Strongly approve	21%
Somewhat approve	24%
Somewhat disapprove	15%
Strongly disapprove	33%
Not sure	7%

18. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that the United States Congress is handling its job?

Strongly approve	2%
Somewhat approve	12%
Neither approve nor disapprove	13%
Somewhat disapprove	26%
Strongly disapprove	39%
Not sure	8%

19. If the 2010 elections for U.S. Congress were being held today, who would you vote for in the district where you live?

	Republican	Lean Republican	Lean Democrat	Democrat	Not Sure
Registered Voters (N = 715)	39%	3%	8%	40%	10%
All Respondents	34%	4%	8%	39%	16%

20. Would you say things in this country today are...

Generally headed in the right direction	34%
Off on the wrong track	51%
Not sure	15%

21. Overall, do you think the economy is getting better or worse?

Getting better	27%
About the same	37%
Getting worse	31%
Not sure	5%

22. Would you say that you and your family are...

Better off financially than you were a year ago	11%
About the same financially as you were a year ago	40%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago	43%
Not sure	6%

23. Do you think the stock market will be higher or lower 12 months from now?

Higher	30%
About the same	31%
Lower	19%
Not sure	21%

24. Which of these words would you use to describe Barack Obama?

	Yes	No Opinion	No
Honest	33%	33%	34%
Intelligent	64%	25%	11%
Religious	17%	53%	31%
Inspiring	40%	38%	22%
Patriotic	32%	40%	28%
Strong	37%	43%	19%
Bold	43%	43%	15%
Experienced	17%	40%	42%
Sincere	36%	35%	29%
Partisan	25%	51%	24%
Effective	29%	45%	26%
Unifying	19%	48%	32%
In Touch	30%	40%	30%
Realistic	30%	39%	31%
Decisive	29%	52%	19%

25. Would you say Barack Obama is...

Very liberal	33%
Liberal	20%
Moderate	25%
Conservative	3%
Very conservative	2%
Not sure	17%

26. Do you think Barack Obama...

Says what he believes	51%
Says what he thinks people want to hear	49%

27. Regardless of whether you agree with him, do you like Barack Obama as a person?

Like a lot	37%
Like somewhat	25%
Dislike	28%
Not sure	10%