

FOX NEWS POLL

OPINION DYNAMICS

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Polling was conducted by telephone October 11-13, 2010, in the evenings. The total sample is 1200 registered voters nationwide, including 687 likely voters. The sampling error for registered voters is ± 3 percentage points.

For results among likely voters it is ± 4 percentage points.

Results are of registered voters, unless otherwise noted.

LV = likely voters, RV = registered voters

For the total sample: Democrats n=471, ± 4.5 ; Republicans n=412, ± 5 ;

Independents n=232, ± 6

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 (11-13 Oct 10)	43%	47	9
High (27-28 Jan 09)	65%	16	19
Low (14-16 Sep 10)	42%	52	6
Average	50%	41	

	Approve	Disapprove	(DK)		Approve	Disapprove	(DK)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	43%	47	9	13-14 Jul 10	43%	48	9
Democrats	78%	14	8	29-30 Jun 10	47%	45	9
Republicans	9%	86	4	8-9 Jun 10	46%	45	8
Independents	39%	47	14	18-19 May 10	45%	46	8
11-13 Oct 10 LV	43%	52	5	4-5 May 10	48%	43	9
TREND				20-21 Apr 10	46%	46	8
28-29 Sep 10	42%	49	9	6-7 Apr 10	43%	48	9
Democrats	77%	11	12	16-17 Mar 10	46%	48	6
Republicans	10%	86	5	23-24 Feb 10	47%	45	8
Independents	35%	56	9	2-3 Feb 10	46%	47	7
14-16 Sep 10	42%	52	6	12-13 Jan 10	50%	42	8
Democrats	80%	14	6	8-9 Dec 09	50%	44	7
Republicans	8%	88	4	17-18 Nov 09	46%	46	8
Independents	39%	50	11	27-28 Oct 09	50%	41	10
1-2 Sep 10	46%	48	6	13-14 Oct 09	49%	45	6
Democrats	80%	15	5	29-30 Sep 09	50%	42	8
Republicans	14%	83	3	15-16 Sep 09	54%	39	8
Independents	40%	50	10	11-12 Aug 09	53%	40	7
10-11 Aug 10	43%	49	8	21-22 Jul 09	54%	38	8
Democrats	77%	19	5	9-10 Jun 09	62%	31	8
Republicans	14%	81	6	12-13 May 09	60%	30	9
Independents	42%	46	13	22-23 Apr 09	62%	29	8
27-28 Jul 10	43%	50	7	31 Mar-1 Apr 09	58%	32	9
Democrats	80%	15	5	3-4 Mar 09	63%	26	11
Republicans	14%	80	6	17-18 Feb 09	60%	26	14
Independents	36%	56	8	27-28 Jan 09	65%	16	19

2. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Democrats in Congress are doing?

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	32%	57	11
Democrats	61%	29	10
Republicans	6%	87	6
Independents	20%	63	16
11-13 Oct 10 LV	31%	64	6
10-11 Aug 10	32%	58	10
13-14 Jul 10	33%	57	10
4-5 May 10	37%	54	9
27-28 Oct 09	36%	53	11
22-23 Apr 09	50%	40	10
17-18 Feb 09	46%	45	9
26-27 Jun 07	36%	49	15
24-25 Oct 06 LV	37%	46	17
26-27 Sep 06 LV	39%	48	13
2-3 May 06	36%	49	15
4-5 Apr 06	29%	51	20
28 Feb-1 Mar 06	36%	48	16
10-11 Jan 06	39%	41	20
8-9 Nov 05	33%	47	20

3. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Republicans in Congress are doing?

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	26%	60	15
Democrats	12%	77	11
Republicans	46%	40	14
Independents	19%	61	19
11-13 Oct 10 LV	29%	62	9
10-11 Aug 10	30%	57	13
13-14 Jul 10	29%	58	13
4-5 May 10	31%	57	12
27-28 Oct 09	29%	59	12
22-23 Apr 09	36%	52	12
17-18 Feb 09	34%	56	10
26-27 Jun 07	30%	56	14
24-25 Oct 06 LV	34%	55	11
26-27 Sep 06 LV	34%	55	11
2-3 May 06	35%	53	12
4-5 Apr 06	29%	53	18
28 Feb-1 Mar 06	34%	53	13
10-11 Jan 06	37%	49	14
8-9 Nov 05	34%	50	16

4. Right now, how interested are you in the November elections?

	Extremely interested	Very interested	Somewhat interested	Not at all interested	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	31%	32	29	6	1
Democrats	27%	37	30	6	-
Republicans	40%	31	24	4	1
Independents	28%	26	36	10	1
11-13 Oct 10 LV	49%	48	2	1	-
28-29 Sep 10	35%	34	24	7	-
Democrats	29%	31	32	9	-
Republicans	41%	37	18	3	-
Independents	37%	34	18	11	-
14-16 Sep 10	31%	31	30	9	-
1-2 Sep 10	29%	31	29	10	1
10-11 Aug 10	29%	29	34	8	-
27-28 Jul 10	31%	31	28	9	1
13-14 Jul 10	28%	29	34	8	1
29-30 Jun 10	29%	28	32	9	2
8-9 Jun 10	27%	28	31	13	1
18-19 May 10	30%	31	29	10	1
4-5 May 10	27%	31	32	10	1
20-21 Apr 10	30%	27	31	11	-
6-7 Apr 10	31%	27	30	11	1
2-3 Feb 10	28%	29	32	10	1

5. 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 Candidate			Republican Candidate			(Undecided/Don't know)	
	Total	Vote/Lean		Total	Vote/Lean		(Other)	know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	39%	36	3	41	36	5	4	16
Democrats	79%	75	4	5	5	-	3	12
Republicans	5%	5	-	83	77	6	1	10
Independents	27%	21	6	36	28	8	9	27
Already voted	47	47	-	37	37	-	6	11
11-13 Oct 10 LV	39%	36	3	48	43	5	3	10
Democrats	83%	78	5	7	6	1	2	8
Republicans	3%	3	-	91	84	7	1	5
Independents	28%	23	5	46	36	10	7	17
28-29 Sep 10	38%	35	3	44	40	4	5	13
Democrats	82%	77	5	7	6	1	2	9
Republicans	3%	3	-	89	83	6	1	6
Independents	22%	17	5	37	32	5	15	25
14-16 Sep 10	40%	36	4	46	41	5	3	11
1-2 Sep 10	37%	33	4	46	42	4	4	13
10-11 Aug 10	37%	34	3	44	41	3	3	15
27-28 Jul 10	36%	33	3	47	42	5	3	13
13-14 Jul 10	37%	33	4	41	38	3	4	18
29-30 Jun 10	40%	36	4	42	38	4	4	13
8-9 Jun 10	41%	37	4	38	32	6	5	17
18-19 May 10	41%	37	4	41	35	6	5	14
4-5 May 10	40%	35	5	42	37	5	4	14
20-21 Apr 10	38%	35	3	42	38	4	4	15
6-7 Apr 10	39%	35	4	43	38	5	4	15
16-17 Mar 10	38%	34	4	42	38	4	6	14

6. Would you say that your vote in this year's congressional election is more a vote FOR the candidate you like or more of a vote AGAINST the other candidate?

SCALE: 1. For the candidate you like 2. Against the other candidate

3. (Don't know)

	For candidate you like	Against other	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	59%	31	10
Democrats	64%	26	10
Republicans	57%	36	7
Independents	54%	35	10
11-13 Oct 10 LV	61%	31	8

7. Do you think an everyday American could do a better job than most current members of Congress, or not?

	Yes	No	(Same as)	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	55%	35	2	7
Democrats	46%	43	2	8
Republicans	65%	27	1	6
Independents	55%	34	4	7
11-13 Oct 10 LV	56%	36	3	5

8. Do you think you could do a better job than most current members of Congress, or not?

	Yes	No	(Same as)	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	43%	52	1	4
Democrats	36%	59	1	3
Republicans	50%	46	1	3
Independents	42%	53	1	4
11-13 Oct 10 LV	48%	47	2	4

9. Overall, do you feel like the government is doing too much and is too involved in things better left to individuals and businesses, or should the government do more to solve the problems facing the country today?

	Doing too much	Should do more	(About right)	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	50%	40	4	6
Democrats	23%	64	5	7
Republicans	76%	20	1	3
Independents	58%	29	7	6
11-13 Oct 10 LV	56%	36	4	4

10. Overall, do you think life for the next generation of Americans will be better or worse than life today?

	Better than life today	Worse than life today	(Same)	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	27%	61	4	8
Democrats	37%	51	3	9
Republicans	20%	70	4	6
Independents	20%	68	6	7
11-13 Oct 10 LV	29%	58	4	9
6-7 Apr 10	32%	57	6	5
6-7 Aug 02	41%	39	10	10

11. Some people say Barack Obama's agenda will help the country and the economy in the long run and should be supported, while others say Obama's agenda will damage the country and should be stopped -- which comes closer to your view?

SCALE: 1. Barack Obama's agenda will help the country and should be supported

2. Barack Obama's agenda will damage the country and should be stopped

3. (Mixed/No difference) 4. (Don't know)

	Obama's agenda should be supported	Obama's agenda should be stopped	(Mixed/No difference)	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	45%	45	6	5
Democrats	81%	12	4	3
Republicans	11%	84	3	3
Independents	37%	45	11	7
11-13 Oct 10 LV	44%	49	6	2

12. How much would you say you love this country -- very much, quite a lot, some, or only a little?

	Very much	Quite a lot	Some	A little	(Not at all)	(Don't know /Refused)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	81%	14	3	-	-	1
Democrats	74%	20	4	1	-	1
Republicans	87%	10	2	-	-	1
Independents	84%	12	4	-	-	-
11-13 Oct 10 LV	87%	11	2	-	-	1

13. How worried are you about the future of the country -- extremely worried, very worried, not very worried or not at all worried?

	Extremely worried	Very worried	Not very worried	Not worried at all	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	33%	42	19	5	1
Democrats	25%	41	27	6	1
Republicans	41%	43	11	4	-
Independents	32%	45	17	5	1
11-13 Oct 10 LV	40%	39	16	5	1

14. Do you think the world would be a better place if the United States had more power and influence in the world or if the United States had less power and influence?

SCALE: 1. More power and influence 2. Less power and influence 3. (Same/Neither)

4. (Don't know)

	More	Less	(Same/Neither)	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	43%	32	13	12
Democrats	38%	36	15	11
Republicans	55%	25	10	9
Independents	34%	39	15	12
11-13 Oct 10 LV	47%	29	13	11

15. I'm going to describe two hypothetical candidates. The first candidate agrees with you on economic issues such as taxes and government spending, but you disagree on social issues such as abortion and gay marriage. For the second candidate, the reverse is true -- you AGREE on social issues, but DISAGREE on economic issues. If you had to choose, would you vote for the candidate who agrees with you on economic issues or the candidate who agrees with you on social issues? If depends or undecided: Well, if you had to choose?

SCALE: 1. The candidate who agrees with you on economic issues
 2. The candidate who agrees with you on social issues 3. (Depends) 4. (Neither)
 5. (Don't know)

	Agree on economic issues	Agree on social issues	(Depends)	(Neither)	(DK)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	59%	31	4	1	4
Democrats	61%	31	4	1	3
Republicans	59%	35	3	1	2
Independents	62%	26	6	1	5
11-13 Oct 10 LV	60%	32	4	1	3

16. Again, I'm going to describe two hypothetical candidates. The first candidate is someone you agree with on the issues, but has said or done some off-the-wall things. The second candidate is someone you agree with less, but who is a more conventional candidate. If you had to choose, would you support the candidate you agree with more often, but who says some off-the-wall things or the candidate who you agree with less, but is more conventional? If depends or undecided: Well, if you had to choose?

1. The candidate you agree with, who says some off-the-wall things
 2. The candidate you agree with less, but who is more conventional 3. (Depends)
 4. (Neither) 5. (Don't know)

	Agree with, off-the-wall	Agree with less, conventional	(Depends)	(Neither)	(DK)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	58%	31	5	1	4
Democrats	57%	34	4	1	4
Republicans	60%	30	6	-	4
Independents	61%	30	5	-	4
11-13 Oct 10 LV	59%	31	5	1	4

17. If you were voting in the midterm election today, would you be more likely to vote for a candidate who supports President Obama on key issues, opposes President Obama on key issues, or would President Obama not be a major factor in your vote for Congress this year?

	Supports Obama	Opposes Obama	Obama not a factor	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	29%	31	38	2
Democrats	59%	5	35	1
Republicans	5%	62	32	1
Independents	16%	28	52	3
11-13 Oct 10 LV	31%	38	30	1
16-17 Mar 10	29%	31	39	2

18. Which of the following do you think should be the highest priority for Congress next year -- cutting taxes, reducing the federal budget deficit by cutting spending on programs, or increasing spending on programs to create jobs?

	Cutting taxes	Reducing the budget deficit	Spending to create jobs	(All)	(Mixed/Other)	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	16%	30	41	5	6	2
Democrats	10%	18	63	2	4	3
Republicans	24%	42	23	6	5	1
Independents	14%	35	33	9	8	1
11-13 Oct 10 LV	17%	34	36	5	6	2

19. Which one of the following comes closest to what you would like to see lawmakers do with the new health care law -- would you like lawmakers to repeal the law entirely, repeal parts of the law, expand the law, or leave it as is?

	Repeal entirely	Repeal parts of the law	Expand it	Leave it as is	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	27%	27	19	17	10
Democrats	6%	25	36	25	8
Republicans	51%	27	5	10	7
Independents	28%	31	14	13	14
11-13 Oct 10 LV	34%	25	21	14	7

For reference: Which one of the following comes closest to what you would like to see lawmakers do next if Congress passes a health care bill -- would you like lawmakers to repeal the bill, expand the bill, or leave it as is?

	Repeal	Expand	Leave as is	(Dk)
16-17 Mar 10	45%	29	18	9

20. Who do you think is more to blame for economic problems in the country today - President Obama and the Democrats or previous Republican policies?

	Obama and the Democrats	Previous Republican policies	(Both)	(Neither)	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	22%	50	17	6	4
Democrats	6%	84	6	2	2
Republicans	47%	16	24	9	4
Independents	14%	46	25	10	5
11-13 Oct 10 LV	28%	45	18	6	4

21. In the long run, do you think Barack Obama's economic policies will help the country's economy or hurt the country's economy?

	Help	Hurt	(No difference)	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	45%	44	5	7
Democrats	81%	11	3	6
Republicans	12%	81	4	4
Independents	35%	45	12	8
11-13 Oct 10 LV	43%	48	4	5

For reference CBS News/NYT Poll: Do you think Ronald Reagan's economic program eventually will help or hurt the country's economy.

	Help	Hurt	(No opinion)
23-28 October 1982	60%	27	13%

22. Have you personally been helped or hurt by Barack Obama's economic program?

	Helped	Hurt	(Mixed/Neither)	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	19%	27	46	8
Democrats	35%	11	48	6
Republicans	5%	46	42	6
Independents	16%	27	48	9
11-13 Oct 10 LV	19%	32	45	5

23. Do you think the nation's economy would be in better shape today if President Obama:

SCALE: 1. Had done more on the economy early in his term, instead of focusing on health care and other issues, or if he 2. Had done less on the economy and not passed the stimulus plan and government bailouts and let the economy recover on its own 3. (Mixed) 4. (Don't know)

	Done more, earlier	Done less, let economy recover on its own	(Mixed)	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	37%	38	10	15
Democrats	50%	19	13	19
Republicans	23%	63	6	8
Independents	39%	34	15	13
11-13 Oct 10 LV	35%	41	11	13

24. In general, which do you think better describes government programs that give money to the unemployed -- are these programs a safety net or a paid vacation?

	Safety net	Paid vacation	(Depends /Mixed)	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	52%	31	14	3
Democrats	71%	17	9	2
Republicans	34%	47	15	4
Independents	51%	26	19	4
11-13 Oct 10 LV	52%	31	14	3

25. Would you rather get stuck in the middle of a street demonstration of (conservatives) or (liberals)? (ROTATE CHOICES)

	Conservatives	Liberals (Same/Neither)	(Don't know)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	43%	28	22
Democrats	24%	51	19
Republicans	69%	11	17
Independents	35%	20	34
11-13 Oct 10 LV	47%	28	21

26. Have you been contacted by the Tea Party movement or a Tea Party-affiliated candidate about voting in the upcoming midterm elections?

	Yes	No	(Don't know/Refused)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	12%	86	2
Democrats	12%	87	1
Republicans	12%	86	2
Independents	12%	84	3
11-13 Oct 10 LV	14%	84	2

27. Have you been contacted by either major party or any major party candidates about voting in the upcoming midterm elections? (READ 1-4)

SCALE: 1. Yes, by the Democratic Party or a Democratic candidate

2. Yes, by the Republican Party or a Republican candidate 3. Yes, by both the Democrats and Republicans 4. No, not contacted 5. (Don't know/Refused)

	Yes, Dem	Yes, GOP	Yes, Both	No	(DK/Ref)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	10%	8	17	62	2
Democrats	17%	5	13	64	1
Republicans	5%	15	18	59	3
Independents	5%	6	25	63	2
11-13 Oct 10 LV	12%	9	20	57	2

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)
11-13 Oct 10 RV	39%	34	19	5	3
11-13 Oct 10 LV	40%	39	15	4	2
28-29 Sep 10	39%	36	19	3	3
14-16 Sep 10	37%	41	17	3	2
1-2 Sep 10	39%	37	20	3	1
10-11 Aug 10	38%	40	17	3	2
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