

# FOX NEWS POLL

## OPINION DYNAMICS

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Polling was conducted by telephone February 23-24, 2010, in the evenings. The total sample is 900 registered voters nationwide with a margin of sampling error of  $\pm 3$  percentage points.  
 Democrats n=345,  $\pm 5$ ; Republicans n=329,  $\pm 5$ ; Independents n=155,  $\pm 8$

Question 1 released separately

2. - 8. 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)
Afghanistan	51%	36	14
Terrorism	50%	40	10
Iran	41%	42	17
Job creation	41%	52	7
The economy	40%	56	5
Health care	37%	56	7
Federal deficit	31%	61	8

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
Afghanistan			
23-24 Feb 10	51%	36	14
Democrats	66%	23	10
Republicans	36%	49	15
Independents	49%	34	17
8-9 Dec 09	49%	44	7
13-14 Oct 09	41%	43	15
15-16 Sep 09	51%	32	17
Terrorism			
23-24 Feb 10	50%	40	10
Democrats	76%	16	8
Republicans	24%	63	13
Independents	52%	42	7
Iran			
23-24 Feb 10	41%	42	17
Democrats	63%	23	14
Republicans	21%	62	17
Independents	40%	40	20
13-14 Oct 09	44%	43	13

	Approve	Disapprove (Don't know)	
<b>Job creation</b>			
23-24 Feb 10	41%	52	7
Democrats	72%	22	6
Republicans	14%	80	6
Independents	27%	61	12
8-9 Dec 09	42%	52	6
<b>The economy</b>			
23-24 Feb 10	40%	56	5
Democrats	73%	22	5
Republicans	10%	86	4
Independents	32%	63	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>Health care</b>			
23-24 Feb 10	37%	56	7
Democrats	69%	24	7
Republicans	9%	86	5
Independents	29%	62	9
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>Federal deficit</b>			
23-24 Feb 10	31%	61	8
Democrats	64%	27	8
Republicans	6%	87	8
Independents	17%	75	8
8-9 Dec 09	33%	58	9

Questions 9-38 released separately.

39. Do you think Iran can be stopped from continuing to work on a nuclear weapons program through diplomacy and sanctions alone, or will it take military force to stop Iran from working on nuclear weapons?

	Diplomacy and sanctions alone	Military force will be necessary	(Don't know)
23-24 Feb 10	25%	60	15
Democrats	35%	51	14
Republicans	14%	75	10
Independents	28%	51	21

*For reference: Do you think Iran can be stopped from working on a nuclear weapons program without the use of military force, or will the U.S. eventually need to take military action to stop Iran from getting nuclear weapons?*

	Without military force	Military action will be necessary	(Don't know)
29-30 Sep 09	29%	59	13

40. If Iran gets the capability to use a nuclear weapon, do you think that's a disaster, a problem that can be managed, or not a problem at all?

	A disaster	A problem that can be managed	Not a problem at all	(Don't know)
23-24 Feb 10	56%	37	3	3
Democrats	51%	42	3	3
Republicans	66%	30	2	3
Independents	50%	41	5	3

41. If Usama bin Laden were captured and brought to trial, where do you think he should be tried -- in a regular U.S. criminal court or a military tribunal? (ROTATE)

	A regular U.S. criminal court	A military tribunal	(Don't know)
23-24 Feb 10	25%	66	9
Democrats	33%	56	10
Republicans	20%	74	6
Independents	15%	75	10

For reference: When Usama bin Laden or other terrorists are brought to trial, in which court do you think they should be tried?

	The World Court	A regular U.S. court	A U.S. military tribunal	(Don't know)
28-29 Nov 01	29%	22	36	13

42. Where do you think the five detainees accused of conspiring to commit the September 11 terrorist attacks should be tried -- in the U.S. court system or in a military tribunal? (ROTATE)

	U.S. court system	Military tribunal	(Don't know)
23-24 Feb 10	35%	57	8
Democrats	47%	45	8
Republicans	28%	68	4
Independents	25%	69	7
17-18 Nov 09	40%	52	8

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)
23-24 Feb 10	38%	37	17	3
2-3 Feb 10	36%	36	22	3
12-13 Jan 10	39%	34	20	4
8-9 Dec 09	38%	38	18	3
17-18 Nov 09	38%	36	20	3
27-28 Oct 09	40%	37	17	4
13-14 Oct 09	41%	37	16	4
29-30 Sep 09	41%	37	17	3
15-16 Sep 09	42%	31	21	4
11-12 Aug 09	39%	35	22	2
21-22 Jul 09	40%	34	20	4
9-10 Jun 09	40%	33	23	1
12-13 May 09	42%	30	24	2
22-23 Apr 09	42%	30	22	3
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	42%	33	20	3
3-4 Mar 09	40%	32	22	3
17-18 Feb 09	42%	35	18	3
27-28 Jan 09	44%	30	22	2
13-14 Jan 09	42%	32	21	2