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

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
2/2-4/09 CBS	62	15	23
2/18-22/09	63	22	15
3/12-16/09 CBS	62	24	14
3/20-22/09 CBS	64	20	16
4/1-5/09	66	24	10
4/22-26/09	68	23	9
5/6-12/09 CBS	63	26	11
6/12-16/09	63	26	11
7/9-12/09 CBS	57	32	11
7/24-28/09	58	30	13
8/27-31/09 CBS	56	35	9
9/19-23/09	56	33	11
10/5-8/09 CBS	56	34	10
11/13-16/09 CBS	53	36	11
12/4-8/09	50	39	11
1/6-10/10 CBS	46	41	13
1/14-17/10 CBS	50	40	10
2/5-10/10	46	45	9

2. Which comes closest to your feelings about the Obama administration – enthusiastic, satisfied but not enthusiastic, dissatisfied but not angry, or angry?

	Enthusiastic	Satisfied but not enthusiastic	Dissatisfied but not angry	Angry	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	10	37	38	13	2

3. Do you feel things in this country are generally going in the right direction or do you feel things have pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?

	Right	Wrong	DK/NA		Right	Wrong	DK/NA
1/27-28/91 CBS	51	39	10	12/2-6/05	31	60	9
3/4-6/91	51	42	7	1/5-8/06 CBS	31	62	7
10/15-18/91	33	60	7	1/20-25/06	32	61	7
11/27-28/94 CBS	30	65	5	3/9-12/06 CBS	28	66	9
12/3-6/95 NYT	25	64	10	4/28-30/06 CBS	24	71	5
12/8-11/96 NYT	39	51	11	5/4-8/06	23	70	7
9/16-18/96 CBS	41	48	11	6/10-11/06 CBS	27	69	4
2/19-21/98	54	36	9	7/21-25/06	28	66	6
9/8-10/98	49	42	10	8/17-21/06	29	67	4
10/12-13/98	46	47	7	10/27-31/06	29	64	7
10/26-28/98	52	42	7	12/8-10/06 CBS	24	70	6
5/10-13/00	48	44	7	1/1-3/07 CBS	27	68	5
3/8-12/01	40	54	6	1/18-21/07 CBS	26	69	5
4/23-25/01 CBS	37	58	5	2/8-11/07 CBS	26	68	6
6/14-18/01	42	53	5	2/23-27/07	23	68	9
10/25-28/01	61	29	10	3/7-11/07	25	69	6
12/7-10/01	64	27	10	5/18-23/07	24	72	4
1/24-27/02	52	35	12	6/26-28/07 CBS	19	75	6
7/13-16/02	42	48	10	7/9-17/07	22	72	6
7/22-23/02 CBS	39	53	8	9/4-8/07	24	71	4
8/6-7/02 CBS	41	51	8	12/5-9/07	21	71	8
9/2-5/02	43	49	8	1/9-12/08	19	75	6
10/3-6/02	42	48	10	3/28-4/2/08	14	81	5
10/27-31/02	41	52	8	5/30-6/3/08 CBS	14	83	3
11/20-24/02	41	49	10	7/7-14/08	14	81	5
2/10-12/03	35	56	9	9/12-16/08	14	81	5
3/22/03	50	40	10	10/10-13/08	7	89	4
4/11-13/03	56	36	9	10/19-22/08	11	85	4
9/28-10/1/03	37	56	7	10/25-29/08	11	85	4
7/13-27/03	46	49	5	12/4-8/08 CBS	12	83	5
11/10-12/03 CBS	39	53	8	1/11-15/09	15	79	6
12/10-13/03	39	56	5	2/2-4/09 CBS	23	68	9
12/14-15/03	49	43	8	3/12-16/09 CBS	35	57	8
1/12-15/04	42	53	5	4/1-5/09	39	53	7
2/12-15/04 CBS	41	51	8	4/22-26/09	41	50	9
3/10-14/04	38	54	8	5/6-12/09 CBS	45	48	7
3/30-4/1/04 CBS	36	57	7	6/12-16/09	44	50	6
4/23-27/04	36	55	9	7/9-12/09 CBS	35	57	8
5/20-23/04 CBS	30	65	5	7/24-28/09	42	49	9
6/23-27/04	36	57	6	9/19-23/09	41	53	6
7/11-15/04	36	56	8	12/4-8/09	37	56	7
8/15-18/04 CBS	39	55	6	1/14-17/10 CBS	36	55	9
9/12-16/04	41	51	7	2/5-10/10	33	62	5
9/20-22/04 CBS	41	54	5				
10/1-3/04	40	51	9				
10/14-17/04	37	59	4				
10/28-30/04	43	55	2				
11/18-21/04	40	54	6				
1/14-18/05	39	56	5				
2/24-28/05	42	52	6				
3/9-14/05 NYT	37	56	7				
4/13-16/05 CBS	32	62	6				
5/20-24/05 CBS	34	60	6				
6/10-15/05	33	61	6				
7/29-8/2/05 CBS	37	57	6				
9/9-13/05	31	63	6				
10/3-5/05 CBS	37	58	5				
10/30-11/1/05 CBS	27	68	5				

4. What do you think is the most important problem facing the country today?

	1/08	2/08	4/08	7/08	1/09	4/09	6/09	7/09	9/09	12/09	2/10
Health Care	7	7	6	3	2	3	7	12	19	12	13
Social Security	1	-	-	-		-	-	-	-		-
Budget Deficit	2	3	2	1	2	2	2	3	3	2	4
Education	2	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	-
Medicare/ Medicaid			-	-	-			-	-	-	-
Taxes	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Economy	20	29	32	38	49	42	38	36	22	23	25
Immigration	5	4	3	2	1	3	1	1	1	1	1
Defense	2	1	-	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Poverty	2	2	1	1	2	-	1	1	-	3	-
Crime	1			-	-		-	1	-	-	-
Foreign Policy	2	1	2	2	1	2	1		1	-	-
Jobs	4	4	5	3	12	17	19	20	19	24	27
Abortion	-		-	-	-	2	-	1	-	-	
Moral Values	1	-	2	2	3	-	1	2	1	3	1
Welfare	1		-			1	-		-	-	-
President	2	2	2	1	1	-	1	-	1	-	1
War	16	15	12	10	4	-	2	1	3	4	3
Iraq	6	5	3	4		2	2	1	2	2	-
Afghanistan										2	-
Politicians/ Government	1	1	1	1	2	1	-	1	1	-	1
Heating oil/Gas Cost	2	3	7	14	2	-	1	1		-	
Environment	2	1	2	3	-	2	-	-	1	-	-
Religious Values	2	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Terrorism general	3	5	2	1	1	2	1	1		-	1
Other	10	9	14	7	12	13	16	12	19	16	16
DK/NA	5	6	2	3	2	4	3	3	4	5	4

6. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling foreign policy?

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
2/2-4/09 CBS	50	15	35
2/18-22/09	57	17	26
4/1-5/09	59	19	22
4/22-26/09	59	23	18
6/12-16/09	59	23	19
7/9-12/09 CBS	53	30	17
7/24-28/09	54	24	23
10/5-8/09 CBS	48	28	24
11/13-16/09 CBS	50	36	14
1/14-17/10 CBS	49	38	13
2/5-10/10	47	34	19

7. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the economy?

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
2/2-4/09 CBS	55	24	21
2/18-22/09	57	32	11
3/12-16/09 CBS	56	33	11
3/20-22/09 CBS	61	29	10
4/1-5/09	56	34	10
4/22-26/09	61	29	10
5/6-12/09 CBS	56	33	11
6/12-16/09	57	35	7
7/9-12/09 CBS	48	44	8
7/24-28/09	51	41	9
8/27-31/09 CBS	53	41	6
9/19-23/09	50	40	10
10/5-8/09 CBS	54	38	8
11/13-16/09 CBS	49	43	8
12/4-8/09	47	43	10
1/6-10/10 CBS	41	47	12
1/14-17/10 CBS	46	48	6
2/5-10/10	42	52	5

8. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling health care?

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
6/12-16/09	44	34	22
7/9-12/09 CBS	49	37	14
7/24-28/09	46	38	16
8/27-31/09 CBS	40	47	13
9/19-23/09	47	45	9
10/5-8/09 CBS	47	42	11
11/13-16/09 CBS	44	48	8
12/4-8/09	42	50	7
1/6-10/10 CBS	36	54	10
1/14-17/10 CBS	40	54	6
2/5-10/10	35	55	10

9. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the federal budget deficit?

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
7/24-28/09	40	43	17
2/5-10/10	31	58	11

10. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the threat of terrorism?

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
2/2-4/09 CBS ¹	52	17	31
4/22-26/09	55	28	16
6/12-16/09	57	24	18
1/6-10/10 CBS	52	35	13
1/14-17/10 CBS	60	33	7
2/5-10/10	55	34	11

¹ Question read: "... handling the campaign against terrorism?"

11. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Congress is handling its job?

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA		Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
7/19-25/77	31	49	20	9/27-10/1/00	49	38	13
10/23-26/77	31	50	19	2/10-12/01 CBS	48	31	21
1/8-12/78	29	50	21	3/8-12/01	50	33	17
4/3-7/78	31	50	19	4/23-25/01 CBS	44	37	19
6/19-23/78	30	53	17	5/10-12/01 CBS	45	36	19
9/25-29/78	29	51	20	6/14-18/01	45	39	16
8/2-7/80	32	51	18	10/25-28/01	67	24	9
10/23-28/82	33	50	17	12/07-10/01	57	31	12
1/13-15/90	42	47	11	1/21-24/02	47	37	15
8/16-19/90	40	44	16	2/24-26/02 CBS	50	34	16
10/8-10/90	27	60	13	6/18-20/02 CBS	43	40	17
10/28-31/90	23	69	8	7/13-16/02	49	38	14
1/27-28/91	49	41	10	9/22-23/02 CBS	48	36	16
3/4-6/91	39	47	14	10/3-6/02	42	45	13
8/18-22/91	30	57	13	10/27-31/02	45	40	15
10/5-7/91	27	57	16	5/9-12/03	35	48	16
10/15-18/91	29	57	14	7/13-27/03	39	46	15
1/22-25/92	17	71	11	9/28-10/1/03	37	47	16
2/26-3/1/92	21	67	12	1/12-15/04	45	42	13
3/26-29/92	17	75	7	10/14-17/04	38	46	16
7/8-11/92	20	71	9	1/14-18/05	44	39	17
3/28-31/93	35	52	13	2/24-28/05	41	44	15
5/27-29/93	27	61	12	3/21-22/05 CBS	34	49	17
6/1-3/93	27	60	13	4/13-16/05 CBS	35	51	14
8/2-3/93 CBS	21	68	11	5/20-23/05 CBS	29	55	16
9/16-19/93	23	64	13	6/10-15/05	33	53	14
11/11-14/93	25	63	12	7/13-14/05 CBS	33	50	17
12/5-7/93 CBS	27	60	13	9/9-13/05	34	54	12
1/15-17/94	30	58	13	10/3-5/05 CBS	31	57	12
8/16-17/94	22	67	11	10/30-11/1/05 CBS	34	53	13
9/8-11/94	25	63	12	12/2-6/05	33	53	14
10/29-11/1/94	20	73	7	1/5-8/06 CBS	27	57	16
1/10-20/95 CBS	35	44	21	1/20-25/06	29	61	11
2/22-25/95	36	51	13	2/22-26/06 CBS	28	61	11
3/12-14/95	31	54	15	3/9-12/06 CBS	32	54	14
4/1-4/95	30	60	10	4/6-9/06 CBS	27	61	12
5/4-6/95 CBS	33	55	12	5/4-8/06	23	64	13
8/5-9/95	31	56	13	6/10-11/06 CBS	26	60	14
10/22-25/95	32	55	13	7/21-25/06	28	58	14
12/9-11/95	26	64	10	8/17-21/06	29	60	11
1/18-20/96 CBS	31	60	9	9/15-19/06	25	61	14
2/22-24/96	22	70	8	10/5-8/06	27	64	9
3/10-11/96 CBS	26	64	10	10/27-31/06	29	56	15
3/31-4/2/96	23	66	11	1/18-21/07 CBS	33	49	18
5/31-6/3/96	19	71	10	2/8-11/07 CBS	32	52	16
6/20-23/96 NYT	29	61	9	2/23-27/07	33	50	17
7/11-13/96	27	58	15	3/7-11/07	31	53	16
8/3-5/96	32	52	16	4/9-12/07 CBS	34	54	12
9/2-4/96	32	55	13	5/18-23/07	35	52	13
1/14-17/97	45	45	10	6/26-28/07 CBS	27	60	13
4/2-5/97	32	59	9	7/9-17/07	29	59	12
5/6-8/97 CBS	42	44	14	7/20-22/07	26	61	13
7/13-14/97 CBS	34	55	11	8/8-12/07 CBS	25	63	12
11/2-3/97 CBS	36	53	11	9/4-8/07	23	66	11
12/6-8/97	34	52	14	10/12-16/07 CBS	27	59	14
1/10-12/98	44	40	16	12/5-9/07	21	64	15
1/18-21/98 CBS	42	41	17	4/25-29/08	21	68	11
1/24-25/98	47	43	10	9/27-30/08 CBS	15	72	13
2/19-21/98	50	30	20	10/10-13/08	12	74	14
5/19-21/98 CBS	41	42	17	10/19-22/08	17	70	13
7/19-21/98	40	42	18	2/2-4/09 CBS	26	62	12
9/8-10/98 CBS	49	38	13	2/18-22/09	26	63	12
9/12-15/98 CBS	55	34	12	3/12-16/09 CBS	30	56	14
9/22-23/98	48	41	10	3/20-22/09 CBS	30	56	14
10/3-4/98 CBS	47	38	15	4/1-5/09	26	64	10
10/7-8/98 CBS	46	44	10	4/22-26/09	28	55	16
10/12-13/98	43	48	9	7/9-12/09 CBS	22	65	13
10/26-28/98	41	49	10	8/27-31/09 CBS	26	58	16
10/31-11/1/98 CBS	41	48	11	10/5-8/09 CBS	22	65	13
12/13-17/98	44	49	6	10/29-11/1/09 CBS	18	70	12
12/19-20/98	42	53	5	11/13-16/09 CBS	26	60	14
1/3-4/99 CBS	41	51	8	1/14-17/10 CBS	23	63	14
1/10-13/99 CBS	43	46	11	2/5-10/10	15	75	10
1/30-2/1/99	45	46	9				
2/12/99 CBS	46	46	8				
3/24/99 CBS	43	47	10				
3/28/99 CBS	41	47	12				
4/5-6/99	43	45	12				
6/5-6/99 CBS	41	46	13				
7/13-14/99 CBS	41	41	18				
8/1-3/99 CBS	43	41	16				
8/15/99 CBS	42	44	14				
10/3-4/99 CBS	38	48	14				
10/25-30/99 CBS	36	52	12				
11/4-7/99	37	50	13				
2/12-14/00	39	47	13				
5/10-13/00	38	45	18				
7/20-23/00	45	41	14				

12. Do you think most members of Congress have done a good enough job to deserve re-election, or do you think it's time to give new people a chance?

	Deserve re-election	Time for new people	Depends(vol.)	DK/NA
3/26-29/92	21	68		11
4/20-23/92*	17	72		11
9/8-11/94	14	78		8
10/29-11/1/94	11	82		7
10/26-28/98	24	62	8	6
10/12-13/98	24	65	5	6
10/3-5/02*	15	70		15
10/27-31/02*	24	61		15
9/15-19/06*	13	76	5	7
10/5-8/06*	13	78	3	6
2/5-10/10	8	81	6	5

13. Do you think the future of the next generation of Americans will be better, worse, or about the same as life today?

	Better	Worse	Same	DK/NA
6/26-29/89 ¹	25	52	18	5
3/4-6/91 ¹	36	26	35	3
10/5-7/91 ¹	20	52	25	3
1/22-25/92 ¹	26	48	22	4
10/29-11/1/92 ¹	18	57	21	4
3/9-12/95	16	58	20	6
2/6-10/00 CBS ¹	44	27	27	3
6/21-27/00	40	31	26	3
10/27-31/02	29	39	27	5
9/15-19/06	30	38	28	4
6/26-28/07 CBS	25	48	24	3
3/28-4/2/08	33	34	29	4
3/12-16/09 CBS	35	32	26	7
5/6-12/09 CBS	25	42	28	5
2/5-10/10	25	46	26	3

¹Question read: Do you think the future for the next generation of Americans will be better, worse, or about the same as life today?

14. Is your opinion of Barack Obama favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Barack Obama yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not fav.	Undecided	Haven't heard enough	Refused
1/1-3/07 CBS	28	10	14	47	1
1/18-21/07* CBS	29	9	20	41	
3/7-11/07	39	18	20	23	-
3/26-27/07 CBS	31	17	21	30	
4/9-12/07* CBS	36	18	25	21	-
5/18-23/07*	34	21	25	20	-
6/26-28/07* CBS	40	22	22	15	1
7/9-17/07	36	20	25	19	
7/9-17/07*	37	21	24	18	
8/8-12/07* CBS	36	20	27	17	
9/4-9/07*	35	21	29	14	
2/20-24/08*	45	23	23	9	1
3/15-18/08* CBS	44	28	20	8	
3/28-4/2/08*	43	24	25	8	1
4/25-29/08*	39	34	21	5	1
5/1-3/08*	44	30	20	6	1
5/30-6/3/08* CBS	41	31	22	5	1
7/7-14/08*	39	31	24	4	1
7/31-8/5/08* CBS	37	32	25	5	1
8/15-19/08*	39	32	25	4	1
9/12-16/08*	45	35	16	3	1
9/21-24/08*	43	30	22	4	1
9/27-30/08* CBS	48	32	17	3	1
10/3-5/08* CBS	46	34	16	3	1
10/10-13/08*	50	32	15	2	-
10/19-22/08*	52	31	15	2	1
10/25-29/08*	51	34	13	2	-
10/31-11/2/08* CBS	50	35	12	1	2
12/4-8/08 CBS	55	12	24	7	2
1/11-15/09	60	9	22	8	1
4/22-26/09	54	18	15	12	1
7/24-28/09	50	23	16	11	1
2/5-10/10	39	34	19	6	1

15. How would you rate the condition of the national economy these days? Is it very good, fairly good, fairly bad or very bad?

	Very good	Fairly good	Fairly bad	Very bad	DK/NA		Very good	Fairly good	Fairly bad	Very bad	DK/NA
1/92A	-	17	47	35	1	1/4-6/03 CBS	1	40	43	14	2
1/92B	1	20	46	32	1	1/19-22/03	1	42	43	12	1
2/92A	1	16	38	42	2	2/10-12/03	2	37	42	18	2
2/92B	1	16	40	41	1	3/20-24/03	3	47	33	15	2
3/92	1	18	39	40	1	4/11-13/03	2	48	36	10	3
4/92	1	23	40	34	1	5/9-12/03	2	42	41	14	1
7/92	-	21	41	37	1	9/28-10/1/03	4	39	37	19	1
8/92A	1	20	40	38	1	10/20-21/03 CBS	3	42	36	18	1
9/92A	1	19	37	39	3	12/10-13/03	4	52	30	13	1
10/92A	1	18	42	37	2	12/14-15/03	5	50	28	13	4
10/92C	2	21	40	37	1	1/12-15/04	3	51	34	11	1
10/92D	2	21	40	36	2	3/10-14/04	2	47	34	15	2
10/92E	1	22	39	36	2	4/23-27/04	4	51	30	15	1
12/92	1	31	39	28	2	5/20-23/04 CBS	5	47	31	16	1
1/93	1	34	41	22	2	6/23-27/04	4	54	30	11	1
2/93	2	33	36	26	3	8/15-18/04 CBS	5	47	32	15	1
3/93	1	33	41	22	2	9/12-16/04	3	51	31	12	2
6/93A	1	29	43	25	2	10/1-3/04	6	49	29	16	1
6/93B	1	33	40	23	2	10/14-17/04	3	49	32	13	2
8/93	3	28	45	23	1	11/18-21/04	4	50	30	14	1
9/93	1	31	44	23	1	2/24-28/05	4	53	29	13	1
11/93	2	40	38	18	2	6/10-15/05	4	50	32	13	1
12/93	1	43	39	15	2	7/29-8/2/05 CBS	7	50	31	11	1
12/93	1	43	39	15	2	9/9-13/05	4	45	33	17	1
1/94	2	45	38	14	1	10/30-11/1/05 CBS	3	44	35	16	2
1/94	1	49	34	14	1	12/2-6/05	6	49	29	14	1
2/94	2	50	34	12	2	1/5-8/06 CBS	6	48	32	13	1
4/94	3	51	33	11	2	1/20-25/06	6	51	29	13	1
6/94	3	51	32	11	3	2/22-26/06 CBS	5	45	33	15	2
7/94	3	50	35	11	1	3/9-12/06 CBS	4	51	29	14	2
9/94	2	51	33	13	2	4/6-9/06 CBS	7	45	30	17	1
9/94	3	50	34	11	2	4/28-30/06 CBS	8	49	27	14	2
11/94	2	53	33	10	1	5/4-8/06	6	47	31	15	1
1/95	3	57	28	11	1	7/21-25/06	5	46	34	13	1
2/95	5	53	29	12	2	8/17-21/06	5	47	32	15	1
3/95	3	52	29	13	3	9/15-19/06	5	51	30	13	1
7/95	3	58	26	11	2	10/5-8/06	7	53	28	11	1
10/95	3	54	32	10	1	10/27-31/06	9	50	26	13	3
12/95	4	54	27	13	2	12/8-10/06 CBS	8	50	26	13	3
1/96	2	49	33	14	2	1/1-3/07 CBS	8	50	26	14	2
2/96	3	50	30	15	3	1/18-21/07 CBS	7	51	31	10	1
6/96	2	53	32	11	2	2/8-11/07 CBS	8	52	27	12	1
6/96B	4	56	30	9	1	2/23-27/07	7	55	25	10	3
7/96	5	56	27	10	2	3/7-11/07	8	47	33	11	1
8/96	5	58	23	10	3	4/9-12/07 CBS	8	51	28	11	2
9/96	5	64	23	7	1	5/18-23/07	7	48	29	14	1
10/96	6	66	19	6	2	7/9-17/07	9	46	30	13	2
10/96C	6	61	21	10	3	8/8-12/07 CBS	7	45	32	14	2
11/96	6	64	21	6	2	9/4-8/07	4	51	30	15	1
12/96	6	61	22	8	3	10/12-16/07 CBS	5	45	33	16	1
1/97	7	64	23	5	1	12/5-9/07	3	39	39	18	1
4/97	6	62	24	7	1	1/9-12/08	3	35	42	19	2
7/97	11	62	18	8	1	1/30-2/2/08 CBS	2	26	44	27	1
11/97	14	63	16	5	2	2/20-24/08	2	27	45	25	1
12/97	17	63	15	4	2	3/15-18/08 CBS	1	24	42	34	
1/98	16	67	13	3	1	3/28-4/2/08	1	20	48	30	1
2/98	21	67	9	3	1	4/25-29/08	-	22	41	36	1
8/11-13/98	21	66	8	3	2	5/1-3/08	1	15	40	43	1
8/19-20/98	25	61	9	3	2	5/30-6/3/08 CBS	1	19	45	33	2
10/98A	16	65	15	3	2	7/7-14/08	1	18	45	35	1
10/98B	16	68	11	3	2	7/31-8/5/08 CBS	1	16	40	43	
2/00	28	60	8	3	1	8/15-19/08	1	17	41	41	-
5/00	29	58	7	4	2	9/12-16/08	2	20	39	39	-
9/00D*	26	64	7	2	1	9/21-24/08	-	17	34	46	2
10/00	25	60	9	4	3	9/27-30/08 CBS	-	10	37	52	1
11/00	26	63	7	3	2	10/3-5/08 CBS	1	10	34	55	-
12/00 CBS	21	65	10	3	1	10/10-13/08	-	11	38	50	-
1/01 CBS	14	70	11	4	1	10/19-22/08	-	13	35	51	-
3/8-12/01	6	68	19	5		10/25-29/08	1	10	41	48	1
4/01B CBS	3	58	29	7	3	12/4-8/08 CBS	1	8	37	54	
5/01 CBS	4	64	23	7	2	1/11-15/09	1	6	30	62	-
6/14-18/01	3	67	22	6	2	2/2-4/09 CBS	-	5	31	63	1
9/20-23/01	3	50	33	11	2	2/18-22/09	-	8	30	61	1
10/25-28/01	3	53	33	9	2	3/12-16/09 CBS	-	12	36	52	
12/07-10/01	3	52	35	8	2	4/1-5/09	1	10	38	51	1
1/5-6/02 CBS	3	49	36	8	4	4/22-26/09	1	15	40	44	1
1/15-17/02CBS	2	49	36	11	2	5/6-12/09 CBS	1	17	45	36	1
1/21-24/02	2	50	36	10	1	6/12-16/09	1	14	48	36	1
2/24-26/02CBS	1	52	38	7	2	7/9-12/09 CBS	1	13	42	44	
5/13-14/02CBS	4	62	27	7	-	7/24-28/09	1	17	47	35	1
6/18-20/02CBS	3	56	30	9	2	8/27-31/09 CBS	2	18	43	36	1
7/13-16/02	2	47	36	13	2	9/19-23/09	1	21	49	28	1
7/22-23/02CBS	3	42	39	14	2	10/5-8/09 CBS	1	15	49	35	
8/6-7/02 CBS	2	45	38	13	2	11/13-16/09 CBS	1	18	42	37	2
9/2-5/02	3	47	36	14	1	12/4-8/09	2	20	44	33	1
10/3-6/02	4	39	42	14	2	1/6-10/10 CBS	2	15	50	32	1
10/27-31/02	1	44	38	15	1	2/5-10/10	1	16	44	39	1
11/20-24/02	2	46	37	13	2						

16. Do you think the economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same?

	Better	Worse	Same	DK/NA		Better	Worse	Same	DK/NA
1/92A	8	47	44	1	1/12-15/04	34	26	39	1
1/92B	9	45	44	1	2/12-15/04 CBS	33	27	39	1
2/92B	13	38	48	1	3/10-14/04	28	27	43	2
3/92	20	26	53	1	4/23-27/04	30	26	44	1
4/92	18	31	50	1	5/20-23/04 CBS	23	32	43	2
7/92	12	33	54	1	6/23-27/04	28	23	47	1
8/92A	10	36	53	1	9/12-16/04	26	27	45	2
9/92A	10	33	55	2	10/14-17/04	24	33	42	1
10/92A	9	38	51	1	11/18-21/04	26	29	44	1
10/92C	12	37	49	2	1/14-18/05	25	29	45	1
10/92D	17	33	48	2	2/24-28/05	23	30	46	1
10/92E	17	32	49	2	6/10-15/05	18	36	45	2
12/92	29	17	51	3	7/29-8/2/05 CBS	20	32	47	1
1/93	26	18	55	1	9/9-13/05	13	47	38	2
2/93	32	15	51	2	10/30-11/1/05 CBS	16	40	44	
3/93	21	19	58	2	12/2-6/05	19	35	45	1
6/93A	13	26	60	1	1/5-8/06 CBS	20	37	43	
8/93 CBS	12	30	56	2	1/20-25/06	17	38	44	1
9/93	14	26	58	1	3/9-12/06	13	39	47	1
11/93	19	24	57	1	5/4-8/06	14	47	39	1
1/94	31	17	57	1	7/21-25/06	12	47	41	1
4/94	24	25	50	1	9/15-19/06	17	36	46	1
7/94	22	21	56	1	10/5-8/06	19	31	49	1
9/94	23	27	50	1	10/27-31/06	16	38	44	
11/94	20	26	53	1	2/8-11/07 CBS	15	34	49	2
1/95 CBS	23	24	53	1	2/23-27/07	11	35	51	2
2/95	27	20	53	1	4/9-12/07 CBS	11	44	44	1
3/95	18	27	53	2	5/18-23/07	11	43	44	2
8/95	14	27	58	1	7/9-17/07	12	41	45	2
10/95	13	27	57	2	9/4-8/07	8	49	43	1
2/95	16	26	56	2	10/12-16/07 CBS	9	45	44	2
1/96	13	31	54	2	12/5-9/07	5	53	40	2
2/96	14	29	55	2	1/9-12/08	4	62	33	1
4/96	14	32	53	2	1/30-2/2/08 CBS	6	67	26	1
6/96	13	29	57	1	2/20-24/08	3	63	32	1
6/96 NYT	18	22	58	1	3/15-18/08 CBS	2	75	21	2
9/96	23	21	54	2	3/28-4/2/08	4	70	25	1
7/96	16	27	55	2	4/25-29/08	4	70	24	1
8/96C	17	23	57	3	5/30-6/3/08 CBS	3	69	27	1
10/96	26	19	53	2	7/7-14/08	3	67	29	1
11/96	24	19	55	2	9/12-16/08	6	61	32	1
12/96	19	21	57	2	9/21-24/08	2	70	26	2
1/97	24	19	56	1	9/27-30/08 CBS	2	76	20	2
4/97	16	25	57	1	10/3-5/08 CBS	3	75	21	1
11/97 CBS	23	19	55	3	10/10-13/08	5	67	26	2
12/97	29	18	51	2	10/19-22/08	11	57	30	2
1/98	32	13	55	1	10/25-29/08	8	57	32	3
10/98A	20	26	53	2	12/4-8/08 CBS	8	60	29	3
10/98B	23	21	53	2	1/11-15/08	7	54	37	2
2/00	30	15	52	2	2/2-4/09 CBS	5	51	42	2
1/01 CBS	11	39	49	1	2/18-22/09	8	51	40	1
2/01 CBS	8	46	44	2	3/12-16/09 CBS	19	41	37	3
3/8-12/01	7	41	49	2	4/1-5/09	20	34	43	3
4/01 CBS	9	48	41	2	4/22-26/09	26	25	48	2
5/01 CBS	10	44	44	2	5/6-12/09 CBS	32	23	44	1
6/14-18/01	9	40	50	1	6/12-16/09	27	25	46	2
9/20-23/01	8	55	35	2	7/9-12/09 CBS	21	33	45	1
10/25-28/01	14	37	46	2	7/24-28/09	32	22	45	1
12/07-10/01	19	34	45	2	8/27-31/09 CBS	36	25	38	1
1/5-6/02 CBS	26	27	44	3	9/19-23/09	36	17	46	-
1/21-24/02	18	33	48	1	10/5-8/09 CBS	31	18	50	1
5/13-14/02CBS	31	18	51	-	11/13-16/09 CBS	32	25	42	1
7/13-16/02	14	41	44	2	12/4-8/09	29	23	47	1
10/3-5/02	13	39	46	2	1/6-10/10 CBS	31	19	49	1
10/27-31/02	17	34	48	1	1/14-17/10 CBS	24	28	48	
11/20-24/02	19	30	50	2	2/5-10/10	24	29	45	2
1/19-22/03	17	39	44	1					
4/11-13/03	17	31	49	2					
5/9-12/03	22	28	49	1					
7/13-27/03	22	31	46	1					
8/26-28/03 CBS	25	31	43	1					
9/28-10/1/03	24	29	46	1					
12/10-13/03	34	24	41	1					
12/14-15/03	39	19	39	2					

17. How much longer do you think the effects of the recession will last - six months, a year, two years, or more than two years?

	6 months	1 year	2 years	More than 2 years	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	4	23	25	45	4

18. Who do you think is mostly to blame for the current state of the nation's economy - 1. the Bush administration, 2. the Obama administration, 3. Wall Street and financial institutions, 4. Congress, or 5. someone else? **ANSWER OPTIONS WERE ROTATED.**

	4/1-5/09	7/24-28/09	2/5-10/10
Bush administration	33	30	31
Obama administration	2	4	7
Wall Street and financial institutions	21	29	23
Congress	11	12	13
Someone else	7	7	5
All of the above (vol.)	7	6	9
Combination (vol.)	14	11	10
DK/NA	4	2	1

19. From what you know so far, which comes closest to your own view? 1. the economic stimulus package has already created a substantial number of new jobs in the U.S. OR 2. it will create a substantial number of new jobs but hasn't done that yet OR 3. it will not create a substantial number of new jobs?

	Has already created jobs	Will create jobs but hasn't yet	Will not create new jobs	DK/NA
7/24-28/09	4	53	41	3
9/19-23/09	7	52	38	3
12/4-8/09	6	44	45	5
2/5-10/10	6	41	48	5

20. Which comes closest to your view? 1. The U.S. needs to fix its health care system now as part of fixing the overall economy. OR 2. Because of the state of the economy, the U.S. cannot afford to fix its health care system right now.

	Need to fix now	Can't afford to fix now	DK/NA
7/9-12/09 CBS	49	46	5
7/24-28/09	52	44	4
9/19-23/09	52	42	6
2/5-10/10	44	53	4

24. If a third political party were created, do you think that would give people like you more say in government, or wouldn't a third party make that much difference?

	More say in gov't	Wouldn't make difference	Depends(vol.)	DK/NA
3/31-4/2/96*	34	57	5	4
2/5-10/10	31	60	4	6

26. How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do what is right – just about always, most of the time, or only some of the time?

	Always	Most	Some	Never(vol.)	DK/NA	Always/ Most	Some/ Never
2/76 ¹	7	29	55	5	4	36	60
6/76 ¹	4	30	58	5	3	33	64
9/76	5	35	52	4	5	40	56
4/77	6	29	62	3		35	62
10/77	4	28	62	2	3	33	64
11/79	3	26	64	3	3	30	68
3/80	3	22	69	2	4	26	71
11/80 ¹	4	35	57	2	3	39	58
6/83 NYT	7	43	46	1	3	51	46
11/83 NYT	6	38	51	1	3	44	53
11/84B	4	41	51	1	3	46	51
2/85 NYT	5	41	49	3		47	50
11/85 ²	8	41	42	7	2	49	49
1/86	5	37	54	1	3	42	55
11/86	7	42	46	3	2	49	49
1/87	7	37	52	2	3	43	54
2/87	6	35	54	2	2	42	56
10/87	5	35	55	2	3	41	57
11/88B	4	40	52	2	2	44	54
1/89	6	38	53	1	1	44	54
4/90	6	32	53	4	5	38	57
10/90B	3	22	70	2	2	25	73
3/91	7	40	50	2	2	46	52
10/92C*	1	22	72	3	2	23	75
1/93	2	22	73	3	1	24	75
11/94	2	20	76	2	1	22	78
2/95	2	16	77	4	1	18	81
8/95	3	17	75	4	2	20	79
11/96	2	23	70	3	2	25	73
1/97	1	22	72	4	1	23	76
1/98	3	23	71	3	1	26	74
10/98B	2	24	70	3	1	26	73
10/25-28/01	10	45	42	2	2	55	44
12/7-10/01	5	42	49	2	1	47	51
1/21-24/02	5	41	51	2	1	46	53
7/13-16/02	5	33	57	4	1	38	61
9/2-5/02	5	33	57	4	2	38	61
7/13-27/03	4	32	60	3	1	36	63
7/11-15/04	4	36	56	3	1	40	59
9/9-13/05	3	26	63	6	1	29	69
12/2-6/05	2	30	65	2	1	32	67
1/20-25/06	5	27	63	4	1	32	67
9/15-19/06	1	26	65	6	2	27	71
10/5-8/06	2	26	66	4	1	28	70
7/9-17/07	2	22	71	5	1	24	76
10/10-13/08	1	16	74	9	1	17	83
6/12-16/09	3	17	73	6	1	20	79
8/27-31/09 CBS	2	21	68	7	2	23	75
2/5-10/10	3	16	74	7	1	19	81

¹ Question read: How much of the time do you think you can trust the government to do what's right--just about always, most of the time, only some time, or none of the time?

² Question read: How much do you trust the government in Washington to do what is right--just about always, most of the time, only some of the time, or almost never?

27. If you had to choose, would you rather have a smaller government providing fewer services, or a bigger government providing more services?

	Smaller	Bigger	Depends(vol.)	DK/NA
10/15-18/91	42	43	7	8
2/22-25/96	61	30	4	5
9/14-18/99 CBS	46	43	5	6
10/29-31/00* CBS	57	32	5	6
11/1-4/00*	55	32	4	9
1/15-17/01 CBS	51	36	5	8
10/25-28/01	52	43	4	2
1/21-24/02	46	40	3	10
7/13-27/03	48	40	5	8
11/10-13/03 CBS	45	42	4	9
3/28-4/2/08	43	43	4	10
4/1-5/09	48	41	5	7
2/5-10/10	56	34	4	6

28. Which comes closer to your view: Government should do more to solve national problems, or Government is doing too many things better left to businesses and individuals?

	Government should do more	Government doing too much	DK/NA
10/29-11/1/94	30	63	7
11/27-28/94 CBS	31	59	10
1/2-3/95 CBS	31	63	6
8/5-9/95	24	66	10
10/22-25/95	27	64	9
2/22-24/96	32	60	8
3/31-4/2/96	34	59	7
5/31-6/3/96	36	57	7
8/16-18/96*	36	58	6
8/26-28/96* CBS	32	60	8
9/2-4/96*	28	62	10
10/10-13/96*	29	62	9
1/30-2/1/97 CBS	34	58	7
10/31-11/1/98 CBS	38	54	8
7/13-17/00*	33	57	10
3/7-11/07	41	52	7
3/12-16/09 CBS	41	51	8
6/12-16/09	34	56	10
2/5-10/10	35	59	5

29. Which comes closest to your feelings about the way things are going in Washington enthusiastic, satisfied but not enthusiastic, dissatisfied but not angry, or angry?

	Enthusiastic	Satisfied but not enthusiastic	Dissatisfied but not angry	Angry	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	3	26	53	17	2

30. Would you say the government is pretty much run by a few big interests looking out for themselves, or that it is run for the benefit of all the people?

	Few big interests	All people	DK/NA
9/76	57	33	10
10/76A	61	31	9
10/76B	57	35	8
6/83 NYT	54	33	12
11/83 NYT	59	30	11
11/84B	49	40	11
2/85 NYT	55	36	9
12/85 NYT	54	37	9
11/88B	57	35	8
10/90	71	21	8
10/90B	77	18	5
3/92	75	19	5
8/5-9/95	79	15	6
5/30-6/1/97 Gallup	74	22	4
7/6-9/00 Gallup	70	25	5
7/11-15/04	64	28	7
2/5-10/10	78	18	5

31. How much say do you think people like yourself have about what the government does – a good deal, some, or not much?

	A good deal	Some	Not much	DK/NA
10/90B	11	30	58	1
10/92C	9	29	60	2
10/92C*	9	32	58	1
11/94	6	25	68	1
8/95	12	29	58	2
11/96	12	37	50	1
9/99 CBS	9	38	52	1
2/00	14	37	48	1
5/00	10	25	64	2
7/13-27/03	10	33	56	1
9/15-19/06	8	29	62	1
2/5-10/10	8	21	70	1

32. As you may know, the budget deficit is the shortfall when the amount of money the government spends is more than the amount of money it takes in. How much have you heard or read about the federal government's current budget deficit – a lot, some, not much, or nothing at all?

	A lot	Some	Not much	Nothing at all	DK/NA
6/12-16/09	38	36	20	6	1
7/24-28/09	30	34	28	7	-
2/5-10/10	42	34	20	3	1

33. Which comes closer to your own view? The federal government should spend money to create jobs, even if it means increasing the budget deficit. OR The federal government should NOT spend money to create jobs and should instead focus on reducing the budget deficit.

	Create jobs	Reduce budget deficit	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	47	45	7

34. In order to reduce the federal budget deficit, would you be willing or not willing for the government to decrease spending in areas such as health care or education?

	Willing	Not willing	Some, but not others(vol.)	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	30	62	5	3

35. In order to reduce the federal budget deficit, would you be willing or not willing to decrease military spending?

	Willing	Not willing	Some, but not others(vol.)	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	45	51	2	2

36. Who do you think is mostly to blame for the federal budget deficit – 1. the Bush administration, 2. the Obama administration, 3. Congress, or 4. someone else? **ANSWER OPTIONS WERE ROTATED.**

	2/5-10/10
Bush administration	41
Obama administration	7
Congress	24
Someone else	10
All of the above (vol.)	10
Combination (vol.)	7
DK/NA	1

37. Which is a bigger concern to you personally – the economy and jobs OR health insurance and health care costs?

	Economy and jobs	Health insurance and costs	Both(vol.)	Neither(vol.)	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	59	27	13	1	-

39. The Obama administration has proposed letting the tax cuts passed in 2001 expire for households earning about \$250,000 a year or more. This would increase federal income taxes for those people. Do you think this proposal is a good idea or a bad idea?

	Good idea	Bad idea	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	62	31	7

40. In general, is your opinion of the Republican party favorable or not favorable?

QUESTIONS 40-41 WERE ROTATED.

	Fav	Not fav	DK/NA		Fav	Not fav	DK/NA
12/85 NYT	58	29	14	3/8-12/01	54	39	7
11/88B	57	34	10	6/14-18/01	46	47	8
1/90	63	28	9	1/21-24/02	58	33	9
4/90	58	34	8	7/13-16/02	53	38	9
6/91	62	28	10	10/3-5/02	53	39	8
5/92 CBS	46	45	9	10/27-31/02	57	35	8
6/92	49	43	8	11/20-24/02	51	39	10
7/92*	46	47	7	1/19-22/03	50	41	9
8/92*	47	48	5	5/9-12/03	53	40	7
1/94	52	36	12	7/13-27/03	46	45	9
9/94	52	36	10	9/28-10/1/03	51	43	5
11/94	54	39	7	12/10-13/03	47	44	9
11/94 CBS	59	33	8	12/14-16/03	53	39	9
1/95 CBS	53	38	9	1/12-15/04	48	43	8
2/95	54	37	8	3/10-14/04	49	43	8
4/95	54	40	6	7/11-15/04	47	47	5
8/95	54	37	9	10/14-17/04	47	46	7
4/96*	43	51	7	11/18-21/04	49	46	5
8/96*	46	47	7	1/14-18/05	49	44	7
8/96B* CBS	47	43	10	12/2-6/05	42	50	8
8/96C*	52	42	6	1/20-25/06	44	51	5
8/96D* CBS	48	43	9	3/9-12/06 CBS	36	58	6
9/96*	48	44	7	4/6-9/06 CBS	40	53	7
1/97	50	41	9	5/4-8/06	37	57	6
12/98	42	51	8	7/21-25/06	43	51	6
12/17/98	33	57	10	9/15-19/06	41	52	8
12/19/98	36	59	5	10/5-8/06	39	54	7
12/20/98	36	58	6	10/27-31/06	36	56	7
1/99 CBS	38	55	7	2/23-27/07	34	56	10
1/99	41	52	8	3/7-11/07	34	58	8
2/99 CBS	40	49	11	5/18-23/07	38	56	5
6/99 CBS	41	47	12	7/9-17/07	38	56	5
9/99 CBS	43	45	12	12/5-9/07	33	59	7
11/99	48	43	9	4/25-29/08	33	58	9
2/00	49	41	10	10/10-13/08	37	54	9
5/00*	53	40	8	10/19-22/08	36	60	4
7/00B*	54	41	5	4/1-5/09	31	58	11
9/00D*	49	44	7	6/12-16/09	28	58	14
11/00L	49	44	7	2/5-10/10	35	57	8

41. In general, is your opinion of the Democratic party favorable or not favorable?

QUESTIONS 40-41 WERE ROTATED.

	Fav	Not fav	DK/NA		Fav	Not fav	DK/NA
12/85 NYT	59	27	14	3/8-12/01	55	38	7
11/88B	54	36	10	6/14-18/01	56	36	9
1/90	58	32	10	1/21-24/02	58	34	8
4/90	54	35	11	7/13-16/02	53	36	11
6/91	52	34	13	10/3-5/02	53	39	8
5/92 CBS	46	43	10	10/27-31/02*	55	38	7
6/92	49	40	11	11/20-24/02	45	44	11
7/92*	49	43	8	1/19-22/03	52	39	9
8/92*	57	37	6	5/9-12/03	46	45	9
1/94	49	40	12	7/13-27/03	49	42	9
9/94	48	44	8	9/28-10/1/03	53	39	7
11/94	44	48	8	12/10-13/03	55	36	9
11/94 CBS	40	52	8	12/14-16/03	51	39	10
1/95 CBS	47	47	6	1/12-15/04	54	36	10
2/95	47	45	8	3/10-14/04	51	41	9
4/95	48	45	7	7/11-15/04	55	38	7
8/95	47	45	8	10/14-17/04	52	40	8
4/96*	46	47	6	11/18-21/04	54	39	6
8/96*	55	39	6	1/14-18/05	51	41	8
8/96B* CBS	52	39	9	12/2-6/05	46	43	10
8/96C*	53	40	6	1/20-25/06	53	40	7
8/96D* CBS	57	36	7	3/9-12/06 CBS	47	46	7
9/96*	56	39	5	4/6-9/06 CBS	48	43	9
1/97	55	39	7	5/4-8/06	55	37	8
12/98	56	36	8	7/21-25/06	52	41	7
12/17/98	56	35	8	9/15-16/06	52	40	8
12/19/98	65	31	5	10/5-8/06	52	40	8
12/20/98	60	34	5	10/27-31/06	49	40	10
1/99 CBS	61	32	7	2/23-27/07	48	41	11
1/99	56	37	6	3/7-11/07	47	43	9
2/99	57	32	11	5/18-23/07	53	42	5
6/99	51	36	13	7/9-17/07	52	41	7
9/99	53	37	10	12/5-9/07	48	44	8
11/99	52	39	9	4/25-29/08	52	41	8
2/00	61	31	9	10/10-13/08	52	38	10
5/00*	54	40	6	10/19-22/08	56	40	5
7/00B*	56	39	5	4/1-5/09	56	34	10
9/00D*	58	36	6	6/12-16/09	57	32	11
11/00L	56	37	7	2/5-10/10	42	51	8

42. Regardless of how you usually vote, do you think the Republican party or the Democratic party is more likely to improve the health care system?

	Republican	Democratic	Both(vol.)	Neither(vol.)	DK/NA
6/91	22	51	7	4	17
11/93	22	47	12	4	14
1/94	20	59	2	7	12
10/98B	24	57	3	3	13
1/99	25	59	2	5	9
11/99	28	54	3	5	10
7/00B*	28	52	7	4	9
9/00D*	27	53	3	5	12
1/21-24/02	28	51	5	4	11
7/13-16/02	22	58	4	4	11
10/3-5/02	22	62	4	4	9
5/9-12/03	29	51	3	6	11
5/4-8/06	19	62	2	6	10
2/23-27/07	19	62	1	8	9
4/25-29/08	19	63	1	9	8
10/10-13/08	18	55	2	11	14
3/12-16/09 CBS	18	65	1	8	8
6/12-16/09	18	57	2	8	15
2/5-10/10	27	44	3	15	10

43. Regardless of how you usually vote, do you think the Republican party or the Democratic party is more likely to ensure a strong economy?

	Republican	Democratic	Both(vol.)	Neither(vol.)	DK/NA
1/14-21/84*	46	39	2	2	11
9/30-10/4/84* ¹	52	28	2	4	14
10/8-10/88* ²	51	31	2	3	13
3/4-6/91*	42	27	5	8	18
8/3-5/96*	46	38	3	3	10
8/12-14/96* CBS	43	36	1	5	15
8/16-18/96*	48	38	2	3	8
8/26-28/96* CBS	43	41	1	5	10
9/2-4/96*	39	43	1	5	13
11/4-7/99	39	43	2	4	12
7/20/23/00*	43	39	6	3	9
8/18-20/00*	37	45	4	4	10
3/22/03	35	41	2	5	18
3/23/03	37	40	2	5	16
3/24/03	37	39	2	3	20
3/22-24/03	36	40	2	4	18
5/9-12/03	42	41	1	6	10
11/10-12/03* CBS	35	47	3	5	10
12/10-13/03	34	43	2	6	15
12/14-16/03	40	38	2	4	16
12/2-6/05	37	45	2	6	11
3/9-12/06 CBS	34	48	1	4	13
4/6-9/06 CBS	36	46	2	5	11
7/21-25/06	36	48	1	4	10
8/11-13/06 CBS	36	49	1	5	9
9/15-19/06	35	50	3	3	9
10/5-8/06	36	51	1	3	8
12/5-9/07	31	49	2	6	12
4/25-29/08	28	56	2	5	9
7/7-14/08*	31	51	2	6	11
10/10-13/08*	29	47	3	7	14
2/5-10/10	42	37	4	8	9

¹Question read: "Regardless of how you intend to vote, do..." ²Question read: "Regardless of which presidential candidate you intend to vote for next month, do..."

44. Regardless of how you usually vote, do you think the Republican party or the Democratic party is more likely to create new jobs?

	Republican	Democratic	Both(vol.)	Neither(vol.)	DK/NA
5/9-12/03 ¹	32	54	3	3	8
7/13-27/03	31	51	2	5	11
11/10-12/03* CBS	31	45	2	7	15
12/10-13/03	31	51	4	3	12
12/14-16/03	35	46	2	1	16
7/11-15/04	33	54	3	3	8
12/4-8/09	31	42	3	11	12
2/5-10/10	36	42	5	8	9

45. Do you think most members of Congress are more interested in serving the people they represent, or more interested in serving special interest groups?

	People	Special interest	DK/NA
10/8-10/90	20	71	8
9/8-11/94	14	79	7
10/29-11/1/94	16	78	6
10/17-20/96*	23	65	12
10/26-28/98	25	62	13
9/15-19/06	20	73	7
10/5-8/06	16	78	6
2/5-10/10	13	80	7

46. Do you think Barack Obama is more interested in serving the American people, or more interested in serving special interest groups?

	People	Special interest groups	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	57	35	8

47. Do you think Barack Obama is trying to work with Republicans in Congress in order to get things done, or isn't he? **QUESTIONS 47-48 WERE ROTATED.**

	Work with Reps	Not work with Reps	DK/NA
2/2-4/09 CBS	81	12	7
2/18-22/09	74	20	6
2/5-10/10	62	32	6

48. Do you think Republicans in Congress are trying to work with Barack Obama in order to get things done, or aren't they? **QUESTIONS 47-48 WERE ROTATED.**

	Work with Obama	Not work with Obama	DK/NA
2/2-4/09 CBS	41	47	12
2/18-22/09	31	57	12
2/5-10/10	29	62	9

49. Which do you think Barack Obama SHOULD do – compromise some of his positions in order to get things done, or stick to his positions even if it means not getting as much done? **QUESTIONS 49-50 WERE ROTATED.**

	Compromise	Stick to positions	Depends(vol.)	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	72	22	3	3

50. Which do you think the Republicans in Congress SHOULD do – compromise some of their positions in order to get things done, or stick to their positions even if it means not getting as much done? **QUESTIONS 49-50 WERE ROTATED.**

	Compromise	Stick to positions	Depends(vol.)	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	74	22	2	3

53. As you may know, the Senate operates under procedures that effectively require 60 votes, out of 100, for most legislation to pass, allowing a minority of as few as 41 senators to block a majority. Do you think this procedure should remain in place, or do you think it should be changed so that legislation is passed with a simple majority?

	Should remain	Should change	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	44	50	6

54. In his first year in office, do you think Barack Obama has accomplished more than you expected, less than you expected, or about what you expected him to accomplish by now?

	More	Less	About expected	DK/NA
1/14-17/10 CBS	14	26	56	4
2/5-10/10	9	37	51	3

55. How much progress do you think Barack Obama has made in bringing real change to the way things are done in Washington – a lot, some, not much or none at all?

	A lot	Some	Not much	None at all	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	9	39	30	20	2

56. Do you think Barack Obama does or does not understand the needs and problems of people like yourself?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
9/12-16/08*	60	33	6
9/21-24/08*	66	27	7
9/27-30/08* CBS	67	28	4
10/10-13/08*	64	29	6
10/19-22/08*	68	28	5
10/25-29/08*	64	32	4
2/5-10/10	60	37	3

57. Do you think the Democrats in Congress do or do not understand the needs and problems of people like yourself? **QUESTIONS 57-58 WERE ROTATED.**

	Yes	No	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	42	54	4

58. Do you think the Republicans in Congress do or do not understand the needs and problems of people like yourself? **QUESTIONS 57-58 WERE ROTATED.**

	Yes	No	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	35	62	4

59. Do you think Barack Obama has offered reasonable solutions to the economic problems you and your family are facing, or not?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	40	53	7

60. Do you think the Democrats in Congress have offered reasonable solutions to the economic problems you and your family are facing, or not? **QUESTIONS 60-61 WERE ROTATED.**

	Yes	No	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	29	62	9

61. Do you think the Republicans in Congress have offered reasonable solutions to the economic problems you and your family are facing, or not? **QUESTIONS 60-61 WERE ROTATED.**

	Yes	No	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	22	68	10

62. In general, do you think the policies of the Obama Administration favor the rich, favor the middle class, favor the poor, or do they treat all groups equally?

	Favor rich	Favor middle class	Favor poor	Treat equally	DK/NA
4/1-5/09	12	25	15	40	8
2/5-10/10	22	24	18	25	11

63. In trying to solve the economic problems facing the country, do you think Barack Obama has expanded the role of government too much, not enough, or about the right amount?

	Too much	Not enough	About right	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	36	21	37	5

64. Do you think Barack Obama has spent too much time, too little time, or the right amount of time trying to fix the nation's economy and create jobs?

	Too much	Too little	Right amount	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	9	52	35	4

65. Do you think Barack Obama does or does not have a clear plan for creating jobs?

	Does	Does not	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	39	56	5

66. By the end of Barack Obama's term in office, do you expect the economy to be better than it is today, worse than it is today, or about the same?

	Better	Worse	Same	DK/NA
1/11-15/09	75	5	17	2
2/5-10/10	47	16	36	2

67. So far, do you think the Obama Administration has increased taxes for most Americans, decreased taxes for most Americans, or have they kept taxes the same for most Americans?

	Increased	Decreased	Kept the same	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	24	12	53	11

72. Do you think Barack Obama has spent too much time, too little time, or the right amount of time on changing the health care system?

	Too much	Too little	Right amount	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	48	21	28	3

73. Who do you think is more responsible for the recent difficulties in passing health care reform -- President Obama or Congress, or are they both equally responsible?

	President Obama	Congress	Both equal	Neither(vol.)	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	5	37	56	1	1

74. **ASKED OF THOSE WHO ANSWERED "CONGRESS OR BOTH EQUAL" TO Q73:** Do you think it is mainly the Republicans in Congress that are more responsible, or mainly the Democrats in Congress, or are both equally responsible?

	Republicans	Democrats	Both	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	26	11	55	2

75. How likely do you think it is that Congress will pass and President Obama will sign into law a health care reform bill – very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not at all likely?

	Very	Somewhat	Not very	Not at all	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	16	38	28	16	2

Related trend: How likely do you think it is that Congress will pass and President Obama will sign into law a health care reform bill **by the end of the year** — very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not at all likely?

	Very	Somewhat	Not very	Not at all	DK/NA
7/24-28/09	16	43	30	10	1
10/5-8/09 CBS	14	36	33	14	3
11/13-16/09 CBS	16	34	33	15	2

76. From what you know, do you approve or disapprove of Barack Obama's proposal for a new tax on the country's largest banks, or haven't you heard enough about the tax yet to say?

	Approve	Disapprove	Haven't heard enough	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	28	15	56	2

77. When it comes to government regulation of banks and financial institutions, which comes closer to your opinion: 1. The government should increase regulations on these institutions now to help prevent more financial crises from happening again in the future, OR 2. The government should NOT increase regulations on these institutions now, because that will discourage private investors and slow down economic growth.

	Should increase regulations	Should not increase regulations	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	56	36	8

78. Which of the following comes closest to your view of the way financial institutions have used federal funds they received from the government? 1. They have mostly used the funds to stabilize themselves so they can return to normal lending. OR 2. They have mostly used the funds to pay their own executives.

	Mostly to stabilize	Mostly paid executives	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	29	60	11

79. Many large banks and financial companies that received bailout money from the government have paid the money back. Which best describes your feelings about these companies now paying their employees bonuses – are you angry, bothered but not angry, or are you not bothered by this?

	Angry	Bothered	Not bothered	DK/NA
1/14-17/10 CBS	37	33	28	2
2/5-10/10	40	35	23	2

SPLIT HALF — RESPONDENTS WERE ASKED Q82-83 OR Q84-85

82. Do you favor or oppose permitting homosexuals to serve in the military? Do you favor/oppose that strongly or not so strongly? **BASED ON HALF SAMPLE N= 550**

	Favor strongly	Favor not so strongly	Oppose strongly	Oppose not so strongly	DK/NA
2/9-11/93	21	21	29	13	15
1/11-15/09	46	21	11	6	15
2/5-10/10	34	25	19	10	12

83. IF FAVOR, ASK: What if they openly announce their sexual orientation? In that case would you favor or oppose permitting homosexuals to serve in the military?

	Favor	Oppose	DK/NA
2/9-11/93	37	14	6
2/5-10/10	44	12	3

84. Do you favor or oppose permitting gay men and lesbians to serve in the military? Do you favor/oppose that strongly or not so strongly? **BASED ON HALF SAMPLE N=534**

	Favor strongly	Favor not so strongly	Oppose strongly	Oppose not so strongly	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	51	19	12	7	10

85. IF FAVOR, ASK: What if they openly announce their sexual orientation? In that case would you favor or oppose permitting gay men and lesbians to serve in the military?

	Favor	Oppose	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	58	9	3

86. Do you think the policies of the Obama Administration have made the United States safer from terrorism, less safe from terrorism, or have the policies of the Obama Administration not affected the United States' safety from terrorism?

	Safer	Less safe	No effect	DK/NA
4/22-26/09	23	19	49	9
8/27-31/09	25	23	42	10
1/14-17/10 CBS	28	22	41	9
2/5-10/10	27	25	44	5

87. How likely do you think it is that there will be another terrorist attack in the United States within the next few months – very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, not at all likely?

	Very	Somewhat	Not very	Not at all	Already(vol.)	DK/NA
9/20-23/01	36	42	16	4		2
10/8/01 CBS	46	39	8	3		4
10/25-28/01	53	35	8	2		3
12/7-10/01	23	50	19	5		3
1/5-6/02 CBS	18	47	27	6		2
1/21-24/02	23	48	21	4		3
2/24-26/02 CBS	18	44	29	5		4
4/1-2/02 CBS	28	46	17	5		4
4/15-18/02 CBS	21	46	22	7		4
5/13-14/02 CBS	25	47	21	4		3
5/19-20/02 CBS	33	41	17	6		3
6/18-20/02 CBS	36	45	13	3		3
7/8-9/02 CBS	30	43	22	4		1
7/13-16/02	27	47	20	4		3
9/2-5/02	23	46	23	5		3
10/27-31/02	27	47	15	7		3
11/20-24/02	27	50	15	6		2
1/19-22/03	14	48	28	7		3
2/10-12/03	35	45	14	4		2
2/24-25/03 CBS	23	51	18	6		2
3/4-5/03 CBS	27	48	17	4		4
5/27-28/03 CBS	24	47	22	5		2
8/26-28/03 CBS	15	49	25	8		3
7/11-15/04	24	47	20	7		3
8/15-18/04 CBS	17	50	20	8		5
9/12-16/04	18	48	23	8		4
7/13-14/05 CBS	19	46	25	7		3
7/29-8/2/05 CBS	17	44	28	8		3
8/29-31/05 CBS	9	43	35	7		6
1/20-25/06	10	43	33	11		3
8/11-13/06 CBS	17	47	27	6		3
8/17-21/06	16	43	30	9		2
7/9-17/07	17	40	30	10		2
7/20-22/07	16	41	29	9		6
9/4-9/07	9	39	37	11		4
12/5-9/07	11	29	38	17		4
9/5-7/08 CBS	7	29	43	17		4
12/4-8/08 CBS	9	36	38	15		2
1/11-15/09	5	29	42	21	-	3
8/27-31/09 CBS	7	25	43	19		6
1/6-10/10	26	40	22	8		4
2/5-10/10	18	40	28	10		4

88. How much have you heard or read about the Tea Party movement – a lot, some, not much or nothing at all yet?

	A lot	Some	Not much	Nothing	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	18	27	21	34	-

QUESTIONS 89-95 ASKED OF THOSE WHO ANSWERED “A LOT, SOME, OR NOT MUCH” TO Q88

89. How much do you know about what the Tea Party movement stands for – lot, some, not much or nothing at all?

	A lot	Some	Not much	Nothing	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	13	27	18	8	

90. Is your opinion of the Tea Party movement favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about the Tea Party movement yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not fav.	Undecided	Haven't heard enough	Refused
2/5-10/10	17	13	12	24	-

91. Regardless of your opinion, do you think the views of the people involved in the Tea Party movement generally reflect the views of most Americans, or not?

	Reflect most Americans	Do not reflect most	Both/Some(vol.)	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	22	28	3	14

92. Do you think the Tea Party movement has too much influence, too little influence, or the right amount of influence in the Republican Party?

	Too much	Too little	Right amount	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	14	14	19	19

93. Do you think the Tea Party movement will make the Republican Party stronger, will make the Republican Party weaker or will it have no effect on the Republican Party?

	Stronger	Weaker	No effect	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	20	11	20	16

94. From what you have heard or read, would you say you generally agree or disagree with the Tea Party movement's positions on most social and political issues?

	Agree	Disagree	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	24	23	20

95. Do you consider yourself to be a supporter of the Tea Party movement, or not?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	18	39	9

98. Which one of the following television networks do you watch most for information about politics and current events – ABC, CBS, NBC, CNN, FOX News Channel, MSNBC, or don't you watch television news?

	2/5-10/10
ABC, CBS, NBC	34
CNN	13
Fox News Channel	26
MSNBC	5
Don't watch news	10
Other	2
Combination(vol.)	10
DK/NA	1

99. Do you think of shows hosted by people like Keith Olbermann and Rachel Maddow more as news shows or more as entertainment? **BASED ON MSNBC VIEWERS N=50**

	News	Entertainment	Both(vol.)	Neither(vol.)	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	Insufficient number of respondents				

100. Do you think of shows hosted by people like Glenn Beck and Sean Hannity more as news shows or more as entertainment? **BASED ON FOX NEWS CHANNEL VIEWERS N=269**

	News	Entertainment	Both(vol.)	Neither(vol.)	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	44	33	11	1	10

101. How would you rate the financial situation in your household these days? Is it very good, fairly good, fairly bad or very bad?

	Very good	Fairly good	Fairly bad	Very bad	DK/NA
11/10-16/88	12	69	13	5	2
10/8-10/90	14	70	11	4	1
7/21-25/06	12	64	17	5	1
4/20-24/07	14	69	13	4	1
2/20-24/08	18	60	15	6	1
3/28-4/2/08	9	63	20	7	1
7/7-14/08	13	61	19	7	1
8/15-19/08	15	56	20	8	1
1/11-15/09	10	63	19	8	1
2/18-22/09	12	55	21	11	1
4/1-5/09	10	56	21	12	1
12/4-8/09	13	56	20	11	1
2/5-10/10	9	58	24	8	1

102. Do you think your household's financial situation is getting better, getting worse or staying about the same?

	Getting better	Getting worse	Same	DK/NA
7/24-28/09	8	35	57	-
8/27-31/09 CBS	10	30	59	1
9/19-23/09	12	28	60	-
12/4-8/09	13	22	64	-
2/5-10/10	14	20	66	-

103. Think about your household income, would you say that it is more than enough so that you can save and buy some extras, just enough to meet your bills and obligations, or is it not enough to meet your bills and obligations?

	Can save and buy extras	Just enough to pay bills and obligations	Not enough to pay bills etc.	DK/NA
3/31-4/2/96	27	55	16	2
5/31-6/3/96	24	57	19	1
1/14-18/05	33	48	17	2
7/21-25/06	35	52	12	-
9/15-19/06	34	51	15	-
10/5-8/06	36	46	17	1
10/27-31/06	38	44	17	1
2/24-27/07	37	49	13	1
4/20-24/07	41	48	11	1
12/5-9/07	35	51	13	1
1/30-2/2/08 CBS	33	46	21	
2/20-24/08	38	46	13	2
4/25-29/08	27	48	23	1
5/30-6/3/08 CBS	33	47	18	2
9/12-16/08	37	44	17	2
9/21-24/08	36	44	19	1
10/10-13/08	30	51	18	1
10/19-22/08	29	51	20	1
12/4-8/08 CBS	31	49	19	1
1/11-15/09	29	53	17	1
2/18-22/09	27	55	17	1
4/1-5/09	29	49	22	-
4/22-26/09	29	47	23	1
5/6-12/09 CBS	26	52	22	
6/12-16/09	28	49	22	1
7/9-12/09 CBS	25	45	28	2
1/14-17/10 CBS	22	53	25	
2/5-10/10	25	57	17	1

107. How concerned are you that in the next 12 months you or someone else in your household might be out of work and looking for a job - very concerned, somewhat concerned, or not concerned at all?

	Very	Somewhat	Not at all	DK/NA
3/31-4/2/96	37	25	37	1
9/2-4/96	21	26	51	2
10/3-5/02	31	20	48	1
4/23-27/04	33	25	41	1
5/20-23/04 CBS	31	29	40	
6/23-27/04	28	27	45	-
9/12-16/04	30	26	44	-
10/14-15/04*	20	26	54	
6/10-15/05	20	18	61	1
9/12-16/08	21	23	56	-
10/10-13/08	23	28	49	1
10/19-22/08	35	26	38	1
10/25-29/08	37	31	32	-
1/11-15/09	30	32	38	-
2/2-4/09 CBS	44	28	27	1
2/18-22/09	38	26	35	1
3/12-15/09 CBS	30	30	39	1
4/1-5/09	44	26	30	1
4/22-26/09	32	26	42	1
6/12-16/09	36	28	35	1
7/9-12/09 CBS	40	29	30	1
7/24-28/09	36	26	38	-
8/27-31/09 CBS	26	28	45	1
9/19-23/09	30	28	42	1
12/4-10/09 CBS	20	37	43	
2/5-10/10	31	26	41	2

108. Are you currently employed - either full-time or part-time - or are you temporarily out of work, or are you not in the market for work at all? IF NOT IN MARKET FOR WORK, ASK: Are you currently retired, or not?

	Currently employed	Temporarily out of work	Not in the market for work	Retired	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	59	13	11	17	-

109. If you were asked to use one of these five names for your social class, which would you say you belong in - upper class, upper-middle class, middle class, working class, or lower class?

	Upper	Upper-middle	Middle	Working	Lower	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	1	11	43	37	8	1

Some people are registered to vote and others are not. Are you registered to vote in the precinct or election district where you now live, or aren't you?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	85	15	

Did you vote in the 2008 presidential election, did something prevent you from voting, or did you choose not to vote? IF VOTED, ASK: Did you vote for Barack Obama, John McCain, or someone else?

	Obama	McCain	Someone else	Voted, won't say whom(vol.)	Didn't vote	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	35	30	5	5	24	2

Some people think of themselves as evangelical or born again Christians. Do you ever think of yourself in either of these ways?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	33	64	3

What is your religious preference today?

	Protestant	Catholic	Jewish	Other	None	DK/NA
9/19-23/09	49	17	1	9	18	6

Are you now married, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?

	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Separated	Never married	DK/NA
9/19-23/09	54	7	10	3	26	-

Generally speaking, do you usually consider yourself a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or what?

	Rep	Dem	Ind	DK/NA		Rep	Dem	Ind	DK/NA
1/92A	29	35	31	5	3/8-12/01	31	35	29	5
1/92B	28	32	35	5	6/14-18/01	27	36	30	7
2/92A	32	37	27	4	10/25-28/01	32	37	23	8
2/92B	30	33	32	5	12/7-10/01	30	32	30	8
3/92	30	38	27	5	1/21-24/02	28	34	31	7
4/92	30	38	27	5	4/28-5/1/02	33	37	23	8
5/92A	30	33	31	6	7/13-16/02	28	34	33	5
6/92	33	33	29	5	9/2-5/02	29	35	26	10
7/92	29	34	32	5	10/3-5/02	27	38	28	7
7/92B	26	38	28	8	10/27-31/02	31	34	28	7
8/92A	28	33	33	5	11/20-24/02	29	32	31	8
8/92D	27	32	33	8	1/19-22/03	29	32	33	6
8/92E	28	35	29	8	2/10-12/03	28	34	31	6
9/92A	28	34	33	5	3/7-9/03	29	32	30	9
10/92A	29	35	31	5	4/11-13/03	31	30	32	6
10/92C	29	36	31	5	7/13-27/03	27	32	34	7
10/92D	28	37	31	4	9/28-10/1/03	31	35	30	4
10/92E	28	38	29	5	12/10-13/03	27	33	35	6
12/92	28	39	28	5	12/14-15/03	28	31	35	6
1/93	30	36	28	6	1/12-15/04	28	32	33	8
2/93	28	36	30	6	3/10-14/04	31	30	32	7
3/93	26	37	30	7	4/23-27/04	29	35	29	7
5/93A	29	34	29	8	6/23-27/04	29	35	29	7
6/93A	29	34	32	5	7/11-15/04	29	37	30	4
6/93B	31	37	27	5	9/12-16/04	33	31	29	7
9/93	26	36	32	6	10/1-3/04	29	34	28	10
11/93	29	38	29	4	10/14-17/04	30	34	29	7
1/94	30	30	34	6	10/28-30/04	30	35	30	6
2/94	28	33	32	7	11/18-21/04	29	36	30	5
3/94	30	34	29	7	1/14-18/05	31	34	28	8
4/94	32	32	30	6	2/24-28/05	29	36	29	6
7/94	27	35	31	6	6/10-15/05	28	34	31	6
9/94	28	36	34	3	9/9-13/05	26	36	28	9
11/94	31	34	29	6	12/2-6/05	28	32	33	7
12/94	31	32	29	7	1/20-25/06	29	34	33	4
2/95	30	33	32	5	5/4-8/06	25	37	34	4
4/95	30	30	34	6	7/21-25/06	31	33	30	5
8/95	30	35	29	6	8/17-21/06	30	35	27	8
9/95	28	33	30	9	9/15-19/06	30	32	32	5
10/95	31	35	27	7	10/5-8/06	30	35	30	6
12/95	32	35	26	6	10/27-31/06	28	35	31	7
12/95	27	33	33	7	2/24-27/07	25	35	33	6
1/96	29	35	31	5	3/7-11/07	27	35	33	6
2/96	30	35	31	4	4/20-24/07	24	34	36	6
4/96	31	36	28	5	5/18-23/07	29	37	32	3
6/96	27	39	29	5	7/9-17/07	28	34	34	4
6/96 NYT	26	37	32	5	7/20-22/07	24	32	36	9
7/96	31	34	29	6	9/4-8/07	31	32	33	5
8/96	32	41	24	3	12/5-9/07	26	35	31	8
8/96C	30	34	28	8	1/9-12/08	28	40	27	5
9/96	29	36	29	6	2/20-24/08	27	38	29	6
10/96	28	40	25	7	3/28-4/2/08	26	41	27	6
10/96C	28	37	27	7	4/25-29/08	27	37	31	5
11/96	28	38	28	7	5/1-3/08	29	39	27	5
12/96	28	39	24	9	7/7-14/08	26	37	31	6
1/97	29	32	33	6	8/15-20/08	29	37	26	8
4/97	29	36	26	8	9/12-16/08	28	39	26	7
1/98	27	34	30	8	9/21-24/08	28	34	32	6
1/98B	26	35	31	7	10/10-13/08	28	36	29	7
2/98	31	32	30	8	10/19-22/08	26	41	28	5
4/98	28	31	33	8	10/25-29/08	30	37	27	5
6/98	28	32	30	10	1/11-15/09	21	39	31	8
7/98	28	35	30	7	2/18-22/09	26	36	32	5
8/98	26	37	29	8	4/1-5/09	23	39	30	7
9/98B	26	35	31	7	4/22-26/09	20	38	36	6
9/98C	27	35	32	6	6/12-16/09	24	38	31	8
10/98A	24	37	32	7	7/24-28/09	20	34	39	7
10/98B	27	39	28	6	9/19-23/09	22	37	33	7
12/98	27	37	30	6	12/4-8/09	27	36	29	8
1/99	25	37	33	5	2/5-10/10	28	30	37	5
4/99	30	34	28	7					
11/99	28	37	30	5					
2/00	28	37	28	6					
5/00	31	34	27	7					
7/00B	31	36	26	7					
9/00A	31	33	27	9					
9/00D	28	37	27	8					
10/00	29	35	30	7					
11/00	27	36	29	9					

How would you describe your views on most political matters? Generally do you think of yourself as liberal, moderate, or conservative? IF LIBERAL, ASK: Would you say you are very liberal or only somewhat liberal? IF CONSERVATIVE, ASK: Would you say you are very conservative or only somewhat conservative?

	Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	6	16	37	22	13	5

TREND: How would you describe your views on most political matters? Generally, do you think of yourself as liberal, moderate, or conservative?

	Lib	Mod	Con	DK/NA		Lib	Mod	Con	DK/NA
1/92A	19	41	34	6	7/00B	22	43	30	5
1/92B	21	43	30	5	9/00A	20	42	32	6
2/92A	19	39	36	6	9/00D	20	42	32	5
2/92B	20	43	31	6	12/7-10/01	23	39	33	4
3/92	20	47	30	4	1/21-24/02	22	44	29	5
4/92	18	44	33	4	4/28-5/1/02	22	38	35	6
5/92A	21	40	34	4	7/13-16/02	21	44	32	4
6/92	23	39	32	6	9/2-5/02	20	39	36	5
7/92	20	42	32	6	10/3-5/02	18	45	34	3
7/92B	21	41	30	8	10/27-31/02	20	38	37	5
8/92A	20	45	30	6	11/20-24/02	20	44	30	6
8/92D	22	44	27	7	1/19-22/03	19	45	32	3
9/92A	19	46	31	4	2/10-12/03	21	41	35	3
10/92C	22	39	34	5	3/7-9/03	18	45	35	3
10/92D	21	39	33	6	4/11-13/03	19	45	33	3
10/92E	21	40	33	6	7/13-27/03	22	40	34	5
2/92	20	41	34	5	9/28-10/1/03	19	42	34	5
1/93	18	45	32	6	12/10-13/03	20	45	31	4
2/93	23	41	31	5	12/14-15/03	19	39	37	5
3/93	22	39	34	5	1/12-15/04	20	43	31	5
5/93A	21	41	33	5	3/10-14/04	21	40	34	5
6/93A	19	43	32	6	4/23-27/04	22	42	30	6
6/93B	19	44	31	6	6/23-27/04	21	42	32	5
9/93	19	43	34	4	7/11-15/04	22	41	34	3
11/93	21	41	33	5	9/12-16/04	20	40	36	4
1/94	17	44	34	6	10/1-3/04	24	36	35	6
2/94	18	41	34	7	10/14-17/04	19	42	33	6
3/94	21	38	35	5	10/28-30/04	17	42	35	5
4/94	19	42	33	6	11/18-21/04	22	41	33	4
9/94	20	42	35	4	1/14-18/05	20	41	33	6
11/94	20	41	35	4	2/24-28/05	23	38	35	5
12/94	18	40	36	6	6/10-15/05	20	43	33	4
2/95	19	39	37	4	9/9-13/05	18	43	34	5
4/95	19	42	34	5	12/2-6/05	18	45	32	5
8/95	19	40	35	5	1/20-25/06	21	45	30	4
9/95	20	39	33	8	5/4-8/06	25	37	34	4
12/95	32	35	26	6	7/21-25/06	21	39	36	4
12/95	27	33	33	7	8/17-21/06	24	38	33	5
10/95	16	44	34	5	9/15-19/06	17	43	35	4
12/95	17	46	33	4	10/5-8/06	23	39	34	3
12/95	15	46	34	5	10/27-31/06	20	45	30	5
1/96	20	42	35	4	2/24-27/07	20	42	33	6
2/96	17	45	34	4	3/7-11/07	20	40	36	4
4/96	18	47	31	4	4/20-24/07	21	42	33	5
6/96	19	46	29	6	5/18-23/07	20	43	32	5
6/96	16	48	32	4	7/9-17/07	19	44	33	4
7/96	20	42	34	3	7/20-22/07	15	48	31	5
8/96	17	47	30	6	9/4-8/07	22	42	32	4
8/96C	18	43	33	6	12/5-9/07	22	43	31	4
9/96	16	44	34	6	1/9-12/08	25	39	32	4
10/96	16	47	31	7	2/20-24/08	23	41	29	6
10/96C	18	45	32	6	3/28-4/2/08	21	39	34	5
11/96	15	48	32	6	4/25-29/08	22	41	33	4
12/96	17	40	35	8	5/1-3/08	15	49	32	4
1/97	17	46	33	4	7/7-14/08	22	41	32	5
4/97	19	42	34	5	8/15-20/08	24	36	35	5
12/97	21	42	33	5	9/12-16/08	24	39	33	4
1/98	19	40	33	7	9/21-24/08	22	38	36	4
2/98	21	42	33	4	10/10-13/08	18	49	29	4
4/98	18	42	35	5	10/19-22/08	21	39	33	7
6/98	20	39	34	7	10/25-29/08	22	38	33	7
7/98	20	42	33	5	1/11-15/09	21	43	30	6
8/98	21	43	31	5	2/18-22/09	20	38	36	6
9/98	21	41	34	5	4/1-5/09	23	39	31	7
9/98C	21	41	31	6	4/22-26/09	22	42	29	7
10/98B	20	41	33	5	6/12-16/09	27	37	29	7
12/98	20	41	34	5	7/24-28/09	22	41	30	7
1/99	20	45	30	4	9/19-23/09	21	39	36	4
4/99	19	46	29	6	12/4-8/09	21	36	38	5
11/99	22	43	31	5	2/5-10/10	23	37	35	5
2/00	21	44	31	4					
5/00	21	41	34	4					
7/00	22	38	33	7					

How old are you?

	18-29	30-44	45-64	Over 64	Refused
2/5-10/10	22	28	34	16	-

What was the last grade in school you completed?

	Not a H.S. grad	H.S. grad	Some college	College grad	Post Grad	Refused
2/5-10/10	8	35	30	16	11	1

Are you of Hispanic origin or descent, or not?

	Hispanic	Not Hispanic	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	13	87	-

Are you white, black, Asian or some other race?

	White	Black	Asian	Other	Refused
2/5-10/10	77	11	2	8	2

Was your total family income in 2008 UNDER or OVER \$50,000? IF UNDER, ASK: Was it under \$15,000, between \$15,000 and \$30,000, or between \$30,000 and \$50,000? IF OVER, ASK: Was it between \$50,000 and \$75,000 or between \$75,000 and \$100,000 or was it over \$100,000?

	Under \$15,000	\$15,000- \$29,999	\$30,000- \$49,999	\$50,000- \$74,999	\$75,000- \$100,000	Over \$100,000	Refused
2/5-10/10	11	14	15	24	12	17	7

	Male	Female
2/5-10/10	49	51