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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
3/18-21/10 CBS	49	41	10
3/29-4/1/10 CBS	44	41	15
4/5-12/10	50	40	10
4/28-5/2/10	51	39	10
5/20-24/10 CBS	47	43	10
6/16-6/20/10	47	43	10
7/9-12/10 CBS	44	44	12
8/20-24/10 CBS	48	44	8
9/10-14/10	45	47	8
10/1-5/10 CBS	44	45	11
10/21-26/10	45	47	8
11/7-10/10 CBS	45	45	10
11/29-12/2/10 CBS	48	42	10
1/15-19/11	49	39	12

2. 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	4/5-12/10	34	59	7
10/1-3/04	40	51	9	5/4-5/10 CBS	33	58	9
10/14-17/04	37	59	4	5/20-24/10 CBS	32	61	7
10/28-30/04	43	55	2	6/16-20/10	32	60	8
11/18-21/04	40	54	6	9/10-14/10	33	60	6
1/14-18/05	39	56	5	10/1-5/10 CBS	32	63	5
2/24-28/05	42	52	6	10/21-26/10	34	61	5
3/9-14/05 NYT	37	56	7	11/7-10/10 CBS	29	62	9
4/13-16/05 CBS	32	62	6	1/15-19/11	32	64	4
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				

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

	7/08	1/09	4/09	6/09	7/09	9/09	12/09	2/10	4/10	6/10	9/10	1/11
Health Care	3	2	3	7	12	19	12	13	8	5	3	6
Oil Spill in Gulf										13		
Budget Deficit	1	2	2	2	3	3	2	4	5	5	3	6
Education	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	-	1	1	2	2
Medicare/ Medicaid	-	-			-	-	-	-	-	-		1
Taxes	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Economy	38	49	42	38	36	22	23	25	23	20	32	23
Immigration	2	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	2	3
Defense	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	2	1
Poverty	1	2	-	1	1	-	3	-	4	1	-	1
Crime	-	-		-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	2
Foreign Policy	2	1	2	1		1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jobs	3	12	17	19	20	19	24	27	27	20	28	28
Abortion	-	-	2	-	1	-	-		1	-	-	-
Moral Values	2	3	-	1	2	1	3	1	2	1	1	1
Welfare			1	-		-	-	-	-			
President	1	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	2	2	2
War	10	4	-	2	1	3	4	3	1	2	2	2
Iraq	4		2	2	1	2	2	-	2	-	-	-
Afghanistan							2	-	1	1	1	-
Politicians/ Government*									4	7	4	3
Heating oil/Gas	14	2	-	1	1		-		-	-		
Environment	3	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	-
Religious Values	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Terrorism general	1	1	2	1	1		-	1	1	1	1	-
Other	7	12	13	16	12	19	16	16	11	11	11	12
DK/NA	3	2	4	3	3	4	5	4	5	3	4	5

*Coding for Politicians/Government is not comparable to polls conducted before 4/10

4. 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
4/28-5/2/10	48	38	14
7/9-12/10 CBS	44	41	15
11/7-10/10 CBS	46	37	17
11/29-12/2/10 CBS	40	45	15
1/15-19/11	46	32	22

5. 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
3/18-21/10 CBS	45	45	10
3/29-4/1/10 CBS	42	50	8
4/5-12/10	43	46	11
4/28-5/2/10	48	47	6
5/20-24/10 CBS	43	48	9
6/16-20/10	45	48	7
7/9-12/10 CBS	40	54	6
8/20-24/10 CBS	44	48	8
9/10-14/10	41	51	8
10/1-5/10 CBS	38	50	12
10/21-26/10	42	50	8
11/7-10/10 CBS	40	53	7
11/29-12/2/10 CBS	43	50	7
1/15-19/11	41	52	7

6. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling job creation?

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
12/4-8/09	38	47	15
1/15-19/11	37	54	10

7. 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
4/5-12/10	29	53	18
1/15-19/11	30	56	13

8. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the recent shooting incident in Tucson, Arizona?

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	64	11	25

9. Are you generally optimistic or pessimistic about the next two years with Barack Obama as President?

	Optimistic	Pessimistic	DK/NA
10/21-26/10	56	37	7
11/7-10/10 CBS	55	38	7
1/15-19/11	57	36	7

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"...the next three years with Barack Obama as President?"

	Optimistic	Pessimistic	DK/NA
1/14-17/10 CBS	62	33	5

"...the next four years with Barack Obama as President?"

	Optimistic	Pessimistic	DK/NA
12/4-8/08 CBS	75	17	8
1/11-15/09	79	16	5
2/18-22/09	77	18	5
4/22-26/09	72	22	7

11. Which of the following do you think is the most important thing for Congress to concentrate on right now: job creation, the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, the federal budget deficit, illegal immigration, health care, or something else?

	1/15-19/11
Job creation	43
Wars in Iraq and Afghanistan	12
Federal budget deficit	14
Illegal immigration	7
Health care	18
Something else	3
DK/NA	3

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

13. 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	24	22	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	4/5-12/10	33	23	43	1
4/11-13/03	17	31	49	2	4/28-5/2/10	41	15	43	1
5/9-12/03	22	28	49	1	5/20-24/10	30	28	42	
7/13-27/03	22	31	46	1	6/16-20/10	28	24	48	-
8/26-28/03 CBS	25	31	43	1	7/9-12/10 CBS	25	26	48	1
9/28-10/1/03	24	29	46	1	8/20-24/10 CBS	20	34	44	2
12/10-13/03	34	24	41	1	9/10-14/10	22	30	48	1
12/14-15/03	39	19	39	2	10/1-5/10 CBS	22	27	50	1
					10/21-26/10	25	28	46	1
					11/29-12/2/10 CBS	31	24	44	1
					1/15-19/11	30	21	46	2

14. In general, is your opinion of the Republican party favorable or not favorable?
QUESTIONS 14 AND 15 WERE ROTATED.

	Fav	Not fav	DK/NA		Fav	Not fav	DK/NA
12/85 NYT	58	29	14	11/20-24/02	51	39	10
11/88B	57	34	10	1/19-22/03	50	41	9
1/90	63	28	9	5/9-12/03	53	40	7
4/90	58	34	8	7/13-27/03	46	45	9
6/91	62	28	10	9/28-10/1/03	51	43	5
5/92 CBS	46	45	9	12/10-13/03	47	44	9
6/92	49	43	8	12/14-16/03	53	39	9
7/92*	46	47	7	1/12-15/04	48	43	8
8/92*	47	48	5	3/10-14/04	49	43	8
1/94	52	36	12	7/11-15/04	47	47	5
9/94	52	36	10	10/14-17/04	47	46	7
11/94	54	39	7	11/18-21/04	49	46	5
11/94 CBS	59	33	8	1/14-18/05	49	44	7
1/95 CBS	53	38	9	12/2-6/05	42	50	8
2/95	54	37	8	1/20-25/06	44	51	5
4/95	54	40	6	3/9-12/06 CBS	36	58	6
8/95	54	37	9	4/6-9/06 CBS	40	53	7
4/96*	43	51	7	5/4-8/06	37	57	6
8/96*	46	47	7	7/21-25/06	43	51	6
8/96B* CBS	47	43	10	9/15-19/06	41	52	8
8/96C*	52	42	6	10/5-8/06	39	54	7
8/96D* CBS	48	43	9	10/27-31/06	36	56	7
9/96*	48	44	7	2/23-27/07	34	56	10
1/97	50	41	9	3/7-11/07	34	58	8
12/98	42	51	8	5/18-23/07	38	56	5
12/17/98	33	57	10	7/9-17/07	38	56	5
12/19/98	36	59	5	12/5-9/07	33	59	7
12/20/98	36	58	6	4/25-29/08	33	58	9
1/99 CBS	38	55	7	10/10-13/08	37	54	9
1/99	41	52	8	10/19-22/08	36	60	4
2/99 CBS	40	49	11	4/1-5/09	31	58	11
6/99 CBS	41	47	12	6/12-16/09	28	58	14
9/99 CBS	43	45	12	2/5-10/10	35	57	8
11/99	48	43	9	4/5-12/10	38	53	9
2/00	49	41	10	5/20-24/10	33	55	12
5/00*	53	40	8	9/10-14/10	34	56	10
7/00B*	54	41	5	10/21-26/10	41	52	7
9/00D*	49	44	7	11/7-10/10 CBS	42	48	10
11/00L	49	44	7	1/15-19/11	40	49	11
3/8-12/01	54	39	7				
6/14-18/01	46	47	8				
1/21-24/02	58	33	9				
7/13-16/02	53	38	9				
10/3-5/02	53	39	8				
10/27-31/02	57	35	8				

15. In general, is your opinion of the Democratic party favorable or not favorable?
QUESTIONS 14 AND 15 WERE ROTATED.

	Fav	Not fav	DK/NA		Fav	Not fav	DK/NA
12/85 NYT	59	27	14	11/20-24/02	45	44	11
11/88B	54	36	10	1/19-22/03	52	39	9
1/90	58	32	10	5/9-12/03	46	45	9
4/90	54	35	11	7/13-27/03	49	42	9
6/91	52	34	13	9/28-10/1/03	53	39	7
5/92 CBS	46	43	10	12/10-13/03	55	36	9
6/92	49	40	11	12/14-16/03	51	39	10
7/92*	49	43	8	1/12-15/04	54	36	10
8/92*	57	37	6	3/10-14/04	51	41	9
1/94	49	40	12	7/11-15/04	55	38	7
9/94	48	44	8	10/14-17/04	52	40	8
11/94	44	48	8	11/18-21/04	54	39	6
11/94 CBS	40	52	8	1/14-18/05	51	41	8
1/95 CBS	47	47	6	12/2-6/05	46	43	10
2/95	47	45	8	1/20-25/06	53	40	7
4/95	48	45	7	3/9-12/06 CBS	47	46	7
8/95	47	45	8	4/6-9/06 CBS	48	43	9
4/96*	46	47	6	5/4-8/06	55	37	8
8/96*	55	39	6	7/21-25/06	52	41	7
8/96B* CBS	52	39	9	9/15-16/06	52	40	8
8/96C*	53	40	6	10/5-8/06	52	40	8
8/96D* CBS	57	36	7	10/27-31/06	49	40	10
9/96*	56	39	5	2/23-27/07	48	41	11
1/97	55	39	7	3/7-11/07	47	43	9
12/98	56	36	8	5/18-23/07	53	42	5
12/17/98	56	35	8	7/9-17/07	52	41	7
12/19/98	65	31	5	12/5-9/07	48	44	8
12/20/98	60	34	5	4/25-29/08	52	41	8
1/99 CBS	61	32	7	10/10-13/08	52	38	10
1/99	56	37	6	10/19-22/08	56	40	5
2/99	57	32	11	4/1-5/09	56	34	10
6/99	51	36	13	6/12-16/09	57	32	11
9/99	53	37	10	2/5-10/10	42	51	8
11/99	52	39	9	4/5-12/10	42	50	8
2/00	61	31	9	5/20-24/10	37	54	9
5/00*	54	40	6	9/10-14/10	45	48	8
7/00B*	56	39	5	10/21-26/10	46	48	6
9/00D*	58	36	6	11/7-10/10 CBS	46	46	8
11/00L	56	37	7	1/15-19/11	46	45	9
3/8-12/01	55	38	7				
6/14-18/01	56	36	9				
1/21-24/02	58	34	8				
7/13-16/02	53	36	11				
10/3-5/02	53	39	8				
10/27-31/02*	55	38	7				

16. 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
4/5-12/10	43	33	17	7	1
10/1-5/10 CBS	42	39	15	3	1
10/21-26/10	40	36	18	4	1
1/15-19/11	40	34	20	6	1

17. Is your opinion of Joe Biden favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Joe Biden yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not Fav	Undecided	Haven't heard enough	Refused
5/5-6/87	3	3	14	84	
9/21-22/87	3	16	14	67	
10/18-22/87	8	15	13	62	2
1/1-3/07 CBS	9	14	20	57	
9/14-16/07 CBS	9	15	19	56	1
8/15-20/08	13	12	18	54	2
9/12-16/08*	38	17	17	28	-
9/21-24/08*	33	17	18	32	-
9/27-30/08* CBS	34	19	14	32	-
10/3-5/08* CBS	40	19	18	22	1
10/10-13/08*	43	21	16	19	-
10/19-22/08*	43	20	18	19	-
10/25-29/08*	43	25	13	18	-
1/11-15/09	36	13	18	32	1
3/12-16/09 CBS	23	15	17	44	1
1/15-19/11	23	25	20	31	-

18. Is your opinion of John Boehner favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about John Boehner yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not Favorable	Undecided	Haven't heard enough	Refused
10/1-5/10 CBS	8	15	17	59	1
10/21-26/10	7	14	16	60	3
1/15-19/11	12	14	20	54	-

19. Is your opinion of Sarah Palin favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Sarah Palin yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not Favorable	Undecided	Haven't heard enough	Refused
9/12-16/08*	40	30	15	15	-
9/21-24/08*	37	29	14	18	1
9/27-30/08* CBS	32	33	15	21	-
10/3-5/08* CBS	40	32	12	15	1
10/10-13/08*	32	41	16	10	-
10/19-22/08*	31	40	17	12	-
10/25-29/08*	36	41	14	10	-
10/31-11/2/08* CBS	37	37	16	9	1
7/9-12/09 CBS	23	37	22	17	1
11/13-15/09 CBS	23	38	19	13	1
1/14-17/10 CBS	26	41	19	13	1
4/5-12/10	30	45	17	7	-
8/20-24/10 CBS	23	40	20	15	2
9/10-14/10	21	46	18	14	2
10/1-5/10 CBS	22	48	21	8	1
1/15-19/11	19	57	19	5	-

20. Do you think Barack Obama will try to work with Republicans in Congress in order to get things done, or won't he? **QUESTIONS 20 AND 21 WERE ROTATED.**

	Will	Will not	DK/NA
11/7-10/10 CBS	73	23	4
1/15-19/11	77	17	5

21. Do you think the Republicans in Congress will try to work with Barack Obama in order to get things done, or won't they? **QUESTIONS 20 AND 21 WERE ROTATED.**

	Will	Will not	DK/NA
11/7-10/10 CBS	45	48	7
1/15-19/11	46	45	8

22. How much do you think Barack Obama cares about the needs and problems of people like yourself – a lot, some, not much, or not at all?

	A lot	Some	Not much	Not at all	DK/NA
8/8-12/07* CBS	31	38	11	6	14
3/28-4/2/08*	36	42	11	9	3
4/25-29/08*	34	38	15	11	3
5/30-6/30/08* CBS	38	36	15	9	2
7/7-14/08*	37	37	14	9	3
8/15-19/08*	37	34	14	12	3
2/18-22/09	53	30	8	6	1
4/22-26/09	54	26	8	8	4
8/27-31/09 CBS	45	27	13	13	2
1/14-17/10 CBS	41	28	14	15	2
6/16-20/10	37	31	16	15	1
7/9-12/10 CBS	37	31	15	15	2
1/15-19/11	36	35	17	10	1

23. Do you think Barack Obama has the same priorities for the country as you have, or doesn't he?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
2/18-22/09	65	28	7
7/24-28/09	62	31	7
10/5-8/09 CBS	58	38	4
5/20-24/10 CBS	45	47	8
7/9-12/10 CBS	48	48	4
1/15-19/11	42	52	5

24. So far, do you think the federal government's stimulus package has made the economy better, made the economy worse, or has it had no impact on the economy so far?

	Better	Worse	No impact	DK/NA
7/9-12/09 CBS	21	15	60	4
7/24-28/09	25	13	57	5
9/19-23/09	36	13	46	5
12/4-8/09	32	15	46	7
4/5-12/10	32	18	44	6
7/9-12/10 CBS	23	18	56	3
9/10-14/10	30	20	46	5
10/1-5/10 CBS	29	21	45	5
1/15-19/11	29	21	44	6

25. So far, do you think the government's stimulus package has made the job situation better, made the job situation worse, or has it had no impact on the job situation so far?

	Better	Worse	No impact	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	26	15	55	4

28. 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
4/5-12/10	30	40	21	8	1
1/15-19/11	33	38	22	7	-

29. How serious a problem do you think the budget deficit is for the country right now -- very serious, somewhat serious, not too serious or not at all serious?

	Very	Somewhat	Not too	Not at all	DK/NA
9/28-10/1/03 ¹	50	36	9	3	3
3/10-14/04	50	36	9	2	3
2/24-28/05	52	38	8	1	1
11/29-12/2/10 CBS	73	21	3	1	2
1/15-19/11	70	25	3	-	2

¹ Varied wording: Question read "How serious a problem do you think the current budget deficit is for the country — very serious, somewhat serious, not too serious or not at all serious?"

30. Do you think it is necessary to take immediate action to lower the budget deficit or do you think it's possible to wait for better economic times?

	Immediate action	Possible to wait	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	56	38	7

31. How concerned are you that a large budget deficit will create hardships for future generations of Americans--very concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned, or not concerned at all?

	Very	Somewhat	Not too	Not at all	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	64	26	5	3	1

32. IF VERY OR SOMEWHAT CONCERNED IN Q31: What specific hardships concern you the most?

	1/15-19/11
Future generations pay	8
Hurt economy in future	14
U.S. become weaker country	2
Taxes will go up	4
Concern about services being cut	16
Country in debt	7
Jobs/outourcing/unemployment	26
Everything	-
Nothing	-
Other	4
DK/NA	10

33. In general, which comes closer to your view of the government's budget deficit? 1. It is generally okay for the government to run whatever deficits it needs, if that's what it takes to provide important services to people. 2. It is sometimes okay for the government to run deficits such as in emergencies or if the size of the deficit is kept manageable, OR 3. It is never okay for the government to run deficits under any circumstances?

	Generally okay	Sometimes okay	Never okay	DK/NA
1/5-9/11 CBS	7	72	18	3
1/15-19/11	6	75	16	2

34. In order to reduce the federal budget deficit, do you think it will be necessary or not necessary to increase taxes on people like you? **QUESTIONS 34 AND 35 WERE ROTATED.**

	Necessary	Not necessary	DK/NA
2/93	54	43	3
3/93	48	47	5
5/93B CBS	47	49	4
6/93	42	54	4
1/15-19/11	41	56	3

35. In order to reduce the federal budget deficit, do you think it will be necessary or not necessary to cut back on government programs that benefit people like you? **QUESTIONS 34 AND 35 WERE ROTATED.**

	Necessary	Not necessary	DK/NA
2/93	56	37	8
1/5-9/11 CBS	47	41	12
1/15-19/11	55	39	5

36. If you HAD to choose ONE, which would you prefer in order to reduce the federal budget deficit - raising taxes on people like you or reducing spending on government programs that benefit people like you?

	Raising taxes	Reducing spending	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	29	62	9

37. If you HAD to choose ONE, which of the following domestic programs would you be willing to reduce in order to cut government spending -- 1. education, OR 2. roads, bridges and other infrastructure, OR 3. science and medical research, OR 4. aid to the unemployed and poor?

	Education	Infrastructure	Research	Aid to the poor	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	8	34	26	21	11

38. As you may know, the largest items in the federal budget are Medicare, the government health insurance program for seniors, Social Security and the military. If you HAD to choose ONE, which of the following programs would you be willing to change in order to cut government spending - Medicare, Social Security or the military?

	Medicare	Social Security	Military	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	21	13	55	10

39. Currently, most Americans receive Medicare benefits once they turn 65. But the money Medicare takes in from taxpayers is not enough to pay for the program as it exists now. If you HAD to choose ONE in order to reduce the federal budget deficit, which would you prefer: reduce the future benefits of Medicare recipients or raise Medicare taxes on people paying into the system?

	Reduce benefits	Raise taxes	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	24	64	12

40. (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE) If you HAD to choose ONE, which of the following changes to Medicare benefits would you prefer in order to reduce the federal budget deficit: 1. raising the age people start receiving Medicare benefits, OR 2. raising the premiums all Medicare recipients have to pay, OR 3. covering fewer treatments?

	Raise age	Raise premiums	Cover fewer treatments	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	46	26	16	11

41. (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE) If you HAD to choose ONE, which of the following changes to Medicare benefits would you prefer in order to reduce the federal budget deficit: 1. raising the age people start receiving Medicare benefits, OR 2. raising the premiums all Medicare recipients have to pay, OR 3. raising the premiums Medicare recipients who have high-incomes have to pay OR 4. covering fewer treatments?

	Raise age	Raise premiums	Raise for high-income recipients	Cover fewer treatments	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	21	16	48	9	6

42. If you HAD to choose ONE, which of the following changes to military spending would you prefer in order to reduce the federal budget deficit: 1. reducing the size of the army and other branches of the military, OR 2. reducing the number of American troops stationed in Europe and Asia, OR 3. eliminating some major weapons programs, OR 4. reducing the pay and benefits of non-combat military personnel and veterans?

	Reduce size of Military branches	Reduce troops in Europe/Asia	Eliminate weapons programs	Reduce pay of veterans	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	7	55	19	12	7

43. Currently, most Americans are scheduled to receive full Social Security benefits by age 67. But the money Social Security takes in from taxpayers is not enough to pay for the program in the long term. If you HAD to choose ONE in order to deal with this shortfall, which would you prefer: reduce the future benefits of Social Security recipients or raise Social Security taxes on people paying into the system?

	Reduce benefits	Raise taxes	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	25	63	11

44. If you HAD to choose ONE, which of the following changes to Social Security benefits would you prefer in order to keep the program financially sound: 1. raising the age people start receiving full Social Security benefits beyond 67, OR 2. reducing scheduled benefit increases for future retirees, OR 3. reducing benefits for Americans with higher incomes?

	Raise age	Reduce increases	Reduce benefits for high-income	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	18	8	66	8

45. If you HAD to choose ONE, which of the following ways of raising taxes would you prefer in order to reduce the federal budget deficit: 1. taxing the health insurance people receive from their employers, OR 2. limiting tax deductions for interest paid on home mortgages, OR 3. raising the national gasoline tax, or 4. creating a national sales tax?

	Taxing health care benefits	Limiting mortgage interest tax deduction	Raising gas tax	National sales tax	DK/ NA
1/15-19/11	10	32	12	33	12

47. Who do you trust more to make the right decisions about reducing the federal budget deficit - the Republicans in Congress or Barack Obama?

	Republicans in Congress	Barack Obama	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	44	42	1	8	5

48. Who do you trust more to make the right decisions about creating jobs - the Republicans in Congress or Barack Obama?

	Republicans in Congress	Barack Obama	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	44	44	1	5	5

51. How would you describe the overall tone and level of civility in politics today -- would you say it is mostly positive or mostly negative?

	Mostly positive	Mostly negative	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	11	84	4

52. IF NEGATIVE IN Q51: How much do you blame the Republicans in Congress for the negative tone and level of civility in politics today --- a great deal, a good amount, just some, or not at all? **QUESTIONS 52 AND 53 WERE ROTATED.**

	Great deal	Good amount	Just some	Not at all	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	20	27	31	5	1

53. IF NEGATIVE IN Q51: How much do you blame the Democrats in Congress for the overall tone and level of civility in politics today --- a great deal, a good amount, just some, or not at all? **QUESTIONS 52 AND 53 WERE ROTATED.**

	Great deal	Good amount	Just some	Not at all	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	15	26	36	6	2

QUESTIONS 54-55 WERE ROTATED.

54. When Sarah Palin talks about the issues of the day, which do you think she is spending more time doing -- talking about ideas OR attacking people who disagree with her?

	Talking about ideas	Attacking	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	29	57	14

55. When Barack Obama talks about the issues of the day, which do you think he is spending more time doing -- talking about ideas OR attacking people who disagree with him?

	Talking about ideas	Attacking	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	71	22	7

QUESTIONS 56-57 WERE ROTATED.

56. When liberal cable tv and talk radio hosts talk about the issues of the day, which do you think they are spending more time doing -- talking about ideas OR attacking people who disagree with them?

	Talking about ideas	Attacking	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	22	62	15

57. When conservative cable tv and talk radio hosts talk about the issues of the day, which do you think they are spending more time doing -- talking about ideas OR attacking people who disagree with them?

	Talking about ideas	Attacking	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	28	60	12

59. In general, do you think gun control laws should be made more strict, less strict, or kept as they are now?

	More	Less	Kept as they are now	DK/NA
11/27-28/94 CBS	59	10	28	3
10/27-31/02	56	11	30	3
11/10-13/03 CBS	51	10	35	4
4/5-12/10	40	16	42	3
1/9-10/11 CBS	47	12	36	5
1/15-19/11	46	13	38	2

60. Do you favor or oppose a BAN on the sale of all handguns, except those that are issued to law enforcement officers?

	Favor	Oppose	DK/NA
4/22-26/81 ¹	43	51	7
10/8-10/88*	42	52	6
3/15/89 CBS	41	55	6
1/22-25/92	41	56	3
3/28-31/93	41	55	4
12/5-7/93 CBS	49	49	2
1/15-17/94	46	50	3
4/25/95 CBS	47	48	5
2/22-24/96	47	50	3
4/22/99 CBS	43	53	4
8/1-3/99 CBS	33	63	5
8/15/99 CBS	35	61	4
3/19-21/00 CBS	34	63	4
4/20-24/07	35	62	3
1/15-19/11	32	65	2

¹ Question read, "...with the exception of those used in law enforcement?"

61. Do you favor or oppose a nationwide ban on assault weapons?

	Favor	Oppose	DK/NA
1/2-3/95 CBS	67	27	6
2/22-25/95	69	27	4
4/25/95 CBS	64	30	6
1/2-3/96 CBS	65	30	5
8/3-5/96*	72	24	4
4/22/99 CBS	71	25	4
8/15/99 CBS	76	21	3
3/19-21/00 CBS	70	25	6
5/10-13/00	67	28	5
4/22-26/09	54	41	5
1/15-19/11	63	34	3

62. As you may know, high-capacity magazines or clips can hold many rounds of ammunition, so a shooter can fire more rounds without manually reloading. Would you favor or oppose a nationwide ban on the sale of high-capacity magazines that hold many rounds of ammunition?

	Favor	Oppose	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	63	34	4

65. Do you think Congress should repeal the health care law that was passed in March, or should they let it stand?

	Repeal law	Let stand	DK/NA
10/21-26/10	41	45	14
11/7-10/10 CBS	45	44	11
1/15-19/11	40	48	12

66. IF REPEAL IN Q65: Do you think Congress should try to repeal all of the health care law, or only certain parts of it?

	All of it	Certain parts of it	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	20	18	2

67. IF REPEAL IN Q65: What part of the health care law that was passed last year would you MOST like to see repealed?

	1/15-19/11
Insurance Mandate	11
Everything	8
Government involvement	1
Funding abortions	1
Medicare	1
Higher premiums	1
Higher taxes (General)	1
Requiring businesses to provide insurance	-
Paying for uninsured	-
Death panels	-
Taxing health insurance plans	-
Health care for illegal immigrants	-
No choice	-
Prescription drugs	-
Cover children to age 26	-
Cover pre-existing conditions	-
Other	1
DK/NA	14

68. IF REPEAL IN Q65: What if repealing the law meant that insurance companies were no longer required to cover people with existing medical conditions or prior illnesses, then do you think the law should be repealed, or not?

	Should be repealed	Should not	DK/NA
10/21-26/10	25	14	3
1/15-19/11	21	14	5

69. In the long run, do you think the health care law that was passed last year will improve the national economy, hurt the national economy, or won't it affect the national economy?

	Improve	Hurt	No effect	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	25	40	22	13

70. As you may know, several provisions of the health care law have already gone into effect, such as allowing parents to cover their children on their insurance until the age of 26 and prohibiting insurance companies from denying coverage to children with pre-existing illnesses. Have you personally benefited from any of the law's provisions that have already gone into effect, or not?

	Have	Have not	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	13	84	3

71. Thinking about what impact the health care law will have on you and your family, how well do you think that's been explained to you -- very well, somewhat well, not too well or not well at all?

	Very well	Somewhat well	Not too well	Not well at all	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	10	31	30	26	2

72. 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	20	37	43	-
2/5-10/10	31	26	41	2
4/5-12/10	36	26	37	-
4/28-5/2/10	34	30	35	1
6/16-20/10	32	25	41	2
7/9-12/10 CBS	31	29	39	1
8/20-24/10 CBS	40	30	29	1
9/10-14/10	40	22	37	1
10/21-26/10	36	26	38	-
1/15-19/11	41	25	34	-

73. 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
1/15-19/11	54	16	12	18	-

74. IF TEMPORARILY OUT OF WORK IN Q73: How long have you been out of work and actively seeking employment less than six months, six to 11 months, 12 months to 18 months, or more than 18 months?

	<6 months	6-11 months	12-18 months	>18 months	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	7	2	4	3	1

75. BASED ON EMPLOYED ADULTS: In the last 12 months, as a result of bad economic conditions, have your salary or wages been reduced, or not?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
12/4-8/09	29	70	1
7/9-12/10 CBS	31	69	
1/15-19/11	30	70	1

76. BASED ON EMPLOYED ADULTS: In the last 12 months, as a result of bad economic conditions, have your benefits at work been reduced, or not?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	30	69	1

77. BASED ON EMPLOYED ADULTS: When was the last time you received an increase in your base pay -- within the last year, 1 to 2 years ago, 3 to 5 years ago, or more than 5 years ago?

	Within last year	1-2 years ago	3-5 years ago	>5 years ago	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	36	28	20	9	7

79. IF NOT TEMPORARILY OUT OF WORK IN 73: In the last twelve months, has any adult in your household been out of work and actively looking for work?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	24	58	1

80. 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	4/5-12/10	1/15-19/11
ABC, CBS, NBC	34	26	30
CNN	13	17	18
Fox News Channel	26	23	19
MSNBC	5	3	6
Don't watch news	10	16	14
Other	2	3	2
Combination(vol.)	10	11	8
DK/NA	1	1	3

81. How often do you personally listen to radio talk shows -- regularly, sometimes, hardly ever or never?

	Regularly	Sometimes	Hardly ever	Never	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	19	22	33	26	-

82. President Obama's State of the Union address is scheduled to take place on Tuesday evening, January 25th. How likely is it you will watch the President's State of the Union address that night -- very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely or not at all likely?

	Very likely	Somewhat likely	Not very likely	Not at all likely	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	39	28	14	18	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
1/15-19/11	79	20	-

Did you vote for U.S. House of Representatives in the elections held in 2010, did something prevent you from voting, or did you choose not to vote for U.S. House of Representatives in 2006? IF VOTED, ASK: In the election for U.S. House of Representatives, did you vote for the Republican candidate or the Democratic candidate in your district?

	1/15-19/11
Prevented from voting	17
Chose not to vote	21
Yes, voted Republican	27
Yes, voted Democratic	27
Yes, voted something else (vol.)	4
DK/NA	4

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
1/15-19/11	39	27	4	3	27	1

89. Do you or does any other member of your household own a handgun, rifle, shotgun, or any other kind of firearm?

	Yes, self	Yes, other	Yes, self and other	No	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	18	17	10	54	1

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
1/15-19/11	30	68	1

What is your religious preference today?

	Protestant	Catholic	Jewish	Muslim	Other	None	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	52	20	2	-	8	16	2

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

	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Separated	Never married	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	53	5	11	3	27	-

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	4/5-12/10	28	31	33	7
11/99	28	37	30	5	4/28-5/2/10	25	34	31	10
2/00	28	37	28	6	6/16-20/10	24	34	33	9
5/00	31	34	27	7	9/10-14/10	25	35	33	7
7/00B	31	36	26	7	10/21-26/10	28	37	31	4
9/00A	31	33	27	9	1/15-19/11	27	34	32	6
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?

	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	4/28-5/2/10	21	34	38	6
2/00	21	44	31	4	6/16-20/10	18	42	35	5
5/00	21	41	34	4	9/10-14/10	19	40	36	5
7/00	22	38	33	7	10/21-26/10	19	37	38	5
					1/15-19/11	20	41	35	4

How old are you?

	18-29	30-44	45-64	Over 64	Refused
1/15-19/11	24	27	32	16	1

What was the last grade in school you completed?

	Not a H.S. grad	H.S. grad	Some college	College grad	Post Grad	Refused
1/15-19/11	8	34	32	14	11	-

Are you of Hispanic origin or descent, or not?

	Hispanic	Not Hispanic	DK/NA
1/15-19/11	13	87	-

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

	White	Black	Asian	Other	Refused
1/15-19/11	80	11	2	4	3

Was your total family income in 2010 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
1/15-19/11	9	19	20	18	11	13	9

	Male	Female
1/15-19/11	49	51