

FOX NEWS POLL

OPINION DYNAMICS

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Polling was conducted by telephone March 31 - April 1, 2009, in the evenings. The total sample is 900 registered voters nationwide with a margin of error of ± 3 percentage points. Results are of registered voters, unless otherwise noted. LV = likely voters
 Democrats n=377, ± 5 ; Republicans n=294, ± 6 ; independents n=183, ± 7
 Union households n=132, ± 9

1. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing as president?

	Approve	Disapprove	(DK)		Approve	Disapprove	(DK)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	58%	32	9	17-18 Feb 09	60%	26	14
Democrats	90%	5	5	Democrats	90%	5	5
Republicans	23%	66	11	Republicans	29%	53	18
Independents	52%	35	13	Independents	62%	19	19
3-4 Mar 09	63%	26	11	27-28 Jan 09	65%	16	19
Democrats	92%	3	4	Democrats	85%	2	12
Republicans	30%	56	13	Republicans	37%	36	27
Independents	61%	24	15	Independents	64%	16	19

2. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Congress is doing?

	Approve	Disapprove	(DK)		Approve	Disapprove	(DK)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	38%	52	10	19-20 Feb 08	22%	68	10
Democrats	60%	28	12	30-31 Jan 08	22%	66	12
Republicans	16%	77	7	18-19 Dec 07	25%	60	15
Independents	28%	61	10	13-14 Nov 07	26%	61	14
RECENT TREND				23-24 Oct 07	25%	54	22
3-4 Mar 09	41%	48	10	9-10 Oct 07	24%	63	12
17-18 Feb 09	39%	50	10	25-26 Sep 07	24%	63	13
27-28 Jan 09	40%	46	14	11-12 Sep 07	32%	56	11
13-14 Jan 09	23%	68	10	21-22 Aug 07	24%	60	17
9-10 Dec 08	20%	71	9	5-6 Jun 07	29%	55	15
1-2 Nov 08	18%	75	7	15-16 May 07	32%	53	15
1-2 Nov 08 LV	18%	75	7	17-18 Apr 07	35%	49	16
28-29 Oct 08	17%	76	6	27-28 Mar 07	30%	54	16
28-29 Oct 08 LV	18%	77	5	27-28 Feb 07	32%	49	20
20-21 Oct 08	19%	72	9	30-31 Jan 07	33%	44	22
20-21 Oct 08 LV	18%	73	8	16-17 Jan 07	32%	47	21
8-9 Oct 08	13%	77	10	4-5 Nov 06 LV	29%	57	13
22-23 Sep 08	17%	73	9	10-11 Oct 06 LV	31%	63	6
8-9 Sep 08	23%	68	8	12-13 Sep 06 LV	29%	53	18
19-20 Aug 08	20%	73	7	29-30 Aug 06	24%	61	15
22-23 Jul 08	21%	68	11	8-9 Aug 06	24%	58	17
17-18 Jun 08	19%	69	13	11-12 Jul 06	25%	61	14
28-29 Apr 08	22%	67	11	13-14 Jun 06	29%	59	12
18-19 Mar 08	20%	67	12	16-18 May 06	27%	56	17

3. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Hillary Clinton is doing as Secretary of State?

		Dis		
	Approve	approve	(DK)	
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	56%	23	21	
Democrats	84%	6	10	
Republicans	27%	45	28	
Independents	50%	26	24	

4. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Timothy Geithner is doing as Treasury Secretary?

		Dis		
	Approve	approve	(DK)	
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	37%	38	25	
Democrats	57%	18	25	
Republicans	16%	64	20	
Independents	34%	37	29	

5. - 11. I'm going to read you the names of several individuals and groups. Please tell me whether you have a generally favorable or unfavorable opinion of each one. If you've never heard of one please just say so. (RANDOMIZE)
SCALE: 1. Favorable 2. Unfavorable 3. (Can't say) 4. Never heard of

*** SUMMARY CHART ***

Barack Obama	62%
The Democratic Party	54
Joe Biden	51
Sarah Palin	45
Labor unions	42
The Republican Party	41
Rush Limbaugh	31

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard		Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard
Barack Obama									
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	62%	32	6	-	8-9 Oct 08	60%	34	7	-
Democrats	94%	5	1	-	22-23 Sep 08	57%	33	10	-
Republicans	25%	69	6	1	8-9 Sep 08	57%	36	7	-
Independents	56%	30	14	-	19-20 Aug 08	59%	35	6	-
PAST TREND					22-23 Jul 08	58%	33	8	-
17-18 Feb 09	68%	25	7	-	17-18 Jun 08	58%	32	10	-
13-14 Jan 09	76%	15	9	-	28-29 Apr 08	47%	42	11	-
9-10 Dec 08	68%	24	8	-	19-20 Feb 08	54%	33	12	-
1-2 Nov 08	57%	39	4	-	18-19 Dec 07	49%	33	15	3
1-2 Nov 08 LV	59%	38	3	-	13-14 Nov 07	50%	34	11	4
28-29 Oct 08	56%	40	4	-	11-12 Sep 07	51%	25	16	8
28-29 Oct 08 LV	56%	40	3	-	26-27 Jun 07	46%	30	17	8
20-21 Oct 08	60%	34	6	-	17-18 Apr 07	47%	23	19	11
20-21 Oct 08 LV	60%	35	4	-	30-31 Jan 07	41%	20	20	18

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard
Rush Limbaugh				
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	31%	52	13	5
Democrats	12%	68	12	7
Republicans	58%	26	12	4
Independents	23%	61	14	1

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard		Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard
Joe Biden									
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	51%	35	11	2	1-2 Nov 08 LV	56%	37	5	2
Democrats	76%	13	9	2	28-29 Oct 08	53%	36	9	2
Republicans	26%	63	10	1	28-29 Oct 08 LV	55%	37	7	2
Independents	44%	36	17	3	20-21 Oct 08	56%	32	9	3
PAST TREND					20-21 Oct 08 LV	57%	33	7	2
17-18 Feb 09	59%	29	11	1	8-9 Oct 08	57%	29	12	1
13-14 Jan 09	58%	24	14	4	22-23 Sep 08	48%	31	18	3
9-10 Dec 08	54%	30	13	3	8-9 Sep 08	51%	29	15	4
1-2 Nov 08	55%	37	5	3	30-31 Aug 05	19%	16	27	37

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard		Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard
Sarah Palin									
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	45%	45	8	1	28-29 Oct 08 LV	49%	46	4	1
Democrats	23%	68	6	2	28-29 Oct 08 RV	47%	47	5	1
Republicans	74%	20	7	-	20-21 Oct 08 LV	48%	44	6	2
Independents	46%	42	12	-	20-21 Oct 08 RV	46%	44	8	2
PAST TREND					8-9 Oct 08	47%	42	11	-
13-14 Jan 09	49%	40	9	2	22-23 Sep 08	47%	36	16	2
1-2 Nov 08 LV	45%	49	5	1	8-9 Sep 08	54%	27	16	4
1-2 Nov 08 RV	46%	47	5	1					

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard		Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard
Democratic Party									
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	54%	38	7	-	19-20 Feb 08	54%	36	10	-
Democrats	91%	6	3	-	25-26 Sep 07	50%	40	10	-
Republicans	17%	79	4	-	17-18 Apr 07	49%	39	11	1
Independents	43%	39	17	-	27-28 Mar 07	51%	37	12	1
PAST TREND					16-17 Jan 07	51%	35	13	1
28-29 Oct 08 LV	52%	44	5	-	10-11 Oct 06 LV	52%	38	10	-
28-29 Oct 08 RV	51%	43	6	-	8-9 Aug 06	47%	37	15	-
20-21 Oct 08 LV	53%	41	6	-	13-14 Dec 05	45%	39	15	1
20-21 Oct 08 RV	53%	40	7	-	25-26 Oct 05	46%	37	16	1
22-23 Jul 08	50%	40	10	-	29-30 Mar 05	46%	38	16	-
17-18 Jun 08	52%	37	10	1	21-22 Jan 04	51%	33	16	-

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard		Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard
Republican Party									
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	41%	50	10	-	19-20 Feb 08	43%	46	11	-
Democrats	17%	78	5	-	25-26 Sep 07	44%	47	9	1
Republicans	76%	17	7	-	17-18 Apr 07	42%	47	10	1
Independents	35%	46	19	-	27-28 Mar 07	42%	49	9	-
PAST TREND					16-17 Jan 07	39%	49	12	-
28-29 Oct 08 LV	46%	50	4	-	10-11 Oct 06 LV	42%	50	7	1
28-29 Oct 08 RV	45%	49	6	-	8-9 Aug 06	38%	51	11	1
20-21 Oct 08 LV	42%	50	7	1	13-14 Dec 05	43%	47	10	1
20-21 Oct 08 RV	42%	49	8	1	25-26 Oct 05	42%	43	14	1
22-23 Jul 08	38%	51	10	1	29-30 Mar 05	48%	38	13	-
17-18 Jun 08	41%	48	11	1	21-22 Jan 04	49%	35	16	-

Labor Unions

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	42%	46	11	1
Democrats	60%	29	11	1
Republicans	22%	66	11	1
Independents	37%	49	13	-
22-23 Oct 02 LV	50%	32	16	2

12. In the next congressional election in 2010, are you more likely to:
 SCALE: 1. Vote for the Democrat to help Barack Obama pass his policies and programs
 2. Vote for the Republican to provide a check on Obama's power and slow down spending
 3. (Too soon to say) 4. (Don't know/Refused)

	Democrat	Republican	(Too soon)	(DK/Ref)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	42%	39	16	4
Democrats	79%	5	14	2
Republicans	6%	83	10	1
Independents	26%	37	30	7

13. Thinking about the last few months, which one of the following is closer to how you feel?

SCALE: 1. The country is on a continuous decline 2. The country is on its way up and out of problems 3. (Neither) 4. (Don't know)

	Country in decline	On its way up	(Neither)	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	56%	32	9	4
Democrats	39%	45	11	4
Republicans	77%	16	5	3
Independents	55%	32	8	5

14. How well do you feel you understand the current financial crisis?

SCALE: 1. Extremely well 2. Very well 3. Somewhat well 4. Not well at all 5. (Don't know)

	Extremely	Very	Somewhat	Not at all	(DK)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	17%	38	37	7	-
Democrats	15%	31	45	9	-
Republicans	21%	43	32	4	-
Independents	20%	43	28	8	1
22-23 Sep 08	12%	27	48	12	1

15. When do you think the current economic recession will be over?

SCALE: 1. This year 2. By the end of next year 3. In two to three years 4. In three to four years 5. More than four years 6. (Already is) 7. (Don't know)

	This year	End of next year	2-3 yrs	3-4 yrs	4+	(Already is)	(DK)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	5%	25	32	11	20	-	7
Democrats	3%	29	33	10	19	-	6
Republicans	6%	22	32	12	23	-	6
Independents	6%	22	32	12	16	-	11

16. If the economy does not improve or gets even worse in the next six months, who would you blame more -- George W. Bush or Barack Obama? (ROTATE)

	Bush	Obama	(Both)	(Neither)	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	47%	25	9	15	5
Democrats	79%	4	5	10	3
Republicans	13%	53	10	16	7
Independents	39%	24	14	19	5

17. Which one of the following do you think is most responsible for the country's financial crisis? (RANDOMIZE)

SCALE: 1. Congressional leaders 2. Corporate leaders 3. The Obama administration 4. The Bush administration 5. (Combination) 6. (Other/None) 7. (Don't know)

	Congressional leaders	Corporate leaders	Obama admin.	Bush admin.	(Comb.)	(Other/ none)	(DK)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	19%	29	5	23	20	3	2
Democrats	7%	30	2	38	18	3	3
Republicans	32%	27	10	6	20	3	2
Independents	23%	28	4	17	26	1	1

18. Are you more concerned the government will spend too little or will spend too much to help the economy?

	Too little	Too much	(Neither)	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	19%	67	8	5
Democrats	33%	46	13	8
Republicans	7%	89	2	2
Independents	12%	76	9	3

19. Thinking about the condition of the national economy, do you think the worst is over or is the worst yet to come?

	Worst is over	Worst is yet to come	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	27%	66	7
Democrats	34%	59	7
Republicans	21%	73	6
Independents	23%	67	10
13-14 Jan 09	29%	63	8
22-23 Sep 08	26%	62	12
29-30 Jul 03	47%	41	12
20-21 May 03	43%	47	10

20. Have you personally felt the effects of the nation's economic recession?

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	70%	28	2
Democrats	73%	26	1
Republicans	67%	32	1
Independents	69%	28	3

21. Thinking about the nation's financial crisis, do you think the Obama administration is up to the job of fixing the nation's economy or is the administration in over its head?

	Up to the job	In over its head	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	51%	43	6
Democrats	79%	17	4
Republicans	19%	74	7
Independents	46%	45	9

22. Thinking about the nation's financial crisis, do you think Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner is up to the job of fixing the nation's economy or is he in over his head?

	Up to the job	In over his head	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	31%	51	18
Democrats	49%	30	21
Republicans	14%	74	12
Independents	29%	53	18

23. In general, do you support or oppose Barack Obama's proposed three point six trillion dollar budget?

	Support	Oppose	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	43%	50	7
Democrats	74%	20	6
Republicans	11%	84	4
Independents	37%	55	8

24. The Congressional Budget office estimates Barack Obama's proposed budget will result in a nine point three trillion dollar deficit over the next 10 years -- or about \$1 trillion dollars per year for the next decade. Do you think such a large budget deficit is necessary to help stabilize the economy and move the country out of recession, or do you think it is unnecessary and will just create more problems in the future?

SCALE: 1. Necessary and will help stabilize the economy 2. Unnecessary and will create more problems in the future 3. (Don't know)

	Necessary and will help economy	Unnecessary and will create problems	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	38%	53	9
Democrats	62%	25	12
Republicans	12%	85	3
Independents	32%	57	12

25. Do you worry the national debt is getting so large that it will never be completely paid or don't you worry about the national debt?

SCALE: 1. Yes, worry the debt is getting too large 2. No, don't worry about national debt 3. (Don't know)

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	69%	29	3
Democrats	59%	37	4
Republicans	80%	18	2
Independents	66%	33	2

26. Which of the following two statements do you agree with more?

(RANDOMIZE)

SCALE: 1. Barack Obama is still acting like he is on the campaign trail and is spending too much time traveling the country talking and not enough time working on the country's problems. OR 2. Barack Obama is working hard to solve the nation's problems and traveling the country to communicate what he is doing directly to Americans is important. 3. (Don't know)

	Obama still campaigning	Obama is working to solve problems	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	34%	62	3
Democrats	14%	85	-
Republicans	57%	38	5
Independents	37%	57	6

27. Who do you think is better qualified to manage American businesses and corporations -- the federal government or business executives? (ROTATE)

	Federal government	Business executives	(Both)	(Neither)	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	26%	51	8	11	4
Democrats	38%	36	10	11	5
Republicans	16%	68	5	10	2
Independents	22%	52	9	11	6

28. In the current financial crisis, do you approve or disapprove of the government's decision to bail out some financial institutions that were facing bankruptcy?

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	35%	59	6
Democrats	50%	45	5
Republicans	18%	77	5
Independents	31%	59	10
22-23 Sep 08*	41%	45	14

* "...the recent financial crisis..."

29. U.S. automakers received billions of dollars of loan money from the federal government in December. Do you approve or disapprove of the federal government giving two U.S. automakers -- General Motors and Chrysler -- billions of dollars in additional loan money?

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	31%	65	4
Democrats	44%	53	3
Republicans	16%	80	4
Independents	31%	62	7
Union households	37%	57	6

For reference: Do you approve or disapprove of the federal government giving the big three U.S. automakers billions of dollars in loan money?

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
9-10 Dec 08	37%	58	5

30. Do you approve or disapprove of the Obama administration forcing out the CEO of General Motors as a condition of giving the company additional federal funding?

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	51%	42	7
Democrats	68%	24	7
Republicans	34%	61	5
Independents	44%	48	8

(ROTATE NEXT TWO QUESTIONS)

31. Which is closer to your opinion about the government forcing out the CEO of a major corporation that is receiving taxpayer money? (RANDOMIZE)

SCALE: 1. It is a dangerous move towards socialism that goes against the American way of doing business 2. It is an unfortunate but necessary move to try to save the American way of doing business 3. (Don't know)

	Goes against the American way of business	Necessary move to save American way of business	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	41%	53	6
Democrats	21%	73	6
Republicans	64%	32	5
Independents	45%	47	8

32. Regardless of how you feel about the government bailouts of corporations facing bankruptcy, in the long term which one of the following do you think would be better for the nation's economy? Would it be better for the economy if after the government gives a corporation taxpayer money for the government to: SCALE: 1. Stay out of corporate decision making OR 2. Also get involved in corporate decision making 3. (Don't know)

	Govt. stay out of corp. decisions	Govt. get involved in decisions	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	49%	45	7
Democrats	33%	62	5
Republicans	65%	28	6
Independents	54%	37	9

33. Do you think that CEOs of major corporations that need taxpayer bailouts to avoid bankruptcy should be treated like: (RANDOMIZE)

SCALE: 1. Respected business leaders whose companies fell on tough economic times OR 2. Failed business leaders whose judgment cannot be trusted

3. (Don't know)

	Respected leaders	Failed leaders	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	31%	58	11
Democrats	30%	60	9
Republicans	35%	55	10
Independents	27%	57	16

34. Do you think federal government bailouts are necessary to stabilize the nation's economy or would the economy improve without bailouts?

	Government bailouts are necessary	Economy would improve without bailouts	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	50%	42	8
Democrats	70%	22	8
Republicans	31%	61	8
Independents	44%	47	9

35. Does the current economic situation in the United States make you feel more anger or more fear?

	Anger	Fear	(Both)	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	42%	35	16	7
Democrats	39%	38	14	9
Republicans	46%	33	18	3
Independents	44%	29	17	10
17-18 Feb 09	30%	42	14	14

36. Do you think that under Barack Obama the government is taking too large a role in running U.S. companies, not a large enough role, or taking the appropriate role?

	Too large a role	Not a large enough role	Appropriate role	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	40%	13	43	4
Democrats	14%	18	65	3
Republicans	68%	10	18	3
Independents	46%	9	40	5

37. Which one of the following do you think Barack Obama wants to happen?
(RANDOMIZE)

SCALE: 1. He wants the financial crisis to continue so government can take over more businesses and grow the federal government. 2. He wants the financial crisis to end so private businesses can succeed and get stronger without government assistance. 3. (Neither of those) 4. (Don't know)

		Wants crisis to continue	Wants crisis to end	(Neither)	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09		23%	68	5	4
	Democrats	7%	88	3	2
	Republicans	44%	43	7	6
	Independents	25%	67	4	4

38. Do you think the federal government should ever be allowed to regulate the salaries of corporate executives at American companies?

		Yes	No	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09		38%	56	6
	Democrats	54%	40	6
	Republicans	21%	76	3
	Independents	35%	58	7

39. Do you think the federal government should be allowed to regulate the salaries of corporate executives at American companies that take taxpayer bailouts?

		Yes	No	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09		64%	32	4
	Democrats	78%	19	4
	Republicans	53%	43	4
	Independents	57%	38	5

40. Do you think the federal government should increase taxes on the wealthiest individuals so that nobody gets to be too rich?

		Yes	No	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09		40%	55	5
	Democrats	59%	37	4
	Republicans	23%	72	5
	Independents	32%	60	8

41. Do you think it is fair or unfair for AIG executives to receive bonuses after the company took federal bailout money to keep from going bankrupt?

		Fair	Unfair	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09		17%	80	4
	Democrats	12%	85	3
	Republicans	22%	74	4
	Independents	18%	79	4

42. When you hear about a law that would take back millions of dollars in AIG bonuses, are you more likely to think the law is:

SCALE: 1. A good thing because AIG executives were greedy 2. A bad thing because your salary could be the next one targeted by a special tax law 3. (Don't know)

		A good thing	A bad thing	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09		57%	35	7
	Democrats	73%	21	6
	Republicans	40%	52	8
	Independents	54%	38	8

43. Would you be willing to join a symbolic tea party to protest excessive government spending on April 15?

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	36%	58	6
Democrats	29%	65	6
Republicans	47%	48	5
Independents	29%	63	8

44. What is the maximum percentage of a person's income that should go to taxes -- that's all taxes -- state, federal and local? Out of every dollar, what's the highest percentage anybody should have to pay?

SCALE: 1. Less than 20 percent 2. 21-30 percent 3. 31-40 percent 4. 41-50 percent 5. 51-60 percent 6. Over 60 percent 9. Whatever the government wants to take 10. (Depends on how much the person makes) 11. (Don't know)

	<20%	21-30%	31-40%	41-50%	51-60%	>60%	Whatever	(Depends)	(DK)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	51%	27	6	2	1	1	2	6	5
Democrats	49%	26	7	1	1	1	2	7	6
Republicans	54%	32	5	3	-	-	-	3	3
Independents	51%	25	5	3	-	-	4	6	6
14-15 Jan 03	53%	25	6	1	-	na	1	na	14
14-15 Mar 01	52%	27	7	1	-	na	1	na	12
10-11 Mar 99	65%	24	3	1	-	na	1	na	6

45. Do you think Barack Obama is on television too much, about the right amount or is Obama not on television often enough?

	Too much	About right	Not often enough	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	31%	54	8	7
Democrats	10%	73	12	4
Republicans	57%	34	5	4
Independents	32%	52	4	11

46. Do you think Barack Obama uses a teleprompter too often?

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	28%	49	23
Democrats	11%	68	20
Republicans	52%	27	21
Independents	25%	48	27

47. Do you approve or disapprove of part of the White House grounds being dug up for a new, organic vegetable garden?

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	68%	18	13
Democrats	80%	12	9
Republicans	54%	28	18
Independents	68%	18	14

48. Do you think the United Nations should be in charge of the worldwide effort to combat climate change and the United States should report to the United Nations on this effort, or should it be up to individual countries and the United States would be allowed to make decisions on its own?

	United Nations should be in charge	Individual countries should be in charge	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	36%	57	7
Democrats	49%	44	7
Republicans	26%	69	6
Independents	27%	63	10

49. Just in general, do you think labor unions today are good for America or bad for America?

	Good	Bad	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	43%	46	11
Democrats	61%	30	10
Republicans	27%	62	11
Independents	36%	53	11
Union Household	68%	24	8
28-29 Mar 01	49%	32	19
6-7 Aug 97	49%	34	17

50. Do you think union workers make more money because they are represented by a union, or do they make less because they pay dues to be represented by a union?

	Make more money	Make less money	(Same/No difference)	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	64%	17	10	9
Democrats	63%	18	11	8
Republicans	67%	19	5	9
Independents	63%	13	14	9
Union Household	63%	20	9	8

51. Do you think the United States is safer today under the Obama administration or was it safer under the Bush administration?

	Safer today under Obama	Was safer under Bush	(Same/No difference)	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	36%	31	25	8
Democrats	63%	5	24	7
Republicans	10%	64	20	6
Independents	25%	33	32	10

52. Under the Obama administration, do you think the United States will continue fighting the global war against terrorism, or not?

SCALE: 1. Yes, will continue 2. No, will not continue 3. (Don't know)

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	68%	27	5
Democrats	82%	15	3
Republicans	51%	44	6
Independents	72%	24	4
27-28 Jan 09	76%	18	6

53. Which of the following descriptions do you think better describes the threat from terrorist attacks -- the word "terrorism" or the phrase "man-caused disasters"?

	Terrorism	Man-caused disasters	(Same/No difference)	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	75%	14	7	4
Democrats	68%	18	10	4
Republicans	86%	8	4	2
Independents	73%	15	7	5

54. In a recent speech Barack Obama said the U.S. military had succeeded in Iraq and helped establish a sovereign government there. If U.S. military action in Iraq is a success, who do you think deserves the most credit for that -- Barack Obama or George W. Bush? (ROTATE)

	Obama	Bush	(Both)	(Neither)	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	16%	56	6	15	7
Democrats	28%	35	8	18	11
Republicans	5%	83	2	7	3
Independents	11%	60	6	18	6

55. - 56. How much of a problem do you think [item] are for the country today?
SCALE: 1. A major problem 2. A minor problem 3. Not much of a problem at all
4. (Don't know) (RANDOMIZE)

	Major problem	Minor problem	Not much of a problem at all	(Don't know)
Greedy corporate executives	69%	22	6	3
Democrats	76%	16	4	3
Republicans	61%	30	8	1
Independents	67%	25	5	3
Power-hungry politicians	73%	21	3	2
Democrats	65%	29	4	3
Republicans	82%	15	2	1
Independents	75%	19	4	2

57. In general, who do you think are smarter -- corporate executives or congressional leaders? (ROTATE)

	Corporate executives	Congressional leaders	(Both the same)	(Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	44%	23	19	15
Democrats	30%	32	19	19
Republicans	59%	15	16	10
Independents	50%	18	19	13

POLITICAL IDENTIFICATION: When you think about politics, do you think of yourself as a Democrat or a Republican?

	Democrat	Republican	(Independent)	(Other)	(Refused/Don't know)
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	42%	33	20	3	2
3-4 Mar 09	40%	32	22	3	3
17-18 Feb 09	42%	35	18	3	2
27-28 Jan 09	44%	30	22	2	2
13-14 Jan 09	42%	32	21	2	4
9-10 Dec 08	43%	33	20	2	2
1-2 Nov 08 LV	42%	36	18	3	1
28-29 Oct 08 LV	41%	39	16	2	1
20-21 Oct 08 LV	43%	37	16	2	2
1-2 Nov 08	41%	36	18	4	1
28-29 Oct 08	40%	39	17	2	2
20-21 Oct 08	43%	36	16	2	3
8-9 Oct 08	41%	34	21	2	2
22-23 Sep 08	41%	34	21	2	2
8-9 Sep 08	41%	34	21	2	2
19-20 Aug 08	42%	35	20	1	2
22-23 Jul 08	42%	33	19	3	3
17-18 Jun 08	42%	35	16	3	3
28-29 Apr 08	44%	30	21	2	2
18-19 Mar 08	43%	30	21	3	3
19-20 Feb 08	43%	33	17	4	3