

# FOX NEWS POLL

## OPINION DYNAMICS

20 May 2010

Polling was conducted by telephone May 18-19, 2010, in the evenings.  
 The total sample is 900 registered voters nationwide with a margin of sampling error of  $\pm 3$  percentage points. Results are of registered voters, unless otherwise noted. LV = likely voters  
 Democrats n=348,  $\pm 5$ ; Republicans n=319,  $\pm 5.5$ ; Independents n=178,  $\pm 7$

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

\*\*\* President Obama Job Ratings Summary \*\*\*

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
Latest (18-19 May 10)	45%	46	8
High (27-28 Jan 09)	65%	16	19
Low (6-7 Apr 10)	43%	48	9
Average	52%	39	

	Approve	Disapprove	(DK)
18-19 May 10	45%	46	8
Democrats	79%	12	9
Republicans	12%	84	4
Independents	39%	48	14
<b>TREND</b>			
4-5 May 10	48%	43	9
Democrats	85%	9	7
Republicans	11%	82	6
Independents	38%	45	17
20-21 Apr 10	46%	46	8
Democrats	82%	12	5
Republicans	10%	82	7
Independents	39%	47	14
6-7 Apr 10	43%	48	9
Democrats	80%	12	8
Republicans	7%	87	6
Independents	38%	49	13
16-17 Mar 10	46%	48	6
Democrats	80%	15	5
Republicans	12%	84	4
Independents	47%	45	8
23-24 Feb 10	47%	45	8
Democrats	82%	11	7
Republicans	14%	80	6
Independents	38%	51	12

	Approve	Disapprove	(DK)
2-3 Feb 10	46%	47	7
Democrats	81%	12	7
Republicans	14%	82	5
Independents	45%	47	8
12-13 Jan 10	50%	42	8
Democrats	84%	11	5
Republicans	13%	81	6
Independents	45%	38	16
8-9 Dec 09	50%	44	7
17-18 Nov 09	46%	46	8
27-28 Oct 09	50%	41	10
13-14 Oct 09	49%	45	6
29-30 Sep 09	50%	42	8
15-16 Sep 09	54%	39	8
11-12 Aug 09	53%	40	7
21-22 Jul 09	54%	38	8
9-10 Jun 09	62%	31	8
12-13 May 09	60%	30	9
22-23 Apr 09	62%	29	8
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	58%	32	9
3-4 Mar 09	63%	26	11
17-18 Feb 09	60%	26	14
27-28 Jan 09	65%	16	19

2. (Ask if Q1 = approves) Why do you approve of the job he is doing? (DO NOT READ RESPONSES -- ACCEPT ONLY ONE RESPONSE)

1. (Doing a good job -- general)	45%
2. (Cares about average people/ helping people like me)	9
3. (Health care)	8
4. (Economy improving)	7
5. (Agree with him on issues)	6
6. (Honesty/Character)	4
7. (Like him personally)	4
8. (He's a Democrat)	1
9. (He's smart)	1
10. (Other)	11
11. (Don't know)	4

3. (Ask if Q1 = disapproves) Why do you disapprove of the job he is doing? (DO NOT READ RESPONSES -- ACCEPT ONLY ONE RESPONSE)

1. (Doing a bad job - general)	21%
2. (Big government/Deficit/ Government spending)	14
3. (Do not agree with him on issues)	14
4. (Economy/job situation not improving)	13
5. (Health care)	13
6. (Pushing socialism/Socialist)	6
7. (Not truthful)	3
8. (Don't like him)	2
9. (He's not smart/not wise/too clever)	2
10. (He's a Democrat)	1
11. (Iraq/Afghanistan)	-
12. (Not doing good job fighting terrorism)	-
13. (Other)	9
14. (Don't know)	1

4. Do you approve or disapprove of how the Obama administration handled the attempted bombing of Times Square?

	Approve	Disapprove (Don't know)	
18-19 May 10	52%	18	30
Democrats	69%	5	26
Republicans	37%	33	30
Independents	49%	19	32

*For reference: Do you approve or disapprove of how the Obama administration handled the attempted bombing of a U.S. airliner on Christmas Day?*

	Approve	Disapprove (Don't know)	
12-13 Jan 10	51%	33	16
Democrats	70%	17	13
Republicans	29%	57	14
Independents	52%	28	19

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

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	Approve	approve	(DK)	Approve	approve	(DK)	
18-19 May 10	22%	65	13	8-9 Oct 08	13%	77	10
Democrats	34%	48	18	22-23 Sep 08	17%	73	9
Republicans	11%	83	6	8-9 Sep 08	23%	68	8
Independents	19%	68	13	19-20 Aug 08	20%	73	7
RECENT TREND				22-23 Jul 08	21%	68	11
20-21 Apr 10	22%	68	10	17-18 Jun 08	19%	69	13
6-7 Apr 10	21%	72	6	28-29 Apr 08	22%	67	11
16-17 Mar 10	18%	76	7	18-19 Mar 08	20%	67	12
23-24 Feb 10	14%	80	6	19-20 Feb 08	22%	68	10
2-3 Feb 10	22%	69	8	30-31 Jan 08	22%	66	12
12-13 Jan 10	27%	63	10	18-19 Dec 07	25%	60	15
8-9 Dec 09	33%	59	8	13-14 Nov 07	26%	61	14
17-18 Nov 09	26%	63	11	23-24 Oct 07	25%	54	22
13-14 Oct 09	24%	66	10	9-10 Oct 07	24%	63	12
15-16 Sep 09	27%	64	9	25-26 Sep 07	24%	63	13
11-12 Aug 09	30%	59	11	11-12 Sep 07	32%	56	11
21-22 Jul 09	30%	60	10	21-22 Aug 07	24%	60	17
12-13 May 09	41%	49	10	5-6 Jun 07	29%	55	15
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	38%	52	10	15-16 May 07	32%	53	15
3-4 Mar 09	41%	48	10	17-18 Apr 07	35%	49	16
17-18 Feb 09	39%	50	10	27-28 Mar 07	30%	54	16
27-28 Jan 09	40%	46	14	27-28 Feb 07	32%	49	20
13-14 Jan 09	23%	68	10	30-31 Jan 07	33%	44	22
9-10 Dec 08	20%	71	9	16-17 Jan 07	32%	47	21
1-2 Nov 08	18%	75	7	4-5 Nov 06 LV	29%	57	13
1-2 Nov 08 LV	18%	75	7	10-11 Oct 06 LV	31%	63	6
28-29 Oct 08	17%	76	6	12-13 Sep 06 LV	29%	53	18
28-29 Oct 08 LV	18%	77	5	29-30 Aug 06	24%	61	15
20-21 Oct 08	19%	72	9	8-9 Aug 06	24%	58	17
20-21 Oct 08 LV	18%	73	8				

6. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Hillary Clinton is doing as secretary of state?

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
18-19 May 10	59%	19	22
Democrats	76%	7	16
Republicans	43%	31	25
Independents	56%	21	23
8-9 Dec 09	66%	22	12
11-12 Aug 09	66%	24	10
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	56%	23	21

7. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Joe Biden is doing as vice president?

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
18-19 May 10	43%	34	23
Democrats	71%	9	20
Republicans	20%	60	20
Independents	33%	38	29
8-9 Dec 09	38%	35	27
9-10 Jun 09	49%	32	19
22-23 Apr 09	53%	26	20

8. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Janet Napolitano is doing as director of Homeland Security?

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
18-19 May 10	40%	31	29
Democrats	53%	18	29
Republicans	28%	46	26
Independents	42%	32	26

9. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Eric Holder is doing as attorney general?

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
18-19 May 10	36%	27	37
Democrats	53%	9	38
Republicans	21%	42	36
Independents	34%	35	31

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)
18-19 May 10	39%	35	20	3	3
4-5 May 10	41%	37	18	2	2
20-21 Apr 10	41%	36	18	2	2
6-7 Apr 10	40%	36	18	4	2
16-17 Mar 10	40%	37	18	4	2
23-24 Feb 10	38%	37	17	5	3
2-3 Feb 10	36%	36	22	3	3
12-13 Jan 10	39%	34	20	3	4
8-9 Dec 09	38%	38	18	3	3
17-18 Nov 09	38%	36	20	3	3
27-28 Oct 09	40%	37	17	4	2
13-14 Oct 09	41%	37	16	4	1
29-30 Sep 09	41%	37	17	3	2
15-16 Sep 09	42%	31	21	4	3