

FOX NEWS POLL

OPINION DYNAMICS

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Polling was conducted by telephone September 8-9, 2008, 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=370, ± 5 percentage points; Republicans n=307, ± 6 percentage points; independents n=188, ± 7 percentage points

Obama supporters n=375, ± 5 percentage points; McCain supporters n=402, ± 5

1. Did you register to vote in the last two years or have you been registered to vote longer than that?

	Registered in the last two years	Registered to vote earlier than two years ago	(Don't know /Refused)
8-9 Sep 08	15%	85	-
Democrats	16%	84	-
Republicans	12%	88	-
Independents	17%	81	1

2. Right now, how interested are you in the 2008 presidential election? Are you:

	Extremely interested	Very interested	Somewhat interested	Not at all interested	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	43%	38	15	4	-
Democrats	45%	41	13	1	-
Republicans	45%	39	14	2	-
Independents	36%	37	18	9	-
19-20 Aug 08	35%	39	20	5	-
Democrats	37%	42	16	5	-
Republicans	34%	41	21	3	-
Independents	32%	32	26	10	-
17-18 Jun 08	35%	38	19	8	1
Democrats	40%	38	16	6	-
Republicans	31%	38	21	9	-
Independents	31%	33	22	12	2
18-19 Mar 08	34%	40	20	5	1
30-31 Jan 08	36%	40	20	4	1
23-24 Oct 07	30%	37	26	6	1
15-16 May 07	27%	35	29	8	1

3. If the 2008 presidential election were held today, would you vote for:
(ROTATE)

SCALE: 1. Democrats Barack Obama and Joe Biden 2. Republicans John McCain and Sarah Palin 3. (Other) 4. (Don't know) 5. (Would not vote)

	Obama	McCain	(Other)	(Don't know)	(Would not vote)
8-9 Sep 08*	42%	45	2	10	2
Democrats	79%	9	1	10	1
Republicans	5%	88	1	6	1
Independents	31%	46	4	15	3
19-20 Aug 08	42%	39	4	14	1
Democrats	78%	8	3	10	1
Republicans	8%	82	2	8	-
Independents	31%	30	8	28	3

* first time included vice presidential running mates

	Obama	McCain	(Other/Don't know)
22-23 Jul 08	41%	40	19
17-18 Jun 08	45%	41	14
28-29 Apr 08	43%	46	11
18-19 Mar 08	43%	44	13
19-20 Feb 08	47%	43	10
30-31 Jan 08	44%	43	13
18-19 Dec 07	40%	44	17
25-26 Sep 07	40%	38	22
17-18 Jul 07	47%	37	16
5-6 Dec 06	30%	49	21
24-25 Oct 06 LV	38%	41	21

4. How satisfied are you with the choice of candidates you have in this year's presidential election -- very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, not very satisfied, or not at all satisfied?

	Very satisfied	Somewhat satisfied	Not very satisfied	Not at all satisfied	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	36%	42	13	8	1
Democrats	44%	37	10	7	2
Republicans	34%	45	16	5	-
Independents	25%	46	14	14	2
Obama supporters	49%	39	7	4	-
McCain supporters	31%	47	15	6	1
17-18 Jun 08	25%	39	21	14	1
Democrats	42%	36	12	10	-
Republicans	12%	42	28	15	2
Independents	13%	42	25	19	-
21-22 Apr 04	29%	42	17	10	2

5. Do you feel like the country is more or less politically divided now than it was before the 2004 election or is it about the same?

SCALE: 1. More politically divided 2. Less politically divided 3. About the same 4. (Don't know)

	More	Less	Same	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	40%	8	48	4
Democrats	46%	10	41	3
Republicans	37%	4	53	6
Independents	35%	7	54	5
12-13 Sep 06 LV	54%	4	41	2

6. Do you approve or disapprove of the job George W. Bush is doing as president?

*** Bush Job Ratings Summary ***

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
Most recent (8-9 Sep 08)	32%	64	4
Highest (14-15 Nov 01)	88%	7	5
Lowest (22-23 Jul 08)	27%	66	7
First-Term Average	61%	29	

	Approve	Disapprove	(DK)		Approve	Disapprove	(DK)
8-9 Sep 08	32%	64	4	27-28 Feb 07	34%	57	8
Democrats	9%	90	1	13-14 Feb 07	35%	56	9
Republicans	62%	33	6	30-31 Jan 07	38%	54	8
Independents	29%	63	8	16-17 Jan 07	35%	58	7
RECENT TREND				5-6 Dec 06	38%	54	9
19-20 Aug 08	28%	67	5	4-5 Nov 06 LV	38%	54	8
22-23 Jul 08	27%	66	7	24-25 Oct 06 LV	40%	53	6
17-18 Jun 08	29%	64	7	10-11 Oct 06 LV	40%	56	4
28-29 Apr 08	32%	60	8	26-27 Sep 06 LV	42%	54	4
18-19 Mar 08	30%	60	10	12-13 Sep 06 LV	40%	49	10
19-20 Feb 08	32%	59	9	29-30 Aug 06	38%	56	6
30-31 Jan 08	33%	60	7	8-9 Aug 06	36%	56	8
18-19 Dec 07	36%	57	6	11-12 Jul 06	36%	53	11
13-14 Nov 07	36%	56	8	27-28 Jun 06	41%	50	9
23-24 Oct 07	35%	55	9	13-14 Jun 06	40%	52	8
9-10 Oct 07	35%	56	9	16-18 May 06	35%	56	8
25-26 Sep 07	34%	58	8	2-3 May 06	38%	53	9
11-12 Sep 07	37%	58	6	18-19 Apr 06	33%	57	10
21-22 Aug 07	33%	56	11	4-5 Apr 06	36%	53	10
17-18 Jul 07	32%	61	7	14-15 Mar 06	39%	51	11
26-27 Jun 07	31%	60	9	28 Feb-1 Mar 06	39%	54	7
5-6 Jun 07	34%	57	9	7-8 Feb 06	44%	47	9
15-16 May 07	34%	56	10	24-25 Jan 06	41%	51	8
17-18 Apr 07	38%	54	8	10-11 Jan 06	42%	49	9
27-28 Mar 07	33%	61	6				

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

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

24-25 Jan 06	34%	51	16	30-31 Aug 05	28%	53	18
13-14 Dec 05	30%	52	18	29-30 Mar 05	40%	36	24
13-14 Sep 05	34%	49	17				

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

*****SUMMARY CHART*****

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard
John McCain	60%	33	7	-
Barack Obama	57%	36	7	-
Sarah Palin	54%	27	16	4
Michelle Obama	52%	29	18	2
Joe Biden	51%	29	15	4
Cindy McCain	48%	24	26	3

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard
Barack Obama				
8-9 Sep 08	57%	36	7	-
Democrats	89%	7	4	-
Republicans	24%	69	6	1
Independents	50%	39	11	-
19-20 Aug 08	59%	35	6	-
22-23 Jul 08	58%	33	8	-
17-18 Jun 08	58%	32	10	-
28-29 Apr 08	47%	42	11	-
19-20 Feb 08	54%	33	12	-
18-19 Dec 07	49%	33	15	3
13-14 Nov 07	50%	34	11	4
11-12 Sep 07	51%	25	16	8
26-27 Jun 07	46%	30	17	8
17-18 Apr 07	47%	23	19	11
30-31 Jan 07	41%	20	20	18

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard		Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard
John McCain									
8-9 Sep 08	60%	33	7	-	7-8 Feb 06	54%	18	19	9
Democrats	29%	65	6	-	13-14 Dec 05	56%	18	18	7
Republicans	94%	4	3	-	30-31 Aug 05	57%	15	18	10
Independents	67%	21	12	-	24-25 Aug 04 LV	57%	16	19	8
19-20 Aug 08	60%	34	6	-	6-7 Jun 01	57%	18	18	7
22-23 Jul 08	54%	38	9	-	28-29 Mar 01	54%	17	22	7
17-18 Jun 08	58%	32	10	1	8-9 Mar 00	50%	28	17	5
28-29 Apr 08	49%	37	13	1	23-24 Feb 00	57%	19	19	5
19-20 Feb 08	52%	33	13	2	9-10 Feb 00	54%	15	20	11
18-19 Dec 07	53%	29	13	5	26-27 Jan 00	42%	17	22	19
13-14 Nov 07	48%	31	14	7	12-13 Jan 00	45%	13	22	20
11-12 Sep 07	49%	30	14	6	6-7 Dec 99	41%	11	18	30
26-27 Jun 07	47%	33	15	5	17-18 Nov 99	33%	10	19	38
17-18 Apr 07	49%	31	13	7	3-4 Nov 99	30%	12	23	35
30-31 Jan 07	45%	29	18	8	20-21 Oct 99	34%	12	19	35
16-18 May 06	49%	25	18	7	2-3 Jun 99	25%	8	17	50

	Favor able	Unfav orable	Can't say	Never heard
Michelle Obama				
8-9 Sep 08	52%	29	18	2
Democrats	75%	11	12	2
Republicans	28%	51	20	1
Independents	48%	27	22	3
17-18 Jun 08	44%	29	25	2
Cindy McCain				
8-9 Sep 08	48%	24	26	3
Democrats	26%	44	27	3
Republicans	75%	5	18	2
Independents	46%	15	36	2
17-18 Jun 08	41%	21	34	5
Joe Biden				
8-9 Sep 08	51%	29	15	4
Democrats	75%	10	11	4
Republicans	28%	55	12	4
Independents	47%	22	25	5
30-31 Aug 05	19%	16	27	37
Sarah Palin				
8-9 Sep 08	54%	27	16	4
Democrats	25%	46	23	5
Republicans	87%	5	6	2
Independents	55%	25	15	5

14. Does Barack Obama's selection of Joe Biden as his vice presidential running mate make you more or less likely to vote for him for president?

	More likely	Less likely	(No difference)	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	35%	25	37	2
Democrats	57%	11	30	2
Republicans	14%	42	42	1
Independents	31%	24	41	4

For reference: Are you more or less likely to vote for Barack Obama for president if he picks Joe Biden as his vice presidential running mate?

	More likely	Less likely	(No difference)	(Don't know)
19-20 Aug 08	27%	29	35	9

15. Does John McCain's selection of Sarah Palin as his vice presidential running mate make you more or less likely to vote for him for president?

	More likely	Less likely	(No difference)	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	41%	31	26	2
Democrats	18%	51	29	2
Republicans	69%	8	22	-
Independents	40%	31	24	5

16. Regardless of how you plan to vote, who do you really believe will win the 2008 presidential election -- Barack Obama or John McCain? (ROTATE)

	Obama	McCain	Too soon to say)	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	41%	40	12	7
Democrats	70%	16	7	7
Republicans	12%	70	13	5
Independents	34%	39	20	6
22-23 Jul 08	51%	27	13	9
17-18 Jun 08	47%	32	11	9

17. Which candidate do you think has the most compelling personal story? (RANDOMIZE)

SCALE: 1. Barack Obama 2. Joe Biden 3. John McCain 4. Sarah Palin
5. (All equally) 6. (None of them) 7. (Don't know)

	Obama	Biden	McCain	Palin	(All)	(None)	(DK)
8-9 Sep 08	24%	4	48	10	5	3	6
Democrats	45%	7	27	7	4	3	8
Republicans	6%	1	74	13	2	2	2
Independents	15%	3	50	8	10	4	9

18. Do you think most people are inspired by having a woman on one of the major party presidential tickets this year, or not?

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

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	64%	29	7
Democrats	58%	34	8
Republicans	75%	20	5
Independents	61%	32	6

19. Do you think most people are inspired by having an African-American on one of the major party presidential tickets this year, or not?

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

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	68%	24	7
Democrats	72%	22	6
Republicans	67%	26	7
Independents	66%	24	9

20. - 24. Regardless of how you might vote, which candidate do you trust more to handle the following issues -- Barack Obama or John McCain? (ROTATE)

SCALE: 1. Barack Obama 2. John McCain 3. (Both) 4. (Neither) 5. (Don't know)

	Obama	McCain	(Both)	(Neither)	(Don't know)	(Dem Edge)
The situation in Iraq	39%	52	2	3	4	-13
Democrats	73%	18	3	3	3	+55
Republicans	6%	89	-	2	2	-83
Independents	30%	58	3	4	5	-28
19-20 Aug 08	42%	49	2	5	3	-7
22-23 Jul 08	39%	47	3	5	6	-8
17-18 Jun 08	40%	46	2	8	4	-6
Health care	49%	35	3	6	8	+14
Democrats	81%	8	2	4	5	+73
Republicans	14%	69	2	7	8	-55
Independents	46%	33	4	6	11	+13
19-20 Aug 08	50%	33	4	7	7	+17
22-23 Jul 08	50%	31	5	6	8	+19
17-18 Jun 08	47%	31	4	8	9	+16
The economy	46%	42	2	5	6	+4
Democrats	81%	9	2	3	5	+72
Republicans	9%	80	2	6	4	-71
Independents	40%	45	3	4	9	-5
19-20 Aug 08	48%	39	2	8	3	+9
22-23 Jul 08	47%	36	5	7	5	+11
17-18 Jun 08	44%	36	4	10	7	+8
The war on terrorism	35%	55	2	3	5	-20
Democrats	67%	22	3	4	5	+45
Republicans	6%	90	-	1	3	-84
Independents	25%	62	4	2	6	-37
19-20 Aug 08	34%	54	3	5	4	-20
22-23 Jul 08	34%	52	3	4	7	-18
17-18 Jun 08*	32%	51	5	6	6	-19
* previously worded 'Terrorism'						
Energy independence	44%	42	3	4	7	+2
Democrats	76%	12	2	2	7	+64
Republicans	11%	78	3	5	4	-67
Independents	35%	46	4	7	8	-11
19-20 Aug 08	45%	37	4	7	6	+8

25. If the United States were hit with another terrorist attack, would you feel more comfortable with Barack Obama or John McCain as president? (ROTATE)

	Obama	McCain	(No difference)	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	35%	55	6	3
Democrats	69%	18	8	4
Republicans	4%	92	2	1
Independents	22%	65	8	4
17-18 Jun 08	33%	50	11	6

26. - 28. Regardless of how you might vote, which presidential ticket do you think:

SCALE: 1. The Democratic ticket of Barack Obama and Joe Biden, 2. The Republican ticket of John McCain and Sarah Palin 3. (Both) 4. (Neither) 5. (Don't know)

	Dem Ticket	Rep Ticket	(Both)	(Nthr)	(DK)	(Dem Edge)
Has more experience combined?	34%	52	6	3	5	-18
Democrats	65%	20	8	4	5	+45
Republicans	5%	88	3	2	2	-83
Independents	25%	57	8	2	8	-32
Has better judgment combined?	43%	47	3	2	5	-4
Democrats	80%	11	2	2	5	+69
Republicans	7%	88	2	1	2	-81
Independents	32%	51	5	4	8	-19
Will bring the right change to Washington?	46%	39	2	7	6	+7
Democrats	84%	5	2	5	4	+79
Republicans	7%	82	1	5	4	-75
Independents	36%	38	4	10	12	-2

29. Which one of the following four candidates do you think best understands the problems of every day life in America? (READ AND RANDOMIZE 1-4)

SCALE: 1. Barack Obama 2. Joe Biden 3. John McCain 4. Sarah Palin
5. (All equally) 6. (None of them) 7. (Don't know)

	Obama	Biden	McCain	Palin	(All)	(None)	(DK)
8-9 Sep 08	32%	10	17	33	2	2	4
Democrats	59%	16	5	14	2	2	3
Republicans	7%	4	31	56	1	1	2
Independents	22%	8	20	35	6	3	6

ROTATE NEXT TWO QUESTIONS

30. Do you think Barack Obama is a talker or a doer?

	Talker	Doer	(Both)	(Neither)	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	49%	34	10	-	7
Democrats	19%	59	17	-	5
Republicans	81%	11	3	-	4
Independents	55%	26	8	-	11

31. Do you think John McCain is a talker or a doer?

	Talker	Doer	(Both)	(Neither)	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	30%	54	8	2	6
Democrats	55%	28	7	4	5
Republicans	6%	85	6	-	4
Independents	21%	58	11	-	9

32. If you had to make the toughest decision of your life, who would you rather get advice from -- Barack Obama or John McCain? (ROTATE)

	Obama	McCain	(Both)	(Neither)	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	34%	50	4	9	3
Democrats	64%	21	3	8	4
Republicans	5%	86	4	4	1
Independents	22%	52	6	16	3
19-20 Aug 08	37%	43	4	12	5

33. If you had to make the toughest decision of your life, who would you rather get advice from -- Joe Biden or Sarah Palin? (ROTATE)

	Biden	Palin	(Both)	(Neither)	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	39%	43	3	9	6
Democrats	64%	19	2	9	6
Republicans	14%	74	3	5	4
Independents	32%	41	6	12	8

34. - 35. Regardless of whether you would vote for [NAME] or not, how qualified do you think he is to be president of the United States?

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

	--- Qualified ---			-- Not qualified --			(DK)
	TOTAL	Vry	Smwht	TOTAL	Ntvry	Not	
Barack Obama	67%	32	35	32	18	14	1
Democrats	89%	57	32	10	6	4	1
Republicans	43%	8	35	56	29	27	1
Independents	64%	24	40	35	20	15	1
9-10 Oct 07	62%	23	39	30	16	14	8
27-28 Feb 07	52%	18	34	32	16	16	17
John McCain	87%	49	38	13	8	5	1
Democrats	76%	31	45	22	15	7	2
Republicans	98%	72	26	2	1	1	-
Independents	90%	50	40	9	6	3	1
9-10 Oct 07	75%	34	41	16	8	8	9
27-28 Feb 07	70%	34	36	15	8	7	15

36. Which vice presidential candidate would you feel more comfortable with if they had to step in and serve as president -- Democrat Joe Biden or Republican Sarah Palin?

	Biden	Palin	(Both)	(Neither)	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	51%	38	2	3	5
Democrats	76%	15	2	3	4
Republicans	21%	71	2	3	3
Independents	53%	31	3	4	10

37. Setting aside for a moment who is a candidate for president and who is a candidate for vice president, if you had the chance to vote for any of these candidates for PRESIDENT, who would you pick? (RANDOMIZE)

SCALE: 1. Barack Obama 2. Joe Biden 3. John McCain 4. Sarah Palin

5. (All equally) 6. (None of them) 7. (Don't know)

	Obama	Biden	McCain	Palin	(All)	(None)	(DK)
8-9 Sep 08	33%	12	35	11	1	4	5
Democrats	64%	19	6	4	1	2	3
Republicans	5%	3	70	18	-	1	3
Independents	22%	10	40	9	1	9	9

ROTATE NEXT TWO QUESTIONS

38. Do you think Sarah Palin is a political insider or an outsider?

	Insider	Outsider	(Mixed)	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	23%	54	7	17
Democrats	25%	54	5	16
Republicans	23%	54	9	14
Independents	18%	55	9	18

39. Do you think Joe Biden is a political insider or an outsider?

	Insider	Outsider	(Mixed)	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	65%	12	6	17
Democrats	69%	13	6	12
Republicans	64%	11	4	21
Independents	60%	9	10	21

40. Regardless of how you might vote, who do you think made the smarter choice for his vice presidential running mate? (ROTATE)

SCALE: 1. Barack Obama, who picked Delaware Senator Joe Biden

2. John McCain, who picked Alaska Governor Sarah Palin 3. (Both) 4. (Neither)

5. (Don't know)

	Obama	McCain	(Both)	(Neither)	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	40%	50	6	1	3
Democrats	67%	23	5	1	3
Republicans	9%	82	5	1	3
Independents	37%	50	8	1	4

41. Do you think Barack Obama made a mistake by not choosing Hillary Clinton to be his vice presidential running mate?

SCALE: 1. Yes, he made a mistake 2. No, he did not make a mistake 3. (Not sure)

	Yes	No	(Not sure)
8-9 Sep 08	42%	52	6
Democrats	40%	52	8
Republicans	47%	49	4
Independents	41%	54	4

42. Which job do you think better prepares a candidate for the White House -- being a governor or being a U.S. Senator?

	Governor	U.S. Senator	(Both)	(Neither)	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	38%	37	12	4	9
Democrats	23%	53	11	4	9
Republicans	57%	21	9	4	8
Independents	37%	34	16	5	8

43. If stranded on a deserted island, which one of the following candidates would be best at surviving on their own -- Barack Obama, Joe Biden, John McCain or Sarah Palin? (RANDOMIZE)

SCALE: 1. Barack Obama 2. Joe Biden 3. John McCain 4. Sarah Palin

5. (All equally) 6. (None of them) 7. (Don't know)

	Obama	Biden	McCain	Palin	(All)	(None)	(DK)
8-9 Sep 08	19%	4	52	16	1	1	6
Democrats	35%	6	39	12	2	1	6
Republicans	7%	1	69	18	-	-	4
Independents	12%	3	50	20	2	2	10

44. How would you describe the coverage of the presidential campaign by most major news organizations? Would you say most news coverage: (READ 1-3)
 SCALE: 1. Tries to be fair and even handed 2. Is purposefully slanted to help Barack Obama win 3. Is purposefully slanted to help John McCain win 4. (Combination/Depends) 5. (Don't know)

	Fair/ even handed	Slanted for Obama	Slanted for McCain	(Combination /Depends)	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	36%	36	8	14	7
Democrats	48%	17	14	14	8
Republicans	24%	60	3	8	4
Independents	32%	35	4	23	6

ROTATE NEXT THREE QUESTIONS

45. Do you think Sarah Palin has been the target of sexist or gender-based attacks in the press?

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	45%	48	6
Democrats	35%	58	6
Republicans	58%	37	5
Independents	47%	46	8

46. Do you think John McCain has been the target of ageist or age-based attacks in the press?

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	53%	41	6
Democrats	45%	47	7
Republicans	64%	32	4
Independents	51%	43	6

47. Do you think Barack Obama has been the target of racist or race-based attacks in the press?

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	33%	63	4
Democrats	44%	50	6
Republicans	20%	77	2
Independents	31%	66	3

48. Many people are talking about Republican vice presidential candidate Sarah Palin's personal family situation, including the fact that she has young children, and wondering whether or not she is doing the right thing by getting into the race. Do you think Sarah Palin did the right thing or the wrong thing by choosing to run for vice president?

	Right	Wrong	(Combination/Depends)	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	70%	17	7	6
Democrats	51%	29	12	8
Republicans	89%	5	3	3
Independents	75%	12	5	8

49. Sarah Palin's 17-year-old daughter is pregnant and made the choice to have the baby and marry the father of her child. Does knowing about this situation in Sarah Palin's family make you think more positively of Palin, less positively of her or not make much of a difference at all to your opinion of Palin?

SCALE: 1. More positively of her 2. Less positively of her
3. Not much of a difference 4. (Don't know)

	More positively	Less positively	Not much of a difference	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	19%	10	70	2
Democrats	10%	17	71	2
Republicans	32%	3	63	2
Independents	16%	7	75	1

Changing topics now ...

50. - 56. How concerned are you about each of the following? (RANDOMIZE)
SCALE: 1. Extremely concerned 2. Very concerned 3. Not very concerned
4. Not at all concerned 5. (Don't know)

*****SUMMARY CHART*****

	"Extremely" Concerned			-- Not concerned --				
	Total	Extmly	Vry	Total	Nt vry	Not	(DK)	
The nation's economy	49%							
Gas prices	46%							
The price of health care	39%							
The situation in Iraq	37%							
Being able to pay your bills	36%							
The decline of moral values	33%							
Terrorist attacks	28%							
		-- Concerned --			-- Not concerned --			
		Total	Extmly	Vry	Total	Nt vry	Not	(DK)
Gas prices	87%	46	41	13	10	3	-	
Democrats	91%	51	40	9	8	1	-	
Republicans	89%	45	44	11	9	2	-	
Independents	78%	38	40	21	15	6	1	
12-13 Sep 06	77%	35	42	23	19	4	-	
Terrorist attacks	72%	28	44	27	22	5	1	
Democrats	70%	27	43	30	25	5	1	
Republicans	79%	32	47	20	18	2	-	
Independents	64%	23	41	35	26	9	-	
12-13 Sep 06	74%	35	39	24	21	3	2	
Being able to pay your bills	75%	36	39	25	19	6	-	
Democrats	85%	43	42	15	12	3	-	
Republicans	69%	31	38	31	24	7	-	
Independents	63%	28	35	36	26	10	1	
12-13 Sep 06	67%	30	37	33	22	11	-	
The situation in Iraq	87%	37	50	12	10	2	1	
Democrats	92%	42	50	7	6	1	-	
Republicans	86%	32	54	13	11	2	1	
Independents	81%	33	48	18	14	4	1	
12-13 Sep 06	88%	43	45	10	8	2	1	
The price of health care	84%	39	45	15	12	3	1	
Democrats	90%	47	43	10	8	2	1	
Republicans	81%	31	50	18	15	3	1	
Independents	76%	32	44	22	16	6	2	

	87%	44	43	13	9	4	1
	-- Concerned --			-- Not concerned --			
	Total	Extmly	Vry	Total	Nt vry	Not	(DK)
The decline of moral values	76%	33	43	22	17	5	2
Democrats	71%	28	43	27	20	7	2
Republicans	85%	40	45	15	13	2	1
Independents	69%	29	40	27	19	8	4
12-13 Sep 06	76%	36	40	22	16	6	2
The nation's economy	93%	49	44	7	6	1	-
Democrats	97%	55	42	4	3	1	-
Republicans	91%	43	48	8	7	1	-
Independents	88%	44	44	12	11	1	-
12-13 Sep 06	76%	32	44	24	19	5	1

57. Do you think the war against terrorism is more important, less important or equally as important today as it was just after September 11, 2001?

	More important	Less important	Equally important	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	31%	18	50	2
Democrats	30%	23	44	3
Republicans	31%	13	55	-
Independents	28%	17	54	1
29-30 Aug 06	38%	7	53	2
23-24 Mar 04	41%	7	49	3

Turning now to energy issues ...

58. To deal with higher gas prices, have you and your family been more likely to cut back on driving or more likely to cut back on other spending?

	Driving	Other spending	(Both)	(Neither/Haven't cut back)	(Not sure)
8-9 Sep 08	42%	21	26	10	1
Democrats	41%	24	28	7	1
Republicans	48%	19	21	11	1
Independents	37%	18	30	13	1
30-31 Aug 05	42%	17	20	19	3

59. Have higher gas prices made you more likely to consider buying a hybrid car -- that is, a car that is powered by both gasoline and electricity?

SCALE: 1. Yes, more likely to consider 2. No, no more likely to consider 3. (Already own) 4. (Don't know)

	Yes	No	(Already own)	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	33%	62	2	3
Democrats	40%	55	2	4
Republicans	29%	65	2	4
Independents	29%	68	2	2
30-31 Aug 05	37%	58	na	5

60. Do you think most Americans think about trying to conserve energy or pretty much take energy supplies for granted?

SCALE: 1. Think about trying to conserve energy 2. Take energy supplies for granted 3. (Don't know)

	Think about trying to conserve	Take energy for granted	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	43%	52	5
Democrats	43%	52	5
Republicans	50%	46	4
Independents	34%	61	5

26-27 Feb 02	24%	71	5
6-7 Jun 01	20%	75	5

61. Do you or does someone else in your household own a gun?

	Yes	No	(Don't know/Refused)
8-9 Sep 08	40%	55	4
17-18 Apr 07	50%	49	1
22-23 Oct 02 LV	45%	52	3
22-23 Mar 00	45%	53	2
19-20 May 99	48%	50	2
5-6 May 99	42%	56	2

62. On the issue of abortion, would you say you are more pro-life or more pro-choice?

	Pro-life	Pro-choice	(Both, mix)	(Don't know)
8-9 Sep 08	41%	49	6	4
23-24 Oct 07	37%	48	8	7
15-16 May 07	39%	51	8	3
13-14 Feb 07	40%	51	5	4
28 Feb-1 Mar 06	41%	49	7	3
25-26 Apr 05	42%	47	8	3
21-22 Apr 04	47%	44	6	3
15-16 Jul 03	44%	44	6	6
22-23 Apr 03	41%	49	5	5
9-10 Jan 02	41%	47	5	7
24-25 Jan 01	42%	47	7	4
12-13 July 00	38%	54	5	3
26-27 Jan 00	44%	43	8	5
23-24 Jun 99	44%	42	9	5
7-8 Jan 98	46%	49	-	5
20-21 Aug 97	40%	50	5	5

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)
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
30-31 Jan 08	42%	33	20	2	3