

FOX NEWS POLL

OPINION DYNAMICS

10 December 2009

Polling was conducted by telephone December 8-9, 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=338, ± 5 ; Republicans n=341, ± 5 ; Independents n=164, ± 8

Question 1 released separately

2. - 6. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing on the following issues? (READ AND RANDOMIZE LIST)

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
Afghanistan			
8-9 Dec 09	49%	44	7
Democrats	62%	31	6
Republicans	38%	55	7
Independents	48%	46	7
13-14 Oct 09	41%	43	15
15-16 Sep 09	51%	32	17
Economy			
8-9 Dec 09	45%	52	3
Democrats	80%	18	2
Republicans	17%	80	3
Independents	33%	62	4
13-14 Oct 09	48%	49	3
15-16 Sep 09	55%	40	5
21-22 Jul 09	50%	43	7
Job creation			
8-9 Dec 09	42%	52	6
Democrats	71%	25	4
Republicans	18%	77	5
Independents	35%	57	8
Health care			
8-9 Dec 09	39%	54	7
Democrats	73%	17	10
Republicans	10%	86	4
Independents	31%	63	5
13-14 Oct 09	42%	50	9
15-16 Sep 09	44%	48	8
21-22 Jul 09	43%	45	12

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
Federal deficit			
8-9 Dec 09	33%	58	9
Democrats	65%	25	10
Republicans	8%	86	6
Independents	21%	70	9

Questions 7-13 released separately

14. Which ONE of the following do you think is most important for the federal government to be working on right now? (RANDOMIZE 1-7)

	All	Dem	Rep	Ind
1. Fixing the economy	27%	26%	31%	20%
2. Creating jobs	26	31	20	31
3. Reforming health care	10	16	6	8
4. Handling Iraq and Afghanistan	8	7	10	5
5. Reducing the deficit	7	3	10	8
6. Cutting taxes	6	2	10	9
7. Addressing global warming	2	4	1	2
8. (All)	12	11	11	15
9. (Other)	1	1	-	1
10. (Don't know)	1	-	1	1

Questions 15-29 released separately

Changing topics now to health care...

30. Do you want Congress to pass major health care reform legislation this year or would you rather Congress do nothing on health care for now?

SCALE: 1. Pass health care reform legislation 2. Do nothing on health care 3. (Don't know)

	Pass legislation	Do nothing	(Don't know)
8-9 Dec 09	41%	54	5
Democrats	70%	24	6
Republicans	15%	81	4
Independents	38%	58	5
21-22 Jul 09	49%	48	3

31. Based on what you know about the health care reform legislation being considered right now, do you favor or oppose the plan?

	Favor	Oppose	(Don't know)
8-9 Dec 09	34%	57	9
Democrats	63%	24	13
Republicans	9%	87	4
Independents	24%	66	10
17-18 Nov 09	35%	51	14
Democrats	65%	17	18
Republicans	10%	82	8
Independents	25%	61	14
13-14 Oct 09	35%	54	10
29-30 Sep 09	33%	53	14
15-16 Sep 09	38%	48	14
11-12 Aug 09	34%	49	16
21-22 Jul 09	36%	47	16

32. For you personally, do you think the health care reforms being considered would cost you money or save you money?

	Cost me money	Save me money	(About same as it does now)	(Don't know)
8-9 Dec 09	64%	23	7	6
Democrats	39%	42	11	9
Republicans	86%	8	3	3
Independents	69%	20	6	4
21-22 Jul 09	58%	24	9	8

33. Do you think the quality of health care for you and your family would be better or worse under the health care reforms being considered?

	Better	Worse	(No difference)	(Don't know)
8-9 Dec 09	28%	52	15	6
Democrats	50%	22	22	6
Republicans	8%	80	7	5
Independents	22%	55	15	8
21-22 Jul 09	29%	45	17	9

34. Regardless of how you feel about health care reform overall, if a reform plan includes cuts to Medicare benefits would that be a deal-breaker for you and cause you to oppose that plan, or not?

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
8-9 Dec 09	54%	39	7
Democrats	45%	49	7
Republicans	62%	33	5
Independents	57%	36	7

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 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
11-12 Aug 09	39%	35	22	2	2
21-22 Jul 09	40%	34	20	4	2
9-10 Jun 09	40%	33	23	1	2