

# FOX NEWS POLL

## OPINION DYNAMICS

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Polling was conducted by telephone July 13-14, 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=332,  $\pm 5$ ; Republicans n=343,  $\pm 5$ ; Independents n=166,  $\pm 8$

Question 1 released separately

### ROTATE NEXT TWO QUESTIONS

2. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Democrats in Congress are doing?

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
13-14 Jul 10	33%	57	10
Democrats	64%	27	9
Republicans	8%	84	8
Independents	24%	59	17
4-5 May 10	37%	54	9
27-28 Oct 09	36%	53	11
22-23 Apr 09	50%	40	10
17-18 Feb 09	46%	45	9
26-27 Jun 07	36%	49	15
24-25 Oct 06 LV	37%	46	17
26-27 Sep 06 LV	39%	48	13
2-3 May 06	36%	49	15
4-5 Apr 06	29%	51	20
28 Feb-1 Mar 06	36%	48	16
10-11 Jan 06	39%	41	20
8-9 Nov 05	33%	47	20

3. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Republicans in Congress are doing?

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
13-14 Jul 10	29%	58	13
Democrats	18%	76	6
Republicans	47%	43	11
Independents	17%	60	23
4-5 May 10	31%	57	12
27-28 Oct 09	29%	59	12
22-23 Apr 09	36%	52	12
17-18 Feb 09	34%	56	10
26-27 Jun 07	30%	56	14
24-25 Oct 06 LV	34%	55	11
26-27 Sep 06 LV	34%	55	11
2-3 May 06	35%	53	12
4-5 Apr 06	29%	53	18
28 Feb-1 Mar 06	34%	53	13
10-11 Jan 06	37%	49	14
8-9 Nov 05	34%	50	16

4. Right now, how interested are you in the November elections?

	Extremely interested	Very interested	Somewhat interested	Not at all interested	(Don't know)
13-14 Jul 10	28%	29	34	8	1
Democrats	23%	29	37	8	2
Republicans	34%	32	27	6	1
Independents	26%	24	41	9	-
29-30 Jun 10	29%	28	32	9	2
Democrats	24%	25	39	11	1
Republicans	33%	33	27	7	-
Independents	35%	28	29	9	-
8-9 Jun 10	27%	28	31	13	1
Democrats	23%	26	37	14	1
Republicans	35%	31	23	10	-
Independents	25%	29	30	17	-
18-19 May 10	30%	31	29	10	1
4-5 May 10	27%	31	32	10	1
20-21 Apr 10	30%	27	31	11	-
6-7 Apr 10	31%	27	30	11	1
2-3 Feb 10	28%	29	32	10	1

5. If the election for Congress were held today, would you vote for the Democratic candidate in your district or the Republican candidate in your district? (If undecided) Well, if you had to vote, which way would you lean? (ROTATE)

	Democratic Candidate			Republican Candidate			(Undecided/Don't know)	
	Total	Vote	Lean	Total	Vote	Lean	(Other)	know)
13-14 Jul 10	37%	33	4	41	38	3	4	18
Democrats	79%	72	7	6	6	-	1	13
Republicans	4%	4	-	83	78	5	2	10
Independents	31%	25	6	25	22	3	14	31
29-30 Jun 10	40%	36	4	42	38	4	4	13
Democrats	87%	80	7	8	7	1	1	5
Republicans	3%	3	-	90	82	8	-	6
Independents	25%	20	5	32	26	6	14	29
8-9 Jun 10	41%	37	4	38	32	6	5	17
Democrats	83%	77	6	4	4	-	1	11
Republicans	3%	2	1	85	74	11	3	8
Independents	20%	15	5	31	25	6	11	37
18-19 May 10	41%	37	4	41	35	6	5	14
Democrats	84%	79	5	4	4	-	1	10
Republicans	5%	4	1	85	77	9	3	7
Independents	23%	18	5	33	23	10	15	29
4-5 May 10	40%	35	5	42	37	5	4	14
Democrats	80%	71	9	7	6	1	2	11
Republicans	3%	3	-	86	78	8	2	8
Independents	31%	24	7	37	27	10	12	20
20-21 Apr 10	38%	35	3	42	38	4	4	15
Democrats	82%	75	7	6	5	1	2	9
Republicans	2%	1	1	91	84	7	2	5
Independents	20%	18	2	29	24	5	10	42
6-7 Apr 10	39%	35	4	43	38	5	4	15
Democrats	81%	76	5	5	4	1	3	11
Republicans	3%	2	1	89	81	8	2	6
Independents	23%	17	6	36	32	4	9	32
16-17 Mar 10	38%	34	4	42	38	4	6	14
Democrats	81%	72	9	4	4	-	4	11

Republicans	3%	3	-	89	82	7	2	6
Independents	25%	21	4	33	29	4	14	29

6. Which of the following best describes how the policies of the Obama administration will affect your vote for Congress this year? Will your vote be:  
SCALE:

1. Primarily to express support for Obama administration policies
2. In part to express support for Obama policies
3. In part to express opposition to Obama policies
4. Primarily to express opposition to Obama policies
5. Or are the policies of the Obama administration not a factor in your vote?
6. (Don't know)

	- To Support Obama -			- To Oppose Obama -			Not a factor (DK)	
	Total	Primarily	Part	Total	Primarily	Part		
13-14 Jul 10	33%	19	14	41	27	14	20	5
Democrats	64%	38	26	11	4	7	21	4
Republicans	8%	4	4	72	51	21	15	5
Independents	23%	14	9	41	27	14	33	4
10-11 Oct 06 LV*	31%	17	14	41	14	27	22	5

\* "Bush administration"

7. Do you think it would be better for the country if Democrats or Republicans win control of Congress in this year's election? (ROTATE)

	Democrats		Republicans	(No difference/ Neither)	(Don't know)
	win		win		
13-14 Jul 10	36%		43	15	6
Democrats	79%		6	11	4
Republicans	2%		83	12	4
Independents	31%		36	24	10
12-13 Sep 06 LV	41%		34	18	7
27-28 Jun 06	39%		33	20	8
16-18 May 06	46%		29	19	6
28 Feb-1 Mar 06	45%		31	19	5
7-8 Feb 06	42%		34	18	5
10-11 Jan 06	44%		33	16	7
27-28 Sep 05	40%		32	18	10

8. Democrats have been in control of both the House and Senate in Congress and the White House for the last year and a half. Overall, do you think this has been good or bad for the country?

	Good	Bad	(Mixed)	(Don't know)
	13-14 Jul 10	36%	50	10
Democrats	75%	12	9	4
Republicans	3%	90	5	1
Independents	31%	44	17	8

9. In general, do you think it would be a good idea or bad idea if a third national political party were formed that would run candidates for president, congress, and state offices against the Republican and Democratic candidates?

	Good idea	Bad idea	(Already exists)	(Don't know)
	13-14 Jul 10	57%	30	4
Democrats	58%	30	5	8
Republicans	50%	37	2	11
Independents	67%	20	4	9
27-28 Jun 06	50%	37	na	13
14-15 Jul 99	57%	31	na	12
23-24 Jun 99	54%	32	na	14

10. Overall, do you think the Tea Party movement is good or bad for the country?

	Good	Bad	(Mixed)	(Don't know)
13-14 Jul 10	46%	29	9	16
Democrats	25%	50	10	16
Republicans	68%	12	7	13
Independents	51%	24	7	17

Question 11 released separately

12. - 21. Which political party -- the Democrats or the Republicans -- do you think would do a better job on each of the following issues? (ROTATE)

SCALE: 1. Democrats 2. Republicans 3. (Equal) 4. (Don't know)

\*\*\*\*SUMMARY CHART\*\*\*\*

	Dem	Rep
Energy	46%	37
Health care	42%	43
Job creation	42%	39
The economy	39%	44
Taxes	38%	46
Immigration	32%	45
Afghanistan	32%	41
The federal deficit	31%	46
Size of government	30%	46
Terrorism	30%	46

	Dem	Rep	(Equal)	(DK)
Energy				
13-14 Jul 10	46%	37	7	11
Democrats	80%	9	5	6
Republicans	17%	70	4	9
Independents	43%	30	13	14
24-25 Oct 06 LV*	55%	26	10	9
11-12 Jul 06*	53%	19	12	16
7-8 Feb 06	46%	30	11	14
6-7 Aug 02	42%	32	10	16
26-27 Feb 02	37%	38	9	16

\*\*Energy and gas prices\*\*

	Dem	Rep	(Equal)	(DK)
Health care				
13-14 Jul 10	42%	43	8	7
Democrats	84%	8	6	3
Republicans	6%	84	5	4
Independents	39%	34	15	12
24-25 Oct 06 LV	58%	24	10	8
11-12 Jul 06	52%	23	12	13
7-8 Feb 06	51%	28	8	13
18-19 Feb 04	52%	31	7	10
20-21 May 03	48%	30	9	13
8-9 Oct 02 LV	48%	32	7	13
28-29 Mar 01	41%	36	10	13

	Dem	Rep	(Equal)	(DK)
<b>Job creation</b>				
13-14 Jul 10	42%	39	10	9
Democrats	76%	10	8	6
Republicans	14%	75	4	7
Independents	39%	27	18	17
<b>The economy</b>				
13-14 Jul 10	39%	44	9	9
Democrats	77%	11	8	4
Republicans	7%	83	4	6
Independents	35%	34	13	19
4-5 May 10	44%	41	6	9
24-25 Oct 06 LV	45%	39	10	6
11-12 Jul 06	49%	29	10	12
7-8 Feb 06	45%	36	8	11
18-19 Feb 04	49%	38	5	8
20-21 May 03	40%	39	9	12
8-9 Oct 02 LV	41%	41	7	11
6-7 Aug 02	43%	36	9	12
26-27 Feb 02	36%	41	10	13
28-29 Mar 01	37%	42	8	13
23-24 Jun 99*	38%	39	9	14
24-25 Feb 99*	39%	41	8	12
* <i>"job maintaining a strong economy"</i>				
<b>Taxes</b>				
13-14 Jul 10	38%	46	6	10
Democrats	74%	16	3	7
Republicans	8%	83	4	6
Independents	36%	36	12	16
4-5 May 10	40%	46	5	9
24-25 Oct 06 LV	42%	40	9	9
7-8 Feb 06	43%	38	9	9
18-19 Feb 04	41%	42	6	11
20-21 May 03	38%	40	9	13
8-9 Oct 02 LV	37%	45	7	11
6-7 Aug 02	41%	40	7	12
26-27 Feb 02	37%	40	10	13
28-29 Mar 01	35%	47	7	11
23-24 Jun 99*	32%	45	8	15
24-25 Feb 99*	33%	44	8	15
* <i>"job keeping taxes down"</i>				
<b>Immigration</b>				
13-14 Jul 10	32%	45	10	12
Democrats	63%	19	9	9
Republicans	8%	78	5	9
Independents	29%	33	19	20
4-5 May 10	35%	42	7	16
24-25 Oct 06 LV	39%	36	13	12
11-12 Jul 06	37%	32	15	17
4-5 Apr 06	34%	24	26*	15
*(Both/Neither)				

	Dem	Rep	(Equal)	(DK)
<b>Afghanistan</b>				
13-14 Jul 10	32%	41	12	15
Democrats	63%	13	10	13
Republicans	6%	75	6	13
Independents	25%	31	21	23
<b>The federal deficit</b>				
13-14 Jul 10	31%	46	12	12
Democrats	64%	18	7	11
Republicans	4%	82	6	8
Independents	22%	36	26	17
7-8 Feb 06	28%	48	9	14
<b>Size of government</b>				
13-14 Jul 10	30%	46	9	15
Democrats	62%	15	9	14
Republicans	7%	80	4	9
Independents	21%	45	13	21
4-5 May 10	31%	49	6	13
<b>Terrorism</b>				
13-14 Jul 10	30%	46	12	13
Democrats	58%	17	13	12
Republicans	5%	82	5	8
Independents	31%	33	19	17
4-5 May 10	29%	49	11	11
24-25 Oct 06 LV	35%	43	11	10
11-12 Jul 06	30%	42	15	13
7-8 Feb 06	31%	45	10	14
18-19 Feb 04	29%	52	8	11
20-21 May 03	19%	53	14	14
8-9 Oct 02 LV	25%	51	10	14

22. - 25. If [name] campaigns for a candidate, would you be much more likely to vote for that candidate, somewhat more likely, somewhat less likely, or much less likely to vote for that candidate? (RANDOMIZE NAMES)

SCALE: 1. Much more likely 2. Somewhat more likely 3. Somewhat less likely 4. Much less likely 5. (No difference) 6. (Don't know/Refused)

	-- More Likely --			-- Less Likely --			(No	(DK/
	Total	Much	Smwht	Total	Much	Smwht	difference)	Ref)
<b>Barack Obama</b>								
13-14 Jul 10	39%	21	18	49	37	12	9	3
Democrats	75%	44	31	16	9	7	6	3
Republicans	11%	5	6	79	63	16	7	2
Independents	31%	13	18	48	39	9	19	2
<b>Sarah Palin</b>								
13-14 Jul 10	37%	15	22	51	40	11	10	3
Democrats	19%	8	11	74	66	8	5	2
Republicans	63%	26	37	27	15	12	8	2
Independents	23%	8	15	53	42	11	20	3
<b>Bill Clinton</b>								
13-14 Jul 10	45%	23	22	41	26	15	11	2
Democrats	76%	43	33	15	7	8	7	2
Republicans	17%	5	12	71	48	23	11	2
Independents	47%	22	25	31	18	13	20	1
<b>Mitt Romney</b>								
13-14 Jul 10	31%	10	21	39	22	17	14	15
Democrats	19%	5	14	55	35	20	12	15
Republicans	51%	19	32	28	12	16	10	12
Independents	24%	5	19	35	21	14	22	18

*For reference: Are you more or less likely to vote for a candidate if President Obama campaigns for them?*

	More likely	Less likely	(No difference)	(DK)
6-7 Apr 10	29%	45	23	3

*For reference: Are you more or less likely to vote for a candidate if Sarah Palin campaigns for them?*

	More likely	Less likely	(No difference)	(DK)
6-7 Apr 10	25%	51	20	3

26. If a candidate is affiliated with the Tea Party, would you be much more likely to vote for that candidate, somewhat more likely, somewhat less likely, or much less likely to vote for that candidate?

SCALE: 1. Much more likely 2. Somewhat more likely 3. Somewhat less likely 4. Much less likely 5. (No difference) 6. (Don't know/Refused)

	-- More likely --			-- Less likely --			(No	(DK/
	Total	Much	Smwht	Total	Much	Smwht	difference)	Ref)
13-14 Jul 10	42%	15	27	38	23	15	10	9
Democrats	23%	5	18	63	42	21	6	8
Republicans	67%	27	40	16	7	9	10	8
Independents	40%	17	23	35	21	14	15	10

27. If a candidate has been endorsed by labor unions, would you be much more likely to vote for that candidate, somewhat more likely, somewhat less likely, or much less likely to vote for that candidate?

SCALE: 1. Much more likely 2. Somewhat more likely 3. Somewhat less likely 4. Much less likely 5. (No difference) 6. (Don't know/Refused)

	-- More likely --			-- Less likely --			(No	(DK/
	Total	Much	Smwht	Total	Much	Smwht	difference)	Ref)
13-14 Jul 10	38%	14	24	47	28	19	10	5
Democrats	56%	22	34	32	18	14	9	3
Republicans	26%	7	19	62	38	24	8	5
Independents	31%	12	19	52	31	21	12	5

For reference: If a candidate for public office has been endorsed by labor unions, are you more likely to vote for the candidate or against the candidate?

SCALE: 1. For 2. Against 3. (No difference) 4. (Don't know)

	For	Against	(No difference)	(DK)
7-8 Jan 04	29%	27	33	11
20-21 Oct 99	30%	33	27	10
30 Jun - 1 Jul 98	28%	36	27	9

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)
13-14 Jul 10	37%	38	18	4	3
29-30 Jun 10	38%	36	20	3	3
8-9 Jun 10	41%	34	18	3	3
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
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
12-13 May 09	42%	30	24	2	2
22-23 Apr 09	42%	30	22	3	4