

FOX NEWS POLL

OPINION DYNAMICS

19 November 2009

Polling was conducted by telephone November 17-18, 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=342, ± 5 ; Republicans n=324, ± 6 ; Independents n=178, ± 7

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

	Approve	Disapprove	(DK)		Approve	Disapprove	(DK)
17-18 Nov 09	46%	46	8	9-10 Jun 09	62%	31	8
Democrats	85%	9	6	Democrats	88%	8	4
Republicans	15%	80	4	Republicans	28%	62	11
Independents	34%	51	15	Independents	66%	26	9
27-28 Oct 09	50%	41	10	12-13 May 09	60%	30	9
Democrats	84%	10	6	Democrats	93%	5	2
Republicans	15%	79	7	Republicans	23%	63	13
Independents	49%	34	17	Independents	57%	30	13
13-14 Oct 09	49%	45	6	22-23 Apr 09	62%	29	8
Democrats	85%	12	3	Democrats	92%	4	4
Republicans	11%	82	6	Republicans	24%	66	10
Independents	42%	47	11	Independents	57%	29	14
29-30 Sep 09	50%	42	8	31 Mar-1 Apr 09	58%	32	9
Democrats	84%	11	6	Democrats	90%	5	5
Republicans	16%	78	7	Republicans	23%	66	11
Independents	46%	41	13	Independents	52%	35	13
15-16 Sep 09	54%	39	8	3-4 Mar 09	63%	26	11
Democrats	85%	10	5	Democrats	92%	3	4
Republicans	17%	72	11	Republicans	30%	56	13
Independents	51%	42	7	Independents	61%	24	15
11-12 Aug 09	53%	40	7	17-18 Feb 09	60%	26	14
Democrats	87%	8	5	Democrats	90%	5	5
Republicans	16%	76	8	Republicans	29%	53	18
Independents	49%	44	7	Independents	62%	19	19
21-22 Jul 09	54%	38	8	27-28 Jan 09	65%	16	19
Democrats	86%	8	6	Democrats	85%	2	12
Republicans	17%	75	8	Republicans	37%	36	27
Independents	54%	36	10	Independents	64%	16	19

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

	Dis			Dis			
	Approve	approve	(DK)	Approve	approve	(DK)	
17-18 Nov 09	26%	63	11	22-23 Jul 08	21%	68	11
Democrats	45%	39	15	17-18 Jun 08	19%	69	13
Republicans	12%	82	6	28-29 Apr 08	22%	67	11
Independents	18%	72	10	18-19 Mar 08	20%	67	12
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13-14 Oct 09	24%	66	10	30-31 Jan 08	22%	66	12
15-16 Sep 09	27%	64	9	18-19 Dec 07	25%	60	15
11-12 Aug 09	30%	59	11	13-14 Nov 07	26%	61	14
21-22 Jul 09	30%	60	10	23-24 Oct 07	25%	54	22
12-13 May 09	41%	49	10	9-10 Oct 07	24%	63	12
31 Mar-1 Apr 09	38%	52	10	25-26 Sep 07	24%	63	13
3-4 Mar 09	41%	48	10	11-12 Sep 07	32%	56	11
17-18 Feb 09	39%	50	10	21-22 Aug 07	24%	60	17
27-28 Jan 09	40%	46	14	5-6 Jun 07	29%	55	15
13-14 Jan 09	23%	68	10	15-16 May 07	32%	53	15
9-10 Dec 08	20%	71	9	17-18 Apr 07	35%	49	16
1-2 Nov 08	18%	75	7	27-28 Mar 07	30%	54	16
1-2 Nov 08 LV	18%	75	7	27-28 Feb 07	32%	49	20
28-29 Oct 08	17%	76	6	30-31 Jan 07	33%	44	22
28-29 Oct 08 LV	18%	77	5	16-17 Jan 07	32%	47	21
20-21 Oct 08	19%	72	9	4-5 Nov 06 LV	29%	57	13
20-21 Oct 08 LV	18%	73	8	10-11 Oct 06 LV	31%	63	6
8-9 Oct 08	13%	77	10	12-13 Sep 06 LV	29%	53	18
22-23 Sep 08	17%	73	9	29-30 Aug 06	24%	61	15
8-9 Sep 08	23%	68	8	8-9 Aug 06	24%	58	17
19-20 Aug 08	20%	73	7				

3. Is President Obama a stronger leader than you expected, a weaker leader, or is he about what you expected?

	Stronger leader		Weaker leader		Same as	
	than expected		than expected		expected	(Don't know)
17-18 Nov 09	17%		23		57	3
Democrats	32%		8		58	3
Republicans	5%		37		56	2
Independents	14%		29		53	4

For reference: Is President Bush a stronger leader than you expected, a weaker leader, or is he about what you expected?

	Stronger leader		Weaker leader		Same as	
	than expected		than expected		expected	(Don't know)
11-12 July 01	14%		13		68	5

4. - 6. 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								
		Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard					
Michelle Obama		63%								
Barack Obama		54%								
Nancy Pelosi		28%								
Barack Obama										
		Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard	Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard	
17-18 Nov 09		54%	42	4	-	20-21 Oct 08 LV	60%	35	4	-
Democrats		90%	5	4	-	20-21 Oct 08 RV	60%	34	6	-
Republicans		19%	77	5	-	8-9 Oct 08	60%	34	7	-
Independents		50%	47	3	-	22-23 Sep 08	57%	33	10	-
13-14 Oct 09		55%	41	4	-	8-9 Sep 08	57%	36	7	-
21-22 Jul 09		62%	33	5	-	19-20 Aug 08	59%	35	6	-
9-10 Jun 09		64%	30	6	-	22-23 Jul 08	58%	33	8	-
22-23 Apr 09		68%	27	5	-	17-18 Jun 08	58%	32	10	-
31 Mar-1 Apr 09		62%	32	6	-	28-29 Apr 08	47%	42	11	-
17-18 Feb 09		68%	25	7	-	19-20 Feb 08	54%	33	12	-
13-14 Jan 09		76%	15	9	-	18-19 Dec 07	49%	33	15	3
9-10 Dec 08		68%	24	8	-	13-14 Nov 07	50%	34	11	4
1-2 Nov 08 LV		59%	38	3	-	11-12 Sep 07	51%	25	16	8
1-2 Nov 08 RV		57%	39	4	-	26-27 Jun 07	46%	30	17	8
28-29 Oct 08 LV		56%	40	3	-	17-18 Apr 07	47%	23	19	11
28-29 Oct 08 RV		56%	40	4	-	30-31 Jan 07	41%	20	20	18
Michelle Obama										
		Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard					
17-18 Nov 09		63%	21	15	1					
Democrats		90%	4	6	1					
Republicans		40%	40	20	1					
Independents		58%	21	18	3					
22-23 Apr 09		73%	16	10	-					
13-14 Jan 09		65%	15	19	1					
20-21 Oct 08 LV		57%	28	11	3					
20-21 Oct 08		56%	28	12	3					
8-9 Sep 08		52%	29	18	2					
17-18 Jun 08		44%	29	25	2					
Nancy Pelosi										
		Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard					
17-18 Nov 09		28%	50	11	11					
Democrats		50%	17	15	18					
Republicans		10%	77	8	6					
Independents		25%	58	10	7					
13-14 Oct 09		30%	53	9	9					
21-22 Jul 09		29%	47	14	10					
9-10 Jun 09		29%	47	13	11					
27-28 Mar 07		37%	31	13	19					
16-17 Jan 07		33%	24	23	20					
10-11 Oct 06 LV		19%	26	13	43					

Questions 7-11 released separately

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
 3. (Too soon to say) 4. (Don't know/Refused)

-- Vote for --

	Democrat	Republican	(Too soon)	(DK/Ref)
17-18 Nov 09	39%	42	15	5
Democrats	82%	5	9	4
Republicans	5%	81	10	3
Independents	23%	43	28	5
27-28 Oct 09	39%	40	16	5
Democrats	80%	7	12	1
Republicans	3%	84	11	3
Independents	30%	31	31	9
13-14 Oct 09	38%	42	15	4
Democrats	78%	8	12	1
Republicans	3%	86	9	1
Independents	22%	35	31	13
15-16 Sep 09	40%	35	17	7
Democrats	77%	7	10	6
Republicans	5%	79	12	5
Independents	29%	28	36	7
11-12 Aug 09	40%	40	15	5
Democrats	80%	7	10	3
Republicans	3%	86	8	3
Independents	28%	30	31	10
21-22 Jul 09	43%	38	15	4
Democrats	82%	3	13	2
Republicans	5%	83	10	1
Independents	34%	31	24	11
12-13 May 09	47%	35	14	4
Democrats	86%	6	7	2
Republicans	5%	81	11	3
Independents	35%	31	25	9
22-23 Apr 09	46%	33	17	4
Democrats	86%	5	7	2
Republicans	4%	78	15	3
Independents	33%	26	34	8

Questions 13 - 17 released separately

18. When the president of the United States is traveling overseas, do you think it is appropriate for him to bow to a foreign leader if that is the country's custom or is it never appropriate for the president to bow to another leader?
 SCALE: 1. Yes, bow when it is the proper custom 2. No, it is never appropriate for the president to bow 3. (Don't know)

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
17-18 Nov 09	67%	26	7
Democrats	84%	9	7
Republicans	53%	40	7
Independents	62%	30	8

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)
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
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