## NEW MODELS NATIONAL BRAND SURVEY <br> October 10-11, 2009 <br> 1000 Registered Voters

1. Generally speaking, would you say things in the country are headed in the right direction, or are things seriously headed off on the wrong track?

|  | JUNE 2009 | JULY 2009 | OCT. 2009 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Right Direction | $\mathbf{4 8}$ | $\mathbf{4 5}$ | $\mathbf{4 6}$ |
| 2. | Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ |
| 3. | Wrong Track | $\mathbf{4 3}$ | $\mathbf{4 4}$ | $\mathbf{4 6}$ |

2. Overall would you say that you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing as President?

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| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Approve | $\mathbf{5 8}$ | $\mathbf{5 4}$ | $\mathbf{5 1}$ |
| 2. | Don't know/refused | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ |
| 3. | Disapprove | $\mathbf{3 6}$ | $\mathbf{3 9}$ | $\mathbf{4 3}$ |

Please tell me for each of the following whether you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of that group or person. (IF CHOICE IS MADE, ASK: Would you say you have a strongly (FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE) impression or just a somewhat (FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE) impression? (ROTATE)

|  |  |  | Name ID | Total Favorable | Total Unfavorable | No Opinion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Republicans in Congress | Oct. 2009 | 100 | 37 | 52 | 11 |
|  |  | July 2009 | 100 | 41 | 50 | 9 |
|  |  | June 2009 | 100 | 38 | 55 | 7 |
| 4. | Democrats in Congress | Oct. 2009 | 100 | 45 | 48 | 7 |
|  |  | July 2009 | 100 | 48 | 45 | 6 |
|  |  | June 2009 | 100 | 49 | 46 | 5 |
| 5. | Nancy Pelosi | Oct. 2009 | 95 | 34 | 49 | 11 |
|  |  | July 2009 | 93 | 30 | 49 | 14 |
|  |  | June 2009 | 96 | 34 | 53 | 10 |
| 6. | John Boehner | Oct. 2009 | 69 | 19 | 22 | 28 |

7. Which of the following issues would you say is most important to you in deciding how to vote for Congress?

|  | JUNE | JULY | OCT. 09 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. Education | 2009 | 2009 | $\mathbf{6}$ |
| 2. Social Security | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ |
| 3. Retirement and Investments | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| 4. Terrorism | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| 5. Healthcare/Rx | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2 0}$ |
| 6. The Economy | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 9}$ |
| 7. Jobs | $\mathbf{3 7}$ | $\mathbf{3 7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ |
| 8. Taxes | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ |
| 9. Crime and Safety | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| 10. Environment | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{-}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| 11. National Defense/Foreign Affairs/lraq | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ |
| 12. National Deficit/Spending | $\mathbf{9}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ |
| 13. Energy | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| 14. Gas prices | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |


| 15. Immigration | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 16. Other | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| 17. Don't know/Refused | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ |

Which party do you have more confidence in to handle the issue of (ROTATE LIST BELOW), (ROTATE) the Republican Party or the Democratic Party?

|  |  | REP | DEM |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 8. Health Care/Rx | Oct. 2009 | 37 | 52 |
|  | July 2009 | 35 | 52 |
|  | June 2009 | 30 | 58 |
| 9. The Economy | Oct. 2009 | 41 | 48 |
|  | July 2009 | 39 | 50 |
|  | June 2009 | 40 | 49 |
| 10. Jobs | Oct. 2009 | 41 | 49 |
|  | July 2009 | 39 | 48 |
|  | June 2009 | - | - |
| 11. Energy and Gas Prices | Oct. 2009 | 36 | 53 |
|  | July 2009 | 34 | 53 |
|  | June 2009 | 35 | 53 |
| 12. Fiscal Responsibility | Oct. 2009 | 43 | 43 |
|  | July 2009 | 44 | 42 |
|  | June 2009 | 40 | 45 |
| 13. Taxes | Oct. 09 | 45 | 44 |
|  | July 2009 | 46 | 43 |
|  | June 20009 | - | - |

## (ROTATE 14-16 and 17-19)

14. In the last couple of weeks, have you seen, read or heard anything that Congressional Republicans were doing? (ROTATE)
15. Yes ..... 41
16. No ..... 57
17. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 2
18. What was it?
19. Health care reform/amendments/promoting. ..... 16
20. Oppose Obama's plans/Say no to anything that Obama proposes ..... 5
21. War fronts/Sending more troops over in Afghanistan ..... 7
22. Health Insurance ..... 2
23. Obama getting a peace prize/about Nobel Prize ..... 2
24. Oppose everything that the Democrats are doing ..... 8
25. Voting against/opposing the health care reform bill ..... 29
26. Health care (general) ..... 23
27. About taxes/tax system ..... 2
28. Overspending/unnecessary spending ..... 1
29. About jobs ..... 2
30. Economy/economic issue ..... 4
31. General negative comments ..... 6
32. Tort reform ..... 1
33. Moral issues (gay, marriage, pro-life, abortion, etc.) ..... 1
34. Nothing/none ..... 2
35. Other ..... 6
36. Don't know/Refused/Don't remember ..... 6
37. Did it make you more favorable or less favorable to Congressional Republicans? (ROTATE)
38. More favorable ..... 42
39. Less favorable ..... 50
40. No difference (DO NOT READ) ..... 8
41. In the last couple of weeks, have you seen, read or heard anything thatCongressional Democrats were doing? (ROTATE)
42. Yes ..... 55
43. No ..... 44
44. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 1

## 18. What was it?

1. Health care/health care reform/insurance/socialized ..... 79
2. War in Afghanistan/national defense ..... 8
3. Jobs/unemployment ..... 3
4. Economy/economic issues ..... 4
5. Public Option/Choice/Freedom to choose ..... 5
6. Abortion/same sex marriage/moral issues ..... 2
7. Increase tax/tax issues ..... 3
8. Cap and trade ..... 1
9. Energy/coal/gas/alternative energy ..... 1
10. Overspending/national debt/deficit ..... 3
11. Oppose Obama's plans/health care/don't agree with them ..... 5
12. Republicans and Democrats can't get together/don't agree ..... 2
13. Not doing anything/screwing the country ..... 4
14. Trying to get the country back on right track ..... 1
15. Foreign affairs/international relations/foreign policy ..... 2
16. Obama getting a peace prize/about the peace prize ..... 1
17. Other ..... 6
18. DK/Refused/Don't remember ..... 5
19. Did it make you more favorable or less favorable to Congressional Democrats?
(ROTATE)
20. More favorable ..... 36
21. Less favorable ..... 56
22. No difference (DO NOT READ) ..... 8

RESUME WITH ALL
20. If the elections were held today for US Congress in your state, would you be more likely to vote for (ROTATE) the Republican candidate or the Democrat candidate? (IF UNDECIDED ASK:) would you be leaning toward (ROTATE) the Republican candidate or the Democratic candidate?

|  |  | June 2009 | July 2009 | Oct. 09 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Republican | $\mathbf{4 0}$ | $\mathbf{4 2}$ | $\mathbf{4 2}$ |
| 2. | Lean Republican | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| 3. | Undecided | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ |
| 4. | Lean Democrat | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ |
| 5. | Democrat | $\mathbf{4 5}$ | $\mathbf{4 5}$ | $\mathbf{4 6}$ |
| 6. | Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| 7. | TOTAL REPUBLICAN | $\mathbf{4 3}$ | $\mathbf{4 4}$ | $\mathbf{4 4}$ |
| 8. | TOTAL DEMOCRAT | $\mathbf{4 8}$ | $\mathbf{4 7}$ | $\mathbf{4 9}$ |

21. Which statement do you agree with more? (ROTATE)
22. The economy is starting to recover. 42
23. The economy is not in recovery until jobs are being created. 56
24. Don't Know (DO NOT READ) 2
25. Do you think that at this point, the state of the economy is more the result of (ROTATE) President Obama's policies, or President Bush's policies?

|  | Oct. |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | President Obama's policies 2009 | 2009 |
| 2. | President Bush's policies | $\mathbf{2 9}$ |
| 3. | Don't Know (DO NOT READ) | $\mathbf{5 6}$ |
| $\mathbf{4 2}$ |  |  |

23. Do you think that the economic stimulus package recently passed by Congress is or is not working? (ROTATE)

|  | Oct. |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1. Is working | July | $\mathbf{3 7}$ | $\mathbf{3 7}$ |
| 2. Is not working | $\mathbf{3 7}$ | $\mathbf{5 2}$ |  |
| 3. Don't Know (DO NOT READ) | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ |  |

## 24. Who do you agree with more? (ROTATE)

1. Republicans who say Congress should be focusing on long-term policies that create jobs, like small business and family tax relief, and controlling54 federal spending to get our economy moving again.
2. Democrats say that health insurance reform is key to jump-starting the economy by expanding coverage to the uninsured, lowering costs, and restricting the worst insurance company practices and we must get it 40 done this year.
3. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) 5

HEALTH CARE
25. Do you favor or oppose President Obama's health care plan? (ROTATE)

|  | July 2009 | Oct. |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1. Favor | $\mathbf{4 5}$ | $\mathbf{4 4}$ |
| 2. Oppose | $\mathbf{4 2}$ | $\mathbf{4 7}$ |
| 3. Don't Know (DO NOT READ) | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ |

26. The Congressional Budget Office recently announced that if the proposed health care plan is passed, 25 million people would still be uninsured by 2019. Knowing this, do you favor or oppose President Obama's health care plan?
27. Favor ..... 38
28. Oppose ..... 54
29. Don't Know (DO NOT READ) ..... 8

## IDEOLOGY

On a scale of $1-9$ with 1 being very liberal, 5 being moderate, and 9 being very conservative, how would you rate (ROTATE LIST)

## MEAN

27. Your own political ideology 5.75
28. Ideology of Republicans in Congress 6.35
29. Ideology of Democrats in Congress 3.71
30. Ideology of Barack Obama 3.78
31. Ideology of the media 3.84
32. Ideology of Fox News 6.27
33. Ideology of CNN 4.47
34. Ideology of NPR 4.17
35. Ideology of Bill Clinton 4.20
36. Who do you agree with more? (ROTATE)
37. Vice President Joe Biden who says the stimulus package has worked well beyond his expectations ..... 38
38. Republican House Minority Leader John Boehner who says the ..... 54 unemployment numbers are evidence that the stimulus is not working
9
39. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)

Now just a few demographic questions for statistical purposes only--
37. What are the two main sources of your news about national issues such as politics, Iraq, the economy, education, and health care? (DO NOT READ - ALLOW THEM TO VOLUNTEER A RESPONSE AND CODE AS FOLLOWS)

|  | JUNE 2009 | JULY 2009 | Oct. 09 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ABC News | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ |
| NBC News | $\mathbf{9}$ | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ |
| CBS News | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ |
| Local TV news | $\mathbf{2 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 8}$ |
| CNN News | $\mathbf{2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 5}$ |
| MSNBC/CNBC News | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ |
| Fox News | $\mathbf{2 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 2}$ |
| CSpan | $\mathbf{-}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{-}$ |
| Daily newspaper <br> News magazines such as Time, US News, <br> and Newsweek | $\mathbf{3 6}$ | $\mathbf{3 2}$ | $\mathbf{3 3}$ |
| Opinion magazines like The Weekly <br> Standard | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ |


| Websites of news organizations such as cnn.com, msnbc.com, nytimes.com, and TV station websites | 15 | 12 | 12 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| News Pages of Internet Service Providers such as Yahoo News and MSN News | 10 | 10 | 8 |
| Opinion websites like Drudge Report or slate.com | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| National Public Radio | 8 | 5 | 7 |
| Religious radio shows | - | - | 1 |
| Talk radio like Rush Limbaugh | 3 | 4 | 3 |
| General radio news station | 2 | 3 | 3 |
| Public television shows like McNeil Lehrer | - | - | 1 |
| Comedy shows like the Daily Show with Jon Stewart | - | 1 | - |
| Late night TV shows like Jay Leno | - | - | - |
| Morning TV shows like Today, Good Morning America | - | - | 1 |
| Political talk shows on cable, such as MSNBC's Hardball | - | - | - |
| Sunday News Shows such as NBC's Meet the Press and ABC's This Week | - | - | - |
| Other | 12 | 13 | 15 |
| Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) | 4 | 5 | 5 |

38. In what year were you born?
39. 18-34 ..... 20
40. $35-44$ ..... 17
41. $45-54$ ..... 23
42. 55-64 ..... 21
43. $65+$ ..... 17
44. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself (ROTATE) a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or something else?
45. Republican ..... 33
46. Democrat ..... 38
47. Independent ..... 27
48. Other ..... 1
49. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 1
50. If you had to classify yourself, would you say you are (ROTATE) liberal, moderate, or conservative in your political beliefs?
51. Liberal ..... 20
52. Moderate ..... 45
53. Conservative ..... 33
54. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 2
55. Are their children in your household under the age of 18 years old?
56. Yes ..... 37
57. No ..... 62
58. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 1
59. What is your current marital status?
60. Single, never married ..... 21
61. Married ..... 62
62. Separated ..... 2
63. Divorced ..... 7
64. Widowed ..... 6
65. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 2
66. What is the annual income of your household before taxes? Is it...
67. Less than 15 K ..... 6
68. $15 \mathrm{~K}-30 \mathrm{~K}$ ..... 11
69. 30K-50K ..... 19
70. $50 \mathrm{~K}-75 \mathrm{~K}$ ..... 17
71. $75 \mathrm{~K}-100 \mathrm{~K}$ ..... 15
72. Over 100K ..... 17
73. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 16
74. What is your religion?
75. Evangelical/Fundamentalist Protestant ..... 15
76. Mainline Protestant ..... 15
77. Catholic ..... 26
78. Jewish ..... 2
79. Mormon ..... 1
80. Atheist/Agnostic ..... 7
81. Other ..... 23
82. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 12
83. What is your race?

| 1. | Hispanic | $\mathbf{8}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| 2. | African-American | $\mathbf{1 0}$ |
| 3. | Asiatic | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| 4. | White | $\mathbf{7 7}$ |
| 5. | Other | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| 6. | Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) | $\mathbf{1}$ |

## Gender (by observation)

1. Male ..... 48
2. Female ..... 52
What type of area do you live in? (TAKEN FROM SAMPLE)
3. Urban ..... 28
4. Suburban ..... 54
5. Rural ..... 18

## Region (TAKEN FROM SAMPLE)

1. Northeast ..... 18
2. South ..... 27
3. Midwest ..... 21
4. Plains/Mountains ..... 16
5. West Coast ..... 17
