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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted May 24-25, 2010 with a random sample of **-1,049—adults**, aged 18+, living in the continental U.S., selected using a random-digit dial sampling technique.

For results based on the total sample of national adults, one can say with **95%** confidence that the margin of error is **±4** percentage points.

Interviews are conducted with respondents on landline telephones (for respondents with a landline telephone) and cellular phones (for respondents who are cell phone only). Each sample includes a minimum quota of **150** cell phone only respondents and **850** landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas among landline respondents for gender within region. Landline respondents are chosen at random within each household on the basis of which member had the most recent birthday.

Samples are weighted on the basis of gender, age, race, education, region and phone lines. Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2009 Current Population Survey figures for the age 18+ non-institutionalized population living in continental U.S. telephone households. All reported margins of sampling error include the computed design effects for weighting and sample design.

In addition to sampling error, question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of public opinion polls.

30. Next, how closely are you following the news about the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico off the coast of Louisiana -- very closely, somewhat closely, not too closely, or not at all?

	<u>Very closely</u>	<u>Somewhat closely</u>	<u>Not too closely</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
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31. How would you rate the job each of the following has done in responding to the oil spill, as very good, good, poor or very poor? How about – [RANDOM ORDER]?

A. British Petroleum, or B.P., the company that operates the oil rig that is leaking oil

	<u>Very good</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Very Poor</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
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B. President Barack Obama

	<u>Very good</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Very Poor</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
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C. The federal government

	<u>Very good</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Very Poor</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
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32. Who do you think should be in charge of efforts to contain the spill and to clean up the oil already spilled – [ROTATED: B.P. (or) the federal government]?

	<u>B.P.</u>	<u>Federal government</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
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33. Just your best guess, which comes closest to your view of the impact of this oil spill in the long run – [ROTATED: it will be the worst environmental disaster in the U.S. in at least 100 years, it will be a disaster but not the worst environmental disaster in the U.S. in the last 100 years, it will be a major problem but not a disaster, (or) it will be a minor problem]?

	<u>Worst disaster in 100 years</u>	<u>Disaster but not worst in 100 years</u>	<u>Major problem</u>	<u>Minor problem</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
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