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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted February 2-5, 2011 with a random sample of 1,015—adults, aged 18+, living in the continental U.S., selected using random-digit dial sampling.

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 2010 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.

6. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling -- [RANDOM ORDER]?

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(sorted by "approve")

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TREND RESULTS

A. The economy

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2011 Feb 2-5	37	60	3
2010 Nov 19-21	35	63	2
2010 Aug 5-8	38	59	3
2010 Jul 27-Aug 1	39	59	2
2010 Mar 26-28	37	61	2
2010 Feb 1-3	36	61	3
2010 Jan 8-10	40	56	3
2009 Nov 20-22	44	53	3
2009 Sep 11-13	46	51	2
2009 Aug 6-9	48	49	3
2009 Jul 17-19	47	49	4
2009 May 29-31	55	42	3
2009 Mar 27-29	56	39	5
2009 Feb 9-12	59	30	11

Q.6 (OBAMA APPROVAL ON ISSUES) CONTINUED

B. Foreign affairs

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2011 Feb 2-5	48	45	7
2010 Nov 19-21	45	49	6
2010 Aug 5-8	44	48	8
2010 Mar 26-28	48	46	6
2010 Feb 1-3	51	44	5
2010 Jan 8-10	47	47	6
2009 Aug 6-9	53	40	8
2009 Jul 17-19	57	38	6
2009 May 29-31	59	32	8
2009 Mar 27-29	61	28	10
2009 Feb 9-12	54	22	24

C. The situation in Afghanistan

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2011 Feb 2-5	47	46	7
2010 Nov 19-21	44	49	7
2010 Jul 27-Aug 1	36	57	7
2010 Feb 1-3	48	47	5
2009 Nov 20-22	35	55	9
2009 Sep 11-13	49	42	9
2009 Jul 17-19	56	34	11

D. Health care policy

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2011 Feb 2-5	40	56	3
2010 Aug 5-8	40	57	3
2010 Mar 26-28	42	54	4
2010 Feb 1-3	36	60	4
2010 Jan 8-10	37	58	5
2009 Nov 20-22	40	53	7
2009 Sep 11-13	43	52	5
2009 Aug 6-9	43	49	8
2009 Jul 17-19	44	50	6

Q.6 (OBAMA APPROVAL ON ISSUES) CONTINUED

E. Energy Policy

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2011 Feb 2-5	43	42	14
2010 Aug 5-8	47	42	11
2009 Nov 20-22	49	35	16
2009 Sep 11-13 ^	50	37	12

^ Asked of a half sample

F. The federal budget deficit

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2011 Feb 2-5	27	68	5
2010 Nov 19-21	32	64	4
2010 Aug 5-8	31	64	5
2010 Mar 26-28	31	64	5
2010 Feb 1-3	32	64	4
2009 Sep 11-13	38	58	4
2009 Jul 17-19	41	55	4
2009 May 29-31 ^	46	48	6
2009 Mar 27-29	49	44	6

^ Asked of a half sample

G. Taxes

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2011 Feb 2-5	42	54	4
2010 Nov 19-21	38	57	6
2010 Aug 5-8	41	54	5
2009 Jul 17-19	45	48	7

H. The situation in Egypt

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2011 Feb 2-5	47	32	21