

PEW RESEARCH CENTER/NATIONAL JOURNAL CONGRESSIONAL CONNECTION POLL
JUNE 24-27, 2010 OMNIBUS
FINAL TOPLINE
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ASK ALL:

PEW.1 All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?

	Satis- <u>fied</u>	Dis- <u>satisfied</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>		Satis- <u>fied</u>	Dis- <u>satisfied</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
				Early October, 2005	29	65	6
Jun 24-27, 2010	27	64	9	July, 2005	35	58	7
May 13-16, 2010	28	64	7	Late May, 2005*	39	57	4
Apr 21-26, 2010	29	66	5	February, 2005	38	56	6
Apr 1-5, 2010	31	63	6	January, 2005	40	54	6
Mar 11-21, 2010	25	69	5	December, 2004	39	54	7
Mar 10-14, 2010	23	71	7	Mid-October, 2004	36	58	6
Feb 3-9, 2010	23	71	6	July, 2004	38	55	7
Jan 6-10, 2010	27	69	4	May, 2004	33	61	6
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	25	67	7	Late February, 2004*	39	55	6
Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	25	67	7	Early January, 2004	45	48	7
Sep 10-15, 2009 ¹	30	64	7	December, 2003	44	47	9
Aug 20-27, 2009	28	65	7	October, 2003	38	56	6
Aug 11-17, 2009	28	65	7	August, 2003	40	53	7
Jul 22-26, 2009	28	66	6	<i>April 8, 2003</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>41</i>	<i>9</i>
Jun 10-14, 2009	30	64	5	January, 2003	44	50	6
Apr 28-May 12, 2009	34	58	8	November, 2002	41	48	11
Apr 14-21, 2009	23	70	7	September, 2002	41	55	4
Jan 7-11, 2009	20	73	7	Late August, 2002	47	44	9
December, 2008	13	83	4	May, 2002	44	44	12
Early October, 2008	11	86	3	March, 2002	50	40	10
Mid-September, 2008	25	69	6	Late September, 2001	57	34	9
August, 2008	21	74	5	Early September, 2001	41	53	6
July, 2008	19	74	7	June, 2001	43	52	5
June, 2008	19	76	5	March, 2001	47	45	8
Late May, 2008	18	76	6	February, 2001	46	43	11
March, 2008	22	72	6	January, 2001	55	41	4
Early February, 2008	24	70	6	October, 2000 (<i>RVs</i>)	54	39	7
Late December, 2007	27	66	7	September, 2000	51	41	8
October, 2007	28	66	6	June, 2000	47	45	8
February, 2007	30	61	9	April, 2000	48	43	9
Mid-January, 2007	32	61	7	August, 1999	56	39	5
Early January, 2007	30	63	7	January, 1999	53	41	6
December, 2006	28	65	7	November, 1998	46	44	10
Mid-November, 2006	28	64	8	Early September, 1998	54	42	4
Early October, 2006	30	63	7	Late August, 1998	55	41	4
July, 2006	30	65	5	Early August, 1998	50	44	6
May, 2006*	29	65	6	February, 1998	59	37	4
March, 2006	32	63	5	January, 1998	46	50	4
January, 2006	34	61	5	September, 1997	45	49	6
Late November, 2005	34	59	7	August, 1997	49	46	5
				January, 1997	38	58	4
				July, 1996	29	67	4
				March, 1996	28	70	2
				October, 1995	23	73	4

¹ From September 10-15, 2009 and other surveys noted with an asterisk, the question was worded "Overall, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in our country today?"

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	Satis- <u>fied</u>	Dis- <u>satisfied</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
June, 1995	25	73	2
April, 1995	23	74	3
July, 1994	24	73	3
March, 1994	24	71	5
October, 1993	22	73	5
September, 1993	20	75	5
May, 1993	22	71	7
January, 1993	39	50	11
January, 1992	28	68	4
November, 1991	34	61	5
Late February, 1991 (<i>Gallup</i>)	66	31	3
August, 1990	47	48	5
May, 1990	41	54	5
January, 1989	45	50	5
September, 1988 (<i>RVs</i>)	50	45	5

ASK ALL:

PEW.2 Now I'd like to ask your impression of some groups and individuals. Would you say **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** is doing an excellent, good, only fair, or a poor job? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: would you say [ITEM] is doing an excellent, good, only fair, or a poor job?]**

		<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Only fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
a.	Congress					
	Jun 24-27, 2010	2	11	37	43	7
	May 13-16, 2010	2	11	38	44	5
	Mar 11-21, 2010	2	15	40	40	3
b.	Barack Obama ²					
	Jun 24-27, 2010	13	27	29	27	5
	May 13-16, 2010	12	27	31	27	3
	Mar 11-21, 2010	10	30	28	30	3

ASK ALL:

PEW.3 How much confidence do you have that the government in Washington D.C. will make progress over the next year on the most important problems facing the country? **[READ IN ORDER]**

Jun 24-27 <u>2010</u>		May 13-16 <u>2010</u>
10	A lot of confidence	10
32	Some confidence	32
32	Not much confidence [OR]	31
23	No confidence at all	25
3	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	2

PEW.4 THROUGH PEW.7 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

² March 11-21 survey asked about "the Obama administration."

ASK ALL:

PEW.8 As you may know, by law most states must balance their budgets, but many states are now unable to do so. In your opinion, which is the better way to address this problem **[READ IN ORDER]**?

Jun 24-27 2010		CBS Apr 2003
26	Should the federal government give more money to the states to help them meet their budgets, even if it means higher federal deficits [OR]	35
58	Should the states take care of this themselves, either by raising state taxes or cutting state services	57
16	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	8

ASK ALL:

PEW.9 If your state government needs to take steps to balance its budget this year, would you favor or oppose **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**? What about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY]**: would you favor or oppose **[ITEM]** as a way to balance you state budget]?

		<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
a.	Cuts in funding for K through 12 public schools Jun 24-27, 2010	22	73	4
b.	Cuts in funding for police and fire and other public safety departments Jun 24-27, 2010	25	71	4
c.	Cuts in health care services provided by the state or local government Jun 24-27, 2010	27	65	8
d.	Cuts in funding for maintaining roads and public transportation systems Jun 24-27, 2010	43	50	7
e.	Raising taxes Jun 24-27, 2010	39	58	3

ASK ALL:

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or Independent?

ASK IF ANSWERED 3, 4, 5 OR 9 IN PARTY:

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	(VOL.) <u>No</u> <u>preference</u>	(VOL.) <u>Other</u> <u>party</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>	Lean <u>Rep</u>	Lean <u>Dem</u>
June 24-27, 2010	24	31	35	5	*	4	13	15