

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER/NATIONAL JOURNAL  
CONGRESSIONAL CONNECTION POLL  
JULY 29-AUGUST 1, 2010 OMNIBUS  
FINAL TOPLINE  
N=1003**

**ASK ALL:**

PEW.1 In making decisions about America’s energy policies, how important is it for Congress and the president to focus on each of the following goals? First, do you think **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** should be a very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important goal of US energy policy? What about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: Do you think [ITEM] should be a very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important goal of US energy policy?]**

		<u>Very important</u>	<u>Somewhat important</u>	<u>Not too important</u>	<u>Not at all important</u>	<b>(VOL.) DK/Ref</b>
a.	Reducing our dependence on foreign energy sources Jul 29-Aug 1, 2010	69	23	5	2	1
b.	Creating jobs within the energy sector Jul 29-Aug 1, 2010	64	27	6	3	1
c.	Protecting the environment from the effects of energy development and use Jul 29-Aug 1, 2010	61	30	7	2	1
d.	Keeping energy prices low Jul 29-Aug 1, 2010	69	25	4	2	1

**IF RESPONDENT LISTS MORE THAN ONE AS VERY IMPORTANT IN PEW.1, ASK:**

PEW.2 Of those you said were very important, which ONE would you say should be the highest priority goal of US energy policy? **[READ ONLY THOSE SELECTED AS “VERY IMPORTANT” IN PEW.1a-e; RANDOMIZE]**

**BASED ON TOTAL**

Jul 29-Aug 1 <u>2010</u>	
31	Reducing our dependence on imported energy sources
21	Keeping energy prices low
21	Protecting the environment from the effects of energy development and use <b>[OR]</b>
20	Creating jobs within the energy sector
1	Other <b>(VOL.)</b>
1	Don’t know/Refused <b>(VOL.)</b>
5	<i>Did not say any were very important in PEW.1</i>

**PEW.3-PEW.7 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

**ASK ALL:**

PEW.8 Thinking about the elections for Congress this year, please tell me whether you would be more likely or less likely to vote for a candidate with each of the following characteristics, or whether it would make no difference in your vote either way. First, **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**? Next, what about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: would you be more likely, less likely, or would it make no difference in your vote either way?]**

		More likely to vote for	Less likely to vote for	No difference either way	(VOL.) DK/Ref
a.	If a candidate has a record of bringing government projects and money to your district Jul 29-Aug 1, 2010	53	12	33	2
b.	If a candidate is neither <b>[RANDOMIZE: (a Republican) nor (a Democrat)]</b> Jul 29-Aug 1, 2010	15	21	61	3
c.	If Barack Obama campaigns on a candidate's behalf Jul 29-Aug 1, 2010	27	28	43	2
d.	If Sarah Palin campaigns on a candidate's behalf Jul 29-Aug 1, 2010	18	38	42	3
e.	If a candidate is a supporter of the Tea Party movement Jul 29-Aug 1, 2010	22	31	41	6

**ASK ALL:**

PEW.9 Now I'd like to ask you about some specific energy proposals being considered by Congress. For each, please tell me whether you favor or oppose including this in an energy bill. First **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]**. How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY: Do you favor or oppose including this in an energy bill?]**<sup>1</sup>

		Favor	Oppose	(VOL.) DK/Ref
a.	Limits on carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gas emissions Jul 29-Aug 1, 2010 Jun 10-13, 2010	65 66	28 29	7 6
b.	Incentives for increased development of nuclear power Jul 29-Aug 1, 2010 Jun 10-13, 2010	56 50	36 42	8 9
c.	Expanded exploration and development of coal, oil and gas in the U.S. Jul 29-Aug 1, 2010 Jun 10-13, 2010	72 68	23 26	5 5
d.	Requirements that utilities produce more energy from wind, solar or other renewable sources Jul 29-Aug 1, 2010 Jun 10-13, 2010	78 87	17 9	5 4
e.	Stricter regulations on oil drilling Jul 29-Aug 1, 2010	69	26	4

<sup>1</sup> In the June 10-13, 2010 survey, the question asked about "...including this in a comprehensive energy bill..."

**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?

				(VOL.) No	(VOL.) Other	(VOL.) DK/Ref	Lean Rep	Lean Dem
	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<u>preference</u>	<u>party</u>			
Jul 29-Aug 1, 2010	23	33	33	9	1	2	12	15