

PEW RESEARCH CENTER/NATIONAL JOURNAL CONGRESSIONAL CONNECTION POLL
JULY 15-18, 2010 OMNIBUS
FINAL TOPLINE
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PEW.1-PEW.3 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK ALL:

PEW.4 If you were setting priorities for the government these days, would you place a higher priority on **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE CATEGORIES: [reducing the budget deficit] OR [INSERT ITEM—IN ORDER]]?** Would you place a higher priority on **[KEEP ORDER USED FOR FIRST ITEM: [reducing the budget deficit] OR [NEXT ITEM]]?**

	Jul 15-18 <u>2010</u>		Feb 3-9 <u>2010</u>	Jul 22-26 <u>2009¹</u>	Jun 18-21 <u>2009</u>
a.	51	Reducing the budget deficit	47	38	46
	40	Spending more to help the economy recover	47	53	48
	9	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	6	9	6
	Jul 15-18 <u>2010</u>				
b.	51	Reducing the budget deficit			
	41	Cutting taxes			
	8	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)			

ASK ALL:

PEW.5 Thinking specifically about how the federal government could best stimulate the economy and create jobs. Which would be more effective right now? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]:?**

	Jul 15-18 <u>2010</u>	
	42	Cutting taxes to individuals and businesses
		[OR]
	47	Spending more on such things as education, public works, and unemployment benefits
	3	Both equally (VOL.)
	3	Neither (VOL.)
	5	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

PEW.6 THROUGH PEW.7 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

¹ In July 2009, item was asked as part of a list that included items on: spending on education, spending on health care, and spending to develop energy technology.

ASK ALL:

PEW.8 Thinking about the federal government's economic policies since the recession began in 2008. Do you think they have helped [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE] a great deal, a fair amount, not too much, or not at all? What about [NEXT ITEM]? [IF NECESSARY: Have the federal government's policies helped [ITEM] a great deal, a fair amount, not too much, or not at all?

		A great <u>deal</u>	A fair <u>amount</u>	Not too <u>much</u>	Not at <u>all</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
a.	Middle class people Jul 15-18, 2010	2	25	43	25	4
b.	Poor people Jul 15-18, 2010	7	24	37	27	5
c.	Wealthy people Jul 15-18, 2010	31	26	18	12	12
d.	Large banks and financial institutions Jul 15-18, 2010	53	21	12	6	8
e.	Small businesses Jul 15-18, 2010	2	21	39	29	8
f.	Large corporations Jul 15-18, 2010	44	26	12	8	10

ASK ALL:

PEW.9 Thinking about the economic stimulus passed by Congress last year. Do you think the stimulus has [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE] or not? And do you think the stimulus has [NEXT ITEM] or not?

		<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
a.	Helped keep unemployment from getting even worse Jul 15-18, 2010	35	57	8
b.	Increased the federal budget deficit Jul 15-18, 2010	66	23	11
c.	Helped state and local governments avoid layoffs and budget cuts Jul 15-18, 2010	29	60	11
d.	Led to improvements in roads, bridges, and other infrastructure in your area Jul 15-18, 2010	43	49	8

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.) <u>No</u>	(VOL.) <u>Other</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>	Lean <u>Rep</u>	Lean <u>Dem</u>
Jul 15-18, 2010	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<u>preference</u>	<u>party</u>	
	23	33	34	6	1	2
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