

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE & THE PRESS**  
**JULY 2013 POLITICAL SURVEY**  
**FINAL TOPLINE**  
**July 17-21, 2013**  
**N=1,480**

**RANDOMIZE Q.1 AND Q.2****ASK ALL:**

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

	Satis- fied	Dis- satisfied	(VOL.) DK/Ref		Satis- fied	Dis- satisfied	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Jul 17-21, 2013	27	67	6	Early October, 2008	11	86	3
May 1-5, 2013	30	65	5	Mid-September, 2008	25	69	6
Feb 13-18, 2013 (U)	31	64	5	August, 2008	21	74	5
Jan 9-13, 2013	30	66	4	July, 2008	19	74	7
Dec 17-19, 2012	25	68	7	June, 2008	19	76	5
Dec 5-9, 2012	33	62	5	Late May, 2008	18	76	6
Oct 18-21, 2012	32	61	8	March, 2008	22	72	6
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	31	64	5	Early February, 2008	24	70	6
Jun 7-17, 2012	28	68	5	Late December, 2007	27	66	7
May 9-Jun 3, 2012	29	64	7	October, 2007	28	66	6
Apr 4-15, 2012	24	69	6	February, 2007	30	61	9
Feb 8-12, 2012	28	66	6	Mid-January, 2007	32	61	7
Jan 11-16, 2012	21	75	4	Early January, 2007	30	63	7
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	17	78	5	December, 2006	28	65	7
Aug 17-21, 2011	17	79	4	Mid-November, 2006	28	64	8
Jul 20-24, 2011	17	79	4	Early October, 2006	30	63	7
Jun 15-19, 2011	23	73	4	July, 2006	30	65	5
May 5-8, 2011	30	62	8	May, 2006*	29	65	6
May 2, 2011	32	60	8	March, 2006	32	63	5
Mar 8-14, 2011	22	73	5	January, 2006	34	61	5
Feb 2-7, 2011	26	68	5	Late November, 2005	34	59	7
Jan 5-9, 2011	23	71	6	Early October, 2005	29	65	6
Dec 1-5, 2010	21	72	7	July, 2005	35	58	7
Nov 4-7, 2010	23	69	8	Late May, 2005*	39	57	4
Sep 23-26, 2010	30	63	7	February, 2005	38	56	6
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	25	71	5	January, 2005	40	54	6
Jun 24-27, 2010	27	64	9	December, 2004	39	54	7
May 13-16, 2010	28	64	7	Mid-October, 2004	36	58	6
Apr 21-26, 2010	29	66	5	July, 2004	38	55	7
Apr 1-5, 2010	31	63	6	May, 2004	33	61	6
Mar 11-21, 2010	25	69	5	Late February, 2004*	39	55	6
Mar 10-14, 2010	23	71	7	Early January, 2004	45	48	7
Feb 3-9, 2010	23	71	6	December, 2003	44	47	9
Jan 6-10, 2010	27	69	4	October, 2003	38	56	6
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	25	67	7	August, 2003	40	53	7
Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	25	67	7	April 8, 2003	50	41	9
Sep 10-15, 2009 <sup>1</sup>	30	64	7	January, 2003	44	50	6
Aug 20-27, 2009	28	65	7	November, 2002	41	48	11
Aug 11-17, 2009	28	65	7	September, 2002	41	55	4
Jul 22-26, 2009	28	66	6	Late August, 2002	47	44	9
Jun 10-14, 2009	30	64	5	May, 2002	44	44	12
Apr 28-May 12, 2009	34	58	8	March, 2002	50	40	10
Apr 14-21, 2009	23	70	7	Late September, 2001	57	34	9
Jan 7-11, 2009	20	73	7	Early September, 2001	41	53	6
December, 2008	13	83	4	June, 2001	43	52	5
				March, 2001	47	45	8
				February, 2001	46	43	11
				January, 2001	55	41	4
				October, 2000 (RVs)	54	39	7
				September, 2000	51	41	8

<sup>1</sup> In 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?"

**Q.1 CONTINUED...**

	<u>Satis-</u> <u>fied</u>	<u>Dis-</u> <u>satisfied</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>		<u>Satis-</u> <u>fied</u>	<u>Dis-</u> <u>satisfied</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
June, 2000	47	45	8	June, 1995	25	73	2
April, 2000	48	43	9	April, 1995	23	74	3
August, 1999	56	39	5	July, 1994	24	73	3
January, 1999	53	41	6	March, 1994	24	71	5
November, 1998	46	44	10	October, 1993	22	73	5
Early September, 1998	54	42	4	September, 1993	20	75	5
Late August, 1998	55	41	4	May, 1993	22	71	7
Early August, 1998	50	44	6	January, 1993	39	50	11
February, 1998	59	37	4	January, 1992	28	68	4
January, 1998	46	50	4	November, 1991	34	61	5
September, 1997	45	49	6	Gallup: Late Feb, 1991	66	31	3
August, 1997	49	46	5	August, 1990	47	48	5
January, 1997	38	58	4	May, 1990	41	54	5
July, 1996	29	67	4	January, 1989	45	50	5
March, 1996	28	70	2	September, 1988 (RVs)	50	45	5
October, 1995	23	73	4				

**RANDOMIZE Q.1 AND Q.2****ASK ALL:**

Q.2 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? **[IF DK ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH:** Overall do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? **IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]**

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Dis-</u> <u>Approve</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>		<u>Approve</u>	<u>Dis-</u> <u>Approve</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Jul 17-21, 2013	46	46	7	Jan 5-9, 2011	46	44	10
Jun 12-16, 2013	49	43	7	Dec 1-5, 2010	45	43	13
May 1-5, 2013	51	43	6	Nov 4-7, 2010	44	44	12
Mar 13-17, 2013	47	46	8	Oct 13-18, 2010	46	45	9
Feb 13-18, 2013 (U)	51	41	7	Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	47	44	9
Jan 9-13, 2013	52	40	7	Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	47	41	12
Dec 5-9, 2012	55	39	6	Jun 8-28, 2010	48	41	11
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	50	43	7	Jun 16-20, 2010	48	43	9
Jun 7-17, 2012	47	45	8	May 6-9, 2010	47	42	11
May 9-Jun 3, 2012	46	42	11	Apr 21-26, 2010	47	42	11
Apr 4-15, 2012	46	45	9	Apr 8-11, 2010	48	43	9
Mar 7-11, 2012	50	41	9	Mar 10-14, 2010	46	43	12
Feb 8-12, 2012	47	43	10	Feb 3-9, 2010	49	39	12
Jan 11-16, 2012	44	48	8	Jan 6-10, 2010	49	42	10
Dec 7-11, 2011	46	43	11	Dec 9-13, 2009	49	40	11
Nov 9-14, 2011	46	46	8	Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	51	36	13
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	43	48	9	Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	52	36	12
Aug 17-21, 2011	43	49	7	Sep 10-15, 2009	55	33	13
Jul 20-24, 2011	44	48	8	Aug 20-27, 2009	52	37	12
Jun 15-19, 2011	46	45	8	Aug 11-17, 2009	51	37	11
May 25-30, 2011	52	39	10	Jul 22-26, 2009	54	34	12
May 5-8, 2011	50	39	11	Jun 10-14, 2009	61	30	9
May 2, 2011 (WP)	56	38	6	Apr 14-21, 2009	63	26	11
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	47	45	8	Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009	61	26	13
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	51	39	10	Mar 9-12, 2009	59	26	15
Feb 2-7, 2011	49	42	9	Feb 4-8, 2009	64	17	19

See past presidents' approval trends: [George W. Bush](#), [Bill Clinton](#)

**QUESTIONS 3 AND 5 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED  
NO QUESTION 4 AND 6**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.7 Would you say your overall opinion of [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE; RANDOMIZE ITEMS a AND b IN BLOCK; RANDOMIZE ITEMS c AND d IN BLOCK; RANDOMIZE BLOCKS] is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? [INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."] How about [NEXT ITEM]? [IF NECESSARY: Just in general, is your overall opinion of [ITEM] very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable?] [INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."]

		----- Favorable -----			----- Unfavorable -----			(VOL.)	(VOL.)
		Total	Very	Mostly	Total	Very	Mostly	Never heard of	Can't rate/Ref
a.	The Republican Party								
	Jul 17-21, 2013	33	7	25	58	25	34	*	9
	Jun 12-16, 2013	40	8	32	55	23	33	*	5
	Jan 9-13, 2013	33	6	28	58	27	31	1	8
	Dec 5-9, 2012	36	7	28	59	23	36	*	5
	Sep 12-16, 2012	42	12	30	50	25	26	*	8
	Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	36	9	27	56	28	28	*	8
	Mar 7-11, 2012	36	7	30	56	27	29	*	8
	Jan 11-16, 2012	35	7	27	58	28	30	*	7
	Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	36	7	29	55	27	28	*	9
	Aug 17-21, 2011	34	5	29	59	27	32	*	7
	Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	42	9	32	51	22	28	1	7
	Feb 2-7, 2011	43	8	35	48	19	29	*	9
	Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	43	8	35	49	21	28	*	8
	July 1-5, 2010	39	10	29	49	24	25	*	12
	April 1-5, 2010	37	8	29	53	26	27	*	9
	Mar 18-21, 2010	37	5	32	51	20	31	*	12
	Feb 3-9, 2010	46	5	41	46	14	32	0	8
	Aug 20-27, 2009	40	6	34	50	19	31	*	10
	Aug 11-17, 2009	40	7	33	50	18	32	*	10
	Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009	40	7	33	51	17	34	0	9
	Jan 7-11, 2009	40	5	35	55	21	34	*	5
	Late October, 2008	40	10	30	50	23	27	*	10
	Mid-September, 2008	47	11	36	46	22	24	*	7
	August, 2008	43	9	34	49	18	31	1	7
	Late May, 2008	39	7	32	53	20	33	*	8
	July, 2007	39	7	32	53	22	31	0	8
	Early January, 2007	41	9	32	48	21	27	1	10
	Late October, 2006	41	9	32	50	20	30	*	9
	July, 2006	40	10	30	52	23	29	1	7
	April, 2006	40	10	30	50	21	29	*	10
	February, 2006	44	11	33	50	24	26	*	6
	Late October, 2005	42	12	30	49	24	25	*	9
	July, 2005	48	13	35	43	18	25	*	9
	June, 2005	48	11	37	44	20	24	0	8
	December, 2004	52	15	37	42	17	25	0	6
	June, 2004	51	12	39	40	14	26	0	9
	Early February, 2004	52	14	38	42	16	26	*	6
	June, 2003	58	14	44	33	10	23	0	9
	April, 2003	63	14	49	31	10	21	*	6
	December, 2002	59	18	41	33	11	22	*	8
	July, 2001	48	11	37	42	15	27	*	10
	January, 2001	56	13	43	35	13	22	*	9
	September, 2000 (RVs)	53	11	42	40	12	28	0	7
	August, 1999	53	8	45	43	12	31	*	4
	February, 1999	44	7	37	51	15	36	0	5
	January, 1999	44	10	34	50	23	27	0	6

**Q.7 CONTINUED...**

	Favorable			Unfavorable			(VOL.)	(VOL.)
	Total	Very	Mostly	Total	Very	Mostly	Never heard of	Can't rate/Ref
Early December, 1998	46	11	35	47	20	27	*	7
Early October, 1998 (RVs)	52	9	43	42	14	28	0	6
Early September, 1998	56	9	47	37	11	26	*	7
March, 1998	50	10	40	43	12	31	*	7
August, 1997	47	9	38	47	11	36	*	6
June, 1997	51	8	43	42	11	31	1	6
January, 1997	52	8	44	43	10	33	*	5
October, 1995	52	10	42	44	16	28	*	4
December, 1994	67	21	46	27	8	19	*	6
July, 1994	63	12	51	33	8	25	*	4
May, 1993	54	12	42	35	10	25	0	11
July, 1992	46	9	37	48	17	31	*	6
b. The Democratic Party								
Jul 17-21, 2013	41	10	31	50	23	28	*	9
Jun 12-16, 2013	51	14	37	45	19	26	0	5
Jan 9-13, 2013	47	13	34	46	18	28	*	7
Dec 5-9, 2012	48	11	37	47	23	25	1	4
Sep 12-16, 2012	53	21	32	40	18	22	*	7
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	47	14	33	45	21	24	*	8
Mar 7-11, 2012	49	14	36	43	18	25	*	7
Jan 11-16, 2012	43	13	29	51	23	28	*	7
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	46	13	32	45	19	26	*	9
Aug 17-21, 2011	43	9	34	50	21	29	*	7
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	48	14	34	45	18	27	*	6
Feb 2-7, 2011	47	13	35	46	17	29	*	6
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	50	13	36	44	20	24	*	7
July 1-5, 2010	44	12	31	45	22	23	*	11
April 1-5, 2010	38	9	29	52	27	25	*	9
Mar 18-21, 2010	40	8	32	49	25	24	*	11
Feb 3-9, 2010	48	9	39	44	17	27	*	8
Aug 20-27, 2009	48	11	37	43	19	24	*	10
Aug 11-17, 2009	49	12	37	40	16	25	*	10
Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009	59	15	44	34	13	21	*	7
Jan 7-11, 2009	62	19	43	32	12	20	*	6
Late October, 2008	57	19	38	33	15	18	*	10
Mid-September, 2008	55	18	37	39	14	25	*	6
August, 2008	57	16	41	37	13	24	*	6
Late May, 2008	57	14	43	37	14	23	*	6
July, 2007	51	13	38	41	14	27	0	8
Early January, 2007	54	15	39	35	12	23	*	11
Late October, 2006	53	13	40	36	11	25	*	11
July, 2006	47	13	34	44	13	31	2	7
April, 2006	47	12	35	42	14	28	*	11
February, 2006	48	14	34	44	17	27	0	8
Late October, 2005	49	14	35	41	15	26	*	10
July, 2005	50	15	35	41	14	27	*	9
June, 2005	52	12	40	39	13	26	*	9
December, 2004	53	13	40	41	14	27	*	6
June, 2004	54	12	42	36	11	25	0	10
Early February, 2004	58	14	44	37	9	28	*	5
June, 2003	54	11	43	38	10	28	0	8
April, 2003	57	13	44	36	11	25	*	7
December, 2002	54	15	39	37	10	27	*	9
July, 2001	58	18	40	34	10	24	*	8
January, 2001	60	18	42	30	9	21	1	9
September, 2000 (RVs)	60	16	44	35	12	23	*	5

**Q.7 CONTINUED...**

	Favorable			Unfavorable			(VOL.)	(VOL.)
	Total	Very	Mostly	Total	Very	Mostly	Never heard of	Can't rate/Ref
August, 1999	59	14	45	37	9	28	*	4
February, 1999	58	11	47	37	11	26	0	5
January, 1999	55	14	41	38	12	26	0	7
Early December, 1998	59	18	41	34	10	24	0	7
Early October, 1998 (RVs)	56	11	45	38	9	29	*	6
Early September, 1998	60	13	47	33	8	25	*	7
March, 1998	58	15	43	36	10	26	*	6
August, 1997	52	11	41	42	10	32	0	6
June, 1997	61	10	51	33	8	25	*	6
January, 1997	60	13	47	35	7	28	*	5
October, 1995	49	9	40	48	11	37	0	3
December, 1994	50	13	37	44	13	31	*	6
July, 1994	62	13	49	34	7	27	*	4
May, 1993	57	14	43	34	9	25	0	9
July, 1992	61	17	44	33	9	24	*	6

**QUESTION 7c HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

## d. Congress

Jul 17-21, 2013	21	3	18	70	33	37	*	9
Jan 9-13, 2013	23	4	19	68	32	36	*	9
Dec 5-9, 2012	27	4	22	67	24	43	1	6
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	27	5	22	65	30	35	*	8
Jan 11-16, 2012	23	5	18	69	33	36	*	8
Aug 17-21, 2011	25	4	21	70	30	40	4	6
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	34	4	30	57	21	36	1	8
July 1-5, 2010	33	6	27	56	23	33	*	11
April 1-5, 2010	25	3	22	65	30	36	*	9
Mar 18-21, 2010	26	3	23	62	23	39	*	12
Feb 3-9, 2010	41	3	38	50	17	34	0	9
Aug 20-27, 2009	37	4	33	52	20	32	*	11
Mar 31-Apr 6, 2009	50	10	40	43	15	28	*	7
Jan 7-11, 2009	40	5	35	52	20	32	*	8
Late May, 2008	41	6	35	51	17	34	0	8
July, 2007	41	6	35	51	16	35	0	8
Early January, 2007	53	11	42	38	9	29	1	8
Late October, 2006	41	5	36	46	15	31	*	13
February, 2006	44	6	38	47	14	33	0	9
Late October, 2005	45	7	38	45	13	32	*	10
July, 2005	49	6	43	40	11	29	*	11
June, 2005	49	6	43	40	10	30	*	11
June, 2004	56	7	49	33	7	26	*	11
July, 2001	57	7	50	32	8	24	*	11
March, 2001	56	6	50	36	10	26	1	7
January, 2001	64	10	54	23	5	18	1	12
September, 2000 (RVs)	61	8	53	32	5	27	*	7
August, 1999	63	8	55	34	7	27	*	3
June, 1999	56	9	47	39	9	30	*	5
February, 1999	52	4	48	44	8	36	0	4
January, 1999	48	7	41	45	15	30	0	7
Early December, 1998	52	11	41	41	12	29	0	7
Early October, 1998 (RVs)	62	7	55	33	8	25	0	5
Early September, 1998	66	7	59	27	5	22	0	7
October, 1997	53	5	48	44	11	33	0	3
August, 1997	50	6	44	44	11	33	0	6
June, 1997	52	4	48	42	8	34	0	6
May, 1997	49	5	44	42	10	32	*	9
February, 1997	52	6	46	40	9	31	*	8

**Q.7 CONTINUED...**

	Favorable			Unfavorable			(VOL.)	(VOL.)
	Total	Very	Mostly	Total	Very	Mostly	Never heard of	Can't rate/Ref
January, 1997	56	6	50	40	8	32	*	4
June, 1996	45	6	39	50	12	38	*	5
April, 1996	45	6	39	50	13	37	0	5
January, 1996	42	4	38	54	16	38	*	4
October, 1995	42	4	38	55	13	42	0	3
August, 1995	45	5	40	47	13	34	*	7
June, 1995	53	8	45	42	11	31	*	5
February, 1995	54	10	44	37	10	27	0	9
July, 1994	53	7	46	43	9	34	*	4
May, 1993	43	8	35	48	13	35	0	9
November, 1991	51	7	44	43	9	34	0	6
March, 1991	66	16	50	26	7	19	0	8
May, 1990	59	6	53	34	9	25	1	6
May, 1988	64	8	56	28	5	23	0	8
January, 1988	64	6	58	29	4	25	0	7
May, 1987	74	10	64	20	4	16	*	6
January, 1987	59	7	52	31	8	23	0	10
July, 1985	67	9	58	26	5	21	*	7

**NO QUESTIONS 8, 11-14, 17-19, 28-32****QUESTIONS 9-10, 15-16, 20-27 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****ASK ALL:**

Thinking about the nation's economy...

Q.33 How would you rate economic conditions in this country today... as excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

	Excellent	Good	Only fair	Poor	(VOL.) DK/Ref
Jul 17-21, 2013	2	15	45	37	1
Jun 12-16, 2013	2	21	47	29	*
Mar 13-17, 2013	1	15	43	40	1
Jan 9-13, 2013	2	11	38	49	1
Dec 5-9, 2012	1	14	50	35	1
Oct 24-28, 2012	1	12	42	44	1
Sep 12-16, 2012	1	12	43	44	1
Jun 7-17, 2012	1	9	47	42	1
Mar 7-11, 2012	1	9	38	51	1
Feb 8-12, 2012	1	10	46	43	1
Jan 11-16, 2012	2	9	42	47	1
Dec 7-11, 2011	*	8	38	53	1
Aug 17-21, 2011	1	6	37	56	1
Jun 15-19, 2011	*	8	45	46	1
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	1	7	38	53	1
Feb 2-7, 2011	1	11	45	42	1
Dec 1-5, 2010	1	8	44	45	1
Oct 13-18, 2010	1	7	38	54	1
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	1	7	43	48	1
Jun 3-6, 2010	1	8	48	43	1
Apr 21-26, 2010	*	11	39	49	1
Mar 10-14, 2010	1	6	39	53	1
Feb 3-9, 2010	1	7	38	53	1
Dec 9-13, 2009	1	7	41	50	1
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	*	8	41	50	1
Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	1	8	43	48	1
Aug 11-17, 2009	*	8	38	52	2
Jun 10-14, 2009	1	8	39	52	1
Mar 9-12, 2009	*	6	25	68	1

**Q.33 CONTINUED...**

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Only fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Feb 4-8, 2009	*	4	24	71	1
December, 2008	*	7	33	59	1
November, 2008	1	6	28	64	1
Late October, 2008	*	7	25	67	1
Early October, 2008	1	8	32	58	1
Late September, 2008	*	7	27	65	1
July, 2008	1	9	39	50	1
April, 2008	1	10	33	56	*
March, 2008	1	10	32	56	1
Early February, 2008	1	16	36	45	2
January, 2008	3	23	45	28	1
November, 2007	3	20	44	32	1
September, 2007	3	23	43	29	2
June, 2007	6	27	40	25	2
February, 2007	5	26	45	23	1
December, 2006	6	32	41	19	2
Early November, 2006 (RVs)	9	35	37	17	2
Late October, 2006	6	27	40	25	2
September, 2006	5	32	41	20	2
March, 2006	4	29	44	22	1
January, 2006	4	30	45	19	2
Early October, 2005	2	23	45	29	1
Mid-September, 2005	3	28	44	24	1
Mid-May, 2005	3	29	47	20	1
January, 2005	3	36	45	15	1
December, 2004	3	33	43	20	1
Early November, 2004 (RVs)	5	31	37	26	1
Mid-September, 2004	4	34	40	20	2
August, 2004	3	30	45	21	1
Late April, 2004	4	34	38	22	2
Late February, 2004 <sup>2</sup>	2	29	42	26	1

**ASK ALL:**

Q.34 Which of these best describes your opinion: **[READ; READ CATEGORIES IN REVERSE ORDER FOR HALF THE SAMPLE]**?

	<u>The economy is recovering</u>	<u>The economy is not yet recovering but will recover soon</u>	<u>It will be a long time before the economy recovers</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Jul 17-21, 2013	28	26	44	2
Mar 13-17, 2013	27	31	40	2
Oct 24-28, 2012	30	31	36	3
Sep 12-16, 2012	25	30	43	1
Feb 8-12, 2012	25	29	44	3
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	20	24	54	2
Feb 2-7, 2011	24	33	42	2
Dec 1-5, 2010	17	33	48	2
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 <sup>3</sup>	10	37	52	2
Jun 3-6, 2010	13	35	50	2
Mar 10-14, 2010	13	37	48	2

**NO QUESTIONS 35-39, 41-45, 65, 67  
QUESTIONS 40, 46-64, 66 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

<sup>2</sup> Earlier trends available from Gallup.

<sup>3</sup> In September 2010 and earlier, the first answer choice read "The economy is now recovering."

**ASK ALL:**

Next,

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

**ASK IF INDEP/NO PREF/OTHER/DK/REF (PARTY=3,4,5,9):**

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>	<u>preference</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b>	<b>(VOL.)</b>	<b>(VOL.)</b>	<b>Lean</b>	<b>Lean</b>
					No	Other			
Jul 17-21, 2013	19	29	46	3	*	2	19	18	
Jun 12-16, 2013	23	33	39	3	*	2	17	15	
May 1-5, 2013	25	32	37	2	1	3	14	16	
Mar 13-17, 2013	26	33	34	3	1	3	14	15	
Feb 13-18, 2013	22	32	41	2	*	2	15	19	
Jan 9-13, 2013	25	32	38	2	*	2	15	16	
Dec 17-19, 2012	21	32	38	4	*	4	15	14	
Dec 5-9, 2012	23	33	38	3	1	2	14	19	
Oct 31-Nov 3, 2012	26	34	34	3	1	3	13	16	
Oct 24-28, 2012	28	33	33	4	*	2	12	16	
Oct 4-7, 2012	27	31	36	3	1	3	15	15	
Sep 12-16, 2012	24	35	36	2	*	2	14	16	
Jul 16-26, 2012	22	33	38	4	*	3	14	15	
<b>Yearly Totals</b>									
2012	24.7	32.6	36.4	3.1	.5	2.7	14.4	16.1	
2011	24.3	32.3	37.4	3.1	.4	2.5	15.7	15.6	
2010	25.2	32.7	35.2	3.6	.4	2.8	14.5	14.1	
2009	23.9	34.4	35.1	3.4	.4	2.8	13.1	15.7	
2008	25.7	36.0	31.5	3.6	.3	3.0	10.6	15.2	
2007	25.3	32.9	34.1	4.3	.4	2.9	10.9	17.0	
2006	27.8	33.1	30.9	4.4	.3	3.4	10.5	15.1	
2005	29.3	32.8	30.2	4.5	.3	2.8	10.3	14.9	
2004	30.0	33.5	29.5	3.8	.4	3.0	11.7	13.4	
2003	30.3	31.5	30.5	4.8	.5	2.5	12.0	12.6	
2002	30.4	31.4	29.8	5.0	.7	2.7	12.4	11.6	
2001	29.0	33.2	29.5	5.2	.6	2.6	11.9	11.6	
2001 Post-Sept 11	30.9	31.8	27.9	5.2	.6	3.6	11.7	9.4	
2001 Pre-Sept 11	27.3	34.4	30.9	5.1	.6	1.7	12.1	13.5	
2000	28.0	33.4	29.1	5.5	.5	3.6	11.6	11.7	
1999	26.6	33.5	33.7	3.9	.5	1.9	13.0	14.5	
1998	27.9	33.7	31.1	4.6	.4	2.3	11.6	13.1	
1997	28.0	33.4	32.0	4.0	.4	2.3	12.2	14.1	
1996	28.9	33.9	31.8	3.0	.4	2.0	12.1	14.9	
1995	31.6	30.0	33.7	2.4	.6	1.3	15.1	13.5	
1994	30.1	31.5	33.5	1.3	--	3.6	13.7	12.2	
1993	27.4	33.6	34.2	4.4	1.5	2.9	11.5	14.9	
1992	27.6	33.7	34.7	1.5	0	2.5	12.6	16.5	
1991	30.9	31.4	33.2	0	1.4	3.0	14.7	10.8	
1990	30.9	33.2	29.3	1.2	1.9	3.4	12.4	11.3	

**PARTY/PARTYLN CONTINUED...**

	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<u>preference</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b>	<b>(VOL.)</b>	<b>(VOL.)</b>	<i>Lean Rep</i>	<i>Lean Dem</i>
					No preference	Other party			
1989	33	33	34	--	--	--	--	--	--
1987	26	35	39	--	--	--	--	--	--

**QUESTIONS 68-79 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****NO QUESTIONS 80-82****ASK ALL:**

TEAPARTY2 From what you know, do you agree or disagree with the Tea Party movement, or don't you have an opinion either way?

	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>No opinion either way</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b>	<b>(VOL.)</b>	<i>Not heard of/ DK</i>
				Haven't heard of		
Jul 17-21, 2013	18	25	52	4	1	--
Jun 12-16, 2013	22	29	46	2	2	--
May 23-26, 2013	17	20	56	3	4	--
Feb 14-17, 2013	19	26	52	2	1	--
Dec 5-9, 2012	18	29	50	2	1	--
Oct 31-Nov 3, 2012 (RVs)	19	29	47	1	3	--
Oct 4-7, 2012	19	25	52	2	2	--
Sep 12-16, 2012	18	26	53	2	2	--
Jul 16-26, 2012	16	27	54	2	1	--
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	19	27	49	3	2	--
Jun 7-17, 2012	21	25	52	2	1	--
May 9-Jun 3, 2012	16	25	54	2	3	--
Apr 4-15, 2012	20	26	50	3	2	--
Mar 7-11, 2012	19	29	48	2	2	--
Feb 8-12, 2012	18	25	53	2	2	--
Jan 11-16, 2012	20	24	52	2	2	--
Jan 4-8, 2012	18	25	52	2	3	--
Dec 7-11, 2011	19	27	50	2	2	--
Nov 9-14, 2011	20	27	51	1	1	--
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	19	27	51	2	1	--
Aug 17-21, 2011	20	27	50	1	1	--
Jul 20-24, 2011	20	24	53	1	1	--
Jun 15-19, 2011	20	26	50	3	2	--
May 25-30, 2011	18	23	54	2	2	--
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	22	29	47	1	1	--
Mar 8-14, 2011	19	25	54	1	1	--
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	20	25	52	2	2	--
Feb 2-7, 2011 <sup>4</sup>	22	22	53	2	2	--
Jan 5-9, 2011	24	22	50	2	1	--
Dec 1-5, 2010	22	26	49	2	2	--
Nov 4-7, 2010	27	22	49	1	1	--
Oct 27-30, 2010 (RVs)	29	25	32	--	1	13
Oct 13-18, 2010 (RVs)	28	24	30	--	1	16
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 (RVs)	29	26	32	--	1	13
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	22	18	37	--	1	21
Jun 16-20, 2010	24	18	30	--	*	27
May 20-23, 2010	25	18	31	--	1	25
Mar 11-21, 2010	24	14	29	--	1	31

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In the February 2-7, 2011, survey and before, question read "...do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with the Tea Party movement..." In October 2010 and earlier, question was asked only of those who had heard or read a lot or a little about the Tea Party. In May 2010 through October 2010, it was described as: "the Tea Party movement that has been involved in campaigns and protests in the U.S. over the past year." In March 2010 it was described as "the Tea Party protests that have taken place in the U.S. over the past year."

**PVOTE12A/B AND QUESTION 83 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****Key to Pew Research trends noted in the topline:**

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(U)	Pew Research Center/USA Today polls
(WP)	Pew Research Center/Washington Post polls

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