

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER
SEPTEMBER 1-4, 2011 OMNIBUS
FINAL TOPLINE
N=1,001**

PEW.1-PEW.6, PEWWP.1-PEWWP.2 and PEW.10 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

ASK ALL:

PEW.7 All things considered, do you think that the U.S. and its allies made the right decision or the wrong decision to conduct military air strikes in Libya?

| | <u>Right decision</u> | <u>Wrong decision</u> | <u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| September 1-4, 2011 | 44 | 33 | 23 |
| April 7-10, 2011 | 45 | 37 | 19 |
| Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011 | 50 | 37 | 13 |
| March 24-27, 2011 | 47 | 36 | 17 |

TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:

Military force in Afghanistan

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|---------------------------------|----|----|----|
| June 15-19, 2011 | 57 | 35 | 8 |
| Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 | 52 | 38 | 10 |
| Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009 ¹ | 56 | 34 | 10 |
| Jan 7-11, 2009 | 64 | 25 | 11 |
| February, 2008 | 65 | 24 | 11 |
| December, 2006 | 61 | 29 | 10 |
| January, 2006 | 69 | 20 | 11 |

Military force in Iraq

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|---------------------|----|----|----|
| Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010 | 41 | 51 | 7 |
| January, 2009 | 43 | 49 | 8 |
| November, 2008 | 39 | 50 | 11 |
| Late October, 2008 | 38 | 56 | 6 |
| Mid-October, 2008 | 40 | 54 | 6 |
| Mid-September, 2008 | 43 | 50 | 7 |
| June, 2008 | 39 | 55 | 6 |
| April, 2008 | 37 | 57 | 6 |
| Late February, 2008 | 38 | 54 | 8 |
| Late December, 2007 | 36 | 56 | 8 |

ASK ALL:

PEW.8 And in general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the situation in Libya?

| <u>Sep 1-4 2011</u> | | <u>Mar 30-Apr 3 2011²</u> |
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| 49 | Approve | 41 |
| 32 | Disapprove | 46 |
| 19 | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 13 |

NO PEW.9

¹ In October 2009, the question was worded: "Do you think the United States' initial decision to use force in Afghanistan was the right decision or the wrong decision?"

² For March 30-April 3 2011, this question was asked in a list of several issues.