



## Dissatisfaction with Obama Grows Handling of Oil Spill No Better Than Katrina

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### **This Marist Poll Reports:**

#### **Turning Tides... Half View Obama as Not Meeting Expectations**

For the first time since taking office, more registered voters in the United States think President Barack Obama is falling below their expectations than those who say he is either meeting or exceeding them. Half of voters -- 50% -- believe Mr. Obama has fallen short. 44%, on the other hand, report Mr. Obama has met or exceeded their expectations. 6% are unsure.

Public opinion has turned on this question. In March, a slim majority -- 51% -- said the president either reached their level of expectation or went above and beyond it. 45%, however, reported he missed the mark. 4% were unsure.

"As President Obama enters a critical time in his presidency, the national electorate has greater doubt over whether he is living up to their expectations of him," says Dr. Lee M. Miringoff, Director of The Marist College Institute for Public Opinion.

While there has been little change among Democrats and Republicans here, dissatisfaction has grown among independent voters. Nearly six in ten -- 58% -- report the president has disappointed them, and 34% view the president as meeting their expectations or going above and beyond them. 8% are unsure.

In Marist's March survey, 48% within this key voting block thought the president was not living up to their standards while 45% reported he either met or surpassed them.

#### **Dissatisfaction with Obama Grows...Independents Key Players**

Mr. Obama can't even look to his approval rating for a silver lining. Voters divide about the job the president is doing in office. Currently, 45% of registered voters nationwide *disapprove* of the president's job performance while 44% approve. 11% are unsure. Mr. Obama's approval rating equals his lowest rating -- 44% -- which he received in Marist's February survey.

The president continues to have a tough time winning over independent voters. In fact, there is a 12 percentage point spread between independents who disapprove and those who approve of the job Mr. Obama is doing in office. Nearly half -- 49% -- disapprove of the president's performance while 37% approve. 15% are unsure how to rate him. Three months ago, just 6 percentage points separated independents who praised and those who berated the president's job performance. 45% disapproved, and 39% approved. 16% were unsure.

Looking at Democrats across the country, there has been little change. 75% applaud the president while 14% disapprove. 11% are unsure. In March, 77% of Democrats gave Mr. Obama high marks while 15% thought he was falling short. 8%, at that time, were unsure how to rate him.

Fewer members of the GOP, compared with Marist's March survey, disapprove of President Obama's job performance. 78% now hold this view while 85% did so three months ago. However, the proportion of those who approve of the job Mr. Obama is doing is relatively unchanged. 14% of the national GOP currently give the president high marks while 11% did the same three months ago. More Republicans are unsure how to rate the president. 8% cannot currently weigh in compared with 4% in March.

### **Fewer View Obama as Improving the Nation... More Say Towing the Status Quo**

To make matters worse for the president, fewer voters view him as changing the United States for the better. Currently, 38% describe the direction in which the president is moving the country as an improvement. This approximates the lowest rating the president has received on this question -- 37% -- which was reached in February. In Marist's March survey, 43% thought the president was changing the nation for the better.

However, the proportion of those who believe Mr. Obama is negatively impacting the nation has not grown. In fact, it has remained relatively flat. 38% report the president is changing the nation for the worse while 41% thought that way in March. Rather, more voters now say the president has not changed the country at all. More than one in five -- 21% -- believe this is true while 13% held this view in March.

Once again, independents make the difference. More than a quarter of these voters -- 27% -- believe Mr. Obama is doing the same ole political song and dance. This is a 12 percentage point increase from March when 15% thought the president was not bringing about change. 39% currently believe the president is changing the country for the worse, and 29% report he is changing the nation for the better. 5% are unsure. In March, 44% said the president was having a negative impact on the country, 35% thought he was making positive inroads, and 6% were unsure.

### **Obama's Favorability Hovers at 50%**

President Obama still remains likeable in the eyes of voters, but there may be a crack in his armor. 50% view the president favorably while 43% have an unfavorable impression of him. 7% are unsure.

In Marist's March survey, a majority -- 53% -- thought well of him, 41% had less than a positive impression of him, and 6% were unsure.

Independents are the cause of the president's slight dip in favorability. They divide with 45% having a positive view of the president and 47% having a negative view of him. In March, there was a more positive opinion among these voters -- 49% to 43%, respectively.

Although nearly three-quarters of Republican voters -- 73% -- have an unfavorable view of Mr. Obama, 20% have a favorable view of him. That's a six percentage point increase in his favorability among the GOP since Marist's March survey.

80% of Democrats have a high opinion of the president compared with 85% in March.

### **Split Decision in Handling of the Economy**

The national electorate is fractured when it comes to President Obama's handling of the economy. 46% of the electorate approve of how the president is addressing the issue while 48% disapprove. 6% are unsure.

Similar proportions of voters shared this view in March. At that time, 46% approved of Mr. Obama's economic management, 49% disapproved, and 5% were unsure.

And, voters still don't blame the president for the state of the economy. More than six in ten voters -- 62% -- think the president inherited the current economic conditions while 28% believe they are a result of his own policies. 10% are unsure.

In March, 64% thought the economic conditions were passed on to the president, 27% said they were Mr. Obama's doing, and 9% were unsure.

### **57% Say Obama's Handling of Gulf Spill No Better Than Bush's Katrina**

President George Bush's handling of Hurricane Katrina was a black mark on his administration, and now, there's bad news for his successor. Nearly six in ten voters nationwide -- 57% -- say President Barack Obama's handling of the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico is either the same or worse than Bush's handling of Katrina. This includes 34% who report Obama's management of the disaster is comparable and 23% who view it as worse. 37%, however, say he is handling the crisis better than Bush managed Katrina. 6% are unsure.

While nearly six in ten Democrats -- 59% -- believe the president is handling the crisis better than how his predecessor dealt with Hurricane Katrina, one-third of Democrats say Mr. Obama is dealing with it only about the same or worse. This includes 28% who say the president's management is on par with Mr. Bush's and 5% who report it is worse. Not surprisingly, most Republicans -- 80% -- believe President Obama has demonstrated equal or worse crisis management skills than President Bush. 44% think they are comparable, and 36% believe they are worse. 14% say he is handling it better. Independents align more with Republicans. 63% rank Obama's management as either on the same level as Bush or below the former president. This includes 34% who say he is on par with Bush and 29% who believe his handling is even worse. One-third of independent voters rate Mr. Obama's performance as better.

"Despite President Obama's frequent attempts to plug the hole in his public opinion, Republicans and independent voters have not taken heed," says Dr. Lee M. Miringoff, Director of The Marist College Institute for Public Opinion.

In fact, when it comes to Mr. Obama's overall handling of this environmental crisis, a majority of voters -- 53% -- disapprove of his approach. This includes 34% who strongly oppose it and 19% who just disapprove. On the other hand, 46% think the president's response is on the mark. Included here are 33% who approve and 13% who strongly approve. Just 1% are unsure.

Not surprisingly, Democrats and Republicans are on opposite sides of the spectrum here. 70% of Democrats agree with the way the president has managed the disaster while 70% of Republicans do not. Again, independent voters are more in agreement with members of the GOP. 62% report they either strongly disapprove or disapprove of Mr. Obama's response to the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.

### **Most Disapprove of BP's Handling of Oil Spill**

President Obama isn't the only one under fire. British Petroleum (BP), whose rig exploded in late April, is also facing intense criticism. 83% of registered voters nationally either strongly disapprove or disapprove of how the oil company is handling the crisis in the Gulf of Mexico. This includes 60% who are strongly against their methods and 23% who merely disapprove. 17%, though, strongly approve or approve of their procedures. Included here are just 3% who strongly agree and 14% who like their approach. When it comes to BP's handling of the disaster, there is consensus among voters, regardless of party.

### **The Great Divide: Offshore Drilling Moratorium**

A federal judge has overturned a moratorium placed on offshore drilling by the Obama Administration, but do voters want the moratorium in place? They divide. 46% support a temporary ban while 45% do not. 9% are unsure.

Democrats and Republicans have opposing views. 57% of Democrats support a moratorium while the same proportion of Republicans -- 57% -- opposes it. Nearly half of independent voters -- 49% -- are against the temporary ban.

**Nature of the Sample: 1,004 U.S. Residents**

This survey of 1,004 United States residents was conducted on June 17<sup>th</sup> through June 24<sup>th</sup>. Residents 18 years of age and older were interviewed by telephone. Telephone numbers were selected based upon a list of telephone exchanges from throughout the nation. The exchanges were selected to ensure that each region was represented in proportion to its population. To increase coverage, this land-line sample was supplemented by respondents reached through random dialing of cell phone numbers. The two samples were then combined. Results are statistically significant at  $\pm 3.0\%$ . There are 813 registered voters. The results for this subset are statistically significant at  $\pm 3.5\%$ . The error margin increases for cross-tabulations.

# Marist Poll June 2010 National Survey Tables

		Registered Voters			
		Overall, has Barack Obama met your expectations, exceeded your expectations, or fallen below your expectations as president?			
		Met your expectations	Exceeded your expectations	Fallen below your expectations	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
<b>Registered Voters</b>		36%	8%	50%	6%
<b>Party ID</b>	Democrat	56%	13%	27%	4%
	Republican	24%	4%	66%	5%
	Independent	28%	6%	58%	8%
<b>Party ID by Gender</b>	Democrat men	55%	15%	27%	2%
	Democrat women	56%	12%	27%	4%
	Republican men	23%	3%	73%	1%
	Republican women	25%	5%	61%	9%
	Independent men	23%	8%	62%	6%
	Independent women	33%	3%	54%	10%
	<b>Political Ideology</b>	Liberal	55%	11%	27%
Moderate		39%	9%	48%	4%
Conservative		26%	6%	64%	4%
<b>Region</b>	Northeast	42%	7%	44%	6%
	Midwest	38%	7%	50%	5%
	South	36%	9%	49%	6%
	West	29%	8%	57%	5%
<b>Household Income</b>	Less than \$50,000	36%	12%	45%	8%
	\$50,000 or more	39%	5%	53%	3%
<b>Education</b>	Not college graduate	34%	9%	51%	6%
	College graduate	40%	6%	50%	3%
<b>Age</b>	18 to 29	41%	10%	41%	9%
	30 to 44	34%	6%	53%	7%
	45 to 59	37%	10%	50%	3%
	60 or older	33%	7%	54%	6%
<b>Gender</b>	Men	33%	8%	55%	4%
	Women	40%	8%	46%	7%

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		Registered Voters		
		Do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing as president?		
		Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
<b>Registered Voters</b>		<b>44%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>Party ID</b>	<b>Democrat</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>11%</b>
	<b>Republican</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>8%</b>
	<b>Independent</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>15%</b>
<b>Party ID by Gender</b>	<b>Democrat men</b>	<b>79%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>12%</b>
	<b>Democrat women</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>10%</b>
	<b>Republican men</b>	<b>11%</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>7%</b>
	<b>Republican women</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>8%</b>
	<b>Independent men</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>15%</b>
	<b>Independent women</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>15%</b>
<b>Political Ideology</b>	<b>Liberal</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>8%</b>
	<b>Moderate</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>11%</b>
	<b>Conservative</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>12%</b>
<b>Region</b>	<b>Northeast</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>15%</b>
	<b>Midwest</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>9%</b>
	<b>South</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>10%</b>
	<b>West</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>13%</b>
<b>Household Income</b>	<b>Less than \$50,000</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>15%</b>
	<b>\$50,000 or more</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>Education</b>	<b>Not college graduate</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>11%</b>
	<b>College graduate</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Age</b>	<b>18 to 29</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>18%</b>
	<b>30 to 44</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>11%</b>
	<b>45 to 59</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>10%</b>
	<b>60 or older</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Gender</b>	<b>Men</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>12%</b>
	<b>Women</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>11%</b>
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		Registered Voters			
		Overall, would you describe the direction in which President Barack Obama is moving the country as:			
		Change for the better	Change for the worse	No change at all	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
<b>Registered Voters</b>		<b>38%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>3%</b>
<b>Party ID</b>	<b>Democrat</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>2%</b>
	<b>Republican</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>3%</b>
	<b>Independent</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>Party ID by Gender</b>	<b>Democrat men</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>3%</b>
	<b>Democrat women</b>	<b>69%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>2%</b>
	<b>Republican men</b>	<b>7%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>3%</b>
	<b>Republican women</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>66%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>3%</b>
	<b>Independent men</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>28%</b>	<b>5%</b>
	<b>Independent women</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Political Ideology</b>	<b>Liberal</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>10%</b>	<b>15%</b>	<b>4%</b>
	<b>Moderate</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>31%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>4%</b>
	<b>Conservative</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Region</b>	<b>Northeast</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>6%</b>
	<b>Midwest</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>2%</b>
	<b>South</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>3%</b>
	<b>West</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>Household Income</b>	<b>Less than \$50,000</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>5%</b>
	<b>\$50,000 or more</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>1%</b>
<b>Education</b>	<b>Not college graduate</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>4%</b>
	<b>College graduate</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>2%</b>
<b>Age</b>	<b>18 to 29</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>4%</b>
	<b>30 to 44</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>4%</b>
	<b>45 to 59</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>2%</b>
	<b>60 or older</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Gender</b>	<b>Men</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>4%</b>
	<b>Women</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>3%</b>

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		Overall, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Barack Obama?		
		Favorable	Unfavorable	Unsure-Never Heard
		Row %	Row %	Row %
<b>Registered Voters</b>		<b>50%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>7%</b>
<b>Party ID</b>	<b>Democrat</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>8%</b>
	<b>Republican</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>7%</b>
	<b>Independent</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>8%</b>
<b>Party ID by Gender</b>	<b>Democrat men</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>12%</b>
	<b>Democrat women</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>14%</b>	<b>5%</b>
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	<b>Independent women</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Political Ideology</b>	<b>Liberal</b>	<b>84%</b>	<b>12%</b>	<b>4%</b>
	<b>Moderate</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>9%</b>
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	<b>South</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>10%</b>
	<b>West</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Household Income</b>	<b>Less than \$50,000</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>34%</b>	<b>12%</b>
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	<b>College graduate</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>5%</b>
<b>Age</b>	<b>18 to 29</b>	<b>59%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>9%</b>
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	<b>45 to 59</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>7%</b>
	<b>60 or older</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>6%</b>
<b>Gender</b>	<b>Men</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>6%</b>
	<b>Women</b>	<b>49%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>6%</b>

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		Registered Voters		
		Do you think the current economic conditions are mostly something President Obama inherited or are they mostly a result of his own policies?		
		Economic conditions mostly inherited	Economic conditions mostly result of his own policies	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
Registered Voters		62%	28%	10%
Party ID	Democrat	78%	12%	10%
	Republican	42%	48%	10%
	Independent	61%	30%	9%
Party ID by Gender	Democrat men	81%	11%	8%
	Democrat women	76%	12%	12%
	Republican men	44%	49%	7%
	Republican women	40%	47%	13%
	Independent men	65%	26%	9%
	Independent women	57%	34%	9%
Political Ideology	Liberal	90%	8%	2%
	Moderate	70%	22%	8%
	Conservative	41%	45%	14%
Region	Northeast	65%	25%	10%
	Midwest	63%	28%	9%
	South	59%	32%	9%
	West	63%	24%	13%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	60%	29%	11%
	\$50,000 or more	64%	29%	7%
Education	Not college graduate	59%	29%	12%
	College graduate	67%	26%	7%
Age	18 to 29	75%	18%	7%
	30 to 44	63%	26%	12%
	45 to 59	61%	30%	10%
	60 or older	56%	34%	10%
Gender	Men	63%	28%	9%
	Women	60%	29%	11%

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		Registered Voters			
		Would you say President Barack Obama's response to the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico is better, worse or about the same as President George Bush's response to Hurricane Katrina?			
		Better	Worse	About the same	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
Registered Voters		37%	23%	34%	6%
Party ID	Democrat	59%	5%	28%	7%
	Republican	14%	36%	44%	6%
	Independent	33%	29%	34%	4%
Party ID by Gender	Democrat men	61%	3%	25%	10%
	Democrat women	58%	6%	30%	6%
	Republican men	9%	39%	46%	5%
	Republican women	17%	33%	42%	7%
	Independent men	33%	29%	38%	0%
	Independent women	33%	29%	30%	9%
Political Ideology	Liberal	67%	7%	21%	5%
	Moderate	41%	19%	34%	6%
	Conservative	19%	34%	42%	5%
Region	Northeast	38%	26%	30%	6%
	Midwest	41%	18%	34%	7%
	South	33%	26%	35%	6%
	West	38%	20%	38%	4%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	35%	18%	40%	7%
	\$50,000 or more	38%	29%	30%	3%
Education	Not college graduate	35%	23%	35%	6%
	College graduate	42%	23%	31%	4%
Age	18 to 29	46%	13%	37%	4%
	30 to 44	34%	20%	40%	5%
	45 to 59	35%	25%	35%	6%
	60 or older	36%	27%	29%	7%
Gender	Men	34%	25%	36%	5%
	Women	39%	21%	33%	7%

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		Registered Voters				
		Do you approve or disapprove of how President Barack Obama is handling the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico? [Do you approve or do you strongly approve?; Do you disapprove or do you strongly disapprove?]				
		Strongly approve	Approve	Disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
<b>Registered Voters</b>		13%	33%	19%	34%	1%
<b>Party ID</b>	Democrat	22%	48%	15%	13%	1%
	Republican	6%	23%	22%	48%	0%
	Independent	10%	28%	22%	40%	0%
<b>Party ID by Gender</b>	Democrat men	25%	48%	14%	13%	0%
	Democrat women	21%	48%	16%	14%	2%
	Republican men	7%	17%	27%	49%	0%
	Republican women	5%	29%	18%	47%	1%
	Independent men	12%	29%	20%	39%	0%
	Independent women	8%	27%	24%	40%	0%
<b>Political Ideology</b>	Liberal	20%	52%	17%	11%	0%
	Moderate	16%	35%	18%	30%	1%
	Conservative	6%	25%	21%	48%	0%
<b>Region</b>	Northeast	11%	32%	21%	35%	1%
	Midwest	13%	41%	17%	29%	1%
	South	15%	29%	18%	39%	0%
	West	12%	36%	23%	28%	1%
<b>Household Income</b>	Less than \$50,000	16%	32%	18%	33%	0%
	\$50,000 or more	10%	33%	21%	36%	0%
<b>Education</b>	Not college graduate	15%	29%	20%	36%	1%
	College graduate	11%	39%	18%	32%	0%
<b>Age</b>	18 to 29	19%	35%	28%	18%	0%
	30 to 44	12%	30%	17%	40%	1%
	45 to 59	10%	34%	18%	37%	1%
	60 or older	14%	33%	18%	34%	1%
<b>Gender</b>	Men	14%	31%	20%	35%	0%
	Women	13%	35%	19%	33%	1%

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		Registered Voters				
		Do you approve or disapprove of how the oil company BP is handling the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico? [Do you approve or do you strongly approve?; Do you disapprove or do you strongly disapprove?]				
		Strongly approve	Approve	Disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
Registered Voters		3%	14%	23%	60%	<1%
Party ID	Democrat	3%	14%	21%	62%	0%
	Republican	5%	17%	25%	53%	0%
	Independent	3%	12%	23%	63%	0%
Party ID by Gender	Democrat men	6%	16%	21%	57%	1%
	Democrat women	1%	13%	21%	65%	0%
	Republican men	7%	15%	28%	51%	0%
	Republican women	2%	19%	22%	56%	1%
	Independent men	4%	10%	22%	64%	0%
	Independent women	2%	14%	23%	61%	0%
Political Ideology	Liberal	4%	12%	22%	62%	0%
	Moderate	3%	11%	23%	63%	0%
	Conservative	3%	17%	23%	56%	0%
Region	Northeast	4%	10%	24%	62%	0%
	Midwest	2%	11%	23%	64%	0%
	South	5%	15%	23%	57%	0%
	West	1%	19%	20%	61%	0%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	5%	12%	19%	64%	0%
	\$50,000 or more	1%	15%	24%	60%	0%
Education	Not college graduate	4%	13%	19%	64%	0%
	College graduate	2%	14%	28%	55%	0%
Age	18 to 29	6%	9%	26%	58%	0%
	30 to 44	3%	13%	17%	67%	0%
	45 to 59	2%	19%	21%	58%	0%
	60 or older	4%	11%	25%	59%	0%
Gender	Men	5%	12%	24%	59%	0%
	Women	2%	15%	21%	61%	0%

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		Registered Voters		
		Do you support or oppose a moratorium on drilling for new oil supplies in currently protected areas off shore, that is, do you support or oppose temporarily suspending new offshore drilling?		
		Support	Oppose	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
<b>Registered Voters</b>		46%	45%	9%
<b>Party ID</b>	Democrat	57%	33%	10%
	Republican	35%	57%	7%
	Independent	42%	49%	9%
<b>Party ID by Gender</b>	Democrat men	56%	37%	8%
	Democrat women	58%	31%	11%
	Republican men	32%	65%	3%
	Republican women	38%	51%	11%
	Independent men	37%	57%	6%
	Independent women	47%	40%	13%
	<b>Political Ideology</b>	Liberal	70%	18%
Moderate		47%	45%	9%
Conservative		34%	59%	7%
<b>Region</b>	Northeast	47%	44%	9%
	Midwest	48%	41%	11%
	South	41%	49%	9%
	West	49%	44%	8%
<b>Household Income</b>	Less than \$50,000	41%	46%	12%
	\$50,000 or more	50%	45%	5%
<b>Education</b>	Not college graduate	42%	47%	11%
	College graduate	52%	43%	6%
<b>Age</b>	18 to 29	53%	36%	11%
	30 to 44	40%	51%	9%
	45 to 59	44%	48%	8%
	60 or older	46%	44%	10%
<b>Gender</b>	Men	42%	53%	6%
	Women	49%	39%	12%

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