## Nature of the Sample: McClatchy-Marist National Poll of 1,197 Adults

This survey of 1,197 adults was conducted February $4^{\text {th }}$ through February $9^{\text {th }}, 2014$ by The Marist Poll sponsored in partnership with the McClatchy News Service. Adults 18 years of age and older residing in the continental United States were interviewed by telephone using live interviewers. Landline telephone numbers were randomly selected based upon a list of telephone exchanges from throughout the nation from ASDE Survey Sampler, Inc. The exchanges were selected to ensure that each region was represented in proportion to its population. To increase coverage, this landline sample was supplemented by respondents reached through random dialing of cell phone numbers from Survey Sampling International. The two samples were then combined and balanced to reflect the 2010 Census results for age, gender, income, race, and region. Respondents in the household were selected by asking for the youngest male. Results are statistically significant within $\pm 2.8$ percentage points. There are 970 registered voters. The results for this subset are statistically significant within $\pm 3.1$ percentage points. The error margin increases for cross-tabulations.

|  |  | National Adults | National Registered Voters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Col \% | Col \% |
| National Adults |  | 100\% |  |
| National Registered Voters |  | 81\% | 100\% |
| Party Identification | Democrat | n/a | 34\% |
|  | Republican | n/a | 27\% |
|  | Independent | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 37\% |
|  | Other | n/a | 2\% |
| Party Identification | Strong Democrats | n/a | 19\% |
|  | Not strong Democrats | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 15\% |
|  | Democratic leaning independents | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 16\% |
|  | Just Independents | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 7\% |
|  | Republican leaning independents | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 15\% |
|  | Not strong Republicans | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 12\% |
|  | Strong Republicans | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 15\% |
|  | Other | n/a | 2\% |
| Political Ideology | Very conservative | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 10\% |
|  | Conservative | n/a | 32\% |
|  | Moderate | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 33\% |
|  | Liberal | n/a | 20\% |
|  | Very liberal | n/a | 6\% |
| Tea Party Supporters |  | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 27\% |
| Gender | Men | 49\% | 48\% |
|  | Women | 51\% | 52\% |
| Age | Under 45 | 42\% | 35\% |
|  | 45 or older | 58\% | 65\% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 23\% | 16\% |
|  | 30 to 44 | 20\% | 18\% |
|  | 45 to 59 | 31\% | 34\% |
|  | 60 or older | 27\% | 31\% |
| Race | White | 70\% | 74\% |
|  | African American | 11\% | 11\% |
|  | Latino | 12\% | 10\% |
|  | Other | 6\% | 5\% |
| Region | Northeast | 18\% | 18\% |
|  | Midwest | 22\% | 23\% |
|  | South | 37\% | 36\% |
|  | West | 23\% | 22\% |
| Household Income | Less than \$50,000 | 49\% | 46\% |
|  | \$50,000 or more | 51\% | 54\% |
| Education | Not college graduate | 60\% | 57\% |
|  | College graduate | 40\% | 43\% |
| Marital Status | Married | 46\% | 52\% |
|  | Not married | 54\% | 48\% |
| Interview Type | Landline | 60\% | 64\% |
|  | Cell phone | 40\% | 36\% |

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|  |  | National Adults |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Are you very confident, confident, not very confident, or not confident at all that President Obama will be able to make headway on important issues facing the country this year? |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Very confident | Confident | Not very confident | Not confident at all | Unsure |
|  |  | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% |
| National Adults |  | 7\% | 26\% | 34\% | 31\% | 2\% |
| National Registered Voters |  | 7\% | 26\% | 34\% | 33\% | 1\% |
| Party Identification^ | Democrat | 16\% | 46\% | 29\% | 8\% | 2\% |
|  | Republican | 0\% | 8\% | 32\% | 59\% | 1\% |
|  | Independent | 4\% | 22\% | 39\% | 35\% | 1\% |
| Party Identification* | Strong Democrats | 24\% | 51\% | 20\% | 4\% | 1\% |
|  | Soft Democrats | 6\% | 39\% | 39\% | 15\% | 1\% |
|  | Just Independents | 8\% | 17\% | 30\% | 41\% | 4\% |
|  | Soft Republicans | 0\% | 6\% | 41\% | 52\% | 0\% |
|  | Strong Republicans | 0\% | 9\% | 26\% | 64\% | 2\% |
| Tea Party Supporters^ |  | 5\% | 9\% | 28\% | 56\% | 1\% |
| Political Ideology^ | Very liberal-Liberal | 11\% | 42\% | 34\% | 12\% | 2\% |
|  | Moderate | 6\% | 24\% | 40\% | 29\% | 1\% |
|  | Conservative-Very conservative | 5\% | 16\% | 30\% | 48\% | 1\% |
| Region | Northeast | 10\% | 21\% | 38\% | 29\% | 2\% |
|  | Midwest | 8\% | 29\% | 32\% | 29\% | 2\% |
|  | South | 6\% | 24\% | 33\% | 35\% | 2\% |
|  | West | 5\% | 31\% | 33\% | 28\% | 3\% |
| Household Income | Less than \$50,000 | 10\% | 29\% | 31\% | 27\% | 3\% |
|  | \$50,000 or more | 4\% | 24\% | 37\% | 33\% | 1\% |
| Education | Not college graduate | 7\% | 27\% | 32\% | 33\% | 2\% |
|  | College graduate | 6\% | 25\% | 38\% | 29\% | 3\% |
| Race | White | 3\% | 22\% | 36\% | 38\% | 2\% |
|  | African American | 22\% | 51\% | 19\% | 7\% | 1\% |
|  | Latino | 16\% | 29\% | 36\% | 17\% | 2\% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 11\% | 33\% | 33\% | 19\% | 4\% |
|  | 30 to 44 | 9\% | 27\% | 36\% | 25\% | 2\% |
|  | 45 to 59 | 4\% | 24\% | 33\% | 38\% | 2\% |
|  | 60 or older | 5\% | 22\% | 34\% | 37\% | 2\% |
| Age | Under 45 | 10\% | 30\% | 34\% | 22\% | 3\% |
|  | 45 or older | 4\% | 23\% | 33\% | 38\% | 2\% |
| Gender | Men | 5\% | 26\% | 35\% | 32\% | 2\% |
|  | Women | 9\% | 26\% | 32\% | 30\% | 3\% |
| Marital Status | Married | 4\% | 19\% | 36\% | 40\% | 1\% |
|  | Not married | 10\% | 32\% | 32\% | 23\% | 3\% |
| Interview Type | Landline | 5\% | 23\% | 34\% | 37\% | 1\% |
|  | Cell phone | 10\% | 31\% | 33\% | 22\% | 4\% |

Marist Poll National Adults. Interviews conducted February 4th through February 9th, 2014, $\mathrm{n}=1197 \mathrm{MOE}+/-2.8$ percentage points.
$\wedge$ National Registered Voters: $\mathrm{n}=970 \mathrm{MOE}+/-3.1$ percentage points. Totals may not add to $100 \%$ due to rounding.
*Soft Democrats include registered voters who identify as "not strong Democrats" or Democratic leaning independents. Soft Republicans include those registered voters who identify as "not strong Republicans" or Republican leaning independents.

|  |  |  |  | National Adults |  |
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Marist Poll National Adults. Interviews conducted February 4th through February 9th, 2014, n=1197 MOE +/- 2.8 percentage points.
$\wedge$ National Registered Voters: n=970 MOE +/- 3.1 percentage points. Totals may not add to $100 \%$ due to rounding.
*Soft Democrats include registered voters who identify as "not strong Democrats" or Democratic leaning independents. Soft Republicans include those registered voters who identify as "not strong Republicans" or Republican leaning independents.

|  |  | National Adults |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | In general, what grade would you give to elected officials in Washington, D.C.? Would you give them an A, B, $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{D}$, or an F for a failing grade? |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | A | B | C | D | F |
|  |  | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% |
| National Adults |  | 1\% | 12\% | 29\% | 28\% | 29\% |
| National Registered Voters |  | 1\% | 10\% | 27\% | 31\% | 31\% |
| Party Identification^ | Democrat | 3\% | 20\% | 35\% | 30\% | 13\% |
|  | Republican | 0\% | 7\% | 28\% | 33\% | 32\% |
|  | Independent | 1\% | 5\% | 23\% | 30\% | 41\% |
| Tea Party Supporters^ |  | 1\% | 2\% | 33\% | 27\% | 37\% |
| Political Ideology^ | Very liberal-Liberal | 3\% | 18\% | 28\% | 29\% | 22\% |
|  | Moderate | 0\% | 10\% | 24\% | 35\% | 31\% |
|  | Conservative-Very conservative | 1\% | 7\% | 28\% | 28\% | 35\% |
| Region | Northeast | 0\% | 13\% | 34\% | 26\% | 26\% |
|  | Midwest | 1\% | 13\% | 30\% | 26\% | 29\% |
|  | South | 2\% | 11\% | 29\% | 22\% | 35\% |
|  | West | 0\% | 12\% | 24\% | 39\% | 24\% |
| Household Income | Less than \$50,000 | 2\% | 13\% | 28\% | 24\% | 32\% |
|  | \$50,000 or more | 0\% | 9\% | 32\% | 32\% | 28\% |
| Education | Not college graduate | 2\% | 13\% | 32\% | 23\% | 30\% |
|  | College graduate | 0\% | 10\% | 26\% | 35\% | 29\% |
| Race | White | 0\% | 9\% | 27\% | 33\% | 31\% |
|  | Non-white | 5\% | 22\% | 37\% | 14\% | 23\% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 1\% | 30\% | 28\% | 16\% | 24\% |
|  | 30 to 44 | 2\% | 12\% | 39\% | 22\% | 26\% |
|  | 45 to 59 | 1\% | 6\% | 29\% | 36\% | 29\% |
|  | 60 or older | 1\% | 9\% | 23\% | 31\% | 36\% |
| Age | Under 45 | 2\% | 21\% | 33\% | 19\% | 25\% |
|  | 45 or older | 1\% | 7\% | 26\% | 34\% | 32\% |
| Gender | Men | 2\% | 12\% | 24\% | 25\% | 37\% |
|  | Women | 1\% | 13\% | 35\% | 30\% | 22\% |
| Marital Status | Married | 2\% | 7\% | 28\% | 33\% | 31\% |
|  | Not married | 1\% | 17\% | 30\% | 23\% | 28\% |
| Interview Type | Landline | 1\% | 9\% | 28\% | 28\% | 33\% |
|  | Cell phone | 1\% | 17\% | 31\% | 28\% | 24\% |

$\overline{\text { Marist Poll National Adults Split Sample. Interviews conducted February 4th through February 9th, 2014, n=610 MOE }+/-4.0 \text { percentage points. }}$
^National Registered Voters Split Sample: n=493 MOE +/- 4.4 percentage points. Totals may not add to $100 \%$ due to rounding.

|  |  | National Registered Voters |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing as president? |  |  |
|  |  | Approve | Disapprove | Unsure |
|  |  | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% |
| National Registered Voters |  | 42\% | 52\% | 5\% |
| Party Identification | Democrat | 80\% | 16\% | 5\% |
|  | Republican | 7\% | 88\% | 4\% |
|  | Independent | 35\% | 58\% | 7\% |
| Party Identification* | Strong Democrats | 88\% | 11\% | 1\% |
|  | Soft Democrats | 67\% | 25\% | 8\% |
|  | Just Independents | 30\% | 54\% | 16\% |
|  | Soft Republicans | 8\% | 88\% | 4\% |
|  | Strong Republicans | 7\% | 90\% | 3\% |
| Tea Party Supporters |  | 13\% | 85\% | 2\% |
| Political Ideology | Very liberal-Liberal | 78\% | 19\% | 3\% |
|  | Moderate | 44\% | 48\% | 8\% |
|  | Conservative-Very conservative | 20\% | 76\% | 4\% |
| Region | Northeast | 50\% | 44\% | 6\% |
|  | Midwest | 44\% | 49\% | 7\% |
|  | South | 38\% | 56\% | 6\% |
|  | West | 41\% | 55\% | 4\% |
| Household Income | Less than \$50,000 | 47\% | 47\% | 6\% |
|  | \$50,000 or more | 41\% | 55\% | 5\% |
| Education | Not college graduate | 38\% | 55\% | 7\% |
|  | College graduate | 48\% | 48\% | 4\% |
| Race | White | 36\% | 61\% | 3\% |
|  | African American | 84\% | 9\% | 7\% |
|  | Latino | 46\% | 38\% | 16\% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 54\% | 33\% | 12\% |
|  | 30 to 44 | 50\% | 42\% | 8\% |
|  | 45 to 59 | 35\% | 62\% | 3\% |
|  | 60 or older | 41\% | 56\% | 3\% |
| Age | Under 45 | 52\% | 38\% | 10\% |
|  | 45 or older | 38\% | 59\% | 3\% |
| Gender | Men | 39\% | 56\% | 5\% |
|  | Women | 45\% | 49\% | 6\% |
| Marital Status | Married | 35\% | 62\% | 3\% |
|  | Not married | 50\% | 42\% | 8\% |
| Interview Type | Landline | 40\% | 58\% | 2\% |
|  | Cell phone | 48\% | 41\% | 12\% |

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*Soft Democrats include registered voters who identify as "not strong Democrats" or Democratic leaning independents. Soft Republicans include those registered voters who identify as "not strong Republicans" or Republican leaning independents.

|  | Registered Voters |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing as president? |  |  |
|  | Approve | Disapprove | Unsure |
|  | Row\% | Row \% | Row\% |
| February 2014 | 42\% | 52\% | 5\% |
| December 2013 | 43\% | 53\% | 4\% |
| September 2013 | 44\% | 47\% | 9\% |
| July 2013 | 41\% | 48\% | 11\% |
| April 2013 | 50\% | 46\% | 4\% |
| March 2013 | 45\% | 48\% | 7\% |
| December 2012 | 50\% | 44\% | 6\% |
| November 2012 | 50\% | 46\% | 4\% |
| July 2012 | 47\% | 47\% | 6\% |
| March 2012 | 48\% | 47\% | 5\% |
| November 2011 | 43\% | 50\% | 7\% |
| September 2011 | 39\% | 52\% | 9\% |
| August 2011 | 44\% | 46\% | 10\% |
| June 2011 | 45\% | 47\% | 8\% |
| April 2011 | 44\% | 49\% | 6\% |
| January 2011 | 48\% | 43\% | 9\% |
| December 2010 | 42\% | 50\% | 8\% |
| November 23, 2010 | 45\% | 48\% | 7\% |
| October 28, 2010 | 48\% | 43\% | 9\% |
| October 8, 2010 | 43\% | 50\% | 7\% |
| September 22, 2010 | 45\% | 50\% | 5\% |
| June 30, 2010 | 44\% | 45\% | 11\% |
| March 31, 2010 | 46\% | 43\% | 11\% |
| February 8, 2010 | 44\% | 47\% | 9\% |
| December 8, 2009 | 46\% | 44\% | 10\% |
| October 14, 2009 | 53\% | 41\% | 6\% |
| August 12, 2009 | 55\% | 35\% | 10\% |
| June 8, 2009 | 56\% | 32\% | 12\% |
| April 27, 2009 | 55\% | 31\% | 14\% |
| April 8, 2009 | 56\% | 30\% | 14\% |
| Marist Poll National Registered Voters |  |  |  |


|  |  | National Registered Voters |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Do you approve or disapprove of how President Barack Obama is handling the economy? |  |  |
|  |  | Approve | Disapprove | Unsure |
|  |  | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% |
| National Registered Voters |  | 41\% | 54\% | 5\% |
| Party Identification | Democrat | 76\% | 22\% | 3\% |
|  | Republican | 6\% | 89\% | 5\% |
|  | Independent | 34\% | 59\% | 7\% |
| Tea Party Supporters |  | 19\% | 78\% | 3\% |
| Political Ideology | Very liberal-Liberal | 73\% | 22\% | 4\% |
|  | Moderate | 42\% | 53\% | 5\% |
|  | Conservative-Very conservative | 22\% | 74\% | 4\% |
| Region | Northeast | 43\% | 50\% | 8\% |
|  | Midwest | 42\% | 51\% | 7\% |
|  | South | 38\% | 59\% | 2\% |
|  | West | 42\% | 54\% | 4\% |
| Household Income | Less than \$50,000 | 41\% | 54\% | 5\% |
|  | \$50,000 or more | 42\% | 54\% | 5\% |
| Education | Not college graduate | 37\% | 58\% | 5\% |
|  | College graduate | 46\% | 49\% | 5\% |
| Race | White | 34\% | 62\% | 4\% |
|  | Non-white | 63\% | 30\% | 7\% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 53\% | 35\% | 12\% |
|  | 30 to 44 | 46\% | 48\% | 7\% |
|  | 45 to 59 | 34\% | 64\% | 2\% |
|  | 60 or older | 39\% | 57\% | 3\% |
| Age | Under 45 | 49\% | 42\% | 9\% |
|  | 45 or older | 37\% | 61\% | 3\% |
| Gender | Men | 38\% | 58\% | 4\% |
|  | Women | 43\% | 51\% | 6\% |
| Marital Status | Married | 35\% | 63\% | 3\% |
|  | Not married | 47\% | 46\% | 7\% |
| Interview Type | Landline | 37\% | 61\% | 1\% |
|  | Cell phone | 47\% | 42\% | 11\% |

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February 9th, 2014, n=473 MOE +/- 4.5 percentage points. Totals may not add to $100 \%$ due to rounding.

|  | Registered Voters |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Do you approve or disapprove of how President Barack Obama is handling the economy? |  |  |
|  | Approve | Disapprove | Unsure |
|  | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% |
| February 2014 | 41\% | 54\% | 5\% |
| December 2013 | 40\% | 58\% | 2\% |
| July 2013 | 37\% | 56\% | 7\% |
| April 2013 | 44\% | 53\% | 2\% |
| March 2013 | 40\% | 57\% | 4\% |
| December 2012 | 44\% | 52\% | 4\% |
| March 2012 | 46\% | 51\% | 3\% |
| November 2011 | 36\% | 59\% | 4\% |
| September 2011 | 33\% | 61\% | 6\% |
| June 2011 | 37\% | 58\% | 5\% |
| April 2011 | 40\% | 57\% | 3\% |
| January 2011 | 44\% | 48\% | 8\% |
| November 23, 2010 | 42\% | 55\% | 4\% |
| September 21, 2010 | 41\% | 56\% | 3\% |
| June 30, 2010 | 46\% | 48\% | 6\% |
| March 31, 2010 | 46\% | 49\% | 5\% |
| December 8, 2009 | 45\% | 51\% | 4\% |
| October 14, 2009 | 48\% | 47\% | 5\% |
| August 12, 2009 | 52\% | 41\% | 7\% |
| June 8, 2009 | 53\% | 41\% | 6\% |
| April 8, 2009 | 54\% | 37\% | 9\% |
| Marist Poll National Registered Voters |  |  |  |


|  |  | National Registered Voters |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Do you approve or disapprove of how President Barack Obama is handling foreign policy? |  |  |
|  |  | Approve | Disapprove | Unsure |
|  |  | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% |
| National Registered Voters |  | 43\% | 50\% | 8\% |
| Party Identification | Democrat | 73\% | 19\% | 8\% |
|  | Republican | 10\% | 87\% | 3\% |
|  | Independent | 39\% | 52\% | 9\% |
| Tea Party Supporters |  | 18\% | 76\% | 6\% |
| Political Ideology | Very liberal-Liberal | 77\% | 17\% | 6\% |
|  | Moderate | 44\% | 48\% | 8\% |
|  | Conservative-Very conservative | 22\% | 72\% | 7\% |
| Region | Northeast | 38\% | 45\% | 17\% |
|  | Midwest | 50\% | 48\% | 3\% |
|  | South | 37\% | 57\% | 6\% |
|  | West | 49\% | 44\% | 7\% |
| Household Income | Less than \$50,000 | 41\% | 50\% | 9\% |
|  | \$50,000 or more | 44\% | 49\% | 7\% |
| Education | Not college graduate | 39\% | 52\% | 10\% |
|  | College graduate | 50\% | 46\% | 4\% |
| Race | White | 38\% | 56\% | 6\% |
|  | Non-white | 59\% | 30\% | 11\% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 57\% | 26\% | 17\% |
|  | 30 to 44 | 38\% | 48\% | 14\% |
|  | 45 to 59 | 41\% | 55\% | 3\% |
|  | 60 or older | 41\% | 54\% | 4\% |
| Age | Under 45 | 47\% | 38\% | 15\% |
|  | 45 or older | 41\% | 55\% | 4\% |
| Gender | Men | 41\% | 53\% | 6\% |
|  | Women | 45\% | 46\% | 9\% |
| Marital Status | Married | 38\% | 58\% | 3\% |
|  | Not married | 48\% | 40\% | 11\% |
| Interview Type | Landline | 43\% | 53\% | 4\% |
|  | Cell phone | 42\% | 43\% | 14\% |

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Do you app | isapprove of handling for | dent Barack ? |
|  | Approve | Disapprove | Unsure |
|  | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% |
| February 2014 | 43\% | 50\% | 8\% |
| December 2013 | 46\% | 51\% | 4\% |
| September 2013 | 38\% | 54\% | 8\% |
| July 2013 | 41\% | 48\% | 10\% |
| April 2013 | 48\% | 46\% | 6\% |
| March 2013 | 46\% | 47\% | 8\% |
| December 2012 | 51\% | 42\% | 7\% |
| March 2012 | 50\% | 45\% | 5\% |
| November 2011 | 49\% | 45\% | 6\% |
| April 2011 | 46\% | 48\% | 6\% |
| November 2010 | 44\% | 47\% | 9\% |
| June 2009 | 54\% | 32\% | 14\% |
| April 2009 | 55\% | 24\% | 21\% |
| Marist Poll National Registered Voters |  |  |  |



|  | Registered Voters |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Overall, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Barack Obama? |  |  |
|  | Favorable | Unfavorable | Unsure-Never Heard |
|  | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% |
| February 2014 | 47\% | 50\% | 3\% |
| January 2014 | 41\% | 48\% | 11\% |
| December 2013 | 46\% | 52\% | 3\% |
| July 2013 | 47\% | 46\% | 7\% |
| April 2013 | 53\% | 45\% | 2\% |
| March 2013 | 48\% | 48\% | 4\% |
| December 2012 | 53\% | 44\% | 3\% |
| July 2012 | 49\% | 46\% | 3\% |
| March 2012 | 50\% | 46\% | 3\% |
| November 2011 | 47\% | 49\% | 4\% |
| September 2011 | 46\% | 48\% | 5\% |
| August 2011 | 52\% | 41\% | 8\% |
| June 2011 | 50\% | 44\% | 6\% |
| April 2011 | 48\% | 48\% | 5\% |
| January 2011 | 53\% | 40\% | 8\% |
| November 23, 2010 | 47\% | 49\% | 4\% |
| October 28, 2010 | 54\% | 41\% | 5\% |
| October 8, 2010 | 50\% | 47\% | 3\% |
| September 22, 2010 | 49\% | 48\% | 3\% |
| June 30, 2010 | 50\% | 43\% | 7\% |
| March 31, 2010 | 53\% | 41\% | 6\% |
| February 8, 2010 | 50\% | 44\% | 6\% |
| December 8, 2009 | 55\% | 41\% | 4\% |
| Marist Poll National Registered Voters |  |  |  |


|  |  | National Registered Voters |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Republicans in Congress are doing in office? |  |  |
|  |  | Approve | Disapprove | Unsure |
|  |  | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% |
| National Registered Voters |  | 22\% | 72\% | 6\% |
| Party Identification | Democrat | 11\% | 83\% | 5\% |
|  | Republican | 40\% | 58\% | 3\% |
|  | Independent | 17\% | 74\% | 8\% |
| Tea Party Supporters |  | 25\% | 69\% | 6\% |
| Political Ideology | Very liberal-Liberal | 5\% | 93\% | 2\% |
|  | Moderate | 22\% | 69\% | 9\% |
|  | Conservative-Very conservative | 34\% | 60\% | 5\% |
| Region | Northeast | 18\% | 78\% | 4\% |
|  | Midwest | 27\% | 68\% | 5\% |
|  | South | 28\% | 67\% | 6\% |
|  | West | 10\% | 81\% | 8\% |
| Household Income | Less than \$50,000 | 20\% | 72\% | 7\% |
|  | \$50,000 or more | 23\% | 74\% | 4\% |
| Education | Not college graduate | 23\% | 69\% | 8\% |
|  | College graduate | 22\% | 76\% | 3\% |
| Race | White | 23\% | 72\% | 5\% |
|  | Non-white | 20\% | 74\% | 6\% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 27\% | 66\% | 8\% |
|  | 30 to 44 | 18\% | 74\% | 8\% |
|  | 45 to 59 | 23\% | 73\% | 4\% |
|  | 60 or older | 21\% | 74\% | 5\% |
| Age | Under 45 | 22\% | 70\% | 8\% |
|  | 45 or older | 22\% | 73\% | 5\% |
| Gender | Men | 24\% | 72\% | 4\% |
|  | Women | 21\% | 72\% | 7\% |
| Marital Status | Married | 22\% | 73\% | 4\% |
|  | Not married | 22\% | 70\% | 7\% |
| Interview Type | Landline | 23\% | 73\% | 4\% |
|  | Cell phone | 20\% | 71\% | 9\% |

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February 9 th, 2014, n=498 MOE +/- 4.4 percentage points. Totals may not add to $100 \%$ due to rounding.

|  | Registered Voters |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Republicans in <br> Congress are doing in office? |  |  |
|  | Approve |  |  |
|  | Row $\%$ | Risapprove | Unsure |
| February 2014 | $22 \%$ | $72 \%$ | Row $\%$ |
| December 2013 | $22 \%$ | $74 \%$ | $6 \%$ |
| July 2013 | $22 \%$ | $66 \%$ | $4 \%$ |
| April 2013 | $24 \%$ | $71 \%$ | $12 \%$ |
| March 2013 | $26 \%$ | $68 \%$ | $6 \%$ |
| December 2012 | $26 \%$ | $67 \%$ | $7 \%$ |
| March 2012 | $31 \%$ | $62 \%$ | $7 \%$ |
| November 2011 | $23 \%$ | $70 \%$ | $8 \%$ |
| September 2011 | $26 \%$ | $67 \%$ | $7 \%$ |
| August 2011 | $27 \%$ | $62 \%$ | $8 \%$ |
| June 2011 | $27 \%$ | $63 \%$ | $11 \%$ |
| April 2011 | $30 \%$ | $63 \%$ | $10 \%$ |
| Marist Poll National | Registered Voters |  | $7 \%$ |
|  |  |  |  |


|  |  | National Registered Voters |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Overall, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of the Republican Party? |  |  |
|  |  | Favorable | Unfavorable | Unsure-Never Heard |
|  |  | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% |
| National Registered Voters |  | 32\% | 62\% | 6\% |
| Party Identification | Democrat | 11\% | 84\% | 5\% |
|  | Republican | 68\% | 29\% | 3\% |
|  | Independent | 25\% | 65\% | 9\% |
| Party Identification* | Strong Democrats | 7\% | 89\% | 3\% |
|  | Soft Democrats | 11\% | 83\% | 6\% |
|  | Just Independents | 22\% | 51\% | 26\% |
|  | Soft Republicans | 51\% | 43\% | 6\% |
|  | Strong Republicans | 77\% | 23\% | 1\% |
| Tea Party Supporters |  | 52\% | 44\% | 4\% |
| Political Ideology | Very liberal-Liberal | 10\% | 89\% | 1\% |
|  | Moderate | 24\% | 67\% | 8\% |
|  | Conservative-Very conservative | 52\% | 41\% | 6\% |
| Region | Northeast | 31\% | 62\% | 7\% |
|  | Midwest | 32\% | 63\% | 5\% |
|  | South | 35\% | 59\% | 7\% |
|  | West | 29\% | 66\% | 5\% |
| Household Income | Less than \$50,000 | 27\% | 65\% | 8\% |
|  | \$50,000 or more | 35\% | 61\% | 5\% |
| Education | Not college graduate | 35\% | 58\% | 7\% |
|  | College graduate | 29\% | 66\% | 5\% |
| Race | White | 35\% | 59\% | 7\% |
|  | African American | 21\% | 77\% | 2\% |
|  | Latino | 21\% | 68\% | 10\% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 32\% | 64\% | 4\% |
|  | 30 to 44 | 24\% | 64\% | 12\% |
|  | 45 to 59 | 36\% | 59\% | 5\% |
|  | 60 or older | 32\% | 63\% | 5\% |
| Age | Under 45 | 28\% | 64\% | 8\% |
|  | 45 or older | 34\% | 61\% | 5\% |
| Gender | Men | 34\% | 63\% | 4\% |
|  | Women | 31\% | 61\% | 8\% |
| Marital Status | Married | 36\% | 59\% | 5\% |
|  | Not married | 28\% | 65\% | 7\% |
| Interview Type | Landline | 32\% | 63\% | 4\% |
|  | Cell phone | 31\% | 59\% | 10\% |
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|  |  | National Registered Voters |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Democrats in Congress are doing in office? |  |  |
|  |  | Approve | Disapprove | Unsure |
|  |  | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% |
| National Registered Voters |  | 33\% | 60\% | 7\% |
| Party Identification | Democrat | 65\% | 29\% | 6\% |
|  | Republican | 4\% | 93\% | 3\% |
|  | Independent | 27\% | 64\% | 9\% |
| Tea Party Supporters |  | 7\% | 91\% | 2\% |
| Political Ideology | Very liberal-Liberal | 54\% | 38\% | 8\% |
|  | Moderate | 36\% | 54\% | 10\% |
|  | Conservative-Very conservative | 18\% | 79\% | 2\% |
| Region | Northeast | 43\% | 52\% | 4\% |
|  | Midwest | 28\% | 67\% | 4\% |
|  | South | 34\% | 61\% | 6\% |
|  | West | 29\% | 59\% | 12\% |
| Household Income | Less than \$50,000 | 38\% | 54\% | 8\% |
|  | \$50,000 or more | 31\% | 64\% | 5\% |
| Education | Not college graduate | 29\% | 62\% | 8\% |
|  | College graduate | 37\% | 59\% | 4\% |
| Race | White | 27\% | 69\% | 4\% |
|  | Non-white | 48\% | 38\% | 13\% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 43\% | 40\% | 16\% |
|  | 30 to 44 | 31\% | 60\% | 8\% |
|  | 45 to 59 | 29\% | 69\% | 2\% |
|  | 60 or older | 33\% | 61\% | 6\% |
| Age | Under 45 | 37\% | 51\% | 12\% |
|  | 45 or older | 31\% | 65\% | 4\% |
| Gender | Men | 30\% | 65\% | 5\% |
|  | Women | 36\% | 56\% | 8\% |
| Marital Status | Married | 27\% | 70\% | 4\% |
|  | Not married | 40\% | 50\% | 10\% |
| Interview Type | Landline | 30\% | 67\% | 4\% |
|  | Cell phone | 39\% | 50\% | 11\% |

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|  | Registered Voters |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Democrats in Congress are doing in |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |


|  |  | National Registered Voters |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Overall, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of the Democratic Party? |  |  |
|  |  | Favorable | Unfavorable | Unsure-Never Heard |
|  |  | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% |
| National Registered Voters |  | 43\% | 53\% | 4\% |
| Party Identification | Democrat | 82\% | 16\% | 2\% |
|  | Republican | 8\% | 91\% | 1\% |
|  | Independent | 35\% | 56\% | 9\% |
| Party Identification* | Strong Democrats | 90\% | 10\% | 1\% |
|  | Soft Democrats | 68\% | 28\% | 4\% |
|  | Just Independents | 31\% | 50\% | 20\% |
|  | Soft Republicans | 9\% | 86\% | 6\% |
|  | Strong Republicans | 5\% | 94\% | 1\% |
| Tea Party Supporters |  | 17\% | 81\% | 1\% |
| Political Ideology | Very liberal-Liberal | 71\% | 27\% | 2\% |
|  | Moderate | 46\% | 47\% | 7\% |
|  | Conservative-Very conservative | 24\% | 73\% | 3\% |
| Region | Northeast | 46\% | 50\% | 4\% |
|  | Midwest | 44\% | 51\% | 5\% |
|  | South | 40\% | 56\% | 5\% |
|  | West | 44\% | 53\% | 4\% |
| Household Income | Less than \$50,000 | 45\% | 49\% | 6\% |
|  | \$50,000 or more | 44\% | 53\% | 3\% |
| Education | Not college graduate | 42\% | 53\% | 4\% |
|  | College graduate | 44\% | 52\% | 4\% |
| Race | White | 37\% | 58\% | 5\% |
|  | African American | 82\% | 15\% | 2\% |
|  | Latino | 46\% | 48\% | 5\% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 52\% | 43\% | 5\% |
|  | 30 to 44 | 46\% | 47\% | 7\% |
|  | 45 to 59 | 38\% | 58\% | 4\% |
|  | 60 or older | 41\% | 56\% | 3\% |
| Age | Under 45 | 49\% | 45\% | 6\% |
|  | 45 or older | 40\% | 57\% | 4\% |
| Gender | Men | 38\% | 59\% | 3\% |
|  | Women | 48\% | 47\% | 6\% |
| Marital Status | Married | 36\% | 60\% | 4\% |
|  | Not married | 50\% | 45\% | 5\% |
| Interview Type | Landline | 39\% | 58\% | 3\% |
|  | Cell phone | 50\% | 43\% | 7\% |

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*Soft Democrats include registered voters who identify as "not strong Democrats" or Democratic leaning independents. Soft Republicans include those registered voters who identify as "not strong Republicans" or Republican leaning independents.

|  |  | National Registered Voters |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | If November's election for Congress were held today, which party's candidate are you more likely to vote for in your district: |  |  |  |
|  |  | Democrat | Republican | Neither | Undecided |
|  |  | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% |
| National Registered Voters |  | 46\% | 44\% | 4\% | 5\% |
| Party Identification | Democrat | 88\% | 7\% | 2\% | 3\% |
|  | Republican | 1\% | 96\% | 1\% | 2\% |
|  | Independent | 43\% | 40\% | 8\% | 9\% |
| Party Identification* | Strong Democrats | 95\% | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% |
|  | Soft Democrats | 83\% | 9\% | 3\% | 6\% |
|  | Just Independents | 28\% | 31\% | 17\% | 24\% |
|  | Soft Republicans | 4\% | 87\% | 6\% | 4\% |
|  | Strong Republicans | 1\% | 98\% | 0\% | 1\% |
| Tea Party Supporters |  | 18\% | 75\% | 4\% | 3\% |
| Political Ideology | Very liberal-Liberal | 83\% | 10\% | 4\% | 3\% |
|  | Moderate | 49\% | 37\% | 6\% | 8\% |
|  | Conservative-Very conservative | 21\% | 71\% | 4\% | 4\% |
| Region | Northeast | 54\% | 34\% | 6\% | 6\% |
|  | Midwest | 47\% | 42\% | 4\% | 6\% |
|  | South | 42\% | 49\% | 4\% | 5\% |
|  | West | 47\% | 47\% | 3\% | 3\% |
| Household Income | Less than \$50,000 | 56\% | 34\% | 4\% | 5\% |
|  | \$50,000 or more | 42\% | 49\% | 4\% | 5\% |
| Education | Not college graduate | 46\% | 45\% | 3\% | 6\% |
|  | College graduate | 47\% | 43\% | 6\% | 4\% |
| Race | White | 39\% | 51\% | 4\% | 6\% |
|  | African American | 84\% | 10\% | 4\% | 2\% |
|  | Latino | 60\% | 32\% | 5\% | 3\% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 67\% | 25\% | 5\% | 3\% |
|  | 30 to 44 | 50\% | 40\% | 5\% | 5\% |
|  | 45 to 59 | 39\% | 53\% | 3\% | 5\% |
|  | 60 or older | 42\% | 46\% | 5\% | 7\% |
| Age | Under 45 | 58\% | 33\% | 5\% | 4\% |
|  | 45 or older | 40\% | 50\% | 4\% | 6\% |
| Gender | Men | 41\% | 48\% | 6\% | 5\% |
|  | Women | 51\% | 41\% | 3\% | 5\% |
| Marital Status | Married | 36\% | 54\% | 4\% | 6\% |
|  | Not married | 58\% | 34\% | 5\% | 4\% |
| Interview Type | Landline | 42\% | 49\% | 4\% | 5\% |
|  | Cell phone | 54\% | 35\% | 5\% | 6\% |
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|  |  | National Adults |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | In general, thinking about the way things are going in the country, do you feel things are going in the right direction or that things are going in the wrong direction? |  |  |
|  |  | Right direction | Wrong direction | Unsure |
|  |  | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% |
| National Adults |  | 33\% | 64\% | 3\% |
| National Registered Voters |  | 31\% | 66\% | 2\% |
| Party Identification^ | Democrat | 57\% | 39\% | 4\% |
|  | Republican | 8\% | 91\% | 0\% |
|  | Independent | 26\% | 72\% | 2\% |
| Tea Party Supporters^ |  | 14\% | 85\% | 0\% |
| Political Ideology^ | Very liberal-Liberal | 51\% | 47\% | 2\% |
|  | Moderate | 36\% | 60\% | 4\% |
|  | Conservative-Very conservative | 15\% | 84\% | 1\% |
| Region | Northeast | 39\% | 55\% | 6\% |
|  | Midwest | 34\% | 66\% | 1\% |
|  | South | 29\% | 68\% | 3\% |
|  | West | 34\% | 64\% | 2\% |
| Household Income | Less than \$50,000 | 36\% | 63\% | 1\% |
|  | \$50,000 or more | 30\% | 65\% | 5\% |
| Education | Not college graduate | 30\% | 68\% | 2\% |
|  | College graduate | 36\% | 59\% | 5\% |
| Race | White | 25\% | 73\% | 3\% |
|  | Non-white | 51\% | 45\% | 4\% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 43\% | 57\% | 0\% |
|  | 30 to 44 | 33\% | 61\% | 6\% |
|  | 45 to 59 | 31\% | 68\% | 1\% |
|  | 60 or older | 24\% | 72\% | 5\% |
| Age | Under 45 | 39\% | 58\% | 3\% |
|  | 45 or older | 27\% | 70\% | 3\% |
| Gender | Men | 35\% | 63\% | 3\% |
|  | Women | 31\% | 66\% | 3\% |
| Marital Status | Married | 26\% | 72\% | 2\% |
|  | Not married | 38\% | 58\% | 4\% |
| Interview Type | Landline | 27\% | 69\% | 3\% |
|  | Cell phone | 41\% | 57\% | 2\% |

McClatchy-Marist Poll National Adults Split Sample. Interviews conducted February 4th through February 9th, 2014, n=587 MOE +/- 4.0 percentage points.
$\wedge$ National Registered Voters Split Sample: n=477 MOE +/- 4.5 percentage points. Totals may not add to $100 \%$ due to rounding.

|  | National Adults |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | In general, thinking about the way things are going in the country, do you feel things are going in the right direction or that things are going in the wrong direction? |  |  |
|  | Right direction | Wrong direction | Unsure |
|  | Row \% | Row \% | Row \% |
| February 13, 2014 | 33\% | 64\% | 3\% |
| February 5, 2014 | 30\% | 63\% | 8\% |
| December 2013 | 30\% | 66\% | 4\% |
| July 2013 | 30\% | 60\% | 11\% |
| April 2013 | 38\% | 58\% | 4\% |
| March 2013 | 35\% | 60\% | 5\% |
| December 2012 | 40\% | 55\% | 5\% |
| March 2012 | 43\% | 53\% | 4\% |
| November 2011 | 25\% | 70\% | 4\% |
| September 2011 | 22\% | 73\% | 5\% |
| August 2011 | 21\% | 70\% | 10\% |
| June 2011 | 32\% | 59\% | 9\% |
| April 2011 | 31\% | 64\% | 5\% |
| January 2011 | 41\% | 47\% | 12\% |
| December 2010 | 34\% | 58\% | 8\% |
| November 23, 2010 | 41\% | 53\% | 6\% |
| October 28, 2010 | 38\% | 52\% | 10\% |
| September 22, 2010 | 41\% | 56\% | 3\% |
| July 6, 2010 | 37\% | 56\% | 7\% |
| March 31, 2010 | 43\% | 53\% | 4\% |
| February 8, 2010 | 38\% | 54\% | 8\% |
| December 8, 2009 | 46\% | 46\% | 8\% |
| October 14, 2009 | 47\% | 47\% | 6\% |
| August 12, 2009 | 50\% | 42\% | 8\% |
| June 8, 2009 | 50\% | 40\% | 10\% |
| April 27, 2009 | 44\% | 44\% | 12\% |
| April 15, 2009 | 49\% | 40\% | 11\% |
| November 2007 | 23\% | 67\% | 10\% |
| May 2007 | 26\% | 65\% | 9\% |
| February 2007 | 29\% | 63\% | 8\% |
| December 2006 | 31\% | 60\% | 9\% |
| October 2006 | 33\% | 58\% | 9\% |
| February 2006 | 34\% | 61\% | 5\% |
| October 2005 | 31\% | 62\% | 7\% |
| May 2005 | 38\% | 56\% | 6\% |
| February 2005 | 47\% | 48\% | 5\% |
| October 21, 2004 | 42\% | 55\% | 3\% |
| October 07, 2004 | 39\% | 53\% | 8\% |
| September 2004 | 38\% | 52\% | 10\% |
| August 2004 | 40\% | 48\% | 12\% |
| July 2004 | 37\% | 52\% | 11\% |
| April 2004 | 43\% | 51\% | 6\% |
| March 2004 | 43\% | 52\% | 5\% |
| November 2003 | 45\% | 48\% | 7\% |
| April 2003 | 55\% | 34\% | 11\% |
| January 2003 | 42\% | 48\% | 10\% |
| October 2002 | 45\% | 46\% | 9\% |
| April 2002 | 60\% | 32\% | 8\% |
| January 2002 | 60\% | 30\% | 10\% |
| March 2001 | 41\% | 44\% | 15\% |
| January 2001 | 56\% | 32\% | 12\% |
| Marist Poll National Adults |  |  |  |

