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# YUGOV/ECONOMIST POLL

## 2010 Weekly Tracking

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# The Economist/YouGov Poll

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1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

	<u>6/12-15/10</u>	<u>6/5-8/10</u>	<u>5/29-6/1/10</u>	<u>5/22-25/10</u>	<u>5/15-18/10</u>	<u>5/8-11/10</u>	<u>5/1-4/10</u>	<u>4/24-27/10</u>	<u>4/17-20/10</u>	<u>4/10-13/10</u>	<u>4/3-6/10</u>	<b>(WEEKLY) ONE YEAR AGO</b>
<b>TOTAL Strongly/Somewhat Approve .....</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>53</b>
<b>TOTAL Strongly/Somewhat Disapprove .....</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>41</b>
Strongly approve .....	19	20	21	18	21	20	19	21	22	22	21	27
Somewhat approve .....	25	25	24	26	25	30	28	24	24	24	25	26
Somewhat disapprove.....	15	14	15	13	13	14	15	15	15	13	11	12
Strongly disapprove .....	32	35	34	35	34	29	33	33	33	33	36	29
Not sure.....	9	7	6	8	7	7	5	7	6	8	7	6

**Approval of Obama as President**

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

	Total	Age			Race			Gender		Education		
		18-29	30-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Male	Female	HS or Less	Some College	College Grad
Strongly approve	19.4%	15.8%	19.2%	26.3%	14.9%	49.6%	26.1%	20.0%	18.8%	19.5%	17.8%	21.2%
Somewhat approve	24.8%	34.2%	24.0%	11.5%	24.4%	28.2%	24.7%	22.9%	26.6%	18.2%	28.8%	33.0%
Somewhat disapprove	14.8%	15.6%	16.0%	9.1%	15.5%	7.8%	16.4%	15.1%	14.5%	17.1%	11.2%	15.0%
Strongly disapprove	31.9%	19.6%	32.7%	50.3%	36.5%	4.4%	21.9%	35.2%	28.8%	31.3%	35.6%	28.5%
Not sure	9.1%	14.8%	8.2%	2.8%	8.8%	10.0%	10.8%	6.8%	11.2%	14.0%	6.7%	2.4%
Totals (Unweighted)	100.0% (996)	100.0% (216)	100.0% (643)	100.0% (137)	100.0% (792)	100.0% (120)	100.0% (84)	100.0% (476)	100.0% (520)	100.0% (434)	100.0% (322)	100.0% (240)

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Region				Family Income		
		Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Con	Northeast	Midwest	South	West	Under 40	40-100	100+
Strongly approve	19.4%	37.3%	3.4%	14.2%	35.0%	25.3%	4.3%	20.7%	17.1%	19.2%	20.9%	20.9%	17.7%	21.7%
Somewhat approve	24.8%	40.1%	8.3%	23.8%	42.9%	35.1%	7.5%	28.6%	25.2%	23.0%	24.2%	22.6%	28.3%	30.8%
Somewhat disapprove	14.8%	9.3%	15.0%	19.1%	9.2%	17.3%	15.0%	14.1%	17.3%	15.4%	11.8%	17.6%	11.8%	9.9%
Strongly disapprove	31.9%	5.6%	71.5%	35.2%	6.8%	17.3%	71.4%	24.9%	30.1%	35.4%	34.2%	25.5%	36.4%	35.9%
Not sure	9.1%	7.7%	1.8%	7.6%	6.2%	5.1%	1.8%	11.8%	10.3%	7.0%	8.9%	13.5%	5.8%	1.8%
Totals (Unweighted)	100.0% (996)	100.0% (377)	100.0% (243)	100.0% (279)	100.0% (209)	100.0% (342)	100.0% (319)	100.0% (186)	100.0% (224)	100.0% (363)	100.0% (223)	100.0% (381)	100.0% (383)	100.0% (134)

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2. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that the United States Congress is handling its job?

	<u>6/12-15/10</u>	<u>6/5-8/10</u>	<u>5/29-6/1/10</u>	<u>5/22-25/10</u>	<u>5/15-18/10</u>	<u>5/8-11/10</u>	<u>5/1-4/10</u>	<u>4/24-27/10</u>	<u>4/17-20/10</u>	<u>4/10-13/10</u>	<u>4/3-6/10</u>	<b>(WEEKLY) ONE YEAR AGO</b>
<b>TOTAL Strongly/Somewhat Approve .....</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>TOTAL Strongly/Somewhat Disapprove .....</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>57</b>
Strongly approve .....	2	2	2	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Somewhat approve .....	11	12	13	12	12	14	10	12	13	11	13	15
Neither approve nor disapprove .....	15	16	18	13	16	13	17	13	15	12	12	19
Somewhat disapprove .....	22	20	19	21	22	25	22	26	23	21	22	20
Strongly disapprove .....	41	42	41	41	41	39	42	39	38	43	42	37
Not sure .....	10	8	7	10	7	7	7	8	10	10	9	7

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**Approval of U.S. Congress**

Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that the United States Congress is handling its job?

	Total	Age			Race			Gender		Education		
		18-29	30-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Male	Female	HS or Less	Some College	College Grad
Strongly approve	1.5%	1.3%	1.5%	2.2%	0.9%	6.6%	1.1%	2.5%	0.6%	1.9%	1.6%	0.7%
Somewhat approve	10.6%	12.3%	10.5%	8.0%	9.3%	16.5%	16.3%	12.1%	9.2%	7.0%	13.6%	14.1%
Neither approve nor disapprove	15.3%	16.0%	16.2%	10.8%	13.8%	25.2%	17.2%	11.9%	18.5%	17.1%	14.7%	12.4%
Somewhat disapprove	21.5%	23.9%	22.0%	15.6%	21.8%	21.6%	19.0%	20.1%	23.0%	20.1%	20.9%	25.2%
Strongly disapprove	40.5%	25.9%	42.1%	59.8%	44.6%	16.9%	29.8%	46.5%	34.9%	37.8%	42.2%	44.0%
Not sure	10.5%	20.6%	7.7%	3.7%	9.5%	13.2%	16.6%	6.9%	13.9%	16.1%	7.1%	3.6%
<b>Totals</b>												
(Unweighted)	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
	(995)	(215)	(644)	(136)	(793)	(120)	(82)	(476)	(519)	(433)	(321)	(241)

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Region				Family Income		
		Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Con	Northeast	Midwest	South	West	Under 40	40-100	100+
Strongly approve	1.5%	2.5%	1.1%	0.8%	2.3%	2.5%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	3.6%	1.1%	2.4%	0.6%	1.9%
Somewhat approve	10.6%	21.3%	3.3%	6.7%	22.0%	13.7%	3.9%	7.3%	8.9%	11.3%	13.9%	10.5%	11.6%	10.7%
Neither approve nor disapprove	15.3%	22.1%	6.3%	11.6%	17.8%	15.5%	6.3%	19.4%	16.6%	15.4%	10.4%	19.7%	13.1%	14.2%
Somewhat disapprove	21.5%	25.5%	15.7%	25.2%	30.4%	28.2%	14.0%	26.8%	24.5%	19.8%	17.0%	20.5%	23.9%	19.5%
Strongly disapprove	40.5%	17.9%	70.2%	48.2%	18.1%	34.6%	72.7%	33.3%	39.7%	41.2%	46.3%	32.6%	43.6%	49.4%
Not sure	10.5%	10.7%	3.4%	7.4%	9.3%	5.5%	2.9%	13.2%	10.3%	8.7%	11.3%	14.4%	7.2%	4.3%
<b>Totals</b>														
(Unweighted)	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
	(995)	(375)	(243)	(279)	(209)	(342)	(319)	(184)	(225)	(363)	(223)	(380)	(383)	(134)

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3. If the 2010 elections for U.S. Congress were being held today, who would you vote for in the district where you live?

## REGISTERED VOTERS

	6/12- 15/10	6/5- 8/10	5/29- 6/1/10	5/22- 25/10	5/15- 18/10	5/8- 11/10	5/1- 4/10	4/24- 27/10	4/17- 20/10	4/10- 13/10	4/3- 6/10	(WEEKLY) ONE YEAR AGO
<b>TOTAL Republican/Lean Republican .....</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>TOTAL Democrat/Lean Democrat.....</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>45</b>
Republican .....	38	39	41	39	39	36	39	39	38	40	39	36
Lean Republican .....	5	4	3	5	5	5	4	3	4	4	5	7
Lean Democrat.....	7	7	6	5	8	6	7	8	6	6	5	5
Democrat.....	40	40	39	40	43	42	40	40	40	43	42	40
Not sure.....	11	11	11	10	6	11	10	10	11	7	9	13

## ALL ADULTS

	6/12- 15/10	6/5- 8/10	5/29- 6/1/10	5/22- 25/10	5/15- 18/10	5/8- 11/10	5/1- 4/10	4/24- 27/10	4/17- 20/10	4/10- 13/10	4/3- 6/10	(WEEKLY) ONE YEAR AGO
<b>TOTAL Republican/Lean Republican .....</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>TOTAL Democrat/Lean Democrat.....</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>43</b>
Republican .....	33	34	35	34	35	31	34	34	33	35	34	34
Lean Republican .....	4	5	3	5	6	5	6	4	5	4	5	6
Lean Democrat.....	8	7	7	8	10	7	8	8	6	7	7	5
Democrat.....	37	37	36	36	39	38	37	39	38	39	37	38
Not sure.....	18	17	18	18	10	19	16	16	18	15	17	16

**2010 Congressional vote**

If the 2010 elections for U.S. Congress were being held today, who would you vote for in the district where you live?

	Total	Age			Race			Gender		Education		
		18-29	30-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Male	Female	HS or Less	Some College	College Grad
Republican	33.2%	25.1%	32.5%	49.4%	38.4%	5.8%	15.1%	37.8%	28.8%	30.6%	37.6%	32.4%
Lean Republican	4.1%	6.5%	3.5%	2.1%	4.7%	0.8%	2.6%	2.9%	5.2%	2.9%	5.0%	5.4%
Lean Democrat	8.1%	9.4%	8.6%	3.9%	7.6%	9.6%	11.1%	6.0%	10.0%	8.6%	8.0%	7.2%
Democrat	36.8%	38.6%	36.6%	34.5%	31.4%	75.0%	42.4%	35.3%	38.2%	32.8%	36.7%	44.9%
Not Sure	17.9%	20.4%	18.8%	10.0%	17.9%	8.8%	28.8%	17.9%	17.8%	25.2%	12.8%	10.1%
Totals												
(Unweighted)	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
	(984)	(214)	(634)	(136)	(785)	(118)	(81)	(469)	(515)	(424)	(320)	(240)

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Region				Family Income		
		Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Con	Northeast	Midwest	South	West	Under 40	40-100	100+
Republican	33.2%	4.0%	90.1%	28.5%	3.9%	19.9%	77.2%	26.8%	32.5%	35.0%	36.2%	26.1%	39.2%	35.2%
Lean Republican	4.1%	0.7%	5.2%	7.4%	1.2%	4.6%	6.2%	2.6%	3.9%	3.7%	6.1%	4.8%	3.4%	3.3%
Lean Democrat	8.1%	12.2%	0.0%	9.1%	9.7%	12.0%	1.8%	12.1%	10.2%	5.1%	7.4%	9.4%	8.4%	6.1%
Democrat	36.8%	79.4%	2.2%	24.6%	78.4%	45.8%	6.9%	40.7%	37.1%	35.4%	35.4%	37.2%	33.6%	48.4%
Not Sure	17.9%	3.7%	2.4%	30.4%	6.8%	17.7%	7.9%	17.8%	16.2%	20.8%	14.9%	22.5%	15.4%	7.0%
Totals														
(Unweighted)	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
	(984)	(372)	(241)	(274)	(209)	(336)	(317)	(182)	(221)	(360)	(221)	(370)	(384)	(133)

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4. Would you say things in this country today are...

	<u>6/12-15/10</u>	<u>6/5-8/10</u>	<u>5/29-6/1/10</u>	<u>5/22-25/10</u>	<u>5/15-18/10</u>	<u>5/8-11/10</u>	<u>5/1-4/10</u>	<u>4/24-27/10</u>	<u>4/17-20/10</u>	<u>4/10-13/10</u>	<u>4/3-6/10</u>	<b>(WEEKLY) ONE YEAR AGO</b>
Generally headed in the right direction .....	33	31	31	32	33	37	34	34	31	35	36	<b>36</b>
Off on the wrong track .....	54	54	53	54	54	49	54	51	56	50	52	<b>50</b>
Not sure .....	13	16	15	14	13	14	12	15	13	14	12	<b>14</b>



**Direction of country**

Would you say things in this country today are...

	Total	Age			Race			Gender		Education		
		18-29	30-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Male	Female	HS or Less	Some College	College Grad
Generally headed in the right direction	32.8%	37.0%	31.7%	29.8%	29.0%	61.8%	35.0%	33.3%	32.4%	27.2%	33.5%	43.3%
Off on the wrong track	54.1%	40.9%	56.9%	66.6%	59.3%	22.9%	41.5%	55.2%	53.1%	59.0%	53.0%	45.8%
Not sure	13.0%	22.1%	11.4%	3.6%	11.7%	15.3%	23.5%	11.4%	14.5%	13.7%	13.5%	10.9%
Totals												
(Unweighted)	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
	(995)	(216)	(643)	(136)	(793)	(118)	(84)	(476)	(519)	(434)	(320)	(241)

	Total	Party ID			Ideology			Region				Family Income		
		Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Con	Northeast	Midwest	South	West	Under 40	40-100	100+
Generally headed in the right direction	32.8%	54.8%	8.4%	30.2%	60.6%	42.0%	9.3%	36.4%	30.0%	33.5%	31.7%	31.7%	32.4%	42.2%
Off on the wrong track	54.1%	29.1%	85.7%	60.4%	26.2%	42.8%	88.3%	48.3%	56.7%	57.6%	51.0%	51.0%	58.1%	50.3%
Not sure	13.0%	16.1%	5.8%	9.4%	13.2%	15.1%	2.4%	15.3%	13.3%	8.9%	17.3%	17.3%	9.4%	7.5%
Totals														
(Unweighted)	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
	(995)	(374)	(244)	(279)	(208)	(341)	(319)	(185)	(225)	(362)	(223)	(381)	(383)	(133)