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Interview dates: December $3^{rd} - 6^{th}$, 2009
Interviews: 1,120 adults; 948 registered voters
528 Democrats/Lean Democrats; 479 Republicans/Lean Republicans
Margin of error: \pm 2.93 for all adults; 3.18 for registered voters \pm 4.26 for Democrats; \pm 4.48 for Republicans

Ipsos/McClatchy Poll PROJECT #81-4621-23

NOTE: all results shown are percentages unless otherwise labeled.

These are some of the findings of an Ipsos poll conducted December 3 - 6, 2009. For the survey, a nationally representative, randomly selected sample of exactly 1,120 adults aged 18 and older across the United States was interviewed by Ipsos. With a sample of this size, the results are considered accurate within 2.93 percentage points, 19 times out of 20, of what they would have been had the entire adult population in the U.S. been polled. All sample surveys and polls may be subject to other sources of error, including, but not limited to coverage error, and measurement error. These data were weighted to ensure that the sample's composition reflects that of the actual U.S. population according to U.S. Census figures. Respondents had the option to be interviewed in English or Spanish.

CLIMATE CHANGE

1. You may have heard about the idea that the world's temperature may have been going up slowly over the past 100 years. What is your personal opinion on this? Do you think this has probably been happening, or do you think it probably has not been happening?"

Has been happening	70
Hasn't been happening	28
(Not sure)	3

[IF 'YES, HAS BEEN HAPPENING' IN Q.1, ASK:] Base=769

2. Do you believe that the earth is getting warmer [ROTATE] mostly because of human activity such as burning fossil fuels, OR, mostly because of natural patterns in the earth's environment?

Mostly because of human activity	61
Mostly because of natural patterns	34
(Not sure)	5

1-2 Combined (Based on all respondents):

Has been happening, mostly because of	43
human activity	43
Has been happening, mostly because of natural patterns	24
Hasn't been happening	28
(Not sure)	6

3. There's a proposed system called 'cap and trade' that some say would lower the pollution levels that lead to global warming. With Cap and Trade, the government would issue permits limiting the amount of greenhouse gases companies can put out. Companies that did not use all their permits could sell them to other companies. The idea is that many companies would find ways to put out less greenhouse gases, because that would be cheaper than buying permits. Would you support or oppose this system?

Support	52
Oppose	41
(Not sure)	7

Split Sampled Base = 567

4. What if a cap and trade program significantly lowered greenhouse gases but raised your monthly electrical bill by 10 dollars a month? In that case would you support or oppose it?

Support	50
Oppose	48
(DK/NS)	2

Split Sampled Base = 567

5. What if a cap and trade program raised your monthly electrical bill by 10 dollars a month but also created a significant number of 'GREEN' jobs in the United States? In that case would you support or oppose it?

Support	69
Oppose	29
(DK/NS)	2

Split Sampled Base = 553

6. What if a cap and trade program significantly lowered greenhouse gases but raised your monthly electrical bill by 25 dollars a month? In that case would you support or oppose it?

Support	43
Oppose	55
(DK/NS)	2

Split Sampled Base = 553

7. What if a cap and trade program raised your monthly electrical bill by 25 dollars a month but also created a significant number of 'GREEN' jobs in the United States? In that case would you support or oppose it?

Support	60
Oppose	36
(DK/NS)	4