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Interview dates: April 7-10, 2011
Interviews: 1,042 adults; 802 registered voters
490 Democrats; 395 Republicans; 157 Independents
Margin of Error: ± 3.0 for all adults; ± 3.5 for registered voters; $\pm 4.4\%$ for Democrats;
 ± 4.9 for Republicans; ± 7.8 for Independents (based on all adults)

Ipsos Poll conducted for Reuters, April 7-10, 2011

NOTE: all results shown are percentages unless otherwise labeled.

These are findings from an Ipsos poll conducted for Reuters from April 7th – 10th 2011. For the survey, a nationally representative, randomly selected sample of exactly 1,042 adults aged 18 and older across the United States was interviewed by Ipsos via live telephone interviewing on landlines and cell phones. With a sample of this size, the results are considered accurate within 3 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 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. Please note that throughout this document, figures based on Independent voters are indicative only due to very small sample size. Figures marked by an asterisk () indicate a percentage value of greater than zero but less than one half of a per cent. Where figures do not sum to 100, this is due to the effects of rounding.*

POLITICAL TRACKER

- Generally speaking, would you say things in this country are heading in the right direction, or are they off on the wrong track? ENTER SINGLE RESPONSE. IF UNSURE, ENCOURAGE BEST GUESS.

	<u>Right Direction</u>	<u>Wrong Track</u>	<u>(Not Sure)</u>
4/7-10/11	25	69	6
3/3-6/11	31	64	5
2/4-7/11	38	57	5
1/7-10/11	36	59	6
12/2-5/10	29	62	9
10/28-31/10	33	62	5
10/7-11/10	31	63	6
9/16-19/10	33	61	5
8/19-22/10	31	62	7
7/22-25/10	34	60	6
6/10-13/10	33	61	6
5/6-9/10	34	60	6
4/1-5/10	40	54	5
2/26-28/10	34	60	6
1/28-31/10	37	57	5
1/7-11/10	39	55	6
12/3-6/09	36	60	4
10/29-11/1/09	38	57	4
10/1-5/09	40	56	5
8/27-31/09	40	54	6
7/30-8/3/09	46	48	6
7/9-13/09	40	54	6
6/4-8/09	52	42	6
4/30-5/3/09	55	38	7
4/2-6/09	45	48	7
3/5-9/09	44	48	8
2/6-9/09	42	50	8



2. a. Overall, do you approve, disapprove or have mixed feelings about the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? IF APPROVE/ DISAPPROVE, ASK Q4b. IF MIXED FEELINGS / DK / REFUSED, ASK Q4c
- b. Is that strongly (approve/disapprove) or somewhat (approve/disapprove)?
- c. If you had to choose, do you lean more towards approve or disapprove?

	<u>Strongly</u> <u>approve</u>	<u>Somewhat</u> <u>approve</u>	<u>Lean</u> <u>toward</u> <u>approval</u>	<u>Still have</u> <u>mixed</u> <u>feelings</u>	<u>Lean</u> <u>toward</u> <u>disapproval</u>	<u>Somewhat</u> <u>disapprove</u>	<u>Strongly</u> <u>disapprove</u>	<u>(Not sure)</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>Approve</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>Disapprove</u>	<u>Mean</u> <u>Rating</u>
4/7-10/11	20	12	15	3	12	9	28	1	46	49	3.8
3/3-6/11	23	13	14	3	13	7	26	1	49	47	4.0
2/4-7/11	23	14	14	2	16	5	25	1	51	46	4.1
1/7-10/11	24	13	13	3	15	7	25	*	50	47	4.1
12/2-5/10	23	11	11	6	12	8	26	2	45	46	4.0
10/28-31/10	26	10	9	3	14	6	31	1	45	51	3.9
10/7-11/10	22	10	10	3	14	9	31	1	43	53	3.7
9/16-19/10	24	12	10	2	14	4	31	2	47	50	3.9
8/19-22/10	20	13	12	2	16	7	29	1	45	52	3.8
7/22-25/10	24	12	13	2	12	6	31	1	48	48	3.9
6/10-13/10	23	13	14	4	14	4	26	1	50	45	4.1
5/6-9/10	20	17	15	3	13	4	27	1	52	43	4.1
4/1-5/10	25	16	10	2	14	5	27	1	51	46	4.1
2/26-28/10	25	18	11	2	13	7	25	1	53	44	4.2
1/28-31/10	22	13	14	3	13	6	27	1	50	46	4
1/7-11/10	27	15	11	2	12	5	28	0	52	45	4.1
12/3-6/09	25	12	12	2	15	6	27	1	49	49	4
10/29-1/1/09	23	17	14	2	14	4	25	1	53	43	4.2
10/1-5/09	30	12	14	3	12	5	23	1	56	40	4.4
8/27-31/09	31	16	9	3	8	3	28	1	56	40	4.4
7/30-8/3/09	32	17	9	4	8	5	24	1	58	37	4.5
7/9-13/09	29	17	11	3	11	6	22	1	57	38	4.4
6/4-8/09	40	14	10	3	9	7	16	1	64	32	4.9
4/30-5/3/09	40	17	8	2	9	3	19	1	65	31	4.9
4/2-6/09	35	18	9	4	9	4	20	0	63	33	4.7
3/5 -9/09	39	15	10	5	8	5	17	1	65	29	4.9
2/6- 9/09	38	19	13	3	10	4	12	1	69	26	5.1



APPROVAL BY PARTY ID

	<u>DEMOCRATS:</u> <u>Approve</u>	<u>DEMOCRATS:</u> <u>Disapprove</u>	<u>INDEPENDENTS:</u> <u>Approve</u>	<u>INDEPENDENTS:</u> <u>Disapprove</u>	<u>REPUBLICANS:</u> <u>Approve</u>	<u>REPUBLICANS:</u> <u>Disapprove</u>
4/7-10/11	73	23	37	53	17	80
3/3-6/11	80	16	37	53	15	82
2/4-7/11	79	19	47	47	18	81
1/7-10/11	77	20	50	45	17	80
12/2-5/10	71	22	42	37	12	83
10/28-31/10	76	22	42	49	13	82
10/7-11/10	70	27	41	48	14	83
9/16-19/10	78	20	47	37	11	87
8/19-22/10	74	24	37	53	11	86
7/22-25/10	76	21	52	41	14	84
6/10-13/10	82	15	47	39	13	84
5/6-9/10	84	14	40	47	18	80
4/1-5/10	84	14	40	50	16	83
2/26-28/10	80	18	54	42	23	75
1/28-31/10	79	19	53	31	19	79
1/7-11/10	81	17	49	46	18	80
12/3-6/09	77	21	41	55	16	81
10/29-1/1/09	82	15	45	41	21	78
10/1-5/09	86	12	47	41	18	80
8/27-31/09	88	10	54	37	18	78
7/30-8/3/09	82	15	57	34	24	70
7/9-13/09	84	13	50	36	24	73
6/4-8/09	89	10	58	31	27	67
4/30-5/3/09	95	4	56	34	29	67
4/2-6/09	91	6	57	21	26	72
3/5 -9/09	89	8	58	31	29	66
2/6- 9/09	92	6	70	19	34	60

**SPLIT SAMPLE (N=540)**

3. I am now going to read you a list of several ways to produce electricity. Please tell me whether you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose each way of producing electricity. How about... READ OUT EACH. RANDOMIZE

	<u>Strongly support</u>	<u>Somewhat support</u>	<u>Somewhat oppose</u>	<u>Strongly oppose</u>	<u>DK / Refused</u>	<u>TOTAL: Support</u>	<u>TOTAL: Oppose</u>
Nuclear energy							
4/7-10/11	20	29	17	30	4	49	47
7/9-14/09	29	28	15	23	5	56	39
Hydroelectric power							
4/7-10/11	54	31	5	4	6	84	9
7/9-14/09	55	28	5	6	7	83	10
Coal							
4/7-10/11	24	34	19	20	3	58	39
7/9-14/09	23	30	21	21	3	54	43
Natural gas							
4/7-10/11	46	40	8	4	2	86	12
7/9-14/09	44	40	8	5	2	84	13
Solar power							
4/7-10/11	70	21	3	3	3	91	6
7/9-14/09	73	17	4	4	3	90	8
Wind power							
4/7-10/11	63	22	6	6	4	84	12
7/9-14/09	65	21	4	5	4	87	9
Oil / petroleum							
4/7-10/11	26	29	17	25	4	55	41
Ethanol							
4/7-10/11	17	36	19	19	10	52	38

SPLIT SAMPLE (N=502)

4. In your view, have gas prices gone up, gone down, or stayed the same over the past six months not?

Gone up	96
Gone down	1
Stayed the same	2
(Not sure)	1



5. As a result of recent increases in energy prices, would you say you have or have not done each of the following?

		<u>Have Done</u>	<u>Have Not Done</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>
Reduced the amount of driving you do				
	4/7-10/11	62	36	2
	5/1-3/06	66	32	2
	4/18-20/05	58	41	1
Purchased a more fuel-efficient vehicle				
	4/7-10/11	17	81	2
Changed your vacation plans to stay closer to home				
	4/7-10/11	45	52	3
	5/1-3/06	49	49	2
	4/18-20/05	41	58	1
Cut back on other expenses				
	4/7-10/11	68	32	1
	5/1-3/06	66	33	1
	4/18-20/05	57	43	0

DEMOGRAPHICS

1. Are you currently registered to vote at this address, or not?

Yes	77
No	22
(Not sure)	1

2. PARTY IDENTIFICATION

- Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent or none of these?
IF "DEMOCRAT" ASK Qb. IF "REPUBLICAN" ASK Qc. IF "INDEP." / "NONE" ASK Qd.
- Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Democratic Party?
- Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Republican Party?
- Do your beliefs tend to lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

Strongly Democrat	20
Moderately Democrat	12
Lean Democrat	15
Strongly Republican	12
Moderately Republican	10
Lean Republican	15
Independent (No lean)	15
Initial Democrats	32
Total Democrats	47
Initial Republicans	23
Total Republicans	38