



Ipsos Poll conducted for Reuters, March 2012
Gasoline Poll

NOTE: all results shown are percentages unless otherwise labeled.

These are findings from an Ipsos poll conducted for Thomson Reuters from March 26th – 27th, 2012. For the survey, a sample of 606 Americans was interviewed online. The precision of the Reuters/Ipsos online polls is measured using a credibility interval. In this case, the poll has a credibility interval of plus or minus 4.6 percentage points for all respondents. For more information about credibility intervals, please see the appendix.

The data were weighted to the U.S. current population data by gender, age, education, ethnicity and a political values scale. Statistical margins of error are not applicable to online polls. All sample surveys and polls may be subject to other sources of error, including, but not limited to coverage error and measurement error. 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.*

GASOLINE POLL

Q1. Do you approve or disapprove about the way Barack Obama is handling the following issues? (Select one per row)

	<u>Strongly</u> <u>approve</u>	<u>Smwt</u> <u>approve</u>	<u>Lean</u> <u>approve</u>	<u>Lean</u> <u>disapprove</u>	<u>Smwt</u> <u>disapprove</u>	<u>Strongly</u> <u>disapprove</u>	<u>DK</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>approve</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>disapprove</u>
The U.S. economy	11	11	13	14	8	38	6	35	60
U.S. foreign policy	15	10	15	9	10	28	12	40	47
Healthcare reform	17	11	11	9	8	37	7	39	54
Gas prices	8	7	9	12	8	49	9	24	68

	<u>Republicans</u>		<u>Democrats</u>		<u>Independents</u>	
	<u>Total</u> <u>approve</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>disapprove</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>approve</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>disapprove</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>approve</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>disapprove</u>
The U.S. economy	11	89	59	38	35	57
U.S. foreign policy	19	74	66	23	35	53
Healthcare reform	13	86	60	33	52	42
Gas prices	6	89	40	52	18	73

Q2. Which ONE of the following would you say deserves the most blame for higher energy prices? (Select one)

	<u>All</u>	<u>Repub</u>	<u>Dem</u>	<u>Indep</u>
Oil companies that want to make too much profit	36	28	44	32
Foreign countries that dominate oil reserves	10	9	11	18
Politicians	13	16	10	11
Environmentalists who want to limit oil exploration	7	15	3	3
People who drive gas-guzzling vehicles	2	1	5	--
All equally	26	27	24	32
No one is to blame/not a problem	2	2	2	--
Other	5	2	3	5