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Interview dates: July 9-13, 2009
Interviews: 1007 adults; 848 registered voters
480 Democrats/Lean Democrats; 359 Republicans/Lean Republicans
Margin of error: ± 3.09 for all adults; ± 3.37 for registered voters
± 4.47 for Democrats; ± 5.17 for Republicans

Ipsos/McClatchy Poll
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NOTE: all results shown are percentages unless otherwise labeled.

These are some of the findings of an Ipsos poll conducted July 9-13, 2009. For the survey, a nationally representative, randomly selected sample of exactly 1007 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 3.09 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.

POLITICAL TRACKER

1. Generally speaking, would you say things in this country are heading in the right direction, or are they off on the wrong track?

	7/9-13/09	6/4-8/09	4/30-5/3/09	4/2-6/09	3/5-9/09	2/6 – 9/09
Right direction.....	40	52	55	45	44	42
Wrong track.....	54	42	38	48	48	50
(Not sure).....	6	6	7	7	8	8

2a. Overall, do you approve, disapprove or have mixed feelings about the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? **(IF 'APPROVE' OR 'DISAPPROVE' ASK:)** Is that strongly (approve/disapprove) or somewhat (approve/ disapprove)? (**IF HAVE 'MIXED FEELINGS' OR 'NOT SURE' ASK:)** If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approve or disapprove?

	7/9-13/09	6/4-8/09	4/30-5/3/09	4/2-6/09	3/5 - 9/09	2/6 – 9/09
Strongly approve.....	29	40	40	35	39	38
Somewhat approve.....	17	14	17	18	15	19
Lean toward approval.....	11	10	8	9	10	13
Still have mixed feelings.....	3	3	2	4	5	3
Lean toward disapproval.....	11	9	9	9	8	10
Somewhat disapprove.....	6	7	3	4	5	4
Strongly disapprove.....	22	16	19	20	17	12
(Not sure).....	1	1	1	0	1	1
Total Approve.....	57	64	65	63	65	69
Total Disapprove.....	38	32	31	33	29	26
Mean Rating.....	4.4	4.9	4.9	4.7	4.9	5.1
Democrats: Total Approve	84	89	95	91	89	92
Democrat s: Total Disapprove	13	10	4	6	8	6
Independents: Total Approve	50	58	56	57	58	70
Independents: Total Disapprove	36	31	34	21	31	19
Republicans: Total Approve	24	27	29	26	29	34
Republicans: Total Disapprove	73	67	67	72	66	60

5. Has the U.S. economy turned the corner on the current crisis, is the worst yet to come, or have things stabilized but not yet begun to improve?

	7/9-13/09	*6/4-8/09*	*4/30-5/3/09*	*4/2-6/09*	*3/5 - 9/09*	*2/6 – 9/09*
Turned the corner.....	6	9	10	8	3	7
Worst yet to come.....	39	37	38	36	57	54
Stabilized, but not yet begun to improve.....	49	48	48	52	35	35
(Not sure).....	5	6	4	4	4	4

PARTY AFFILIATION / IDEOLOGY

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

Yes……..	84
No……	16
(Not sure)...	0

2a. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent or none of these?

(IF "DEMOCRAT" TO Q.2a, Q.2b ASKED. IF "REPUBLICAN" TO Q.2a, Q.2c ASKED. IF "INDEPENDENT" or "NONE OF THESE" TO Q.2a, Q.2d ASKED. RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

2b. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Democratic Party?
2c. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Republican Party?
2d. Do your beliefs tend to lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

Strongly Democrat……..	21
Moderately Democrat….	14
Lean Democrat…….	13
Strongly Republican…..	11
Moderately Republican...	10
Lean Republican…….	15
Independent (No lean)…	17
Initial Democrats…….	35
Total Democrats……	48
Initial Republicans…….	21
Total Republicans…….	36