

NEW POLITICO POLL

Politico/George Washington University Battleground poll (a bi-partisan poll)

N = 1,000 Registered “likely” voters

Margin of error: $\pm 3.1\%$

Field Dates: September 19-22, 2010

When you use cable TV news channels to get news about the election, are mainly getting information from CNN, Fox News, MSNBC or some other cable news channel or website?

- **Mainly Fox News** 42%
- Mainly CNN 30%
- **Mainly MSNBC** 12%
- Other cable news channel/website 9%
- Unsure/Refused 7%

For each one, please tell me if yes, you do use this source or no, you do not use this source to get news about the elections this fall.

- **CNN, FOX News, or MSNBC or their websites** Yes: 81% No: 19%
- **ABC, NBC, or CBS or their websites** Yes: 71% No: 29%
- Local TV news or their websites: Yes: 73% No: 26%
Unsure/No Response: 1%
- Newspapers or newspaper websites Yes: 72% No: 28%
- **Radio programming** Yes: 58% No: 41%
- Other websites or blogs Yes: 39% No: 61%
- Conversations with friends and family Yes: 79% No: 21%
- Political advertisements: Yes: 37% No: 62%
Unsure/No Response: 1%

Please tell me if you think this person has a positive impact or a negative impact on political debate in this country. If you do not recognize the name, just say so. Here is the first one ...

	POSITIVE IMPACT	NEGATIVE IMPACT	NEVER HEARD OF	UNSURE/ REFUSED
Bill O'Reilly	49%	32%	12%	7%
Rush Limbaugh	36%	52%	5%	7%
Rachel Maddow	18%	18%	55%	9%
Glenn Beck	38%	32%	23%	7%
Keith Olbermann	23%	25%	42%	11%
Ed Schultz	11%	11%	70%	8%
Sean Hannity	35%	25%	34%	7%
Jon Stewart	34%	22%	34%	10%

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES, TEA PARTY, OBAMA AND 2012

There are likely to be several candidates and organizations that should have a prominent role in 2012 elections. I would like to read you the names of several of these people or organizations. For each one, please tell me whether you have heard of that person or organization and if so, whether you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of that person or organization. If you do not recognize the name, just say so.

	FAVORABLE		UNFAVORABLE		No Opinion	Never Heard Of
	Strong	Somewhat	Somewhat	Strong		
Mitt Romney	16%	29%	13%	15%	12%	15%
Mike Huckabee	23%	26%	11%	14%	15%	12%
Tim Pawlenty	5%	9%	6%	4%	13%	64%
Haley Barbour	4%	8%	5%	5%	16%	62%
Mitch Daniels	3%	5%	3%	3%	13%	75%
John Thune	3%	4%	1%	2%	9%	81%
Newt Gingrich	17%	22%	10%	29%	13%	9%
Sarah Palin	22%	22%	10%	39%	5%	2%
Tea Party Movement	25%	18%	9%	26%	14%	8%
Barack Obama	39%	15%	8%	37%	2%	*

OBAMA RELATED POLLING

Do you approve or disapprove of the job he is doing?

- Approve strongly 35%
- Approve 11%
- Unsure 3%
- Disapprove 6%
- Disapprove strongly 45%

What is your impression of Barack Obama as a person? Do you approve or disapprove of him?

- Approve strongly 47%
- Approve somewhat 18%
- Unsure 10%
- Disapprove somewhat 6%
- Disapprove strongly 19%

Obama re-election:

- Deserves re-election 38%
- Will consider voting for someone else 13%
- Will vote to replace Barack Obama 44%
- Unsure/Refused 6%

Thinking about Barack Obama's political ideology, do you think of him as:

▪ Very conservative.....	5%
▪ Somewhat conservative.....	5%
▪ Moderate.....	19%
▪ Somewhat liberal.....	24%
▪ Very liberal.....	42%
▪ Unsure/Don't Know	5%

Given what you know about the new health reform law, do you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable opinion of it?

▪ Very favorable.....	18%
▪ Somewhat favorable.....	24%
▪ Somewhat unfavorable.....	13%
▪ Very unfavorable.....	41%
▪ Unsure	4%
▪ Refused.....	*

Do you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable opinion of the health care law?

▪ Very favorable.....	18%
▪ Somewhat favorable.....	24%
▪ Somewhat unfavorable.....	13%
▪ Very unfavorable.....	41%
▪ Unsure	4%
▪ Refused.....	*

Other Results

- 54 percent of independents have an unfavorable opinion of the [health reform] law, compared with just 38 percent who have a favorable opinion.
- Voters would back Obama over Palin if the [2012] vote were today, and support for her is weak in the Midwest and the Northeast. But Palin's problems run deeper: 58 percent said her actions since resigning as Alaska governor in 2009 have made them less likely to vote for her for president.