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President Obama is taking time to decide on a strategy for Afghanistan. What do you think is the right strategy?											
Send in thousands of additional troops, our troops in Afghanistan need the help											
	18.4%	24.1%	13.1%	14.1%	16.9%	24.5%	15.0%	23.3%	30.4%	12.9%	22.2%
Directly target al-Qaida fighters who are believed to be hiding in Pakistan											
	28.4%	29.9%	27.0%	21.8%	28.7%	34.6%	26.6%	31.5%	33.8%	31.0%	28.2%
Pull out of Afghanistan completely											
	23.1%	21.2%	24.9%	22.4%	25.7%	20.5%	25.4%	20.4%	14.1%	28.4%	21.1%
I don't know											
	30.1%	24.8%	35.0%	41.6%	28.7%	20.3%	33.0%	24.8%	21.7%	27.7%	28.4%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
The U.S. and Iran held talks in Geneva for the first time in 30 years. Washington and its allies are hoping the negotiations ... On a scale of 1-5, how likely do you think it is that Iran will suspend their uranium enrichment program altogether?											
1 – Not at all likely	45.8%	51.7%	40.2%	35.4%	48.6%	52.6%	44.4%	48.2%	60.6%	34.0%	49.0%
2 – Not very likely	26.4%	23.8%	28.8%	24.1%	24.0%	31.5%	24.8%	28.6%	22.1%	31.7%	25.8%
3 – Neutral	22.0%	19.4%	24.4%	34.0%	21.6%	10.5%	24.6%	17.7%	12.5%	25.3%	21.2%
4 – Somewhat likely	3.8%	3.2%	4.4%	4.1%	3.7%	3.7%	3.5%	4.3%	2.2%	6.4%	2.2%
5 – Very likely	2.1%	1.9%	2.2%	2.4%	2.1%	1.7%	2.7%	1.2%	2.5%	2.6%	1.7%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
	Average	1.9	1.8	2.0	2.1	1.9	1.7	2.0	1.8	1.6	2.1
Does the dialogue between the U.S. and Iran in Geneva lessen your concern over Iran's nuclear capabilities?											
Yes	12.9%	14.4%	11.6%	12.9%	14.1%	11.6%	12.6%	13.6%	10.7%	19.4%	9.9%
No	66.0%	65.2%	66.7%	52.6%	66.6%	78.3%	64.1%	69.0%	78.8%	60.8%	68.4%
I wasn't concerned before the talks											
	21.1%	20.4%	21.7%	34.4%	19.3%	10.1%	23.3%	17.4%	10.5%	19.8%	21.7%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Do you think the economic stimulus package is working?											
Yes	20.7%	23.3%	18.2%	20.0%	18.9%	23.5%	19.2%	22.5%	10.6%	34.4%	18.6%
No	55.6%	54.6%	56.5%	47.9%	59.1%	58.8%	55.7%	55.7%	76.7%	40.6%	58.0%
I don't know											
	23.8%	22.1%	25.3%	32.2%	22.0%	17.7%	25.1%	21.8%	12.7%	25.1%	23.4%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
What sign do you believe will best demonstrate to you that the recession is over?											
The Federal Reserve Chairman, Ben Bernanke, declares it over											
	3.5%	3.8%	3.2%	4.1%	3.3%	3.0%	4.2%	2.5%	4.0%	4.6%	2.4%
Wall Street stock indexes show it's over											
	8.9%	9.8%	8.1%	7.8%	8.8%	10.1%	8.2%	9.9%	10.5%	8.6%	7.3%
Unemployment levels decline											
	72.1%	70.7%	73.5%	69.9%	71.4%	75.3%	69.9%	75.3%	74.7%	72.9%	74.1%
The President says it's over											
	4.7%	4.0%	5.5%	8.0%	4.2%	2.1%	6.1%	2.8%	1.8%	6.4%	4.7%
Other											
	10.7%	11.7%	9.8%	10.1%	12.3%	9.5%	11.7%	9.4%	9.0%	7.5%	11.5%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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With all the new proposed legislation such as healthcare reform and Cap and Trade (for reducing air pollution), do you think your taxes will increase in the next three years?											
Yes	68.6%	68.3%	68.9%	57.6%	68.9%	79.2%	64.5%	74.5%	86.7%	58.2%	73.5%
No	11.5%	14.3%	9.0%	15.3%	11.2%	8.2%	12.9%	9.6%	6.0%	17.4%	9.2%
I don't know	19.9%	17.5%	22.1%	27.1%	19.9%	12.6%	22.6%	16.0%	7.4%	24.4%	17.3%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

	Adults 18+	Men	Women	18 - 34	35 - 54	55+	<\$50K	\$50K+	Republicans	Democrats	Independents
Which of the following issues do you think provides the greatest threat to your rights as an American citizen?											
Proposed healthcare reform	15.0%	12.6%	17.2%	11.0%	15.5%	18.2%	13.6%	17.0%	25.7%	7.2%	18.9%
Social security running out of money	14.7%	13.5%	15.9%	11.1%	15.7%	17.2%	17.3%	11.5%	10.6%	20.0%	13.9%
Increased taxes	8.0%	7.6%	8.3%	8.6%	8.3%	7.0%	6.4%	10.1%	12.0%	6.5%	6.2%
Failing economy	28.5%	30.1%	26.9%	34.4%	28.3%	22.8%	27.5%	29.5%	22.0%	34.5%	28.2%
Terrorism	11.3%	12.0%	10.7%	8.8%	11.9%	13.1%	11.3%	11.5%	12.3%	12.7%	10.4%
Other countries acquiring nuclear weapons	3.7%	3.2%	4.1%	3.5%	3.1%	4.5%	4.1%	3.1%	4.0%	4.7%	3.0%
None of the above	10.2%	11.7%	8.8%	18.1%	7.4%	5.9%	10.6%	9.4%	4.4%	8.6%	10.1%
Other	8.7%	9.3%	8.1%	4.5%	9.8%	11.4%	9.2%	7.9%	9.0%	5.8%	9.2%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Will you read Sarah Palin's memoir?											
Yes	14.7%	13.9%	15.4%	11.4%	14.0%	18.7%	13.3%	16.6%	29.1%	7.6%	14.0%
No	85.3%	86.1%	84.6%	88.6%	86.0%	81.3%	86.7%	83.4%	70.9%	92.4%	86.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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A video of New Jersey elementary schoolchildren singing a song praising President Obama was recently posted on YouTube. Did you see the video?											
Yes	19.8%	22.0%	17.8%	17.5%	18.7%	23.6%	17.1%	23.8%	30.3%	15.2%	23.9%
No	80.2%	78.0%	82.2%	82.5%	81.3%	76.4%	82.9%	76.2%	69.7%	84.8%	76.1%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Of those who saw the video... Do you think this video is a form of indoctrination or a creative way to teach civics and inspire schoolchildren?											
Indoctrination	61.5%	66.7%	56.6%	54.1%	59.3%	71.5%	51.9%	69.9%	81.8%	24.0%	63.5%
Creative way to teach civics and inspire schoolchildren	27.5%	23.8%	31.0%	32.2%	27.5%	22.7%	32.5%	23.3%	7.2%	65.9%	25.7%
I don't know	11.0%	9.6%	12.4%	13.7%	13.1%	5.8%	15.6%	6.8%	11.0%	10.1%	10.8%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Big job losses and an increase in early retirement claims from laid-off seniors will force Social Security to pay out more in benefits than it collects in taxes the next two years. Do you think Social Security will be there for you when you retire?											
Yes	12.4%	15.4%	9.5%	11.5%	11.6%	14.1%	11.8%	13.2%	10.8%	15.0%	13.9%
No	34.9%	35.5%	34.4%	50.4%	43.6%	8.9%	31.0%	40.1%	41.5%	29.5%	34.2%
Not sure	27.8%	26.1%	29.4%	30.3%	35.7%	15.5%	28.2%	27.1%	21.4%	31.3%	27.0%
I'm already retired	21.1%	19.2%	22.9%	1.3%	5.7%	59.8%	24.5%	16.8%	24.6%	21.1%	23.0%
I don't qualify for Social Security	3.8%	3.9%	3.7%	6.6%	3.3%	1.7%	4.5%	2.7%	1.6%	3.1%	1.9%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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Of those who qualify...

Big job losses and an increase in early retirement claims from laid-off seniors will force Social Security to pay out more in benefits than it collects in taxes the next two years. Do you think Social Security will be there for you when you retire?

Yes	16.5%	20.0%	13.0%	12.5%	12.7%	36.7%	16.6%	16.4%	14.7%	19.8%	18.5%
No	46.5%	46.1%	47.0%	54.6%	48.0%	23.1%	43.6%	49.8%	56.3%	38.9%	45.5%
Not sure	37.0%	33.9%	40.0%	32.8%	39.3%	40.3%	39.8%	33.7%	29.0%	41.3%	36.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

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