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OBAMA AT 100 DAYS: STRONG JOB APPROVAL, EVEN HIGHER PERSONAL RATINGS

As he approaches the 100-day mark of his presidency, Barack Obama's job approval ratings are higher than those of his most recent predecessors. However, the 44th president is even more distinguished by his strong personal popularity. Fully 73% of Americans – including as many as 46% of Republicans – hold a favorable view of Obama as a person. Fewer people held favorable impressions of George W. Bush (61%) and Bill Clinton (60%) early in their first years.

	Clinton May 1993	GW Bush July 2001	Obama April 2009
	%	%	%
Favorable	60	61	73
<i>Very</i>	18	22	38
Unfavorable	35	35	24
Don't know	5	4	3
	100	100	100

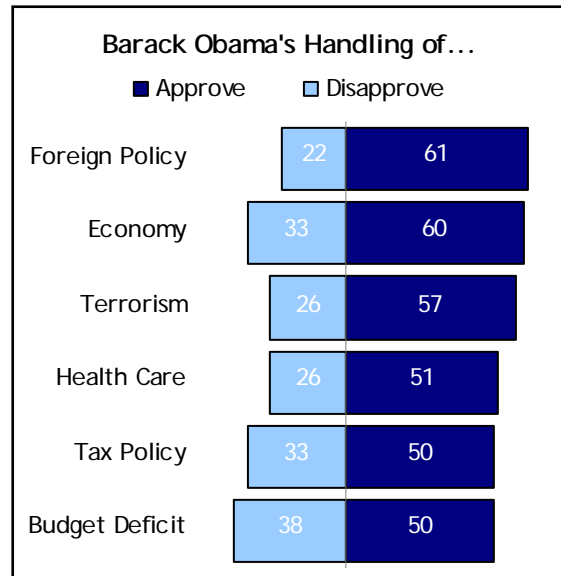
Obama's job approval stands at 63%, while 26% disapprove of the way he is handling his job as president. His approval rating is up slightly from March (59%). Opinions about Obama's performance remain highly partisan. Fully 93% of Democrats approve of the way Obama is handling his job as president, compared with just 30% of Republicans. Independents' opinions fall in between, with 58% expressing positive views of his performance and 27% negative opinions.

	Jimmy Carter 1977	Ronald Reagan 1981	George Bush 1989	Bill Clinton 1993	G.W. Bush 2001	Barack Obama 2009
<i>Presidential approval ...</i>	%	%	%	%	%	%
Approve	63	67	58	55	56	63
<i>Very strongly*</i>	--	--	--	18	34	45
Disapprove	18	19	16	37	27	26
Don't know	19	14	26	8	17	11
	100	100	100	100	100	100

All figures from April. 1977-1993 trends from Gallup.
* See topline for question wording.

Pew Research previously found a greater partisan gap in Obama's early job approval ratings than in the ratings of past presidents. (*See "Partisan Gap in Obama Job Approval Widest in Modern Era," Commentary, April 2, 2009.*) That continues to be the case. Obama's approval rating among Republicans (30%) is about the same as Bill Clinton's at a comparable point in his first year (25%), but Democratic approval – particularly strong approval – is much higher than it was for Clinton. Fully 79% of Democrats *very strongly* approve of Obama's job performance; only about half as many Democrats (39%) expressed very strong approval for Clinton at this stage in 1993. Obama's highly positive ratings from members of his own party also surpass Bush's 71% very strong approval among Republicans in April 2001.

The latest national survey by the Pew Research Center for the People & the Press, conducted April 14-21 among 1,507 adults interviewed in English and Spanish on landlines and cell phones, finds that Obama's job ratings on several specific domestic issues are on balance positive, but also reflect the division of opinion about many of his policies. For example, 60% approve of his handling of the economy generally, while 33% disapprove. Fewer (50%) approve of his handling of the budget deficit, compared with 39% who disapprove.



Obama gets better ratings on foreign policy and terrorism – issues on which he trailed John McCain during last year's presidential campaign – than on health care, tax policy or the budget deficit. The balance of opinion regarding Obama's performance on foreign policy and terrorism is largely unchanged since February.

In conducting foreign policy, most Americans think Obama is striking the right balance in pushing American interests (57%) and in taking into account the interests and views of U.S. allies (56%). Fewer than a third (31%) believe that Obama is not pushing U.S. interests hard enough, and even fewer (19%) say he takes interests of allies too much into account. The public also is rendering a somewhat more positive view of Obama's decision to close the U.S. military prison at Guantanamo than it did a few months ago; by 51% to 38%, more now approve of the decision to shut down Guantanamo. In February, the margin was narrower (46% to 39%).

In addition, the public broadly supports President Obama's decision to permit federal funding for most embryonic stem cell research. More than six-in-ten (63%) approve of Obama's stem cell research policy while 27% are opposed. Among religious groups, majorities of white mainline Protestants (66%) and white non-Hispanic Catholics (62%) approve of the policy. A narrow majority of white evangelical Protestants (52%) disapprove of Obama's decision to fund most stem cell research.

The survey finds that about half of Americans (53%) say Obama's economic policies have not had an effect so far, or that it is too early to tell, while 26% say his policies have made economic conditions better – up from 14% in March. The proportion saying his policies have made things worse is little changed; 17% say that now, compared with 15% in February.

Most Americans continue to reject the criticism that Obama is trying to tackle too many issues. Slightly more than a third (34%) say he is trying to address too many issues, while 56% believe he is handling things about right; this is largely unchanged from March. And by greater than two-to-one (63% to 27%), more believe that Obama “has a new approach to politics in Washington” than say his approach is “business as usual.” This was also the case in February (66% new approach, 25% business as usual).

The survey finds that Michelle Obama’s personal favorability ratings have increased since just before her husband’s inauguration in January. More than three-quarters of Americans (76%) say they have a favorable opinion of the first lady, up from 68% in January. Much of the change has come among Republicans, especially Republican women. About two-thirds of Republican women (67%) have a favorable impression of Michelle Obama, a gain of 21 points since January.

Dems Strongly Approve

At about this point in his first year, George W. Bush enjoyed much higher levels of strong support from members of his own party than Bill Clinton did eight years earlier. But Obama’s very strong approval ratings among Democrats (79%) are now even better than Bush’s ratings were among Republicans in April 2001 (71%).

At the same time, however, Republican disapproval of Obama (56%) is higher than Democratic disapproval of Bush at his 100-day mark (46%). In April 1993, 69% of Republicans disapproved of Clinton’s job performance.

Obama’s approval rating among independents is on par with those of Bush and Clinton. However, more independents approve of Obama’s performance very strongly (37%) than did so for either Bush (29%) or Clinton (10%). About a quarter of independents (27%) disapprove of the way Obama is handling his job, which is about the same as Bush’s disapproval mark (26%) and lower than Clinton’s (35%).

Obama’s Enthusiastic Base			
	Bill Clinton*	G.W. Bush	Barack Obama
	%	%	%
<i>Job approval</i>			
<i>President’s Party</i>	<i>Dem</i>	<i>Rep</i>	<i>Dem</i>
Approve	82	87	93
<i>Very strongly</i>	39	71	79
Disapprove	12	5	4
Don’t know	6	8	3
	100	100	100
<i>Other Party</i>			
Approve	25	36	30
Disapprove	69	46	56
<i>Very strongly</i>	43	33	42
Don’t know	6	18	14
	100	100	100
<i>Independents</i>			
Approve	55	56	58
<i>Very strongly</i>	10	29	37
Disapprove	35	26	27
<i>Very strongly</i>	20	13	18
Don’t know	10	18	15
	100	100	100

* Clinton data from Gallup, April 1993.

Obama's Personal Popularity

In terms of his personal favorability, Obama's draws almost universally positive marks among Democrats (96% favorable). In July 2001, Bush also was highly popular among members of his own party (91% favorable among Republicans), while Clinton drew somewhat less positive ratings among Democrats (86%) in May 1993.

However, Obama's *very* favorable ratings among Democrats (68% very favorable) far surpass those for Bush among Republicans in the middle of his first year (45%). At a nearly comparable point in Clinton's first year, just 35% of Democrats said they had a very favorable opinion of him.

While Obama garners relatively weak job approval ratings among Republicans, his personal favorability among members of the opposition party are higher than both Bush's and Clinton's marks. Currently, 46% of Republicans say they have a favorable opinion of Obama personally; in July 2001, 38% of Democrats expressed a positive opinion of Bush, and Clinton drew less favorable marks among Republicans in May 1993 (32%).

Similarly, Obama is now more personally popular among independents than the previous two presidents early in their first years. Currently, 72% of independents say they have a favorable impression of Obama, compared with 62% for Bush in July 2001 and 57% for Clinton in May 1993.

Obama Approval on Issues

Obama's positive ratings for his handling of foreign policy (61%) and the economy (60%) are about the same as his overall job rating of 63%. Nearly as many people (57%) approve of his handling of the threat of terrorism. By comparison, about half of Americans approve of his handling of health care, tax policy and the budget deficit.

There are wide partisan gaps in views of Obama's handling of each of these issues. Majorities of independents approve of Obama's

<i>Opinion of President</i>	May	July	Apr
	Bill Clinton	G.W. Bush	Barack Obama
<i>President's Party</i>	<i>Dem</i>	<i>Rep</i>	<i>Dem</i>
Favorable	86	91	96
<i>Very favorable</i>	35	45	68
Unfavorable	10	7	3
Don't know	4	2	1
	100	100	100
<i>Other Party</i>	<i>Rep</i>	<i>Dem</i>	<i>Rep</i>
Favorable	32	38	46
Unfavorable	64	59	50
<i>Very unfavorable</i>	24	27	24
Don't know	4	3	4
	100	100	100
<i>Independents</i>	<i>Ind</i>	<i>Ind</i>	<i>Ind</i>
Favorable	57	62	72
Unfavorable	37	33	25
Don't know	6	5	3
	100	100	100

<i>Approve of Obama job on...</i>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Rep</u>	<u>Dem</u>	<u>Ind</u>
	%	%	%	%
Foreign policy	61	33	83	63
Economy	60	30	86	56
Terrorist threat	57	33	80	54
Health care	51	22	71	50
Tax policy	50	22	77	45
Budget deficit	50	19	77	45

handling of foreign policy (63%), the economy (56%), and terrorist threats (54%); half of independents approve of the way he is dealing with health care.

Independents are divided in views of Obama’s handling of tax policy and the budget deficit. While 45% of independents approve of his handling of tax policy, 40% disapprove. On the budget deficit, 45% of independents approve and 43% disapprove of the way he is dealing with the issue.

There also are substantial age and income differences in opinions about Obama’s overall job performance and his handling of specific issues. Americans under 30 years of age generally give Obama high ratings across the board – 70% approve of his overall job performance, while majorities approve of his handling of every specific issue.

But people 50 and older are more skeptical of the way Obama is handling his job and dealing with individual issues. The largest differences are in opinions about Obama’s handling of health care: 63% of those younger than 30 give him positive marks, compared with 55% of those 30 to 49, 42% of those ages 50 to 64, and 40% of those 65 and older.

Older Americans are divided in their opinions of Obama’s handling of the budget deficit, while majorities of those younger than 50 approve of his handling of the issue. That also is the case with opinions about Obama’s job performance on tax policy.

Age Differences in Approval					
	18-	30-	50-	65+	<i>Yng- old diff</i>
Overall	<u>29</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>65+</u>	
Job Approval	%	%	%	%	
Approve	70	62	60	55	+15
Disapprove	18	27	28	30	
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Health care					
Approve	63	55	42	40	+23
Disapprove	17	27	31	27	
Budget deficit					
Approve	59	51	45	44	+15
Disapprove	25	39	48	39	
Tax policy					
Approve	56	54	45	42	+14
Disapprove	30	29	41	37	
The economy					
Approve	68	63	53	56	+12
Disapprove	23	33	42	31	
Foreign policy					
Approve	68	62	59	57	+11
Disapprove	14	23	26	22	
Terrorism					
Approve	59	59	58	51	+8
Disapprove	26	25	26	26	

Affluent Are More Skeptical

Both in his overall approval rating and in his approval on several issues, Obama draws much greater support among poorer people – those with family incomes of less than \$30,000 – than among relatively affluent people (with incomes of at least \$75,000).

People with incomes of less than \$30,000 approve of Obama’s overall job performance by greater than four-to-one (71% to 16%), while the margins are somewhat narrower among those with family incomes of between \$30,000 and \$75,000 (61% approve vs. 30% disapprove) and those with incomes of \$75,000 or more (58% vs. 31%). The differences are more pronounced in opinions of Obama’s handling of the budget deficit, the economy and health care.

By roughly three-to-one (66% to 23%), people with lower incomes approve of the way Obama is handling the budget deficit. Those with family incomes of between \$30,000 and \$75,000 are evenly divided (46% approve vs. 45% disapprove). By a wide margin, those with higher incomes disapprove of Obama’s handling of the deficit (56% to 38%).

While a large majority (77%) of those with lower family incomes approve of the way Obama is dealing with the economy, smaller majorities of those with higher incomes agree. And on health care, 63% of those with family incomes of less than \$30,000 give Obama positive ratings, compared with 48% of those with family incomes of between \$30,000 and \$75,000, and 41% of those making \$75,000 or more.

Income Differences in Approval				
	\$75k or more	\$30- \$75k	Under \$30k	<i>Lo-Hi diff</i>
Overall				
Job Approval	%	%	%	
Approve	58	61	71	+13
Disapprove	31	30	16	
Budget deficit				
Approve	38	46	66	+28
Disapprove	56	45	23	
The economy				
Approve	53	56	77	+24
Disapprove	42	40	20	
Health care				
Approve	41	48	63	+22
Disapprove	36	27	19	
Tax policy				
Approve	46	50	62	+16
Disapprove	44	36	21	
Terrorism				
Approve	54	63	61	+7
Disapprove	34	23	20	
Foreign policy				
Approve	64	60	67	+3
Disapprove	26	27	14	

More See Impact of Economic Policies

While a majority of Americans (53%) say that Obama's economic policies have not had an impact on the economy so far, or that it is too soon to tell, that percentage is down sharply from March (68%). The percentage saying his policies have had a positive impact has risen since then from 14% to 26%, while the share saying Obama's policies have had a negative effect have remained about the same (15% then, 17% today).

The biggest change in positive views of the impact of Obama's economic policies has come among Democrats. Fully 45% of Democrats now believe Obama's policies are affecting the economy positively, up from just 20% a little over a month ago. The increases in positive views among Republicans (up seven points) and independents (five points) have been much more modest.

More Dems, Low-Income People See Obama Policies Helping			
<i>Obama econ policies making conditions...</i>	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>	<i>Change</i>
	%	%	
Better	14	26	+12
Worse	15	17	+2
No effect/too soon	68	53	-15
Don't know	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	
	100	100	
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<i>Percent better among:</i>			
Republican	5	12	+7
Democrat	20	45	+25
Independent	15	20	+5
<i>Family income</i>			
\$75,000 or more	7	21	+14
\$30k-74,999	15	25	+10
Less than \$30,000	18	37	+19

Nearly four-in-ten (37%) of those with family incomes of less than \$30,000 see Obama's economic policies having a positive effect, up from 18% in March. Smaller shares of those with higher incomes believe Obama's policies are making economic conditions better. But among those with family incomes of \$75,000 or more, the proportion saying they have had a positive effect has tripled, from just 7% in March to 21% currently.

Listening More to Liberals?

Between January and March, there was an increase in the proportion of the public saying Obama was listening to liberal members of his party, rather than to the party's moderates. Since then, views about whether Obama is listening more to the party's liberals or moderates have remained fairly stable.

Who Has Obama's Ear?			
<i>Obama is listening more to...</i>	<u>Jan</u>	<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>
	%	%	%
Liberals in his party	34	44	40
Moderates in his party	44	30	33
Don't know	<u>22</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>27</u>
	100	100	100

Currently, 40% say that Obama is listening more to liberal members of his party while 33% say he is listening more to Democratic moderates; 27% offered no response. As was the case in March, most Republicans believe that Obama listens more to liberals in his party (68%) than to moderates (20%). A plurality of Democrats (45%) believe Obama listens more to the party's moderates while 25% say he listens more to the liberals. Like Republicans, Democrats'

perceptions about whether Obama listens more to the party’s liberals or moderates have changed little in the past month.

However, somewhat fewer independents believe that Obama listens more to liberals in his party than did so last month (39% now, 47% then). A third of independents say he listens more to the party’s moderates, which is largely unchanged since then (31%).

Similarly, there has been little change in perceptions of whether Obama has a new approach to politics in Washington or represents “business as usual.” More than six-in-ten (63%) believe Obama has a new approach to politics while 27% believe his approach is business as usual.

The belief that Obama has a new approach to politics is widely shared – even a narrow majority (51%) of Republicans express this view, as do 57% of independents and 80% of Democrats. The most notable change in these opinions since February has come among young people: 61% of those younger than 30 say Obama brings a new approach to politics, down from 73% in February.

Views of whether Obama has a new approach to politics are associated with opinions about whether he listens more to liberals or moderates in his party. Among those who say Obama has a new approach to politics, slightly more say he listens more to moderate Democrats than to liberal Democrats (by 39% to 33%). Among those who say he represents business as usual, 59% believe he listens more to liberal members of his party, compared with 25% who say he listens more to moderates.

	Total	Rep	Dem	Ind	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
April 14-21								
New approach	63	51	80	57	61	65	64	62
Business as usual	27	40	14	31	29	26	27	23
Don’t know	10	9	6	12	10	9	9	15
	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
February 4-8								
New approach	66	51	80	65	73	65	65	61
Business as usual	25	40	13	28	19	28	29	23
Don’t know	9	9	7	7	8	7	6	16
	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
<i>Change in “new”</i>	-3	0	0	-8	-12	0	-1	+1

Meeting Expectations

For the most part, Obama's performance in office has met the public's expectations: 61% say he has done about as well as they expected, 25% say he has done better than expected while just 9% say he has done worse than they expected.

These opinions are comparable with views of Bush and Clinton at a similar point in their first years. However, fewer said that Clinton exceeded their expectations (12%) than said that about Bush (22%) or Obama (25%).

	Clinton April* 1993	GW Bush April 2001	Obama April 2009
<i>Obama has done...</i>	%	%	%
Better than expected	12	22	25
Worse than expected	14	7	9
About as expected	73	67	61
Don't know	1	4	5
	100	100	100
<i>As a leader, Obama is...</i>			
Stronger than expected	--	21	25
Weaker than expected	--	13	11
As strong as expected	--	59	59
Don't know	--	7	5
		100	100

* Clinton trends from Gallup/CNN/USA Today.

Similarly, 59% say Obama has been about as strong a leader as they expected; 25% say he has been a stronger leader than they expected while fewer (11%) say he has been a weaker leader than they expected. In April 2001, 59% also said that Bush was about as strong as leader as they expected.

Obama in a Word

As was the case in February, *Intelligent* is the single word that comes to mind most often when people think of Barack Obama. Out of 742 respondents asked to describe the president in one word, 30 said *Intelligent*, while 29 said *Good*.

Among those who describe Obama negatively, the words that come to mind have changed substantially. The number of Americans describing Obama as *Socialist* has risen from six last September to 13 in February to 20 today. Ten people think of *Spender* or *Spending* when they think of

#	<u>Sept 2008</u>	#	<u>Feb 2009</u>	#	<u>Apr 2009</u>
55	Inexperienced	33	Intelligent	30	Intelligent
36	Change	17	Change	29	Good
20	Intelligent	16	Honest	20	Socialist
20	Young	15	Confident	17	Liberal
15	Charismatic	15	Inexperienced	16	Great
14	New	14	Hope/Hopeful	15	Confident
12	Energetic	13	Smart	13	Inexperienced
12	Hope/Hopeful	13	Socialist	12	Honest
12	Liberal	12	Good	12	Trying
10	Honest	11	Charismatic	11	Smart
9	Fresh	10	Great	10	Change
9	Scary	9	Fantastic	10	Competent
8	Different	9	Leader	10	Excellent
7	Enthusiastic	9	Trying	10	Spender/Spending
7	Unqualified	8	Determined	9	Arrogant
6	Committed	8	Different	9	Hope/Hopeful
6	Good	8	Liberal	8	Charismatic
6	Inspiring	8	President	8	President
6	Socialist	8	Sincere	7	Leader
				7	Different

N=629 N=660 N=742

Figures show the actual number of respondents who offered each response; these numbers are not percentages. Sept 2008 figures based on registered voters.

Obama – a concept that was absent or rare in previous surveys.

Views of Michelle Obama

Michelle Obama’s personal favorability has improved substantially since January. Today, 76% view her favorably, up eight points from an already high 68% in early January. The share saying they have a “very favorable” impression of her has also grown by eight points, from 28% to 36% today. By this measure, Obama is substantially more popular than her two immediate predecessors. In July 2001, 64% offered a favorable rating of Laura Bush, with 21% very favorable. And in May 1993, 60% felt favorably toward Hillary Clinton, with 19% very favorable.

	Hillary Clinton May 1993	Laura Bush July 2001	Michelle Obama April 2009
	%	%	%
Favorable	60	64	76
Very	19	21	36
Mostly	41	43	40
Unfavorable	29	17	13
Very	11	5	4
Mostly	8	12	9
Don’t know	11	19	11
	100	100	100

Michelle Obama is viewed more positively today by Republicans – particularly Republican women. Today, 60% of Republicans offer a favorable assessment of Michelle Obama, up 14 points from 46% in January. Among Republican women, her favorable rating rose 21 points from 46% to 67%. As a result, there is a substantial gender gap between Republican men and women today that did not exist three months ago. In September 2008, during the presidential campaign, a plurality of Republicans – both men and women – expressed an unfavorable opinion of Michelle Obama.

	Sep 2008		Jan 2009		Apr 2009		<i>Jan-Apr change in fav</i>
	Un-fav		Un-fav		Un-fav		
	Fav %	Un-fav %	Fav %	Un-fav %	Fav %	Un-fav %	
Total	56	25	68	15	76	13	+8
Men	50	28	62	18	70	15	+8
Women	61	24	74	11	83	11	+9
Republicans	34	45	46	34	60	28	+14
Men	31	44	46	35	52	30	+6
Women	37	45	46	33	67	26	+21
Democrats	79	9	90	3	94	3	+4
Men	73	13	85	4	92	3	+7
Women	83	7	94	2	94	2	0
Independents	54	27	62	13	74	13	+12
Men	49	28	56	18	70	14	+14
Women	60	26	71	6	80	13	+9

Independents, too, view Mrs. Obama more favorably today (74%) than in January (62%). There remains a substantial gender gap between independent men (70% favorable) and women (80%).

With fully 90% of Democrats already feeling favorably toward Michelle Obama in January, there

	Hillary Clinton May 1993	Laura Bush July 2001	Michelle Obama April 2009
	%	%	%
Republicans			
Favorable	41	87	60
Unfavorable	50	4	28
Democrats			
Favorable	78	54	94
Unfavorable	11	25	3
Independents			
Favorable	57	60	74
Unfavorable	30	17	13
<i>R-D Difference</i>	<i>-37</i>	<i>+33</i>	<i>-34</i>

was less room for improvement. Today, 94% express a favorable impression of the first lady. In January, there was a nine-point gender gap between Democratic men and women; that has narrowed to just two points today. The share of Democrats with a *very* favorable opinion of Michelle Obama rose from 47% to 60% since January, and now includes 50% of Democratic men and 66% of Democratic women.

With Republicans expressing increasingly favorable views of Michelle Obama, impressions of her are now no more polarized than were early impressions of Laura Bush or Hillary Clinton. Currently, 94% of Democrats and 60% of Republicans offer a favorable impression of Michelle Obama.

First Lady In a Word

Many of the words people use to describe Michelle Obama are similar to peoples' early impressions of Laura Bush. In fact, three words, *Classy*, *Nice*, and *Intelligent* are among the top four one-word descriptions for both Bush in 2001 and Obama today.

But there are also substantial differences in the two women's images. Among the most often used words to describe Michelle Obama are *Strong*, *Confident*, *Smart*, *Wife*, and *Wonderful*, none of which were in the top-20 words used for Laura Bush eight years ago. By contrast, Mrs. Bush was often described as *Ladylike*, *Quiet*, *Loyal*, *Dignified*, and *Pleasant*, none of which make the list for Mrs. Obama. Notably, Michelle Obama is rarely described in ideological terms – only one person out of 765 interviewed describes her as *Liberal*. In July 2001, *Conservative* was the seventh most-frequently used word to describe Laura Bush, mentioned by 28 out of 1,212 respondents.

One-Word Impressions of the First Lady	
Laura Bush # <u>July 2001</u>	Michelle Obama # <u>April 2009</u>
72 Nice/Nice lady	34 Classy
68 Lady/Ladylike	34 Nice/Nice Lady
48 Classy/Has class	26 Intelligent
43 Intelligent	22 Strong
31 Quiet	15 Elegant
29 Good/Good person	15 Good
28 Conservative	13 Confident
24 Loyal/Loyalty	11 OK
24 Mother/Motherly	11 Smart
21 Dignified/Dignity	11 Wife
20 OK	9 Fine
17 Pleasant	9 Wonderful
17 Elegant	8 Beautiful
16 Invisible	8 Capable
16 Unknown	8 Great
16 Sophisticated	8 Pretty
16 Competent	8 Supportive/Supporting
16 Great	7 Arrogant
15 Honest	7 Awesome
15 Dedicated	7 Mother/Motherly
	7 Outgoing
	7 Terrific
N=1,212	N=765

Figure shows number of respondents who offered each response; these numbers are not percentages.
Note all figures are larger for Laura Bush because the question was asked of nearly twice as many respondents.

Biden's Favorability Declines

While both the president and first lady enjoy higher favorability ratings than either of their predecessors did early in their first terms, the same cannot be said for the current vice president. Only about half of Americans (51%) say they have a favorable impression of Joe Biden – comparable to the 55% who felt favorably toward Al Gore in April 1993 and lower than the 58% favorability rating Dick Cheney received in July 2001.

Biden's favorability has slipped 12 points since January, when 63% offered a favorable impression of him on the eve of his inauguration. Democratic favorability is down from 87% to 76% over the past three months, independent favorability is down from 58% to 46%. Republicans' views of the vice president are largely unchanged (36% in January, 32% today). The 44-point partisan gap in Biden's favorability rating (76% among Democrats vs. 32% among Republicans) is comparable to the partisan difference in feelings about Dick Cheney in 2001 (44% favorable among Democrats, 85% among Republicans) and Al Gore in 1993 (79% vs. 32%).

	Gore* April 1993 %	Cheney July 2001 %	Biden April 2009 %
Favorable	55	58	51
Very	--	19	14
Mostly	--	39	37
Unfavorable	24	26	28
Very	--	6	10
Mostly	--	20	18
Don't know	<u>21</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>21</u>
	100	100	100

* Gallup/CNN/USA Today trend.

ABOUT THE SURVEY

Results for this survey are based on telephone interviews conducted under the direction of Princeton Survey Research Associates among a nationwide sample of 1,507 adults, 18 years of age or older, from April 14-21, 2009 (1132 respondents were interviewed on a landline telephone, and 375 were interviewed on a cell phone, including 129 who had no landline telephone). Both the landline and cell phone samples were provided by Survey Sampling International. Interviews were conducted in English and Spanish. For detailed information about our survey methodology, see <http://people-press.org/methodology/>.

The combined landline and cell phone sample are weighted using an iterative technique that matches gender, age, education, race/ethnicity, region, and population density to parameters from the March 2008 Census Bureau's Current Population Survey. The sample is also weighted to match current patterns of telephone status and relative usage of landline and cell phones (for those with both), based on extrapolations from the 2007 National Health Interview Survey. The weighting procedure also accounts for the fact that respondents with both landline and cell phones have a greater probability of being included in the sample.

The following table shows the error attributable to sampling that would be expected at the 95% level of confidence for different groups in the survey:

Group	Sample Size	Plus or minus...
Total sample	1,507	3.0 percentage points
Form 1	742	4.0 percentage points
Form 2	765	4.0 percentage points
Republicans	377	6.0 percentage points
Democrats	476	5.0 percentage points
Independents	568	5.0 percentage points

In addition to sampling error, one should bear in mind that question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of opinion polls.

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2009 MID-APRIL VALUES SURVEY B
FINAL TOPLINE
 April 14-21, 2009
 N=1,507

ASK ALL SURVEY B:

Q.1 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? **[IF DK ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]**

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>(VOL.)</u> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Mid-April, 2009	63	26	11=100
Early April, 2009	61	26	13=100
March, 2009	59	26	15=100
February, 2009	64	17	19=100

SELECTED APRIL TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>DK/Ref</u>
GW Bush: April, 2001	56	27	17=100
Clinton: April, 1993 (<i>Gallup</i>)	55	37	8=100
GHW Bush: April, 1989 (<i>Gallup</i>)	58	16	26=100
Reagan: April, 1981 (<i>Gallup</i>)	67	19	14=100
Carter: April, 1977 (<i>Gallup</i>)	63	18	19=100

ASK SURVEY B IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE (1,2 IN Q.1) [N=1,338]:

Q.B2 Do you [approve/disapprove] very strongly, or not so strongly?

BASED ON TOTAL FOR SURVEY B:

		----- <i>Gallup</i> -----		
		Bush	Clinton	Reagan
		<u>April 2001</u>	<u>April 1993¹</u>	<u>March 1981</u>
63	Approve	56	55	60
45	Very strongly	34	18	35
13	Not so strongly	20	37	25
5	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	2	--	--
26	Disapprove	27	37	24
18	Very strongly	9	16	-
8	Not so strongly	18	21	15
*	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	*	--	--
<u>11</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>17</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>16</u>
100		100	100	100

¹ In 1993, the question was worded "Do you approve/disapprove strongly or moderately?"

ASK SURVEY B FORM 1 ONLY [N=742]:

Q.B3F1 What ONE WORD best describes your impression of Barack Obama? Just the one word that best describes him. [OPEN-END. PROBE ONCE IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS “DON’T KNOW”. ACCEPT UP TO TWO RESPONSES, BUT DO NOT PROBE FOR SECOND RESPONSE].

NOTE: The numbers listed represent the number of respondents who offered each response; the numbers are not percentages.

<u>Mid-April 2009</u>	<u>February 2009</u>	--Based on RVs-- <u>September 2008</u>
30 Intelligent	33 Intelligent/Intellectual	55 Inexperienced
29 Good	17 Change	36 Change
20 Socialist	16 Honest	20 Intelligent/Intellectual
17 Liberal	15 Confident	20 Young/Youthful
16 Great	15 Inexperienced	15 Charismatic
15 Confident	14 Hope/Hopeful	14 New
13 Inexperienced	13 Smart	12 Energetic/Energy
12 Honest	13 Socialist	12 Hope/Hopeful
12 Trying	12 Good	12 Liberal
11 Smart	11 Charismatic	10 Honest
10 Change	10 Great	9 Fresh
10 Competent	9 Fantastic	9 Scary
10 Excellent	9 Leader	8 Different
10 Spender/Spending	9 Trying	7 Enthusiastic
9 Arrogant	8 Determined	7 Unqualified
9 Hope/Hopeful	8 Different	6 Committed
8 Charismatic	8 Liberal	6 Good
8 President/Presidential	8 President	6 Innovative
7 Different	8 Sincere	6 Inspiring/Inspiration
7 Leader	7 Arrogant	6 Liar
5 Caring/Cares	7 Awesome	6 Socialist
5 Determined	7 Competent	5 Dishonest
5 Efficient	7 Energetic	5 Fake
5 Strong	6 Dedicated	5 Leader
5 Young	6 Excellent	5 Phony
4 Ambitious	6 Fresh/Refreshing	5 Unknown
4 Awesome	6 Naive	4 Arrogant
4 Capable	5 Committed	4 Idealist
4 Impressed	5 New	4 Interesting
4 Incompetent	5 Outstanding	4 Opportunist
4 Integrity	5 Young	4 Uncertain
4 Naive	4 Amazing	(N=629)
4 Politician	4 Capable	
	4 Dynamic	
	4 Enthusiastic	
	4 Fair	
	4 Integrity	
	4 OK	
	4 Good speaker	
	4 Strong	
	4 Surprising	
	(N=660)	

ASK SURVEY B FORM 2 ONLY [N=765]:

Q.B4F2 What ONE WORD best describes your impression of Michelle Obama? Just the one word that best describes her. [OPEN-END. PROBE ONCE IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS “DON’T KNOW”. ACCEPT UP TO TWO RESPONSES, BUT DO NOT PROBE FOR SECOND RESPONSE].

NOTE: The numbers listed represent the number of respondents who offered each response; the numbers are not percentages.

<u>Mid-April, 2009</u>	<u>July 2001</u>	<u>March 1996</u>
Michelle Obama’s “Top 20”	Laura Bush’s “Top 20”	Hillary Clinton’s “Top 20”
Classy 34	Nice/Nice lady 72	Intelligent 34
Nice/Nice lady 34	Lady/Ladylike 68	Smart 26
Intelligent 26	Classy/Has class 48	“Rhymes with rich” 22
Strong 22	Intelligent 43	Good 21
Elegant/Elegance 15	Quiet 31	Bossy 21
Good 15	Good/Good person 29	Aggressive 20
Confident 13	Conservative 28	Domineering 18
OK 11	Loyal/loyalty 24	OK 17
Smart 11	Mother/Motherly 24	Strong 16
Wife 11	Dignified/Dignity 21	Nice 13
Wonderful 9	OK 20	Liar 13
Fine 9	Pleasant 17	Powerful 11
Beautiful/Beauty 8	Elegant 17	Distrustful 10
Capable 8	Invisible 16	Dishonest 9
Great 8	Unknown 16	Pushy 9
Pretty 8	Sophisticated 16	Snob 8
Supportive/Supporting 8	Competent 16	Ambitious 7
Arrogant 7	Great 16	Fair 7
Awesome 7	Honest 15	Great 7
Mother/Motherly 7	Dedicated 15	Independent 6
Outgoing 7		
Terrific 7	(N=1212)	(N=751)

ASK SURVEY B FORM A ONLY [N=762]:

Q.B5FA Overall, has Barack Obama done better than you expected as president, worse than you expected, or about as you expected?

		<u>Newsweek</u>	<u>Gallup/CNN/</u>	
	<u>GW Bush</u>	<u>GW Bush</u>	<u>USA Today</u>	
	<u>April 2001</u>	<u>Feb 2001²</u>	<u>Clinton</u>	
			<u>April 1993</u>	
25	Better than expected	22	24	12
9	Worse than expected	7	7	14
61	About as expected	67	61	73
<u>5</u>	Don’t know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>4</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>1</u>
100		100	100	100

² February 2001 question was worded slightly different: "From what you've seen or heard in the news about President Bush's first three months in office, is he doing a better job or worse job than you expected — or is his performance about what you expected?"

ASK SURVEY B FORM B ONLY [N=745]:

Q.B6FB So far, does Barack Obama seem to be a stronger leader than you expected, a weaker leader, or is he about as strong as you expected?

		GW Bush	<i>Gallup/CNN/USA Today</i>
		<u>April 2001</u>	Clinton <u>Jan 1993</u>
25	Stronger leader than expected	21	13
11	Weaker leader than expected	13	12
59	About as strong as expected	59	68
<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>
100		100	100

NO QUESTION B7

ASK ALL SURVEY B:

Q.B8 Do you think that [READ AND RANDOMIZE]:

		<u>Feb 2009</u>
63	Barack Obama has a new approach to politics in Washington [OR]	66
27	Barack Obama's approach to politics in Washington is 'business as usual'?	25
<u>10</u>	Don't know/Refused [VOL. DO NOT READ]	<u>9</u>
100		100

ASK SURVEY B FORM 1 ONLY [N=742]:

Thinking about some issues...

Q.B9 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling [INSERT ITEM, RANDOMIZE] How about [NEXT ITEM]?

		<u>Approve</u>	<u>Dis-</u> <u>approve</u>	(VOL.) <u>Don't</u> <u>know</u>
a.FI	The economy			
	Mid-April, 2009	60	33	7=100
	February, 2009	56	24	20=100
b.FI	The threat of terrorism			
	Mid-April, 2009	57	26	17=100
	February 2009	50	21	29=100
c.FI	The nation's foreign policy			
	Mid-April, 2009	61	22	17=100
	February 2009	52	17	31=100
d.F1	The federal budget deficit			
	Mid-April, 2009	50	38	12=100
e.F1	Tax policy			
	Mid-April, 2009	50	33	17=100
f.F1	Health care policy			
	Mid-April, 2009	51	26	23=100

NO QUESTIONS B10-B11

ASK SURVEY B FORM 2 ONLY [N=765]:

Q.B12F2 Since taking office, have Barack Obama's economic policies and proposals made economic conditions better, worse, or not had an effect so far?

		March <u>2009</u>
26	Better	14
17	Worse	15
47	No effect so far	64
6	Too soon/early to tell (VOL.)	4
<u>4</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>3</u>
100		100

ASK SURVEY B FORM 2 ONLY [N=765]:

Q.B13F2 So far, do you think Barack Obama is [READ AND RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 & 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]

		March <u>2009</u>
34	Trying to address too many issues at once	35
4	Focusing on too few issues [OR]	4
56	Doing about right	56
<u>6</u>	Don't know/Refused [VOL. DO NOT READ]	<u>5</u>
100		100

ASK ALL SURVEY B:

Q.B14 When it comes to national policy, who do you think Barack Obama is listening to more... [READ AND RANDOMIZE]

		March <u>2009</u>	Jan <u>2009</u>
40	Liberal members of his party [OR]	44	34
33	Moderate members of his party	30	44
<u>27</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>26</u>	<u>22</u>
100		100	100

ASK SURVEY B FORM 1 ONLY [N=742]:

Q.B15F1 When it comes to foreign policy, do you think Barack Obama pushes American interests too hard, not hard enough, or about right?

		GW Bush Jan <u>2005</u>	GW Bush Mid-Jan <u>2004</u>	Clinton June <u>1995</u>
5	Too hard	27	26	12
31	Not hard enough [OR]	23	22	42
58	About right	43	47	39
<u>6</u>	Don't Know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>7</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>7</u>
100		100	100	100

ASK SURVEY B FORM 2 ONLY [N=765]:

Q.B16F2 When it comes to foreign policy, do you think Barack Obama is taking into account the interests and views of our allies too much, too little, or about the right amount?

		-----GW Bush -----			
		Jan	July	Mid-Jan	Early Sept
		<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2001</u>
19	Too much	16	15	18	19
12	Too little	34	37	30	22
57	Right amount	44	38	46	42
<u>12</u>	Don't Know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>6</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>17</u>
100		100	100	100	100

ASK SURVEY B FORM 1 ONLY [N=742]:

Thinking about a couple of specific decisions Obama has made ...

Q.B17F1 Do you approve or disapprove of Barack Obama's decision to close the U.S. military prison in Guantanamo Bay within a year?

		Feb
		<u>2009</u>
51	Approve	46
38	Disapprove	39
<u>11</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>15</u>
100		100

ASK SURVEY B FORM 1 ONLY [N=742]:

Q.B18F1 Do you approve or disapprove of Barack Obama's decision to permit federal funding for most embryonic stem cell research?

63	Approve
27	Disapprove
<u>10</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	

QUESTIONS B19-B20 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

NO QUESTION B21

ASK ALL SURVEY B:

Q.B22 Now I'd like your views on some people. As I read some names, please tell me if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of each person. (First, **INSERT NAME; RANDOMIZE**) would you say your overall opinion of... **[INSERT ITEM]** is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable?

How about **(NEXT NAME)**? **[IF NECESSARY: would you say your overall opinion of [NAME] is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? [INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."]**

	-----Favorable-----			-----Unfavorable-----			(VOL.)	(VOL.)
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	Never heard of	Can't rate/Ref
a. Barack Obama								
Mid-April, 2009	73	38	35	24	10	14	*	3=100
January, 2009	79	40	39	15	4	11	0	6=100
Mid-October, 2008	66	33	33	28	13	15	*	6=100
Late September, 2008	65	33	32	30	11	19	*	5=100
Mid-September, 2008	62	28	34	34	15	19	*	4=100
Late May, 2008	51	23	28	40	21	19	*	9=100
April, 2008	52	21	31	42	21	21	*	6=100
March, 2008	56	21	35	34	18	16	1	9=100
Late February, 2008	57	24	33	34	16	18	1	8=100
Early February, 2008	58	19	39	30	13	17	2	10=100
January, 2008	56	20	36	33	13	20	3	8=100
Late December, 2007	54	16	38	30	12	18	5	11=100
August, 2007	48	14	34	26	10	16	13	13=100
b. Joe Biden								
Mid-April, 2009	51	14	37	28	10	18	8	13=100
January, 2009	63	22	41	20	7	13	6	11=100
Mid-October, 2008	55	20	34	35	10	19	6	10=100
Early Oct., 2008 (<i>callback</i>)	61	20	41	30	10	20	1	8=100
Late September, 2008	49	15	34	30	10	20	8	13=100
Mid-September, 2008	48	14	34	30	11	19	8	14=100
April, 2006	28	7	21	20	5	15	38	14=100
Late October, 2005	21	4	17	20	6	14	43	16=100
September, 1987	22	4	18	15	4	11	25	38=100
c. Michelle Obama								
Mid-April, 2009	76	36	40	13	4	9	1	10=100
January, 2009	68	28	40	15	4	11	2	15=100
September, 2008	56	23	33	25	11	14	2	17=100
Late May, 2008	43	14	29	21	8	13	4	32=100

Q.B22 CONTINUED...

		-----Favorable-----			-----Unfavorable-----			(VOL.)	(VOL.)	
		Total	Very	Mostly	Total	Very	Mostly	Never	Can't	
									heard of	rate/Ref
d.	George W. Bush									
	Mid-April, 2009	35	9	26	60	33	27	*	5=100	
	January, 2009	37	9	28	60	35	25	0	3=100	
	April, 2008	31	9	22	65	42	23	*	4=100	
	March, 2008	34	8	26	61	37	24	0	5=100	
	Late February, 2008	35	10	25	60	39	21	0	5=100	
	Early February, 2008	34	9	25	61	39	22	*	5=100	
	January, 2008	36	11	25	60	37	23	0	4=100	
	Late December, 2007	33	10	23	63	41	22	0	4=100	
	August, 2007	40	12	28	57	34	23	*	3=100	
	December, 2006	39	12	27	57	34	23	*	4=100	
	April, 2006	40	15	25	57	35	22	*	3=100	
	Late October, 2005	46	17	29	51	29	22	*	3=100	
	July, 2005	51	22	29	46	25	21	0	3=100	
	Late March, 2005	53	23	30	45	27	18	0	2=100	
	Mid-October, 2004 (RVs)	56	26	30	42	23	19	*	2=100	
	Early October, 2004 (RVs)	57	27	30	40	20	20	0	3=100	
	September, 2004	52	25	27	43	24	19	*	5=100	
	August, 2004	58	27	31	39	22	17	0	3=100	
	June, 2004	52	19	33	45	22	23	*	3=100	
	Early February, 2004	53	21	32	44	25	19	0	3=100	
	Gallup: January 29-February 1, 2004	52	--	--	47	--	--	--	1=100	
	Gallup: January 2-5, 2004	65	--	--	35	--	--	--	*=100	
	Gallup: October 6-8, 2003	60	--	--	39	--	--	--	1=100	
	Gallup: June 9-10, 2003	66	--	--	33	--	--	--	1=100	
	April, 2003	72	37	35	25	11	14	0	3=100	
	January, 2003	70	28	42	28	10	18	0	2=100	
	December, 2002	68	35	33	27	11	16	0	5=100	
	July, 2001	61	22	39	35	14	21	*	4=100	
	January, 2001	60	24	36	33	12	21	0	7=100	
	May, 2000	58	18	40	31	12	19	1	10=100	
	March, 1999 ³	61	21	40	21	7	14	4	14=100	
	November, 1997	54	13	41	18	6	12	9	19=100	

NO QUESTIONS B23 - B24

QUESTIONS B25 - B30 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

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In March 1999 and November 1997 the category was listed: "Texas Governor George W. Bush."

ASK ALL:

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or Independent?

IF ANSWERED 3, 4, 5 OR 9 IN PARTY, ASK:

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

				(VOL.)	(VOL.)	(VOL.)		
	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	No	Other	DK/	<i>Lean</i>	<i>Lean</i>
				Preference	Party	Ref	<i>Rep</i>	<i>Dem</i>
Mid April, 2009	22	33	39	3	*	3=100	13	18
Early April, 2009	21	33	40	3	*	3=100	14	19
March, 2009	24	34	35	5	*	2=100	12	17
February, 2009	24	36	34	3	1	2=100	13	17
January, 2009	25	37	33	3	*	2=100	11	16
December, 2008	26	39	30	2	*	3=100	8	15
Late October, 2008	24	39	32	2	*	3=100	11	15
Mid-October, 2008	27	35	31	4	*	3=100	9	16
Early October, 2008	26	36	31	4	*	3=100	11	15
Late September, 2008	25	35	34	3	1	2=100	13	15
Mid-September, 2008	28	35	32	3	*	2=100	12	14
August, 2008	26	34	34	4	*	2=100	12	17
July, 2008	24	36	34	3	*	3=100	12	15
June, 2008	26	37	32	3	*	2=100	11	16
Late May, 2008	25	35	35	2	*	3=100	13	15
April, 2008	24	37	31	5	1	2=100	11	15
March, 2008	24	38	29	5	*	4=100	9	14
Late February, 2008	24	38	32	3	*	3=100	10	17
Early February, 2008	26	35	31	5	*	3=100	11	14
January, 2008	24	33	37	4	*	2=100	12	18
Yearly Totals								
2008	25.3	35.8	31.7	3.8	.3	3.1=100	10.5	15.4
2007	25.4	32.9	33.7	4.6	.4	3.1=100	10.7	16.7
2006	27.6	32.8	30.3	5.0	.4	3.9=100	10.2	14.5
2005	29.2	32.8	30.3	4.5	.3	2.8=100	10.2	14.9
2004	29.7	33.4	29.8	3.9	.4	2.9=100	11.7	13.4
2003	29.8	31.4	31.2	4.7	.5	2.5=100	12.1	13.0
2002	30.3	31.2	30.1	5.1	.7	2.7=100	12.6	11.6
2001	29.2	33.6	28.9	5.1	.5	2.7=100	11.7	11.4
2001 Post-Sept 11	30.9	31.8	27.9	5.2	.6	3.6=100	11.7	9.4
2001 Pre-Sept 11	28.2	34.6	29.5	5.0	.5	2.1=100	11.7	12.5
2000	27.5	32.5	29.5	5.9	.5	4.0=100	11.6	11.6
1999	26.6	33.5	33.7	3.9	.5	1.9=100	13.0	14.5
1998	27.5	33.2	31.9	4.6	.4	2.4=100	11.8	13.5
1997	28.2	33.3	31.9	4.0	.4	2.3=100	12.3	13.8
1996	29.2	32.7	33.0	5.2=100			12.7	15.6
1995	31.4	29.7	33.4	5.4=100			14.4	12.9
1994	29.8	31.8	33.8	4.6=100			14.3	12.6
1993	27.4	33.8	34.0	4.8=100			11.8	14.7
1992	27.7	32.7	35.7	3.9=100			13.8	15.8
1991	30.9	31.4	33.2	4.5=100			14.6	10.8
1990	31.0	33.1	29.1	6.8=100			12.4	11.3
1989	33	33	34=100					
1987	26	35	39=100					