

# THE WISCONSIN SURVEY - FALL 2009

## Presidential Approval Ratings

### Survey Information:

Random Selection, Telephone Survey

Number of Adult Wisconsin Resident Respondents: 400

Interview Period: 10/13/09 – 10/22/09

Margin of Error: +/- 5% at the 95% confidence level.

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- *NOTE: Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.*

Do you approve or disapprove of how Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

Approve.....	50%
Disapprove .....	39%
Not Sure .....	11%
Refused .....	<1%

### Approval Rating

Sp '09	60%
Fall '09	50%

Generally speaking, would you say that things in the country are going in the right direction, or are they going in the wrong direction?

Right Direction.....	38%
Wrong Direction .....	51%
Not Sure .....	11%

Refused .....0%

Percentage Saying the Country is Going in the *Right* Direction

Fall '02	47%
Sp '03	36%
Fall '03	41%
Sp '04	32%
Sp '05	40%
Fall '05	29%
Sp '06	24%
Fall '06	30%
Sp '07	21%
Fall '07	22%
Sp '08	18%
Fall '08	8%
Sp '09	41%
<b>Fall '09</b>	<b>38%</b>

Please tell me whether you approve or disapprove of the way President Obama is handling each of the following aspects of his job. Do you approve or disapprove of the way he is handling....

	<b>Approve</b>	<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>Not Sure</b>	<b>Refused/NA</b>
The Situation in Afghanistan	47%	41%	12%	1%
The situation with Iran	49%	40%	10%	1%
The Economy	42%	53%	4%	<1%
Health care	38%	52%	10%	1%

**Approval Rating by Issue**

	<b>Economy</b>	<b>Health Care</b>
Spring 2003	33%	31%
Fall 2003	38%	26%
Spring 2004	32%	24%
Spring 2009	49%	36%
<b>Fall 2009</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>38%</b>

President Obama recently won the Nobel Peace Prize. Do you think he deserves to win this peace prize or not?

Deserves the prize ..... 34%  
 Does not deserve the prize ..... 59%  
 Not Sure ..... 6%  
 Refused..... 1%