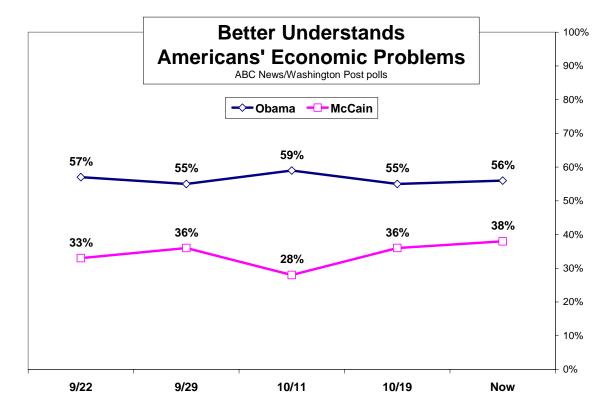
Both Candidates Rated as "Safe"; Obama Strong on Economic Empathy

John McCain's crossed back over the 50 percent threshold as a "safe" choice for president, but he's failed to push Barack Obama below it – and when risk is off the table, the race reverts to Obama's advantage on issues and empathy alike.

Key among those is not just economic policy – on which McCain's recent advance has stalled at a 10-point deficit in the latest ABC News/Washington Post tracking poll – but also in understanding Americans' economic problems. On that measure, empathy rather than policy, Obama still leads by 18 points, unchanged from last week.

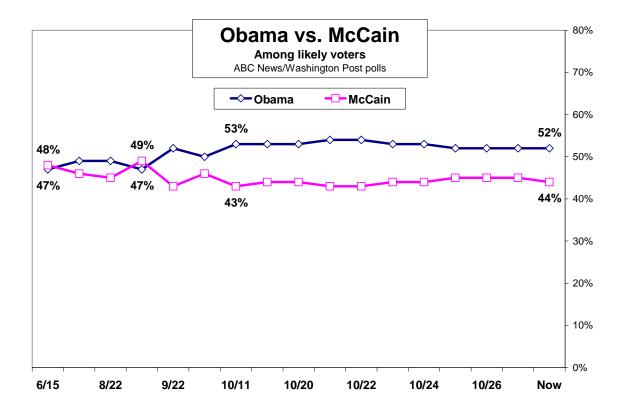


Obama's done better still on economic empathy, peaking at a 31-point lead Oct. 11. But his current 56-38 percent advantage at the kitchen-table level still represents one of McCain's greatest challenges. And it leaves no wonder that Obama's half-hour primetime television advertisement tonight includes footage of him – where else – at a kitchen table.

In the safe/risky measure, 54 percent call Obama a safe choice and 53 percent say the same of McCain, who'd slipped to 49 percent "safe" Oct. 11. McCain had held an advantage on this in June, when 57 percent called him safe vs. 50 percent for Obama.

Related to the "safe/risky" gauge, Obama's even with McCain in trust to handle an unexpected crisis. And Obama is +11 in trust to handle taxes, as noted yesterday he's the first Democrat to lead on taxes since Bill Clinton in 1992.

Obama leads McCain in vote preference by 52-44 percent among likely voters in the last four nights of interviews. The race has been essentially static in ABC/Post tracking polls since Oct. 19: Obama between 52 and 54 percent, McCain between 43 and 45 percent.



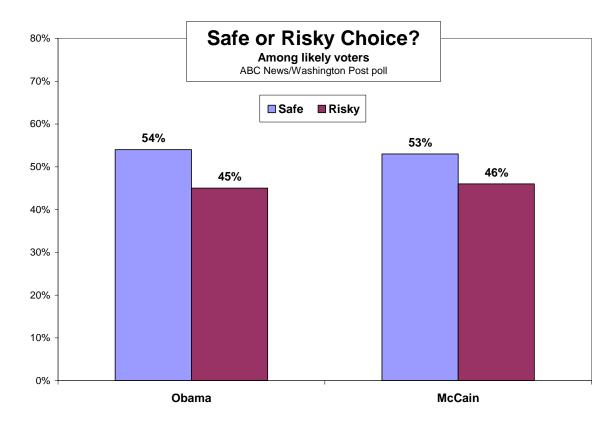
GROUPS – Contrary to some recent campaign spin, Obama and McCain are doing equally well in their own parties – 88 percent of Republicans for McCain, 89 percent of Democrats for Obama. Obama's benefiting both from lower Republican allegiance and, also critical, a 10-point lead among independents.

Obama's support is perhaps slightly weaker than it's been among white women, but slightly better among white men; both groups now split 51-45 percent, McCain-Obama. Obama's 45 percent ties his best to date among whites; his support grows to a 2-1 lead among Hispanics and 95 percent among blacks.

Obama's 2-1 advantage among moderates, 63-32 percent, is his best of the campaign. He and McCain are about even among white Catholics, a traditional swing voter group; and close among married women, 50-46 percent McCain-Obama, another possible swing group.

SAFE/RISKY – Views of the candidates as safe or risky cut sharply to vote preference, but especially for Obama. Among likely voters who see him as safe, 89 percent support him; among those who see McCain as safe, McCain gets 74 percent support.

While partisanship is a strong factor, there are others. Men by 57-42 percent see McCain as safe, but are divided on Obama, 50-50. Women look exactly the opposite; they see Obama as safe by 57-42 percent, but divide on McCain, 50-49.



Independents divide evenly on whether Obama's safe or risky, 49-50 percent, while they see McCain as safe by 57-41 percent. That's even though independents currently favor Obama in their vote preference, 52-42 percent. This likely is the group in which McCain's trying to use the risk argument to make inroads.

MOVABLES – Eleven percent of likely voters overall remain movable, steady the past week; these are either outright undecided (just 2 percent) or have a preference but haven't definitely made up their minds (9 percent more). Currently they divide by 38-31 percent between McCain and Obama, with the rest unsure.

The campaigns may covet them – but they're a tough sell.

First off, they're not all that movable. Movables split about evenly between being highly movable - either undecided or saying there's a "good chance" they'll change their minds (6 percent) - and those who say it's "pretty unlikely" they'll change, 5 percent.

They're also less partisan and less engaged. Movability peaks among independents who don't lean toward either main political party; a quarter in this group are movable, 19 percent highly so. Movability also peaks among all independents (17 percent movable, 11 percent highly so), moderates (15 percent movable, 9 percent highly), white Catholics (15 percent/8 percent) and white mainline Protestants (15 percent/9 percent) – all groups less rooted in partisanship than some of their counterparts.

Moreover, just 45 percent of movables are following the campaign very closely, compared with 68 percent of likely voters who've definitely decided on a candidate. That makes their attention hard to get – something Obama may be trying to achieve with his prime time advertisement tonight.

KNOW HIM? – As reported separately Wednesday morning, Obama and McCain alike have made strides since June in acquainting likely voters with their positions. But for Obama's supporters it looks much more likely to matter.

More than three-quarters of likely voters feel they know at least a good amount about both candidates' positions on the issues, up 18 points for McCain and 21 points for Obama since the general election campaign got underway.

But the importance likely voters place on those issue positions is not the same. Forty-five percent say the candidates' positions on the issues are more important than their personal qualities – and they're a very broadly pro-Obama group, favoring him by 67-30 percent.

Fifty-three percent, however, say either that the candidates' personal qualities are more important, or that the two are equally important (42 and 11 percent, respectively) – and this group favors McCain by 14 points, 55-41 percent.

That may be what McCain's campaign manager, Rick Davis, had in mind when he told The Washington Post in early September that what mattered in the race wasn't issues but the voters' "composite view" of the candidates. From McCain's perspective that makes sense. From Obama's, not so much.

Another approach to the data reinforces that conclusion. Among likely voters who feel they know at least a good amount about Obama's positions, he leads by 56-40 percent, a 16-point advantage. Among those who know at least that much about McCain, it's a closer 51-46 percent McCain-Obama race.

Familiarity therefore seems to work for Obama in a way it doesn't for McCain – a result that underscores the McCain campaign's efforts to portray Obama as an unknown

quantity, and the Obama campaign's heavy push on increasing voters' familiarity and comfort level with their candidate.

VOTED – Finally, there are those for whom the election already is over. ABC/Post tracking data so far find that 10 percent of likely voters have voted, which comports with tallies of the early vote so far (15 million out of, say, 130 million voters is 12 percent).

Vote preference among these early voters is 59-40 percent, Obama-McCain, widening to 68-31 percent in the 16 battleground states and 71-28 percent in the eight toss-ups states as designated by ABC's Political Unit (Colorado, Florida, Indiana, Missouri, Nevada, North Carolina, Ohio and Virginia).

Nationally an additional 25 percent say they will vote between now and Election Day for a total intended early/absentee vote of 35 percent, compared with about 22 percent in 2004 and 15 percent in 2000. Early voters (including those who intend to do it) are not disproportionately first-time voters. They are disproportionately Westerners, black, urban and single women, all pro-Obama groups; and seniors, who divide more evenly.

METHODOLOGY – Interviews for this ABC News/Washington Post tracking poll were conducted by telephone Oct. 25-28, 2008, among a random national sample of 1,316 likely voters, including landline and cell-phone-only respondents. Results have a 2.5-point error margin for the full sample. Questions 7a and 32 were asked Oct. 27-28 among 656 likely voters; those results have a 4-point error margin. Sampling, data collection and tabulation by TNS of Horsham, PA.

Analysis by Gary Langer.

For details on ABC News polls including full questionnaires, methodology and sampling error information, see http://abcnews.com/pollingunit.

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Full results follow (*= less than 0.5 percent).

1. (ASKED OF REGISTERED VOTERS) How closely are you following the presidential race: very closely, somewhat closely, not too closely, or not closely at all?

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$----$ Closely ----- Not closely ----- No NET Very Smwt. NET Not too At all opinion 10/28/08 RV 90 59 31 10 6 4 \star
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Call for full trend.

2. (ASKED OF REGISTERED VOTERS) I'd like you to rate the chances that you will vote in the presidential election in November: Are you absolutely certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or less than that?

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Don't think Already
Certain Probably Chances Less than will vote voted No
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	to vote	vote	50/50	that	(vol.)	(vol.)	op.
10/28/08 RV	77	6	4	1	1	11	1

Call for full trend.

2a. (ASKED IF CERTAIN IN Q2) Do you think you'll (vote in person at your polling place on Election Day), or (vote before Election Day by early voting or mail-in ballot)?

	Vote	Early voting/	Already	
	in person	mail-in ballot	<pre>voted (vol.)</pre>	No opinion
10/28/08 RV	74	22	2	1

Call for full trend.

3. (ASKED OF REGISTERED VOTERS) If the 2008 presidential election were being held today and the candidates were (Barack Obama and Joe Biden, the Democrats) and (John McCain and Sarah Palin, the Republicans), for whom would you vote? (ASKED IF ALREADY VOTED) Confidentially and for statistical purposes only, did you vote for (Barack Obama and Joe Biden) or for (John McCain and Sarah Palin)?

NET LEANED VOTE - LIKELY VOTERS

			Other	Neither	No
	Obama	McCain	(vol.)	(vol.)	opinion
10/28/08	52	44	1	1	3
10/27/08	52	45	1	1	2
10/26/08	52	45	*	1	2
10/25/08	52	45	*	1	2
10/24/08	53	44	1	1	2
10/23/08	53	44	*	1	2
10/22/08	54	43	1	1	2
10/21/08	54	43	1	1	1
10/20/08	53	44	1	1	1
10/19/08	53	44	1	1	2
10/11/08	53	43	1	1	2
9/29/08	50	46	*	2	2
9/22/08	52	43	*	1	3
9/7/08	47	49	1	1	3
8/22/08	49	45	*	2	4
7/13/08	49	46	1	2	2
6/15/08	47	48	1	2	2

NET LEANED VOTE - REGISTERED VOTERS

	Obama	McCain	Other	Neither (vol.)	Would not vote (vol.)	No opinion
10/28/08	51	42	1	2	1	3
10/27/08	51	42	1	2	1	3
10/26/08	51	43	1	1	1	3
10/25/08	51	44	*	1	*	3
10/24/08	52	42	1	2	*	3
10/23/08	52	42	1	1	1	3
10/22/08	54	41	1	2	1	3
10/21/08	53	41	1	1	1	3
10/20/08	52	42	1	1	1	3
10/19/08	52	42	1	1	1	3
10/11/08	54	41	1	2	*	2
9/29/08	49	45	1	2	*	3
9/22/08	52	42	1	1	*	4
9/7/08	47	46	1	1	1	4

8/22/08	49	43	*	3	2	3
7/13/08	50	42	1	3	1	2
6/15/08	49	45	1	3	1	3
5/11/08	51	44	*	2	1	1
4/13/08	49	44	*	3	3	2
3/2/08	53	40	*	2	1	3
2/1/08	47	48	1	1	1	2
1/19/07	47	45	*	3	1	4

3b. (ASKED OF LIKELY VOTERS IF NAMED CANDIDATE) Would you definitely vote for (CANDIDATE), or is there a chance you could change your mind and vote for someone else? (IF CHANCE CHANGE MIND) Is there a GOOD CHANCE you'll change your mind, or would you say it's PRETTY UNLIKELY?

		Definitely	-Chai	nce char	nge mind -	No
		vote for	NET	Good	Unlikely	opinion
10/28/08	LV	91	9	3	5	*
10/27/08	LV	91	9	3	5	*
10/26/08	LV	91	9	3	6	*
10/25/08	LV	91	9	3	6	*
10/24/08	LV	91	9	4	5	1
10/23/08	LV	91	9	4	5	1
10/22/08	LV	90	9	4	5	1
10/21/08	LV	89	10	5	5	1
10/20/08	LV	89	10	4	6	1
10/19/08	LV	88	10	5	6	1
10/11/08	LV	88	11	4	7	1
9/29/08	RV	82	17	8	9	1
9/22/08	RV	83	16	8	8	1
9/7/08	RV	79	20	8	12	1
8/22/08	RV	73	24	11	13	3
7/13/08	RV	72	25	10	15	3
6/15/08	RV	72	26	11	16	2
5/11/08	RV	69	28	15	14	3
9/26/04	RV	82	16	4	12	2
9/8/04	RV	84	14	6	8	2
8/29/04	RV	81	18	7	11	1
8/1/04	RV	80	19	7	12	1
7/25/04	RV	78	20	7	13	2
7/11/04	RV	79	21	7	13	1
6/20/04	RV	73	26	12	14	*

Barack Obama:

	Definitely	-Chai	nce char	nge mind -	No
	vote for	NET	Good	Unlikely	opinion
10/28/08 LV	92	7	2	5	*
10/27/08 LV	92	7	2	5	*
10/26/08 LV	92	8	3	5	*
10/25/08 LV	93	7	3	4	*
10/24/08 LV	92	7	3	4	*
10/23/08 LV	91	8	4	4	1
10/22/08 LV	90	8	3	5	1
10/21/08 LV	89	9	4	6	1
10/20/08 LV	90	9	3	6	1
10/19/08 LV	91	9	3	5	1
10/11/08 LV	90	9	3	6	1
9/29/08 RV	83	16	7	9	1
9/22/08 RV	85	14	8	7	1
9/7/08 RV	78	21	9	12	1
8/22/08 RV	74	23	7	15	4
7/13/08 RV	72	23	9	14	5

6/15/08	RV	71	26	7	19	3
5/11/08	RV	71	25	13	13	4

John McCain:

		Definitely	-Cha	ance chan	ge mind -	No
		vote for	NET	Good	Unlikely	opinion
10/28/08	LV	89	10	4	6	1
10/27/08	LV	90	10	4	6	*
10/26/08	LV	89	11	4	7	*
10/25/08	LV	88	11	3	8	1
10/24/08	LV	89	10	4	6	1
10/23/08	LV	90	10	4	5	1
10/22/08	LV	90	9	4	5	1
10/21/08	LV	89	11	5	5	1
10/20/08	LV	89	11	5	5	1
10/19/08	LV	86	12	6	6	1
10/11/08	LV	86	14	4	9	*
9/29/08	RV	81	18	9	9	1
9/22/08	RV	81	18	9	9	2
9/7/08	RV	80	19	8	11	2
8/22/08	RV	72	25	14	11	2
7/13/08	RV	71	28	12	17	1
6/15/08	RV	72	27	14	12	1
5/11/08	RV	66	32	17	15	2

4. (ASKED OF LIKELY VOTERS) Have you voted for president in any year before this 2008 election, or is this the first year you'll be voting for president?

		Voted before	First time	No opinion
10/28/08	LV	88	12	*
10/27/08	LV	89	11	0
10/26/08	LV	88	12	0
10/25/08	LV	88	12	0
10/24/08	LV	88	12	0
10/23/08	LV	87	13	*
10/22/08	LV	87	13	*
10/21/08	LV	87	12	*
10/20/08	LV	88	11	*
10/19/08	LV	89	11	*
10/11/08	LV	90	10	0
9/29/08*	RV	92	8	*
9/22/08	RV	92	8	0
10/31/04	RV	90	10	*
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^{*9/29/08} and previous: "(Was this/will this be) the first time you've voted in a presidential election, or have you voted in previous presidential elections?"

5. (ASKED OF LIKELY VOTERS) What [was/is] the SINGLE most important issue in your choice for president: (The economy), (the war in Iraq), (terrorism), (energy policy), (health care), or something else?

				Energy	Health	Something	No
	Economy	Iraq	Terrorism	policy	care	else	op.
10/28/08 LV	54	9	4	3	9	20	1
10/27/08 LV	54	8	4	4	10	19	1
10/26/08 LV	53	8	5	4	10	19	1
10/25/08 LV	52	8	6	5	11	18	1
10/24/08 LV	51	8	5	4	11	19	1
10/23/08 LV	51	8	5	4	10	21	1
10/22/08 LV	51	8	5	4	10	20	1

10/21/08 LV	51	9	5	4	10	20	1
10/20/08 LV	52	8	6	5	9	19	1
10/19/08 LV	53	7	6	4	9	19	2

6. (ASKED OF LIKELY VOTERS) Regardless of who you may support, who do you trust more to handle [ITEM] - (Obama) or (McCain)?

Both Neither

No

10/28/08 - Summary Table

				Both	Neither	No
		Obama	McCain	(vol.)	(vol.)	opinion
a.	The economy	52	42	1	3	2
b.	An unexpected major crisis	47	48	1	2	3
c.	Taxes	52	41	1	4	2

Trend:

a. The economy

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	Obama	McCain	(vol.)	(vol.)	opinion	
10/28/08 LV	52	42	1	3	2	
10/27/08 LV	52	43	1	3	2	
10/26/08 LV	52	42	1	3	3	
10/25/08 LV	53	42	*	3	2	
10/24/08 LV	55	40	1	2	2	
10/23/08 LV	56	39	1	2	2	
10/22/08 LV	56	38	1	3	2	
10/21/08 LV	55	38	1	4	2	
10/20/08 LV	55	38	1	4	2	
10/19/08 LV	55	39	1	4	1	
10/13/08 LV 10/11/08 LV	54	37	1	6	2	
9/29/08 RV	50	43	1	3	2	
9/22/08 RV	53	39	1	4	3	
9/7/08 RV	47	42	1	4	6	
	50	39	2	5	4	
8/22/08 RV			2			
7/13/08 RV	54	37		6	3	
6/15/08 RV	52	37	2	5	4	
5/11/08 RV	48	38	2	8	4	
3/2/08 RV	50	37	2	6	5	
Compare to:						
-			Both	Neither	No	
	Kerry	Bush	(vol.)	(vol.)	opinion	
10/30/04 LV	48	45	1	3	3	
			Both	Neither	No	
	Gore	Bush	(vol.)	(vol.)	opinion	
10/25/00 LV	48	45	2	3	3	
10/20/00 20	10		_	J	J	
			Both	Neither	No	
	Clinton	Dole	(vol.)	(vol.)		
9/4/96 RV	48	42	2	6	3	
J/ 1/ JO 10V	10	12	2	J	3	
				All	None	No
	Clinton	Bush	Perot			inion
10/4/92 LV	43	26	20	1	5	5
10/4/02 11	43	20	20	_	5	5
			Both	Neither	No	
	Dukakis	Bush	(vol.)	(vol.)	opinion	
11/1/88 LV	40	51	NA	NA	9	
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	b.	An	unexpected	major	crisis
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10/28/08	LV	47	48	1	2	3
10/27/08	LV	46	48	2	2	3
10/19/08	LV	49	45	1	2	2
10/11/08	LV	52	43	1	3	1
9/29/08	RV	44	50	1	2	3
9/22/08	RV	46	47	2	2	3
9/7/08	RV	37	54	2	3	3
8/22/08	RV	41	52	2	2	3
7/13/08	RV	42	51	3	2	3

Compare to:

			Both	Neither	No
	Kerry	Bush	(vol.)	(vol.)	opinion
6/20/04	41	53	1	2	2

^{6/20/04 41 53 1 2} $\rm z$ *"Please tell me whether the following statement applies more to (Bush) or more to (Kerry): He can be trusted in a crisis."

c.	Taxes

10/28/08	LV	52	41	1	4	2
10/27/08	LV	51	41	1	4	3
10/21/08	LV	51	43	1	3	2
10/20/08	LV	50	43	1	4	2
10/19/08	LV	52	42	1	4	2
10/11/08	LV	52	42	1	5	1
9/29/08	RV	48	46	*	3	3
9/7/08	RV	45	44	*	4	7
8/22/08	RV	44	45	1	5	5
6/15/08	RV	47	42	1	6	5

Compare to:

10/17/04	LV	Kerry 42	Bush 50	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)		
10/26/00	LV	Gore 37	Bush 50	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No opinion 4	
9/4/96	RV	Clinton 35	Dole 48	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No opinion 4	
10/4/92	LV	Clinton 41	Bush 30	Perot 15	All (vol.)	None (vol.) op 6	No pinion 7
9/19/88	LV	Dukakis 30	Bush 57	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No opinion 7	

^{7. (}ASKED OF LIKELY VOTERS) Regardless of who you may support, who do you think [ITEM] - (Obama) or (McCain)?

a. better understands the economic problems people in this country are having

10/28/08 LV	Obama 56	McCain 38	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No opinion 1
10/19/08 LV	55	36	2	6	2
10/11/08 LV	59	28	3	9	1
9/29/08 RV	55	36	3	5	1
9/22/08 RV	57	33	2	7	2

8. (ASKED OF LIKELY LEANED OBAMA/MCCAIN SUPPORTERS) Thinking about his candidacy for president so far, how enthusiastic are you about [NAME] - very enthusiastic, fairly enthusiastic, not too enthusiastic, or not enthusiastic at all?

10/28/08 - Summary Table - Among Likely Leaned Obama/McCain Supporters

]	Enthusiastic			No		
	NET	Very	Fairly	NET	Not too	Not at all	opinion
a. Obama	96	65	31	3	2	1	1
b. McCain	85	37	48	15	12	3	1

Trend:

a. Obama

		j	Enthusia	astic		Not enthus	siastic	No
		NET	Very	Fairly	NET	Not too	Not at all	opinion
10/28/08	LV	96	65	31	3	2	1	1
10/27/08	LV	96	65	31	3	3	1	1
10/26/08	LV	96	66	30	3	2	1	1
10/25/08	LV	97	68	29	3	3	1	*
10/24/08	LV	97	71	26	3	3	1	0
10/23/08	LV	95	70	25	5	4	1	0
10/22/08	LV	94	67	28	5	5	1	*
10/21/08	LV	95	64	31	5	4	1	*
10/20/08	LV	95	65	31	5	4	1	*
10/19/08	LV	96	64	32	4	3	1	*
10/11/08	LV	96	66	30	4	3	1	*
9/29/08	RV	95	61	34	4	4	*	1
9/22/08	RV	94	62	32	6	4	1	*
9/7/08	RV	96	64	32	4	3	1	0
8/22/08	RV	95	52	43	5	2	3	*
6/15/08	RV	91	52	39	9	7	2	*
b. McCai	n							
10/28/08		85	37	48	15	12	3	1
10/27/08		83	35	49	16	13	3	*
10/26/08		87	36	51	13	11	2	*
10/25/08		86	38	48	14	11	3	*
10/24/08		88	39	49	11	9	2	1
10/23/08		89	39	50	10	8	2	1
10/22/08		88	40	48	12	10	2	1
10/21/08		88	37	51	11	10	1	*
10/20/08		88	38	50	12	11	2	*
10/19/08		87	40	47	13	11	2	*
10/11/08		87	31	57	13	10	2	0
9/29/08	RV	90	38	52	10	7	2	*
9/22/08	RV	89	34	55	10	8	2	1
9/7/08	RV	92	46	46	8	6	2	0
8/22/08	RV	86	28	58	13	11	2	1

6/15/08 RV 74 19 55 25 19 6 1

Compare to:

10/26/04 - Summary Table - Among Likely Voters, Leaned Bush/Kerry Supporters

	Enthusiastic				Not Enthusiastic			
	NET	Very	Fairly	NET	Not too	Not at all	opinion	
a. Bush	91	55	36	9	8	1	*	
b. Kerry	92	46	47	7	6	1	1	

30. (ASKED OF LIKELY VOTERS) Which is more important to you in choosing a candidate for president: (their personal qualities such as experience and leadership ability) or (their positions on specific issues)?

		Personal	Positions	Both	No
		qualities	on issues	(vol.)	opinion
10/27/08	LV	42	45	11	2
10/11/08	LV	39	49	11	*
9/7/08	RV	37	48	13	2
9/6/00	RV	45	41	14	1
8/20/00	RV	39	47	13	1
10/31/99	RV	42	42	16	*

31. (ASKED OF LIKELY VOTERS) How much do you feel you know about [NAME]'s positions on specific issues - a great deal, a good amount, only some, or little or none?

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	-Grea	at deal/0	Good amount-	-Only	-Only some/Little-none-			
	NET	Great	Good amt	NET	Some	Little	opinion	
a. Obama	79	36	43	20	14	7	1	
b. McCain	77	34	43	23	13	10	1	

Trend:

a. Obama

	-Great deal/Good amountOnly some/Little-none-						
	NET	Great	Good amt	NET	Some	Little	opinion
10/27/08 LV	79	36	43	20	14	7	1
6/15/08 LV	58	17	41	42	31	11	*
b. McCain							
10/27/08 LV	77	34	43	23	13	10	1
6/15/08 LV	59	15	43	41	29	12	*
2/24/00	32	6	26	66	40	27	2
10/31/99	16	4	12	83	22	60	1

32. (ASKED OF LIKELY VOTERS) Do you think of [NAME] as a very safe choice for president, somewhat safe, somewhat risky, or very risky?

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----- Safe ----- Risky ----- No
NET Very Smewht NET Smewht Very opinion

a. Obama	54	31	23	45	16	29	1
b. McCain	53	27	26	46	23	23	1
Trend:							

a. Obama							
		Safe			Risky		No
	NET	Very	Smewht	NET	Smewht	Very	opinion
10/28/08 LV	54	31	23	45	16	29	1
10/11/08 LV	56	31	25	43	21	23	*
9/29/08 RV	55	27	28	44	23	21	1
6/15/08 RV	50	18	33	48	29	19	2
b. McCain							
10/28/08 LV	53	27	26	46	23	23	1
10/11/08 LV	49	20	30	50	24	27	*
9/29/08 RV	51	23	28	48	28	20	*
6/15/08 RV	57	16	40	41	25	16	2

Compare to:

	Safe				Risky -		No
	NET	Very	Smewht	NET	Smewht	Very	opinion
Gore:							
7/23/00	57	18	39	40	24	15	3
2/27/00	58	24	33	40	21	20	2
9/2/99	53	17	36	44	26	19	3
Bush:							
7/23/00	59	20	39	38	24	13	3
2/27/00	61	22	39	37	17	20	2
9/2/99	66	22	44	31	23	8	3

END