

Capital Poll

Capital Survey Research Center
Alabama Education Association

Confidence in National Institutions Survey (08046)

608 Alabama Registered Voters
November 20,24-25, December 01, 2008
SME +/-4.0%

Satisfaction with U. S.

In general, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in the United States at this time?

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|--------------------|-----|
| Satisfied | 13% |
| Dissatisfied | 82% |
| Don't Know / Other | 5% |

Confidence in National Institutions, Organizations and Leaders

Do you have a Great Deal of Confidence (GDC), Some Confidence (SC), Little Confidence (LC), or No Confidence (NC) in the following national institutions, organizations, and leaders. If you are Not Familiar (NF) or Don't Know (DK), just say so.

| | GDC | SC | LC | NC | NF | DK |
|--------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|
| U. S. Military | 74% | 18% | 4% | 2% | 1% | 1% |
| Volunteer organizations (Red Cross) | 44% | 41% | 10% | 5% | <1% | 1% |
| President-elect Barack Obama | 38% | 28% | 16% | 13% | 1% | 5% |
| FOX cable TV news | 28% | 38% | 14% | 15% | 3% | 2% |
| Office of the U. S. Presidency | 27% | 39% | 15% | 13% | 1% | 5% |
| Social Security | 26% | 40% | 23% | 9% | <1% | 2% |
| National Rifle Association (NRA) | 25% | 33% | 16% | 15% | 7% | 4% |
| Religious leader James Dobson | 22% | 19% | 12% | 11% | 31% | 6% |
| National Democratic Party | 20% | 28% | 24% | 26% | 1% | 2% |
| Network (NBC/CBS/ABC) TV news | 19% | 37% | 24% | 19% | <1% | 1% |
| CNN cable TV news | 19% | 36% | 24% | 18% | 2% | 2% |
| U. S. Supreme Court | 18% | 50% | 21% | 9% | 2% | 2% |
| National Christian Coalition | 18% | 38% | 15% | 13% | 11% | 5% |
| Radio talk shows (Limbaugh/Hannity) | 17% | 23% | 17% | 34% | 5% | 4% |
| Federal programs (FEMA) | 11% | 42% | 30% | 14% | 2% | 2% |
| Religious leader Pat Robertson | 11% | 28% | 25% | 24% | 8% | 4% |
| Industrial labor unions (AFL-CIO) | 11% | 22% | 27% | 29% | 8% | 2% |
| National Newspapers (USA Today) | 10% | 45% | 21% | 12% | 8% | 5% |
| National Republican Party | 10% | 36% | 25% | 26% | 2% | 2% |
| U. S. Congress | 9% | 37% | 32% | 20% | 1% | 2% |
| National polls (Gallup) | 8% | 39% | 30% | 14% | 6% | 3% |
| National Newspapers (NY Times/ Post) | 8% | 28% | 21% | 26% | 11% | 6% |
| Professional labor unions (athletes) | 6% | 23% | 30% | 23% | 13% | 5% |
| Stock Market | 4% | 28% | 30% | 31% | 3% | 4% |
| National Business Corporations | 4% | 31% | 26% | 12% | 21% | 6% |

Favorability Ratings

As some names are read, please tell me whether or not you recognize the name. If you Do Not Recognize (DNR) the name, just say so. If you recognize the name, please tell me if you have a Favorable (F) or Unfavorable (U) impression of the name or you are Neutral (N) or Don't Know (DK).

| | F | N | U | DNR | DK |
|--------------|-----|----|-----|-----|----|
| Barack Obama | 61% | 7% | 25% | <1% | 7% |
| John McCain | 56% | 5% | 34% | 1% | 5% |
| Sarah Palin | 52% | 6% | 35% | 1% | 7% |

Confidence in New Administration

How optimistic are you about what the new administration of Barack Obama and Joe Biden and a majority Democrat Congress will be able to accomplish over the next four years?

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|---------------------|-----|
| Very optimistic | 31% |
| Somewhat optimistic | 30% |
| Not very optimistic | 23% |
| Not optimistic | 15% |
| Don't Know / Other | 2% |

2008 Vote

Did you vote for president on November 4th? For whom did you vote for president?

| | Actual Vote | |
|------------------|-------------|-----|
| No, did not vote | 2% | |
| Barack Obama | 38% | 39% |
| John McCain | 46% | 60% |
| Other | 14% | 1% |

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Demographics

Region

| | |
|--------|-----|
| North | 45% |
| Middle | 30% |
| South | 25% |

Political Ideology

| | |
|-----------------------|-----|
| Liberal | 11% |
| Somewhat Liberal | 10% |
| Moderate | 21% |
| Somewhat Conservative | 20% |
| Conservative | 34% |
| Other | 5% |

Party I. D.

| | |
|-------------|-----|
| Democrat | 41% |
| Republican | 38% |
| Independent | 18% |
| Other | 4% |

Church Attendance

| | |
|--------------|-----|
| None | 10% |
| < Once month | 7% |
| Once month | 11% |
| Once week | 37% |
| > Once week | 34% |
| Other | 2% |

Household Finances

| | |
|-----------|-----|
| Very good | 15% |
| Good | 38% |
| Fair | 37% |
| Not good | 10% |
| Other | 2% |

Residence

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|-----------------------|-----|
| Rural county | 22% |
| Rural community | 16% |
| City (5,000-25,000) | 27% |
| City (25,000-100,000) | 18% |
| City (100,000+) | 17% |
| Other | 1% |

Age

| | |
|--------------|-----|
| 18-24 | 2% |
| 25-34 | 6% |
| 35-50 | 22% |
| 51-64 | 36% |
| 65+ or Older | 34% |

Education

| | |
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| <High School | 5% |
| High School Graduate | 25% |
| Some college | 28% |
| College Graduate | 26% |
| Graduate Degree | 15% |

Income

| | |
|----------------|-----|
| <\$25,000 | 18% |
| \$25-\$50,000 | 26% |
| \$50-\$75,000 | 19% |
| \$75-\$100,000 | 13% |
| \$100,000+ | 13% |
| Other | 11% |

Gender

| | |
|--------|-----|
| Male | 45% |
| Female | 55% |

Race

| | |
|-----------|-----|
| Black A-A | 26% |
| White | 72% |
| Other | 2% |