PEW RESEARCH CENTER/NATIONAL JOURNAL CONGRESSIONAL CONNECTION POLL JULY 8-11, 2010 OMNIBUS FINAL TOPLINE N=1001

PEW.1-PEW.4 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK ALL:

PEW.5 Over the coming months, how important is it for Congress to act on each of the following? First, is passing legislation to [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE] very important, somewhat important, not too important or not at all important? What about legislation to [NEXT ITEM]? (IF NECESSARY: Is passing legislation to [ITEM] very, somewhat, not too, or not at all important?)

		Very important	Somewhat important	No too	Not at all important	(VOL.) Oppose/ not needed	(VOL.) DK/Ref
a.	More strictly regulate financial	_	_	_	_		
	institutions and markets						
	Jul 8-11, 2010	53	26	7	7	1	6
	May 13-16, 2010	54	28	7	6	*	5
b.	Address the job situation						
	Jul 8-11, 2010	80	12	2	3	*	2
	May 13-16, 2010	81	13	2	2	*	2
c.	Reduce the federal budget deficit						
	Jul 8-11, 2010	70	20	4	3	*	3
d.	Address immigration policy						
	Jul 8-11, 2010	63	24	5	5	1	2
	May 13-16, 2010	59	27	8	4	*	2 2
e.	Address the country's energy need	ds					
	Jul 8-11, 2010	66	25	3	3	1	2
	May 13-16, 2010	67	25	4	3	*	2

ASK ALL:

PEW.6 Do you approve or disapprove of the health care legislation passed by Barack Obama and Congress in March?

IF DISAPPROVE (2 IN PEW.6) ASK:

PEW.7 What do you think Congress should do about health care now? [READ AND RANDOMIZE]

Jul 8-11		Apr 1-5
<u>2010</u>		2010^{1}
35	Approve	40
47	Disapprove	44
7	Let the law stand and see how it works	
37	Repeal the law as soon as possible	
4	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	
17	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	16

In April, the question asked about the "legislation passed last month..."

PEW.6 CONTINUED...

TREND FOR COMPARISON (BEFORE HEALTH CARE REFORM SIGNED INTO LAW):

As of right now, do you generally favor or generally oppose the health care bills being discussed in Congress?

	Generally	Generally	(VOL.)
	<u>favor</u>	<u>oppose</u>	DK/Ref
Mar 11-21, 2010	40	47	13
Mar 10-14, 2010	38	48	13
Feb 3-9, 2010	38	50	12
Jan 6-10, 2010	39	48	13
Dec 9-13, 2009	35	48	17
Nov 12-15, 2009	42	39	19
Oct 28-Nov 8, 2009	38	47	15
Sep 30-Oct 4, 2009	34	47	19
Sep 10-15, 2009	42	44	14
Aug 20-27, 2009	39	46	15
Jul 22-26, 2009	38	44	18

ASK ALL:

PEW.8 As you may know, this week the U.S. Justice department filed a legal challenge to the state of Arizona's recent immigration law. From what you know, do you approve or disapprove of the Justice department's decision to challenge the Arizona law?

Jul 8-11	
<u>2010</u>	
36	Approve
45	Disapprove
19	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

ASK ALL:

Now thinking about Afghanistan...

PEW.9 How well is the U.S. military effort in Afghanistan going? [READ IN ORDER]

Jul 8-11		Jun 16-20	Mar 10-14	Dec 9-13	Oct 28-Nov 8	Jan 7-11	Feb
<u>2010</u>		<u>2010</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
9	Very well	8	9	7	4	7	10
40	Fairly well	40	43	39	32	38	38
31	Not too well	32	22	32	41	34	31
9	Not at all well	13	13	11	16	11	10
11	Don't know/Refused (VOL.) 7	13	10	6	10	11

ASK ALL:

PEW.10 Do you think the U.S. and NATO should keep military troops in Afghanistan until the situation has stabilized, or do you think the U.S. and NATO should remove their troops as soon as possible?

	Keep troops	Remove	(VOL.)
	in Afghanistan	their troops	DK/ Ref
Jul 8-11, 2010	47	42	11
Jun 16-20, 2010	53	40	6
Apr 15-May 5, 2010 (GAP)) 48	45	7
Sep 10-15, 2009 (GAP)	50	43	7
June, 2009 (GAP)	57	38	5
Mid-Sept, 2008	61	33	6

PEW.10 CONTINUED...

	Keep troops	Remove	(VOL.)
	in Afghanistan	their troops	DK/ Ref
April, 2008 (GAP)	50	44	6
Late Feb, 2008	61	32	7
May, 2007 (GAP)	50	42	7

PEW.11 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK ALL:

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or Independent? **ASK IF ANSWERED 3, 4, 5 OR 9 IN PARTY:**

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

				(VOL.)	(VOL.)			
				No	Other	(VOL.)	Lean	Lean
	Republican	Democrat	<u>Independent</u>	preference	party	DK/Ref	Rep	<u>Dem</u>
Jul 8-11, 2010	24	30	36	6	1	3	14	15