

EPIC•MRA STATEWIDE POLL OF ACTIVE AND LIKELY VOTERS – MAY 2011

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Polling Dates: May 9th, 2011 through May 11th, 2011

__03. Overall, would you say that things in the United States are generally headed in the right direction, or, have things pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?

33% Right direction
55% Wrong track
12% Undecided/Refused

__04. How about in Michigan – are things in Michigan generally headed in the right direction, or are things pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

28% Right direction
55% Wrong track
17% Undecided/Refused

__05. **Other than the economy and jobs**, which is an issue a solid majority of voters say in surveys they are concerned about, which of the following list of nine other state problems or issues is the one you are concerned about the most? **[READ & ROTATE 1 TO 9 BELOW - TAKE 1ST & ONE RESPONSE]**

31% Improving education
18% Addressing the state budget deficit and balancing the budget
18% Making quality health care affordable and accessible
9% Keeping state taxes as low as possible
7% Controlling crime and drugs
5% Restoring morality and family values
4% Improving the quality of roads and bridges
3% Addressing the abortion issue
3% Protecting our air and water
--- More than one **[ASK: “But which problem concerns you the most?” AND CODE BEST RESPONSE]**
2% Undecided/Refused

Now, I would like to read a list of a few political figures. For each one, please tell me if you recognize the name, and if you do, whether you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of that person. The first name is _____? Do you recognize the name? **[IF YES, ASK: "Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of (him/her)?" - IF FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE, ASK: "Would that be very or generally?" AND CODE BEST RESPONSE]**

NAMES [ROTATE Q.6 TO Q.8]	<u>DON'T</u> <u>RECOG</u>	<u>VERY</u> <u>FAVOR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>FAVOR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>UNFAV</u>	<u>VERY</u> <u>UNFAV</u>	<u>REF</u> <u>UNDEC</u>
__06. Barack Obama	---	28%	53%	40%	26%	7%
__07. Rick Snyder	---	10%	38%	42%	27%	20%
__08. Debbie Stabenow	1%	13%	47%	29%	16%	23%

__09. Overall, how would you rate the job that Barack Obama has done as President -- would you give him a positive rating of excellent or pretty good, or a negative rating of just fair or poor?

13% Excellent ----- **49% TOTAL POSITIVE**
 36% Pretty good
 22% Just fair ----- **50% TOTAL NEGATIVE**
 28% Poor
 1% Undecided/Refused

__10. Overall, how would you rate the job that Rick Snyder has done as Governor – would you give him a positive rating of excellent or pretty good, or a negative rating of just fair or poor?

4% Excellent ----- **27% TOTAL POSITIVE**
 23% Pretty good
 30% Just fair ----- **60% TOTAL NEGATIVE**
 30% Poor
 13% Undecided/Refused

__11. How would you rate the job Debbie Stabenow has done as Michigan United States Senator – would you give her a positive rating of excellent or pretty good, or a negative rating of just fair or poor?

8% Excellent ----- **41% TOTAL POSITIVE**
 33% Pretty good
 24% Just fair ----- **43% TOTAL NEGATIVE**
 19% Poor
 16% Undecided/Refused

__12. Over the past year, would you say that your household family income has increased, decreased or remained about the same? **[IF INCREASED/DECREASED, ASK: "Would that be a lot or somewhat?" AND CODE BEST RESPONSE]**

2% Increased a lot ----- **10% TOTAL INCREASED**
 8% Increased somewhat
 51% Remained about the same
 23% Decreased somewhat ----- **38% TOTAL DECREASED**
 15% Decreased a lot
 1% Undecided/Refused

Now I am going to read a list of several different problem and issue areas that Barack Obama must address as President. For each area, please tell me if you give President Obama a positive rating of excellent or pretty good, or a negative rating of only fair or poor? The first area is...

	[ROTATE Q.13 TO Q.17]	<u>EXCEL</u>	<u>PRETTY GOOD</u>	<u>TOT POS</u>	<u>TOT NEG</u>	<u>ONLY FAIR</u>	<u>POOR</u>	<u>UNDEC REF</u>
__13.	Addressing the federal budget deficit	5%	19%	24%	72%	28%	44%	4%
__14.	Conducting foreign affairs in general	15%	35%	50%	47%	23%	24%	3%
__15.	Waging the war in Afghanistan	13%	36%	49%	46%	30%	16%	5%
__16.	Handling the economy	6%	26%	32%	66%	26%	40%	2%
__17.	Making health care more accessible	11%	24%	35%	59%	22%	37%	6%

__18. Do you approve or disapprove of the attack that was ordered by President Obama to kill Osama Bin Laden? **[IF APPROVE/DISAPPROVE, ASK: "Would that be strongly or somewhat?" AND CODE BEST RESPONSE]**

79% Strongly approve ----- **91% TOTAL APPROVE**
 12% Somewhat approve
 2% Somewhat disapprove ----- **3% TOTAL DISAPPROVE**
 1% Strongly disapprove
 6% Undecided/Refused

__19. As you may know, news reports indicate that Osama Bin Laden was not armed when he was shot and killed by the Navy Seals. Based on what you know or have heard or read about the attack where Bin Laden was killed, do you think that the Navy Seals acted appropriately and legally in deciding to kill Osama Bin Laden instead of trying to capture him, or, do you think they should have tried to capture him so he could have been prosecuted for his crimes?

- 86% Navy Seals acted appropriately and legally in killing Bin Laden
- 8% Navy Seals should have tried to capture Bin Laden instead of killing him
- 6% Undecided/Refused

__20. Who do you think deserves more credit for ultimately locating and killing Osama Bin Laden in response to his planning the attacks of 9-11 -- **[ROTATE]** President George W. Bush or President Barack Obama?

- 22% President George W. Bush
- 50% President Barack Obama
- 15% Both equally (**VOLUNTEERED**)
- 13% Undecided/Refused

__21. When you heard the news that Osama Bin Laden had been found and killed by American Special Forces in an action ordered by President Obama, did it make you feel more patriotic and proud to be an American, less patriotic, or, would you say the news didn't really affect you one way or the other?

- 43% More patriotic
- 2% Less patriotic
- 53% Didn't affect respondent one way or the other
- 2% Undecided/Refused

__32. Based on your personal experience or what you know or have heard or read, do you support or oppose the efforts of the Tea Party movement? **[IF SUPPORT OR OPPOSE, ASK: 'Do you strongly or somewhat (SUPPORT/OPPOSE) the Tea Party movement?' AND CODE BEST RESPONSE]**

- 19% Strongly supports Tea Party movement ----- **37% TOTAL SUPPORT**
- 18% Somewhat supports Tea Party movement
- 9% Somewhat opposes Tea Party movement ----- **41% TOTAL OPPOSE**
- 32% Strongly opposes Tea Party movement
- 22% Undecided/Refused