

Daily Presidential Tracking Poll

The Rasmussen Reports daily Presidential Tracking Poll for Wednesday shows that 48% of Likely U.S. Voters approve of President Obama's job performance. Fifty-one percent (51%) disapprove ([see trends](#)).

The latest figures include 26% who Strongly Approve of the way Obama is performing as president and 39% who Strongly Disapprove. This gives him a Presidential Approval Index rating of -13.

Regular updates are posted daily at 9:30 a.m. Eastern (sign up for free [daily e-mail update](#)).

With Sunday's showdown coming, [Americans who plan to watch the Super Bowl aren't buying the New England Patriots?](#) explanation for 'Deflategate'?

[Voters are ever-so-slightly happier with the new Congress](#), although that's not saying much.

Does the average Republican voter share the views of the GOP's new congressional majority? Or did special interest money stack the deck, as critics claim? We'll tell you at 10:30 a.m. Eastern today.

[The race to be the Democratic Party's 2016 presidential nominee](#) is still Hillary Clinton's to lose.

Massachusetts Senator Elizabeth Warren is increasingly the favorite of left-leaning Democrats, so [how does she do in a head-to-head matchup with Clinton?](#)

(More below)

Find out at noon today how voters feel about right-to-work laws that make paying union dues voluntary. There are now 24 right-to-work states, and several others are exploring the idea.

What does America think about [lifting the long-standing U.S. trade embargo on Cuba](#)?

More than half of voters still believe [the country can end its dependence on foreign oil](#).

(More below)

Some readers wonder [how we come up with our job approval ratings for the president](#) since they often don't show as dramatic a change as some other pollsters do. It depends on how you ask the question and whom you ask.

To get a sense of longer-term job approval trends for the president, Rasmussen Reports compiles our tracking data on a [full month-by-month basis](#).

Rasmussen Reports has been a pioneer in the use of automated telephone polling techniques, but many other firms still utilize their own operator-assisted technology ([see methodology](#)).

Daily tracking results are collected via telephone surveys of 400 likely voters per night and reported on a three-day rolling average basis. To reach those who have abandoned traditional landline telephones, Rasmussen Reports uses an online survey tool to interview randomly selected participants from a demographically diverse panel. The margin of sampling error for the full sample of 1,200 Likely Voters is +/- 3 percentage points with a 95% level of confidence. Results are also compiled on a full-week basis and crosstabs for [full-week results](#) are available for [Platinum Members](#).