



POLLING UPDATE

Overwhelming Support for Action on Clean Energy & Climate Continues to Grow

In the wake of BP's environmental disaster in the Gulf of Mexico, the American people are increasingly supportive of legislation that will develop clean energy alternatives and cut carbon pollution. Several recent, independent, polls conducted by major news organization confirm that people are looking for a fundamental shift in our energy policy, and view this as a job generator.

Last year, the House of Representatives passed historic [clean energy & climate legislation](#) that will dramatically reduce our dependence on foreign oil by investing in jobs and new clean energy alternatives. This legislation is essential to our ability to protect consumers from OPEC and to compete with China and India for renewable energy technology and manufacturing jobs.

The polls make it clear. The House was right to act, and the Senate must work to pass legislation this year.

Here is some key question & response data from the recent polls conducted by CNN, NBC-Wall Street Journal and Pew-National Journal.

[CNN/Opinion Research Corp](#)

Monday June 21, 2010

Based On What You Have Heard Or Read, Do You Favor/Oppose Obama's Proposals To Develop Alternative Sources Of Energy And Reduce The Amount Of Oil And Other Fossil Fuels That Are Produced And Used In The U.S.?

Favor	72%
Oppose	25%

Do You Think That Proposals To Develop Alternative Sources Of Energy And Reduce The Amount Of Oil And Other Fossil Fuels That Are Produced And Used In The U.S. Would Increase/Decrease The Number Of Jobs In The U.S.?

Increase	69%
Decrease	27%
No change	2%

Do You Think That Proposals To Develop Alternative Sources Of Energy And Reduce The Amount Of Oil And Other Fossil Fuels That Are Produced And Used In The U.S. Would Make Life Better/Worse For The Next Generation Of Americans?

Better 79%
 Worse 19%
 No change 1%

NBC News/Wall Street Journal Survey

June 17-21, 2010

Do you support or oppose an energy proposal designed to reduce carbon emissions and increase the use of alternative and renewable energy sources, even if it means an increase in the cost of energy? (IFSUPPORT/OPPOSE, THEN ASK) and, do you strongly (support/oppose) or just somewhat (Support/oppose) this?

	<u>6/10*</u>
Strongly support	36%
Somewhat support	27%
Somewhat oppose	14%
Strongly oppose	17%
Not sure	6%

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

Pew Research/ National Journal Congressional Connection Poll

June 10-13, 2010

"Now I'd like to ask you about some specific energy proposals being considered by Congress. For each, please tell me whether you favor or oppose including this in a comprehensive energy bill. . . ."

	Favor	Oppose	Unsure
"Requirements that utilities produce more energy from wind, solar or other renewable sources"			
6/10-13/10	87%	9%	4%
"Tougher efficiency standards for buildings and major appliances"			
6/10-13/10	78%	17%	5%
"Limits on carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gas emissions"			
6/10-13/10	66%	29%	6%

**For additional information, please visit the Select Committee on Energy Independence & Global Warming website: www.globalwarming.house.gov