



Representative National Sample of 800 U.S. Registered Voters
July 9-13, 2009
Margin of Error = +/- 3.5%

A. Gender

<u>Gender</u>	Total
Female	52%
Male	48%

B. In what year were you born?

<u>Age</u>	Total
18-29	18%
30-44	28%
45-54	19%
55-64	18%
65+	17%

C. Would state records show that you are CURRENTLY registered to vote?

<u>Registered to Vote</u>	Total
Yes	100%

C1. As you may know, as part of the economic stimulus plan passed by Congress and the President in February, billions of dollars will be spent by federal, state and local governments on public works projects in the U.S., such as building roads, bridges, highways and railroads. As part of this stimulus spending, some state and local governments are implementing what are called “Buy American” laws. These laws would mean that companies from foreign countries who could provide materials and labor can **NOT** be considered to work on these public works projects. Do you favor or oppose these laws?

<u>Buy American Favor/Oppose</u>	July 9-13, '09
Strongly favor	49%
Somewhat favor	21%
TOTAL FAVOR	70%
Somewhat oppose	10%
Strongly oppose	13%
TOTAL OPPOSE	23%
Don't Know / Refused	8%

- C2. Now I would like to read you a statement on this topic and please tell me if you agree or disagree with it....

Some people say that these “Buy American” laws are fine, but they should be rewritten so that an exception is made to allow Canadian companies who can do the job to **at least be considered** to work on these public works projects.

They say that, since Canada is the U.S.’ largest trading partner and that 22% of U.S. trade exports go to Canada, this is no way to treat an ally and a trading partner at a time when the U.S. economy should be encouraging international trade.

And if Canadian companies can supply better materials and labor for these projects at a competitive price, then we should be considering using them.

They also say that, if Canadian companies ARE NOT allowed to bid on these projects, then Canada will put in place similar laws of their own that will prevent U.S. companies from doing business with Canada, and hurt U.S. companies, cost them jobs and hurt the U.S. economy.

Do you agree or disagree that there should be an exception for Canadian companies to allow them to be considered to work on public works projects in the U.S.?

<u>“Buy America” Canada Exception</u>	July 9-13, ‘09
Strongly agree	27%
Somewhat agree	29%
TOTAL AGREE	55%
Somewhat disagree	13%
Strongly disagree	24%
TOTAL DISAGREE	37%
Don’t Know / Refused	7%