

Poll finds strong public support for Obama

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WASHINGTON -- More than half of the U.S. public believes President Barack Obama has done an excellent or good job during his limited time in office, poll results indicate.

USA Today said Friday a USA TODAY/Gallup Poll found that 56 percent of the people surveyed gave Obama positive ratings.

Twenty-three percent said Obama has done "just OK" so far and 20 percent rated the president's service as either poor or terrible.

The poll taken Monday and Tuesday involved 1,051 adults and included a margin of error of 3 percent.

Support for Obama was more prevalent among Democratic respondents with nearly 90 percent giving the president a good or excellent rating. Only 25 percent of Republican respondents offered positive ratings for Obama.

USA Today said Obama was rated good or excellent by 53 percent of respondents in terms of how he has handled national security, but only earned positive ratings from 48 percent on the topic of the troubled economy.

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