

57% - The percent of Americans who in June gave President Obama negative marks for his handling of the economy (Source: Harris Interactive, Inc.).

\$500B - The amount of money to be saved over the next 30 years if the state of California raises the retirement age and reduces pension benefits of public employees (Source: California Foundation for Fiscal Responsibility).

\$750k - The amount of money the Managed Funds Association has spent on lobbying so far this year, a 14% increase from a year ago (Source: The Center for Responsive Politics).

516M - The number of senior citizens in the world, an increase of 23% since 2000 (Source: Census Bureau).

\$2.55B - The value of 2008 tax refunds generated by builders from selling property at huge losses (Source: Zelman & Associates).