

56% - The percentage of consumers who feel pretty good about the amount of spending money they have (Source: Gallup Inc.)

75% - The percentage of Americans who think that the federal government should regulate the release of greenhouse gases (Source: ABC News/Washington Post Poll).

\$38.3B - The amount of money that Americans are projected to spend on back-to-school products (Source: International Council of Shopping Centers).

\$104.7M - The amount of money that financial companies spent on lobbying the Obama administration and Capitol Hill in the first quarter (Source: Center for Responsive Politics).