



# Obama administration, government priorities at odds with American taxpayers

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The President's job approval rating by the Wall Street Journal/NBC News poll shows a steep decline since early 2009. Independent voter's approval (dropped to 37% from 58%), suburban women (44% from 64%), small town rural residents (31% from 51%) and baby boomer men (44% from 66%).

It has cost American taxpayers in excess of \$100 million to rebuild an Afghanistan power plant that directly benefits the Taliban! This is a strange strategy for our government to treat the author of 911 in this manner.



President Obama in a Ford Focus at the Battery Plant (AP/Susan Wash)

This week Obama fueled the news at the ground-breaking Advanced Batteries plant in Michigan funded by [\\$151 million in stimulus money](#). Cato Institute Libertarian, Daniel J. Mitchell said, "I cannot believe prominent White House economists such as Larry Summers really believe they are doing anything more than throwing around cash to projects that sound good. The government cannot create demand for an industry by fiat."

Advanced Batteries will employ maybe 100 people, that is an expense to taxpayers of \$1.5 million per job. [Creating only 100 jobs](#) when [125,000](#) were [lost](#) in June alone is also a losing effort like the stimulus. That's expensive job creation, creating more expense, [more government](#) and more debt [which is what taxpayers want cut](#).

## The Arizona ripple effect

Arizona unemployment shot up above the national average this week. None the less Governor Jan Brewer somehow has her [competitors dropping](#) like flies in the gubernatorial race, first Dean Martin dropped out and now Buzz Mills made an exit.

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