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## *A Look at Media Bias*

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## Media Ignore Study Showing Stimulus Failed

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The national media largely ignored a recent study that found President Obama's "stimulus" plan destroyed American jobs.

Economists Bill Dupor of Ohio State University and Timothy Conley of the University of Western Ontario found that the stimulus caused a net loss of 595,000 jobs from April 2009 to September 2010, including a loss of more than one million private-sector jobs.

Investor's Business Daily and Fox News covered the study, but most other national outlets were predictably silent. The national media should give Americans the facts, not ignore them to protect the Obama Administration.

## White House Bans Reporter, Media Yawns

From *Investor's Business Daily*, May 19, 2011:

**"The Obama administration has picked another fight with a dissident newspaper, kicking the Boston Herald out of the press pool on an unprecedented claim that its coverage is unfair. Who died and elected them judge?"**

**"The media silence over these repeated violations of press freedom is baffling. Can the fact that 30 mainstream media outlets have been co-opted by \$48 million in spending by George Soros, a top campaign ally of President Obama, have something to do with this?"**

**"The one thing that's obvious is that the media continue to take it with little push-back. And as they do, the bouncers of the White House press office grow bolder."**

## Fox News is Most-Trusted Outlet

Americans generally distrust the national media but Fox is the best of the bunch, according to a recent poll by Suffolk University.

**More than one-third of respondents could not name a single political reporter that they trust. Almost a quarter said they trusted some Fox News reporter most, compared with only 16 percent who said they trusted a network news anchor most. And more people trust Fox News than all three broadcast networks (ABC, CBS, and NBC) combined.**



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