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Interviews: 1,071 total interviews Cross section of 1,000 registered voters Oversample of 71 Hispanic voters Total of 150 Hispanic voters Dates: June 6-9, 2008

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Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.

The margin of error for a crossection of 1,000 interviews is ± 3.1%

NOTE: The results contained in this document reflect results among the national crossection of voters ONLY. These results accurately represent the ethnic makeup of the national electorate. Oversample interviews among Hispanics were aggreggated and tabulated separately from the national crossection.

Are you currently registered to vote at this address? + 1a.

Registered	100	CONTINUE	[139]
Not registered	-		
Not sure	-	TERMINATE	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

1b. All in all, do you think that things in the nation are generally headed in the right direction, or do you feel that things are off on the wrong track?

Headed in the right direction Off on the wrong track Mixed (VOL) Not sure	<u>6/08</u> + 16 71 11 2	<u>4/08</u> + 15 73 10 2	3/7- <u>10/08</u> + 20 66 11 3	<u>1/08</u> + 20 68 9 3	<u>12/07</u> + 22 63 13 2	<u>11/07</u> 21 67 9 3	9/07 25 63 9 3	High <u>9/01</u> 72 11 11 6	<i>Low</i> <u>7/92</u> + 14 71 9 6	[140]
		7/07 19 67 11 3	6/07 19 68 11 2	<u>4/07</u> 22 66 12 -	3/07 25 58 14 3	<u>1/07</u> 28 57 13 2	<u>12/06</u> 28 58 11 3	10/28- <u>30/06</u> + 29 56 13 2	10/13- <u>16/06</u> + 26 61 11 2	
		9/30- <u>10/2/06</u> + 29 58 11 2	9/8- <u>11/06</u> + 31 54 12 3	<u>7/06</u> 27 60 11 2	<u>6/06</u> 27 61 10 2	<u>4/06</u> 24 67 7 2	<u>3/06</u> 26 62 9 3	<u>1/06</u> 31 57 10 2	<u>12/05</u> 30 59 8 3	<u>11/05</u> 26 63 8 3
		<u>10/05</u> 28 59 10 3	<u>9/05</u> 32 57 8 3	<u>7/05</u> 34 52 12 2	<u>5/05</u> 35 52 10 3	<u>4/05</u> 34 51 12 3	2/05 42 48 8 2	<u>1/05</u> 40 47 10 3	<u>12/04</u> 41 46 11 2	<u>10/04</u> + 39 48 10 3

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Q.1b (cont'd)

	<u>9/04</u> +	<u>8/04</u> +	<u>7/04</u> +	<u>6/04</u> +	<u>5/04</u> +	3/04	1/04	<u>12/14/03</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>
Headed in the right direction	39	36	36	36	33	41	47	56	41
Off on the wrong track	49	50	48	48	50	49	43	30	48
Mixed (VOL)	10	12	14	14	14	5	6	9	8
Not sure	2	2	2	2	3	5	4	5	3
	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	7/03	<u>5/03</u> +	<u>4/03</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02</u> +	<u>9/02</u>
	43	38	42	49	62	36	43	44	42
	47	50	44	38	22	47	42	42	43
	6	8	9	8	13	14	13	14	12
	3	4	4	5	3	3	2	-	3
	7/02	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	1/02	12/01	9/01	6/01	1/01	10/00
	40	52	53	62	70	72	43	45	48
	42	31	28	20	15	11	39	36	32
	14	14	15	14	12	11	14	15	18
	4	3	4	4	3	6	4	4	2

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

1c. Do you think America is in a state of decline, or do you feel that this is not the case?

	6/08+	11/07	12/91	10/91	
In a state of decline	69	57	63	53	[141]
Not in a state of decline	25	38	32	42	
Not sure	6	5	5	5	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

2a. For statistical purposes only, would you please tell me how old you are? (IF "REFUSED," ASK:) Well, would you tell me which age group you belong to? +

18-24 7 [1 4	
25-29	
30-34 13	
35-39	
40-44	
45-49	
50-54	
55-59	
60-64	
65-69	
70-74	
75 and over	
Refused 1	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

2b. To ensure that we have a representative sample, would you please tell me whether you are from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background? +

Yes, Hispanic	8	[144]
No, not Hispanic	91	
Not sure/refused	1	

2c. And again, for statistical purposes only, what is your race--white, black, Asian, or something else? +

Not sure/refused

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing as president? За.

			3/7-					High	Low	
Approve Disapprove Not sure	66	<u>4/08</u> + 27 66 7	3/7- <u>10/08</u> + 32 63 5	<u>1/08</u> + 32 63 5	<u>12/07</u> + 34 60 6	<u>11/07</u> 31 63 6	<u>9/07</u> 33 61 6	<u>11/01</u> 88 7 5	<u>4/08</u> + 27 66 7	[146]
		<u>7/07</u> 31 63 6	<u>6/07</u> 29 66 5	<u>4/07</u> 35 60 5	<u>3/07</u> 35 60 5	<u>1/07</u> 35 60 5	<u>12/06</u> 34 61 5	10/28- <u>30/06</u> + 39 57 4		
		10/13- <u>16/06</u> + 38 57 5	9/30- <u>10/2/06</u> + 39 56 5	9/8- <u>11/06</u> + 42 53 5	<u>7/06</u> 39 56 5	<u>6/06</u> 37 58 5	<u>4/06</u> 36 57 7	<u>3/06</u> 37 58 5		
		<u>1/06</u> 39 54 7	<u>12/05</u> 39 55 6	<u>10/05</u> 39 54 7	<u>9/05</u> 40 55 5	<u>7/05</u> 46 49 5	5/05 47 47 6	<u>4/05</u> 48 46 6		
		2/05 50 45 5	<u>1/05</u> 50 44 6	<u>12/04</u> 49 44 7	<u>10/04</u> + 49 47 4	<u>9/04</u> + 47 48 5	<u>8/04</u> + 47 48 5	<u>7/04</u> + 48 46 6		
		<u>6/04</u> + 45 49 6	<u>5/04</u> + 47 46 7	<u>3/04</u> 50 46 5	<u>12/14/03</u> 58 34 9	<u>12/13/03</u> 52 41 7	<u>11/03</u> 51 44 5	<u>9/03</u> 49 45 6		
		<u>7/03</u> 56 38 6	<u>5/03</u> + 62 31 7	<u>4/03</u> 71 23 6	3/29- <u>30/03</u> 66 29 5	<u>3/23/03</u> 67 28 5	<u>3/17/03</u> 62 33 5	2/03 ¹ 61 31 8		
		<u>1/03</u> 54 40 6	<u>10/02</u> + 63 31 6	<u>9/02</u> 64 30 6	<u>7/02</u> 67 27 6	<u>6/02</u> 69 23 8	<u>5/02</u> 75 18 7	<u>4/02</u> 74 20 6	<u>4/01</u> 57 22 21	

¹Overnight poll conducted after Colin Powell's speech to the United Nations. + Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

3b. Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing in handling the economy?

		I	0.17					High	Low	
Approve	<u>6/08</u> +* 21	<u>4/08</u> + 21	3/7- <u>10/08</u> + 28	<u>1/08</u> + 30	<u>12/07</u> + 35	<u>11/07</u> 35	<u>9/07</u> 38	<u>12/01</u> 63	<u>4/08</u> + 21	[147]
Disapprove Not sure	73 6	73 6	66 6	64 6	58 7	60 5	57 5	25 12	73 6	
	Ũ	Ŭ	Ũ	Ũ		Ũ	0	10/28-	10/13-	
		7/07	<u>6/07</u>	4/07	<u>3/07</u>	<u>1/07</u>	<u>12/06</u>	<u>30/06</u> +	<u>16/06</u> +	
		38	36	40	44	40	40	46	44	
		56	57	51	49	53	54	48	52	
		6	7	9	7	7	6	6	4	
		9/30-	9/8-	7/00	0/00	4/00	0.000	4/00	40/05	
		<u>10/2/06</u> +	<u>11/06+</u>	<u>7/06</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	
		41	43	41	38	35	36	39	39	
		53 6	52 5	53 6	56 6	60	58 6	54 7	55 6	
		0	5	0	0	5	0	1	0	
		11/05	<u>9/05</u>	7/05	5/05	4/05	<u>2/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	12/04	
		38	40	39	43	41	46	47	44	
		57	55	54	51	53	50	47	51	
		5	5	7	6	6	4	6	5	
		10/04+	9/04+	9/04+	8/04+	6/04+	5/04+	2/04	1/04	
		45	<u>9/04</u> + 45	<u>9/04</u> + 45	43	45	<u>5/04</u> + 41	<u>3/04</u> 45	<u>1/04</u> 49	
		45 52	45 51	45 51	43 52	45 49	53	45 51	49 45	
		3	4	4	5	43 6	6	4	45 6	
		5	-	7	5	0	0	-	0	
		12/13/03	11/03	9/03	7/03	<u>5/03</u> +	4/03	1/03	12/02	
		48	50	43	45	47	49	44	47	
		46	44	52	48	45	42	49	45	
		6	5	6	7	8	9	7	8	
		10/02+	<u>9/02</u>	7/02	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>	
		48	48	49	57	61	63	63	52	
		44	43	43	34	30	27	25	27	
		8	9	8	9	9	10	12	21	
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* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

3c. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing in handling the situation in Iraq?

Approve Disapprove Not sure	<u>6/08</u> +** 33 64 3	<u>4/08</u> + 31 63 6	3/7- <u>10/08</u> + 33 62 5	<u>1/08</u> + 29 66 5	<u>12/07</u> + 34 62 4	<u>11/07</u> 27 68 5	<u>9/07</u> 30 66 4	<u>7/07</u> 22 72 6	<u>6/07</u> 26 68 6	[148]
	Ū	<u>4/07</u> 27 66 7	<u>3/07</u> 27 67 6	<u>1/07</u> 28 67 5	<u>12/06</u> 23 71 6	10/28- <u>30/06</u> + 34 63 3	10/13- <u>16/06</u> + 33 63 4	9/8- <u>11/06</u> + 38 57 5	<u>7/06</u> 34 61 5	
		<u>6/06</u> 35 61 4	<u>4/06</u> 33 62 5	<u>3/06</u> 35 61 4	<u>1/06</u> 39 56 5	<u>12/05</u> 36 60 4	<u>11/05</u> 32 64 4	<u>9/05</u> 37 58 5	<u>7/05</u> 39 55 6	<u>5/05</u> 44 52 4

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

3d. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that Congress is doing?

								High	Low	
Approve Disapprove Not sure	<u>6/08</u> +* 13 79 8	<u>1/08</u> 18 70 12	<u>12/07</u> 18 70 12	<u>11/07</u> 19 68 13	<u>9/07</u> 23 65 12	<u>6/07</u> 23 64 13	<u>4/07</u> 31 52 17	<u>9/98</u> 61 28 11	<u>4/92</u> + 15 78 7	[149]
		<u>3/07</u> 31 53 16	10/13- <u>16/06</u> + 16 75 9	<u>9/06</u> + 20 65 15	<u>7/06</u> 25 60 15	<u>6/06</u> 23 64 13	<u>4/06</u> 22 65 13	<u>3/06</u> 33 53 14	<u>1/06</u> 29 56 15	
		<u>12/05</u> 25 60 15	<u>11/05</u> 28 57 15	<u>9/05</u> 29 53 18	<u>7/05</u> 28 55 17	<u>5/05</u> 33 51 16	<u>4/05</u> 39 46 15	<u>1/05</u> 41 40 19	<u>6/04</u> + 40 42 18	
		<u>5/04</u> + 39 43 18	<u>1/04</u> 46 41 13	<u>12/13/03</u> 39 47 14	<u>11/03</u> 43 45 11	<u>9/03</u> 39 45 16	<u>5/03</u> + 43 43 14	<u>1/03</u> 42 39 19	<u>12/02</u> 44 39 17	
		<u>10/02</u> + 44 40 16	<u>9/02</u> 40 44 16	<u>7/02</u> 34 48 18	<u>6/02</u> 43 41 16	<u>1/02</u> 54 29 17	<u>12/01</u> 57 29 14	<u>6/01</u> 47 34 19	<u>4/01</u> 43 33 24	
		<u>3/01</u> 45 32 23	<u>1/01</u> 48 35 17	<u>12/00</u> 55 30 15	<u>10/00</u> + 49 35 16	<u>9/00</u> + 46 41 13	<u>7/00</u> + 46 42 12	<u>6/00</u> + 43 46 11	<u>4/00</u> + 42 44 14	
		<u>3/00</u> + 43 40 17	<u>1/00</u> 48 36 16	<u>12/99</u> 45 42 13	<u>10/99</u> 42 45 13	<u>9/99</u> 40 49 11	<u>7/99</u> 43 41 16	<u>7/99</u> 43 41 16	<u>6/99</u> 40 42 18	
		<u>4/99</u> 49 38 13	<u>1/99</u> 50 40 10	<u>12/98</u> 44 42 14	<u>10/98</u> + 48 39 13	<u>10/94</u> + 24 67 9	<u>9/94</u> 23 67 10			

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A). + Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

4. Please tell me how interested you are in November's elections, using a scale from one to ten, on which a "ten" means that you are very interested in November's elections and a "one" means that you are not at all interested. You may choose any number from one to ten.

			3/7-							
	6/08+	4/08+	<u>10/08</u> +	<u>1/08</u> +	<u>12/07</u> +	11/07	<u>10/04</u> +	9/04+	8/04+	
10, very interested	67	65	67	66	65	59	74	71	63	[150-151]
9	7	9	8	10	8	9	8	7	10	
8	11	11	10	10	12	12	9	9	12	
7	5	4	5	4	5	7	3	5	6	
6	2	3	2	3	2	3	2	2	2	
5	4	3	3	4	4	5	2	4	4	
4	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	1	1	
3	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	
2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	
1, not at all interested	2	2	2	1	2	3	1	1	1	
Cannot rate	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	

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5. Now I'm going to read you the names of several public figures, and I'd like you to rate your feelings toward each one as either very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative. If you don't know the name, please just say so.

	Very <u>Positive</u>	Somewhat <u>Positive</u>	Neutral	Somewhat <u>Negative</u>	Very <u>Negative</u>	Don't Know Name/ <u>Not Sure</u>	
George W. Bush							[1
June 2008+	11	19	10	16	44	-	
April 2008+	12	19	13	14	42	-	
March 24-25, 2008+	16	17	12	13	41	1	
March 7-10, 2008+	16	18	10	12	43	1	
January 2008	14	18	10	17	40	1	
December 2007	16	20	11	13	40	-	
November 2007	17	17	10	14	41	1	
September 2007	18	18	11	13	40	-	
July 2007	13	20	11	15	41	-	
June 2007	12	20	11	15	42	-	
April 2007	17	19	13	14	37	-	
March 2007	18	20	9	14	39	-	
January 2007	17	18	12	17	35	1	
December 2006	19	19	10	15	37	-	
October 28-30, 2006+	23	17	10	14	36	-	
July 2006	21	18	10	15	36	-	
January 2006	24	17	12	13	33	1	
November 2005	20	18	12	15	35	-	
September 2005	24	18	10	14	34	_	
July 2005	27	20	10	15	28	-	
January 2005	32	19	9	15	25	-	
June 2004+	33	15	8	14	30	-	
January 2004	38	17	8	13	24	_	
September 2003	35	17	9	15	23	1	
January 2003	36	20	12	16	16	-	
October 2002+	37	20	12	10	15	1	
July 2002	40	24	11	11	13	-	
June 2001	40 30	20	16	15	12	- 1	
High	50	20	10	15	IJ		
December 2001	54	26	9	6	5		
Low	04	20	9	0	5	-	
June 2007	12	20	11	15	42		

Q.5 (cont'd)	Very <u>Positive</u>	Somewhat <u>Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	Somewhat <u>Negative</u>	Very <u>Negative</u>	Don't Know Name/ <u>Not Sure</u>	
Hillary Clinton							[153/159
June 2008+	18	28	14	17	22	1	
April 2008+	20	22	14	19	25	-	
March 24-25, 2008+	17	20	15	21	27	-	
March 7-10, 2008+	22	23	11	14	29	1	
January 2008	24	23	11	11	30	1	
December 2007	22	20	13	12	32	1	
November 2007	19	24	12	14	30	1	
September 2007	20	24	13	13	29	1	
July 2007	20	24	16	12	27	1	
June 2007	18	24	15	16	26	1	
March 2007	16	23	17	15	28	1	
December 2006	21	22	17	12	26	2	
April 2006	19	19	19	13	28	2	
December 2004	24	21	14	11	29	1	
December 13, 2003	21	25	12	12	30	1	
July 2003	16	21	20	13	27	3	
March 2001	16	19	15	18	31	1	
January 2001	27	22	13	12	24	2	
October 2000+	20	19	15	14	31	1	
September 2000+	19	23	16	13	28	1	
June 2000+	19	22	16	13	29	1	
March 2000+	18	24	19	15	23	1	
January 2000	21	23	18	13	24	1	
December 1999	19	22	17	13	28	1	
October 1999	21	24	13	16	25	1	
High							
January 1999	35	23	16	11	14	1	
Low							
March 2001	16	19	15	18	31	1	

Q.5 (cont'd)	Very <u>Positive</u>	Somewhat <u>Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	Somewhat <u>Negative</u>	Very <u>Negative</u>	Don't Know Name/ <u>Not Sure</u>	
John McCain							[154/160]
June 2008+	11	28	25	19	15	2	
April 2008+	11	29	27	17	13	3	
March 24-25, 2008+	14	31	26	15	10	4	
March 7-10, 2008+	15	32	23	15	12	3	
January 2008	14	31	26	15	7	7	
December 2007	10	29	26	21	7	7	
November 2007	8	27	31	19	7	8	
September 2007	9	27	26	18	11	9	
July 2007	7	28	25	20	9	11	
April 2007	11	31	27	15	7	9	
March 2007	12	31	25	15	9	8	
December 2006	13	33	22	16	4	12	
June 2006	11	29	29	11	5	15	
April 2006	12	27	28	13	6	14	
August 2004+	18	33	26	8	4	11	
July 2004+	19	30	30	9	2	10	
May 2004+	20	30	26	8	5	11	
July 2002	12	29	27	10	5	17	
April 2002	18	29	25	9	3	16	
June 2001	15	29	26	11	6	13	
April 2001	17	30	25	9	3	16	
January 2001	16	28	29	7	3	17	
July 2000+	18	32	25	9	6	10	
April 2000+	16	30	27	12	5	10	
January 2000	14	20	27	8	3	28	
December 1999	12	22	24	4	2	36	
High							
May 2004+ Low	20	30	26	8	5	11	
October 1999	9	20	22	5	2	42	
Barack Obama				_	_	_	[155/161]
June 2008+	25	23	17	11	22	2	• • •
April 2008+	23	23	16	17	20	- 1	
March 24-25, 2008+	24	25	18	16	16	1	
March 7-10, 2008+	25	26	18	13	15	3	
January 2008	_0 19	30	22	11	14	4	
December 2007	17	29	22	14	12	6	
November 2007	15	28	24	12	12	9	
September 2007	15	27	23	13	12	10	
July 2007	16	26	24	12	10	12	
April 2007	19	26	25	8	6	16	
March 2007	18	19	26	11	6	20	
December 2006	17	18	18	7	6	34	
October 28-30, 2006+	14	17	18	5	6	40	
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Q.5 (cont'd)	Very <u>Positive</u>	Somewhat <u>Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	Somewhat <u>Negative</u>	Very <u>Negative</u>	Don't Know Name/ <u>Not Sure</u>	
Bill Clinton							[156/162]
June 2008+	16	24	17	17	25	1	
April 2008+	18	21	18	18	24	1	
March 24-25, 2008+	20	22	15	18	25	-	
March 7-10, 2008+	20	22	11	13	32	2	
January 2008	24	23	14	11	27	1	
November 2007	25	23	13	14	25	-	
March 2007	27	21	16	14	21	1	
April 2006	27	23	16	12	21	1	
October 2004+	26	22	13	11	27	1	
June 2004+	20	22	16	14	27	1	
January 2002	17	19	13	13	36	2	
June 2001	18	21	15	15	31	-	
April 2001	20	20	15	11	34	-	
January 2001	32	24	11	12	21	-	
December 2000	33	23	11	12	21	-	
September 2000+	25	25	10	13	27	-	
August 2000+	24	22	11	13	30	-	
July 2000+	22	27	11	12	28	-	
High							
January 1993	33	31	15	9	7	5	
Low							
March 2001	17	17	13	14	38	1	
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* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Don't Know

Q.5 (cont'd)

Q.5 (cont d)	Very	Somewhat		Somewhat	Very	Name/	
The Denvilling Ports	<u>Positive</u>	<u>Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Negative</u>	<u>Negative</u>	Not Sure	14 - 1
The Republican Party	7	04	0.4	00	05	4	[15]
June 2008+*	7	21	24	22	25	1	
April 2008+	8	19	23	22	26	2	
March 7-10 2008+	10	24	15	21	28	2	
January 2008	13	21	26	19	18	3	
November 2007	8	24	24	20	22	2	
September 2007	8	23	20	27	20	2	
July 2007	8	25	19	23	23	2	
June 2007	7	21	21	23	26	2	
January 2007	10	23	21	23	21	2	
December 2006	11	22	19	22	24	2	
October 28-30, 2006+	15	20	16	20	28	1	
October 13-16, 2006+	11	21	18	19	30	1	
September 30-October 2, 2006+	11	26	18	17	27	1	
September 8-11, 2006+	13	24	17	20	25	1	
July 2006	11	22	18	21	25	3	
June 2006	10	24	18	21	26	1	
April 2006	9	26	20	21	22	2	
March 2006	10	24	21	22	21	2	
January 2006	13	24	20	20	22	1	
November 2005	9	23	23	19	24	2	
October 2005	13	23	23	20	19	2	
September 2005	14	23	20	19	22	2	
July 2005	12	26	20	21	20	1	
May 2005	13	27	17	19	22	2	
February 2005	17	27	19	18	18	1	
December 2004	19	27	18	16	18	2	
October 2004+	20	24	18	15	22	1	
September 2004+	21	22	16	18	22	1	
August 2004+	18	26	17	16	22	1	
July 2004+	18	25	20	18	18	1	
September 2003	17	26	17	19	18	3	
July 2003	18	30	16	16	16	3	
December 2002	21	26	22	15	14	2	
July 2002	18	25	22	17	14	4	
July 2000+	15	28	22	16	14	2	
	10	20	27	10	10	2	
High	21	26	10	10	0	3	
December 2001	21	36	18	13	9	3	
Low	7	24	24	22	26	2	
June 2007	7	21	21	23	26	2	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Don't Know

Q.5 (cont'd)

Q.5 (cont d)	Very <u>Positive</u>	Somewhat <u>Positive</u>	Neutral	Somewhat <u>Negative</u>	Very <u>Negative</u>	Don't Know Name/ <u>Not Sure</u>	
The Democratic Party		<u></u>	<u></u>	<u></u>			[15
June 2008+*	16	27	24	13	19	1	1
April 2008+	17	27	22	15	17	2	
March 7-10 2008+	20	25	18	16	19	2	
January 2008	22	25	19	18	15	1	
November 2007	12	27	24	18	17	2	
September 2007	8	26	27	22	16	- 1	
July 2007	15	20	21	20	15	2	
June 2007	12	30	22	19	16	1	
January 2007	12	29	26	16	14	2	
December 2006	13	29	23	10	14	2	
October 28-30, 2006+	14	25	25	18	10	1	
October 13-16, 2006+	14	25 26	25 26	18	16	2	
	9						
September 30-October 2, 2006+		29	26	17	17	2	
September 8-11, 2006+	11	23	24	21	19	2	
July 2006	7	25	27	22	17	2	
June 2006	10	25	25	22	17	1	
April 2006	9	24	27	23	16	1	
March 2006	8	24	30	22	15	1	
January 2006	11	25	28	20	15	1	
November 2005	8	25	29	20	16	2	
October 2005	10	24	32	19	13	2	
September 2005	11	26	29	18	14	2	
July 2005	9	25	28	22	14	2	
May 2005	12	26	26	20	14	2	
February 2005	14	28	28	16	13	1	
December 2004	18	26	22	19	14	1	
October 2004+	17	25	22	16	19	1	
September 2004+	16	26	20	18	19	1	
August 2004+	17	24	23	16	19	1	
July 2004+	16	25	24	19	14	2	
September 2003	11	29	22	19	16	3	
July 2003	11	25	25	20	16	3	
December 2002	13	27	27	16	15	2	
July 2002	10	29	25	21	13	2	
July 2000+	19	27	24	15	14	1	
High							
January 2000	20	30	23	15	10	2	
Low							
July 2006	7	25	27	22	17	2	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A). + Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q.5 (conťd)	Very <u>Positive</u>	Somewhat <u>Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	Somewhat <u>Negative</u>	Very <u>Negative</u>	Don't Know Name/ <u>Not Sure</u>	
Ted Kennedy							[163]
June 2008+**	16	24	25	14	18	3	
July 1999	18	25	27	13	13	4	
October 1997	6	14	28	18	29	5	
May 1991	8	18	21	22	27	4	
Dick Cheney							[164]
June 2008 +**	6	17	18	14	44	1	
January 2008	7	17	17	15	39	5	
July 2007	9	15	19	15	39	3	
January 2007	9	20	21	15	31	4	
September 2006+	13	21	15	15	35	1	
March 2006	12	18	17	17	33	3	
December 2005	13	20	15	17	32	3	
November 2005	10	17	19	16	33	5	
January 2005	19	23	15	18	23	2	
December 2004	18	24	13	13	28	4	
October 2004+	24	20	12	11	31	2	
September 2004+	21	20	13	12	31	3	
August 2004+	18	20	16	12	30	4	
July 2004+	16	20	19	14	28	3	
June 2004+	17	22	17	13	27	4	
May 2004+	18	21	16	13	29	3	
March 2004	17	22	18	14	22	6	
December 13, 2003	18	24	14	13	23	8	
September 2002	23	27	21	12	12	5	
December 2001	36	27	23	3	6	5	
October 2000+	25	24	26	8	9	8	
High							
February 1991+	33	33	13	2	2	17	
Low							
July 2007	9	15	19	15	39	3	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

6a. Let me list some issues that have been proposed for the federal government to address. Please tell me which one of these items you think should be the top priority for the federal government. (IF MORE THAN ONE, ASK:) Well, if you had to choose just one, which do you think should be the top priority?

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO CHOOSE A PRIORITY IN Q.6a.)

6b. And which of these issues do you think should be the next highest priority for the federal government to address?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OF TOP PRIORITY

	Q.6a Top Priority		Q.6a/b COMBINED Top/Second Priorities		
-	<u>6/08</u> +	4/08+	<u>6/08</u> +	4/08+	
Job creation and economic growth	27	23	46	43	[165-166/167-168]
The war in Iraq	24	18	47	39	
Energy and the cost of gas	18	16	40	33	
Health care	8	11	20	26	
Terrorism	6	8	15	17	
Illegal immigration	5	8	13	18	
The environment and global warming	4	5	11	12	
The mortgage and housing situation	1	3	6	10	
Other (VOL)	1	-	1	1	
All equally (VOL)	6	7	1	-	
None of these (VOL)	-	1	-	-	
Not sure	-	-	-	-	

	Top Priority			COMBINED Top/Second Priorities			
	3/7-			3/7-			
	<u>10/08</u> +	<u>1/08</u> +	<u>12/07</u> +	<u>10/08</u> +	<u>1/08</u> +	<u>12/07</u> +	
The war in Iraq	19	17	18	42	36	36	
Job creation and economic growth	26	27	14	50	46	32	
Terrorism	9	10	9	20	19	20	
Health care	12	17	18	29	34	35	
The mortgage and housing situation	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Energy and the cost of gas	10	6	8	22	18	20	
Illegal immigration	9	11	12	19	22	25	
The environment and global warming	4	5	6	9	12	15	
Other (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	1	
All equally (VOL)	8	2	9	1	1	-	
None of these (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Not sure	1	-	1	-	-	-	
+ Results shown reflect responses among regis	stered voters	3.					

7a. In thinking about the next president that we'll be electing, which of the following two statements comes closer to your point of view? (IF "BOTH," ASK:) I understand that you feel that they are both important, but if you had to choose the ONE statement that comes closer to your point of view, which would you choose?

Statement A: This is a time to have a president who will focus on progress and help move America forward. **Statement B:** This is a time to have a president who will focus on protecting what has made America great.

	<u>6/08</u> +	<u>3/08</u> +	<u>11/07</u> +	
Statement A/focus on progress/moving forward	59	57	50	[169]
Statement B/focus on protecting what has made America great	37	39	46	
Not sure	4	4	4	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

7b. Thinking about this year's presidential election, which of the following statements comes closer to your point of view?

Statement A: This is a time when it is important to look for a more experienced and tested person even if he brings fewer changes to the current policies.

Statement B: This is a time when it is important to look for a person who will bring greater changes to the current policies even if he is less experienced and tested. +**

Statement A: Time for a more experienced and tested person	42	[170]
Statement B: Time for a person who will bring greater changes	54	
Depends (VOL)	1	
Not sure	3	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

8. Putting aside for a moment the question of who each party's nominee might be, what is your preference for the outcome of the 2008 presidential election--that a Democrat be elected president, or that a Republican be elected president? (IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:) And do you strongly prefer a (Democrat/Republican), or is your preference not that strong?

			3/7-					
	6/08+	4/08+	10/08+	11/07+	9/07+	6/07	4/07	
Democrat								[171]
Strongly	44	45	44	41	40	42	39	
Not strongly	7	6	6	8	7	10	10	
Republican								
Not strongly	8	8	8	8	9	8	6	
Strongly	27	25	29	31	29	23	25	
Other (VOL)	4	4	4	2	4	5	6	
Not sure	10	12	9	11	11	12	14	

9a. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or something else? (IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:) Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican) or not a very strong (Democrat/Republican)? (IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK:) Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, closer to the Democratic Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly independent? +

s	trong Democrat	25		[172]
	lot very strong Democrat	8	Skip to Q.10	• •
Ir	ndependent/lean Democrat	11	•	
S	trictly independent	16	CONTINUE	
Ir	ndependent/lean Republican	10		
N	lot very strong Republican	7	Skip to Q.12	
S	trong Republican	17		
C	Other (VOL)	5	CONTINUE	
N	lot sure	1		

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY INDEPENDENT, OTHER, OR NOT SURE IN Q.9a.)

9b. Did you vote in the Democratic or Republican presidential primary in your state, or will you wait to vote in the general election? +

Democratic primary	24	CONTINUE	[173]
Republican primary	21		
Will wait until the general election	46		
Neither/other (VOL)	7	Skip to Q.12	
Not sure	2		

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A DEMOCRAT IN Q.9a OR THAT THEY VOTED IN THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY IN Q.9b.)

10. Regardless of how you voted before, if the Democratic primary election were being held today would you vote for Hillary Clinton or Barack Obama? (IF "NOT SURE," ASK:) Well, which way do you lean?

			3/24-	3/7-		
	<u>6/08</u> +	<u>4/08</u> +	<u>25/08</u> +	<u>10/08</u> +	<u>1/08</u> +	
Hillary Clinton	39	43	45	47	53	[174]
Barack Obama	53	46	45	43	37	
Other (VOL)	1	1	1	1	1	
None (VOL)	2	3	1	2	1	
Not sure	5	7	8	7	8	

	<u>12/07</u>	<u>11/07</u>	9/07	7/07	6/07	4/07	3/07	<u>12/06</u>
Hillary Clinton	45	47	44	43	39	36	40	37
Barack Obama	23	25	23	22	25	31	28	18
John Edwards	13	11	16	13	15	20	15	14
Joe Biden	4	3	2	5	4	3	2	4
Dennis Kucinich	4	2	3	2	3	1	1	NA
Bill Richardson	2	4	4	6	4	2	5	2
Chris Dodd	1	-	1	1	1	-	1	NA
Mike Gravel	-	-	-	-	-	-	NA	NA
Other (VOL)	-	3	1	1	2	1	1	17
None (VOL)	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	3
Not sure	7	4	5	5	5	5	5	5

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A DEMOCRAT IN Q.9a OR THAT THEY VOTED IN THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY IN Q.9b.)

11a. Do you think Barack Obama should or should not choose Hillary Clinton as his vice presidential running mate?

Should choose Hillary Clinton as running mate	<u>6/08</u> + 47	<u>4/08</u> + ¹ 48	[175]
Should NOT choose Hillary Clinton as running mate	37	39	
Depends (VOL)	5	5	
Not sure	11	8	

¹ In previous survey this question was worded as follows "If Barack Obama is selected as the Democratic nominee, do you think he should or should not choose Hillary Clinton as his vice presidential running mate?"

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A DEMOCRAT IN Q.9a OR THAT THEY VOTED IN THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY IN Q.9b.)

11b. Regardless of who won or lost, do you feel that the Democratic nomination process was fair or unfair? +

Fair	69	[176]
Unfair	26	
Not sure	5	

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12. What is your preference for the outcome of this year's congressional elections--a Congress controlled by Republicans or a Congress controlled by Democrats?

Republican-controlled Congress Democrat-controlled Congress Not sure	<u>6/08</u> + 33 52 15	<u>4/08</u> + 34 49 17	3/7- <u>10/08</u> + 35 49 16	10/28- <u>30/06</u> + 37 52 11	10/13- <u>16/06</u> + 37 52 11	9/30- <u>10/2/06</u> + 39 48 13	9/8- <u>11/06</u> + 39 48 13	[177]
		<u>7/06</u> +	<u>6/06</u> +	<u>4/06</u> +	<u>3/06</u> +	<u>1/06</u> +	<u>12/05</u> +	
		38	38	39	37	38	38	
		48	49	45	50	47	46	
		14	13	16	13	15	16	
		<u>11/05</u> +	<u>10/05</u> +	<u>7/05</u> +	<u>5/05</u> +	<u>10/04</u> +	<u>9/04</u> +	
		37	39	40	40	43	42	
		48	48	45	47	44	46	
		15	13	15	13	13	12	
		<u>6/04</u> +	<u>5/04</u> +	<u>3/04</u> +	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>10/02</u> +	
		42	41	42	42	42	43	
		44	44	45	43	42	42	
		14	15	13	15	16	15	
		<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>12/99</u>	
		42	43	42	44	42	40	
		42	41	41	40	40	44	
		16	16	17	16	18	16	
		<u>10/99</u>	<u>7/99</u>	<u>6/99</u>	<u>4/99</u>	<u>3/99</u>	<u>10/98</u> +	
		39	39	42	41	37	41	
		41	43	41	40	43	43	
		20	18	17	19	20	16	
		<u>9/98</u>	<u>7/98</u>	<u>6/98</u>	<u>4/99</u>	<u>2/98</u>	<u>1/98</u>	
		40	41	39	41	41	40	
		39	40	40	40	37	42	
		21	19	21	19	22	18	
		<u>12/97</u>	<u>9/97</u>	<u>7/97</u>	<u>4/97</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>12/95</u>	
		41	41	45	44	41	42	
		37	39	39	38	38	41	
		22	20	16	18	21	17	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

13a. If the next election for president were held today, and John McCain were the Republican candidate and Barack Obama were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

	<u>6/08</u> +		4/08+	3/24- 25/08+	3/7- 10/08+	1/08+	4/07	12/06+	
John McCain	41	CONTINUE	43	42	44	43	39	43	[178]
Barack Obama	47		46	44	47	41	45	38	
Depends (VOL)	2		1	3	1	4	1	3	
Neither/other (VOL)	4	Skip to Q.13e	5	4	3	5	5	6	
Not sure	6		5	7	5	7	10	10	

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO MAKE A CHOICE IN Q.13a.)

13b. Would you definitely vote for (CANDIDATE CHOSEN IN Q.13a), probably vote for (CANDIDATE CHOSEN IN Q.13a) but are still thinking about it, or are you just leaning toward voting for (CANDIDATE CHOSEN IN Q.13a)?

	McCain <u>Voters</u> +	Obama <u>Voters</u> +	
Definitely vote for candidate	68	73	[179]
Probably vote for candidate	16	16	
Just leaning toward voting for candidate	16	11	
Not sure	-	-	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO CHOOSE JOHN McCAIN IN Q.13a.)

13c. Would you say your vote is more FOR John McCain, more AGAINST Barack Obama, or more AGAINST the Democratic Party? +

More for John McCain	38	[180]
More against Barack Obama	36	
More against the Democratic Party	24	
Not sure	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO CHOOSE BARACK OBAMA IN Q.13a.)

13d. Would you say your vote is more FOR Barack Obama, more AGAINST John McCain, or more AGAINST George Bush and the Republican Party? +

More for Barack Obama	50	[208]
More against John McCain	7	• •
More against George Bush and the Republican Party		
Not sure	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

13e. If the next election for president were held today, and John McCain were the Republican candidate and Hillary Clinton were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

			3/24-	3/7-				
	<u>6/08</u> +	<u>4/08</u> +	<u>25/08</u> +	<u>10/08</u> +	<u>1/08</u> +	<u>11/07</u> +	<u>12/06</u> +	
John McCain	40	44	46	45	47	45	47	[209]
Hillary Clinton	49	45	44	47	43	46	43	
Depends (VOL)	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Neither/other (VOL)	4	5	4	3	3	4	5	
Not sure	5	5	5	4	6	4	4	

10/28-		
<u>30/06</u> +	<u>4/06</u> +	<u>11/05</u> +
45	46	44
36	37	42
3	3	1
8	8	6
8	6	7

14. Regardless of who you are planning to vote for, who do you think will win the election in November--John McCain or Barack Obama? +*

John McCain	30	[210]
Barack Obama	54	
Depends (VOL)	4	
Neither/other (VOL)	-	
Not sure	12	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

15. How satisfied are you with the choice of candidates for president--very satisfied, fairly satisfied, just somewhat satisfied, or not that satisfied? +**

Very satisfied Fairly satisfied Just somewhat satisfied Not that satisfied	23 19 27 31	[211]
Not sure	-	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

16. If the next election for president were held today, and John McCain were the Republican candidate with Mitt Romney as his running mate, and Barack Obama were the Democratic candidate with Hillary Clinton as his running mate, for whom would you vote? +

John McCain and Mitt Romney	42	[212]
Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton	51	
Depends (VOL)	1	
Neither/other (VOL)	2	
Not sure	4	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

17. Let me list several issues. Please tell me the one or two, if any, where you feel America is most in need of a new direction and a new approach. (IF MORE THAN TWO, ASK:) Well, if you had to choose just two, which would you choose? +*

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

The economy	47	[213-214]
Iraq	30	>
Energy	28	
Health care	23	
Immigration	18	
Family values issues	14	
The environment	9	
Trade	7	
Other (VOL)	1	
None of these	-	
Not sure	1	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

18a. When it comes to energy and gas prices, who do you believe should take the lead in addressing this issue, Congress or President Bush? +**

Congress	59	[215]
President Bush	21	
Both (VOL)	16	
Not sure	4	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

18b. Which one of the following actions do you most support as a way of addressing the rise in energy and gas prices? +**

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

Encourage the development of wind and solar power	27	[216]
Open up protected areas in Alaska for oil and gas exploration	24	
Encourage American consumers to conserve energy	19	
Encourage off-shore exploration for oil and natural gas	16	
Encourage the construction of nuclear power facilities	10	
None (VOL)	-	
Other (VOL)	2	
Not sure	2	
** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).		

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Switching subjects...

19. When it comes to the **(READ ITEM)** and the 2008 general election, would you say that it is very unified, fairly unified, just somewhat unified, or not unified? +**

	Just					
	Very	Fairly	Somewhat	Not That	Not	
	Unified	Unified	<u>Unified</u>	<u>Unified</u>	Sure	
Democratic Party	11	22	36	26	5	[217]
Republican Party	16	25	32	19	8	[218]

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

20a. If Barack Obama selects Hillary Clinton as his vice presidential running mate, would this make you more likely or less likely to vote for Barack Obama for president, or would it not make a difference to you either way?

	<u>6/08</u> +	4/08 ¹	
More likely	22	19	[219]
Less likely	21	25	
No difference either way	55	55	
Not sure	2	1	

¹ In the previous survey this question read as follows "If Barack Obama were selected to be the presidential candidate with Hillary Clinton as his vice presidential running mate, would this make you more likely or less likely to vote for Barack Obama for president, or would it not make a difference to you either way?"

20b. If Hillary Clinton had been a male candidate, do you think that she would have done better, worse, or about the same in the Democratic primaries? +**

Better Worse	24 7	[220]
About the same Not sure	64 5	
** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM	1 B).	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

21. Do you think Bill Clinton's campaigning for Hillary Clinton helped or hurt her campaign for president, or made no difference one way or the other? +*

Helped campaign	19	[221]
Hurt campaign	41	
Made no difference	36	
Not sure	4	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

22a. How much would you say you know about John McCain and what he stands for--a lot, a fair amount, just some, or very little? +*

Know a lot	25	[222]
Know a fair amount	39	
Know just some	23	
Know very little	13	
Not sure	-	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

22b. What is the first thing that comes to mind when you think about John McCain as president? [223-229] +*

Net Positive	47%	Net Negative	44%
Military background, POW, a hero, patriot	16	More of the same/continuation of Bush's policies/another Bush	13
Experienced	8	His age, too old	10
Speaks his mind/independent thinker/man of convictions/leadership	5	His stance on Iraq/continue presence in Iraq/will keep war going on	6
Fair, honest, honorable man, has integrity	5	Disagree with his stands on issues, his views	3
Will keep the country safe, protect our national security	5	Dislike him, don't want him as/would not make a good president	3
		War, war in Iraq	4
		Don't know; no response	5%

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

23a. How much would you say you know about Barack Obama and what he stands for--a lot, a fair amount, just some, or very little? +**

Know a lot	22	[230]
Know a fair amount	40	
Know just some	21	
Know very little		
Not sure		

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

23b. What is the first thing that comes to mind when you think about Barack Obama as president? [231-237] +**

Net Positive	44%	Net Negative	45%
Change, change for the better	19	Lacks experience, unproven, untested	14
New ideas, innovative ideas	5	His religion, his church, Jeremiah Wright	4
Honest, trustworthy, has integrity, is fair	3	Disagree with his stand on issues, his views	4
Young, energetic, vibrant, enthusiastic	3	Muslim, Muslim connections	3
Intelligent, smart, bright	2	Fear, a disaster, trouble, apprehension	3
		First black president	2
		All other comments	8
		Don't know; no response	5 %

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

24. How likely do you think it is that (**READ ITEM**) will bring real change and direction to the country - very likely, fairly likely, just somewhat likely, or not that likely? +*

			Just	Not	Not	
	Very	Fairly	Somewhat	<u>That</u>	Sure	
Barack Obama	29	19	28	23	1	[238]
John McCain	11	10	35	42	2	[239]

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

25. Would you describe (READ ITEM) as liberal, moderate, or conservative? (IF "LIBERAL" OR "CONSERVATIVE," ASK:) And would you say (READ ITEM) is very (liberal/conservative) or somewhat (liberal/conservative)?

	Liberal			Conservative]	
		Some-		Some-		Not	
	Very	what	<u>Moderate</u>	what	Very	<u>Sure</u>	
Barack Obama							[240]
June 2008+	35	23	24	6	3	9	
March 2008	30	25	24	5	3	13	
John McCain							[241]
June 2008+	2	8	34	29	19	8	
March 2008	4	7	31	29	17	12	

26. For each of the following candidates, please tell me whether that person has a background and set of values that you can identify with, or whether he does NOT have a background and set of values that you can identify with.

	Has Background/ Set Of Values I Identify With	Does NOT Have Background/ Set Of Values I Identify With	Not <u>Sure</u>	
John McCain				[242]
June 2008+	55	37	8	
April 2008+	54	35	11	
March 24-25, 2008+	57	32	11	
Barack Obama				[243]
June 2008+	50	42	8	
April 2008+	45	46	9	
March 24-25, 2008+	50	39	11	

27a/c. How would you rate **John McCain** on the following qualities, using a five-point scale, on which a "5" means a very good rating, a "1" means a very poor rating, and a "3" means a mixed rating?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY VERY GOOD (RATING OF "4-5")

	Very Go	Very Good		Ve	ry Poor		
	Rating				Rating	Cannot	
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Rate</u>	
Being knowledgeable and experienced enough to handle the presidency							[244]
June 2008+*	33	31	23	7	6	-	
March 2008+	33	33	18	6	8	2	
December 2007+	25	29	24	8	6	8	
Having the strong leadership qualities needed to be president							[248]
June 2008+*	29	27	28	8	7	1	
March 2008+	30	31	26	6	4	3	
Being honest and straightforward							[247]
June 2008+*	28	26	22	13	9	2	
March 2008+	22	30	24	10	12	2	
December 2007+	25	26	24	6	8	11	
Having high personal standards that set the proper moral tone for the country							[257]
June 2008+**	27	27	24	10	10	2	
March 2008+	27	29	27	7	7	3	
December 2007+	25	28	25	6	6	10	
Being a good commander-in-chief							[256]
June 2008+**	30	22	24	11	11	2	
March 2008+	31	30	23	7	7	2	
December 2007+	21	26	25	12	6	10	
Being easygoing and likable							[258]
June 2008+**	15	24	33	13	13	2	
March 2008+	14	23	35	16	10	2	
December 2007+	15	25	32	12	5	11	
Being compassionate enough to understand average people							[246]
June 2008+*	14	24	31	18	11	2	
March 2008+	17	23	37	12	9	2	
Sharing your positions on the issues							[255]
June 2008+**	8	20	31	19	20	2	
March 2008+	11	20	29	18	20	2	
December 2007+	10	17	34	16	12	11	
Being inspirational and an exciting choice for president							[254]
June 2008+**	9	13	30	24	23	1	
March 2008+	8	14	35	21	20	2	
Bringing real change to the direction of the country							[245]
June 2008+*	6	13	40	17	22	2	
March 2008+	8	12	34	21	22	3	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).
** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

27b/d. How would you rate **Barack Obama** on the following qualities, using a five-point scale, on which a "5" means a very good rating, a "1" means a very poor rating, and a "3" means a mixed rating?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY VERY GOOD (RATING OF "4-5")

	Very G Rating	ood		Ve	ry Poor Rating	Cannot	
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	Rate	
Being easygoing and likable							[263]
June 2008+**	37	32	18	7	5	1	
March 2008+	39	30	17	5	7	2	
November 2007+	34	30	21	6	5	4	
Being inspirational and an exciting choice for president							[259]
June 2008+**	40	21	16	11	11	1	
March 2008+	36	20	19	10	13	2	
November 2007+	21	21	29	10	15	4	
Being compassionate enough to understand average people							[251]
June 2008+*	32	29	21	7	9	2	
March 2008	35	24	23	8	8	2	
November 2007+	27	27	26	8	7	5	
Bringing real change to the direction of the country							[250]
June 2008+*	21	32	26	9	11	1	
March 2008	26	24	20	10	17	3	
November 2007+	18	19	31	13	13	6	
Being honest and straightforward							[252]
June 2008+*	25	27	22	12	13	1	
March 2008	29	24	22	7	14	4	
November 2007+	26	25	27	8	9	5	
Having high personal standards that set the proper moral tone for the country							[262]
June 2008+**	24	27	18	15	14	2	
March 2008+	29	28	23	8	9	3	
November 2007+	26	24	27	8	8	7	
Having the strong leadership qualities needed to be president							[253]
June 2008+*	23	24	30	10	12	1	
March 2008	24	22	27	9	16	2	
November 2007+	15	24	28	14	15	4	
Sharing your positions on the issues							[260]
June 2008+**	21	18	23	14	23	1	
March 2008+	18	21	23	13	21	4	
November 2007+	13	20	28	12	21	6	
Being a good commander-in-chief							[261]
June 2008+**	13	20	26	15	24	2	
March 2008+	19	22	28	13	16	2	
November 2007+	12	17	30	15	21	5	
Being knowledgeable and experienced enough to handle the presidency							[249]
June 2008+*	10	20	32	15	22	1	-
March 2008	11	17	30	14	25	3	
November 2007+	11	18	28	17	21		

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A). ** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

28. Please tell me how closely you believe John McCain would follow and support George W. Bush's programs and policies if elected president--very closely, somewhat closely, not too closely, or not closely at all.

	<u>6/08</u> +	<u>3/08</u> +	
Very closely	30	29	[264]
Somewhat closely	46	48	
Not too closely	16	13	
Not closely at all	6	6	
Not sure	2	4	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

29. In deciding your vote for president, will the **(READ ITEM)** be the single most important factor, one of several important factors, or not an important factor?

	Single Most Important <u>Factor</u>	One Of Several Important <u>Factors</u>	Not An Important <u>Factor</u>	Not <u>Sure</u>	
Candidate's gender					[265]
June 2008+	3	9	87	1	
April 2008	3	9	88	-	
Candidate's race					[266]
June 2008+	6	14	79	1	
April 2008	4	11	84	1	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

30. Now I'm going to read you some things that you might learn about some of the candidates running for president. For each one, please tell me whether (A) you are enthusiastic about the candidate having this attribute, (B) you are comfortable with it, (C) you have some reservations about it, (D) you are very uncomfortable with it, or (E) it makes no difference to you.

	(A) Enthusiastic About This <u>Attribute</u>	(B) Comfortable With This <u>Attribute</u>	(C) Have Some Reservations About This <u>Attribute</u>	(D) Very Uncomfortable With This <u>Attribute</u>	(E) Makes No <u>Difference</u>	Not <u>Sure</u>	
John McCain would be the oldest president elected to a first term							[267]
June 2008+	2	19	26	12	41	-	
March 2008+	2	24	24	16	33	1	
March 2007	3	20	19	11	46	1	
Barack Obama would be the first African-American president							[268]
June 2008+	17	26	8	5	44	-	
March 2008+	26	26	8	6	33	1	
November 2007+	19	25	7	8	40	1	
March 2007	21	24	7	6	41	1	

31a. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements. +¹

	Strongly <u>Agree</u>	Somewhat <u>Agree</u>	Somewhat <u>Disagree</u>	Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	Not <u>Sure</u>	
John McCain really cares about people like me	17	39	22	18	4	[269]
Barack Obama really cares about people like me	29	34	16	15	6	[270]

¹ Items read to respondents as "...cares about people like you."

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

31b. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each of the following statements. +

	Strongly <u>Agree</u>	Somewhat <u>Agree</u>	Somewhat <u>Disagree</u>	Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	Not <u>Sure</u>	
Race relations in America will improve if John McCain is elected president	2	17	38	28	15	[271]
Race relations in America will improve if Barack Obama is elected president	17	31	23	20	9	[272]

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

32a. As you may know, Barack Obama recently announced that he is resigning from the church that he has been a member of for the past twenty years because of controversial statements about race and America made by preachers at the church. Does Barack Obama's decision to resign from this church reassure you of his values and beliefs, create questions about his values and beliefs, or does his decision not make a difference either way? +

Reassures about his values and beliefs	16	[273]
Creates questions about his values and beliefs	37	
Does not make a difference either way	45	
Not sure	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

32b. Do you think Barack Obama has sufficiently addressed his thinking and beliefs about the issue of race in this country, or do you think he needs to address it further? If you do not have an opinion about this, please just say so. +

Has sufficiently addressed the issue Needs to address it further	37 39	[274]
Do not have an opinion Not sure	21 3	

Turning to the economy. . .

33a. During the next twelve months, do you think that the nation's economy will get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

Economy will get better Economy will get worse Economy will stay about the same	<u>6/08</u> +* 21 49 27	<u>4/08</u> + 19 45 29	<u>3/07</u> 16 31 49	<u>1/07</u> 21 16 60	9/30- <u>10/2/06</u> + 22 22 51	<u>6/06</u> 16 39 43	<u>4/06</u> 17 44 36	<u>3/06</u> 24 27 46	<u>1/06</u> 24 30 42	[275]
Not sure	3	7	49	3	5	2	3	3	4	
	<u>12/05</u> 26 34 37 3	<u>9/05</u> 16 49 32 3	<u>5/05</u> 28 30 36 6	<u>1/05</u> 43 17 36 4	<u>10/04</u> + 43 10 33 14	<u>9/04</u> + 43 13 33 11	<u>5/04</u> + 42 16 34 8	<u>3/04</u> + 44 18 35 3	<u>1/04</u> 50 10 37 3	
	<u>12/13/03</u> 53 10 33 3	<u>11/03</u> 49 15 33 3	<u>9/03</u> 44 19 33 4	7/03 45 16 34 4	<u>5/03</u> + 49 17 31 3	<u>1/03</u> 35 25 37 3	<u>12/02</u> 40 20 35 5	<u>10/02</u> + 41 20 34 5	<u>9/02</u> 39 18 39 4	
	7/02 41 20 37 2	<u>4/02</u> 50 13 32 5	<u>12/01</u> 50 15 32 3	<u>4/01</u> 36 25 34 5	<u>3/01</u> 28 29 37 6	<u>10/98</u> + 17 24 54 5	<u>9/98</u> 19 22 53 6	<u>4/97</u> 19 22 57 2	<u>1/96</u> 21 21 52 6	
	<u>7/95</u> 20 21 54 5	4/95 24 23 50 3	<u>12/94</u> 31 17 46 6	<u>10/94</u> 31 24 40 5	<u>9/94</u> 28 24 44 4	6/94 28 17 52 3	<u>5/94</u> 27 21 49 3	<u>3/94</u> 29 16 52 3	<u>1/94</u> 44 16 36 4	
	<u>10/93</u> 21 27 50 2	<u>9/93</u> 23 24 51 2	7/93 20 29 48 3	6/93 23 27 47 3	<u>4/93</u> 33 21 44 2	<u>3/93</u> 39 15 43 3	<u>1/93</u> 50 9 39 2	<u>12/92</u> 53 10 35 2	5/92 32 20 45 3	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

¹ Prior to April 2001, the question was phrased, "Over the past year..."

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

33b. When you think about your own financial situation, looking ahead to the next year or so, do you feel confident and optimistic or worried and uncertain? + *

Confident and optimistic	35	[276]
Worried and uncertain	55	
In between (VOL)	9	
Not sure	1	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

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Now thinking about Iraq. . .

34. Do you think the U.S. goal of achieving victory in Iraq is still possible, or not?

	<u>6/08</u> +**	<u>3/08</u> +	<u>12/07</u> +	<u>11/07</u> +	<u>9/07</u>	<u>7/07</u>	<u>4/07</u>	
Yes, victory in Iraq is still possible	40	40	37	41	37	32	36	[277]
No, victory in Iraq is not still possible	54	53	55	53	56	62	55	
Not sure	6	7	8	6	7	6	9	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

35. When it comes to the war in Iraq, which of the following statements comes closer to your point of view?

Statement A: The most responsible thing we can do is find a way to withdraw most of our troops from Iraq by the beginning of 2009.

Statement B: The most responsible thing we can do is to remain in Iraq until the situation in the country is stable.

	<u>6/08</u> +**	<u>4/08</u> +	12/07	<u>11/07</u>	
Statement A/withdraw most troops by 2009	49	55	57	55	[278]
Statement B/remain until the situation is stable	45	40	40	40	
Not sure	6	5	3	5	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Changing subjects...

36. Have you personally faced discrimination in the job market? **(IF "YES," ASK:)** Was that discrimination based on sex, race, age, religious or ethnic background, physical disability, or something else?

	<u>6/08</u> +	6/00	3/95	
Yes, Have Faced Discrimination (net)	34	37	32	[279]
On the basis of sex	12	15	12	>
On the basis of race	12	11	13	
On the basis of age	9	8	6	
On the basis of religious or ethnic background	3	4	2	
On the basis of physical disability	2	3	1	
On the basis of something else	5	5	4	
No, Have Not Faced Discrimination	65	62	66	
Not Sure/Refused	1	1	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

37. Please tell me whether each of the following statements applies to you personally. +

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY APPLIES

	<u>Applies</u>	Does Not <u>Apply</u>	Not <u>Sure</u>	
Follow public affairs and politics closely	79	20	1	[280]
Currently live in the state where you were born**	55	45	-	[312]
Belong to a social networking site like Facebook or Myspace*.	21	79	-	[308]
Are a fan of NASCAR racing*	20	80	-	[309]
Voted in this year's American Idol contest**.	8	91	1	[311]

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

FACTUALS: Now I am going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.

F1. A lot of people are unable to get out and vote for many reasons. Did you happen to vote in the November 2004 election for president? (IF "YES," ASK:) For whom did you vote--George W. Bush, John Kerry, or someone else? +

VotedGeorge W. Bush	43	[313]
VotedJohn Kerry	36	
Votedsomeone else	6	
Votedrefused (VOL)	2	
Did not vote	11	
Not sure	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

F2a. Are you currently employed? (IF "CURRENTLY EMPLOYED," ASK:) hat type of work do you do?

(**IF "NOT CURRENTLY EMPLOYED," ASK:**) Are you a student, a homemaker, retired, or unemployed and looking for work? +

Currently Employed		
Professional, manager	24	[314-315]
White-collar worker	20	
Blue-collar worker	16	
Farmer, rancher	-	
Not Currently Employed		
Student	3	
Homemaker	5	
Retired	27	
Unemployed, looking for work	3	
Other	-	
Not sure	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

(ASK ONLY OF WOMEN.)

F2b. Do you work outside the home or not? +

Work outside the home	58	[322]
Do not work outside the home	39	
Not sure/refused	3	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

F3. What is the last grade that you completed in school? +

Grade school	1	[323-324]
Some high school	3	
High school graduate	23	
Some college, no degree	17	
Vocational training/2-year college	13	
4-year college/bachelor's degree	24	
Some postgraduate work, no degree	3	
2-3 years postgraduate work/master's degree	12	
Doctoral/law degree	3	
Not sure/refused	1	

F4. Are you currently single and never married, unmarried and living with a partner, married, separated, widowed, or divorced? +

Single Unmarried and living with a partner Married Separated Widowed Divorced Other (VOL)	1 8 8	[325]
Other (VOL) Not sure/refused	-	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

F5. Thinking about your general approach to issues, do you consider yourself to be liberal, moderate, or conservative? (IF "LIBERAL" OR "CONSERVATIVE," ASK:) Do you consider yourself to be very (liberal/conservative) or somewhat (liberal/conservative)? +

Very liberal	9	[326]
Somewhat liberal		
Moderate	40	
Somewhat conservative	19	
Very conservative	14	
Not sure		

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

F6a. What is your religion? +

Protestant (includes Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist, Episcopal,			
Presbyterian, and other Christians)	54	CONTINUE	[327]
Catholic	22		
Jewish	3	Skip to Q.F7a	
Muslim	-		
Mormon/LDS/Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints	1		
Other	7		
None	11	CONTINUE	
Not sure/refused	2		

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY PROTESTANT, OTHER, NONE, OR NOT SURE IN Q.F6a)

F6b. Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or an evangelical Christian, or would you not describe yourself that way? +

Fundamentalist/evangelical	19	[328]
Neither fundamentalist nor evangelical	49	
Not sure	6	
Catholic/Jewish/Muslim/Mormon (Q.6a)	26	

F7a. How often do you attend services at a church, synagogue, mosque, or other place of worship? +

Never	16	[329]
Once a year	7	
A few times a year	17	
Once a month		
About twice a month	10	
Once a week or more often	39	
Not sure	3	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE HISPANIC IN Q.2b)

F7b. Were you or was one of your parents born outside the United States? (IF "YES," ASK:) And were you, your parents, or both you and your parents born outside the United States? +

Yes, respondent born outside United States	6	[330]
Yes, respondent's parents born outside the United States	41	
Yes, both respondent and parents born outside the United States	16	
No, neither respondent nor parents born outside the United States	34	
Not sure	3	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

(ASK EVERYONE.)

F8. Are you a current or retired labor union member? Is anyone else in your household a current or retired labor union member? Is anyone else in your household a current or retired labor union member? +

Labor union member	17	[331-332]
Union household	9	
Non-union household	72	
Not sure	2	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

F9. If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, would the total be less than ten thousand dollars, between ten thousand dollars and twenty thousand dollars, between twenty thousand dollars and thirty thousand dollars, between thirty thousand dollars and forty thousand dollars, between forty thousand dollars and fifty thousand dollars, between fifty thousand dollars and seventy-five thousand dollars, between seventy-five thousand dollars and one hundred thousand dollars, or would the total be more than that? +

Less than \$10,000	3	[333]
Between \$10,000 and \$20,000	5	
Between \$20,000 and \$30,000	8	
Between \$30,000 and \$40,000	8	
Between \$40,000 and \$50,000	10	
Between \$50,000 and \$75,000	17	
Between \$75,000 and \$100,000	15	
More than \$100,000	20	
Not sure/refused	14	