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Interviews: 1,509 adults, including an over sample of 504 voters
Dates: November 1-5, 2007

## FINAL

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## 48 Male

 52 Female[109]

Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.
The margin of error for 1,509 interviews is $\pm 2.5 \%$

Unless otherwise noted by a "+", all previous data shown reflects responses among all adults.

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

| Registered ..................................................................... | 11 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Not registered .......... |  |

Not sure..

## VOTER SAMPLE RESPONDENTS WHO DO NOT SAY THEY ARE REGISTERED TO VOTE ARE TERMINATED.

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?

|  | 11/07 | 9/07 | $\underline{7 / 07}$ | 6/07 | 4/07 | 3/07 | 1/07 | High 9/01 | Low 7/92+ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Headed in the right direction ...... | 21 | 25 | 19 | 19 | 22 | 25 | 28 | 72 | 14 |
| Off on the wrong track .............. | 67 | 63 | 67 | 68 | 66 | 58 | 57 | 11 | 71 |
| Mixed (VOL)......................... | 9 | 9 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 14 | 13 | 11 | 9 |
| Not sure............................... | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | - | 3 | 2 | 6 | 6 |
|  |  |  | 10/28- | 10/13- | 9/30- | 9/8- |  |  |  |
|  |  | 12/06 | 30/06+ | 16/06+ | 10/2/06+ | 11/06+ | 7/06 | 6/06 | 4/06 |
|  |  | 28 | 29 | 26 | 29 | 31 | 27 | 27 | 24 |
| . |  | 58 | 56 | 61 | 58 | 54 | 60 | 61 | 67 |
|  |  | 11 | 13 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 11 | 10 | 7 |
|  |  | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
|  |  | 3/06 | 1/06 | 12/05 | 11/05 | 10/05 | 9/05 | 7/05 | 5/05 |
|  |  | 26 | 31 | 30 | 26 | 28 | 32 | 34 | 35 |
|  |  | 62 | 57 | 59 | 63 | 59 | 57 | 52 | 52 |
|  |  | 9 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 10 | 8 | 12 | 10 |
|  |  | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
|  |  | 4/05 | $\underline{2 / 05}$ | 1/05 | 12/04 | 10/04+ | 9/04+ | 8/04+ | 7/04+ |
|  |  | 34 | 42 | 40 | 41 | 39 | 39 | 36 | 36 |
|  |  | 51 | 48 | 47 | 46 | 48 | 49 | 50 | 48 |
|  |  | 12 | 8 | 10 | 11 | 10 | 10 | 12 | 14 |
|  |  | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 |

[^0]| Headed in the right direction ....... | 36 | 33 | 41 | 47 | 56 | 41 | 43 | 38 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Off on the wrong track ............... | 48 | 50 | 49 | 43 | 30 | 48 | 47 | 50 |
| Mixed (VOL) .......................... | 14 | 14 | 5 | 6 | 9 | 8 | 6 | 8 |
| Not sure ............................... | 2 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 4 |
|  | $7 / 03$ | 5/03+ | 4/03 | 1/03 | 12/02 | 10/02+ | 9/02 | $7 / 02$ |
|  | 42 | 49 | 62 | 36 | 43 | 44 | 42 | 40 |
|  | 44 | 38 | 22 | 47 | 42 | 42 | 43 | 42 |
|  | 9 | 8 | 13 | 14 | 13 | 14 | 12 | 14 |
|  | 4 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 2 | - | 3 | 4 |
|  | 6/02 | 4/02 | $1 / 02$ | 12/01 | 9/01 | 6/01 | 1/01 | 10/00 |
|  | 52 | 53 | 62 | 70 | 72 | 43 | 45 | 48 |
|  | 31 | 28 | 20 | 15 | 11 | 39 | 36 | 32 |
|  | 14 | 15 | 14 | 12 | 11 | 14 | 15 | 18 |
|  | 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?

|  | 11/07* | $\underline{12 / 91}$ | 10/91 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| In a state of decline. | 57 | 63 | 53 |
| Not in a state of decline. | 38 | 32 | 42 |
| Not sure. | 5 | 5 | 5 |

[141]
Not sure.
5

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

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?


2b. To ensure that we have a representative sample, would you please tell me whether you are from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background?
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { Yes, Hispanic................................................................. } & 89\end{array}$
Not sure/refused. $\qquad$

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 892c. And again, for statistical purposes only, what is your race-white, black, Asian, or something else?

| White | 75 | [145] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Black | 11 |  |
| Asian | 1 |  |
| Other | 3 |  |
| Hispanic (VOL). | 9 |  |
| Not sure/refused | 1 |  |

3a. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing as president?

${ }^{1}$ Overnight 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?


| 41 | 46 | 47 | 44 | 45 | 45 | 43 | 45 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 53 | 50 | 47 | 51 | 52 | 51 | 52 | 49 |
| 6 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| $\frac{5 / 04+}{41}$ | $\frac{3 / 04}{45}$ | $\frac{1 / 04}{49}$ | $\frac{12 / 13 / 03}{48}$ | $\frac{11 / 03}{50}$ | $\frac{9 / 03}{43}$ | $\frac{7 / 03}{45}$ | $\frac{5 / 03+}{47}$ |
| 53 | 51 | 45 | 46 | 44 | 52 | 48 | 45 |
| 6 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| $\frac{4 / 03}{49}$ | $\frac{1 / 03}{44}$ | $\frac{12 / 02}{47}$ | $\frac{10 / 02+}{48}$ | $\frac{9 / 02}{48}$ | $\frac{7 / 02}{49}$ | $\frac{6 / 02}{57}$ | $\frac{4 / 02}{61}$ |
| 42 | 49 | 45 | 44 | 43 | 43 | 34 | 30 |
| 9 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 9 |
| $\frac{1 / 02}{63}$ | $\frac{12 / 01}{63}$ | $\frac{4 / 01}{52}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 27 | 25 | 27 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | 12 | 21 |  |  |  |  |  |

* 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?

|  | 11/07** | 9/07 | $7 / 07$ | $\underline{6 / 07}$ | 4/07 | 3/07 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Approve...................................... | 27 | 30 | 22 | 26 | 27 | 27 |
| Disapprove .................................. | 68 | 66 | 72 | 68 | 66 | 67 |
| Not sure.................................... | 5 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 6 |
|  |  |  |  | 10/28- | 10/13- | 9/8- |
|  |  | 1/07 | 12/06 | 30/06+ | 16/06+ | 11/06 ${ }^{+}$ |
|  |  | 28 | 23 | 34 | 33 | 38 |
|  |  | 67 | 71 | 63 | 63 | 57 |
|  |  | 5 | 6 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|  |  | 7/06 | 6/06 | 4/06 | 3/06 | 1/06 |
|  |  | 34 | 35 | 33 | 35 | 39 |
|  |  | 61 | 61 | 62 | 61 | 56 |
|  |  | 5 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 5 |
|  |  | 12/05 | 11/05 | 9/05 | $7 / 05$ | 5/05 |
|  |  | 36 | 32 | 37 | 39 | 44 |
|  |  | 60 | 64 | 58 | 55 | 52 |
|  |  | 4 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 4 |

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

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

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

|  | 11/07 | 9/07 | 6/07 | 4/07 | 3/07 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 10/13- } \\ & \text { 16/06+ } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 9 / 8- \\ 11 / 06+ \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { High } \\ & \text { 9/98 } \end{aligned}$ | Low$\underline{4 / 92+}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Approve ..................... | 19 | 23 | 23 | 31 | 31 | 16 | 20 | 61 | 15 |
| Disapprove................. | 68 | 65 | 64 | 52 | 53 | 75 | 65 | 28 | 78 |
| Not sure .................. | 13 | 12 | 13 | 17 | 16 | 9 | 15 | 11 | 7 |
|  |  | $7 / 06$ | 6/06 | 4/06 | 3/06 | 1/06 | 12/05 | 11/05 | 9/05 |
|  |  | 25 | 23 | 22 | 33 | 29 | 25 | 28 | 29 |
|  |  | 60 | 64 | 65 | 53 | 56 | 60 | 57 | 53 |
|  |  | 15 | 13 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 18 |


| $\frac{7 / 05}{28}$ | $\frac{5 / 05}{33}$ | $\frac{4 / 05}{39}$ | $\frac{1 / 05}{41}$ | $\frac{6 / 04+}{40}$ | $\frac{5 / 04}{39}+$ | $\frac{1 / 04}{46}$ | $\frac{12 / 13 / 03}{39}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 55 | 51 | 46 | 40 | 42 | 43 | 41 | 47 |  |
| 17 | 16 | 15 | 19 | 18 | 18 | 13 | 14 |  |
| $\frac{11 / 03}{43}$ | $\frac{9 / 03}{39}$ | $\frac{5 / 03+}{43}$ | $\frac{1 / 03}{42}$ | $\frac{12 / 02}{44}$ | $\frac{10 / 02+}{44}$ | $\frac{9 / 02}{40}$ | $\frac{7 / 02}{34}$ |  |
| 45 | 45 | 43 | 39 | 39 | 40 | 44 | 48 |  |
| 11 | 16 | 14 | 19 | 17 | 16 | 16 | 18 |  |
| $\frac{6 / 02}{43}$ | $\frac{1 / 02}{54}$ | $\frac{12 / 01}{57}$ | $\frac{6 / 01}{47}$ | $\frac{4 / 01}{43}$ | $\frac{3 / 01}{45}$ | $\frac{1 / 01}{48}$ | $\frac{12 / 00}{55}$ | $\frac{10 / 00+}{49}$ |
| 41 | 29 | 29 | 34 | 33 | 32 | 35 | 30 | 35 |
| 16 | 17 | 14 | 19 | 24 | 23 | 17 | 15 | 16 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\frac{9 / 00+}{46}$ | $\frac{7 / 00+}{46}$ | $\frac{6 / 00+}{43}$ | $\frac{4 / 00+}{42}$ | $\frac{3 / 00+}{43}$ | $\frac{1 / 00}{48}$ | $\frac{12 / 99}{45}$ | $\frac{10 / 99}{42}$ | $\frac{9 / 99}{40}$ |
| 41 | 42 | 46 | 44 | 40 | 36 | 42 | 45 | 49 |
| 13 | 12 | 11 | 14 | 17 | 16 | 13 | 13 | 11 |
| $7 / 99$ | $\frac{7 / 99}{43}$ | $\frac{6 / 99}{40}$ | $\frac{4 / 99}{49}$ | $\frac{1 / 99}{50}$ | $\frac{12 / 98}{44}$ | $\frac{10 / 98+}{48}$ | $\frac{10 / 94+}{24}$ | $\frac{9 / 94}{23}$ |
| 41 | 41 | 42 | 38 | 40 | 42 | 39 | 67 | 67 |
| 16 | 16 | 18 | 13 | 10 | 14 | 13 | 9 | 10 |

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

5a. Please tell me how interested you are in next November's elections, using a scale from one to ten, on which a "ten" means that you are very interested in next November's elections and a "one" means that you are not at all interested. You may choose any number from one to ten.

|  | 11/07 | 10/04+ | 9/04+ | 8/04+ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 10, very interested.. | 59 | 74 | 71 | 63 |
| 9. | 9 | 8 | 7 | 10 |
| 8. | 12 | 9 | 9 | 12 |
| 7. | 7 | 3 | 5 | 6 |
| 6. | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 5. | 5 | 2 | 4 | 4 |
| 4. | 1 | - | 1 | 1 |
| 3. | 1 | 1 | - | - |
| 2. | - | - | - | 1 |
| 1, not at all interested | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Cannot rate. | - | - | - | - |

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

5b. Using a ten-point scale, please tell me how likely you are to vote in next November's elections for president and Congress. If you are certain that you will vote, pick a number closer to " 8, " "9," or "10." If it is less likely that you will vote, use a number closer to "1," "2," or "3." You may choose any number from one to ten.

${ }^{1}$ In May and December 1996, the categories of "1" through " 7 " were collapsed and shown together.

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

6. 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?

| Strong Democrat | 22 | [154] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Not very strong Democrat. | 8 |  |
| Independent/lean Democrat. | 11 |  |
| Strictly independent | 20 |  |
| Independent/lean Republican. | 9 |  |
| Not very strong Republican. | 8 |  |
| Strong Republican. | 17 |  |
| Other | 4 |  |
| Not sure/nothing | 1 |  |

7. Now I'm going to read you the names of several public figures and organizations, 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 Positive | Somewhat Positive | Neutral | Somewhat Negative | Very Negative | Don't Know Name/ Not Sure |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| George W. Bush |  |  |  |  |  |  | [155] |
| 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 | - |  |
| October 13-16, 2006+ ............... | 19 | 20 | 9 | 15 | 37 | - |  |
| September 30-October 2, 2006+.... | 22 | 18 | 10 | 14 | 35 | 1 |  |
| September 8-11, 2006+............... | 23 | 19 | 9 | 13 | 36 | - |  |
| July 2006. | 21 | 18 | 10 | 15 | 36 | - |  |
| June 2006.................................. | 18 | 21 | 9 | 15 | 37 | - |  |
| April 2006. | 19 | 20 | 9 | 15 | 37 | - |  |
| March 2006. | 20 | 19 | 11 | 14 | 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 | - |  |
| May 2005.. | 27 | 22 | 10 | 12 | 29 | - |  |
| February 2005 | 31 | 20 | 9 | 13 | 27 | - |  |
| 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 | 24 | 11 | 12 | 15 | 1 |
| July 2002.................................. | 40 | 26 | 11 | 11 | 12 | - |
| June 2001. | 30 | 23 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 1 |
|  | 25 | 25 | 18 | 13 | 17 | 2 |
| High |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2001 .......................... | 54 | 26 | 9 | 6 | 5 | - |
| Low |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| June 2007................................. | 12 | 20 | 11 | 15 | 42 | - |

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

| Q. 7 (cont'd) | Very Positive | Somewhat Positive | Neutral | Somewhat Negative | Very Negative | Don't Know Name/ Not Sure |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The Democratic Party |  |  |  |  |  |  | [156/164] |
| November 2007 ........................... | 12 | 27 | 24 | 18 | 17 | 2 |  |
| September 2007 .......................... | 8 | 26 | 27 | 22 | 16 | 1 |  |
| July 2007................................... | 15 | 27 | 21 | 20 | 15 | 2 |  |
| June 2007 ................................. | 12 | 30 | 22 | 19 | 16 | 1 |  |
| January 2007.............................. | 13 | 29 | 26 | 16 | 14 | 2 |  |
| December 2006 .......................... | 17 | 29 | 23 | 19 | 10 | 2 |  |
| October 28-30, 2006+ .................. | 14 | 25 | 25 | 18 | 17 | 1 |  |
| October 13-16, 2006+.................. | 11 | 26 | 26 | 19 | 16 | 2 |  |
| September 30-October 2, 2006+ .... | 9 | 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 Low``` | 20 | 30 | 23 | 15 | 10 | 2 |  |


| July 2006.... | 7 | 25 | 27 | 22 | 17 | 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

| Q. 7 (cont'd) | Very Positive | Somewhat Positive | Neutral | Somewhat Negative | Very <br> Negative | Don't Know Name/ Not Sure |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The Republican Party |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 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 |
|  | 9 | 26 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 2 |
| March 2006 ............................... | 10 | 24 | 21 | 22 | 21 | 2 |
| January 2006............................. | 13 | 24 | 20 | 20 | 22 | 1 |
|  | 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 | 24 | 16 | 15 | 2 |
| High |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December 2001 .......................... | 21 | 36 | 18 | 13 | 9 | 3 |
| Low |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| June 2007 ................................. | 7 | 21 | 21 | 23 | 26 | 2 |

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+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.
Q. 7 (cont'd)


## Hillary Clinton

November $2007^{1}$ $\qquad$

| Very |
| :---: |
| Positive | | Somewhat |
| :---: |
| Positive |

Neutral

12

| Somewhat | Very |
| :--- | :---: |
| Negative | Negative |

14

Don't Know Name/
Not Sure
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| 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 |  |
| December 2000. | 27 | 23 | 16 | 10 | 23 | 1 |  |
| October 2000+.......................... | 20 | 19 | 15 | 14 | 31 | 1 |  |
| September 2000+ | 19 | 23 | 16 | 13 | 28 | 1 |  |
| June 2000+ | 19 | 22 | 16 | 13 | 29 | 1 |  |
| April 2000+. | 18 | 22 | 18 | 12 | 27 | 3 |  |
| 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 |  |
| Barack Obama |  |  |  |  |  |  | [159/172] |
| November $2007{ }^{1}$ | 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 |  |

${ }^{1}$ Asked only of respondents who say they are Democrats (Q.5) and half (FORM A) of everyone else (1,079 total respondents).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

| Q. 7 (cont'd) | Very Positive | Somewhat Positive | Neutral | Somewhat Negative | Very Negative | Don't Know Name/ Not Sure |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bill Clinton |  |  |  |  |  |  | [160/173] |
| November $2007{ }^{1}$.. | 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 |  |
| September 2004+ | 27 | 21 | 15 | 12 | 25 | - |  |
| July 2004+. | 22 | 20 | 15 | 14 | 28 | 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 | - |  |
| March 2001. | 17 | 17 | 13 | 14 | 38 | 1 |  |


| January 2001............................. | 32 | 24 | 11 | 12 | 21 | - |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| December 2000....................... | 33 | 23 | 11 | 12 | 21 | - |  |
| Likely voters November 2000+ ....... | 22 | 20 | 11 | 11 | 35 | 1 |  |
| Likely voters October 2000+.......... | 25 | 23 | 8 | 12 | 32 | - |  |
| 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 |  |
| John Edwards |  |  |  |  |  |  | [166/174] |
| November $2007{ }^{2}$. | 9 | 28 | 25 | 16 | 15 | 7 |  |
| September 2007......................... | 12 | 29 | 22 | 14 | 13 | 10 |  |
| July 2007................................... | 12 | 25 | 26 | 14 | 13 | 10 |  |
| June 2007 ................................. | 12 | 24 | 29 | 12 | 14 | 9 |  |
| March 2007 | 8 | 25 | 32 | 12 | 11 | 12 |  |
| December 2006. | 11 | 23 | 26 | 13 | 8 | 19 |  |
| December 2004.......................... | 16 | 24 | 24 | 16 | 13 | 7 |  |
| October 2004+ ............................ | 18 | 24 | 21 | 13 | 20 | 4 |  |
| September 2004+....................... | 20 | 21 | 21 | 14 | 17 | 7 |  |
| August 2004+............................ | 19 | 22 | 25 | 15 | 13 | 6 |  |
| July 2004+................................. | 18 | 26 | 26 | 12 | 8 | 10 |  |
| June 2004+ ................................ | 10 | 22 | 29 | 11 | 4 | 24 |  |
| March 2004 ............................... | 12 | 24 | 27 | 14 | 6 | 17 |  |
| January 2004 ............................ | 4 | 12 | 24 | 8 | 6 | 45 |  |
| December 13, 2003 ..................... | 3 | 14 | 21 | 8 | 5 | 49 |  |

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${ }^{2}$ Asked only of respondents who say they are Democrats (Q.5) and half (FORM B) of everyone else ( 1,080 total respondents).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

| Q. 7 (cont'd) | Very Positive | Somewhat Positive | Neutral | Somewhat Negative | Very Negative | Don't Know Name/ Not Sure |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Al Gore |  |  |  |  |  |  | [167/175] |
| November $2007^{2}$....................... | 20 | 24 | 18 | 12 | 24 | 2 |  |
| March 2007. | 19 | 25 | 19 | 14 | 22 | 1 |  |
| June 2006. | 10 | 20 | 25 | 17 | 25 | 3 |  |
| December 13, 2003................... | 9 | 24 | 19 | 20 | 26 | 3 |  |
| December 2002 | 11 | 20 | 22 | 17 | 27 | 3 |  |
| October 2002+. | 7 | 18 | 24 | 19 | 30 | 2 |  |
| June 2002. | 11 | 21 | 28 | 17 | 20 | 3 |  |
| January 2002.......................... | 12 | 21 | 31 | 15 | 18 | 3 |  |
| June 2001. | 14 | 24 | 25 | 17 | 18 | 2 |  |
| March 2001.. | 16 | 25 | 22 | 17 | 19 | 1 |  |
| January 2001. | 22 | 29 | 15 | 15 | 18 | 1 |  |
| December 2000 | 23 | 21 | 11 | 14 | 30 | 1 |  |
| November 27, 2000..................... | 31 | 16 | 10 | 17 | 26 | - |  |
| Likely voters November 2000+....... | 25 | 22 | 15 | 17 | 20 | 1 |  |
| Likely voters October 2000+......... | 24 | 25 | 11 | 15 | 25 | - |  |


| High |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January 1993........................... | 23 | 32 | 22 | 9 | 6 | 8 | [161/176] |
| Low |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October 2002+ ........................... | 7 | 18 | 24 | 19 | 30 | 2 |  |
| Fred Thompson |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November $2007{ }^{3}$. | 6 | 17 | 27 | 13 | 10 | 27 |  |
| September 2007 ......................... | 12 | 16 | 22 | 12 | 10 | 28 |  |
| July 2007. | 6 | 15 | 23 | 9 | 5 | 42 |  |
| June 2007. | 10 | 13 | 23 | 6 | 4 | 44 |  |
| April 2007. | 8 | 14 | 19 | 3 | 1 | 55 |  |
| September 1997 ......................... | 6 | 10 | 16 | 4 | 3 | 61 |  |
| July 1997................................... | 6 | 12 | 16 | 4 | 3 | 59 |  |
| June 1997 .................. | 5 | 7 | 15 | 2 | 2 | 69 |  |

${ }^{2}$ Asked only of respondents who say they are Democrats (Q.5) and half (FORM B) of everyone else ( 1,080 total respondents).
${ }^{3}$ Asked only of respondents who say they are Republicans (Q.5) and half (FORM A) of everyone else ( 1,011 total respondents).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

| Q. 7 (cont'd) | Very Positive | Somewhat Positive | Neutral | Somewhat Negative | Very Negative | Don't Know Name/ Not Sure |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John McCain |  |  |  |  |  |  | [162/177] |
| November $2007{ }^{3}$. | 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+............................... | 20 | 30 | 26 | 8 | 5 | 11 |  |
| Low |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October 1999............................ | 9 | 20 | 22 | 5 | 2 | 42 |  |
| Mitt Romney |  |  |  |  |  |  | [163/178] |
| November $2007{ }^{3}$ | 4 | 18 | 27 | 17 | 12 | 22 |  |
| September 2007 ........................ | 6 | 18 | 26 | 14 | 11 | 25 |  |
| June 2007................................. | 5 | 16 | 23 | 13 | 7 | 36 |  |
| March 2007................................ | 4 | 11 | 24 | 11 | 6 | 44 |  |


| December 2006 . | 3 | 8 | 22 | 7 | 4 | 56 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rudy Giuliani |  |  |  |  |  |  | [168/179] |
| November $2007{ }^{4}$ | 12 | 31 | 20 | 16 | 15 | 6 |  |
| September 2007 | 15 | 28 | 20 | 15 | 15 | 7 |  |
| March 2007. | 21 | 37 | 21 | 8 | 6 | 7 |  |
| December 2006. | 19 | 36 | 22 | 9 | 5 | 9 |  |
| August 2004+.. | 29 | 29 | 20 | 7 | 4 | 11 |  |
| September 2007 | 15 | 28 | 20 | 15 | 15 | 7 |  |
| Mike Huckabee |  |  |  |  |  |  | [169/180] |
| November $2007{ }^{4}$. | 5 | 12 | 26 | 6 | 5 | 46 |  |
| September 2007 | 4 | 12 | 22 | 7 | 5 | 50 |  |

${ }^{3}$ Asked only of respondents who say they are Republicans (Q.5) and half (FORM A) of everyone else ( 1,011 total respondents).
${ }^{4}$ Asked only of respondents who say they are Republicans (Q.5) and half (FORM B) of everyone else ( 1,007 total respondents).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

| Q. 7 (cont'd) | Very <br> Positive | Somewhat Positive | Neutral | Somewhat Negative | Very Negative | Don't Know Name/ Not Sure |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ron Paul |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November $2007{ }^{4}$. | 3 | 8 | 19 | 6 | 5 | 59 |
| July 2007. | 2 | 5 | 14 | 4 | 1 | 74 |

[170/208]
${ }^{4}$ Asked only of respondents who say they are Republicans (Q.5) and half (FORM B) of everyone else ( 1,007 total respondents).

8a. 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.8a.)

8b. And which of these issues do you think should be the next highest priority for the federal government to address?

|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Q.8a } \\ \text { Top } \\ \text { Priority } \end{gathered}$ |  | Q.8a/b COMBINED Top/Second Priorities |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| The war in Iraq | 26 |  | 46 | [209-210/ |
| Health care. | 16 |  | 34 | 211-212] |
| Job creation and economic growth | 14 |  | 27 |  |
| Terrorism. | 13 |  | 23 |  |
| Illegal immigration. | 11 | CONTINUE | 24 |  |
| The environment and global warming...................... | 8 |  | 17 |  |
| Energy and the cost of gas.. | 6 |  | 17 |  |
| Social issues such as abortion and gay marriage........ | 3 |  | 8 |  |
| Other (VOL)...................................................... | 1 |  | 1 |  |
| All equally (VOL)................................................ | 2 |  | 1 |  |
| None of these (VOL)........................................... | - | Skip to Q. 9 | - |  |
| Not sure .......................................................... | - |  | - |  |


|  | Top Priority |  |  |  |  | COMBINED Top/Second Priorities |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 6/07 | 3/07 | 1/07 | 12/06 | $7 / 06$ | 6/07 | 3/07 | 1/07 | 12/06 | $7 / 06$ |
| The war in Iraq... | 34 | 30 | 35 | 30 | 29 | 53 | 48 | 54 | 51 | 48 |

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| Health care ......................................... | 15 | 18 | 15 | 14 | 11 | 31 | 36 | 33 | 34 | 25 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Job creation and economic growth........... | 8 | 12 | 15 | 14 | 12 | 17 | 26 | 32 | 27 | 25 |
| Terrorism........................................... | 12 | 13 | 13 | 14 | 14 | 24 | 25 | 27 | 27 | 29 |
| Illegal immigration. | 12 | 9 | 8 | 11 | 9 | 28 | 22 | 21 | 24 | 20 |
| The environment and global warming ${ }^{1}$...... | 6 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 17 | 16 | 10 | 10 | 9 |
| Energy and the cost of gas..................... | 6 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 11 | 18 | 13 | 10 | 13 | 27 |
| Reducing the federal budget deficit.......... | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 11 | 12 | 11 | 12 | 12 |
| Other (VOL) ...................................... | - | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| All equally (VOL) ................................. | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| None of these (VOL) ........................... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 |
| Not sure........................................... | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 1 |

## (ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE REGISTERED VOTERS IN Q.1a.)

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

|  | $\underline{11 / 07+}$ | 9/07+ | $\begin{gathered} 10 / 28- \\ 30 / 06+ \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10 / 13- \\ & 16 / 06+ \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 9 / 30- \\ 10 / 2 / 06+ \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 9 / 8- \\ 11 / 06+ \end{gathered}$ | 7/06+ | 6/06+ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Republican-controlled Congress ...... | 37 | 35 | 37 | 37 | 39 | 39 | 38 | 38 |
| Democrat-controlled Congress......... | 46 | 47 | 52 | 52 | 48 | 48 | 48 | 49 |
| Not sure.................................... | 17 | 18 | 11 | 11 | 13 | 13 | 14 | 13 |
|  |  | 4/06+ | 3/06+ | 1/06+ | 12/05+ | 11/05+ | 10/05+ | 7/05+ |
|  |  | 39 | 37 | 38 | 38 | 37 | 39 | 40 |
|  |  | 45 | 50 | 47 | 46 | 48 | 48 | 45 |
|  |  | 16 | 13 | 15 | 16 | 15 | 13 | 15 |
|  |  | 5/05+ | 10/04+ | 9/04+ | 6/04+ | 5/04+ | 3/04+ | 1/04 |
|  |  | 40 | 43 | 42 | 42 | 41 | 42 | 42 |
|  |  | 47 | 44 | 46 | 44 | 44 | 45 | 43 |
|  |  | 13 | 13 | 12 | 14 | 15 | 13 | 15 |
|  |  | 12/13/03 | 10/02+ | 9/02 | $\underline{7 / 02}$ | 6/02 | 1/02 | 12/01 |
|  |  | 42 | 43 | 42 | 43 | 42 | 44 | 42 |
|  |  | 42 | 42 | 42 | 41 | 41 | 40 | 40 |
|  |  | 16 | 15 | 16 | 16 | 17 | 16 | 18 |
|  |  | 12/99 | 10/99 | 7/99 | 6/99 | 4/99 | 3/99 | 10/98+ |
|  |  | 40 | 39 | 39 | 42 | 41 | 37 | 41 |
|  |  | 44 | 41 | 43 | 41 | 40 | 43 | 43 |
|  |  | 16 | 20 | 18 | 17 | 19 | 20 | 16 |
|  |  | 9/98 | 6/98 | 2/98 | 1/98 | 12/97 | 9/97 | 7/97 |
|  |  | 40 | 39 | 41 | 40 | 41 | 41 | 45 |
|  |  | 39 | 40 | 37 | 42 | 37 | 39 | 39 |
|  |  | 21 | 21 | 22 | 18 | 22 | 20 | 16 |
|  |  | 4/97 | 1/96 | 12/95 | 10/94 |  |  |  |
|  |  | 44 | 41 | 42 | 44 |  |  |  |
|  |  | 38 | 38 | 41 | 38 |  |  |  |
|  |  | 18 | 21 | 17 | 18 |  |  |  |

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.
(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE REGISTERED VOTERS IN Q.1a.)

10. In the next election for U.S. Congress, do you feel that your representative deserves to be reelected, or do you think that it is time to give a new person a chance?

|  | 07+ | $6 / 07+$ | 10/13- | 9/30- | 9/8- |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Deserves to be reelected........... | 39 | $\frac{6 / 07}{41}$ | $\frac{16 / 0{ }^{+}}{39}$ | $\frac{10 / 2 / 06}{38}$ | $\frac{11 / 06}{41}$ | $\frac{7 / 06}{38}$ | $\frac{6 / 06}{42}{ }^{+}$ | $\frac{3 / 06}{41}{ }^{+}$ |
| Give new person a chance......... | 51 | 48 | 45 | 45 | 43 | 48 | 45 | 48 |
| Not sure............................... | 10 | 11 | 16 | 17 | 16 | 14 | 13 | 11 |
|  |  | 1/06+ | 12/05+ | 11/05+ | 5/05+ | 10/04+ | 10/02+ | 9/02 |
|  |  | 41 | 41 | 37 | 42 | 49 | 42 | 41 |
|  |  | 46 | 44 | 51 | 45 | 34 | 39 | 42 |
|  |  | 13 | 15 | 12 | 13 | 17 | 19 | 17 |
|  |  | 10/00+ | 9/00+ | 6/00+ | 12/99 | 10/98 ${ }^{+}$ | 12/97+ | 10/94+ |
|  |  | 50 | 49 | 49 | 42 | 48 | 41 | 39 |
|  |  | 35 | 38 | 39 | 47 | 37 | 45 | 49 |
|  |  | 15 | 13 | 12 | 11 | 15 | 14 | 12 |
|  | 9/94 | 5/94 | 1/94 | 10/93 | 9/93 | 7/93 | 10/92+ | 9/92+ |
|  | 30 | 34 | 35 | 34 | 37 | 30 | 31 | 31 |
|  | 53 | 50 | 47 | 52 | 47 | 55 | 56 | 56 |
|  | 17 | 16 | 18 | 14 | 16 | 15 | 13 | 13 |
|  | 7/92+ | 4/92+ | 2/92+ | 1/92+ | $\underline{12 / 91+}$ | 10/91+ | 10/90+ | 11/89+ |
|  | 27 | 33 | 37 | 42 | 35 | 40 | 39 | 41 |
|  | 62 | 57 | 52 | 48 | 52 | 48 | 48 | 36 |
|  | 11 | 10 | 11 | 10 | 13 | 12 | 13 | 23 |

[^1]11. How much difference do you think it will make in the lives of you and your family who wins next year's presidential election-a great deal, quite a bit, just some, or very little?

|  | 11/07* | 10/04+ | 10/96+ | 7/96 | 5/92 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A great deal of difference. | 37 | 45 | 21 | 19 | 28 | [215] |
| Quite a bit of difference.. | 20 | 27 | 19 | 17 | 18 |  |
| Just some difference.. | 25 | 16 | 28 | 25 | 25 |  |
| Very little difference.. | 17 | 10 | 29 | 34 | 26 |  |
| Not sure. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 3 |  |

12. Do you think that the next president should take an approach similar to that of George W. Bush, or should the next president take a different approach than George W. Bush has?

|  | 11/07* | 4/07 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Similar approach to Bush. | 20 | 21 | [216] |
| Different approach from Bush. | 74 | 74 |  |
| Not sure | 6 | 5 |  |

13a. Let me read you 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. Well, if you had to choose just two, which would you choose? *

| Health care......................................... | 39 | [217-218] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Iraq. | 35 | > |
| Immigration | 29 |  |
| Foreign policy in places other than Iraq .... | 22 |  |
| Family values issues. | 20 |  |
| Global warming.................................... | 13 |  |


| Trade | 10 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Other (VOL) | 1 |
| None of these |  |
| Not sure | 1 |

13b. Let me read you several things that people worry about in their own lives. Please tell me the one or two, if any, that you worry about in your own life. Well, if you had to choose just two, which would you choose? **

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

| Access to affordable health care | 41 | [219-220] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Quality of education | 26 | > |
| Saving enough for retirement | 25 |  |
| The cost of gasoline.. | 24 |  |
| Crime and violence. | 19 |  |
| Job security. | 15 |  |
| The cost of housing and mortgages | 15 |  |
| Other (VOL). | 1 |  |
| None of these. | 4 |  |
| Not sure . | - |  |

14. 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 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.

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\text { Statement A/focus on progress/moving forward............................. } 51 \\
\text { Statement B/focus on protecting what has made America great..... } & 44
\end{array}
$$

[221]
Not sure
5
15. 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?

|  | 11/07 | 9/07 | 4/07 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Democrat |  |  |  |
| Strongly . | 42 | 41 | 39 |
| Not strongly | 8 | 8 | 10 |
| Republican |  |  |  |
| Not strongly ............................... | 7 | 8 | 6 |
| Strongly .................................... | 28 | 28 | 25 |
| Other (VOL) . | 3 | 4 | 6 |
| Not sure. | 12 | 11 | 14 |

ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY INDEPENDENT, OTHER, OR NOT SURE IN Q.6.)
16. If there were a presidential primary election in your state, would you vote in the Democratic primary, the Republican primary, or would you wait to vote in the general election?

| Vote in the Democratic primary | 17 | CONTINUE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Vote in the Republican primary................ | 14 | Skip to Q. 18 |
| Wait until the general election.................. | 58 |  |
| None/other (VOL). | 5 | Skip to Q.20a |
| Not sure. | 6 |  |

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A DEMOCRAT IN Q. 6 OR THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY IN Q.16.)
17. Let me mention some people who have said that they will seek the Democratic nomination for president in 2008. If the next Democratic primary for president were being held today, for which one of the following candidates would you vote? (IF "NOT SURE," ASK:) Well, which way do you lean?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

|  | 11/07 | 9/07 | $7 / 07$ | 6/07 | 4/07 | 3/07 | 12/06 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hillary Clinton. | 47 | 44 | 43 | 39 | 36 | 40 | 37 | [224-225] |
| Barack Obama. | 25 | 23 | 22 | 25 | 31 | 28 | 18 |  |
| John Edwards | 11 | 16 | 13 | 15 | 20 | 15 | 14 |  |
| Bill Richardson. | 4 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 2 |  |
| Joe Biden. | 3 | 2 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 4 |  |
| Dennis Kucinich | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 1 | NA |  |
| Chris Dodd. | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | - | 1 | NA |  |
| Mike Gravel. | - | - | - | - | - | NA | NA |  |
| Other (VOL) | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 17 |  |
| None (VOL). | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 3 |  |
| Not sure.. | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 |  |

## (ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A REPUBLICAN IN Q. 6 OR THAT THEY WOULD VOTE

 IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY IN Q.16.)18. Let me mention some people who have said that they will seek the Republican nomination for president in 2008. If the next Republican primary for president were being held today, for which one of the following candidates would you vote? (IF "NOT SURE," ASK:) Well, which way do you lean?

|  | 11/07 | $\begin{gathered} 9 / 28- \\ 30 / 07 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 9 / 7- \\ 10 / 07 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\underline{7 / 07}$ | 6/07 | 4/07 | 3/07 | 12/06 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rudy Giuliani .......................... | 33 | 30 | 32 | 33 | 29 | 33 | 38 | 34 | [226-227] |
| John McCain.. | 16 | 15 | 14 | 17 | 14 | 22 | 24 | 29 |  |
| Fred Thompson . | 15 | 23 | 26 | 20 | 20 | 17 | NA | NA |  |
| Mitt Romney ........................... | 11 | 10 | 11 | 11 | 14 | 12 | 8 | 8 |  |
| Mike Huckabee . | 8 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 |  |
| Ron Paul.. | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | NA | NA | NA |  |
| Duncan Hunter. | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | NA |  |
| Tom Tancredo ......................... | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | NA | NA | NA |  |
| Other (VOL) | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 5 |  |
| None (VOL) ........................... | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 |  |
| Not sure............................... | 7 | 10 | 6 | 7 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 8 |  |

## (ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A REPUBLICAN IN Q. 6 OR THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY IN Q.16.)

19. If (READ ITEM) were selected as the Republican presidential nominee, would you be comfortable with that choice, or would you be uncomfortable with that choice? (IF "COMFORTABLE" OR "UNCOMFORTABLE," ASK:) Would that be very (comfortable/uncomfortable) or somewhat (comfortable/uncomfortable)?


20a. If the next election for president were held today, and Rudy Giuliani were the Republican candidate and Hillary Clinton were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

|  | 11/07 | 9/07 | $7 / 07$ | 6/07 | 3/07 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rudy Giuliani. | 45 | 42 | 41 | 43 | 47 | [230/235] |
| Hillary Clinton | 46 | 49 | 47 | 48 | 42 |  |
| Depends (VOL). | - | - | 1 | 1 | 3 |  |
| Neither/other (VOL). | 5 | 5 | 7 | 5 | 4 |  |
| Not sure . | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 |  |

20b. If the next election for president were held today, and Mitt Romney were the Republican candidate and Hillary Clinton were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?


+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.
20c. If the next election for president were held today, and Rudy Giuliani were the Republican candidate and Barack Obama were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

|  | 11/07 | $\underline{7 / 07}$ | 3/07 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rudy Giuliani. | 42 | 40 | 45 | [232/237] |
| Barack Obama | 44 | 45 | 39 |  |
| Depends (VOL) | 1 | 2 | 3 |  |
| Neither/other (VOL) | 6 | 7 | 4 |  |
| Not sure . | 7 | 6 | 9 |  |

20d. If the next election for president were held today, and Fred Thompson were the Republican candidate and Hillary Clinton were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

|  | 11/07* | 9/07 | 4/07 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fred Thompson. | 37 | 41 | 40 | [233] |
| Hillary Clinton.. | 51 | 50 | 46 |  |
| Depends (VOL) | 1 | 1 | 2 |  |
| Neither/other (VOL) . | 5 | 4 | 5 |  |
| Not sure.. | 6 | 4 | 7 |  |

20e. 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?


20f. If the next election for president were held today, and Mitt Romney were the Republican candidate and Barack Obama were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote?

| Mitt Romney | 36 | 34 | [238] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Barack Obama | 48 | 51 |  |
| Depends (VOL) | 1 | 1 |  |
| Neither/other (VOL). | 6 | 7 |  |
| Not sure........... | 9 | 7 |  |

20g. If the next election for president were held today, and Rudy Giuliani were the Republican candidate and John Edwards were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote? **

| Rudy Giuliani. | 44 | [239] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| John Edwards . | 45 |  |
| Depends (VOL) | 1 |  |
| Neither/other (VOL) | 3 |  |
| Not sure. | 7 |  |

20h. If the next election for president were held today, and Rudy Giuliani were the Republican candidate and AI Gore were the Democratic candidate, for whom would you vote? **

| Rudy Giuliani. | 47 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Al Gore. | 46 |
| Depends (VOL) | 1 |
| Neither/other (VOL) | 2 |
| Not sure.. | 4 |

21a. If the next election for president were held today, and Rudy Giuliani were the Republican candidate, Hillary Clinton were the Democratic candidate, and Pat Buchanan were an independent candidate, for whom would you vote? *

| Rudy Giuliani..................................... | 35 | [241] |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hillary Clinton............................ | 44 |  |
| Pat Buchanan ........................... | 12 |  |
| Depends (VOL)...................... | 1 |  |
| None/other (VOL)..................... | 4 |  |
| Not sure............................... | 4 |  |
| * Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A). |  |  |

21b. If the next election for president were held today, and Rudy Giuliani were the Republican candidate, Hillary Clinton were the Democratic candidate, and Michael Bloomberg were an independent candidate, for whom would you vote?

|  | 11/07** | $7 / 07$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rudy Giuliani. | 39 | 34 | [242] |
| Hillary Clinton. | 42 | 42 |  |
| Michael Bloomberg. | 10 | 11 |  |
| Depends (VOL) | 1 | 2 |  |
| Neither/other (VOL) | 3 | 4 |  |
| Not sure | 5 | 7 |  |

22. I'm going to read you several short phrases that describe qualities that someone might be looking for in the next president. Which one or two of these qualities do you feel are most important? Well, if you had to choose just one or two, which would you say are MOST important?
23. Do you think that Hillary Clinton is a positive role model for American women, or not?

|  | 11/07** | 6/00+ | 1/96 | 1/95 | 6/94 | 12/92 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Is a positive role model | 56 | 44 | 51 | 57 | 62 | 66 | [245] |
| Is not a positive role model. | 38 | 50 | 39 | 37 | 32 | 21 |  |
| Not sure. | 6 | 6 | 10 | 6 | 6 | 13 |  |

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

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

24. Would you strongly favor, mildly favor, feel neutral about, mildly oppose, or strongly oppose building a new independent political party to run a credible candidate for president?

|  | 11/07 | $\underline{7 / 07}$ | $\begin{gathered} 10 / 28- \\ 30 / 06+ \end{gathered}$ | 4/06 ${ }^{+}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Strongly favor. | 29 | 31 | 30 | 31 | [246] |
| Mildly favor | 18 | 22 | 18 | 14 |  |
| Feel neutral. | 21 | 16 | 22 | 24 |  |
| Mildly oppose. | 9 | 12 | 9 | 12 |  |
| Strongly oppose | 18 | 14 | 15 | 17 |  |
| Not sure | 5 | 5 | 6 | 2 |  |

25a. How would you rate Hillary Clinton 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 OF ALL ADULTS WHO SAY VERY GOOD (SCORE OF "4-5")

|  | Very Good Rating |  |  | Very Poor Rating |  | Cannot Rate |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\underline{5}$ | 4 | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | 1 |  |  |
| Being knowledgeable and experienced enough to handle the presidency |  |  |  |  |  |  | [247] |
| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 * | 31 | 20 | 17 | 11 | 20 | 1 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 * | 51 | 25 | 16 | 4 | 4 | - |  |
| June 2006. | 48 | 23 | 16 | 7 | 5 | 1 |  |
| Having the strong leadership qualities needed to be president |  |  |  |  |  |  | [255] |
| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 * .................................................... | 26 | 21 | 18 | 9 | 25 | 1 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 *..................................................... | 45 | 27 | 16 | 7 | 5 | - |  |
| Bringing real change to the direction of the country |  |  |  |  |  |  | [250] |


| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| November 2007 *..................................................... | 22 | 21 | 22 | 8 | 26 | 1 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 *..................................................... | 34 | 29 | 24 | 6 | 7 | - |  |
| June 2006... | 33 | 28 | 22 | 8 | 8 | 1 |  |
| * Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A). |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Q.25a (cont'd) | Very Good Rating |  |  | Very Poor Rating |  | Cannot |  |
|  | $\underline{5}$ | 4 | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | 1 | Rate |  |
| Being compassionate enough to understand average people |  |  |  |  |  |  | [252] |
| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 * ..................................................... | 24 | 18 | 18 | 12 | 26 | 2 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 * ..................................................... | 42 | 27 | 18 | 7 | 5 | 1 |  |
| Being inspirational and an exciting choice for president |  |  |  |  |  |  | [248] |
| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 22 | 19 | 17 | 10 | 31 | 1 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 *..................................................... | 37 | 27 | 18 | 8 | 10 | - |  |
| June 2006.............................................................. | 25 | 25 | 26 | 12 | 11 | 1 |  |
| Being a good commander-in-chief |  |  |  |  |  |  | [253] |
| All adultsNovember 2007 * |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 21 | 19 | 18 | 7 | 33 | 2 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 *. | 36 | 27 | 22 | 6 | 8 | 1 |  |
| Having high personal standards that set the proper moral tone for the country |  |  |  |  |  |  | [254] |
| All adultsNovember 2007 * |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 20 | 18 | 21 | 9 | 30 | 2 |  |
| Democratic primary votersNovember 2007 * |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 35 | 26 | 24 | 7 | 7 | 1 |  |
| Shares your positions on the issues |  |  |  |  |  |  | [249] |
| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 *.................................................... | 17 | 19 | 20 | 13 | 30 | 1 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 *. | 31 | 30 | 25 | 8 | 6 | - |  |
| June 2006.............................................................. | 25 | 29 | 29 | 8 | 7 | 2 |  |
| Being easygoing and likable |  |  |  |  |  |  | [256] |
| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 *.................................................... | 18 | 16 | 25 | 12 | 27 | 2 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 26 | 23 | 30 | 11 | 9 | 1 |  |
| Being honest and straightforward |  |  |  |  |  |  | [251] |
| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 *..................................................... | 18 | 16 | 22 | 11 | 32 | 1 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 *..................................................... | 30 | 23 | 29 | 10 | 8 | - |  |

25b. 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 OF ALL ADULTS WHO SAY VERY GOOD (SCORE OF "4-5")

|  | Very Good Rating |  |  | Very Poor Rating |  | Cannot Rate |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\underline{5}$ | 4 | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | 1 |  |  |
| Being easygoing and likable |  |  |  |  |  |  | [266] |
| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **. | 34 | 28 | 22 | 6 | 5 | 5 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **. | 45 | 27 | 16 | 4 | 4 | 4 |  |
| Being compassionate enough to understand average people |  |  |  |  |  |  | [262] |
| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **.................................................... | 27 | 27 | 25 | 8 | 8 | 5 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **. | 40 | 27 | 21 | 5 | 4 | 3 |  |
| Being honest and straightforward |  |  |  |  |  |  | [261] |
| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **. | 27 | 24 | 26 | 8 | 9 | 6 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **. | 39 | 26 | 19 | 5 | 5 | 6 |  |
| Having high personal standards that set the proper moral tone for the country |  |  |  |  |  |  | [264] |
| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **..................................................... | 26 | 24 | 27 | 8 | 8 | 7 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **. | 39 | 26 | 18 | 6 | 4 | 7 |  |
| Being inspirational and an exciting choice for president |  |  |  |  |  |  | [258] |
| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **. | 21 | 20 | 30 | 11 | 14 | 4 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **. | 32 | 24 | 23 | 7 | 9 | 5 |  |
| June 2006................................................................ | 38 | 27 | 16 | 6 | 7 | 6 |  |
| Having the strong leadership qualities needed to be president |  |  |  |  |  |  | [265] |
| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **................................................... | 15 | 24 | 29 | 12 | 15 | 5 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **. | 23 | 32 | 26 | 6 | 9 | 4 |  |
| Bringing real change to the direction of the country |  |  |  |  |  |  | [260] |
| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **................................................... | 18 | 20 | 30 | 12 | 14 | 6 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **.................................................... | 28 | 24 | 31 | 6 | 6 | 5 |  |
| June 2006............................................................... | 29 | 27 | 24 | 8 | 5 | 7 |  |
| ** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B). |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Q.25b (cont'd) | Very Ratin |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Poor } \\ & \text { ating } \end{aligned}$ | Cannot |  |


|  | $\underline{5}$ | 4 | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | 1 | Rate |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Shares your positions on the issues |  |  |  |  |  |  | [259] |
| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **. | 13 | 20 | 29 | 12 | 20 | 6 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **..................................................... | 22 | 29 | 31 | 6 | 6 | 6 |  |
| June 2006. | 21 | 28 | 29 | 7 | 5 | 10 |  |
| Being knowledgeable and experienced enough to handle the presidency |  |  |  |  |  |  | [257] |
| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **. | 11 | 19 | 28 | 16 | 21 | 5 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **. | 15 | 26 | 33 | 11 | 11 | 4 |  |
| June 2006.............................................................. | 10 | 20 | 40 | 16 | 7 | 7 |  |
| Being a good commander-in-chief |  |  |  |  |  |  | [263] |
| All adults |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **.................................................... | 12 | 17 | 31 | 14 | 20 | 6 |  |
| Democratic primary voters |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| November 2007 **.................................................... | 18 | 25 | 34 | 9 | 9 | 5 |  |

26. Do you think the voters of this country are ready to elect a qualified (READ ITEM) as president, or don't you think so?
this table has been ranked by the percentage who say voters are ready to elect

|  | Voters Are Ready To Elect | Voters Are <br> NOT <br> Ready <br> To Elect | Not Sure |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Italian American |  |  |  | [270] |
| November 2007 * | 75 | 16 | 9 |  |
| Woman |  |  |  | [268] |
| November 2007 * | 69 | 24 | 7 |  |
| African American |  |  |  | [267] |
| November 2007 * | 63 | 27 | 10 |  |
| September 1995 ................................ | 54 | 34 | 12 |  |
| September 1987+ | 41 | 53 | 6 |  |
| February 1986 + ................................ | 29 | 68 | 3 |  |
| Hispanic |  |  |  | [269] |
| November 2007 *. | 46 | 46 | 8 |  |
| Mormon |  |  |  | [271] |
| November 2007 * ................................ | 38 | 50 | 12 |  |

[^2]27. 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) <br> Enthusiastic About This Attribute | (B) <br> Comfortable With This Attribute | (C) <br> Have Some Reservations About This Attribute | (D) <br> Very <br> Uncomfortable With This Attribute | (E) <br> Makes No <br> Difference | Not Sure |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hillary Clinton would be the first woman president |  |  |  |  |  |  | [272] |
| November 2007 ** | 26 | 20 | 8 | 18 | 27 | 1 |  |
| March 2007. | 27 | 21 | 8 | 15 | 29 | - |  |
| Barack Obama would be the first African-American president |  |  |  |  |  |  | [274] |
| November 2007 ** | 19 | 26 | 7 | 8 | 39 | 1 |  |
| March 2007. | 21 | 24 | 7 | 6 | 41 | 1 |  |
| Hillary Clinton is married to Bill Clinton |  |  |  |  |  |  | [276] |
| November 2007 ** | 12 | 21 | 11 | 21 | 34 | 1 |  |
| March 2007....................................... | 11 | 21 | 10 | 18 | 40 | - |  |
| Mitt Romney would be the first Mormon president |  |  |  |  |  |  | [273] |
| November 2007 ** | 3 | 16 | 18 | 17 | 44 | 2 |  |
| March 2007....................................... | 4 | 17 | 22 | 16 | 39 | 2 |  |
| Rudy Giuliani would be the first president who has been divorced twice |  |  |  |  |  |  | [275] |
| November 2007 ** | 2 | 16 | 14 | 13 | 54 | 1 |  |
| March 2007........................................ | 2 | 17 | 13 | 8 | 60 | - |  |

28a. I'm going to list some things people have mentioned that concern them about having Hillary Clinton as president. Please tell me which one or two concern you the most. If none concerns you, just say so. Well, if you had to choose just one or two, which would you choose? *

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE
She is too evasive and tries to play both sides ................................... 36
She is too liberal and favors big government...................................... 21
She is too polarizing and cannot unite the nation............................... 20
She does not have enough experience to be president ...................... 12
She is not tough enough on national defense issues .......................... 9
She has a personal style that I do not like........................................... 9
Bill Clinton's personal behavior might embarrass the country again .... 8
None of these .................................................................................. 24
Not sure............................................................................................ 3

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

28b. I'm going to list some things people have mentioned that concern them about having Rudy Giuliani as president. Please tell me which one or two concern you the most. If none concerns you, just say so. Well, if you had to choose just one or two, which would you choose?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE
He has little experience in foreign policy or on national defense issues ... 30
[278]
He is only running based on his nine-eleven experience ......................... 26
$>$
He does not have enough experience to be president ............................ 21
He is not conservative on social issues .................................................. 12
His family situation bothers me ..... 11
He is too polarizing and cannot unite the nation. ..... 9
He has a personal style that I do not like ..... 6
None of these. ..... 18
Not sure ..... 3
29. People talk about the importance of the next president bringing change to the country. I'm going to read you a number of items. For each one, please tell me whether this is a major element of the kind of change that is needed, an important element, a minor element, or not really an element of the kind of change that is needed.

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY MAJOR ELEMENT

|  | Major Element | Important Element | Minor Element | Not <br> Really An Element | Not Sure |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Making health care more affordable *. | 70 | 18 | 8 | 3 | 1 | [311] |
| Regaining respect for the U.S. around the world ** ........... | 59 | 22 | 11 | 8 | - | [322] |
| Guaranteeing that all Americans have health care coverage ** $\qquad$ | 57 | 19 | 12 | 11 | 1 | [321] |
| Changing the policy in Iraq | 56 | 21 | 11 | 9 | 3 | [309/319] |
| Finding ways to deal with illegal immigration **............... | 53 | 28 | 13 | 5 | 1 | [323] |
| Reducing the partisan fighting in government *................ | 53 | 23 | 13 | 8 | 3 | [314] |
| Reducing the influence of special interests *. | 47 | 25 | 17 | 6 | 5 | [313] |
| Improving environmental conditions **. | 46 | 29 | 16 | 8 | 1 | [324] |
| Reducing the gap between rich and poor *..................... | 42 | 23 | 20 | 13 | 2 | [312] |
| Raising moral standards ............................................. | 41 | 25 | 18 | 15 | 1 | [280/317] |
| Improving race relations ............................................ | 39 | 31 | 18 | 11 | 1 | [308/318] |
| Having government take a more active role in oversight of medicines, food, and imports from other countries **.... | 38 | 29 | 18 | 12 | 3 | [320] |
| Making people feel more optimistic *............................. | 35 | 28 | 20 | 14 | 3 | [315] |
| Having a smaller role for government in our lives * .......... | 35 | 23 | 25 | 14 | 3 | [310] |
| Promoting ideological agreement between liberals and conservatives ** | 20 | 27 | 25 | 24 | 4 | [325] |
| Electing someone other than a Protestant, white male...... | 12 | 9 | 22 | 55 | 2 | [279/316] |

[^3]30. I'm going to mention two sets of issues. Please tell me which set of issues is more important to you in deciding for whom you will vote in the presidential election.

Set A: Terrorism and social issues and values.
Set B: The economy and health care.

|  | 11/07 | 9/04+ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Set A/terrorism and social issues and values more important.... | 34 | 44 |
| Set B/the economy and health care more important. | 52 | 44 |
| Both equally (VOL) | 13 | 11 |
| Not sure | 1 | 1 |

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Changing topics ...
31. When it comes to the issue of health care, which of the following two options would you prefer to help cover those without health insurance?

Option A: Requiring all Americans to have health insurance, with the federal government helping pay for health insurance for low-income families.

Option B: Providing health savings accounts and tax credits to help individuals and employers purchase health insurance. *

Option A/requiring insurance, federal government helps low-income pay......... 40
Option B/providing health savings accounts and tax credits.............................. 49
Neither/other (VOL)..................................................................................... 6
Not sure 5

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

32. I'm going to read you two statements about taxes, please tell me which statement comes closer to your point of view.

Statement A: The next president and Congress should continue cutting taxes on individuals and businesses because it will improve the economy, and reduce the amount of money government can spend.

Statement B: The next president and Congress should seek some tax increases on the most affluent Americans to help reduce the federal deficit and to pay for expanding health care programs to cover the uninsured. *

| Statement A/continue cutting taxes ......... | 42 | [328] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Statement B/seek some tax increases..... | 51 |  |
| Not sure ................................................ | 7 |  |
| * Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A). |  |  |

33. Now I am going to read you two statements about foreign trade, please tell me which statement comes closer to your point of view.

Statement A: Foreign trade has been good for the U.S. economy, because demand for U.S. products abroad has resulted in economic growth and jobs for Americans here at home and has provided more choices for consumers.

Statement B: Foreign trade has been bad for the U.S. economy, because imports from abroad have reduced demand for American-made goods and cost jobs here at home. **

| Statement A/foreign trade has been good | 30 | [329] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Statement B/foreign trade has been bad. | 60 |  |
| Some of both (VOL) | 6 |  |
| Neither (VOL). | 1 |  |
| Not sure | 3 |  |

## Turning now to foreign affairs . . .

34a. Which do you think is a bigger threat to stability in the Middle East right now-the situation in Iraq or the situation in Iran? *

| Situation in Iraq | 36 | [330] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Situation in Iran | 41 |  |
| Both equally (VOL) | 17 |  |
| Not sure. | 6 |  |

34b. Which do you think will be a bigger threat to stability in the Middle East in the future--the situation in Iraq or the situation in Iran? **

Situation in Iraq............................... 30
Situation in Iran ............................... 47
Both equally (VOL)........................ 18
Not sure ......................................... 5
** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).
35. Recently the United States Senate passed a resolution that declared that the Iranian government's most elite military unit is a terrorist organization. Which of the following statements comes closer to your point of view about this?

Statement A: Passing this resolution was a GOOD thing, because it sends a strong message to the Iranian government that the U.S. has put it on notice and will see that it pays an economic and diplomatic price for its actions.

Statement B: Passing this resolution was a BAD thing, because it moves the United States closer to a potential conflict with Iran, which the United States is not prepared to carry out militarily. **

$$
\begin{gathered}
\text { Statement A/good thing................... } 40 \\
\text { Statement B/bad thing................ } 50 \\
\text { Not sure......................................... } 10 \\
\text { ** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B). }
\end{gathered}
$$

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

|  |  | $\frac{11 / 07}{40}$ | $\frac{9 / 07}{37}$ | $\frac{7 / 07}{32}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Yes, victory in Iraq is still possible........... | $\frac{4 / 07}{36}$ |  |  |  |
| No, victory in Iraq is not still possible....... | 54 | 56 | 62 | 55 |
| Not sure.............................................. | 6 | 7 | 6 | 9 |


| Not sure............................................. 6 | 7 | 6 | 9 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

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37. 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.

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\begin{array}{cc}
\text { Statement A/withdraw most troops by } 2009 \ldots . . . . . & 55 \\
\text { Statement B/remain until the situation is stable... } & 40 \\
\text { Not sure.................................................... } & 5
\end{array}
$$

## FACTUALS: Now lam 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?

| Voted-George W. Bus | 42 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Voted-John Kerry.. | 33 |
| Voted-someone else. | 7 |
| Voted—refused (VOL). | 2 |
| Did not vote. | 14 |
| Not sure. | 2 |

F2. Are you currently employed? (IF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED:) What type of work do you do?
(IF NOT CURRENTLY EMPLOYED:) Are you a student, a homemaker, retired, or unemployed and looking for work?

| Currently Employed |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Professional/ manager ................... | 22 | [336-337] |
| White-collar worker....................... | 21 |  |
| Blue-collar worker. | 16 |  |
| Farmer, rancher.. | 1 |  |
| Not Currently Employed |  |  |
| Student ..................................... | 2 |  |
| Homemaker. | 6 |  |
| Retired ....................................... | 26 |  |
| Unemployed, looking for work ......... | 4 |  |
| Other......................................... | - |  |
| Not sure ................................. | 2 |  |

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

| Grade school. | 1 | [344-345] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Some high school. | 4 |  |
| High school graduate. | 25 |  |
| Some college, no degree | 18 |  |
| Vocational training/2-year college | 12 |  |
| 4-year college/bachelor's degree | 23 |  |
| Some postgraduate work, no degree.................... | 3 |  |
| 2 or 3 years' postgraduate work/master's degree.... | 10 |  |
| 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. | 16 | [346] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Unmarried and living with a partner .......... | 3 |  |
| Married. | 60 |  |
| Separated. | 2 |  |
| Widowed | 8 |  |
| Divorced. | 10 |  |
| Other (VOL). | - |  |
| Not sure/refused | , |  |

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 | [347] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Somewhat liberal | 13 |  |
| Moderate. | 37 |  |
| Somewhat conservative | 22 |  |
| Very conservative.. | 16 |  |
| Not sure | 3 |  |

F6a. What is your religion?
Protestant (includes Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist,

| Episcopal, Presbyterian, and other Christians)..... | 51 | CONTINUE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Catholic....................................................... | 25 |  |
| Jewish | 3 | Skip to Q.F7 |
| Muslim .. | - |  |



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

| Fundamentalist/evangelical. | 20 | [349] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Neither fundamentalist nor evangelical | 43 |  |
| Not sure | 9 |  |
| Catholic/Jewish/Muslim (Q.F6a). | 28 |  |

F7. How often do you attend services at a church, synagogue, mosque, or other place of worship?

| Never | 18 | [350] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Once a year. | 5 |  |
| A few times a year | 18 |  |
| Once a month.. | 6 |  |
| About twice a month | 9 |  |
| Once a week or more often | 41 |  |
| Not sure | 3 |  |

F8a/b. Are you a current or retired labor union member? Is anyone else in your household a current or retired labor union member?

| Labor union member | 17 | [351-352] |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Labor union household | 8 |  |
| Non-union household.. | 73 |  |
| Not sure | 2 |  |

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. | 4 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Between \$10,000 and \$20,000 | 7 |
| Between \$20,000 and \$30,000 | 9 |
| Between \$30,000 and \$40,000 | 9 |
| 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 | 15 |
| Not sure/refused.. | 14 |

The Wall Street Journal/NBC News poll was based on nationwide telephone interviews of 1,509 adults, conducted Nov. 1-5 by the polling organizations of Peter Hart and Bill McInturff.

The sample was drawn in the following manner: 350 geographic points were randomly selected proportionate to the population of each region and, within each region, by size of place. Individuals were selected by a method that gave all telephone numbers, listed and unlisted, an equal chance of being included.

One adult, 18 years or older, was selected from each household by a procedure to provide a balance of respondents by sex. The data's margin of error is plus or minus 2.5 percentage points; sample tolerances for subgroups are larger.


[^0]:    + Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

[^1]:    ${ }^{* *}$ Asked only of one half of the respondents (FORM B) who say they are registered voters (Q. 1 a ) (705 total respondents).

[^2]:    * Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).
    + Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

[^3]:    * Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).
    ** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

