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## Beyond Red vs. Blue

REPUBLICANS DIVIDED ABOUT ROLE OF GOVERNMENT DEMOCRATS BY SOCIAL AND PERSONAL VALUES

Coming out of the 2004 election, the American political landscape decidedly favored the Republican Party. The GOP had extensive appeal among a disparate group of voters in the middle of the electorate, drew extraordinary loyalty from its own varied constituencies, and made some inroads among conservative Democrats. These advantages outweighed continued nationwide parity in party affiliation. Looking forward, however, there is no assurance that Republicans will be able to consolidate and build upon these advantages.

Republicans have neither gained nor lost in party identification in 2005. Moreover, divisions within the Republican coalition over economic and domestic issues may loom larger in the future, given the increasing salience of these matters. The Democratic party faces its own formidable challenges, despite the fact that the public sides with them on many key values and policy questions. Their constituencies are more diverse and, while united in opposition to President Bush, the Democrats are fractured by differences over social and personal values.

These are among the conclusions of Pew's political typology study, which sorts voters into homogeneous groups based on values, political beliefs, and party affiliation. The current study is based on two public opinion surveys - a nationwide poll of 2,000 interviews conducted Dec. 1-16, 2004, and a subsequent re-interview of 1,090 respondents conducted March 17-27 of this year. This is the fourth such typology created by the Pew Research Center for the People \& the Press since 1987. Many of the groups identified in the current surveys are similar to those in past typologies, reflecting the continuing importance of a number of key beliefs and values. These themes endure despite the consequential events of the past four years especially the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and the war in

## How Values Divide the Nation

Divisions Between Parties: Large gaps
between Republicans and Democrats:

- National security
- Assertive foreign policy

Divisions Within Parties: Minor partisan gap,
but major fissures within one or both parties:

- Environmentalism
- Government regulation
- Isolationism vs. global activism
- Immigration


## Divisions Between and Within Parties:

Partisan divides, but also intra-party gaps:

- Religious \& moral values
- Welfare
- Cooperation with allies
- Business \& the free market
- Cynicism about politics
- Individualism vs. fatalism Iraq.

But clearly, those events - and the overall importance of national security issues - have a major impact on the typology. Foreign affairs assertiveness now almost completely distinguishes Republican-oriented voters from Democratic-oriented voters; this was a relatively minor factor in
past typologies. In contrast, attitudes relating to religion and social issues are not nearly as important in determining party affiliation. Still, these issues do underscore differences within parties, especially among the Democrats. While Republican-inclined voters range from the religious to the very religious, the Democratic Party is much more divided in terms of religious and cultural values. Its core constituents include both seculars and the highly religious.

The value gaps for the GOP are, perhaps surprisingly, greatest with respect to the role of government. The Republicans' bigger tent now includes more lower-income voters than it once did, and many of these voters favor an activist government to help working class people. Government regulation to protect the environment is an issue with particular potential to divide Republicans. On this issue, wide divisions exist both within the GOP and among right-of-center voters more generally.

Yet Republicans also have much in common beyond their overwhelming support for a muscular foreign policy and broad agreement on social issues. Voters inclined toward the Republican Party are distinguished from Democrats by their personal optimism and belief in the power of the individual. While some voting blocs on the right are as financially stressed as poorer Democrats, Republicans in this situation tend to be more hopeful and positive in their outlook than their more fatalistic counterparts in the Democratic Party.

National security attitudes also generally unite the Democrats. Beyond their staunch opposition to the war in Iraq, Democrats overwhelmingly believe that effective diplomacy, rather than military strength, should serve as the basis for U.S. security policy. At home, Democrats remain committed to a strong social safety net and are joined in opposition to most domestic policy proposals from the Bush administration, from tougher bankruptcy laws to private accounts in Social Security.

The typology study's finding of significant cleavages within parties not only runs counter to the widespread impression of a nation increasingly divided into two unified camps, but also raises questions about political alignments in the future. In particular, the study suggests that if the political agenda turns away from issues of defense and security, prospects for party unity could weaken significantly. As the following chapters detail, numerous opportunities exist for building coalitions across party lines on many issues currently facing the nation - coalitions that, in many cases, include some strange political bedfellows. Overall, there are many more shades to the American political landscape than just the red and blue dividing the Electoral College maps last Nov. 2.

## The Political Middle

In some ways, the biggest difference between the latest Pew Research Center typology and those in the Clinton era concerns the groups in the middle of the political spectrum. During the 1990s, the typology groups in the center were not particularly partisan, but today they lean decidedly to the GOP.

The middle groups include Upbeats, relatively moderate voters who have positive views of their financial situation, government performance, business, and the state of the nation in general. They are generally well-educated and fairly engaged in political news. While most Upbeats do not formally identify with either political party, they voted for Bush by more than four-to-one last November.


A second, very different group of centrist voters, the Disaffecteds, is much less affluent and educated than the Upbeats. Consequently, they have a distinctly different outlook on life and political matters. They are deeply cynical about government and unsatisfied with their financial situation. Even so, Disaffecteds lean toward the Republican Party and, though many did not vote in the presidential election, most of those who did supported Bush’s reelection.

In effect, Republicans have succeeded in attracting two types of swing voters who could not be more different. The common threads are a highly favorable opinion of President Bush personally and support for an aggressive military stance against potential enemies of the U.S.

A third group in the center, Bystanders, largely consign themselves to the political sidelines. This category of mostly young people, few of whom voted in 2004, has been included in all four of the Center's political typologies.

## The Right

The Republican Party's current advantage with the center makes up for the fact that the GOP-oriented groups, when taken together, account for only $29 \%$ of the public. By contrast, the three Democratic groups constitute $41 \%$ of the public. But the imbalance shifts to the GOP’s favor when the inclinations of the two major groups in the center are taken into account - many of whom lean Republican and most of whom voted for George W. Bush.

The three GOP groups are highly diverse, and this is reflected in their values. The staunchly conservative Enterprisers have perhaps the most consistent ideological profile of any group in the typology. They are highly patriotic and strongly pro-business, oppose social welfare and overwhelmingly support an assertive foreign policy. This group is largely white, well-educated, affluent and male - more than three-quarters are men.

While Enterprisers are a bit less religious than the other GOP groups, they are socially conservative in most respects. Two other groups on the right are both highly religious and very conservative on moral issues. Social Conservatives agree with Enterprisers on most issues, but they tend to be critical of business and supportive of government regulation to protect the public good and the environment. They also express deep concerns about the
 growing number of immigrants in America. This largely female group includes many white evangelical Christians, and nearly half of Social Conservatives live in the South.

Pro-Government Conservatives also are broadly religious and socially conservative, but they deviate from the party line in their backing for government involvement in a wide range of policy areas, such as government regulation and more generous assistance to the poor. This relatively young, predominantly female group is under substantial financial pressure, but most feel it is within their power to get ahead. This group also is highly concentrated in the South, and, of the three core Republican groups, had the lowest turnout in the 2004 election.

Clearly, there is more than one kind of conservative. The Republican groups find common ground on cultural values, but opinions on the role of government, a defining feature of conservative philosophy for decades, are now among the most divisive for the GOP.

## The Left

At the other end of the political spectrum, Liberals have swelled to become the largest voting bloc in the typology. Liberals are opponents of an assertive foreign policy, strong supporters of environmental protection, and solid backers of government assistance to the poor.

This affluent, well-educated, highly secular group is consistently liberal on social issues,
ranging from freedom of expression to abortion. In contrast, Conservative Democrats are quite religious, socially conservative and take more moderate positions on several key foreign policy questions. The group is older, and includes many blacks and Hispanics; of all the core Democratic groups, it has strongest sense of personal empowerment.

Disadvantaged Democrats also include many minority voters, and they are the least financially secure voting bloc. Members of this heavily female, poorly educated group are highly pessimistic about their opportunities in life, and also very mistrustful of both business and government. Nonetheless, they support government programs to help the needy.

While the Republican Party is divided over government's role, the Democrats are divided by social and personal values. Most Liberals live in a world apart from Disadvantaged Democrats and Conservative Democrats.

| The 2005 Political Typology: <br> The Democratic Groups |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | General Public | Regist. <br> Voters |
|  | \% | \% |
| Liberals | 17 | 19 |
| Secular and anti-war |  |  |
| Disadvantaged Democrats | 10 | 10 |
| Social welfare loyalists |  |  |
| Conservative Democrats | 14 | 15 |
| Latter-day New Dealers |  |  |

## Other Major Findings

- For the most part, opinions about the use of force are what divides Democratic-oriented groups from the Republican groups. On other foreign policy issues, even contentious questions about working with allies, the partisan pattern is not as clear.
- Environmental protection now stands out as a major divide within the GOP's coalition. While a narrow majority of Enterprisers believe the country has gone too far in its efforts to protect the environment, most others on the GOP side disagree.
- Poorer Republicans and Democrats have strikingly different outlooks on their lives and possibilities. Pro-Government Conservatives are optimistic and positive; Disadvantaged Democrats are pessimistic and cynical.
- Immigration divides both parties. Liberals overwhelmingly believe immigrants strengthen American society, and most Enterprisers agree. Majorities of other groups in both parties say immigrants threaten traditional American customs and values.
- The Republican Party is doing a better job of standing up for its core issues than is the Democratic Party, according to their respective constituents. Liberals are particularly negative about the performance of the Democratic Party.
- A plurality of the public wants Bush to select a nominee who will keep the Supreme Court about the same as it is now. Only among Enterprisers and Social Conservatives is there substantial support for a more conservative course.
- $\quad$ Stem cell research deeply divides the GOP. Majorities in all three Democratic groups, and the three independent groups, favor such research. Republican groups, to varying degrees, are divided.
- Enterprisers take conservative positions on most religious and cultural issues but are less intense in their beliefs than are other GOP groups. They are more libertarian than other Republican-oriented groups.
- George W. Bush has the broadest personal appeal of any national political figure among the main independent groups, the Upbeats and Disaffecteds.
- Rudy Giuliani is widely popular with Republican groups but also has a favorable rating among majorities in both independent groups, and is viewed positively by roughly half of Conservative Democrats and Liberals.
- Bill and Hillary Clinton's favorable ratings have risen among the public, and both earn relatively high ratings from the GOP's Pro-Government Conservatives.
- Liberals stand far apart from the rest of the electorate in their strong support for gay marriage, and in opposing the public display of the Ten Commandments in government buildings.
- Enterprisers stand alone on key economic issues. Majorities in every other group - except Enterprisers - support a government guarantee of universal health insurance. Enterprisers also are the only group in which less than a majority supports increasing the minimum wage.
- Private investment accounts in Social Security draw mixed reviews. Support for Bush’s plan has faded not just among Democrats, but also independents. Disaffecteds are now evenly split over the proposal; in December, they favored it by almost a two-to-one margin.
- Enterprisers are the only voters to overwhelmingly believe that the Patriot Act is a necessary tool in the war on terrorism. Liberals are the strongest opponents of the legislation.


## II: The Political Typology

The 2005 Political Typology is the fourth of its kind, following on previous studies in 1987, 1994 and 1999. While the mood of the American electorate has changed markedly over this period, underlying patterns persist. Many characteristics of the groups identified by the current survey, in particular the ideological positions of Enterprisers, Liberals, and Disadvantaged Democrats, have remained virtually unchanged over the 18 years of typology studies. This consistency reflects the continuing importance of a number of key beliefs and values among some segments of the electorate.

Still, the emergence of national security issues, as well as a fundamental reevaluation of government by both Democrats and Republicans in an era of unified GOP control in Washington, have produced new alignments within each of the two parties, and caused some once relevant groups to disappear. Moreover, religious and social issues continue to divide both within and across party lines, creating challenges to party leaders as they seek to build or maintain their majorities.

Each of the typologies developed by the Pew Research Center has been designed to provide a more complete and detailed description of the political landscape, classifying people on the basis of a broad range of value orientations rather than simply on the basis of party identification or selfreported ideology. Like past surveys, the new typology reveals substantial political and social differences within as well as across the two political parties. It also provides insights into the political attitudes of independents, who make up more than one-third of the American electorate but are far from unified in terms of their values and ideological beliefs.

## An Evolving Landscape

There are some notable shifts in this year's political typology from past studies. The Liberal group has nearly doubled in size over the past six years. The "New Democrats" - a key element of the Democratic coalition in typology studies in the 1990s - no longer arise as a distinct ideological grouping. This suggests that some of the growth among Liberals comes

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& \text { Key Changes in the } 2005 \text { Typology } \\
& \text { - } \quad \begin{array}{l}
\text { Democrats: Liberals grow in size; New } \\
\text { Democrats no longer distinct }
\end{array} \\
& \text { - } \begin{array}{l}
\text { Republicans: Pro-Government Conservatives } \\
\text { key to GOP victories, but cross-pressured }
\end{array} \\
& \text { - The middle: Republican Party winning support } \\
& \text { from centrist Upbeats and Disaffecteds }
\end{aligned}
$$ from former New Democrats, whose views on national security and government regulation have become more polarized after more than four years of GOP control.

The 2005 study also buttresses the finding in 1999 that the Republican Party's base is now
divided into three core subgroups. In both 1987 and 1994 the predominant divisions on the right were between two ideological clusters, Enterprisers and Moralists, defined by the relative emphasis each placed on conservative economic and social values. The 1999 study found, and the 2005 analysis confirms, the development of a critical third element of the Republican base - a group we refer to as Pro-Government Conservatives. While this group agrees fully with the religious values of Social Conservatives, and the assertive foreign stance of both of the other Republican groups, its members are predominantly lower income and struggling financially. Perhaps as a result, they favor greater government action in assisting the poor and in regulating business to improve the environment, as well as to protect morality.

As in the past, there are two very different groups in the center, aside from the generally apathetic Bystanders. The Upbeats are affluent and optimistic; the Disaffecteds are struggling financially and much more pessimistic. The Republican Party's advantage in the ideological center is substantial. Far more Upbeats and Disaffecteds identify with the GOP than with the Democratic Party; when the leaning of those who view themselves as independent is taken into account, the GOP advantage is even more apparent. In large part, this is reflective of Bush's strong personal appeal among these groups. Among Disaffecteds, Bush is by far the most popular political figure tested and he rates near the top of the list among Upbeats.

In all, the new typology features three Republicanoriented groups, two predominantly independent groups, and three Democraticoriented groups, plus the politically uninvolved Bystanders. Because a person's typology assignment is mostly determined by his or her particular beliefs and values, the degree of partisan affiliation varies within each group. On the right, while Enterprisers and Social

| Partisanship and the Political Typology |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Party Identification* |  |  | Independents who <br> "lean" included** |  |
|  | Repub- <br> lican |  | Independent \% | $\begin{gathered} \text { Rep./ } \\ \text { lean } \mathrm{R} . \\ \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dem./ } \\ & \frac{\text { lean D. }}{\%} \end{aligned}$ |
| Total | 31 | 34 | $35=100$ | 45 | 46 |
| Republican Groups |  |  |  |  |  |
| Enterprisers | 81 | 1 | 18=100 | 98 | 1 |
| Social Conservatives | 82 | 0 | 18=100 | 97 | 1 |
| Pro-Gov't Conservatives | 58 | 2 | $40=100$ | 86 | 3 |
| Middle Groups |  |  |  |  |  |
| Upbeats | 39 | 5 | 56=100 | 73 | 14 |
| Disaffecteds | 30 | 2 | 68=100 | 60 | 10 |
| Bystanders | 22 | 22 | 56=100 | 39 | 38 |
| Democratic Groups |  |  |  |  |  |
| Conservative Democrats | 0 | 89 | 11=100 | 0 | 98 |
| Disadvantaged | 0 | 84 | 16=100 | 0 | 99 |
| Democrats |  |  |  |  |  |
| Liberals | 1 | 59 | $40=100$ | 2 | 92 |
| * Independents include respondents who say they have no preference. <br> ** Respondents who do not initially choose a party identification are asked "as of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?" These columns include these leaners with those who choose a party initially. |  |  |  |  |  |

Conservatives are overwhelmingly Republican, there are many Pro-Government Conservatives who think of themselves as independents (though most say they "lean toward" the Republican party in a follow-up question). Similarly, while the left has two groups of Democratic loyalists (Conservative and Disadvantaged Democrats), many Liberals think of themselves politically as independents (virtually all of these independent Liberals lean Democratic).

## Making the Typology

The 2005 Typology divides the public into eight politically engaged groups, in addition to the Bystanders. These groups are defined by their attitudes toward government and politics and a range of other social, economic and religious beliefs. In addition to partisan leanings and selfreported ideology, the typology is based on eight value orientations, each of which is reflected by a scale derived from two or more questions in the survey. They are as follows:

- Foreign Policy Assertiveness. Opinions on the efficacy of military strength vs. diplomacy, use of force to defeat terrorism, and Americans' duty to serve in the military.
- Religion and Morality. Attitudes concerning the importance of religion in people's lives, the government's role in protecting morality, and social issues such as homosexuality.
- Environmentalism and Regulation. Beliefs about the costs and benefits of government regulation of business to protect the environment or the public interest.
- Social Welfare. Beliefs about the role of government in providing for the poor and needy.
- Immigration. Views concerning the impact of immigrants on American culture and the U.S. economy.
- Business Sentiment. Attitudes about the influence of business in American society.
- Financial Security. Level of satisfaction with current economic status and feelings of financial security.
- Anti-Government Sentiment. Beliefs about the responsiveness of elected officials, and views about government performance.
- Individualism. Beliefs about whether all individuals have it within their power to succeed, or whether success is beyond a person's control.

These measures of an individual's overall value orientation on each of these dimensions do not take into account that person's position on current political issues, such as the war in Iraq or whether gay marriage should be allowed or banned. Instead, they are based on more broadly oriented values questions designed to measure a person's underlying beliefs about what's right and wrong, acceptable or unacceptable, or what government should or should not be involved in.

## III: Demographics, Lifestyle and News Consumption

The nine groups in the political typology are defined by their beliefs and values, not by their demographic characteristics. Yet each group has a distinctly different demographic profile, which in some cases bears little resemblance to those of their ideological and political allies. For example, Enterprisers have by far the highest percentage of men of any group (76\%), while the other two GOP groups are majority female (62\% Pro-Government Conservatives, 58\% Social Conservatives). (For more on the demographics of the typology, see pg. 66)

On the other hand, Enterprisers and Liberals - whose political opinions mix no better than oil and water - have a surprising amount of common ground both economically and educationally. These groups are the wealthiest and best educated in the typology. Roughly four-in-ten Enterprisers and Liberals (41\% each) have annual household incomes of at least $\$ 75,000$; only the Upbeats (39\%) have about as many people in that income category.

Liberals have the highest education level of any typology group - 49\% are college graduates and $26 \%$ have some postgraduate
 education. But the Enterprisers also include a relatively high percentage of college graduates (46\%), although fewer Enterprisers than Liberals have attended graduate school (14\%).

Pro-Government Conservatives stand out among Republican groups for their modest incomes. About half (49\%) have annual household incomes of less than \$30,000; just $13 \%$ of Enterprisers and 26\% of Social Conservatives have incomes in that range. Pro-Government Conservatives’ annual household incomes are comparable to those of Disadvantaged Democrats and Bystanders, and much lower than those of other GOP groups.

Huge disparities in education also divide both Democratic and Republican typology groups. Just 13\% of Disdvantaged Democrats have completed college ( $9 \%$ college grads, $4 \%$ postgraduate), compared with nearly half of Liberals. Educational differences between Liberals and Conservative Democrats are nearly as large ( $49 \%$ vs. $16 \%$ ).

Among Republicans, just 15\% of ProGovernment Conservatives have completed college, compared with $45 \%$ of Enterprisers. There also are wide disparities in education among the three independent groups, with Upbeats (37\%) far more likely to have completed college than Bystanders (13\%) or Disaffecteds (11\%).

## Marriage and Children

The exit poll from the 2004 election showed that married people - especially parents with children at home - strongly favored the president. Overall, Bush led by
 57\%-42\% among all married Americans, and 59\%-40\% among married people with children, according to the National Election Pool (NEP) exit poll.

This pattern is reflected in the typology. Majorities in all three GOP groups are married: 77\% of Enterprisers; 66\% of Social Conservatives; and 55\% of Pro-Government Conservatives. That also is the case for the two GOP-leaning independent groups - $59 \%$ of Upbeats and $57 \%$ of Disaffecteds. By contrast, about half of Conservative Democrats (49\%) and smaller numbers of Liberals (44\%) and Disadvantaged Democrats (42\%) are married.

The Republican groups also have higher proportions of married people with children living at home. Four-in-ten Enterprisers are married and have children under age 18 living at home, as do $34 \%$ of Pro-Government Conservatives and $28 \%$ of Social Conservatives. Among Democratic groups, $28 \%$ of Disadvantaged Democrats, 23\% of Conservative Democrats, and just 20\% of Liberals
 are married and have children living at home. Conservative and Disadvantaged Democrats are just as likely as Republican groups to have children living at home, but larger percentages are single parents ( $14 \%$ and $19 \%$, respectively).

## Economic Perceptions

Disadvantaged Democrats are largely defined by their feelings of financial stress. More than three-quarters of this group (77\%) say they often do not have enough money to make ends meet; just $19 \%$ say paying the bills is generally not a problem. Yet financial unease is nearly as extensive among Pro-Government Conservatives; roughly two-thirds (68\%) report that they have problems making ends meet.

For the most part, paying the bills is not a problem for those in the financially well-off groups - Enterprisers, Liberals and Upbeats. But most Social Conservatives, whose annual incomes are significantly less than in these other groups, also report few problems making ends meet. Nearly nine-in-ten Social Conservatives (88\%) say that paying the bills is generally not a problem.

Among Disadvantaged Democrats, many more have also had personal experience with unemployment than in other groups. More than half of Disadvantaged Democrats (58\%) say they, or someone in their household, have been out of work in the past year. Still, large minorities in most other groups - including 39\% of Pro-Government Conservatives - say they or someone in their household have been jobless in the past year. Even about a quarter of the Enterprisers (28\%) have been without work in the past 12 months.

| Which comes closer to your views... Paying the bills is not generally a problem | Enter prisers | SocialPro-Govt |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Up- } \\ & \frac{\text { beats }}{\%} \end{aligned}$ |  |  | ConservDisadv |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\frac{\text { Cons }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Cons }}{\%}$ |  | $\frac{\text { fecteds }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { standers }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Dems }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Dems }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { erals }}{\%}$ |
|  | 88 | 88 | 29 | 90 | 38 | 48 | 63 | 19 | 75 |
| I often can't make ends meet | 9 | 10 | 68 | 7 | 54 | 49 | 33 | 77 | 24 |
| Other/DK/Refused | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{3}$ | 8 | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{4}$ | $\underline{4}$ | 1 |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

## Personal Optimism a Dividing Line

Pro-Government Conservatives and Disadvantaged Democrats have similar socioeconomic backgrounds and confront many of the same financial struggles. Both groups are predominantly female, both are relatively poor, and large majorities in both groups express dissatisfaction with their financial circumstances.

But these groups have strikingly different outlooks on their lives and possibilities that go a long way toward explaining the differences in their political attitudes. Feelings about the power of
the individual are a major factor in this division. Pro-Government Conservatives are defined, at least in part, by their optimism in this area. About three-quarters (76\%) believe that most people can get ahead if they are willing to work hard - and two-thirds (66\%) strongly express that view. An even higher percentage of ProGovernment Conservatives (81\%) say that everyone has it in his or her own power to succeed.

Disadvantaged Democrats have a gloomier outlook. Just 14\% think that people can get ahead by working hard; 79\% say that hard work is no guarantee of success, and $76 \%$ express that view strongly. Only $44 \%$ of Disadvantaged Democrats say that everyone has the power to succeed, while slightly more (47\%) take the fatalistic view that success in life is

| Struggling Groups: <br> Similar Fortunes, Different Outlooks |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Pro-Gov | Disadv |
|  | Cons | Dems |
| Gender | \% | \% |
| Men | 38 | 40 |
| Women | $\underline{62}$ | $\underline{60}$ |
|  | 100 | 100 |
| Household income |  |  |
| Under \$50,000 | 79 | 78 |
| \$50,000 and over | 21 | 22 |
| Education |  |  |
| College Graduate | 15 | 13 |
| Some College | 26 | 20 |
| High School or less | 59 | 67 |
| Financial Perceptions |  |  |
| I often can't make ends meet | 68 | 77 |
| Not very satisfied financially | 74 | 79 |
| Personal Optimism |  |  |
| People can get ahead w/ hard work | k 76 | 14 |
| Everyone has the power to succeed | d 81 | 44 | determined by forces outside one's own control.

More broadly, opinions on personal empowerment deeply divide both the Democratic groups and independents. More than eight-in-ten Conservative Democrats (83\%) think that most people who work hard can get ahead, while Liberals are somewhat less likely to subscribe to this view and Disadvantaged Democrats strongly disagree. Among center groups, Upbeats, by definition, are very optimistic on this point, and Disaffecteds much less so.

|  | Enter | Social | Pro-Gov | Up- | Disaf- | Conserv | Disadv | Lib- |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Which comes closer to your views.. | $\frac{\text { prisers }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Cons }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Cons }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { beats }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { fecteds }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Dems }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Dems }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { erals }}{\%}$ |
| Most people can get ahead w/ hard work | 95 | 87 | 76 | 84 | 48 | 83 | 14 | 56 |
| Hard work is no guarantee of success | 4 | 10 | 24 | 13 | 48 | 12 | 79 | 39 |
| Other/DK/Refused | $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{3}{100}$ | $\frac{*}{100}$ | $\frac{3}{100}$ | $\frac{4}{100}$ | $\frac{5}{100}$ | $\frac{7}{100}$ | $\frac{5}{100}$ |

## Matters of Faith

The groups in the typology vary considerably in their religious traditions and in how they express their religious faith. All of the groups include sizable numbers of people with a strong religious commitment, but there are significant differences in how that commitment is manifested.

The U.S. remains a majority-Protestant nation (56\% overall say they belong to the Protestant tradition), and this includes a majority among all groups except the younger, more secular Bystanders (49\%) and Liberals (36\%). Among other groups, Protestants range from 55\% among the Upbeats up to $68 \%$ among the Social Conservatives. White evangelical Protestants, a core constituency for President Bush, are a significant plurality group among Social Conservatives (43\%), ProGovernment Conservatives (37\%), and Enterprisers (34\%). White evangelicals constitute no more than $22 \%$ of any other
 group in the typology, and include only $5 \%$ of the Liberals.

In contrast with the great variability of evangelical representation across groups, Catholics are not concentrated in any specific group or cluster of groups. Catholics are one-quarter of the population (25\%), but their proportions among groups vary only from 20\% among Enterprisers to 30\% among Upbeats. Catholics are 23\% of the three Republican groups and 26\% of the three Democratic groups.

Jews make up approximately 3\% of the public overall, but $8 \%$ of the Liberals. People who identify with a religion outside of the Judeo-Christian tradition comprise about $5 \%$ of the population but include 8\% of Liberals and 8\% of Bystanders.

Secular individuals - those who say they are agnostic, atheist, or say they have no religious affiliation - are a significant portion only of Liberals: 22\%. They include 12\% of Bystanders and $9 \%$ of Disaffecteds, but otherwise constitute no more than $6 \%$ of the other groups.


Most Americans say that they attend religious services on at least an occasional basis, and $40 \%$ say they attend at least once per week. About half of the Republican groups report weekly (or greater) attendance, with Social Conservatives highest at 53\%. Among Democratic groups, more than four-in-ten Conservative Democrats (46\%) and Disadvantaged Democrats (43\%) attend at least weekly, but less than half as many Liberals do so (18\%).

Attendance at religious services may also take the form of participation in Bible study or prayer meetings. More than a third of Americans (36\%) say they engage in this type of activity. Over half of Pro-Government Conservatives and Social Conservatives (52\% and 51\%, respectively) participate, compared with 36\% among the other Republican group, Enterprisers. Over four-in-ten Conservative and Disadvantaged Democrats (44\%, 41\%) say they take part in Bible study or prayer meetings, but just $13 \%$ of Liberals do so.

| Church Attendance |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | At leas weekly |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { DK/ } \\ \text { Refused } \end{gathered}$ |
|  | \% | \% | \% |  |
| Total | 40 | 34 | 25 | $1=100$ |
| Republican Groups |  |  |  |  |
| Enterprisers | 48 | 26 | 25 | 1=100 |
| Social Conservatives | 53 | 31 | 15 | $1=100$ |
| Pro-Gov't Conservatives | 52 | 35 | 11 | $2=100$ |
| Middle Groups |  |  |  |  |
| Upbeats | 46 | 32 | 22 | * $=100$ |
| Disaffecteds | 39 | 34 | 25 | 2=100 |
| Bystanders | 26 | 39 | 34 | $1=100$ |
| Democratic Groups |  |  |  |  |
| Conservative Democrats | 46 | 34 | 19 | $1=100$ |
| Disadvantaged Democrats | ts 43 | 39 | 17 | $1=100$ |
| Liberals | 18 | 38 | 43 | $1=100$ |

Financial Activity: Who Trades Stock
Enterprisers and Liberals have the same proportion of high-income individuals. But Enterprisers are much more likely than Liberals - or any other group - to invest in the stock market or own a small business.

More than half of Enterprisers (53\%) say they trade stocks and bonds in the market. That is the highest percentage among typology groups; about four-in-ten Upbeats (42\%) and Liberals (38\%) say they are active in the market. Trading stocks and bonds is far less common in the lower-income groups: Just 11\% of Bystanders and 14\% of Pro-Government Conservatives say they trade stocks and bonds.

Three-in-ten Enterprisers own small businesses, more than any other group in the typology. Disaffecteds

| Taking Financial Risks |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Do you... |  |
|  | Trade |  |
|  | \% | \% |
| Total | 28 | 16 |
| Republican Groups |  |  |
| Enterprisers | 53 | 30 |
| Social Conservatives | 35 | 14 |
| Pro-Gov't Conservatives. | 14 | 11 |
| Middle Groups |  |  |
| Upbeats | 42 | 15 |
| Disaffecteds | 17 | 21 |
| Bystanders | 11 | 10 |
| Democratic Groups |  |  |
| Conservative Democrats | 20 | 14 |
| Disadvantaged Democrats | s 18 | 8 |
| Liberals | 38 | 17 | also include a relatively large proportion of small business owners (21\%), despite their relatively low incomes; in fact, there are more small business owners among the Disaffecteds than among the wealthier Upbeats (15\%).

## Lifestyle Notes: Showing the Flag

Nearly two-thirds of Americans (64\%) say they display the American flag at home, at work, or on their car. Three-quarters or more of the GOP groups say they show the flag. Democratic groups show more variation: 72\% of Conservative Democrats say they display the flag, compared with 53\% of Disadvantaged Democrats and just 41\% of Liberals.

Among independent groups, only about half of Bystanders (47\%) say they display the flag. Bystanders are the youngest of the nine typology groups - 39\% are under 30. Generally, young people are far less likely than older Americans to show the flag - only about half (47\%) say they do

| Display the Flag? |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\frac{\text { Yes }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\mathrm{No}}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { DK/Ref }}{\%}$ |
| Total | 64 | 36 | *=100 |
| Republican Groups |  |  |  |
| Enterprisers | 76 | 24 | $0=100$ |
| Social Conservatives | 84 | 16 | $0=100$ |
| Pro-Gov’t Conserv. | 82 | 18 | $0=100$ |
| Middle Groups |  |  |  |
| Upbeats | 68 | 32 | $0=100$ |
| Disaffecteds | 72 | 28 | $0=100$ |
| Bystanders | 47 | 53 | $0=100$ |
| Democratic Groups |  |  |  |
| Conservative Democrats | 72 | 27 | $1=100$ |
| Disadvantaged Democrats |  | 47 | $0=100$ |
| Liberals | 41 | 59 | $0=100$ |

so, compared with about two-thirds of those in older age categories.

## Gun Ownership

Gun ownership is much more prevalent among GOP groups - especially Enterprisers and Social Conservatives - than among Democrats. Solid majorities in both of those groups say they have guns in their home (59\% of Enterprisers, $56 \%$ of Social Conservatives). Disaffecteds have the next highest percentage of gun owners (45\%).

There has long been a gender gap in gun ownership, but Social Conservatives, while mostly female (58\%), have a relatively high percentage of gun ownership. By contrast, Pro-Government Conservatives, a group that also is disproportionately female (62\%), are far less likely to have guns in their homes; slightly more than a third in this group (36\%) say they have a gun. There are smaller differences in gun ownership among Democrats, with about a third of Conservative Democrats (34\%) - and smaller percentages of the other groups - reporting that they have guns in the home.

| Gun Ownership and Views of the NRA |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Have a gun, rifle at home? | Enter prisers | SocialPro-Govt |  | Up- <br> beats | Disaf- Byfectedsstanders |  | Cons <br> Dems | Disadv Dems | Liberals |
|  |  | Cons | Cons |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| Yes | 59 | 56 | 36 | 40 | 45 | 30 | 34 | 27 | 23 |
| No | 34 | 39 | 62 | 59 | 51 | 67 | 65 | 70 | 76 |
| DK/Refused | $\underline{7}$ | $\underline{5}$ | $\underline{2}$ | 1 | 4 | $\underline{3}$ | 1 | $\underline{3}$ | 1 |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Opinion of the NRA |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Favorable | 80 | 60 | 64 | 53 | 64 | 52 | 46 | 37 | 20 |
| Unfavorable | 12 | 20 | 22 | 34 | 31 | 29 | 38 | 51 | 73 |
| DK/Can't Rate | $\underline{8}$ | $\underline{20}$ | 14 | 13 | $\underline{5}$ | 19 | 16 | 12 | 7 |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

Democrats are deeply divided in their opinions of the National Rifle Association (NRA). A plurality of Conservative Democrats (46\%) express a positive opinion of the NRA; fewer than half as many Liberals (20\%) have a favorable view of the pro-gun rights group. Among GOP groups, $80 \%$ of Enterprisers have a positive opinion of the NRA. Nearly two-thirds of Pro-Government Conservatives (64\%) have a favorable view of the NRA, despite their relatively low level of gun ownership.

## News Consumption: Cable Wars Continue

The public continues to get most of its news from television. Television is the dominant news source for all of the typology groups, although Liberals (57\%), Upbeats (67\%) and Enterprisers
(68\%) cite TV as their main news source less frequently than do members of other groups.

There are wide differences, however, in the specific TV news outlets the typology groups rely upon, particularly cable news outlets. This partisan gap in cable news audiences has been documented in previous Pew studies on news consumption (see "News Audiences Increasingly Politicized" June 8, 2004).

The typology also reveals significant intraparty differences in news consumption. While many more Republicans than Democrats rely on Fox News, a much higher percentage of Enterprisers (46\%) get most of their news from Fox than do either Social
 Conservatives (34\%) or Pro-Government Conservatives (23\%). Moreover, the last two groups are much more likely than Enterprisers to cite CNN or the networks as main sources of news.

Among Democrats, nearly twice as many Conservative Democrats as Liberals cite one of the three network outlets as their main source of news ( $42 \%$ vs. 22\%). Age accounts for much of this gap: The network news audience is older - a third of those age 65 and older get most of their news from the networks, compared with $20 \%$ of those below age 30. And Conservative Democrats are, as a group, much older than Liberals.

To a surprising degree, Liberals (and young, well-educated people generally) are turning away from TV news in favor of the
 internet. Fully 37\% of Liberals and 34\% of Upbeats say they get most of their news from the internet, far more than any other group. For both groups, the number relying on the internet far exceeds any individual TV news source (network, cable or local) and approaches newspaper usage.

## IV: Beyond Red vs. Blue: Value Divides Within Party Coalitions

In an era when virtually all political issues are seen through partisan lenses, the political typology still finds numerous value cleavages in American society, many of which cut across party lines. In fact, public values about security and the use of military force are among the only value dimensions in which Republican and Democratic groups clearly align on opposite sides, and, even here, the intensity of opinion differs significantly within each coalition. Overall, the analysis finds that the intense partisan divide over security and military assertiveness is the exception, and not the rule. In most cases, there are fissures within the party coalitions that are at least as important as the divide between the parties overall.

## Foreign Policy Values

The extreme partisan polarization over the war in Iraq in recent years is interwoven with sharply divided judgments about national security and foreign assertiveness. Asked whether the best way to ensure peace is through military strength or through good diplomacy, the vast majority in all three Democratic-leaning groups choose diplomacy, while those in Republican-leaning groups express more
 confidence in military strength. While the degree of intensity within partisan groups may differ, there is a significantly greater difference of opinion between parties than there is within either party coalition.

This partisan divide is even broader when it comes to peoples' views on the war on terrorism. Across all Republican groups most believe that using overwhelming military force is the best way to defeat terrorism around the world, while a clear majority in all Democratic groups believe relying too much on military force to defeat terrorism creates hatred that leads to more terrorism. These
partisan cleavages underlie the fundamental divide over the war in Iraq and George W. Bush's emphasis on the preemptive use of force, key aspects of American politics in recent years.

However, most issues, even within the realm of foreign policy more generally, do not display such a clear partisan pattern. In fact, in many cases the differences of opinion within the partisan coalitions are far greater than any partisan gap overall. Public opinions with respect to how active a role America should play in world affairs highlight this distinction. Each party coalition includes typology groups that express activist or isolationist sentiments. By a margin of $73 \%$ to $20 \%$, Enterprisers believe it is best for the future of the country to be active in world affairs. By contrast, ProGovernment Conservatives, by a $53 \%$ to $39 \%$ margin, think we should pay less attention to problems overseas and concentrate instead on problems here at home. Similarly among the predominantly Democratic groups, the majority of Liberals favor an active role in world affairs, while most Conservative and Disadvantaged Democrats believe in focusing on problems here at home.

In other areas, only the most ideologically driven groups express views that are significantly different from the national average. In making foreign policy decisions, the Enterprisers overwhelmingly say America
 should follow its own national interests even when the allies strongly disagree, while the consensus among Liberals is that U.S. foreign policy should take into account the interests and views of allies, even if it means making compromises with them. Most other typology groups, whether on the right or the left, are internally divided on this question, and have more in common with each other than they do with either of the extremes.

## Cultural Issues Divide Democrats

Despite differing degrees of religious intensity among core Republican groups, there is little evidence that the current slate of moral and values-oriented issues threatens to divide the Republican electoral base in any significant way. While Enterprisers are defined mostly by their pro-business, anti-government and antiregulatory beliefs rather than their religious or moral conservatism, they nevertheless agree fully with Social Conservatives and ProGovernment Conservatives when it comes to issues such as abortion, gay marriage, and stem

| Republicans Agree on Social Issues |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Enterprisers | Social Pro-Gov |  |
|  |  | Cons | Cons |
| Homosexuality is a way of | \% | \% | \% |
| life that should be discouraged | ed 64 | 65 | 59 |
| Feel strongly | 50 | 59 | 55 |
| It is necessary to believe in |  |  |  |
| God in order to be moral |  |  |  |
| and have good values | 42 | 61 | 68 |
| Feel strongly | 33 | 57 | 66 |
| The gov't should do more to | 52 | 56 | 69 |
| Feel strongly | 35 | 44 | 60 | cell research. (For more on social issues, see pg. 37).

While agreeing with the conservative position on most key issues, Enterprisers are distinguished from other Republican-leaning groups by their relative lack of intensity with respect to individual or social moral beliefs. Though Enterprisers attend church at about the same rate as members of other Republican-leaning groups, just 42\% say a person must believe in God in order to be moral and have good values, compared with sizable majorities of Pro-Government and Social Conservatives. And just 33\% of Enterprisers feel strongly about the importance of faith, compared with 57\% and $66 \%$ of Social and Pro-Government Conservatives, respectively.

In addition, Enterprisers express less enthusiasm for government involvement in moral issues - a position that is consistent with their generally anti-government ideology overall. Just $35 \%$ of Enterprisers strongly support more government action to protect morality in society. By comparison, $60 \%$ of Pro-Government Conservatives, and $44 \%$ of Social Conservatives, strongly support more government action in this regard.

Overall, divisions over social and religious issues continue to be far more intense on the left than on the right. Conservative Democrats - who represent $14 \%$ of the general public and a quarter of John Kerry’s voting base in 2004 - tend to agree with Republican groups more than other Democratic groups when it comes to key social issues such as gay marriage and abortion.

Of equal importance, Liberals, who represent $17 \%$ of the general public and $39 \%$ of John Kerry's voting base in 2004 - are distinct from all other typology groups for their secular values. Fully $84 \%$ of Liberals say a person need not believe in God in order to be moral and have good
values, while the majority of Conservative and Disadvantaged Democrats disagree. This secular/religious divide is connected to very different views of the role of government. A majority of Conservative Democrats would like to see the government do more to protect morality in society, while just $8 \%$ of Liberals agree. Most strikingly, more than nine-inten Liberals (92\%) say that homosexuality should be accepted by society as a way of life, whereas only half of Disadvantaged Democrats (51\%) and only a third of Conservative Democrats (34\%) agree.

| The Democrats' Cultural Divide |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Liberals | Disadv. Dems | Cons. <br> Dems |
| Homosexuality is a way of life that... <br> Should be accepted by society Should be discouraged by society Neither/Both/Don't know | \% | \% | \% |
|  | 92 | 51 | 34 |
|  | 5 | 41 | 58 |
|  | $\underline{3}$ | 8 | 8 |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| To be moral and have good values... |  |  |  |
| It is necessary to believe in God | 15 | 54 | 74 |
| It is NOT necessary to believe in God | 84 | 43 | 24 |
| Neither/Both/Don't know | $\underline{1}$ | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{4}$ |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| The government should do more to protect morality in society$\begin{array}{lll} 8 & 32 & 54 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |
| I worry the government is getting too involved in the issue of morality $\quad 88 \quad 59 \quad 38$ |  |  |  |
| Neither/Both/Don't know | $\underline{4}$ | $\underline{9}$ | 8 |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 |

## Democrats Divide over Regulation, Environment, Immigration

While religious and moral beliefs form a clear area of contention within the Democratic electoral coalition, this is not the only arena in which there is substantial disagreement. In particular, the economic insecurity faced by most Disadvantaged Democrats is linked with a number of attitudes toward regulation, the environment, and immigration that are not typically associated with liberalism.

At root, most Disadvantaged Democrats, who make up 10\% of the general public and 22\% of Kerry's voting base in 2004, are struggling financially and are pessimistic about their opportunities to improve their situation. This gap is most notable with respect to feelings of individual empowerment. By a $79 \%$ to $14 \%$ margin, Disadvantaged Democrats believe that hard work and determination provide no guarantee of success for most people. By comparison, the majority of Liberals and Conservative Democrats believe that most people who want to get ahead can make it if they are willing to work hard.

While the Democratic Party is generally viewed as more favorable toward the environment and government, this basic difference with respect to wealth and opportunity creates significant divisions within the party in these areas. While most Liberals and Conservative Democrats believe government regulation of business is necessary to protect the public interest, the majority of Disadvantaged Democrats believe government regulations usually do more harm than good. And Liberals and Conservative Democrats believe that stricter environmental regulations are worth the
costs, a view shared by majorities in two of the three Republican groups as well. But fewer than half of Disadvantaged Democrats agree, while $44 \%$ say that stricter environmental regulations cost too many jobs and hurt the economy.

The various groups in the Democratic coalition also have different values with respect to the impact of newcomers to America. By an $87 \%$ to $9 \%$ margin, most Liberals believe the growing number of immigrants strengthens American society, but only about a third of both Disadvantaged and Conservative Democrats agree. Instead, most in these groups say the influx of newcomers to this country poses a threat to traditional American values

| Other Fissures in the Democratic Coalition |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Liberals | Disadv. Dems | Cons. <br> Dems |
| Government regulation of business... <br> Usually does more harm than good <br> Is necessary to protect the public interest | \% | \% | \% |
|  | 21 | 66 | 34 |
|  | 72 | 21 | 51 |
| Neither/Both/Don't know | $\underline{7}$ | $\underline{13}$ | 15 |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Stricter environmental regulations... |  |  |  |
| Are worth the costs | 89 | 48 | 60 |
| Cost too many jobs and hurt the economy | 7 | 44 | 29 |
| Neither/Both/Don't know | 4 | $\underline{8}$ | 11 |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| The growing number of newcomers from other countries... |  |  |  |
| Threatens traditional American <br> customs and values 9 53 53 |  |  |  |
| Strengthens American society | 87 | 34 | 35 |
| Neither/Both/Don't know | 4 | $\underline{13}$ | $\underline{12}$ |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Most people who want to get ahead can make it if they're willing to work hard $\quad 56$ |  |  |  |
| Hard work and determination are no guarantee of success for most people | 39 | 79 | 12 |
| Neither/Both/Don't know | $\underline{5}$ | 7 | $\underline{5}$ |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 | and customs.

These internal divisions even carry over into beliefs directly related to the role of government. Disadvantaged Democrats express far more cynicism about persistent government waste and inefficiency, as well as government officials losing touch with the people, than do other Democratic typology groups. Conservative Democrats are much more likely to believe that poor people have it easy because they can get government benefits without doing anything in return, while Liberals and Disadvantaged Democrats strongly believe that poor people lead difficult lives because benefits don't go far enough.

## Divided GOP Values on Government, Business, Poverty

The Republican Party is often characterized as being pro-business, anti-regulation, and opposed to broad government programs to assist the poor. However, not all segments of the GOP's electoral coalition share these values. Most notably, Pro-Government Conservatives, who make up $9 \%$ of the general public and $15 \%$ of Bush’s 2004 voting base, tend to favor government action across the board, whether the topic is public morality, anti-poverty assistance, or regulation. And while both Social and Pro-Government Conservatives are strong advocates of traditional moral
values, there is a huge economic divide between the two, which leads to starkly differing views on other social, economic, and governmental issues.

This combination contributes to dramatic differences on such core values as the government's responsibility to the poor. While $80 \%$ of Pro-Government Conservatives say the government should do more to help the needy, even if it means going deeper into debt, the majority of Social Conservatives and two-thirds of Enterprisers take the opposing view - that the government can't afford to do much more to help the needy.

While Social Conservatives largely side with Enterprisers on welfare, they side with the less affluent Pro-Government Conservatives when it comes to business and regulatory issues. By overwhelming margins, both Social Conservatives and Pro-Government Conservatives hold negative views of business, while Enterprisers stand apart from the rest of the country with their consistently favorable views of business and the marketplace. This

| Fissures in the Republican Coalition |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Pro-gov |
| The gov't should do more to help needy Americans even if it means going deeper into debt | \% | \% | \% |
|  | 19 | 32 | 80 |
| The gov't today can't afford to do much more to help the needy | 67 | 58 | 13 |
| Neither/Both/Don't know | $\underline{14}$ | $\underline{10}$ | $\underline{7}$ |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Too much power is concentrated in the hands of a few large companies | 26 | 88 | 83 |
| The largest companies do NOT have too much power | 58 | 5 | 11 |
| Neither/Both/Don't know | $\underline{16}$ | 7 | $\underline{6}$ |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Government regulation of business... |  |  |  |
| Is necessary to protect the public interest | 16 | 58 | 66 |
| Usually does more harm than good | 78 | 32 | 27 |
| Neither/Both/Don't know | $\underline{6}$ | $\underline{10}$ | 7 |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Stricter environmental regulations... |  |  |  |
| Are worth the costs | 16 | 67 | 61 |
| Cost too many jobs and hurt the economy | 74 | 25 | 32 |
| Neither/Both/Don't know | $\underline{10}$ | $\underline{8}$ | 7 |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| The growing number of newcomers from other countries... |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Threaten traditional American |  |  |  |
| Strengthens American society | 53 | 21 | 62 |
| Neither/Both/Don't know | $\underline{9}$ | $\underline{11}$ | $\underline{7}$ |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 | divide is reflected in other values about regulation and the environment as well. While 78\% of Enterprisers believe government regulation usually does more harm than good, sizeable majorities of the other Republican typology groups believe regulation of business is necessary to protect the public interest.

Environmental protection also stands out as a major divide within the GOP’s coalition. Most Enterprisers believe the country has gone too far in its efforts to protect the environment, while roughly eight-in-ten Social and Pro-Government Conservatives take the opposing view that we should do whatever it takes to protect the environment. Similarly, while three-quarters of

Enterprisers see environmental regulation as mostly hurting the economy and jobs, more than six-inten in the other GOP groups say stricter environmental protections are worth the costs.

## V: POLITICS AND THE TYPOLOGY

The political polarization evident in last fall's presidential election is clearly reflected in the Pew typology. The two most heavily Republican groups - Enterprisers and Social Conservatives, who together account for $23 \%$ of registered voters - supported Bush by margins of 20-1 or more. The strongest Democratic groups - Liberals and Disadvantaged Democrats, who together make up $29 \%$ of registered voters - backed Kerry just as convincingly.

Bush drew strong, but less overwhelming, support from the other largely Republican group, Pro-Government Conservatives. This group, comprising 10\% of registered voters, favored the president by five-to-one ( $61 \%-12 \%$ ). On the Democratic side, Conservative Democrats (15\% of registered voters) favored Kerry by about the same margin 65\%-14\%.

Taken together, the three Democratic groups make up a larger share of registered voters than do the three Republican groups
 ( $44 \%$ vs. 33\%). But Bush countered this advantage by drawing strong support from the GOP-leaning groups in the middle of the political spectrum. A majority of Upbeats do not identify themselves with either party, but most lean to the GOP. The Upbeats backed Bush nearly five-to-one (63\%-14\%). And though many Disaffecteds did not turn out to vote, those who did were also an important part of Bush's winning coalition (favoring the incumbent by a $42 \%-21 \%$ margin). This group, too, is mostly independent, but $60 \%$ either identify themselves as Republican or lean toward the GOP.

Moreover, Bush’s core supporters - Enterprisers and Social Conservatives - report higher rates of voter turnout than do other groups in the typology. Just 4\% of Enterprisers and 6\% of Social Conservatives say they did not vote last November. By contrast, $13 \%$ in each of the three Democratic groups say they did not vote in the presidential election.

## Views of Political Figures

Most Americans (69\%) say they would not want Bush to run for a third term, even if that were permissible under the Constitution. Just $27 \%$ would like to see Bush serve as president for a third term. A majority also opposes a hypothetical third term for Bill Clinton (55\%), but significantly more would like to see a third term for Clinton (43\%) than for Bush.

Nearly two-thirds of Americans (64\%) have a favorable opinion of Bill Clinton, the highest positive rating of 11 political figures tested. Six-in-ten have a favorable opinion of former New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani, and about the same number have a positive view of Sen. John McCain (59\%).

Ratings for both Bill and Hillary Clinton had declined sharply in 2001 and 2002, following the controversy over the pardons Bill Clinton had issued before leaving office. But their ratings have rebounded strongly - favorable opinions of Bill Clinton have risen from 46\% in December 2002 to 64\% currently. Hillary Clinton's favorable marks have also risen, though not quite as dramatically (from 47\% in December 2002 to 57\% in the current survey).

| Comeback Kids |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Favor- } \\ & \frac{\text { able }}{\%} \end{aligned}$ | Unfavor$\frac{\text { able }}{\%}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Can't } \\ & \frac{\text { Rate }}{\%} \end{aligned}$ |
| Hillary Clinton | 57 | 36 | $7=100$ |
| December 2002 | 47 | 44 | $8=100$ |
| July 2001 | 53 | 42 | 4=100 |
| January 2001 | 60 | 35 | $5=100$ |
| Bill Clinton | 64 | 32 | 4=100 |
| December 2002 | 46 | 49 | 5=100 |
| July 2001 | 50 | 46 | 4=100 |
| January 2001 | 64 | 34 | 2=100 |

## The Typology and Leading Republicans

While partisanship also colors the favorability ratings, several political figures have broad appeal across the typology groups. Rudy Giuliani is widely popular with Republican groups, especially Enterprisers ( $90 \%$ positive), but also has a favorable rating among majorities in both independent groups, and roughly half of Conservative Democrats (53\%) and Liberals (47\%).

Sen. John McCain is extraordinarily popular among Liberals, drawing a positive rating among this group that is actually a bit higher than among Republicans generally ( $66 \%$ vs. 61\%). However, his favorability ratings among GOP typology groups are significantly lower than Giuliani's or those of the president and other administration officials.

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice is very popular with Republicans - her 97\% favorable rating among Enterprisers rivals Bush's (96\%) and Cheney's (94\%). But Rice also has robust ratings
among both independent groups and among Conservative Democrats. Rice and California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger draw the highest positive ratings among Upbeats of all 11 political figures tested (76\% each).

| Favorability of Republican Political Figures |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | Enterprisers | Social Cons | Pro-Gov <br> Cons | Upbeats | Disaffecteds | Cons <br> Dems | Disadv Dems | Lib- <br> erals |
| Favorable view of... | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| Rudy Giuliani | 60 | 90 | 75 | 69 | 69 | 53 | 53 | 37 | 47 |
| John McCain | 59 | 74 | 68 | 53 | 65 | 45 | 53 | 45 | 66 |
| A. Schwarzenegger | 57 | 79 | 71 | 67 | 76 | 47 | 52 | 39 | 37 |
| Condoleezza Rice | 57 | 97 | 83 | 80 | 76 | 53 | 50 | 28 | 33 |
| George Bush | 53 | 96 | 91 | 89 | 71 | 72 | 41 | 9 | 9 |
| Dick Cheney | 48 | 94 | 86 | 70 | 55 | 57 | 35 | 19 | 13 |
| Donald Rumsfeld | 39 | 85 | 73 | 52 | 46 | 34 | 36 | 12 | 8 |

Other major administration figures elicit more partisan reactions. Bush has extensive appeal among the GOP groups, as well as among Disaffecteds and Upbeats ( $72 \%$ and $71 \%$ favorable, respectively); Bush also earns a $41 \%$ favorable mark among Conservative Democrats. But only about one-in-ten Disadvantaged Democrats (9\%) and Liberals (9\%) express a positive opinion of Bush.

Vice President Dick Cheney's ratings are generally lower than the president's, especially among the two independent groups. Donald Rumsfeld has the lowest overall positive rating of the Republicans tested. Fewer than half of those in the independent groups - and $52 \%$ of ProGovernment Conservatives - express a favorable opinion of the defense secretary.

## Clintons' Crossover Appeal

Bill and Hillary Clinton draw positive ratings ranging from $80 \%$ to $90 \%$ in the three Democratic groups. More surprising is their popularity in the center, and even the center-right, of the political spectrum. Roughly half of Pro-Government Conservatives, whose views stray from GOP orthodoxy more than other Republican groups, express positive opinions of both Clintons (53\% Bill Clinton, 51\% Hillary Clinton).

Both Clintons are very unpopular with Enterprisers, although about a third of Social Conservatives express a favorable opinion of the former president (32\%). However, Hillary Clinton
has lower favorability ratings among the two independent groups than Bill Clinton and most leading GOP figures.

| Favorability of Democratic Political Figures |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Enter- | Social | Pro-Gov | Up- | Disaf- | Cons | Disadv | Lib- |
|  | Total | prisers | Cons | Cons | beats | fecteds | Dems | Dems | erals |
| Favorable view of... | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| Bill Clinton | 64 | 21 | 32 | 53 | 50 | 49 | 89 | 85 | 88 |
| Hillary Clinton | 57 | 10 | 24 | 51 | 44 | 34 | 88 | 77 | 83 |
| John Kerry | 49 | 11 | 18 | 23 | 38 | 23 | 74 | 86 | 78 |
| Howard Dean | 32 | 8 | 21 | 13 | 27 | 19 | 43 | 32 | 60 |

John Kerry's positive appeal is largely limited to the three main Democratic groups. Howard Dean is less well-known, and less popular, than other figures tested. Liberals are the only group in which a majority (60\%) expresses a favorable opinion of Dean.

## Looking to ’08

John McCain's extensive popularity among Liberals is evident in early opinions about the 2008 presidential race. Overall, about a third of the public (32\%) say they would like to see McCain nominated as the GOP candidate, slightly more than the number who favor Giuliani (27\%). But much of McCain's strength comes from the Liberal group. Fully 55\% of Liberals say they most want to see McCain win the GOP nomination; that is more than double the percentage in any GOP group that wants McCain to capture the nomination.

| The Republicans and 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total | Enterprisers | Social Cons | Pro-Gov Cons | Upbeats | Disaffecteds | Cons <br> Dems | Disadv | Lib- |
| GOP nominate... | $\frac{\text { Total }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { prisers }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Cons }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Cons }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { beats }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { fecteds }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Dems }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Dems }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { erals }}{\%}$ |
| John McCain | 32 | 20 | 24 | 27 | 27 | 23 | 32 | 30 | 55 |
| Rudy Giuliani | 27 | 30 | 30 | 33 | 29 | 30 | 30 | 19 | 20 |
| Condoleezza Rice | 17 | 23 | 17 | 24 | 21 | 17 | 14 | 16 | 14 |
| Jeb Bush | 7 | 13 | 14 | 6 | 4 | 11 | 4 | 3 | 2 |
| Bill Frist | 4 | 12 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 8 | 2 |

Giuliani's support, by contrast, is distributed far more evenly across the typology groups. Giuliani is the top choice among the three GOP groups, but also is rated highly by Upbeats, Disaffecteds and Conservative Democrats. Condoleezza Rice also has fairly broad support; among the Republican groups, Rice's backing is on par with McCain's. And about one-in-five Upbeats (21\%) and Disaffecteds (17\%) want Rice to win the GOP nod in 2008.

| The Democrats and 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Enter- | Social | Pro-Gov | Up- | Disaf- | Cons | Disadv | Lib- |
| Most like to see | Total | prisers | Cons | Cons | beats | fecteds | Dems | Dems | erals |
| Democrats nomin | ...\% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| Hillary Clinton | 34 | 14 | 13 | 41 | 26 | 20 | 43 | 49 | 45 |
| John Kerry | 16 | 6 | 8 | 11 | 16 | 11 | 21 | 31 | 14 |
| John Edwards | 16 | 16 | 22 | 18 | 20 | 16 | 19 | 6 | 14 |
| Howard Dean | 9 | 15 | 10 | 7 | 11 | 11 | 7 | 4 | 11 |
| Bill Richardson | 9 | 29 | 18 | 8 | 8 | 9 | 3 | 5 | 5 |

Among Democrats, Hillary Clinton has the early advantage. Clinton is the top choice of all three Democratic groups; overall, about a third (34\%) would like to see her win the Democratic nomination. In addition, on the Republican side, $41 \%$ of Pro-Government Conservatives want Clinton to win the Democratic nomination. John Kerry and John Edwards both trail Clinton among Democrats, although Kerry attracts sizable backing among Disadvantaged Democrats (31\%).

## Views of the Parties

As expected, the groups constituting the electoral base for each political party view that party in mostly favorable terms while holding largely unfavorable opinions of the opposing party. When it comes to party performance in standing up for its traditional positions, however, Democratic groups are more critical of their own party's leadership than Republicans are of GOP leaders. And among the Democrats, Liberals are the most critical of their own

| Opinions of the Parties |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Republican Party |  |  | Democratic Party |  |  |
|  | $\frac{\text { Fav }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Unfav }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\mathrm{DK}}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Fav }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Unfav }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { DK }}{\%}$ |
| All | 52 | 42 | 6=100 | 53 | 41 | 6=100 |
| Enterprisers | 96 | 4 | 0=100 | 7 | 92 | 1=100 |
| Social Conservatives | 89 | 8 | 3=100 | 25 | 70 | 5=100 |
| Pro-Gov't Conservatives | 78 | 17 | 5=100 | 38 | 57 | 5=100 |
| Upbeats | 76 | 17 | 7=100 | 42 | 50 | 8=100 |
| Disaffecteds | 59 | 27 | 14=100 | 39 | 49 | $12=100$ |
| Conservative Democrats | 33 | 60 | 7=100 | 82 | 12 | 6=100 |
| Disadvantaged Democrats | 16 | 79 | 5=100 | 83 | 12 | 5=100 |
| Liberals | 14 | 83 | 3=100 | 77 | 20 | 3=100 | party's leadership.

More than nine-in-ten Enterprisers (96\%) have a favorable view of the GOP, and almost as many express a negative view of the Democrats (92\%). Social Conservatives are nearly as partisan. However, Pro-Government Conservatives are far less critical of the Democratic party than are the other groups making up the Republican base - 38\% have a positive opinion of the Democratic Party.

Roughly eight-in-ten members of all three core Democratic groups give their party a favorable assessment. Liberals are the least enthusiastic ( $77 \%$ favorable to $20 \%$ unfavorable). Both Disadvantaged Democrats and Conservative Democrats hold similar views of their party, but Conservative Democrats are less negative in their feelings toward the Republican party.

Upbeats and Disaffecteds are less polarized in their views of the two parties. Large majorities in both groups hold favorable views of the GOP but about four-in-ten in each group also hold a favorable view of the Democratic Party (42\% of Upbeats, 39\% of Disaffecteds).

## Party Performance: Liberals Are Critical

While both parties receive favorable ratings from their base, Republicans are much more positive about the performance of GOP leaders than Democrats are about their party leadership. About half of Republicans and Republican-leaning independents (51\%) say GOP leaders are doing an excellent or good job of standing up for traditional party positions, such as reducing the size of government and promoting conservative social values. By contrast, just a third of Democrats and Democratic-leaning independents give party leaders high marks in standing up for traditional Democratic positions, such as helping the needy, representing working people, and protecting the interests of minorities.

Liberals are particularly negative in
 their assessment of the Democratic Party leadership. Just 23\% of Liberals say the leaders are doing an excellent or good job in standing up for key party stances, while $76 \%$ rate their performance as only fair (55\%) or poor (21\%). Among Democrats, Conservative Democrats are the least critical of the leaders' performance, with $44 \%$ saying they are doing an excellent or good job and a narrow majority (53\%) rating their performance as only fair or poor.

## Strength of Partisanship

While Liberals are a core part of the Democratic electoral base, and now constitute the largest group in the typology, their identification with the party is the weakest among Democratic groups.

Just 35\% of Liberals consider themselves strong Democrats. About a quarter (24\%) identify themselves as Democrats but not

| Liberals Have Weaker Party Ties |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cons. | Disadv. |  |
|  | $\frac{\text { Dems }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Dems }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Liberal }}{\%}$ |
| Party Identification | 51 | 55 | 35 |
| Strong Democrat | 37 | 29 | 24 |
| Not Strong Democrat | 10 | 14 | 32 |
| Ind.-Lean Democrat | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{9}$ |
| Other | 100 | 100 | 100 | strongly, and about three-in-ten (32\%) are Democratic-leaning independents. This contrasts with both Conservative Democrats and Disadvantaged Democrats, where a majority are strong Democrats ( $51 \%$ and $55 \%$, respectively) and only about one-in-ten are Democratic-leaning independents.

Among Republican groups, 62\% of Enterprisers and 51\% of Social Conservatives consider themselves strong Republicans. By contrast, only a third of Pro-Government Conservatives are strong Republicans while $28 \%$ in this group are Republican-leaning independents.

## More GOP Converts

Throughout the 1970s and early 1980s, Democrats outnumbered Republicans in the adult population. The two parties are now at parity with roughly equal proportions identifying with each party. While part of this aggregate shift stems from generational replacement as New Deal-era Democrats have aged and been replaced with younger, more Republican-leaning generations, at least some of the change has resulted from individual changes in party affiliation.

It is not surprising, then, that a

| Fewer Democrats Change Party Over Lifetime |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Ever thought of |
| yourself |  |
| as a Democrat? |  | sizable minority of Republicans (38\%) say that, at some point in the past, they thought of themselves as Democrats. Comparable percentages in the three GOP typology groups say they had a prior allegiance to the Democrats. More generally,

older Republicans and Republican-leaning independents (age 50 and older) are more likely to have shifted partisan allegiances than have younger Republicans.

Overall, only about one-in-five Democrats (22\%) say they have thought of themselves as Republicans in the past. Liberals are the most likely to have changed party over their lifetime. Only a small portion of Conservative Democrats and Disadvantaged Democrats have thought of themselves as anything but a Democrat (12\% and 14\%, respectively).

## Party Loyalty in the Voting Booth

Majorities in parties have voted across party lines at some point, but more Republicans say they have voted for Democratic candidates than vice versa. Among Republicans, 22\% remain loyal while $71 \%$ say they vote across party lines. By comparison, $38 \%$ of Democrats say they are loyal in their vote, while $56 \%$ sometimes cross party lines.

A similar pattern was found in 1987 when $66 \%$ of Democrats said they "usually prefer Democratic candidates but I sometimes support Republicans" compared with 77\% of Republicans who said they sometimes crossed over to vote for Democratic candidates.

Among typology groups with strong partisan attachments, nearly half of Disadvantaged Democrats (48\%) say they always support their party's candidates, the highest percentage among any group. Somewhat fewer

| Cross-Party Voting |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Sometimes vote for $\frac{\text { other party }}{\%}$ | Always $\begin{gathered}\text { vote } \\ \text { party line }\end{gathered}$ $\%$ | $\frac{\mathrm{DK}}{\%}$ | (N) |
| Republicans/lean Rep. | 71 | 22 | $7=100$ | (955) |
| Enterprisers | 74 | 25 | 1=100 | (215) |
| Social Conservatives | 73 | 23 | 4=100 | (230) |
| Pro-Gov't Conservatives | 67 | 27 | $6=100$ | (143) |
| Democrats/Lean Dem. | 56 | 38 | $6=100$ | (872) |
| Conservative Democrats | 60 | 37 | $3=100$ | (256) |
| Disadvantaged Dems. | 51 | 48 | 1=100 | (165) |
| Liberals | 59 | 37 | 4=100 | (327) |
| *Questions asked of partisans and leaning independents. |  |  |  |  | Conservative Democrats and Liberals (37\% each) say they always vote Democratic. On the GOP side, only about a quarter of Social Conservatives (23\%), Enterprisers (25\%), and Pro-Government Conservatives (27\%) say they are always loyal to the party in the voting booth.

## VI: ISSUES AND SHIFTING COALITIONS

The extensive divisions within the two parties over fundamental political values are mirrored in disagreements over contemporary issues. Economic issues tend to divide Republican typology groups, while social issues split the Democrats. On many national security issues, especially the war in Iraq, internal partisan fissures are overshadowed by the vast gulf dividing Republicans and Democrats. However, tensions are evident among Democrats on some of these issues, especially in attitudes toward preemptive military action and the use of torture against suspected terrorists.

## Part One: Social Policy

The public is divided over whether homosexuality should be accepted or discouraged, but Americans continue to decisively reject gay marriage. Americans oppose gay marriage by nearly two-to-one (61\%-32\%), a margin that has remained stable since the middle of 2003.

Fully 90\% of Enterprisers are opposed to gay marriage. Social Conservatives are close behind at $84 \%$ opposition (with $65 \%$ strongly opposed, the highest of any group). Majorities in all of the other groups - except Liberals - also oppose gay marriage by wide margins. Conservative Democrats oppose gay marriage by roughly four-to-one (74\%-19\%), and Disadvantaged Democrats oppose it by (55\%-37\%). But 80\% of Liberals favor gay marriage, more than twice the percentage in each of the other two Democratic groups.

Nearly half of Americans (46\%) say
 they have a friend, colleague, or family member who is gay, with Republicans (at 40\%) a little less likely than Democrats (51\%) to say this. Liberals are much more apt than those in other typology groups to say they have a gay associate or family member ( $73 \%$ vs. less than $50 \%$ in any other group).

## Abortion Divides Most Groups

Abortion remains a contentious issue, with nearly all groups in the typology divided to some extent. Overall, $55 \%$ oppose making it more difficult for a woman to obtain an abortion, while $36 \%$ disagree. By roughly a five-to-four margin, each of the three GOPleaning groups favors greater restrictions on abortion.

Pluralities or majorities of all other groups oppose making abortions more difficult to obtain. But sizable minorities of Conservative Democrats, Upbeats, and Disaffecteds (37\% each) support tougher restrictions on abortion.

## Stem Cell Splits the GOP

Public sentiment in favor of conducting stem cell research appears to be growing. Most Americans (56\%) say it is more important to conduct stem cell research that may result in medical cures, while only about a third (32\%) believe it is more important to avoid destroying the potential life of human embryos involved in such research. In 2002, 43\% felt it was more important to conduct stem cell research.

Solid majorities of the Democraticleaning groups support stem cell research, with Liberals expressing the greatest support (84\%). Republican-leaning groups, by
 contrast, are much more divided. By small margins, Enterprisers and Social Conservatives say it is more important to avoid destroying the potential life of human embryos than to conduct research that may lead to medical advances; ProGovernment Conservatives are about evenly split.

Significantly, the middle groups in the typology fall closer to the Democratic side than to the Republican side, with $53 \%$ each of Upbeats and Disaffecteds believing it is more important to conduct stem cell research than to avoid destroying embryos.

In December 2004, nearly half of the public (47\%) reported having heard "a lot" about the issue of stem cell research, up five points from August. Awareness of the stem cell issue was much higher among Liberals (71\% had heard a lot) and the Enterprisers (63\%) than among other typology groups.

## Creationism and the Ten Commandments

Two religious issues recently in the news are the teaching of creationism in public schools and the propriety of displaying the Ten Commandments publicly in government buildings. Majorities of Americans support both of these ideas, with nearly three-quarters (74\%) saying the public display of the commandments is proper, and $57 \%$ in favor of teaching creationism, along with evolution, in public schools. One-third of the public (33\%) favors the teaching of creationism instead of evolution.

On both issues, there is relatively little variation in support across the typology, with two important exceptions. Liberals stand out for their strong belief that the display of the Ten Commandments in government buildings is improper - $61 \%$ of Liberals say that, compared with no more than $16 \%$ in any other group. The other Democratic groups are in line with Republican-leaning groups expressing the view that the public display of the commandments is proper.

On the teaching of evolution, it is the Enterprisers who stand out. While between
 $46 \%$ and $64 \%$ of every other group favors the
teaching of creationism, fully $83 \%$ of Enterprisers do so. But on the question of whether creationism should be taught instead of evolution, Social Conservatives are most supportive - about half (51\%) would remove evolution from the schools and replace it with creationism.

## The Supreme Court

With respect to President Bush's next appointment to the Supreme Court, a plurality of Americans (41\%) believe Bush should choose someone who will keep the court about the same as it is now, while roughly equal numbers support a more conservative nominee (28\%) or a more liberal one (24\%).

Only two groups, Enterprisers (64\%) and Social Conservatives (50\%), clearly favor a choice that would make the court more conservative. In five of the other groups, pluralities - or, in the case of Upbeats and Disaffecteds, majorities - feel that the president should choose someone who would keep the Court's ideological balance about the same as it is now. Most Liberals (52\%) would prefer a nominee who will make the court more liberal.

Nearly six-in-ten Enterprisers (59\%) say the choice is very important personally, as do roughly half of Liberals (49\%) and Social Conservatives (47\%). Fewer than four-in-ten in the other typology groups attach great personal importance to the choice of the next Supreme Court justice.



## Views of ‘Christian Conservative’ Movement

Majorities of all of the typology groups consider the United States to be "a Christian nation," with $71 \%$ overall saying that it is. Liberals and Disadvantaged Democrats are least likely to agree, but even among these groups, $57 \%$ say the U.S. is a Christian nation.

Yet despite this view and the predominance of the Christian tradition among personal religious choices, public opinion is divided regarding the Christian conservative movement. About four-in-ten (41\%) have a favorable view of the movement, while $34 \%$ have an unfavorable view. Republicans are strongly favorable (61\% vs. $16 \%$ unfavorable), while opinion among Democrats tilts negative ( $35 \%$ vs. $45 \%$ ).

The Democratic groups are divided in their views of the Christian conservative movement, with Conservative Democrats favorably disposed (53\% positive, 18\% negative), and Liberals sharply negative (78\% unfavorable - of those, $46 \%$ very unfavorable).


## Part Two: Economic and Domestic Policy

Republicans are less cohesive on matters involving economic policies than on cultural and foreign affairs issues. These differences are most obvious with respect to such issues as the desirability of government-guaranteed health insurance, stricter bankruptcy laws, and in attitudes toward tax reduction. Democrats, by contrast, are much more unified on these issues.

Among GOP groups, Pro-Government Conservatives are generally supportive of an activist government, particularly in helping the poor. Enterprisers, by contrast, stand out for their broad support for tax cuts and opposition to expanding government programs.

## Health Insurance, Minimum Wage

Solid majorities of every group, with the sole exception of Enterprisers, favor a government guarantee of health insurance for all Americans, even if it means raising taxes. Across the electorate, support for guaranteed health insurance ranges from 55\% among Upbeats and 59\% among Social Conservatives to $90 \%$ among Liberals. By contrast, Enterprisers strongly oppose guaranteed health insurance for all, if it means higher taxes (76\% oppose, 23\% favor).

Similarly, overwhelming support for an increase in the minimum wage extends across all groups, again with the exception of Enterprisers. Overall 86\% of the public favors a hike in the minimum wage from its current level of $\$ 5.15$ to $\$ 6.45$ per hour. More than 90\% of Pro-Government Conservatives,

 Conservative Democrats, Disadvantaged Democrats and Liberals support such an increase. Among Enterprisers, however, a plurality (49\%) opposes the move, although nearly as many (46\%) favor it.

## Taxes and Budget

On tax policy, Enterprisers stand alone in their view - shared by $82 \%$ in this group that all of the tax cuts from President Bush's first term be made permanent. By contrast, only about half as many Social Conservatives (42\%) and even fewer Pro-Government Conservatives (27\%) support making all of the tax cuts permanent.

By about a two-to-one margin, most of the electorate would give higher priority to reducing the federal budget deficit than to cutting taxes. That margin holds roughly true across all groups with a few exceptions: Liberals, who choose deficit cutting over tax cutting by an overwhelming margin (83\% to
 14\%); Disaffecteds, who opt for deficit cutting by a relatively small margin (47\%-42\%); and Enterprisers who, alone among typology groups, give tax cuts priority over deficit reduction, by a margin of $50 \%$ to $43 \%$.

However, majorities in all the groups, except Liberals, agree that while reducing the federal budget deficit is an important priority, it should not be the top priority for the president and Congress to deal with this year.

Even among Liberals, just half (50\%) rate deficit reduction a top priority. Enterprisers are least likely to deem red ink curtailment a top priority--23\% of the group does so, compared with $59 \%$ who call it an important but lower priority. Across the other groups, the percentages rating deficit reduction a top priority range from slightly less than a third among Social Conservatives and Upbeats, to about four-in-ten (41\% to 45\%) among Disadvantaged Democrats, Conservative Democrats, Disaffecteds, and Pro-Government Conservatives.


A similar pattern is seen with regard to opinions about ways to reduce the budget deficit. A majority of the public (54\%) supports cutting domestic spending to reduce the deficit; about a third each favor cuts in military spending (35\%) or raising taxes (31\%).

At one extreme, 81\% of Enterprisers favor cutting spending on domestic programs to reduce the deficit. They are joined in that view by $60 \%$ or more among Social Conservatives and Upbeats. Disadvantaged Democrats are the most reluctant to cut domestic spending, with only $29 \%$ in favor. Still, nearly half (48\%) of Liberals, as well as the same proportion of Conservative Democrats, also support cuts in domestic spending to reduce the deficit.

Where the Liberals differ most from other groups on budget issues is in their willingness to cut defense and military spending to reduce the deficit (65\% favor such cuts). By contrast, among all other groups, support for military and defense cuts ranges from a low of $16 \%$ among Enterprisers and Social Conservatives to $41 \%$ among Disadvantaged Democrats.

In addition, a far higher percentage of Liberals than those in other groups would raise taxes to reduce the deficit. More than half of Liberals (56\%) support

| Support for Proposals to Reduce the Deficit |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cut domestic $\frac{\text { spending }}{\%}$ | Cut military/ defense $\frac{\text { spending }}{\%}$ | Raise <br> taxes |
| Total | 54 | 35 | 31 |
| Enterprisers | 81 | 16 | 12 |
| Social Conservatives | 63 | 16 | 27 |
| Pro-Gov’t Conservatives | 53 | 19 | 32 |
| Upbeats | 61 | 31 | 34 |
| Disaffecteds | 44 | 33 | 19 |
| Conservative Democrats | 48 | 29 | 25 |
| Disadvantaged Democrats | 29 | 41 | 23 |
| Liberals | 48 | 65 | 56 |

Percent within each group that would favor each as a means of reducing the federal budget deficit. raising taxes to meet the goal of deficit reduction - no more than about a third in any other group agree (Upbeats 34\%). At the low end, just 12\% of Enterprisers favor raising taxes for this purpose.

## Bankruptcy, Malpractice Awards

On issues affecting the courts, the surveys also find divisions cutting across partisan lines. For example, bankruptcy laws allowing individuals deeply in debt to seek protection from their creditors realign several normally Republican or Republican-leaning groups with predominately Democratic groups.

At a time when Congress had under consideration legislation making it more difficult for individuals to file for bankruptcy protection -legislation that was signed into law by the president a month later (April 20, 2005) - the March survey found that $39 \%$ of the general public favors stricter rules. Overall, a 47\% plurality of the public feels that no change is needed in bankruptcy protections for debtors, while $8 \%$ say that access to bankruptcy should be made easier, rather than more difficult, for individuals.

Both ideological and economic factors
 are evident in opinions toward bankruptcy. Majorities of the relatively affluent Enterprisers and Upbeats (55\% and 58\%, respectively) think that the laws should make it more difficult for individuals to claim bankruptcy. However, a third in both groups favor leaving bankruptcy law as it was at the time of the survey in March. Social Conservatives, although somewhat less financially secure as a group than the Enterprisers or Upbeats, are at least as supportive of making bankruptcy more difficult to declare, with $61 \%$ favoring stricter laws.

Pro-Government Conservatives, however, part company with their more affluent fellow Republicans on the bankruptcy issue. Only a third (33\%) would make personal bankruptcy more difficult, while $53 \%$ would leave the law unchanged, and $13 \%$ would make bankruptcy easier. In this, their views are not dissimilar from those of other financially strained groups in the center and Democratic portions of the political spectrum. The economically pressured and GOP-leaning Disaffecteds also oppose tightening the bankruptcy laws. While only $8 \%$ favor making it easier to declare bankruptcy, $58 \%$ would retain current provisions.

On the Democratic side, about 50\%-60\% of the three groups favor maintaining the status quo. However, a relatively large minority of Disadvantaged Democrats (22\%) believe it should be easier for people to declare bankruptcy.

On the question of limiting awards in medical malpractice lawsuits, typology groups are in rare unanimity. Majorities in every group favor such limitations. Enterprisers provide the strongest support for limiting malpractice awards ( $81 \%$ favor) followed by Social Conservatives (76\% favor) and Upbeats (72\%).

However, support remains strong across the political spectrum with Liberals favoring malpractice award limits by a margin of $58 \%$ in favor to $37 \%$ opposed. The least enthusiastic, but still net favorable groups, are
 Disaffecteds (54\% favor, 37\% opposed) and Disadvantaged Democrats (53\% vs. 41\%).

## Jobs and Trade

The public generally takes a negative view of the hiring by U.S. businesses of lower-cost workers in other countries to produce goods and services. About seven-in-ten Americans (69\%) believe "outsourcing" is a bad thing because it sends good jobs overseas; just $22 \%$ feel it is good because it keeps costs down.

Among the typology groups, only the steadfastly pro-business Enterprisers are torn on this issue, with $44 \%$ viewing outsourcing positively, and 43\% negatively.

Opposition is especially strong among less affluent typology groups. Nearly nine-inten Disadvantaged Democrats (87\%) think outsourcing is bad for the economy because it sends jobs overseas; 81\% of Conservative Democrats, $78 \%$ of Disaffecteds, and $71 \%$ of Pro-Government Conservatives agree. However, even the upwardly mobile Upbeats take a generally dim view of outsourcing with
 a $55 \%$ majority calling it a bad thing, and just
$37 \%$ offering a positive opinion of this trend.

There is little consensus, however, on the economic impact of regional and multilateral trade agreements such as the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and the World Trade Organization (WTO). In no group does a majority describe such agreements as bad for the United States. Moreover, only among Social Conservatives and Disaffecteds do pluralities express disapproval (44\% of Social Conservatives, 43\% of Disaffecteds). Even Disadvantaged Democrats are evenly split (41\%-41\%) between the good and bad appellations.


Yet there also is little apparent enthusiasm for such trade deals, aside from the pro-business Upbeats (59\% good thing). Enterprisers and Liberals, the other two groups with high annual incomes, on balance believe such agreements are good for the U.S., but only about half in each group views them positively.

Enterprisers strongly favor allowing immigrants to enter and work in the United States legally for limited periods of time (by $71 \%$ to $26 \%$ ). This issue produces an unusual alliance between Enterprisers and Liberals, who, reflecting their generally pro-immigrant stance, register high levels of support for such temporary visas (58\%-36\%), as do the probusiness Upbeats (57\%-38\%).

On this question, opposition falls along economic rather than party lines. While Disadvantaged Democrats are the group most reluctant to ease entry for immigrant workers, with $63 \%$ opposed and only $30 \%$ in favor, they are joined by majorities among Disaffecteds (51\%), Social Conservatives and Conservative Democrats (50\% in each group).


## Protecting the Environment

Support for laws and regulations to protect the environment runs strongly among the public. As noted earlier, more than threequarters (77\%) believe the country should do whatever it takes to protect the environment and $63 \%$ subscribe to that view strongly.

But the public, and the party coalitions, are divided over a proposal, currently before Congress, to permit oil and gas drilling in the Alaskan Arctic Wildlife Refuge. Among Republicans, Enterprisers overwhelmingly favor drilling (92\%-5\%), as does a solid majority of Social Conservatives (71\%). But
 Pro-Government Conservatives are split, with 46\% supporting the proposal and 50\% opposed. And while Liberals strongly oppose oil and gas drilling in the Alaska refuge (by 85\%-14\%), Conservative Democrats are evenly divided (46\%46\%).

## Support for Private Accounts Slips

Opinions on the president's proposal to allow younger workers to invest some of their Social Security taxes in private retirement accounts track more predictably along partisan lines. As general support for the plan has weakened since it was first announced, the March survey finds the overall public nearly evenly divided, with $46 \%$ favoring the idea

| Allowing Private Accounts in Social Security |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | December |  | March |  | Change |
|  | $\frac{\text { Favor }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Oppose }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Favor }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Oppose }}{\%}$ | in Fav |
| Total | 54 | 30 | 46 | 44 | -8 |
| Enterprisers | 89 | 6 | 88 | 7 | -1 |
| Social Conservatives | 61 | 20 | 56 | 30 | -5 |
| Pro-Gov't Conservatives | 63 | 19 | 59 | 26 | -4 |
| Upbeats | 64 | 20 | 59 | 28 | -5 |
| Disaffecteds | 53 | 28 | 44 | 44 | -9 |
| Conservative Democrats | 48 | 38 | 36 | 58 | -12 |
| Disadvantaged Democrats | 33 | 50 | 17 | 76 | -16 |
| Liberals | 38 | 47 | 28 | 65 | -10 | and $44 \%$ opposed.

A comparison of the December and March surveys shows that support declined most sharply among Democratic groups. But there also has been significant erosion of support among the independent groups, especially the Disaffecteds. This group backed private accounts by nearly two-
to-one in December; currently, Disaffecteds are evenly split over the idea.

The proposal, however, still garners the support of nearly nine-in-ten Enterprisers (88\%), and majorities in the other GOP groups, as well as $59 \%$ of Upbeats. However, no more than about a third in any of the Democratic groups support private accounts (36\% of Conservative Democrats).

## Part Three: Military and Foreign Policy

The partisan lines dividing the electorate come into sharpest focus on issues involving current foreign and military policies. Support for the use of military force is strongest among groups that are reliably Republican, somewhat less so among centrist groups, and weakest among Democratic groups.

Public opinion is cautiously in favor of at least the occasional use of U.S. military force against countries that have not attacked the U.S., but may seriously threaten America. At the extremes, only $14 \%$ think preemption is often justified, while the same number think preemption is never justified. The plurality (46\%) takes the view that it is sometimes justified, and $21 \%$ think it is justified at least on rare occasions.

Across groups in the electorate, these proportions vary substantially. Enterprisers are the most likely to support preemption, with
 about nine-in-ten (89\%) saying it is sometimes (57\%) or often (32\%) justified. Nearly as many Social Conservatives say preemptive military action is at least sometimes justified (82\%), but there is less support for this idea among Pro-Government Conservatives (67\%).

Moving leftward across the political spectrum, reservations about the use of preemptive military force increase. Only about four-in-ten Disadvantaged Democrats (38\%) and fewer Liberals (33\%) believe preemptive military action is often or sometimes justified.

## Iraq Attitudes Polarized

The same pattern is displayed even more clearly with respect to the U.S. invasion of Iraq in 2003. The consistently wide partisan divisions over the war are seen in the opinions of the typology groups. In the December survey, Enterprisers (94\%), Social Conservatives (88\%) and Pro-

Government Conservatives (72\%) endorsed the war by overwhelming majorities. So t o o d i d t w o thirds of Upbeats (66\%) and half of Disaffecteds.

Among Democratic groups, opposition to the Iraq war is equally strong. Liberals judge the war a mistake by a lopsided 87\%11\% margin. Conservative Democrats oppose it by two-to-one, (61\% wrong decision

| Opinions on the War in Iraq |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | War in Iraq was the... |  | What to do now? |  |
|  |  |  | Keep | Bring |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Right } \\ \text { decision } \end{gathered}$ | Wrong decision | troops in Iraq | troops home <br> soon |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| Total | 49 | 44 | 56 | 40 |
| Enterprisers | 94 | 5 | 88 | 10 |
| Social Conservatives | 88 | 8 | 81 | 18 |
| Pro-Gov't Conservatives | 72 | 18 | 68 | 29 |
| Upbeats | 66 | 24 | 72 | 24 |
| Disaffecteds | 50 | 40 | 45 | 49 |
| Conservative Democrats | 28 | 61 | 33 | 64 |
| Disadvantaged Democrats | 15 | 76 | 26 | 68 |
| Liberals | 11 | 87 | 52 | 44 | versus $28 \%$ right decision), while support is even lower among Disadvantaged Democrats (76\% to 15\%).

However, opinions shift with respect to the question of whether the government should keep U.S. troops in Iraq until the situation there stabilizes, or bring them home as quickly as possible. Enterprisers, Social Conservatives and Pro-Government Conservatives maintain nearly as high levels of support ( $88 \%, 81 \%$ and $68 \%$, respectively) for keeping U.S. troops in Iraq as they did for their initial deployment.

Conservative Democrats and Disadvantaged Democrats, who opposed the decision to go to war by substantial margins, want U.S. troops withdrawn quickly. But Liberals - the group most inclined to view the Iraq intervention as a mistake - are divided on this point. A majority of Liberals (52\%) say they would keep troops in Iraq, compared with $44 \%$ who would now bring them home.

## Can Torture Be Justified?

Overall, the public is divided over using torture against suspected terrorists when such tactics may yield important information. Roughly half (51\%) say it is never or rarely justified, but $45 \%$ believe it is at least sometimes justified.

Liberals are most strongly opposed to resorting to torture; 77\% say it is rarely or never justified. But that number falls to 57\% among Disadvantaged Democrats, and Conservative Democrats are evenly split over whether torturing terrorist suspects can be justified. Majorities of

Disaffecteds - and of the three GOP groups believe the torture of suspected terrorists can at least sometimes be justified.

## Patriot Act: Ideological Divisions

The Patriot Act almost perfectly encapsulates the black-and-white differences in the national security attitudes of Enterprisers and Liberals. Fully 73\% of Enterprisers see the Patriot Act as a necessary tool in the war on terror; a virtually identical percentage of Liberals (71\%) say the Patriot Act goes too far and threatens civil liberties. And while many Americans are only dimly
 aware of the act - from half to two-thirds of most groups in the electorate say they know little or nothing about it - awareness is greatest among the Enterprisers and Liberals.

Other typology groups fall somewhere between these extremes, although Disadvantaged Democrats also register strong objections to the Patriot Act. Significantly, while Pro-Government Conservatives are more supportive of an activist government than are other GOP groups, many have reservations about the Patriot Act. A small plurality of ProGovernment Conservatives (38\%) deem it a necessary tool, compared with $28 \%$ saying it goes too far and threatens civil liberties.

The Republican-leaning Disaffecteds, however, by a margin of $44 \%$ to $28 \%$ side with
 Democratic groups in thinking that the Patriot Act's costs to civil liberties outweigh its benefits in fighting terrorism. Upbeats, the other independent group, support the act by a similar margin (46\%-27\%).

Regardless of their opinion on Islamic terrorism and their view of U.S. military action in Iraq, most Americans do not harbor negative feelings toward members of the Muslim faith in general. A plurality (45\%) expresses a favorable opinion of Muslims, while only $28 \%$ have an unfavorable assessment. A significant minority (27\%) says they are not familiar enough with Muslims to offer an opinion.

Favorable views are highest among the relatively well-educated Liberals (63\%) and Upbeats (55\%). Among Social Conservatives, negative views of Muslims outweigh positive ones by $38 \%-27 \%$, and two other groups are about evenly divided: the Disaffecteds (32\% unfavorable/29\% favorable) and Conservative Democrats (34\%/35\%).

Attitudes toward the United Nations divide in a more predictably partisan pattern. The public, by a margin of $59 \%$ to $32 \%$, has a favorable view of the world body. Among Enterprisers, however, just 15\% have a favorable opinion of the U.N., compared with 82\% who express a negative opinion. A majority in only one other group, Social Conservatives, express a negative opinion of
 the U.N. (54\% unfavorable).

By contrast, two-thirds (66\%) of Pro-Government Conservatives join with other groups in the center and left of the political spectrum in expressing positive views of the U.N. Liberals are the most likely to view the U.N. favorably ( $77 \%$ do so), but they are also joined in this view by $64 \%$ of Upbeats, 65\% of Conservative Democrats and 70\% of Disadvantaged Democrats.

## PROFILES OF THE TYPOLOGY GROUPS

## ENTERPRISERS

PAST TYPOLOGY COUNTERPART: Staunch Conservatives, Enterprisers

9\% OF ADULT POPULATION<br>10\% OF REGISTERED VOTERS

PARTY ID: 81\% Republican, 18\% Independent/No Preference, 1\% Democrat (98\% Rep/Lean Rep)
BASIC DESCRIPTION: As in 1994 and 1999, this extremely partisan Republican group's politics are driven by a belief in the free enterprise system and social values that reflect a conservative agenda. Enterprisers are also the strongest backers of an assertive foreign policy, which includes nearly unanimous support for the war in Iraq and strong support for such anti-terrorism efforts as the Patriot Act.

DEFINING VALUES: Assertive on foreign policy and patriotic; anti-regulation and pro-business; very little support for government help to the poor; strong belief that individuals are responsible for their own well being. Conservative on social issues such as gay marriage, but not much more religious than the nation as a whole. Very satisfied with personal financial situation.

| Key Beliefs: | General <br> Population | Enterprisers |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Most corporations make a fair and reasonable amount of profit | $39 \%$ | $88 \%$ |
| Stricter environmental laws and regulations cost too many jobs and <br> hurt the economy | $31 \%$ | $74 \%$ |
| Using overwhelming military force is the best way to defeat <br> terrorism around the world | $39 \%$ | $84 \%$ |
| Poor people today have it easy because they can get government <br> benefits without doing anything in return | $34 \%$ | $73 \%$ |

WHO THEY ARE: Predominantly white (91\%), male (76\%) and financially well-off ( $62 \%$ have household incomes of at least $\$ 50,000$, compared with $40 \%$ nationwide). Nearly half ( $46 \%$ ) have a college degree, and $77 \%$ are married. Nearly a quarter (23\%) are themselves military veterans. Only $10 \%$ are under age 30 .

LIFESTYLE NOTES: 59\% have a gun in the home; $53 \%$ trade stocks and bonds, and $30 \%$ are small business owners - all of which are the highest percentages among typology groups. $48 \%$ attend church weekly; $36 \%$ attend bible study or prayer group meetings.

2004 ELECTION: Bush 92\%, Kerry 1\%. Bush's most reliable supporters (just 4\% of Enterprisers did not vote)

MEDIA USE: Enterprisers follow news about government and politics more closely than any other group, and exhibit the most knowledge about world affairs. The Fox News Channel is their primary source of news ( $46 \%$ cite it as a main source) followed by newspapers (42\%) radio (31\%) and the internet (26\%).

## SOCIAL CONSERVATIVES

PAST TYPOLOGY COUNTERPART: Moralists, Moderate Republicans

## 11\% OF ADULT POPULATION <br> 13\% OF REGISTERED VOTERS

PARTY ID: 82\% Republican, 18\% Independent/No Preference, 0\% Democrat (97\% Rep/Lean Rep)
BASIC DESCRIPTION: While supportive of an assertive foreign policy, this group is somewhat more religious than are Enterprisers. In policy terms, they break from the Enterprisers in their cynical views of business, modest support for environmental and other regulation, and strong anti-immigrant sentiment.

DEFINING VALUES: Conservative on social issues ranging from gay marriage to abortion. Support an assertive foreign policy and oppose government aid for the needy, believing people need to make it on their own. Strongly worried about impact of immigrants on American society. More middle-of-the-road on economic and domestic policies, expressing some skepticism about business power and profits, and some support for government regulation to protect the environment. While not significantly better-off than the rest of the nation, most express strong feelings of financial satisfaction and security.

| Key Beliefs: | General Population | Social Conservatives |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Homosexuality is a way of life that should be discouraged by society | 44\% | 65\% |
| The growing number of newcomers from other countries threatens traditional American customs and values | 40\% | 68\% |
| Poor people today have it easy because they can get government benefits without doing anything in return | 34\% | 68\% |
| Business corporations make too much profit | 54\% | 66\% |

WHO THEY ARE: Predominantly white (91\%), female (58\%) and the oldest of all groups (average age is $52 ; 47 \%$ are 50 or older); nearly half live in the South. Most (53\%) attend church weekly; $43 \%$ are white evangelical Protestants (double the national average of 21\%).

LIFESTYLE NOTES: 56\% have a gun in their home, and 51\% attend Bible study groups.
2004 ELECTION: Bush 86\%, Kerry 4\%.
MEDIA USE: Half of Social Conservatives cite newspapers as a main source of news; the Fox News Channel (34\%) and network evening news (30\%) are their major TV news sources.

## PRO-GOVERNMENT CONSERVATIVES

PAST TYPOLOGY COUNTERPART: Populist Republicans

## 9\% OF ADULT POPULATION <br> 10\% OF REGISTERED VOTERS

PARTY ID: 58\% Republican, 40\% Independent/No Preference, 2\% Democrat (86\% Rep/Lean Rep)
BASIC DESCRIPTION: Pro-Government Conservatives stand out for their strong religious faith and conservative views on many moral issues. They also express broad support for a social safety net, which sets them apart from other GOP groups. Pro-Government Conservatives are skeptical about the effectiveness of the marketplace, favoring government regulation to protect the public interest and government assistance for the needy. They supported George W. Bush by roughly five-to-one.

DEFINING VALUES: Religious, financially insecure, and favorable toward government programs. Support the Iraq war and an assertive foreign policy, but less uniformly so than Enterprisers or Social Conservatives. Back government involvement in a wide range of policy areas, from poverty assistance to protecting morality and regulating industry.

| Key Beliefs: | General <br> Population | Pro-gov't <br> Conservatives |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Books that contain dangerous ideas should be banned from public <br> school libraries | $44 \%$ | $62 \%$ |
| Religion is a very important part of my life | $74 \%$ | $91 \%$ |
| The government should do more to help needy Americans, even if it <br> means going deeper into debt | $57 \%$ | $80 \%$ |
| Government regulation of business is necessary to protect the public <br> interest | $49 \%$ | $66 \%$ |
| We should all be willing to fight for our country, whether it is right <br> or wrong | $46 \%$ | $67 \%$ |

WHO THEY ARE: Predominately female (62\%) and relatively young; highest percentage of minority members of any Republican-leaning group ( $10 \%$ black, $12 \%$ Hispanic). Most ( $59 \%$ ) have no more than a high school diploma. Poorer than other Republican groups; nearly half (49\%) have household incomes of less than $\$ 30,000$ (about on par with Disadvantaged Democrats). Nearly half ( $47 \%$ ) are parents of children living at home; $42 \%$ live in the South.

LIFESTYLE NOTES: Most (52\%) attend religious services at least weekly; nearly all describe religion as "very important" in their lives. Gun ownership is lower (36\%) than in other GOP groups. Just $14 \%$ trade stocks and bonds in the market; $39 \%$ say someone in their home has faced unemployment in the past year.

2004 ELECTION: Bush 61\%, Kerry 12\%. Fully 21\% said they didn't vote in November.
MEDIA USE: Most Pro-Government Conservatives consult traditional news sources, including newspapers (48\%) and network TV (31\%). No more or less engaged in politics than the national average.

## UPBEATS

PAST TYPOLOGY COUNTERPART: New Prosperity Independents, Upbeats

## 11\% OF ADULT POPULATION <br> 13\% OF REGISTERED VOTERS

PARTY ID: 56\% Independent/No Preference, 39\% Republican, 5\% Democrat (73\% Rep/Lean Rep)
BASIC DESCRIPTION: Upbeats express positive views about the economy, government and society. Satisfied with their own financial situation and the direction the nation is heading, these voters support George W. Bush's leadership in economic matters more than on moral or foreign policy issues. Combining highly favorable views of government with equally positive views of business and the marketplace, Upbeats believe that success is in people's own hands, and that businesses make a positive contribution to society. This group also has a very favorable view of immigrants.

DEFINING VALUES: Very favorable views of government performance and responsiveness defines the group, along with similarly positive outlook on the role of business in society. While most support the war in Iraq, Upbeats have mixed views on foreign policy - but most favor preemptive military action against countries that threaten the U.S. Religious, but decidedly moderate in views about morality.

| Key Beliefs: | General <br> Population | Upbeats |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Government often does a better job than people give it credit for | $45 \%$ | $68 \%$ |
| Most elected officials care what people like me think | $32 \%$ | $64 \%$ |
| Most corporations make a fair and reasonable profit | $39 \%$ | $78 \%$ |
| Immigrants strengthen our country | $45 \%$ | $72 \%$ |
| As Americans, we can always find ways to solve our problems and <br> get what we want | $59 \%$ | $74 \%$ |

WHO THEY ARE: Relatively young ( $26 \%$ are under 30 ) and well-educated, Upbeats are among the wealthiest typology groups ( $39 \%$ have household incomes of $\$ 75,000$ or more). The highest proportion of Catholics (30\%) and white mainline Protestants (28\%) of all groups, although fewer than half (46\%) attend church weekly. Mostly white (87\%), suburban, and married, they are evenly split between men and women.

LIFESTYLE NOTES: High rate of stock ownership (42\%, $2^{\text {nd }}$ after Enterprisers).
2004 ELECTION: Bush 63\%, Kerry 14\%.
MEDIA USE: Upbeats are second only to Liberals in citing the internet as their main news source (34\% compared with $23 \%$ nationwide); $46 \%$ also cite newspapers. No more or less engaged in politics than the national average.

## DISAFFECTEDS

PAST TYPOLOGY COUNTERPART: Embittered, Disaffecteds

## 9\% OF ADULT POPULATION <br> 10\% OF REGISTERED VOTERS

PARTY ID: 68\% Independent/No Preference, 30\% Republican, 2\% Democrat (60\% Rep/Lean Rep)
BASIC DESCRIPTION: Disaffecteds are deeply cynical about government and unsatisfied with both their own economic situation and the overall state of the nation. Under heavy financial pressure personally, this group is deeply concerned about immigration and environmental policies, particularly to the extent that they affect jobs. Alienated from politics, Disaffecteds have little interest in keeping up with news about politics and government, and few participated in the last election.

DEFINING VALUES: Despite personal financial strain - and belief that success is mostly beyond a person's control - Disaffecteds are only moderate supporters of government welfare and assistance to the poor. Strongly oppose immigration as well as regulatory and environmental policies on the grounds that government is ineffective and such measures cost jobs.

| Key Beliefs: | General <br> Population | Disaffecteds |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Immigrants today are a burden on our country because they take our <br> jobs, housing and health care | $44 \%$ | $80 \%$ |
| Government is always wasteful and inefficient | $47 \%$ | $70 \%$ |
| Most elected officials don't care what people like me think $63 \%$ | $84 \%$ |  |
| Hard work and determination are no guarantee of success for most <br> people | $28 \%$ | $48 \%$ |

WHO THEY ARE: Less educated (70\% have attended no college, compared with $49 \%$ nationwide) and predominantly male ( $57 \%$ ). While a majority ( $60 \%$ ) leans Republican, three-in-ten are strict independents, triple the national rate. Disaffecteds live in all parts of the country, though somewhat more are from rural and suburban areas than urban.

LIFESTYLE NOTES: Somewhat higher percentages than the national average have a gun in the home, and report that someone in their house has been unemployed in the past year.

2004 ELECTION: Bush 42\%, Kerry 21\%. Nearly a quarter (23\%) said they didn't vote in the last election.
MEDIA USE: Disaffecteds have little interest in current events and pay little attention to the news. No single medium or network stands out as a main source.

## LIBERALS

PAST TYPOLOGY COUNTERPART: Liberal Democrats/Seculars/60's Democrats

## 17\% OF GENERAL POPULATION <br> 19\% OF REGISTERED VOTERS

PARTY ID: 59\% Democrat; 40\% Independent/No Preference, 1\% Republican (92\% Dem/Lean Dem)
BASIC DESCRIPTION: This group has nearly doubled in proportion since 1999. Liberal Democrats now comprise the largest share of Democrats. They are the most opposed to an assertive foreign policy, the most secular, and take the most liberal views on social issues such as homosexuality, abortion, and censorship. They differ from other Democratic groups in that they are strongly pro-environment and pro-immigration.

DEFINING VALUES: Strongest preference for diplomacy over use of military force. Pro-choice, supportive of gay marriage and strongly favor environmental protection. Low participation in religious activities. Most sympathetic of any group to immigrants as well as labor unions, and most opposed to the anti-terrorism Patriot Act.

| Key Beliefs: | General <br> Population | Liberals |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Relying too much on military force to defeat terrorism creates hatred <br> that leads to more terrorism | $51 \%$ | $90 \%$ |
| I worry the government is getting too involved in the issue of <br> morality | $51 \%$ | $88 \%$ |
| Stricter environmental laws and regulations are worth the cost | $60 \%$ | $89 \%$ |
| Poor people have hard lives because government benefits don't go <br> far enough to help them live decently | $52 \%$ | $80 \%$ |

WHO THEY ARE: Most (62\%) identify themselves as liberal. Predominantly white (83\%), most highly educated group ( $49 \%$ have a college degree or more), and youngest group after Bystanders. Least religious group in typology: 43\% report they seldom or never attend religious services; nearly a quarter ( $22 \%$ ) are seculars. More than one-third never married (36\%). Largest group residing in urban areas (42\%) and in the western half the country (34\%). Wealthiest Democratic group ( $41 \%$ earn at least $\$ 75,000$ ).

LIFESTYLE NOTES: Largest group to have been born (or whose parents were born) outside of the U.S. or Canada (20\%). Least likely to have a gun in the home (23\%) or attend bible study or prayer group meetings (13\%).

2004 ELECTION: Bush 2\%, Kerry 81\%
MEDIA USE: Liberals are second only to Enterprisers in following news about government and public affairs most of the time (60\%). Liberals' use of the internet to get news is the highest among all groups (37\%).

## CONSERVATIVE DEMOCRATS

## PAST TYPOLOGY COUNTERPART: Socially Conservative Democrats / New Dealers

14\% OF ADULT POPULATION
15\% OF REGISTERED VOTERS
PARTY ID: 89\% Democrat, 11\% Independent/No Preference, 0\% Republican,(98\% Dem/Lean Dem)
BASIC DESCRIPTION: Religious orientation and conservative views set this group apart from other Democratic-leaning groups on many social and political issues. Conservative Democrats' views are moderate with respect to key policy issues such as foreign policy, regulation of the environment and the role of government in providing a social safety net. Their neutrality on assistance to the poor is linked, at least in part, to their belief in personal responsibility.

DEFINING VALUES: Less extreme on moral beliefs than core Republican groups, but most oppose gay marriage and the acceptance of homosexuality, and support a more active role for government in protecting morality. No more conservative than the national average on other social issues such as abortion and stemcell research. Most oppose the war in Iraq, but views of America's overall foreign policy are mixed and they are less opposed to Bush's assertive stance than are other Democratic groups.

| Key Beliefs: | General <br> Population | Conservative <br> Democrats |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| It is necessary to believe in God in order to be moral and have good <br> values | $50 \%$ | $72 \%$ |
| Most people who want to get ahead can make it if they're willing to <br> work hard | $68 \%$ | $82 \%$ |
| We should all be willing to fight for our country, whether it is right <br> or wrong | $46 \%$ | $49 \%^{* *}$ |
| The government should do more to help needy Americans, even if it <br> means going deeper into debt | $57 \%$ | $59 \%^{* *}$ |
| ** Figures are notable for being so different from other Democratic groups. |  |  |

WHO THEY ARE: Older women and blacks make up a sizeable proportion of this group ( $27 \%$ and $30 \%$, respectively). Somewhat less educated and poorer than the nation overall. Allegiance to the Democratic party is quite strong ( $51 \%$ describe themselves as "strong" Democrats) but fully $85 \%$ describe themselves as either conservative or moderate ideologically.

LIFESTYLE NOTES: $46 \%$ attend church at least once a week, $44 \%$ attend Bible study or prayer group meetings, a third (34\%) have a gun in their house.

2004 ELECTION: Bush 14\%, Kerry 65\%.
MEDIA USE: Emphasis on traditional providers as main news sources: newspapers (50\%) and network TV news (42\%).

## DISADVANTAGED DEMOCRATS

PAST TYPOLOGY COUNTERPART: Partisan Poor

10\% OF GENERAL POPULATION<br>10\% OF REGISTERED VOTERS

PARTY ID: 84\% Democrat; 16\% Independent/No Preference, 0\% Republican (99\% Dem/Lean Dem)
BASIC DESCRIPTION: Least financially secure of all the groups, these voters are very anti-business, and strong supporters of government efforts to help the needy. Minorities account for a significant proportion of this group; nearly a third (32\%) are black, roughly the same proportion as among Conservative Democrats. Levels of disapproval of George W. Bush job performance (91\%) and candidate choice in 2004 ( $82 \%$ for Kerry) are comparable to those among Liberals.

DEFINING VALUES: Most likely to be skeptical of an individual's ability to succeed without impediments and most anti-business. Strong belief that government should do more to help the poor, yet most are disenchanted with government. Strongly supportive of organized labor ( $71 \%$ have a favorable view of labor unions).

| Key Beliefs: | General <br> Population | Disadvantaged <br> Democrats |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Hard work and determination are no guarantee of success for most <br> people | $28 \%$ | $79 \%$ |
| Poor people have hard lives because government benefits don't go <br> far enough to help them live decently | $52 \%$ | $80 \%$ |
| Most elected officials don't care what people like me think | $63 \%$ | $87 \%$ |
| Business corporations make too much profit | $54 \%$ | $76 \%$ |
| We should pay less attention to problems overseas and concentrate <br> on problems here at home | $49 \%$ | $72 \%$ |

WHO THEY ARE: Low average incomes ( $32 \%$ below $\$ 20,000$ in household income); most (77\%) often can't make ends meet. Six-in-ten are female. Three-in-ten (32\%) are black and $14 \%$ are Hispanic. Not very well educated, $67 \%$ have at most a high-school degree. Nearly half (47\%) are parents of children living at home.

LIFESTYLE NOTES: Nearly a quarter (23\%) report someone in their household is a member of a labor union, and $58 \%$ report that they or someone in the home has been unemployed in the past year- both far larger proportions than in any other group. Only $27 \%$ have a gun in the home.

2004 ELECTION: 2\% Bush, 82\% Kerry
MEDIA USE: Largest viewership of CNN as main news source among all groups (31\%). Only group in which a majority (53\%) reads newspapers.

## BYSTANDERS

PAST TYPOLOGY COUNTERPART: Bystanders
10\% OF ADULT POPULATION
0\% OF REGISTERED VOTERS

PARTY ID: 56\% Independent/No Preference, 22\% Republican, 22\% Democrat
BASIC DESCRIPTION: These Americans choose not to participate in or pay attention to politics, or are not eligible to do so (non-citizens).

DEFINING VALUES: Cynical about government and the political system. Uninterested in political news.

| Key Beliefs: | General <br> Population | $\frac{\text { Bystander }}{\underline{s}}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Follow what's going on in government and public affairs most/some of the time | 80\% | 45\% |
| Voted in 2004 Presidential election | 74\% | 3\% |

WHO THEY ARE: Young (39\% are under age 30, average age is 37). Lowest education (24\% have not finished high school). Less religious than any group other than Liberals (26\% attend church weekly). Largely concentrated in the South and West, relatively few in the East and Midwest. One-in-five are Hispanic.

LIFESTYLE NOTES: About half (49\%) say they often can't make ends meet, fewer than among ProGovernment Conservatives, Disadvantaged Democrats or Disaffecteds; 30\% attend bible groups or prayer meetings; $30 \%$ own a gun.

2004 ELECTION: 96\% did not vote in presidential election.

MEDIA USE: Television is the main news source for Bystanders (79\%) as for all other typology groups, with network news (24\%) the most frequently cited TV source; 34\% read newspapers and 23\% get their news from the radio.


#### Abstract

ABOUT THE SURVEYS Results for the main Political Typology Survey are based on telephone interviews conducted under the direction of Princeton Survey Research Associates International among a nationwide sample of 2,000 adults, 18 years of age or older, during the period Dec. 1-16, 2004. For results based on the total sample, one can say with $95 \%$ confidence that the error attributable to sampling is plus or minus 2.5 percentage points. For results based on Form $1(\mathrm{~N}=993)$ or Form $2(\mathrm{~N}=1007)$ only, the error attributable to sampling is plus or minus 3.5 percentage points. For results based on abbreviated field periods, with sample sizes ranging from 419 to 523 , the margin of error is plus or minus 5.5 percentage points.

The Typology Callback Survey obtained callback telephone interviews with 1,090 respondents from the December 2004 Typology survey from March 17 to March 27, 2005. Statistical results are weighted to correct known demographic discrepancies. The margin of sampling error for the recontacted respondents is plus or minus $3.5 \%$ percentage points.

In addition to sampling error, one should bear in mind that question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of opinion polls.


## SURVEY METHODOLOGY IN DETAIL

The sample for this survey is a random digit sample of telephone numbers selected from telephone exchanges in the continental United States. The random digit aspect of the sample is used to avoid "listing" bias and provides representation of both listed and unlisted numbers (including not-yet-listed). The design of the sample ensures this representation by random generation of the last two digits of telephone numbers selected on the basis of their area code, telephone exchange, and bank number.

The telephone exchanges were selected with probabilities proportional to their size. The first eight digits of the sampled telephone numbers (area code, telephone exchange, bank number) were selected to be proportionally stratified by county and by telephone exchange within county. That is, the number of telephone numbers randomly sampled from within a given county is proportional to that county's share of telephone numbers in the U.S. Only working banks of telephone numbers are selected. A working bank is defined as 100 contiguous telephone numbers containing three or more residential listings.

The sample was released for interviewing in replicates. Using replicates to control the release of sample to the field ensures that the complete call procedures are followed for the entire sample.

At least 10 attempts were made to complete an interview at every sampled telephone number. The calls were staggered over times of day and days of the week to maximize the chances of making a contact with a potential respondent. All interview breakoffs and refusals were re-contacted at least once in order to attempt to convert them to completed interviews. In each contacted household, interviewers asked to speak with the "youngest male 18 or older who is at home." If there is no eligible man at home, interviewers asked to speak with "the oldest woman 18 or older who is at home." This systematic respondent selection technique has been shown empirically to produce samples that closely mirror the population in terms of age and gender.

Non-response in telephone interview surveys produces some known biases in survey-derived estimates because participation tends to vary for different subgroups of the population, and these subgroups are likely to vary also on questions of substantive interest. In order to compensate for these known biases,
the sample data are weighted in analysis.
The demographic weighting parameters are derived from a special analysis of the most recently available Annual Social \& Economic Supplement data from the Census Bureau (March 2003). This analysis produced population parameters for the demographic characteristics of households with adults 18 or older, which are then compared with the sample characteristics to construct sample weights. The analysis only included households in the continental United States that contain a telephone. The weights are derived using an iterative technique that simultaneously balances the distributions of all weighting parameters.

For the typology callback survey, as many as 10 attempts were made to contact each original survey respondent. Calls were staggered over times of day and days of the week to maximize the chance of making contact with potential respondents. Each household received at least one daytime call in an attempt to complete and interview. The 1,090 interviews represent a recontact rate of $55 \%$.

## METHODOLOGY FOR CREATING THE TYPOLOGY

The value dimensions used to create the typology are each based on the combined responses to two or more survey questions. The questions used to create each scale were those shown statistically to be most strongly related to the underlying dimension. Each of the individual survey questions use a "balanced alternative" format that presents respondents with two statements and asks them to choose the one that most closely reflects their own views. To measure intensity, each question is followed by a probe to determine whether or not respondents feel strongly about the choice they selected.

As in past typologies, a measure of political attentiveness and voting participation was used to extract the "Bystander" group, people who are largely unengaged and uninvolved in politics. A statistical cluster analysis was used to sort the remaining respondents into relatively homogeneous groups based on the nine value scales, party identification, and self reported ideology. Several different cluster solutions were evaluated for their effectiveness in producing cohesive groups that are distinct from one another, large enough in size to be analytically practical, and substantively meaningful. The final solution selected to produce the new political typology was judged to be strongest on a statistical basis and to be most persuasive from a substantive point of view.

## DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE OF TYPOLOGY GROUPS

|  | Total | Enterprisers | Social Conservatives | Pro-Government Conservatives | Upbeats | Disaffecteds | Conservative Democrats | Disadvantaged Democrats | Liberals | Bystanders |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| Sex |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 48 | 76 | 42 | 38 | 50 | 57 | 44 | 40 | 46 | 48 |
| Female | $\underline{52}$ | $\underline{24}$ | 58 | $\underline{62}$ | 50 | $\underline{43}$ | $\underline{56}$ | $\underline{60}$ | $\underline{54}$ | $\underline{52}$ |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 30 | 21 | 10 | 13 | 24 | 26 | 12 | 17 | 17 | 28 | 39 |
| 30-49 | 39 | 46 | 37 | 39 | 36 | 44 | 37 | 37 | 40 | 40 |
| 50-64 | 22 | 24 | 21 | 22 | 21 | 27 | 23 | 30 | 21 | 12 |
| 65 and older | 16 | 18 | 26 | 14 | 16 | 15 | 23 | 13 | 10 | 8 |
| Sex and Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Men 18-29 | 11 | 9 | 6 | 10 | 12 | 7 | 8 | 10 | 14 | 21 |
| Men 30-49 | 19 | 34 | 14 | 12 | 18 | 26 | 17 | 13 | 18 | 18 |
| Men 50+ | 18 | 31 | 21 | 16 | 19 | 22 | 18 | 17 | 12 | 8 |
| Women 18-29 | 10 | 1 | 7 | 14 | 14 | 4 | 8 | 8 | 14 | 18 |
| Women 30-49 | 20 | 12 | 24 | 27 | 18 | 18 | 20 | 24 | 21 | 22 |
| Women 50+ | 20 | 11 | 26 | 20 | 18 | 20 | 27 | 26 | 18 | 12 |
| Race |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 80 | 91 | 91 | 85 | 87 | 81 | 64 | 58 | 83 | 80 |
| Black | 12 | 1 | 4 | 10 | 7 | 7 | 30 | 32 | 6 | 7 |
| Hispanic* | 10 | 5 | 7 | 12 | 7 | 8 | 11 | 14 | 9 | 20 |
| Other | 7 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 5 | 9 | 9 | 11 |
| Education |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| College Grad. | 27 | 46 | 28 | 15 | 37 | 11 | 16 | 13 | 49 | 13 |
| Some College | 24 | 25 | 26 | 26 | 33 | 18 | 26 | 20 | 26 | 14 |
| High School Grad. | 37 | 26 | 39 | 43 | 25 | 52 | 44 | 44 | 23 | 49 |
| <H.S. Grad. | 12 | 3 | 7 | 16 | 4 | 18 | 14 | 23 | 2 | 24 |
| Sample size - December 2004 | (2000) | (219) | (236) | (163) | (248) | (179) | (261) | (167) | (359) | (168) |

* The designation Hispanic is unrelated to the white-black categorization.


## DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE OF TYPOLOGY GROUPS (continued)

Region
East
Midwest
South
West

Family Income
(based on those that answered) \$75,000+
\$50,000-\$74,999
\$30,000-\$49,999 \$20,000-\$29,999
<\$20,000
Religious Affiliation
Protestant
Catholic
Other Christian
Jewish
Secular
White Protestant Evangelical White Prot. Non-Evangelical White Catholic
Black Protestant
Attend Religious Services
At least once a week
At least a few times a year
Seldom or never

Labor Union member
Yes, someone in household
Yes, respondent a member
Sample size - December 2004

40
34
25

14
9
(2000)
$\frac{\text { Total }}{\%}$


Conservative Disadvantaged
$\frac{\text { Democrats }}{\%} \quad \frac{\text { Democrats }}{\%} \quad \frac{\text { Liberals }}{\%}$

## $\frac{\text { Bystanders }}{\%}$ <br> \%

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| 14 | 14 | 15 | 15 |

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64
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| 21 | 19 |
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| 23 | 32 |
| 41 | 35 |
| 15 | 14 |

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| 41 | 8 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 15 | 15 |
| 20 | 24 |
| 12 | 26 |
| 12 | 27 |
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| 36 | 49 |
| 23 | 26 |
| 2 | 2 |
| 8 | 0 |
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| 5 | 17 |
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| 38 | 39 |
| 43 | 3 |


| 18 | 21 | 21 |
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DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE OF TYPOLOGY GROUPS (continued)

|  | Total | Enterprisers | Social Conservatives | Pro-Government Conservatives | Upbeats | Disaffecteds | Conservative Democrats | Disadvantaged Democrats | Liberals | Bystanders |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| Military Veteran |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes, someone in household | 21 | 27 | 28 | 23 | 24 | 23 | 23 | 23 | 12 | 9 |
| Yes, respondent a veteran | 13 | 23 | 17 | 12 | 16 | 13 | 14 | 10 | 7 | 7 |
| Marital Status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 54 | 77 | 66 | 55 | 59 | 57 | 49 | 42 | 44 | 49 |
| Never Married | 23 | 10 | 11 | 19 | 22 | 15 | 22 | 29 | 36 | 34 |
| Divorced/Separated | 14 | 8 | 13 | 15 | 11 | 19 | 16 | 18 | 15 | 12 |
| Widowed | 8 | 5 | 10 | 11 | 7 | 7 | 13 | 11 | 5 | 5 |
| Parental Status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Parent, child living at home | 37 | 43 | 32 | 47 | 33 | 31 | 37 | 47 | 27 | 46 |
| Have any guns in your home |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes | 37 | 59 | 56 | 36 | 40 | 45 | 34 | 27 | 23 | 30 |
| No | 60 | 34 | 39 | 62 | 59 | 51 | 65 | 70 | 76 | 66 |
| Own a small business |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes | 16 | 30 | 14 | 11 | 15 | 21 | 14 | 8 | 17 | 10 |
| No | 84 | 69 | 85 | 88 | 85 | 78 | 86 | 92 | 83 | 90 |
| Trade stocks or bonds in the market |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes | 28 | 53 | 35 | 14 | 42 | 17 | 20 | 18 | 38 | 11 |
| No | 71 | 46 | 64 | 85 | 57 | 80 | 80 | 82 | 61 | 89 |
| Someone in household unemployed within last 12 months |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 37 | 28 | 18 | 39 | 28 | 42 | 37 | 58 | 40 | 45 |
| No | 63 | 72 | 82 | 60 | 72 | 57 | 63 | 42 | 60 | 54 |
| You or your parents born in country other than U.S. or Canada |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes | 16 | 12 | 12 | 11 | 18 | 14 | 13 | 9 | 20 | 28 |
| No | 84 | 88 | 88 | 89 | 82 | 86 | 87 | 91 | 80 | 72 |
| Sample size - December 2004 | (2000) | (219) | (236) | (163) | (248) | (179) | (261) | (167) | (359) | (168) |

## POLITICAL PROFILE OF TYPOLOGY GROUPS

|  | Total | Enterprisers | Social Conservatives | Pro-Government Conservatives | Upbeats | Disaffecteds | Conservative Democrats | Disadvantaged Democrats | Liberals | Bystanders |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| 2004 Presidential Vote |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bush | 36 | 92 | 86 | 61 | 63 | 42 | 14 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Kerry | 36 | 1 | 4 | 12 | 14 | 21 | 65 | 82 | 81 | 1 |
| Didn't vote | 22 | 4 | 6 | 21 | 14 | 23 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 96 |
| Party Identification |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Republican | 30 | 81 | 82 | 58 | 39 | 30 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 22 |
| Democrat | 34 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 89 | 84 | 59 | 22 |
| Independent | 30 | 15 | 15 | 33 | 45 | 53 | 11 | 14 | 38 | 43 |
| Other | * | 0 | 0 | 0 | * | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| No preference/DK | 6 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 11 | 13 | * | 2 | 2 | 13 |
| Republican/lean Republican | 45 | 98 | 97 | 86 | 73 | 60 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 39 |
| Democrat/lean Democrat | 46 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 14 | 10 | 98 | 99 | 92 | 38 |
| Independent, no leaning | 9 | 1 | 2 | 11 | 13 | 30 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 23 |
| Strong Republican | 17 | 62 | 51 | 33 | 16 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| Strong Democrat | 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 51 | 55 | 35 | 6 |
| Ideology |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Conservative | 39 | 85 | 66 | 58 | 47 | 29 | 41 | 27 | 1 | 32 |
| Moderate | 37 | 14 | 29 | 38 | 43 | 46 | 44 | 48 | 35 | 33 |
| Liberal | 19 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 16 | 9 | 16 | 62 | 24 |
| Conservative Republican | 20 | 70 | 56 | 36 | 22 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 11 |
| Moderate/Liberal Repub. | 10 | 11 | 24 | 21 | 17 | 18 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 10 |
| Conserv./Moderate Dem. | 22 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 2 | 76 | 62 | 17 | 13 |
| Liberal Democrat | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 | 14 | 42 | 8 |
| Bush Job Approval* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Approve | 49 | 95 | 88 | 77 | 67 | 62 | 33 | 4 | 11 | 45 |
| Disapprove | 46 | 5 | 6 | 16 | 25 | 30 | 59 | 95 | 86 | 45 |
| Overall opinion of George W. Bush* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Favorable | 53 | 96 | 91 | 89 | 71 | 72 | 41 | 9 | 9 | 58 |
| Unfavorable | 45 | 3 | 7 | 10 | 28 | 22 | 56 | 91 | 89 | 37 |
| Sample size - December 2004 | (2000) | (219) | (236) | (163) | (248) | (179) | (261) | (167) | (359) | (168) |

TYPOLOGY GROUPS AND THE ISSUES

|  | Total | Enterprisers | Social Conservatives | Pro-Government Conservatives | Upbeats | Disaffecteds | Conservative Democrats | Disadvantaged Democrats | Liberals | Bystanders |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| With next Supreme Court appointment, Bush should make the court... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| More liberal | 24 | 4 | 5 | 9 | 13 | 10 | 27 | 33 | 52 | 26 |
| More conservative | 28 | 64 | 50 | 36 | 30 | 30 | 26 | 15 | 5 | 17 |
| About the same as it is now | 41 | 26 | 40 | 41 | 53 | 53 | 40 | 43 | 39 | 38 |
| Importance of next Sup. Court justice |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very important | 38 | 59 | 47 | 33 | 37 | 30 | 28 | 31 | 49 | 19 |
| Somewhat important | 36 | 29 | 36 | 51 | 37 | 28 | 39 | 41 | 31 | 38 |
| Not too/ at all important | 23 | 12 | 14 | 15 | 24 | 34 | 29 | 23 | 19 | 37 |
| Economic Issues |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Social Security private accounts* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Favor | 46 | 88 | 56 | 59 | 59 | 44 | 36 | 17 | 28 | 48 |
| Oppose | 44 | 7 | 30 | 26 | 28 | 44 | 58 | 76 | 65 | 32 |
| View of Pres. Bush's tax cuts |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All should be made permanent | 28 | 82 | 42 | 27 | 35 | 33 | 14 | 13 | 8 | 18 |
| Tax cuts for wealthy should be repealed | d 35 | 5 | 30 | 33 | 27 | 27 | 43 | 47 | 49 | 35 |
| All tax cuts should be repealed | 25 | 8 | 17 | 25 | 23 | 24 | 31 | 30 | 34 | 28 |
| Increase in minimum wage from |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Favor | 86 | 46 | 79 | 94 | 86 | 84 | 92 | 95 | 94 | 92 |
| Oppose | 12 | 49 | 18 | 5 | 11 | 13 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 7 |
| Gov't guaranteeing health insurance for all citizens |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Favor | 65 | 23 | 59 | 63 | 55 | 64 | 73 | 65 | 90 | 67 |
| Oppose | 30 | 76 | 37 | 33 | 38 | 26 | 23 | 29 | 8 | 25 |
| Sample size - December 2004 | (2000) | (219) | (236) | (163) | (248) | (179) | (261) | (167) | (359) | (168) |
| *Sample size - March 2005 | (1090) | (139) | (135) | (86) | (133) | (90) | (120) | (78) | (240) | (69) |

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## TYPOLOGY GROUPS AND THE ISSUES (continued)

|  | $\frac{\text { Total }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Enterprisers }}{\%}$ | $\begin{gathered} \begin{array}{c} \text { Social } \\ \text { Conservatives } \end{array} \\ \% \end{gathered}$ | Pro-Government $\frac{\text { Conservatives }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Upbeats }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Disaffecteds }}{\%}$ | Conservative $\frac{\text { Democrats }}{\%}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Disadvantaged } \\ & \frac{\text { Democrats }}{\%} \end{aligned}$ | $\frac{\text { Liberals }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Bystanders }}{\%}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Limiting the amount patients can be awarded in medical malpractice lawsuits |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Favor | 63 | 81 | 76 | 61 | 72 | 54 | 57 | 53 | 58 | 61 |
| Oppose | 30 | 16 | 18 | 30 | 23 | 37 | 35 | 41 | 37 | 29 |
| "Outsourcing" is... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Bad for the economy | 69 | 43 | 67 | 71 | 55 | 78 | 81 | 87 | 72 | 65 |
| Good for the economy | 22 | 44 | 18 | 22 | 37 | 13 | 10 | 8 | 19 | 26 |
| Allowing immigrants to enter the U.S. legally and work here for a limited amount of time* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Favor | 50 | 71 | 44 | 47 | 57 | 46 | 43 | 30 | 58 | 40 |
| Oppose | 44 | 26 | 50 | 47 | 38 | 51 | 50 | 63 | 36 | 54 |
| Priority of reducing budget deficit* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Top priority | 39 | 23 | 33 | 41 | 32 | 43 | 44 | 45 | 50 | 30 |
| Important but lower priority | 46 | 59 | 50 | 45 | 55 | 37 | 35 | 43 | 42 | 52 |
| Not too important | 6 | 10 | 7 | 6 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 1 | 4 | 3 |
| Doesn't need to be addressed | 5 | 8 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 11 |
| Raising taxes in order to reduce deficit* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Favor | 31 | 12 | 27 | 32 | 34 | 19 | 25 | 23 | 56 | 18 |
| Oppose | 66 | 87 | 73 | 67 | 63 | 78 | 71 | 66 | 41 | 76 |
| Lowering defense/military spending in order to reduce deficit* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Favor | 35 | 16 | 16 | 19 | 31 | 33 | 29 | 41 | 65 | 35 |
| Oppose | 60 | 84 | 78 | 77 | 65 | 60 | 63 | 50 | 33 | 57 |
| Lowering domestic spending in order to reduce deficit* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Favor | 54 | 81 | 63 | 53 | 61 | 44 | 48 | 29 | 48 | 60 |
| Oppose | 35 | 13 | 23 | 36 | 30 | 38 | 40 | 45 | 47 | 26 |
| Sample size - December 2004 | (2000) | (219) | (236) | (163) | (248) | (179) | (261) | (167) | (359) | (168) |
| *Sample size - March 2005 | (1090) | (139) | (135) | (86) | (133) | (90) | (120) | (78) | (240) | (69) |

## TYPOLOGY GROUPS AND THE ISSUES (continued)

|  | Total | Enterprisers | Social Conservatives | Pro-Government Conservatives | Upbeats | Disaffecteds | Conservative Democrats | Disadvantaged Democrats | Liberals | Bystanders |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| Programs designed to help blacks, women and other minorities get better jobs and education* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Favor | 67 | 31 | 49 | 71 | 70 | 60 | 74 | 68 | 82 | 79 |
| Oppose | 28 | 63 | 45 | 24 | 27 | 31 | 22 | 25 | 14 | 16 |
| Drilling in the ANWR* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Favor | 46 | 92 | 71 | 46 | 49 | 60 | 46 | 30 | 14 | 36 |
| Oppose | 49 | 5 | 23 | 51 | 47 | 32 | 46 | 57 | 85 | 59 |
| Free trade agreements like |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| NAFTA and WTO for U.S. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Good thing for the U.S. | 47 | 47 | 36 | 47 | 59 | 40 | 43 | 41 | 50 | 58 |
| Bad thing for the U.S. | 34 | 40 | 44 | 27 | 24 | 43 | 34 | 41 | 34 | 23 |
| Higher priority right now |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cutting taxes | 32 | 50 | 31 | 37 | 29 | 42 | 31 | 32 | 14 | 36 |
| Reducing the Federal deficit | 61 | 43 | 61 | 57 | 64 | 47 | 62 | 61 | 83 | 50 |
| Neither | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | * | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Social Issues |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Stem cell research priorities |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Research that might result in new cures | 56 | 38 | 40 | 47 | 53 | 53 | 57 | 60 | 84 | 55 |
| Not destroying potential life of embryos | s 32 | 49 | 45 | 46 | 36 | 31 | 30 | 26 | 11 | 32 |
| Making it more difficult for a woman to get an abortion |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Favor | 36 | 54 | 54 | 53 | 37 | 35 | 37 | 22 | 10 | 43 |
| Oppose | 55 | 38 | 40 | 41 | 54 | 47 | 51 | 67 | 88 | 49 |
| Allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Favor | 32 | 8 | 12 | 17 | 28 | 26 | 19 | 37 | 80 | 32 |
| Oppose | 61 | 90 | 84 | 76 | 64 | 67 | 74 | 55 | 15 | 59 |
| Sample size - December 2004 | (2000) | (219) | (236) | (163) | (248) | (179) | (261) | (167) | (359) | (168) |
| *Sample size - March 2005 | (1090) | (139) | (135) | (86) | (133) | (90) | (120) | (78) | (240) | (69) |

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## TYPOLOGY GROUPS AND THE ISSUES (continued)

|  | Total | Enterprisers | Social Conservatives | Pro-Government Conservatives | Upbeats | Disaffecteds | Conservative Democrats | Disadvantaged Democrats | Liberals | Bystanders |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| Teaching creationism ALONG WITH evolution in public schools* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Favor | 57 | 83 | 62 | 64 | 61 | 60 | 46 | 50 | 49 | 48 |
| Oppose | 33 | 12 | 28 | 22 | 34 | 22 | 33 | 36 | 48 | 39 |
| Teaching creationism INSTEAD OF evolution in public schools* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Favor | 33 | 41 | 51 | 40 | 34 | 40 | 41 | 24 | 11 | 44 |
| Oppose | 54 | 49 | 33 | 44 | 59 | 44 | 36 | 60 | 85 | 39 |
| Displaying the Ten Commandments in government buildings* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Proper | 74 | 89 | 92 | 92 | 81 | 80 | 82 | 84 | 35 | 77 |
| Improper | 22 | 10 | 5 | 8 | 15 | 10 | 16 | 11 | 61 | 17 |
| Attend Bible study or prayer group |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes | 36 | 36 | 51 | 52 | 35 | 38 | 44 | 41 | 13 | 30 |
| No | 64 | 63 | 48 | 48 | 65 | 61 | 56 | 59 | 87 | 70 |
| Have a friend, colleague, or family member who is gay* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Yes | 46 | 37 | 37 | 41 | 43 | 33 | 34 | 48 | 73 | 36 |
| No | 54 | 60 | 61 | 59 | 55 | 67 | 66 | 52 | 27 | 64 |
| Foreign Policy Issues |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Spending on national defense |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Increase | 20 | 41 | 30 | 24 | 21 | 26 | 18 | 13 | 10 | 11 |
| Keep same | 54 | 54 | 61 | 59 | 62 | 48 | 55 | 42 | 47 | 57 |
| Cut back | 19 | 1 | 4 | 13 | 10 | 21 | 18 | 38 | 37 | 23 |
| Use of torture against suspected terrorist in order to gain important information |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Often justified | 15 | 24 | 17 | 11 | 9 | 24 | 20 | 8 | 6 | 20 |
| Sometimes justified | 30 | 39 | 36 | 43 | 36 | 30 | 29 | 29 | 15 | 31 |
| Rarely justified | 24 | 22 | 30 | 19 | 26 | 18 | 16 | 16 | 39 | 18 |
| Never justified | 27 | 10 | 14 | 22 | 26 | 19 | 32 | 41 | 38 | 28 |

## TYPOLOGY GROUPS AND THE ISSUES (continued)

|  | Total |
| :---: | :---: |
| Using military force against countries \% |  |
| that may seriously threaten our country |  |
| but have not attacked us |  |
| Often justified | 14 |
| Sometimes justified | 46 |
| Rarely justified | 21 |
| Never justified | 14 |
| Using military force in Iraq |  |
| Right decision | 49 |
| Wrong decision | 44 |
| How well is the U.S. military effort in Iraq going |  |
| Very well | 10 |
| Fairly well | 40 |
| Not too well | 28 |
| Not at all well | 18 |
| What to do in Iraq... |  |
| Keep troops in Iraq until stabilized | 56 |
| Bring troops home as soon as possible | 40 |
| Patriot Act |  |
| Necessary tool | 33 |
| Goes too far | 39 |
| Have a friend, colleague, or family member who has served in Iraq* |  |
| Yes | 49 |
| No | 51 |
| Sample size - December 2004 | (2000) |
| *Sample size - March 2005 | (1090) |


| Enterprisers | Social Conservatives | Pro-Government Conservatives | Upbeats | Disaffecteds | Conservative Democrats | Disadvantaged Democrats | Liberals | Bystanders |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| 32 | 24 | 13 | 14 | 17 | 15 | 5 | 1 | 12 |
| 57 | 58 | 54 | 57 | 46 | 43 | 33 | 32 | 41 |
| 7 | 11 | 16 | 18 | 15 | 18 | 26 | 44 | 18 |
| 3 | 4 | 11 | 5 | 12 | 14 | 28 | 23 | 20 |
| 94 | 88 | 72 | 66 | 50 | 28 | 15 | 11 | 57 |
| 5 | 8 | 18 | 24 | 40 | 61 | 76 | 87 | 35 |
| 24 | 21 | 14 | 11 | 10 | 7 | 4 | 2 | 4 |
| 64 | 62 | 58 | 52 | 38 | 29 | 21 | 14 | 43 |
| 8 | 14 | 18 | 23 | 23 | 41 | 39 | 41 | 28 |
| 2 | 1 | 7 | 8 | 22 | 20 | 32 | 42 | 14 |
| 88 | 81 | 68 | 72 | 45 | 33 | 26 | 52 | 46 |
| 10 | 18 | 29 | 24 | 49 | 64 | 68 | 44 | 48 |
| 73 | 53 | 38 | 46 | 28 | 29 | 8 | 15 | 22 |
| 12 | 13 | 28 | 27 | 44 | 40 | 60 | 71 | 36 |
| 49 | 54 | 51 | 41 | 48 | 48 | 57 | 45 | 48 |
| 51 | 46 | 49 | 59 | 52 | 52 | 43 | 54 | 52 |
| (219) | (236) | (163) | (248) | (179) | (261) | (167) | (359) | (168) |
| (139) | (135) | (86) | (133) | (90) | (120) | (78) | (240) | (69) |

[^1]
## TYPOLOGY GROUPS AND MEDIA USE

|  | Total | Enterprisers | Social Conservatives | Pro-Government Conservatives | Upbeats | Disaffecteds | Conservative Democrats | Disadvantaged Democrats | Liberals | Bystanders |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Main News Source* |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Television | 74 | 68 | 83 | 82 | 67 | 76 | 85 | 78 | 57 | 79 |
| Local | 15 | 10 | 13 | 19 | 16 | 22 | 14 | 14 | 9 | 23 |
| Network (NET) | 29 | 17 | 30 | 31 | 29 | 30 | 42 | 32 | 22 | 24 |
| CNN | 20 | 8 | 23 | 21 | 20 | 15 | 27 | 31 | 18 | 19 |
| Fox News Channel | 19 | 46 | 34 | 23 | 17 | 16 | 11 | 12 | 6 | 19 |
| Newspapers | 45 | 42 | 50 | 48 | 46 | 38 | 50 | 53 | 46 | 34 |
| Radio | 21 | 31 | 16 | 18 | 21 | 20 | 14 | 16 | 28 | 23 |
| Magazines | 4 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 2 |
| Internet | 23 | 26 | 16 | 19 | 34 | 19 | 16 | 18 | 37 | 19 |
| Sample size - December 2004 | (2000) | (219) | (236) | (163) | (248) | (179) | (261) | (167) | (359) | (168) |

* Note: Figures add to more than $100 \%$ because respondents could list more than one main news source.



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ON FORM ONE Q.1/1a PRECEDES Q. 2 --- ON FORM TWO, Q. 2 PRECEDES Q.1/1a
Q. 1 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president? [IF DK ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president? IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]

|  | Dis- <br> Approve <br> approve |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Don't <br> know |  |  |
| December, 2004 | 48 | $8=100$ |  |
| Mid-October, 2004 | 44 | 48 | $8=100$ |
| August, 2004 | 46 | 45 | $9=100$ |
| July, 2004 | 46 | 46 | $8=100$ |
| June, 2004 | 48 | 43 | $9=100$ |
| May, 2004 | 44 | 48 | $8=100$ |
| Late April, 2004 | 48 | 43 | $9=100$ |
| Early April, 2004 | 43 | 47 | $10=100$ |
| Late March, 2004 | 47 | 44 | $9=100$ |
| Mid-March, 2004 | 46 | 47 | $7=100$ |
| February, 2004 | 48 | 44 | $8=100$ |
| Mid-January, 2004 | 56 | 34 | $10=100$ |
| Early January, 2004 | 58 | 35 | $7=100$ |
| 2003 |  |  |  |
| December, 2003 | 57 | 34 | $9=100$ |
| November, 2003 | 50 | 40 | $10=100$ |
| October, 2003 | 50 | 42 | $8=100$ |
| September, 2003 | 55 | 36 | $9=100$ |
| Mid-August, 2003 | 56 | 32 | $12=100$ |
| Early August, 2003 | 53 | 37 | $10=100$ |
| Mid-July, 2003 | 58 | 32 | $10=100$ |
| Early July, 2003 | 60 | 29 | $11=100$ |
| June, 2003 | 62 | 27 | $11=100$ |
| May, 2003 | 65 | 27 | $8=100$ |
| April 10-16, 2003 | 72 | 22 | $6=100$ |
| April 9, 2003 | 74 | 20 | $6=100$ |
| April 2-7, 2003 | 69 | 25 | $6=100$ |
| March 28-April 1, 2003 | 71 | 23 | $6=100$ |
| March 25-27, 2003 | 70 | 24 | $6=100$ |
| March 20-24, 2003 | 67 | 26 | $7=100$ |
| March 13-16, 2003 | 55 | 34 | $11=100$ |
| February, 2003 | 54 | 36 | $10=100$ |
| January, 2003 | 58 | 32 | $10=100$ |
| 2002 |  |  |  |
| December, 2002 | 61 | 28 | $11=100$ |
| Late October, 2002 | 59 | 29 | $12=100$ |
| Early October, 2002 | 61 | 30 | $9=100$ |
| Mid-September, 2002 | 67 | 22 | $11=100$ |
| Early September, 2002 | 63 | 26 | $11=100$ |
| Late August, 2002 | 60 | 27 | $13=100$ |
|  |  |  |  |


|  | August, 2002 | 67 |  | 21 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $12=100$ |  |  |
| Late July, 2002 | 65 | 25 | $10=100$ |  |
| July, 2002 | 67 | 21 | $12=100$ |  |
| June, 2002 | 70 | 20 | $10=100$ |  |
| April, 2002 | 69 | 18 | $13=100$ |  |
| Early April, 2002 | 74 | 16 | $10=100$ |  |
| February, 2002 | 78 | 13 | $9=100$ |  |
| January, 2002 | 80 | 11 | $9=100$ |  |
| 2001 |  |  |  |  |
| Mid-November, 2001 | 84 | 9 | $7=100$ |  |
| Early October, 2001 | 84 | 8 | $8=100$ |  |
| Late September, 2001 | 86 | 7 | $7=100$ |  |
| Mid-September, 2001 | 80 | 9 | $11=100$ |  |
| Early September, 2001 | 51 | 34 | $15=100$ |  |
| August, 2001 | 50 | 32 | $18=100$ |  |
| July, 2001 | 51 | 32 | $17=100$ |  |
| June, 2001 | 50 | 33 | $17=100$ |  |
| May, 2001 | 53 | 32 | $15=100$ |  |
| April, 2001 | 56 | 27 | $17=100$ |  |
| March, 2001 | 55 | 25 | $20=100$ |  |
| February, 2001 | 53 | 21 | $26=100$ |  |

## IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE (1,2 IN Q.1) ASK:

Q.1a Do you (approve/disapprove) very strongly, or not so strongly?

|  |  | Nov 2003 | Sept 2003 | June 2002 | April 2001 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Approve | 50 | 55 | 70 | 56 |
| 34 | Very strongly | 34 | 35 | 46 | 34 |
| 12 | Not so strongly | 14 | 18 | 21 | 20 |
| 2 | Don’t know (VOL) | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
|  | Disapprove | 40 | 36 | 20 | 27 |
| 35 | Very strongly | 30 | 27 | 8 | 18 |
| 8 | Not so strongly | 9 | 9 | 12 | 9 |
| 1 | Don't know (VOL) | 1 | * | 0 | * |
| 8 | Don't know/Refused | 10 | $\underline{9}$ | 10 | $\underline{17}$ |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

## ASK ALL:

Q. 2 All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?


## ASK FORM 1 ONLY [ $\mathbf{N = 9 9 3 ] : ~}$

Q.3F1 What's your view... Do you think the country is more politically divided these days than in the past, or not?

| 66 | More politically divided |
| :---: | :--- |
| 26 | Not more divided |
| $\frac{8}{100}$ | Don’t know/Refused |

## ASK FORM 2 ONLY [ $\mathbf{N}=1007$ ]:

Q.4F2 Thinking about the people you know, are they more divided over politics these days than in the past, or not?

53 More divided
40 Not more divided
$\frac{7}{100}$ Don't know/Refused

ASK IF ‘MORE DIVIDED' IN EITHER (1 IN Q.3F1 OR 1 IN Q.4F2) [N=1178]:
Q. 5 Why do you think people are more divided these days? What are they more divided about? [OPEN END; ENTER MULTIPLE RESPONSES BUT DO NOT PROBE FOR ADDITIONAL; IF RESPONDENT VOLUNTEERS "BUSH" ENTER BUSH, BUT ALSO PROBE "What is it about George W. Bush that divides people?"]

## FOREIGN POLICY (NET)

War/Iraq
Terrorism/ 9/11
Other foreign policy issues
DOMESTIC ISSUES (NET)
Economy/jobs
Healthcare
Taxes
Social Security
Other domestic issues
RELIGION AND MORALITY (NET)
Religion
Values/morals
Gay marriage/gay rights
Abortion
Church-State divide
Christian Right
Other religious/moral issues
LEADERSHIP/ELECTED OFFICIALS (NET)
President Bush
Democrats/liberals
Republicans/conservatives
Other leaders/the way the country is run
People are ignorant/selfish/scared/stubborn
CAMPAIGN/ELECTION (NET)
Election/Close election
Negative Campaign
Other campaign/election
Rich-poor gap
Politics
Political parties/Both Republicans and Democrats
Everything is more divided

## Q. 5 CONTINUED...

| 2 | Money |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2 | People have different views |
| 1 | Ideology/political philosophy |
| 1 | Media |
| 1 | Race |
| 1 | The way things are going |
| 1 | Immigrants |
| 6 | Other |
| 9 | Don't know |

## ASK ALL:

Q. 6 All in all, how do you feel about George W. Bush being reelected President? Are you [READ]

| 15 | Excited |
| :---: | :--- |
| 34 | Happy |
| 29 | Unhappy |
| 15 | Or depressed |
| $\frac{7}{100}$ | (VOL. DO NOT READ) Don't know/Refused |

Q. 7 Here are some stories covered by news organizations this past month. For each, please tell me if you happened to follow this news story very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely.
[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE WITH ITEMS a FIRST, FOLLOWED BY RANDOMIZED ITEMS b THRU e; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS AND DATES]
a. News about the current situation in Iraq

| Very | Fairly | Not too | Not at all |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Closely | Closely | Closely | Closely | DK/Ref |
| 34 | 44 | 15 | 6 | 1=100 |
| 42 | 38 | 11 | 8 | $1=100$ |
| 47 | 37 | 9 | 6 | $1=100$ |
| 39 | 42 | 12 | 6 | $1=100$ |
| 43 | 40 | 11 | 6 | *=100 |
| 39 | 42 | 12 | 6 | 1=100 |
| 54 | 33 | 8 | 5 | *=100 |
| 47 | 36 | 12 | 4 | $1=100$ |
| 47 | 38 | 10 | 4 | $1=100$ |
| 48 | 39 | 9 | 4 | *=100 |
| 44 | 38 | 11 | 6 | $1=100$ |
| 52 | 33 | 9 | 5 | $1=100$ |
| 38 | 40 | 14 | 7 | $1=100$ |
| 50 | 33 | 10 | 6 | $1=100$ |
| 45 | 39 | 10 | 5 | $1=100$ |
| 37 | 41 | 13 | 8 | $1=100$ |
| 46 | 35 | 13 | 6 | *=100 |
| 63 | 29 | 6 | 2 | *=100 |
| 47 | 40 | 10 | 2 | 1=100 |
| 54 | 34 | 9 | 2 | $1=100$ |
| 57 | 33 | 7 | 2 | 1=100 |

Q. 7 CONTINUED...

March 13-16, $2003^{4}$
February, 2003
January, 2003
December, 2002
Late October, 2002
Early October, 2002
Early September, 2002
ASK FORM 1 ONLY, DECEMBER 1-7, 2004 ONLY [N=523]:
b1.F1 A fistfight between players and fans at an NBA game
ASK FORM 1 ONLY, DECEMBER 8-15, 2004 ONLY [N=419]:
$\begin{array}{ll}\text { b2.F2 } & \text { Recent reports of steroid use by some } \\ & \text { Major League Baseball players }\end{array}$
ASK FORM 1 ONLY [ $\mathrm{N}=993$ ]:
$\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { c.F1 } & \text { Controversy over the results of the recent election in Ukraine } & 10 & 22 & 29 & 38 & 1=100\end{array}$
ASK FORM 2 ONLY, DECEMBER 1-7, 2004 ONLY [N=523]:
d1.F2 The conviction of Scott Peterson for the murder of his wife, Laci Peterson

April, $2004^{5}$
July, 2003
May, 2003
ASK FORM 2 ONLY, DECEMBER 8-15, 2004 ONLY [N=436]:
d2.F2 The debate in Washington over reorganizing the nation's intelligence system

16
31

| 27 | 27 | 24 | $1=100$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 37 | 24 | 17 | $2=100$ |
| 34 | 26 | 17 | $1=100$ |
| 31 | 21 | 16 | $1=100$ |

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [ $\mathbf{N}=1007$ ]:
$\begin{array}{llllllll}\text { e.F2 } & \text { The death of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat } & 18 & 38 & 25 & 17 & 2=100\end{array}$

## NO QUESTION 8

From October 2002 to March 13-16, 2003 the story was listed as "Debate over the possibility that the U.S. will take military action in Iraq." In Early September 2002 the story was listed as "Debate over the possibility that the U.S. will invade Iraq."

In April, 2004 the story was listed as "The murder of Laci Peterson." In 2003 the story was listed as "The murder of Laci Peterson, the pregnant California woman whose husband has been charged in her death."

## ASK ALL:

Q. 9 Can you tell me the name of the person George W. Bush has nominated to replace Colin Powell as Secretary of State?

43 Yes, Correct, Condoleezza Rice / Condi / Rice
5 Yes, Incorrect, any other person
52 No, Don't know/Refused 100
Q. 10 Do you happen to know when Iraq is scheduled to hold its first national elections? Will it be this winter, sometime in the spring, or later in the summer?

57 This winter
10 Sometime in the spring
5 Later in the summer
$\underline{28}$ Don't know/Refused
100

## ASK ALL:

Q. 11 I'm going to read you some pairs of statements that will help us understand how you feel about a number of things. As I read each pair, tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own views - even if neither is exactly right. The first pair is... (READ AND RANDOMIZE)
(AFTER CHOICE IS MADE, PROBE: Do you feel STRONGLY about that, or not?)

|  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| a. |  | Government is almost always |
|  | 47 | wasteful and inefficient |
| 38 | Strongly |  |
| 9 | Not Strongly |  |
|  | Government often does a better |  |
| 45 | job than people give it credit for |  |
| 28 | Strongly |  |
| 17 | Not Strongly |  |
| $\frac{8}{100}$ | Neither/Don't know |  |



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b. Government regulation of business is 49 necessary to protect the public interest Strongly Not Strongly
Government regulation of business 41 usually does more harm than good Strongly
$\begin{array}{cc}11 & \text { Not Strongly } \\ 10 & \text { Neither/Don't know }\end{array}$
-- $54 \quad 50$-- 48 --
-- $3935-32$-- $\quad 32$-- 29 -- $28 \quad 25 \quad 24 \quad 24$
-- $15 \begin{array}{llllllllllll}15 & -- & 16 & -- & -- & 16 & -- & 17 & 18 & 14 & 17\end{array}$
-- 3641 -- 44
-- $27 \begin{array}{llllllllllll} & 31 & -- & 32 & -- & -- & 33 & -- & 37 & 38 & 41 & 39\end{array}$
-- $9 \begin{array}{llllllllllll} & 10 & -- & 12 & -- & -- & 13 & -- & 13 & 13 & 14 & 15\end{array}$
-- $\frac{10}{100} \frac{9}{100} \quad-\quad \frac{8}{100} \quad-\quad-\quad \frac{9}{100} \quad-\quad \frac{5}{100} \quad \frac{6}{100} \quad \frac{7}{100} \quad \frac{5}{100}$

## Q. 11 CONTINUED...

$\begin{array}{cl}\text { c. } & \begin{array}{l}\text { Poor people today have it easy because } \\ \text { they can get government benefits }\end{array} \\ 34 & \text { without doing anything in return } \\ 23 & \text { Strongly } \\ 11 & \text { Not Strongly } \\ & \begin{array}{l}\text { Poor people have hard lives because } \\ \text { government benefits don't go far }\end{array} \\ 52 & \text { enough to help them live decently } \\ 40 & \text { Strongly } \\ 12 & \text { Not Strongly } \\ \frac{14}{100} & \text { Neither/Don't know }\end{array}$

The government should do more to help needy Americans, even if it means going
57 deeper into debt
Strongly
Not Strongly
The government today can't afford to do much more to help the needy
Strongly
Not Strongly
Neither/Don't know

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34 -- $--\quad$-- 45 -- $45 \quad 46$-- $54 \quad 52 \quad 48 \quad 53$
24 -- $--\quad$-- 30 -- 33 35 - -- $3637 \begin{array}{llllllll} & 35 & 37\end{array}$
10 -- $--\quad$-- 15 -- 1211 -- 18
$\begin{array}{ccccccccccccc}55 & -- & -- & -- & 42 & -- & 42 & 40 & -- & 36 & 39 & 41 & 39 \\ 42 & -- & -- & -- & 31 & -- & 31 & 28 & -- & 25 & 28 & 31 & 27 \\ 13 & -- & -- & -- & 11 & -- & 11 & 12 & -- & 11 & 11 & 10 & 12 \\ \frac{11}{100} & -- & -- & -- & \frac{13}{10} & -- & \frac{13}{100} & \frac{14}{100} & -- & \frac{10}{100} & \frac{9}{100} & \frac{11}{100} & \frac{8}{100}\end{array}$
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e. The position of blacks in American society

73 has improved in recent years
Strongly
Not Strongly
There hasn't been much real progress for
blacks in recent years
Strongly
Not Strongly
Neither/Don't know

|  | Racial discrimination is the main <br> reason why many black people <br> can't get ahead these days |
| :---: | :--- |
| 18 | Strongly |
| 9 | Not Strongly |
|  | Blacks who can't get ahead in this <br> country are mostly responsible for |
| 60 | their own condition |
| 44 | Strongly |
| 16 | Not Strongly |
| $\frac{13}{100}$ | Neither/Don't know |

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\begin{array}{lllllllllllll}
-- & -- & -- & -- & 78 & -- & 73 & 73 & -- & 69 & 70 & 67 & 72 \\
-- & -- & -- & -- & 63 & -- & 55 & 57 & -- & 52 & 52 & 50 & 52 \\
-- & -- & -- & -- & 15 & -- & 18 & 16 & -- & 17 & 18 & 17 & 20 \\
& -- & - & -- & 18 & -- & 22 & 21 & -- & 27 & 26 & 27 & 25 \\
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\end{array}
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## Q. 11 CONTINUED...

g. Immigrants today strengthen our country because of their hard work and talents
Strongly
Not Strongly
Immigrants today are a burden on
our country because they take our
44 jobs, housing and health care
34 Strongly
10 Not Strongly
11 Neither/Don't know

## NO ITEM H.

i. The best way to ensure peace is through

| 30 | military strength |
| :---: | :--- |
| 25 | Strongly |
| 5 | Not Strongly |
|  | Good diplomacy is the best way to |
| 55 | ensure peace |
| 46 | Strongly |
| 9 | Not Strongly |
| $\frac{15}{100}$ | Neither/Don't know |

j.

We should all be willing to fight for our 46 country, whether it is right or wrong Strongly Not Strongly
It's acceptable to refuse to fight in a war 46 you believe is morally wrong

Strongly
Not Strongly
Neither/Don't know

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| 46 | -- | -- | 50 | 46 | 41 | 41 | 38 | 37 | -- | -- | -- | 31 |
| 30 | -- | -- | 36 | 30 | -- | 26 | 19 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 17 |
| 16 | -- | -- | 14 | 16 | -- | 15 | 19 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 14 |
| 44 | -- | -- | 38 | 44 | 48 | 48 | 52 | 54 | -- | -- | -- | 63 |
| 35 | -- | -- | 29 | 34 | -- | 37 | 38 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 49 |
| 9 | -- | -- | 9 | 10 | -- | 11 | 14 | -- | -- | -- | -- | 14 |
| 10 | -- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | -- | -- | -- | $\underline{\square}$ |
| 100 |  |  | 100 | 100 | 100 |  |  | 100 |  |  |  | 100 |

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-- -- $--\quad$-- 55 -- $--\quad 53$-- 59585258
-- -- $--\quad$-- 45 -- $--\quad 44$-- 49464346

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-- $\quad$-- $--\quad 8 \quad 9 \quad$-- $--\quad 8$


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-- -- -- 66 66 -- -- -- -- -- -- -- 59
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## Q. 11 CONTINUED...

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l. Success in life is pretty much determined

| 16 | by forces outside of our control |
| :---: | :--- |
| 11 | Strongly |
| 5 | Not strongly |
| 78 | Everyone has it in their own power to succeed |
| 68 | Strongly |
| 10 | Not strongly |
| $\frac{6}{100}$ | Neither/Don't know |

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-- & -- & -- & -- & 10 & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & 12 \\
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-- & -- & -- & -- & 72 & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & 67 \\
-- & -- & -- & -- & 8 & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & 12 \\
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-- $80 \quad 77$-- 77 -- $--\quad 75$-- $77 \begin{array}{llllll}75 & 73 & 76\end{array}$

-- $13 \begin{array}{llllllllllll}15 & -- & 15 & -- & -- & 14 & -- & 15 & 16 & 15 & 17\end{array}$
-- $12 \begin{array}{llllllllllll}17 & -- & 17 & -- & -- & 18 & -- & 18 & 20 & 20 & 19\end{array}$
-- $7 \quad 9 \quad$-- 10 -- $--\quad 10$

-- $\quad \frac{8}{10} \quad \frac{6}{100} \quad-\quad \frac{6}{100} \quad-\quad$-- $\quad \frac{7}{100} \quad-\quad \frac{5}{100} \quad \frac{5}{100} \quad \frac{7}{100} \quad \frac{5}{100}$
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| 51 | 58 | 54 | 54 | 52 | -- | 51 | 51 | -- | 53 | 51 | 50 | 52 |
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| 43 | 51 | 44 | 46 | 42 | -- | 43 | 43 | -- | 44 | 42 | 40 | 43 |
| 8 | 7 | 10 | 8 | 10 | -- | 8 | 8 | -- | 9 | 9 | 10 | 9 |
| 42 | 33 | 39 | 38 | 42 | -- | 43 | 42 | -- | 43 | 44 | 44 | 43 |
| 27 | 22 | 24 | 28 | 29 | -- | 28 | 27 | -- | 27 | 26 | 28 | 27 |
| 15 | 11 | 15 | 10 | 13 | -- | 15 | 15 | -- | 16 | 18 | 16 | 16 |
| 7 | $\underline{9}$ | 7 | 8 | 6 | - | 6 | 7 |  | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 |
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| -- | -- | -- | 66 | 68 | -- | -- | 69 | 72 | 73 | 76 | 74 | 71 |
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| -- | -- | -- | 53 | 55 | -- | -- | 58 | 59 | 60 | 64 | 61 | 58 |
| -- | -- | -- | 13 | 13 | -- | -- | 11 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 13 | 13 |
| -- | -- | -- | 27 | 26 | -- | -- | 25 | 23 | 24 | 21 | 22 | 25 |
| -- | -- | -- | 18 | 16 | -- | -- | 15 | 14 | 14 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| -- | -- | -- | 9 | 10 | -- | -- | 10 | 9 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 11 |
| -- | -- | -- | $\underline{7}$ | $\frac{6}{100}$ | -- | -- | $\underline{6}$ | $\frac{5}{3}$ | $\frac{3}{10}$ | $\frac{3}{10}$ | $\frac{4}{4}$ | $\frac{4}{100}$ |


| p. |  | Most elected officials care what |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  | 32 | people like me think |
| 19 | Strongly |  |
| 13 | Not Strongly |  |
|  | Most elected officials don't care |  |
|  | what people like me think |  |
| 52 | Strongly |  |
| 11 | Not Strongly |  |
|  | 5either/Don't know |  |
|  |  |  | $\underline{03} \underline{02} \underline{02} \underline{00} \underline{99} \underline{97} \underline{97}$ 96 $\underline{96}$ $\underline{95} \underline{95} \underline{94} \underline{94}$


| 33 | -- | -- | 39 | 35 | -- | 28 | 38 | -- | 33 | 32 | 29 | 34 |
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| 18 | -- | -- | 26 | 21 | - | 17 | 23 | -- | 18 | 18 | 17 | 18 |
| 15 | -- | -- | 13 | 14 | -- | 11 | 15 | -- | 15 | 14 | 12 | 16 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 62 | -- | -- | 55 | 60 | -- | 67 | 58 | -- | 64 | 64 | 68 | 64 |
| 51 | -- | -- | 44 | 49 | -- | 55 | 48 | -- | 53 | 53 | 56 | 51 |
| 11 | -- | -- | 11 | 11 | -- | 12 | 10 | -- | 11 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| $\underline{5}$ | -- | -- | $\underline{6}$ | $\underline{5}$ | -- | $\underline{5}$ | $\underline{4}$ | -- | $\underline{3}$ | $\frac{4}{4}$ | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ |
| 100 |  |  | 100 | 100 |  | 100 | 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

Q. 12 Would you say your overall opinion of... [INSERT ITEM; ROTATE ITEMS a. AND b. WITH c. ALWAYS LAST] is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? [INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."] How about [NEXT ITEM]?


| Q. 12 CONTINUED... | ---Favorable------ |  |  | -----Unfavorable----- |  |  | Never Heard of * | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Can't } \\ & \text { Rate } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total |  | Mostly | Total |  | Mostly |  |  |
| September, 2000 (RVs) | 60 | 16 | 44 | 35 | 12 | 23 |  | 5=100 |
| August, 1999 | 59 | 14 | 45 | 37 | 9 | 28 | * | $4=100$ |
| February, 1999 | 58 | 11 | 47 | 37 | 11 | 26 | 0 | $5=100$ |
| January, 1999 | 55 | 14 | 41 | 38 | 12 | 26 | 0 | $7=100$ |
| Early December, 1998 | 59 | 18 | 41 | 34 | 10 | 24 | 0 | $7=100$ |
| Early October, 1998 (RVs) | 56 | 11 | 45 | 38 | 9 | 29 | * | 6=100 |
| Early September, 1998 | 60 | 13 | 47 | 33 | 8 | 25 | * | $7=100$ |
| March, 1998 | 58 | 15 | 43 | 36 | 10 | 26 | * | 6=100 |
| August, 1997 | 52 | 11 | 41 | 42 | 10 | 32 | 0 | 6=100 |
| June, 1997 | 61 | 10 | 51 | 33 | 8 | 25 | * | 6=100 |
| January, 1997 | 60 | 13 | 47 | 35 | 7 | 28 | * | $5=100$ |
| October, 1995 | 49 | 9 | 40 | 48 | 11 | 37 | 0 | 3=100 |
| December, 1994 | 50 | 13 | 37 | 44 | 13 | 31 | * | 6=100 |
| July, 1994 | 62 | 13 | 49 | 34 | 7 | 27 | * | $4=100$ |
| May, 1993 | 57 | 14 | 43 | 34 | 9 | 25 | 0 | $9=100$ |
| July, 1992 | 61 | 17 | 44 | 33 | 9 | 24 | * | $6=100$ |
| The news media | 43 | 8 | 35 | 51 | 18 | 33 | * | 6=100 |
| Late October, 2000 (RVs) | 50 | 7 | 43 | 45 | 14 | 31 | 0 | $5=100$ |
| February, 1999 (RVs) | 48 | 6 | 42 | 49 | 14 | 35 | 0 | 3=100 |
| March, 1998 (RVs) | 45 | 7 | 38 | 53 | 17 | 36 | * | $2=100$ |
| October, 1997 (RVs) | 50 | 6 | 44 | 48 | 14 | 34 | * | $2=100$ |

## NO QUESTION 13-14

Q. 15 How would you rate economic conditions in this country today... as excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

|  |  |  | Only |  | on't know |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Excellent | Good | Fair | Poor | Refused |
| December, 2004 | 3 | 33 | 43 | 20 | 1=100 |
| Early November, 2004 (RVs) | 5 | 31 | 37 | 26 | 1=100 |
| Mid-September, 2004 | 4 | 34 | 40 | 20 | $2=100$ |
| August, 2004 | 3 | 30 | 45 | 21 | $1=100$ |
| Late April, 2004 | 4 | 34 | 38 | 22 | 2=100 |
| Late February, 2004 | 2 | 29 | 42 | 26 | $1=100$ |
| February 9-12, 2004 (Gallup) | 2 | 31 | 46 | 21 | $0=100$ |
| January 12-15, 2004 (Gallup) | 3 | 34 | 42 | 21 | $0=100$ |
| January 2-5, 2004 (Gallup) | 3 | 40 | 41 | 16 | * $=100$ |
| December 11-14, 2003 (Gallup) | 3 | 34 | 44 | 19 | * $=100$ |
| November 3-5, 2003 (Gallup) | 2 | 28 | 49 | 21 | *=100 |
| October 24-26, 2003 (Gallup) | 2 | 24 | 44 | 30 | * $=100$ |
| October 6-8, 2003 (Gallup) | 2 | 20 | 50 | 27 | 1=100 |
| September 8-10, 2003 (Gallup) | 1 | 20 | 49 | 30 | * $=100$ |
| August 4-6, 2003 (Gallup) | 1 | 24 | 52 | 23 | * $=100$ |
| August 5-8, 2002 (Gallup) | 1 | 27 | 52 | 19 | 1=100 |
| August 16-19, 2001 (Gallup) | 2 | 34 | 49 | 14 | $1=100$ |
| August 18-19, 2000 (Gallup) | 25 | 49 | 21 | 4 | $1=100$ |
| August 24-26, 1999 (Gallup) | 14 | 50 | 28 | 7 | $1=100$ |
| September 1, 1998 (Gallup) | 11 | 54 | 25 | 9 | $1=100$ |
| August 22-25, 1997 (Gallup) | 8 | 41 | 38 | 13 | * $=100$ |
| October 26-29, 1996 (Gallup) | 5 | 42 | 39 | 13 | 1=100 |
| November 6-8, 1995 (Gallup) | 2 | 28 | 47 | 22 | $1=100$ |

## Q. 15 CONTINUED...

|  |  |  | Only |  | Don't know/ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Excellent | Good | Fair | Poor | Refused |
| July 15-17, 1994 (Gallup) | 1 | 26 | 52 | 21 | *=100 |
| June 29-30, 1993 (Gallup) | 1 | 14 | 52 | 32 | $1=100$ |
| Aug. 31-Sept., 1992 (Gallup) (RVs) | 1 | 9 | 37 | 53 | *=100 |

## NO QUESTION 16

On another subject...
Q. 17 How have you been getting most of your news about national and international issues? From television, from newspapers, from radio, from magazines, or from the Internet? [ACCEPT TWO ANSWERS: IF ONLY ONE RESPONSE IS GIVEN, PROBE FOR ADDITIONAL RESPONSE]

Other Don't Know/
December, 2004
October, 2003
August, 2003
Early July, 2003
March, $2003^{6}$
February, 2003
January, 2003
January, 2002
Mid-September, 2001
Early September, 2001
February, 2001
October, 1999
January, 1999
January, 1996
September, 1995
January, 1994
September, 1993
January, 1993
Early January, 1991

| Television | Newspapers | Radio | Magazines | Internet | (VOL) | Refused |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 74 | 46 | 21 | 4 | 24 | 2 | 3 |
| 80 | 50 | 18 | 4 | 20 | 2 | 1 |
| 79 | 46 | 15 | 3 | 18 | 2 | 1 |
| 79 | 45 | 16 | 5 | 19 | 1 | * |
| 89 | 24 | 19 | * | 11 | 2 | * |
| 83 | 42 | 19 | 4 | 15 | 3 | * |
| 81 | 44 | 22 | 4 | 17 | 2 | 1 |
| 82 | 42 | 21 | 3 | 14 | 2 | * |
| 90 | 11 | 14 | * | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| 74 | 45 | 18 | 6 | 13 | 1 | * |
| 76 | 40 | 16 | 4 | 10 | 2 | 1 |
| 80 | 48 | 19 | 5 | 11 | 2 | * |
| 82 | 42 | 18 | 4 | 6 | 2 | * |
| 88 | 61 | 25 | 8 | -- | 2 | * |
| 82 | 63 | 20 | 10 | -- | 1 | 1 |
| 83 | 51 | 15 | 10 | -- | 5 | 1 |
| 83 | 60 | 17 | 9 | -- | 3 | * |
| 83 | 52 | 17 | 5 | -- | 1 | 1 |
| 82 | 40 | 15 | 4 | -- | 1 | * |

6 In March 2003, the question was worded "news about the war in Iraq." In Mid-September 2001, the question was worded "news about the terrorist attacks." In September 1995, question wording did not include "international." In Early January 1991 the question asked about "the latest developments in the Persian Gulf."

## IF RESPONDENT ANSWERED '1' TELEVISION AS EITHER 1ST OR 2ND RESPONSE IN Q. 17 ASK

 Q.18. IF NOT, SKIP TO Q. 19Q. 18 Do you get most of your news about national and international issues from [READ, RANDOMIZE ITEMS 2 THRU 4 AND 5 THRU 8 SEPARATELY, AND RANDOMIZE SETS OF ITEMS (LOCAL; NETWORK; CABLE). ACCEPT MULTIPLE ANSWERS BUT DO NOT PROBE FOR ADDITIONAL]

| BASED ON TOTAL: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Early |  |  |
| ---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Oct | Aug | July | Jan |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 | Local news programming | $\frac{2003}{17}$ | $\frac{2003}{17}$ | $\frac{2003}{17}$ | $\frac{2002}{16}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | ABC Network news | 12 | 12 | 12 | 11 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9 | CBS Network news | 8 | 10 | 11 | 11 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 | NBC Network news | 13 | 15 | 14 | 15 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20 | CNN Cable news | 20 | 26 | 27 | 28 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6 | MSNBC Cable news | 6 | 7 | 9 | 8 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 19 | The Fox News Cable Channel | 17 | 18 | 22 | 16 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | CNBC Cable news |  | -- | 3 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |

## ASK ALL:

Q. 19 Some people seem to follow what's going on in government and public affairs most of the time, whether there's an election or not. Other's aren't that interested. Would you say you follow what's going on in government and public affairs most of the time, some of the time, only now and then, or hardly at all?

December, 2004
November, 2004 (RVs)
Mid-October, 2004 (RVs)
June, 2004

| Most of the time | Some of the time | Only now and then | Hardly at all | DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 45 | 35 | 14 | 5 | 1=100 |
| 61 | 27 | 9 | 3 | *=100 |
| 63 | 26 | 8 | 3 | *=100 |
| 44 | 34 | 15 | 7 | *=100 |
| 48 | 33 | 12 | 6 | $1=100$ |
| 49 | 27 | 14 | 9 | $1=100$ |
| 54 | 30 | 11 | 5 | *=100 |
| 49 | 27 | 13 | 10 | $1=100$ |
| 51 | 32 | 12 | 5 | *=100 |
| 51 | 34 | 10 | 4 | $1=100$ |
| 38 | 32 | 19 | 11 | *=100 |
| 39 | 32 | 20 | 9 | *=100 |
| 40 | 35 | 17 | 8 | *=100 |
| 46 | 27 | 14 | 13 | *=100 |
| 57 | 29 | 10 | 4 | *=100 |
| 51 | 33 | 11 | 5 | *=100 |
| 45 | 34 | 15 | 6 | *=100 |
| 36 | 34 | 21 | 9 | *=100 |
| 41 | 36 | 16 | 7 | *=100 |
| 52 | 32 | 12 | 4 | *=100 |
| 43 | 37 | 13 | 6 | $1=100$ |
| 41 | 34 | 17 | 8 | *=100 |
| 46 | 35 | 14 | 5 | *=100 |
| 43 | 35 | 16 | 6 | *=100 |
| 49 | 30 | 13 | 7 | $1=100$ |

[^2]Q. 19 CONTINUED...

October, 1994
July, 1994
May, 1990
February, 1989
October, 1988
September, 1988
May, 1988
January, 1988
November, 1987
May, 1987
July, 1985

| Most of the time | Some of the time | Only now and then | Hardly at all | (VOL.) <br> DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 45 | 35 | 14 | 6 | *=100 |
| 46 | 33 | 15 | 6 | *=100 |
| 39 | 34 | 18 | 9 | *=100 |
| 47 | 34 | 14 | 4 | $1=100$ |
| 52 | 33 | 11 | 4 | *=100 |
| 58 | 32 | 8 | 2 | *=100 |
| 37 | 37 | 17 | 6 | $3=100$ |
| 37 | 35 | 18 | 8 | $2=100$ |
| 49 | 32 | 14 | 4 | $1=100$ |
| 41 | 35 | 15 | 7 | $2=100$ |
| 36 | 33 | 18 | 12 | $1=100$ |

Q. 20 Now I'm going to read a few more pairs of statements. Again, just tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own views - even if neither is exactly right. The first pair is... (READ AND RANDOMIZE ITEMS Q THRU Z FOLLOWED BY RANDOMIZED ITEMS AA THRU HH) (AFTER CHOICE IS MADE, PROBE: Do you feel STRONGLY about that, or not?)

|  |  | Jun | Jul |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Oct | Apr | Oct | Jul |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\underline{03}$ | $\underline{02}$ | $\underline{02}$ | $\underline{00}$ | $\underline{99}$ | $\underline{97}$ | $\underline{97}$ | $\underline{96}$ | $\underline{96}$ | $\underline{95}$ | $\underline{95}$ | $\underline{94}$ | $\underline{94}$ |
| q. | This country should do whatever it takes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 77 | to protect the environment | -- | -- | -- | 78 | 80 | -- | -- | 77 | -- | 77 | 74 | 77 | 78 |
| 63 | Strongly | -- | -- | -- | 67 | 67 | -- | -- | 66 | -- | 65 | 63 | 65 | 62 |
| 14 | Not Strongly | -- | -- | -- | 11 | 13 | -- | -- | 11 | -- | 12 | 11 | 12 | 16 |
|  | This country has gone too far in its efforts |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18 | to protect the environment | -- | -- | -- | 17 | 15 | -- | -- | 18 | -- | 20 | 22 | 19 | 19 |
| 12 | Strongly | -- | -- | -- | 12 | 10 | -- | -- | 13 | -- | 13 | 15 | 13 | 12 |
| 6 | Not Strongly | -- | -- | -- | 5 | 5 | -- | -- | 5 | -- | 7 | 7 | 6 | 7 |
| 5 | Neither/Don't know | -- | -- | -- | $\underline{5}$ | $\underline{5}$ | -- | -- | $\underline{5}$ | -- | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 |
| 100 |  |  |  |  |  | 100 |  |  | 100 |  | 100 |  |  | 100 |
|  |  | Jun | Jul | Feb | Sep | Aug | Oct | Jun | Oct | Apr | Oct | Apr | Oct | Jul |
|  |  | $\underline{03}$ | $\underline{02}$ | $\underline{02}$ | $\underline{00}$ | $\underline{99}$ | $\underline{97}$ | $\underline{97}$ | $\underline{96}$ | $\underline{96}$ | $\underline{95}$ | $\underline{95}$ | $\underline{94}$ | $\underline{94}$ |
| r. | Stricter environmental laws and regulations |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 31 | cost too many jobs and hurt the economy | -- | -- | -- | 31 | 28 | -- | -- | 30 | -- | 35 | 39 | 32 | 33 |
| 21 | Strongly | -- | -- | -- | 22 | 19 | -- | -- | 22 | -- | 23 | 28 | 23 | 21 |
| 10 | Not Strongly | -- | -- | -- | 9 | 9 | -- | -- | 8 | -- | 12 | 11 | 9 | 12 |
|  | Stricter environmental laws and regulations |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 60 48 | are worth the cost Strongly | -- | -- | -- | 51 | 55 | -- | -- | 53 | -- | 61 47 | 44 | 42 | 62 45 |
| 12 | Not Strongly | -- | -- | -- | 11 | 15 | -- | -- | 12 | -- | 14 | 13 | 13 | 17 |
| 9 | Neither/Don't know | -- | -- | -- | 8 | 7 | -- | -- | 7 | -- | 4 | 4 | $\underline{6}$ | 5 |
| 100 |  |  |  |  | 100 | 100 |  |  | 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 |  |

## Q. 20 CONTINUED...

s. There are no real limits to growth 51 in this country today
36 Strongly
15 Not strongly
People in this country should learn
41 to live with less
Strongly
Not strongly
Neither/Don't know

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-- & -- & -- & -- & 38 & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & 33 \\
-- & -- & -- & -- & 16 & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & 18 \\
& -- & -- & -- & 40 & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & 45 \\
-- & -- & -- & -- & 30 & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & 30 \\
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\end{array}
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t. As Americans, we can always find ways

| 59 | to solve our problems and get what we want |
| :---: | :--- |
| 45 | Strongly |
| 14 | Not strongly |
|  | This country can't solve many of its <br> 36 |
| important problems |  |
| 27 | Strongly |
| 9 | Not strongly |
| $\frac{5}{100}$ | Neither/Don't know |

$$
\begin{array}{ccccccccccccc}
-- & -- & -- & 59 & 63 & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & 52 \\
-- & -- & -- & 46 & 47 & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & 35 \\
-- & -- & -- & 13 & 16 & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & 17 \\
& & & & & & & & & & & & \\
-- & -- & -- & 36 & 32 & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & 45 \\
-- & -- & -- & 29 & 24 & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & 30 \\
-- & -- & -- & 7 & 8 & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & 15 \\
-- & -- & -- & \frac{5}{5} & \frac{5}{5} & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & -- & \frac{3}{4} \\
& & & 100 & 100 & & & & & & & & 100
\end{array}
$$

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u. Homosexuality is a way of life

| 49 | that should be accepted by society |
| :---: | :--- |
| 35 | Strongly |
| 14 | Not Strongly |
|  | Homosexuality is a way of life that <br> 44 <br> 38 |
| should be discouraged by society |  |
| $\frac{\text { Strongly }}{}$ | Not Strongly |
| $\frac{7}{100}$ | Neither/Don't know |


| 47 | -- | -- | 50 | 49 | 46 | 45 | 44 | 44 | 45 | 47 | 46 | 46 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 33 | -- | -- | 35 | 33 | -- | 32 | 32 | 29 | 29 | 30 | 33 | 26 |
| 14 | -- | -- | 15 | 16 | -- | 13 | 12 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 13 | 20 |
| 45 | -- | -- | 41 | 44 | 48 | 50 | 49 | 49 | 50 | 48 | 48 | 49 |
| 38 | -- | -- | 35 | 37 | -- | 43 | 42 | 42 | 41 | 40 | 41 | 41 |
| 7 | -- | -- | 6 | 7 | -- | 7 | 7 | 7 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 8 |
| 8 |  |  | $\underline{9}$ | 7 | 6 | 5 | $\underline{-}$ | - | 5 | 5 | $\underline{6}$ | $\underline{5}$ |
| 100 |  |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |  | 100 |

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$\underline{03} \underline{02} \underline{02} \underline{00}$ 99 $\underline{97} \underline{97}$ 96 $\underline{95}$ 95 $\underline{95}$ $94 \underline{94}$
v. Books that contain dangerous ideas should

| 44 |  |  | be banned from public school libraries |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 38 | Strongly |  |  |
| 6 | Not Strongly |  |  |
|  | Public school libraries should be allowed |  |  |
| 51 | to carry any books they want |  |  |
| 41 | Strongly |  |  |
| 10 | Not Strongly |  |  |
| $\frac{5}{100}$ | Neither/Don't know |  |  |

## Q. 20 CONTINUED...

w. 74 Religion is a very important part of my life

| 66 | Strongly |
| :---: | :--- |
| 8 | Not Strongly |
| 24 | Religion is not that important to me |
| 15 | Strongly |
| 9 | Not Strongly |
| $\frac{2}{100}$ | Neither/Don't Know |

## NO ITEM X.

y

|  | I'm generally satisfied with the way |
| :---: | :--- |
| 59 | things are going for me financially |
| 44 | Strongly |
| 15 | Not Strongly |
|  | I'm not very satisfied with my financial <br> 39 |
| situation |  |
| 33 | Strongly |
| 6 | Not Strongly |
| $\frac{2}{100}$ | Neither/Don't know |

Jun Jul Feb Sep Aug Oct Jun Oct Apr Oct Apr Oct Jul $\underline{03} \quad \underline{02} \quad \underline{02} \quad \underline{00} \quad \underline{99} \quad \underline{97} \quad \underline{97} \quad \underline{96} \quad \underline{96} \quad \underline{95} \quad \underline{95} \quad \underline{94} \quad \underline{94}$
-- -- - -- $75 \quad 75$-- - -- - --

-- -- $--\quad 6 \quad 8 \quad$-- $--\quad$-- - -- - -- - -- $--\quad$--
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-- -- $--\quad 8 \quad 10$-- $\quad$-- $\quad$-- $\quad$-- $--\quad$-- $--\quad$--
-- -- -- $\frac{2}{10} \frac{2}{100}$-- $\quad--\quad--\quad--\quad--\quad--~--~--~$

Jun Jul Feb Sep Aug Oct Jun Oct Apr Oct Apr Oct Jul $\underline{03} \underline{02}$ 02 $\underline{00}$ 99 $\underline{97} \underline{97}$ 96 $\underline{96}$ 95 $\underline{95}$ 94 $\underline{94}$

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-- & -- & -- & 46 & 48 & -- & -- & 43 & 44 & -- & -- & -- & 36 \\
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-- & -- & -- & 39 & 34 & -- & -- & 41 & 42 & -- & -- & - & 43 \\
-- & -- & -- & 33 & 28 & -- & -- & 36 & 37 & -- & -- & -- & 33 \\
-- & -- & -- & 6 & 6 & -- & -- & 5 & 5 & -- & -- & -- & 10 \\
-- & -- & -- & \underline{2} & \underline{2} & -- & -- & \underline{2} & \underline{1} & -- & -- & -- & \frac{1}{10} \\
& & & 100 & 100 & & & 100 & 100 & & & & 100
\end{array}
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-- -- -- $30 \quad 22$-- $--\quad$-- $--\quad$-- $--\quad$-- 27
-- $--\quad$-- $7 \quad 7 \quad 7 \quad$-- $--\quad$-- $\quad$-- $--\quad$-- --9
-- -- $--\quad 5968$-- $\quad$-- $--\quad$-- - -- $--\quad$-- 63
-- -- -- 48 54 -- - -- - -- - -- - -- - -- - -- 43
-- -- --1114 -- 11 -- - -- - -- - -- - -- - -- 20

March
$\underline{2002}$
aa. It IS NOT necessary to believe in God in 46 order to be moral and have good values Strongly 50

Not strongly
It IS necessary to believe in God in order 51 to be moral and have good values

47
Strongly
Not strongly
Neither/Don't know
--
--
3
100

## Q. 20 CONTINUED...

bb. Using overwhelming military force is the best
39 way to defeat terrorism around the world

## 30 Strongly

9 Not strongly
Relying too much on military force to defeat
51 terrorism creates hatred that leads to more terrorism
Strongly
Not strongly
Neither/Don't know
cc. In foreign policy, the U.S. should take into account the interests

53 of its allies even if it means making compromises with them
Strongly
Not strongly
In foreign policy, the U.S. should follow its OWN national
interests even when its allies strongly disagree
Strongly
Not strongly
Neither/Don't know
dd. The growing number of newcomers from other countries
40 threaten traditional American customs and values
Strongly
Not strongly
The growing number of newcomers from other countries
strengthens American society
Strongly
Not strongly
Neither/Don't know
ee. 44 It's best for the future of our country to be active in world affairs

We should pay less attention to problems overseas and
49 concentrate on problems here at home
41 Strongly
8 Not strongly
$\frac{7}{100} \quad$ Neither/Don't know

## Q. 20 CONTINUED...

ff. 35 Americans need to be willing to give up more privacy and
35 freedom in order to be safe from terrorism
24 Strongly
11 Not strongly
Americans shouldn't have to give up more privacy and
60 freedom in order to be safe from terrorism
51 Strongly
9 Not strongly
5 Neither/Don't know
100
gg. 41 The government should do more to protect morality in society
31 Strongly
10 Not strongly
51 I worry the government is getting too involved in the issue of morality
40 Strongly
11 Not strongly
$\frac{8}{10}$ Neither/Don't know
100

## NO QUESTIONS 21 THROUGH 30

On another subject...
Q. 31 How much, if anything, have you heard about a proposal which would allow younger workers to invest a portion of their Social Security taxes in private retirement accounts, which might include stocks or mutual funds - a lot, a little or nothing at all?

|  | Early Sept <br> $2004^{8}$ | RV's <br> Sept |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 23 | A lot | $\frac{2000}{26}$ | 41 |
| 43 | A little | 39 | 43 |
| 33 | Nothing at all | $\underline{1}$ | 30 |
| $\frac{1}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | 100 | $\underline{1}$ |

Q. 32 Generally, do you favor or oppose this proposal?

| Heard about$\underline{\text { Total }}$ Proposal ${ }^{9}$ |  |  | -- Early Sept 2004 -Heard about |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text {---- Sept } 2000 \text {---- } \\ \text { Heard about } \end{array}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Total | Proposal | RV's | Proposal |
| 54 | 54 | Favor | 58 | 61 | 70 | 71 |
| 30 | 35 | Oppose | 26 | 28 | 21 | 23 |
| 16 | 11 | Don't know/Refused | 16 | 11 | $\underline{9}$ | $\underline{6}$ |
| 100 | 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| ( $\mathrm{N}=1420$ ) |  |  |  |  |  |  |

[^3]Q. 33 As you may know, the federal government has debated whether to fund certain kinds of medical research known as 'stem cell research' ... How much have you heard about this? [READ, IN ORDER]

|  |  | Aug <br>  <br>  <br> 47 | March |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 41 | A lot little [OR] | $\frac{2004}{42}$ | $\frac{2002}{27}$ |
| 11 | Nothing at all | 43 | 52 |
| $\frac{1}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | $\frac{*}{4}$ | 20 |
|  |  | 100 | $\frac{1}{100}$ |

Q. 34 All in all, which is more important... [READ, IN ORDER]

|  | Aug <br> 2004 <br> $~ M a r c h ~$ |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 56 | Conducting stem cell research that might result in new medical cures <br> [OR] | 52 | 43 |
| 32 | Not destroying the potential life of human embryos involved in this research | 34 | 38 |
| $\frac{12}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused [VOL, DO NOT READ] | $\underline{14}$ | $\underline{19}$ |
| 100 |  |  |  |


| Q. 35 | Which comes closer to your view about the tax cuts passed under President Bush over the past few <br> years?[READ IN ORDER] |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  | Early Sept |
| 28 | All of the tax cuts should be made permanent | $\frac{2004}{27}$ |
| 35 | Tax cuts for the wealthy should be repealed, while others stay in place, OR | 31 |
| 25 | All of the tax cuts should be repealed | 28 |
| $\frac{12}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ) | $\frac{14}{100}$ |

Q. 36 Do you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose [INSERT ITEM, RANDOMIZE]? How about... [NEXT ITEM]?
a. Making it more DIFFICULT for a woman to get an abortion

Early February, 2004
November, 2003
August, 2003 ${ }^{10}$
May, 1993
May, 1992
May, 1990
May, 1987
May, 1985

| FAVOR --------Strongly |  |  | ---- | Strongly |  | Don't |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net | Favor | Favor |  | Oppose | Oppose | know |
| 36 | 19 | 17 | 55 | 29 | 26 | $9=100$ |
| 36 | 17 | 19 | 58 | 30 | 28 | 6=100 |
| 35 | 19 | 16 | 57 | 29 | 28 | $8=100$ |
| 36 | 17 | 19 | 57 | 30 | 27 | $7=100$ |
| 32 | 15 | 17 | 60 | 35 | 25 | $8=100$ |
| 30 | -- | -- | 62 | -- | -- | $8=100$ |
| 38 | 21 | 17 | 55 | 29 | 26 | $7=100$ |
| 41 | 18 | 23 | 51 | 33 | 18 | $8=100$ |
| 47 | -- | -- | 49 | -- | -- | $4=100$ |

[^4]
## Q. 36 CONTINUED...

b. Allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally August, 2004
July, 2004
March, 2004
Early February, 2004
November, 2003
October, 2003
Mid-July, 2003
March, 2001
June, 1996

| Strongly |  |  | Strongly |  |  | Don't |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Net | Favor | Favor | Net | Oppose | Oppose | know |
| 32 | 14 | 18 | 61 | 38 | 23 | $7=100$ |
| 29 | 8 | 21 | 60 | 35 | 25 | $11=100$ |
| 32 | 10 | 22 | 56 | 33 | 23 | $12=100$ |
| 32 | 10 | 22 | 59 | 35 | 24 | $9=100$ |
| 30 | 9 | 21 | 63 | 42 | 21 | $7=100$ |
| 30 | 10 | 20 | 62 | 41 | 21 | $8=100$ |
| 31 | 9 | 21 | 58 | 33 | 25 | $12=100$ |
| 38 | 10 | 28 | 53 | 30 | 23 | $9=100$ |
| 35 | 8 | 27 | 57 | 34 | 23 | $8=100$ |
| 27 | 6 | 21 | 65 | 41 | 24 | $8=100$ |

c. An increase in the minimum wage,
from $\$ 5.15$ an hour to $\$ 6.45$ an hour
June, 2001
October, 1999
February, $1998^{11}$

| 86 | 53 | 33 | 12 | 4 | 8 | $2=100$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- |
| 87 | 49 | 38 | 12 | 4 | 8 | $1=100$ |
| 82 | 48 | 34 | 16 | 4 | 12 | $2=100$ |
| 80 | 48 | 32 | 19 | 5 | 14 | $1=100$ |

d. The U.S. government guaranteeing health insurance for all citizens, even if it means raising taxes

Early September, 2004
August, 2003
e. Limiting the amount that patients can be awarded in medical malpractice lawsuits

| 65 | 31 | 34 | 30 | 10 | 20 | $5=100$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 66 | 30 | 36 | 26 | 11 | 15 | $8=100$ |
| 67 | 23 | 44 | 29 | 10 | 19 | $4=100$ |

Q. 37 Do you think that we should increase our spending on national defense, keep it about the same, or cut it back?


12 In 1995 and previous years, the question was worded: "Do you think that we should expand our spending on national defense, keep it about the same or cut it back?"
Q. 38 Do you think that using military force against countries that may seriously threaten our country, but have not attacked us, can often be justified, sometimes be justified, rarely be justified, or never be justified?

|  |  | July <br> Aug | May |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\frac{2004}{20}$ | $\frac{2003}{20}$ | $\frac{2003}{22}$ |
| 14 | Often justified | 40 | 43 | 45 |
| 46 | Sometimes justified | 22 | 19 | 17 |
| 21 | Rarely justified | 14 | 13 | 13 |
| 14 | Never justified | $\underline{4}$ | $\underline{5}$ | $\underline{3}$ |
| $\underline{5}$ | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 100 | 100 | 100 |

## NO QUESTIONS 39-40

Thinking about trade for a moment...
Q. 41 In general, do you think that free trade agreements like NAFTA, and the World Trade Organization, have been a good thing or a bad thing for the United States? [INTERVIEWER: IF RESPONDENT ASKS WHAT NAFTA IS, "The North American Free Trade Agreement"]

|  |  | July | March | Dec ${ }^{13}$ | Early <br> Sept | Nov | Sept |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2003}$ | $\underline{2001}$ | 1997 | 1997 |
| 47 | Good thing | 47 | 44 | 34 | 49 | 45 | 47 |
| 34 | Bad thing | 34 | 37 | 33 | 29 | 34 | 30 |
| 19 | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | 19 | 19 | $\underline{33}$ | $\underline{22}$ | $\underline{21}$ | $\underline{23}$ |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

## NO QUESTIONS 42-43

Q. 44 All in all, which do you think should be the higher priority right now - cutting taxes or reducing the federal budget deficit?

|  | CBS/NY Times <br> Nov 2004 |  |
| ---: | :--- | :---: |
| 32 | Cutting taxes | 28 |
| 61 | Reducing the federal budget deficit | 67 |
| 1 | Neither (VOL.) | 1 |
| $\frac{6}{100}$ | Don’t know/Refused | $\underline{4}$ |
|  |  | 100 |

Q. 45 Do you think the U.S. made the right decision or the wrong decision in using military force against Iraq?

|  | Right <br> decision | Wrong <br> decision | Don't know/ <br> Refused |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| December, 2004 | 49 |  | 44 |
| November, 2004 (RVs) | 48 | 41 |  |
| Mid-October, 2004 | 46 | 42 | 100 |
| Early October, 2004 | 50 | 39 | $12=100$ |
| Early September, 2004 | 53 | 39 | $8=100$ |
| August, 2004 | 53 | 41 | $6=100$ |
| July, 2004 | 52 | 43 | $5=100$ |
| June, 2004 | 55 | 38 | $7=100$ |
| May, 2004 | 51 | 42 | $7=100$ |
| Early April, 2004 | 57 | 35 | $8=100$ |
| Mid-March, 2004 | 55 | 39 | $6=100$ |
| Late February, 2004 | 60 | 32 | $8=100$ |
| Early February, 2004 | 56 | 39 | $5=100$ |
| Mid-January, 2004 | 65 | 30 | $5=100$ |
| Early January, 2004 | 62 | 28 | $10=100$ |
| December, 2003 | 67 | 26 | $7=100$ |
| October, 2003 | 60 | 33 | $7=100$ |
| September, 2003 | 63 | 31 | $6=100$ |
| August, 2003 | 63 | 30 | $7=100$ |
| Early July, 2003 | 67 | 30 | $7=100$ |
| May, 2003 | 74 | 20 | $6=100$ |

Q. 46 How well is the U.S. military effort in Iraq going? [READ IN ORDER]

|  | Very <br> well | Fairly <br> well | Not too <br> well | Not at all <br> well | Don't know/ <br> Refused |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| December, 2004 | 10 | 40 | 28 | 18 | $4=100$ |
| Mid-October, 2004 | 13 | 38 | 26 | 17 | $6=100$ |
| Early September, 2004 | 12 | 40 | 26 | 18 | $4=100$ |
| August, 2004 | 12 | 41 | 28 | 16 | $3=100$ |
| July, 2004 | 13 | 42 | 26 | 16 | $3=100$ |
| June, 2004 | 16 | 41 | 25 | 14 | $4=100$ |
| May, 2004 | 10 | 36 | 32 | 19 | $3=100$ |
| Late April, 2004 | 12 | 43 | 26 | 15 | $4=100$ |
| Early April, 2004 | 14 | 43 | 26 | 13 | $4=100$ |
| Mid-March, 2004 | 16 | 45 | 26 | 11 | $2=100$ |
| Early February, 2004 | 17 | 46 | 23 | 11 | $3=100$ |
| Mid-January, 2004 | 22 | 51 | 18 | 6 | $3=100$ |
| Early January, 2004 | 23 | 47 | 18 | 7 | $5=100$ |
| December, 2003 | 28 | 47 | 16 | 6 | $3=100$ |
| October, 2003 | 16 | 44 | 25 | 11 | $4=100$ |
| September, 2003 | 15 | 47 | 26 | 9 | $3=100$ |
| August, 2003 | 19 | 43 | 24 | 11 | $3=100$ |
| Early July, 2003 | 23 | 52 | 16 | 5 | $4=100$ |
| April 10-16, 2003 | 61 | 32 | 3 | 1 | $3=100$ |
| April 8-9, 2003 | 60 | 32 | 3 | 3 | $2=100$ |
| April 2-7, 2003 | 55 | 37 | 3 | 2 | $3=100$ |
| March 25-April 1, 2003 | 39 | 46 | 8 | 2 | $5=100$ |
| March 23-24, 2003 | 45 | 41 | 6 | 2 | $6=100$ |
| March 20-22, 2003 | 65 | 25 | 2 | 1 | $7=100$ |

Q. 47 Do you think the U.S. should keep military troops in Iraq until the situation has stabilized, or do you think the U.S. should bring its troops home as soon as possible?

|  |  | MidOct | Early Sept | Aug | July | June ${ }^{14}$ | May | Late <br> April | Early <br> April | Early Jan | Oct | Sept |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2003}$ | $\underline{2003}$ |
| 56 | Keep troops in Iraq | 57 | 54 | 54 | 53 | 51 | 53 | 53 | 50 | 63 | 58 | 64 |
| 40 | Bring troops home | 36 | 40 | 42 | 43 | 44 | 42 | 40 | 44 | 32 | 39 | 32 |
| 4 | Don't know/Refused | 7 | $\underline{6}$ | 4 | 4 | $\underline{5}$ | $\underline{5}$ | 7 | $\underline{6}$ | $\underline{5}$ | $\underline{3}$ | 4 |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

Q. 48 How much have you heard or read about the Patriot Act, adopted in 2001, which is now up for renewal in Congress - a lot, some, not much, or nothing at all?

| CBS/NY Times |
| :---: |
| April 2004 |
| 12 |
| 27 |
| 28 |
| 30 |
| $\underline{2}$ |
| 100 |

## ASKED DECEMBER 2-15, 2004 ONLY [ $\mathrm{N}=1700$ ]:

Q. 49 Which comes closer to your view... Is the Patriot Act a necessary tool that helps the government find terrorists or does it go too far and pose a threat to civil liberties?

|  | Based on those <br> who those that heard |  | CBS/NY Times <br> April 2004 |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: |
| $\frac{\text { Total }}{33}$ | $\frac{\text { A lot/Some }}{46}$ | Necessary tool | 52 |
| 39 | 48 | Goes too far | 42 |
| $\underline{28}$ | $\underline{6}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{6}$ |
| 100 | 100 |  | 100 |

Now thinking about your personal life...
Q. 50 For each description I read, please tell me if it applies to you or not. (First,)... (INSERT ITEM;

## RANDOMIZE ITEMS)

$\begin{array}{llll} & \frac{\text { Yes }}{} & \frac{\text { No }}{} & \underline{\text { Don't Know }} \\ \text { a. Do you happen to have any guns, rifles or pistols in your home? } & 37 & 60 & 3=100 \\ \text { Mid-October, 2004 } & 39 & 59 & 2=100 \\ \text { Mid-July, 2003 } & \\ \text { August, 2002 } & 34 & 63 & 3=100 \\ \text { April, 2000 } & 35 & 62 & 3=100 \\ & 35 & 62 & 3=100\end{array}$

[^5]
## Q. 50 CONTINUED...

June, 1997

| $\frac{\text { Yes }}{40}$ | $\frac{\text { No }}{57}$ |  | Don't Know <br> 45 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 53 |  | $2=100$ |
| 16 |  | 84 |  |
| 16 | $*=100$ |  |  |
| 15 | 85 |  | $*=100$ |
| 14 | 86 |  | $*=100$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| 28 | 71 |  | $1=100$ |
| 31 | 68 |  | $1=100$ |
| 29 | 69 |  | $2=100$ |
| 34 | 65 |  | $1=100$ |
| 25 | 75 |  | $*=100$ |

d. Over the past 12 months, has there been a time when you or someone in your household has been without a job and looking for work, or not?
$37 \quad 63 \quad *=100$
e. Were you or either of your parents born in a country other than the United States or Canada?

August, 2002
August, 1999
14
$86 \quad *=100$
f. Do you attend Bible study or prayer group meetings?

| 36 | 64 | $*=100$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 41 | 58 | $1=100$ |
| 34 | 66 | $*=100$ |

## ASK ALL:

INT1 Do you use a computer at your workplace, at school, at home, or anywhere else on at least an occasional basis?
INT2 Do you ever go online to access the Internet or World Wide Web or to send and receive email?

BASED ON GENERAL PUBLIC [N=2000]:
Computer User
December, 2004
Mid-October, 2004
Early September, 2004
August, 200475
April, $2004 \quad 73$
March, $2004^{17} 75$
August, $2003 \quad 77$
Mid-July, $2003 \quad 75$
January, 200376
December, 200276
Early October, 200275
August, 200278
INT1/INT2 CONTINUED...

## Based on Total Respondents:

Goes Online

| $\frac{\text { Yes }}{72}$ |  | $\frac{\text { No }}{28}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 72 |  | $\frac{\text { DK/Ref }}{*=100}$ |
| 72 | 28 | $*=100$ |
| 68 | 32 |  |
| 66 | 34 | $0=100$ |
| 68 | 32 | $*=100$ |
| 67 | 33 | $*=100$ |
| 65 | 35 | $*=100$ |
| 67 | 33 | $*=100$ |
| 67 | 33 | $*=100$ |
| 63 | 37 | $*=100$ |
| 69 | 31 | $*=100$ |

Based on Total Respondents: identified themselves as computer users). This modification was made to adjust to changes in technology and means of access to the Internet, and increases the percent who are classified as Internet users by 1-2 percentage points.


[^6]ASK ALL:
PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or Independent?


## IF ANSWERED 1 IN PARTY, ASK [N=662]:

PARTYSTR Do you consider yourself a STRONG Republican, or NOT a strong Republican?

|  |  | Late |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | July | Aug | Sept | Sept | Aug | Nov | Oct | April | Oct | July | June | May | Feb | May | Jan | May |
|  |  | 2004 | 2003 | 2000 | 1999 | 1999 | 1997 | 1995 | 1995 | 1994 | 1994 | 1992 | 1990 | 1989 | 1988 | 1988 | 1987 |
| 18 | Strong | 17 | 14 | 14 | 10 | 11 | 11 | 11 | 15 | 16 | 13 | 11 | 13 | 15 | 13 | 12 | 11 |
| 13 | Not strong | $\underline{12}$ | 13 | 13 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 19 | 15 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 15 | 16 | $\underline{15}$ | 15 | 14 |
| 31\% |  | 29 | 27 | 27 | 24 | 25 | 25 | 30 | 30 | 31 | 29 | 28 | 28 | 31 | 28 | 27 | 25 |

## IF ANSWERED 2 IN PARTY, ASK [N=641]:

PARTYSTR Do you consider yourself a STRONG Democrat, or NOT a strong Democrat?
Late

|  |  | July | Aug | Sept |  |  | Nov |  |  |  |  |  |  | 析 |  |  | 析 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\underline{204}$ | 2003 | 2000 | 1999 | 1999 | 1997 | 1995 | 1995 | 1994 | 1994 | 1992 | 1990 | 1989 | 1988 | 1988 | 1987 |
| 19 | Strong | 20 | 15 | 19 | 15 | 15 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 18 | 15 | 14 | 16 | 17 | 19 | 19 | 18 |
| 15 | Not strong | 13 | 16 | 15 | 16 | 18 | 18 | 16 | 15 | 14 | 18 | 18 | 17 | $\underline{21}$ | 19 | $\underline{20}$ | 19 |
| 34\% |  | 33 | 31 | 34 | 31 | 33 | 32 | 30 | 29 | 32 | 33 | 32 | 33 | 38 | 38 | 39 | 37 |

## IF ANSWERED 3,4,5 OR 9 IN PARTY, ASK [N=697]:

PARTYLN As of TODAY, do you LEAN more to the Republican Party or the Democratic Party?
(VOL.)
December, 2004
August, 2003
August, 2002
September, 2000

| Republican | Democrat | Other/DK/Ref. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 41 | 33 | 26=100 |
| 29 | 39 | $32=100$ |
| 32 | 34 | $34=100$ |
| 28 | 33 | $39=100$ |
| 31 | 34 | $35=100$ |
| 34 | 36 | $30=100$ |

## IF REPUBLICAN OR LEAN REPUBLICAN (1 IN PARTY OR 1 IN PARTYLN) ASK [N=955]:

Q. 24 Do you ever vote for Democratic candidates, or do you always vote Republican?

71 Sometimes vote for Democratic candidates
22 Always vote Republican
7 Don't know/Refused 100

## IF DEMOCRAT OR LEAN DEMOCRAT (2 IN PARTY OR 2 IN PARTYLN) ASK [N=872]:

Q. 25 Do you ever vote for Republican candidates, or do you always vote Democratic?

| 56 | Sometimes vote for Republican candidates |
| :--- | :--- |
| 38 | Always vote Democratic |
| $\frac{6}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

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Q. 1 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president? [IF DK

ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president? IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]

|  | Dis- <br> Approve approve |  | Don't know |  | Approv | Disprove | Don't know |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Late March, 2005 | 49 | 46 | $5=100$ | Mid-September, 2002 | 67 | 22 | 11=100 |
| Mid-March, 2005 | 45 | 46 | $9=100$ | Early September, 2002 | 63 | 26 | 11=100 |
| February, 2005 | 46 | 47 | $7=100$ | Late August, 2002 | 60 | 27 | 13=100 |
| January, 2005 | 50 | 43 | $7=100$ | August, 2002 | 67 | 21 | $12=100$ |
| 2004 |  |  |  | Late July, 2002 | 65 | 25 | $10=100$ |
| December, 2004 | 48 | 44 | $8=100$ | July, 2002 | 67 | 21 | $12=100$ |
| Mid-October, 2004 | 44 | 48 | $8=100$ | June, 2002 | 70 | 20 | $10=100$ |
| August, 2004 | 46 | 45 | $9=100$ | April, 2002 | 69 | 18 | 13=100 |
| July, 2004 | 46 | 46 | 8=100 | Early April, 2002 | 74 | 16 | $10=100$ |
| June, 2004 | 48 | 43 | $9=100$ | February, 2002 | 78 | 13 | $9=100$ |
| May, 2004 | 44 | 48 | $8=100$ | January, 2002 | 80 | 11 | $9=100$ |
| Late April, 2004 | 48 | 43 | $9=100$ | 2001 |  |  |  |
| Early April, 2004 | 43 | 47 | $10=100$ | Mid-November, 2001 | 84 | 9 | $7=100$ |
| Late March, 2004 | 47 | 44 | $9=100$ | Early October, 2001 | 84 | 8 | $8=100$ |
| Mid-March, 2004 | 46 | 47 | $7=100$ | Late September, 2001 | 86 | 7 | $7=100$ |
| February, 2004 | 48 | 44 | $8=100$ | Mid-September, 2001 | 80 | 9 | 11=100 |
| Mid-January, 2004 | 56 | 34 | $10=100$ | Early September, 2001 | 51 | 34 | $15=100$ |
| Early January, 2004 | 58 | 35 | $7=100$ | August, 2001 | 50 | 32 | $18=100$ |
| 2003 |  |  |  | July, 2001 | 51 | 32 | $17=100$ |
| December, 2003 | 57 | 34 | $9=100$ | June, 2001 | 50 | 33 | 17=100 |
| November, 2003 | 50 | 40 | $10=100$ | May, 2001 | 53 | 32 | $15=100$ |
| October, 2003 | 50 | 42 | $8=100$ | April, 2001 | 56 | 27 | 17=100 |
| September, 2003 | 55 | 36 | $9=100$ | March, 2001 | 55 | 25 | $20=100$ |
| Mid-August, 2003 | 56 | 32 | $12=100$ | February, 2001 | 53 | 21 | 26=100 |
| Early August, 2003 | 53 | 37 | $10=100$ |  |  |  |  |
| Mid-July, 2003 | 58 | 32 | $10=100$ |  |  |  |  |
| Early July, 2003 | 60 | 29 | $11=100$ |  |  |  |  |
| June, 2003 | 62 | 27 | $11=100$ |  |  |  |  |
| May, 2003 | 65 | 27 | $8=100$ |  |  |  |  |
| April 10-16, 2003 | 72 | 22 | $6=100$ |  |  |  |  |
| April 9, 2003 | 74 | 20 | $6=100$ |  |  |  |  |
| April 2-7, 2003 | 69 | 25 | $6=100$ |  |  |  |  |
| March 28-April 1, 2003 | 71 | 23 | $6=100$ |  |  |  |  |
| March 25-27, 2003 | 70 | 24 | $6=100$ |  |  |  |  |
| March 20-24, 2003 | 67 | 26 | $7=100$ |  |  |  |  |
| March 13-16, 2003 | 55 | 34 | $11=100$ |  |  |  |  |
| February, 2003 | 54 | 36 | $10=100$ |  |  |  |  |
| January, 2003 | 58 | 32 | $10=100$ |  |  |  |  |
| 2002 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| December, 2002 | 61 | 28 | $11=100$ |  |  |  |  |
| Late October, 2002 | 59 | 29 | $12=100$ |  |  |  |  |
| Early October, 2002 | 61 | 30 | $9=100$ |  |  |  |  |

## IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE (1,2 IN Q.1) ASK:

Q.1a Do you (approve/disapprove) very strongly, or not so strongly?

|  | Dec | Nov | Sept | June | April |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2003}$ | $\underline{2003}$ | $\underline{2002}$ | $\underline{2001}$ |
| 49 Approve | 48 | 50 | 55 | 70 | 56 |
| 32 Very strongly | 34 | 34 | 35 | 46 | 34 |
| 16 Not so strongly | 12 | 14 | 18 | 21 | 20 |
| 1 Don't know (VOL) | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| 46 Disapprove | 44 | 40 | 36 | 20 | 27 |
| 36 Very strongly | 35 | 30 | 27 | 8 | 18 |
| 10 Not so strongly | 8 | 9 | 9 | 12 | 9 |
| * Don't know (VOL) | 1 | 1 | * | 0 | * |
| 5 Don't know/Refused | 8 | 10 | $\underline{9}$ | 10 | 17 |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

ASK ALL:
Q. 2 Now I'd like your views on some people and organizations. (First,) would you say your overall opinion of... [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE ITEMS a THRU k, FOLLOWED BY RANDOMIZED ITEMS 1 THRU p WITH ITEM q ALWAYS LAST] is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? [INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."]

Q. 2 CONTINUED...

|  |  | Total | Very | Mostly | Total | Very |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | August, 2004 | 47 | 13 | 34 | 41 | 20 | 21 | 2 | $10=100$ |
|  | April, 2003 | 60 | 21 | 39 | 27 | 12 | 15 | 3 | $10=100$ |
|  | December, 2002 | 59 | 20 | 39 | 26 | 10 | 16 | 5 | $10=100$ |
|  | July, 2001 | 58 | 19 | 39 | 26 | 6 | 20 | 6 | $10=100$ |
|  | January, 2001 | 62 | 20 | 42 | 18 | 5 | 13 | 2 | $18=100$ |
|  | December, 1994 | 42 | 10 | 32 | 19 | 5 | 14 | 21 | $18=100$ |
|  | March, 1991 ${ }^{21}$ | 68 | 33 | 35 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 10 | 16=100 |
|  | May, 1990 | 20 | 3 | 17 | 11 | 3 | 8 | 44 | 25=100 |
| c. | Donald Rumsfeld | 39 | 10 | 29 | 41 | 18 | 23 | 7 | $13=100$ |
|  | April, 2003 | 61 | 24 | 37 | 19 | 6 | 13 | 9 | $11=100$ |
| d. | Condoleezza Rice | 57 | 22 | 35 | 28 | 11 | 17 | 5 | $10=100$ |
| e. | Hillary Clinton | 57 | 22 | 35 | 36 | 17 | 19 | * | $7=100$ |
|  | December 2002 | 47 | 15 | 32 | 44 | 23 | 21 | 1 | $8=100$ |
|  | July, 2001 | 53 | 20 | 33 | 42 | 23 | 19 | 1 | $4=100$ |
|  | January, 2001 | 60 | 25 | 35 | 35 | 16 | 19 | * | $5=100$ |
|  | May, 2000 | 49 | 15 | 34 | 42 | 22 | 20 | 1 | $8=100$ |
|  | Early December, 1998 | 66 | 32 | 34 | 31 | 15 | 16 | * | $3=100$ |
|  | Early October, 1998 (RVs) | 58 | 24 | 34 | 36 | 18 | 18 | * | $6=100$ |
|  | Early September, 1998 | 64 | 24 | 40 | 31 | 13 | 18 | 0 | $5=100$ |
|  | Late August, 1998 | 63 | 25 | 38 | 34 | 13 | 21 | * | $3=100$ |
|  | March, 1998 | 65 | 26 | 39 | 31 | 14 | 17 | * | $4=100$ |
|  | January, 1997 | 57 | 17 | 40 | 40 | 17 | 23 | * | $3=100$ |
|  | June, 1996 | 53 | 13 | 40 | 43 | 17 | 26 | * | $4=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 49 | 12 | 37 | 46 | 19 | 27 | 0 | $5=100$ |
|  | February, 1996 | 42 | 14 | 28 | 54 | 27 | 27 | 0 | $4=100$ |
|  | January, 1996 | 42 | 10 | 32 | 54 | 26 | 28 | 0 | $4=100$ |
|  | October, 1995 | 58 | 14 | 44 | 38 | 14 | 24 | -- | $4=100$ |
|  | August, 1995 | 49 | 16 | 33 | 47 | 22 | 25 | * | $4=100$ |
|  | December, 1994 | 50 | 17 | 33 | 45 | 20 | 25 | 1 | $4=100$ |
|  | July, 1994 | 57 | 19 | 38 | 40 | 18 | 22 | 1 | $2=100$ |
|  | May, 1993 | 60 | 19 | 41 | 29 | 11 | 18 | 1 | $10=100$ |
| f. | Bill Clinton | 64 | 24 | 40 | 32 | 13 | 19 | 0 | $4=100$ |
|  | December, 2002 | 46 | 17 | 29 | 49 | 27 | 22 | * | $5=100$ |
|  | July, 2001 | 50 | 20 | 30 | 46 | 27 | 19 | 0 | $4=100$ |
|  | January, 2001 | 64 | 23 | 41 | 34 | 17 | 17 | 0 | $2=100$ |
|  | May, 2000 | 48 | 17 | 31 | 47 | 28 | 19 | * | $5=100$ |
|  | March, 1999 | 55 | 21 | 34 | 42 | 23 | 19 | * | $3=100$ |
|  | December, 1998 | 55 | 23 | 32 | 43 | 24 | 19 | 0 | $2=100$ |
|  | Early October, 1998 (RVs) | 52 | 15 | 37 | 44 | 24 | 20 | 0 | $4=100$ |
|  | Early September, 1998 | 57 | 18 | 39 | 41 | 23 | 18 | 0 | $2=100$ |
|  | Late August, 1998 | 54 | 18 | 36 | 44 | 24 | 20 | 0 | $2=100$ |
|  | March, 1998 | 62 | 22 | 40 | 35 | 16 | 19 | * | $3=100$ |
|  | November, 1997 | 63 | 19 | 44 | 35 | 14 | 21 | 0 | $2=100$ |
|  | October, 1997 | 62 | 15 | 47 | 36 | 16 | 20 | * | $2=100$ |
|  | September, 1997 | 62 | 18 | 44 | 35 | 14 | 21 | 0 | $3=100$ |

## Q. 2 CONTINUED...

|  |  | Total | Very | Mostly | Total |  | Mostly | Heard | Ra |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | August, 1997 | 61 | 16 | 45 | 38 | 17 | 21 | 0 | $1=100$ |
|  | April, 1997 | 61 | 17 | 44 | 37 | 16 | 21 | * | $2=100$ |
|  | January, 1997 | 66 | 17 | 49 | 32 | 14 | 18 | * | 2=100 |
|  | October, 1996 (RVs) | 57 | 12 | 45 | 41 | 19 | 22 | 0 | $2=100$ |
|  | June, 1996 | 61 | 16 | 45 | 37 | 14 | 23 | * | $2=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 57 | 16 | 41 | 40 | 16 | 24 | 0 | $3=100$ |
|  | February, 1996 | 55 | 20 | 35 | 43 | 21 | 22 | 0 | $2=100$ |
|  | January, 1996 | 56 | 13 | 43 | 42 | 15 | 27 | 0 | $2=100$ |
|  | August, 1995 | 49 | 13 | 36 | 49 | 20 | 29 | 0 | $2=100$ |
|  | February, 1995 | 55 | 14 | 41 | 42 | 17 | 25 | 0 | $3=100$ |
|  | December, 1994 | 51 | 17 | 34 | 46 | 22 | 24 | 0 | $3=100$ |
|  | July, 1994 | 58 | 15 | 43 | 41 | 16 | 25 | * | 1=100 |
|  | May, 1993 | 60 | 18 | 42 | 35 | 12 | 23 | 0 | $5=100$ |
|  | July, 1992 | 59 | 17 | 42 | 34 | 9 | 25 | 0 | $7=100$ |
|  | June, 1992 | 46 | 10 | 36 | 47 | 14 | 33 | 1 | $6=100$ |
|  | May, 1992 | 53 | 11 | 42 | 42 | 10 | 32 | * | $5=100$ |
|  | March, 1992 | 53 | 10 | 43 | 40 | 11 | 29 | 1 | $6=100$ |
|  | February, 1992 | 59 | 15 | 44 | 31 | 7 | 24 | 2 | $8=100$ |
|  | January, 1992 | 37 | 9 | 28 | 15 | 4 | 11 | 27 | 21=100 |
|  | November, 1991 | 30 | 5 | 25 | 10 | 2 | 8 | 39 | $21=100$ |
|  | g. John Kerry | 49 | 13 | 36 | 41 | 17 | 24 | 2 | $8=100$ |
|  | Mid-October, 2004 (RVs) | 56 | 21 | 35 | 40 | 16 | 24 | 0 | $3=100$ |
|  | Early October, 2004 (RVs) | 53 | 16 | 37 | 41 | 16 | 25 | * | $6=100$ |
|  | Early September, 2004 | 49 | 17 | 32 | 43 | 19 | 24 | * | $8=100$ |
|  | September 11-14 | 51 | 17 | 34 | 40 | 19 | 21 | * | $9=100$ |
|  | September 8-10 | 50 | 18 | 32 | 44 | 18 | 26 | 0 | $6=100$ |
|  | August, 2004 | 56 | 23 | 33 | 36 | 14 | 22 | 1 | $7=100$ |
|  | June, 2004 | 50 | 11 | 39 | 41 | 16 | 25 | 0 | $9=100$ |
|  | Early February, 2004 | 58 | 14 | 44 | 28 | 8 | 20 | 1 | $13=100$ |
|  | January, 2003 | 30 | 6 | 24 | 16 | 4 | 12 | 36 | $18=100$ |
|  | h. Howard Dean | 32 | 6 | 26 | 31 | 11 | 20 | 12 | $25=100$ |
|  | January, 2003 | 13 | 2 | 11 | 12 | 3 | 9 | 57 | $18=100$ |
| 1 | i. Rudy Giuliani | 60 | 20 | 40 | 17 | 5 | 12 | 7 | $16=100$ |
|  | May, 2000 | 37 | 9 | 28 | 18 | 6 | 12 | 26 | $19=100$ |
| j | j. John McCain | 59 | 15 | 44 | 17 | 4 | 13 | 8 | $16=100$ |
|  | July, 2001 | 51 | 14 | 37 | 22 | 5 | 17 | 13 | 14=100 |
|  | January, 2001 | 59 | 18 | 41 | 15 | 3 | 12 | 9 | $17=100$ |
|  | May, 2000 | 54 | 14 | 40 | 20 | 5 | 15 | 11 | $15=100$ |
|  | ABC/WP: February, 2000 | 60 | -- | -- | 21 | -- | -- | -- | $19=100$ |
|  | CNN/USA Today/Gallup: December, 1999 ${ }^{22}$ | 57 | -- | -- | 11 | -- | -- | 14 | $18=100$ |
|  | k. Arnold Schwarzenegger | 57 | 13 | 44 | 28 | 10 | 18 | 1 | $14=100$ |

Q. 2 CONTINUED...
l. The United Nations

Late February, 2004
Early September, 2001
August, 1999
June, 1999
Early September, 1998
September, 1997
February, 1996
June, 1995
February, 1995
July, 1994
May, 1993
May, 1990
m. The military

June, 2004
Newsweek: May 16-17, 2002
Newsweek: September 13-14, 2001
July, 2001
January, 2001
August, 1999
June, 1999
Early September, 1998
October, 1997
May, 1997
February, 1996
July, 1994
May, 1993
March, 1991
May, 1990
January, 1988
April, 1987
January, 1987
July, 1986
June, 1985
n. Labor unions

March, 2002
July, 2001
March, 2001
August, 1999
Early September, 1998
June, 1997
May, 1997
April, 1996
February, 1996
July, 1994
January, 1988
July, 1985

| -------Favorable------ |  |  | -----Unfavorable----- |  |  | Neve | Can't |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | Very | Mostly | Total |  | Mostly | Heard | of Rate |
| 59 | 14 | 45 | 32 | 11 | 21 | * | $9=100$ |
| 55 | 14 | 41 | 35 | 15 | 20 | -- | $10=100$ |
| 77 | 23 | 54 | 18 | 6 | 12 | 1 | $4=100$ |
| 76 | 19 | 57 | 19 | 5 | 14 | * | $5=100$ |
| 70 | 19 | 51 | 23 | 7 | 16 | 0 | $7=100$ |
| 69 | 14 | 55 | 23 | 7 | 16 | * | $8=100$ |
| 64 | 11 | 53 | 28 | 9 | 19 | * | $8=100$ |
| 65 | 19 | 46 | 29 | 9 | 20 | 1 | $5=100$ |
| 67 | 14 | 53 | 28 | 8 | 20 | * | $5=100$ |
| 62 | 13 | 49 | 26 | 8 | 18 | * | $12=100$ |
| 76 | 21 | 55 | 19 | 5 | 14 | 1 | $4=100$ |
| 73 | 21 | 52 | 17 | 4 | 13 | 0 | $10=100$ |
| 70 | 15 | 55 | 19 | 6 | 13 | 1 | $10=100$ |
| 87 | 49 | 38 | 9 | 3 | 6 | * | $4=100$ |
| 85 | 48 | 37 | 10 | 3 | 7 | * | $5=100$ |
| 93 | 59 | 34 | 5 | 2 | 3 | -- | $2=100$ |
| 94 | 58 | 36 | 4 | 2 | 2 | -- | $2=100$ |
| 81 | 29 | 52 | 11 | 4 | 7 | * | $8=100$ |
| 82 | 32 | 50 | 12 | 3 | 9 | 0 | $6=100$ |
| 89 | 30 | 59 | 10 | 2 | 8 | * | $1=100$ |
| 83 | 36 | 47 | 13 | 2 | 11 | 0 | $4=100$ |
| 86 | 29 | 57 | 10 | 3 | 7 | 0 | $4=100$ |
| 78 | 22 | 56 | 18 | 5 | 13 | 0 | $4=100$ |
| 80 | 23 | 57 | 16 | 5 | 11 | 0 | $4=100$ |
| 82 | 33 | 49 | 16 | 4 | 12 | * | $2=100$ |
| 87 | 30 | 57 | 11 | 3 | 8 | * | $2=100$ |
| 85 | 32 | 53 | 10 | 2 | 8 | 0 | $5=100$ |
| 94 | 60 | 34 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 0 | $2=100$ |
| 73 | 18 | 55 | 21 | 6 | 15 | * | $6=100$ |
| 77 | 20 | 57 | 17 | 3 | 14 | * | $6=100$ |
| 80 | 17 | 63 | 16 | 4 | 12 | 0 | $4=100$ |
| 73 | 19 | 54 | 16 | 5 | 11 | * | $11=100$ |
| 85 | 32 | 53 | 10 | 3 | 7 | 0 | $5=100$ |
| 77 | 24 | 53 | 18 | 5 | 13 | * | $5=100$ |
| 56 | 17 | 39 | 33 | 9 | 24 | 1 | $10=100$ |
| 59 | 15 | 44 | 32 | 9 | 23 | 1 | $8=100$ |
| 51 | 12 | 39 | 36 | 10 | 26 | 1 | $12=100$ |
| 63 | 16 | 47 | 28 | 7 | 21 | 1 | $8=100$ |
| 59 | 12 | 47 | 36 | 9 | 27 | * | $5=100$ |
| 52 | 12 | 40 | 38 | 13 | 25 | * | $10=100$ |
| 58 | 15 | 43 | 35 | 10 | 25 | * | $7=100$ |
| 49 | 15 | 34 | 39 | 13 | 26 | * | $12=100$ |
| 47 | 10 | 37 | 45 | 17 | 28 | * | $8=100$ |
| 54 | 17 | 37 | 41 | 14 | 27 | * | $5=100$ |
| 57 | 14 | 43 | 38 | 10 | 28 | * | $5=100$ |
| 52 | 10 | 42 | 39 | 10 | 29 | * | $9=100$ |
| 46 | 9 | 37 | 47 | 17 | 30 | * | $7=100$ |

Q. 2 CONTINUED... -------Favorable------ -----Unfavorable----- Never Can’t

Total Very Mostly $\frac{\text { Total }}{26} \quad$ Very Mostly Heard of Rate
o. $\begin{array}{lllllllllll} & T h e ~ C h r i s t i a n ~ c o n s e r v a t i v e ~ m o v e m e n t ~ & 41 & 15 & 26 & 34 & 15 & 19 & & 9 & 16=100\end{array}$

| March, 2002 | 45 | 10 | 35 | 29 | 11 | 18 | 12 | $15=100$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

$\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { March, } 2001 & 42 & 9 & 33 & 31 & 11 & 20 & 11 & 16=100\end{array}$
p. $\begin{array}{llllllllllll} & T h e ~ N a t i o n a l ~ R i f l e ~ A s s o c i a t i o n ~ & 49 & 18 & 31 & 39 & 17 & 22 & 2 & 10=100\end{array}$

June, 1999
September, 1998
August, 1995
June, 1995
July, 1994

| 46 | 17 | 29 | 45 | 21 | 24 | 1 | $8=100$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 48 | 16 | 32 | 40 | 18 | 22 | 2 | $10=100$ |


| 48 | 16 | 32 | 40 | 18 | 22 | 2 | $10=100$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| 44 | 16 | 28 | 45 | 21 | 24 | 1 | $10=100$ |
| 44 | 16 | 28 | 48 | 24 | 24 | 2 | $6=100$ |

Muslims
q. Muslims $\begin{array}{llllllllll} & 45 & 7 & 38 & 28 & 9 & 19 & 1 & 26=100\end{array}$

Late February, 2004
Mid-July, 2003
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}48 & 13 & 35 & 32 & 14 & 18 & -- & 20=100\end{array}$
June, 2003
March, 2002

| 50 | 12 | 38 | 30 | 10 | 20 | 1 | $19=100$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 47 | 7 | 40 | 29 | 11 | 18 | 1 | $23=100$ |

## ROTATE Q. 3 AND Q. 4

Q. 3 If George W. Bush could run for president again in 2008, would you like to see him serve as president for a third term, or not?

| 27 | Yes |
| :--- | :--- |
| 69 | No |
| $\frac{4}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

Q. 4 If Bill Clinton could run for president again in 2008, would you like to see him serve as president again, or not?

| 43 | Yes |
| :--- | :--- |
| 55 | No |
| $\frac{2}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

## ROTATE Q. 5 AND Q. 6

Q. 5 Now I am going to read you the names of some possible candidates for the REPUBLICAN nomination for president in 2008. AFTER I READ ALL THE NAMES, please tell me which one you would most like to see nominated as the Republican party's candidate for president? (PROBE IF NECESSARY: Well as of today, to whom do you most lean?) (READ AND RANDOMIZE)

| 7 | Jeb Bush |
| ---: | :--- |
| 4 | Bill Frist |
| 27 | Rudy Giuliani |
| 32 | John McCain |
| 17 | Condoleezza Rice |
| * | Other (VOL. DO NOT READ) |
| 7 | None (VOL. DO NOT READ) |
| $\underline{6}$ | Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ) |
| 100 |  |

Q. 6 Now I am going to read you the names of some possible candidates for the DEMOCRATIC nomination for president in 2008. AFTER I READ ALL THE NAMES, please tell me which one you would most like to see nominated as the Democratic party's candidate for president? (PROBE IF NECESSARY: Well as of today, to whom do you most lean?) (READ AND RANDOMIZE)

| 34 | Hillary Clinton |
| ---: | :--- |
| 9 | Howard Dean |
| 16 | John Edwards |
| 16 | John Kerry |
| 9 | Bill Richardson |
| 1 | Other (VOL. DO NOT READ) |
| 10 | None (VOL. DO NOT READ) |
| $\underline{5}$ | Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ) |
| 100 |  |

On a different subject...
Q. 7 How much, if anything, have you heard about a proposal which would allow younger workers to invest a portion of their Social Security taxes in private retirement accounts, which might include stocks or mutual funds - have you heard a lot, a little or nothing at all?

|  |  | Mid- |  | Early $^{23}$ | (RVs) |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | March | Feb | Dec | Sept | Sept |
|  |  | $\underline{2005}$ | $\underline{2005}$ | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2000}$ |
| 48 | A lot | 36 | 43 | 23 | 19 | 26 |
| 41 | A little | 32 | 35 | 43 | 41 | 43 |
| 11 | Nothing at all | 22 | 21 | 33 | 39 | 30 |
| $*$ | Don't know/Refused | $*$ | $\underline{1}$ | $\underline{1}$ | $\underline{1}$ | $\underline{1}$ |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

Q. 8 Generally, do you favor or oppose this proposal?

|  |  | Mid- |  | Early | (RVs) |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | March | Feb | Dec | Sept | Sept |
|  |  | $\underline{2005}$ | $\underline{2005}$ | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2000}$ |
| 46 | Favor | 44 | 46 | 54 | 58 | 70 |
| 44 | Oppose | 40 | 38 | 30 | 26 | 21 |
| $\frac{10}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{16}$ | $\underline{16}$ | $\underline{16}$ | $\underline{16}$ | $\underline{9}$ |
|  |  | 100 | 100 | $\underline{100}$ | $\underline{100}$ | 100 |

[^7]Q. 9 In general, do you think that personal bankruptcy should be made easier for people to claim, more difficult for people to claim, or should it remain as it is?

|  |  | Gallup <br> May 1997 |
| ---: | :--- | :---: |
| 8 | Easier | 7 |
| 39 | More difficult | 39 |
| 47 | Remain as it is | 48 |
| $\frac{6}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{6}$ |

Q. 10 Would you favor or oppose allowing oil and gas drilling in the Alaskan Arctic National Wildlife Refuge?

Mid-March
$\underline{2005}$

| 46 | Favor | 42 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 49 | Oppose | 46 |
| $\frac{5}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{12}$ |

## ROTATE QUESTIONS 11 AND 12

Q. 11 Would you generally favor or oppose teaching creationism ALONG WITH evolution in public schools?

CBS/NY Times

|  | CBS/NY Times <br> Nov 2004 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| 57 | Favor | 65 |
| 33 | Oppose | 29 |
| $\frac{10}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{6}$ |

Q. 12 Would you generally favor or oppose teaching creationism INSTEAD OF evolution in public schools?

| CBS/NY Times |
| :---: |
| Nov 2004 |
| 37 |
| 51 |
| $\underline{12}$ |
| 100 |

Q. 13 Do you favor or oppose affirmative action programs designed to help blacks, women and other minorities get better jobs and education?

|  | Aug ${ }^{25}$ | May | Aug |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 67 | Favor | $\underline{2003}$ | $\underline{2003}$ | $\underline{1995}$ |
| 28 | Oppose | 31 | 29 | 36 |
| $\frac{5}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{5}$ | $\underline{8}$ | $\underline{3}$ |
|  |  | 100 | 100 | 100 |

25 In August 2003 the question was part of a list of items. In May 2003 and August 1995 the question opened with: "In order to overcome past discrimination..."
Q. 14 Do you think the use of torture against suspected terrorists in order to gain important information can often be justified, sometimes be justified, rarely be justified, or never be justified?

|  |  | July 2004 |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 15 | Often justified | 15 |
| 30 | Sometimes justified | 28 |
| 24 | Rarely justified | 21 |
| 27 | Never justified | 32 |
| $\frac{4}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{4}$ |
|  |  | 100 |

Q. 15 There's been some discussion recently about "outsourcing" - meaning when American businesses hire workers in other parts of the world in order to save money. Which comes closer to your view on this issue? [READ AND ROTATE]

| 69 | Outsourcing is bad for the American economy because it sends good jobs overseas <br> OR |
| ---: | :--- |
|  | Outsourcing is good for the American economy because it keeps the cost of goods and services |
| 22 | down |
| 2 | Both [VOL.] |
| $\frac{5}{10}$ | Neither [VOL.] |
| $\frac{\text { Don't know/Refused }}{}$ |  |

Q. 16 Do you believe that it is proper or improper for the Ten Commandments to be displayed in a government building?

| 74 | Proper | $\frac{\text { Aug } 2004}{72}$ |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 22 | Improper | 23 |
| $\frac{4}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{5}$ |
|  |  | 100 |

Q. 17 Considering what the president and Congress need to deal with this year, do you think reducing the budget deficit should be a top priority, important but lower priority, not too important or does it not need to be addressed this year?

| 39 | Top priority |
| ---: | :--- |
| 46 | Important but lower priority |
| 6 | Not too important |
| 5 | Does not need to be addressed this year |
| $\frac{4}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

Q. 18 Would you favor or oppose [INSERT ITEM, RANDOMIZE] as a way to reduce the budget deficit?

|  | Favor | Oppose | DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. Raising taxes | 31 | 66 | 3=100 |
| b. Lowering defense and military spending | 35 | 60 | $5=100$ |
| c. Lowering domestic spending | 54 | 35 | $11=100$ |

Q. 19 Would you favor or oppose a policy allowing immigrants to enter the U.S. legally and work here for a limited period of time, but then they would have to go home?

| 50 | Favor |
| :---: | :--- |
| 44 | Oppose |
| $\frac{6}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

Q. 20 In making his next appointment to the Supreme Court, should President Bush choose someone who will make the court more liberal, someone who will make it more conservative, or someone who will keep the court about the same as it is now?

|  | Clinton <br> Gallup <br> March 1993 |  |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 24 | More liberal | 29 |
| 28 | More conservative | 29 |
| 41 | About the same as it is now | 38 |
| $\frac{7}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{4}$ |
|  |  | 100 |

Q. 21 How important is the president's choice of the next Supreme Court justice to you personally? [READ]

| 38 | Very important |
| ---: | :--- |
| 36 | Somewhat important |
| 15 | Not too important |
| 8 | Not at all important |
| $\frac{3}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) |

Q. 22 Some people think of American society as divided into two groups, the "haves" and the "have-nots," while others think it's incorrect to think of America that way. Do you, yourself, think of America as divided into "haves" and "have-nots," or don't you think of America that way?

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | --- Gallup --- |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Late Feb | June | Oct | Aug | CBS/NY Times |
| 38 | Yes, divided into "haves" and "have-nots" | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2001}$ | $\underline{1999}$ | $\underline{1988}$ | $\underline{\text { Aug } 1984}$ |
| 59 | No | 59 | 53 | 59 | 71 | 61 |
| $\underline{3}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{8}$ |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

Q. 23 If you had to choose, which of these groups are you in, the haves or the have-nots?

|  |  |  | -- Gallup --- |  |  |
| ---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Late Feb | June | Oct | Aug |
| 48 | Haves | $\underline{2004}$ | $\underline{2001}$ | $\underline{1999}$ | $\underline{1988}$ |
| 34 | Have-nots | 27 | 32 | 67 | 59 |
| 8 | Neither (VOL) | 7 | 10 | 6 | 17 |
| $\frac{10}{10}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{7}$ | $\underline{6}$ | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{9}$ |
| 100 | 10 | $\underline{100}$ | $\underline{100}$ |  |  |

ASK ALL:
PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or Independent?

| Trend | Republican | Democrat | Independent | (VOL) <br> No <br> Preference | $\begin{aligned} & \text { (VOL) } \\ & \text { Other } \\ & \text { Party } \end{aligned}$ | Don't know |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Late March, 2005 | 29 | 32 | 36 | 2 | * | 1=100 |
| Mid-March, 2005 | 30 | 34 | 29 | 4 | * | $3=100$ |
| February, 2005 | 31 | 32 | 30 | 4 | 1 | $2=100$ |
| January, 2005 | 32 | 33 | 30 | 4 | * | $1=100$ |
| December, 2004 | 31 | 34 | 30 | 3 | * | $2=100$ |
| Mid-October, 2004 | 30 | 33 | 30 | 4 | * | $3=100$ |
| Late September, 2004 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 6 | * | $4=100$ |
| Mid-September, 2004 | 29 | 31 | 30 | 5 | * | $5=100$ |
| Early September, 2004 | 30 | 33 | 31 | 3 | * | $3=100$ |
| August, 2004 | 31 | 35 | 27 | 4 | * | $3=100$ |
| July, 2004 | 29 | 33 | 32 | 3 | * | $3=100$ |
| June, 2004 | 30 | 34 | 31 | 3 | * | $2=100$ |
| May, 2004 | 29 | 35 | 26 | 5 | 1 | $4=100$ |
| Early May, 2004 | 27 | 34 | 31 | 4 | 1 | $3=100$ |
| Late April, 2004 | 30 | 31 | 31 | 5 | * | $3=100$ |
| Early April, 2004 | 31 | 32 | 28 | 4 | 1 | $4=100$ |
| Late March, 2004 | 30 | 34 | 28 | 4 | * | $4=100$ |
| March, 2004 | 27 | 35 | 32 | 4 | * | $2=100$ |
| Mid-February, 2004 | 30 | 33 | 30 | 4 | * | $3=100$ |
| Early February, 2004 | 31 | 33 | 31 | 3 | * | $2=100$ |
| Mid-January, 2004 | 31 | 31 | 31 | 4 | 1 | $2=100$ |
| Early January, 2004 | 29 | 34 | 31 | 4 | * | $2=100$ |
| Yearly Totals |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2004 | 30 | 33 | 30 | 4 | * | $3=100$ |
| 2003 | 30 | 31 | 31 | 5 | * | $3=100$ |
| 2002 | 30 | 31 | 30 | 5 | 1 | $3=100$ |
| 2001 | 29 | 34 | 29 | 5 | * | $3=100$ |
| 2001 Post-Sept 11 | 31 | 32 | 28 | 5 | 1 | $3=100$ |
| 2001 Pre-Sept 11 | 28 | 35 | 30 | 5 | * | $2=100$ |
| 2000 | 28 | 33 | 29 | 6 | * | $4=100$ |
| 1999 | 27 | 33 | 34 | 4 | * | $2=100$ |
| 1998 | 28 | 33 | 32 | 5 | * | $2=100$ |
| 1997 | 28 | 33 | 32 | 4 | 1 | $2=100$ |

PARTY CONTINUED...
No Preference/
1996
1995
1994
1993
1992
1991
1990

1989
1987

| Republican | No Preference |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Democrat | Independent | Other/DK |
| 29 | 33 | 33 | $5=100$ |
| 32 | 30 | 34 | $4=100$ |
| 30 | 32 | 34 | $4=100$ |
| 27 | 34 | 34 | $5=100$ |
| 28 | 33 | 35 | $4=100$ |
| 31 | 32 | 33 | $4=100$ |
| 31 | 33 | 30 | $6=100$ |
|  |  | Independent/ No Pref/Oth/DK |  |
| 33 | 33 | $34=100$ |  |
| 26 | 35 | $39=100$ |  |

(All party identification trends based on general public.)

## IF ANSWERED 1 IN PARTY, ASK:

PARTYSTR Do you consider yourself a STRONG Republican, or NOT a strong Republican?

|  | Strong | Not strong |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Late March, 2005 | 16 | $13=29 \%$ |
| December, 2004 | 18 | $13=31 \%$ |
| July, 2004 | 17 | $12=29 \%$ |
| August, 2003 | 14 | $13=27 \%$ |
| September, 2000 | 14 | $13=27 \%$ |
| Late September, 1999 | 10 | $14=24 \%$ |
| August, 1999 | 11 | $14=25 \%$ |
| November, 1997 | 11 | $14=25 \%$ |
| October, 1995 | 11 | $19=30 \%$ |
| April, 1995 | 15 | $15=30 \%$ |
| October, 1994 | 16 | $15=31 \%$ |
| July, 1994 | 13 | $16=29 \%$ |
| June, 1992 | 11 | $17=28 \%$ |
| May, 1990 | 13 | $15=28 \%$ |
| February, 1989 | 15 | $16=31 \%$ |
| May, 1988 | 13 | $15=28 \%$ |
| January, 1988 | 12 | $15=27 \%$ |
| May, 1987 | 11 | $14=25 \%$ |

## IF ANSWERED 2 IN PARTY, ASK:

PARTYSTR Do you consider yourself a STRONG Democrat, or NOT a strong Democrat?

|  | Strong | Not strong |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Late March, 2005 | 18 | $14=32 \%$ |
| December, 2004 | 19 | $15=34 \%$ |
| July, 2004 | 20 | $13=33 \%$ |
| August, 2003 | 15 | $16=31 \%$ |
| September, 2000 | 19 | $15=34 \%$ |
| Late September, 1999 | 15 | $16=31 \%$ |
| August, 1999 | 15 | $18=33 \%$ |
| November, 1997 | 14 | $18=32 \%$ |
| October, 1995 | 14 | $16=30 \%$ |
| April, 1995 | 14 | $15=29 \%$ |
| October, 1994 | 18 | $14=32 \%$ |


| PARTYSTR CONTINUED... | Strong | Not strong |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| July, 1994 | 15 | $18=33 \%$ |
| June, 1992 | 14 | $18=32 \%$ |
| May, 1990 | 16 | $17=33 \%$ |
| February, 1989 | 17 | $21=38 \%$ |
| May, 1988 | 19 | $19=38 \%$ |
| January, 1988 | 19 | $20=39 \%$ |
| May, 1987 | 18 | $19=37 \%$ |

IF ANSWERED 3, 4, 5 OR 9 IN PARTY, ASK:
PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

Late March, 2005
December, 2004
August, 2003
August, 2002
September, 2000
Late September, 1999
August, 1999

| Republican | Democrat | Refused to lean |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 13 | 17 | 9=39\% |
| 14 | 12 | 9=35\% |
| 12 | 16 | $14=42 \%$ |
| 12 | 13 | 13=38\% |
| 11 | 13 | 15=39\% |
| 14 | 15 | 16=45\% |
| 15 | 15 | $12=42 \%$ |

## ASK REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN LEANERS ONLY (PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1):

Q.24R How good a job is the Republican Party doing these days in standing up for its traditional positions on such things as reducing the size of government, cutting taxes and promoting conservative social values - would you say the Party is doing an excellent job, a good job, only a fair job or a poor job?

BASED ON REPUBLICANS/REPUBLICAN LEANERS [N=525]:

| July 2004 | Aug 2003 | May 2002 | May 2001 | (RVs) <br> Sept 2000 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\frac{\text { July } 2004}{12}$ | $\frac{\text { Aug } 2003}{6}$ | $\frac{\text { May } 2002}{6}$ | $\frac{\text { May } 2001}{10}$ | $\frac{\text { Sept } 2000}{6}$ |
| 49 | 51 | 49 | 50 | 43 |
| 33 | 37 | 38 | 32 | 44 |
| 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{1}$ | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

## ASK DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANERS ONLY (PARTY=2 OR PARTYLN=2):

Q.24D How good a job is the Democratic Party doing these days in standing up for its traditional positions on such things as protecting the interests of minorities, helping the poor and needy, and representing working people - would you say the Party is doing an excellent job, a good job, only a fair job or a poor job?

## BASED ON DEMOCRATS/DEMOCRATIC LEANERS [N=481]:

(RVs)

|  |  | $\frac{\text { July 2004 }}{}$ |  | Aug 2003 |  | May 2002 |  |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| May 2001 |  | Sept 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | Excellent | 6 |  | 5 |  | 5 |  |

## IF ANSWERED 1,2 IN PARTY, ASK [N=674]:

Q. 25 Has there ever been a time when you have thought of yourself as an INDEPENDENT?

| 50 | Yes |
| :--- | :--- |
| 49 | No |
| $\frac{1}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

## ROTATE Q. 26 AND Q. 27

IF ANSWERED 1, 3, 4, 5 OR 9 IN PARTY, ASK [N=784]:
Q. 26 Has there ever been a time when you have thought of yourself as a DEMOCRAT?

| 46 | Yes |
| :--- | :--- |
| 52 | No |
| $\frac{2}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

IF ANSWERED 2, 3, 4, 5 OR 9 IN PARTY, ASK [N=722]:
Q. 27 Has there ever been a time when you have thought of yourself as a REPUBLICAN?

| 31 | Yes |
| :--- | :--- |
| 67 | No |
| $\frac{2}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

## ASK ALL:

Q. 28 And one last short list... [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE WITH ITEM d ALWAYS LAST]

|  |  | Yes | No | DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. | Do you display the flag at your home, in your office, or on your car? | 64 | 36 | *=100 |
|  | Mid-July, 2003 | 69 | 29 | $2=100$ |
|  | August, 2002 | 75 | 25 | * $=100$ |
| b. | Do you smoke cigarettes on a regular basis? | 18 | 82 | *=100 |
|  | August, 2002 | 23 | 77 | *=100 |
|  | August, 1999 | 24 | 76 | *=100 |
| C. | Do you have a friend, colleague or family member who has served in the military effort in Iraq over the past two years? | 49 | 51 | *=100 |
| d. | Do you have a friend, colleague, or family member who is gay? | 46 | 54 | *=100 |
|  | Mid-October, 2004 | 46 | 52 | $2=100$ |
|  | Mid-July, 2003 | 45 | 52 | $3=100$ |
|  | August, 2002 | 45 | 53 | $2=100$ |
|  | August, 1999 | 39 | 60 | $1=100$ |

Q. 29 Do you consider the United States a Christian nation, or not?

|  |  | $\frac{\text { March 2002 }}{}$ | $\underline{\text { June } 1996}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 71 | Yes | 67 | 60 |
| 26 | No | 25 | 34 |
| $\frac{3}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{8}$ | $\underline{6}$ |


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[^1]:    Continued ...

[^2]:    In October 2003, CNBC Cable news item was not asked due to programming error.

[^3]:    8 In Early September 2004 and 2000 the question was worded "... portion of their payroll taxes in private retirement accounts, which might include stocks or mutual funds, rather than having all of it go toward Social Security."
    $9 \quad$ Based on the percent who heard "A lot" or "A little" in Q.31.

[^4]:    10
    In August 2003 and earlier the question was worded: "Changing the laws to make it more difficult for a woman to get an abortion."

[^5]:    14 In June 2004 and earlier, the question was worded: "Do you think the U.S. should keep military troops in Iraq until a stable government is established there, or do you think the U.S. should bring its troops home as soon as possible?"
    ${ }^{15}$ The CBS/NY Times question was preceded with: "Some people say the Patriot Act is a necessary tool that helps the government find terrorists, while others say it goes too far and is a threat to civil liberites."

    16 From 1997 to 2003, the question asked about "guns or revolvers in your home." In 1993, the question asked about "guns in this household."

[^6]:    18 In March 2000, "or anywhere else" was added to the question wording.

    19 The 1995 figure combines responses from two separate questions: (1) Do you or anyone in your household ever use a modem to connect to any computer bulletin boards, information services such as CompuServe or Prodigy, or other computers at other locations? (IF YES, PROBE: Is that you, someone else or both?) (2) Do you, yourself, ever use a computer at (work) (school) (work or school) to connect with computer bulletin boards, information services such as America Online or Prodigy, or other computers over the Internet?

[^7]:    ${ }^{23}$ In Early September 2004 and 2000 the question was worded "... portion of their payroll taxes in private retirement accounts, which might include stocks or mutual funds, rather than having all of it go toward Social Security."

