# PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE AND THE PRESS <br> \& COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS <br> EARLY OCTOBER 2002 ELECTION STUDY <br> FINAL TOPLINE <br> October 2-6, 2002 <br> $\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{1 , 5 1 3}$ 

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]

|  | Approve | Disapprove | Don't know |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 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 | $9=100$ |
| 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 | $26=100$ |

Q. 2 How much thought have you given to the coming November election, quite a lot, or only a little?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,158]:

Early October, 2002
Early September, 2002
Late October, 1998
Early October, 1998

| Quite | (VOL.) | Only | None/DK/ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A lot | Some | A Little | Refused |
| 45 | 6 | 45 | 4=100 |
| 36 | 5 | 54 | $5=100$ |
| 49 | 11 | 35 | $5=100$ |
| 42 | 8 | 43 | $7=100$ |
| 56 | 7 | 32 | $5=100$ |
| 45 | 7 | 45 | $3=100$ |
| 44 | 2 | 50 | $4=100$ |
| 43 | 7 | 46 | $4=100$ |
| 29 | 22 | 37 | $12=100$ |
| 23 | 22 | 39 | $17=100$ |
| 21 | 18 | 44 | $18=100$ |

R. 1 These days, many people are so busy they can't find time to register to vote, or move around so often they don't get a chance to re-register... Are you NOW registered to vote in your precinct or election district, or haven't you been able to register so far?
IF 1 'YES, REGISTERED' IN R. 1 ASK:
R.1a Are you absolutely certain you are registered to vote, or is there a chance your registration has lapsed because you moved or for some other reason?
$77 \quad$ Yes, registered
73 Absolutely certain
3 Chance registration has lapsed
1 Don't know/Refused
22 No, not registered
$\frac{1}{100}$ Don't know/Refused

## ASK ALL:

Q. 3 How closely have you followed news about candidates and election campaigns in your state and district? Have you followed it very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely?

| BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [ $\mathrm{N}=1,158$ ]: |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Very | Fairly | Not too | Not at all | DK/ |
|  | Closely | Closely | Closely | Closely | Ref. |
| Early October, 2002 | 21 | 46 | 22 | 10 | $1=100$ |
| Early September, 2002 | 20 | 34 | 29 | 16 | $1=100$ |
| Late October, 1998 | 26 | 45 | 20 | 9 | *=100 |
| Early October, 1998 | 21 | 43 | 24 | 11 | 1=100 |
| Early September, 1998 | 20 | 35 | 28 | 17 | * $=100$ |
| Early August, 1998 | 16 | 35 | 25 | 24 | *=100 |
| June, 1998 | 12 | 31 | 32 | 25 | * $=100$ |
| April, 1998 ${ }^{2}$ | 19 | 37 | 23 | 21 | * $=100$ |
| November, 1994 | 23 | 49 | 21 | 7 | * $=100$ |
| October, 1994 | 18 | 43 | 28 | 10 | $1=100$ |
| Early October, 1994 | 28 | 37 | 21 | 14 | * $=100$ |
| September, 1994 | 22 | 37 | 28 | 13 | * $=100$ |
| November, $1990^{3}$ | 44 | 36 | 13 | 7 | * $=100$ |
| October, 1990 ${ }^{4}$ | 18 | 32 | 28 | 22 | * $=100$ |

ASK Q. 4 THROUGH Q. 12 OF REGISTERED VOTERS ONLY (R.1a=1):
Q. 4 How often would you say you vote... always, nearly always, part of the time, or seldom?

| BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [ $\mathrm{N}=1,158 \mathrm{~N}$ Nearly |  |  | (VOL.) |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Part of |  | Never | (VOL.) |  |
|  | Always | Always | The time | Seldom | Vote | Other | DK/Ref. |
| Early October, 2002 | 50 | 33 | 11 | 4 | * | 1 | 1=100 |
| Early September, 2002 | 59 | 25 | 11 | 4 | 1 | * | * $=100$ |
| August, 2002 | 53 | 32 | 10 | 4 | 1 | * | *=100 |
| Early November, 2000 | 57 | 26 | 8 | 6 | 1 | 2 | *=100 |
| Late October, 2000 | 52 | 30 | 9 | 6 | 1 | 2 | $0=100$ |
| Mid-October, 2000 | 54 | 27 | 10 | 6 | * | 3 | *=100 |
| Early October, 2000 | 51 | 29 | 10 | 6 | 3 | 1 | *=100 |
| September, 2000 | 61 | 21 | 9 | 7 | * | 2 | *=100 |
| June, 2000 | 58 | 26 | 10 | 4 | 1 | 1 | *=100 |
| Late September, 1999 | 40 | 47 | 9 | 3 | * | 1 | *=100 |
| Early September, 1998 | 53 | 33 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 0 | *=100 |

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## Q. 4 CONTINUED...

(VOL.)

June, 1998
September, 1997

|  | Nearly | Part of |  | Never | (VOL.) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Always | Always | The time | Seldom | Vote | Other | DK/Ref. |
| 49 | 33 | 12 | 5 | 1 | 0 | $0=100$ |
| 62 | 26 | 8 | 3 | * | 1 | *=100 |
| 55 | 28 | 8 | 6 | 1 | 2 | *=100 |
| 52 | 30 | 9 | 5 | 2 | 2 | *=100 |
| 52 | 31 | 10 | 4 | 1 | 2 | *=100 |
| 52 | 33 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 1 | *=100 |
| 42 | 41 | 11 | 4 | 1 | 1 | *=100 |
| 53 | 35 | 7 | 4 | * | 1 | *=100 |
| 53 | 34 | 9 | 4 | * | * | *=100 |
| 58 | 28 | 8 | 5 | 1 | * | $0=100$ |
| 55 | 32 | 10 | 3 | * | * | *=100 |
| 52 | 34 | 10 | 4 | * | * | *=100 |
| 60 | 29 | 7 | 3 | 1 | * | *=100 |
| 50 | 35 | 10 | 4 | * | 1 | *=100 |
| 46 | 41 | 9 | 4 | 0 | * | *=100 |
| 42 | 42 | 11 | 4 | * | 1 | *=100 |
| 57 | 26 | 10 | 4 | 2 | 1 | *=100 |
| 56 | 26 | 12 | 4 | 1 | 1 | *=100 |
| 43 | 41 | 11 | 3 | 1 | 2 | *=100 |
| 49 | 39 | 9 | 2 | * | 1 | *=100 |
| 43 | 43 | 9 | 3 | 1 | 1 | *=100 |

Q. 5 If the elections for U.S. Congress were being held TODAY, would you vote for the Republican Party's candidate or the Democratic Party's candidate for Congress in your district?

## IF RESPONDENT ANSWERED 3 OR 9 IN Q.5, ASK:

Q.5a As of TODAY, do you LEAN more to the Republican or the Democrat?

| BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [ $\mathrm{N}=1,158$ ]: |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Republican/ Lean Rep | Democrat/ Lean Dem | Other/ <br> Undecided |
| Early October, 2002 | 44 | 46 | $10=100$ |
| Early September, 2002 | 44 | 46 | $10=100$ |
| June, 2002 | 44 | 46 | $10=100$ |
| February, 2002 | 46 | 45 | $9=100$ |
| Early November, 2001 | 44 | 44 | $12=100$ |
| 2000 Election |  |  |  |
| Early November, 2000 | 42 | 48 | $10=100$ |
| Early October, 2000 | 43 | 47 | $10=100$ |
| July, 2000 | 43 | 47 | $10=100$ |
| February, 2000 | 44 | 47 | $9=100$ |
| October, 1999 | 43 | 49 | $8=100$ |
| June, 1999 | 40 | 50 | $10=100$ |
| 1998 Election |  |  |  |
| November, 1998 | 42 | 48 | $10=100$ |
| Late October, 1998 | 40 | 47 | $13=100$ |
| Early October, 1998 | 43 | 44 | $13=100$ |
| Early September, 1998 | 45 | 46 | $9=100$ |
| Late August, 1998 | 44 | 45 | $11=100$ |
| Early August, 1998 | 42 | 49 | $9=100$ |
| June, 1998 | 44 | 46 | $10=100$ |
| March, 1998 | 40 | 52 | $8=100$ |
| February, 1998 | 41 | 50 | $9=100$ |
| January, 1998 | 41 | 51 | $8=100$ |
| August, 1997 | 45 | 48 | $7=100$ |


| Q.5/5a CONTINUED... | Republican/ <br> Lean Rep. | Democrat/ <br> Lean Dem. | Other/ <br> 1996 Election <br> November, 19965 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Uctober, 1996 | 44 | 48 | $8=100$ |
| Late September, 1996 | 42 | 49 | $9=100$ |
| Early September, 1996 | 43 | 49 | $8=100$ |
| July, 1996 | 43 | 51 | $6=100$ |
| June, 1996 | 46 | 47 | $7=100$ |
| March, 1996 | 44 | 50 | $6=100$ |
| January, 1996 | 44 | 49 | $7=100$ |
| October, 1995 | 46 | 47 | $7=100$ |
| August, 1995 | 48 | 48 | $4=100$ |
| 1994 Election | 50 | 43 | $7=100$ |
| November, 1994 | 45 | 43 | $12=100$ |
| October, 1994 | 47 | 44 | $9=100$ |
| Early October, 1994 | 52 | 40 | $8=100$ |
| September, 1994 | 48 | 46 | $6=100$ |
| July, 1994 | 45 | 47 | $8=100$ |

## ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS:

Q. 6 Do you, yourself, plan to vote in the election this November?

| BASED ON REGISTERED |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | VOTERS [N=1,158]: <br> Yes, Plan <br> To Vote | No, Don't <br> Plan To |

[^1]Q. 7 Next, I'd like you to rate your chances of voting in the election this November on a scale of 10 to 1. If 10 represents a person who DEFINITELY will vote and 1 represents a person who definitely will NOT vote, where on this scale of 10 to 1 would you place yourself?

| BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,158]: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Definitely <br> will vote |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Early October, 2002 | $\frac{10}{}$ | $\frac{9}{10}$ | $\frac{8}{10}$ | $\frac{7}{4}$ | $\frac{6}{3}$ | $\frac{5}{4}$ | $\frac{4}{1}$ | $\frac{3}{*}$ | $\frac{2}{*}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{\text { Definitely }}{\text { will not vote }}$ |

Q. 8 What will make the biggest difference in how you vote for Congress in your district — national issues, local or state issues, the candidate's political party, or the candidate's character or experience? (IF MORE THAN ONE, PROBE WITH: Well, which is most important?)

| BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [ $\mathrm{N}=1,158$ ]: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | National | State/Local | Political | Character/ |  |  | DK/ |
|  | Issues | Issues | Party | Experience | Other | None | Ref. |
| Early October, 2002 | 28 | 35 | 5 | 25 | 2 | 1 | $4=100$ |
| June, 2002 | 26 | 30 | 5 | 33 | 2 | 1 | $3=100$ |
| October, 2000 | 21 | 42 | 9 | 21 | 1 | 1 | 5=100 |
| July, 2000 | 18 | 40 | 6 | 32 | 1 | 1 | 2=100 |
| Late October, 1998 | 20 | 39 | 5 | 27 | 3 | 2 | $4=100$ |
| Early October, 1998 | 23 | 36 | 7 | 28 | 1 | * | 5=100 |
| Early September, 1998 | 22 | 34 | 5 | 33 | 2 | * | 4=100 |
| Early August, 1998 | 20 | 38 | 5 | 31 | 2 | * | 4=100 |
| June, 1998 | 22 | 37 | 4 | 32 | 1 | 1 | $3=100$ |
| March, 1998 | 18 | 37 | 6 | 35 | 1 | 1 | $2=100$ |
| November, 1996 | 23 | 38 | 6 | 25 | 2 | * | 6=100 |
| October, 1996 | 19 | 45 | 7 | 26 | 1 | 1 | 1=100 |
| Late September, 1996 | 25 | 38 | 6 | 24 | 2 | * | 5=100 |
| Early September, 1996 | 18 | 42 | 6 | 30 | 1 | * | $3=100$ |
| November, 1994 | 22 | 38 | 5 | 30 | 1 | * | $4=100$ |
| Late October, 1994 | 22 | 38 | 3 | 29 | 3 |  | $4=100$ |
| Early October, 1994 | 22 | 27 | 5 | 39 | 2 | 1 | $4=100$ |
| CBS/NYT: 10/24-28, 1986 | 22 | 25 | 6 | 40 | 1 | 1 | $5=100$ |
| CBS/NYT: 9/28-10/1, 1986 | 20 | 23 | 9 | 41 | 3 | * | $4=100$ |

Q. 9 Thinking about your vote for Congress this fall, will the issue of which party controls Congress, the Republicans or the Democrats, be a factor in your vote, or not?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [ $\mathrm{N}=1,158$ ]:

|  |  | Early |  |  | Early |  | Late | Early | Early | rly |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Sept | June | Feb | Oct | July | Oct | Oct | Sept | Aug | Jun |
|  |  | $\underline{2002}$ | 2002 | 2002 | 2000 | 2000 | 1998 | 1998 | 1998 | 1998 | $\underline{1998}$ |
| 42 | Yes, will be a factor | 44 | 47 | 46 | 46 | 46 | 46 | 47 | 41 | 44 | 45 |
| 55 | No, will not | 51 | 50 | 49 | 50 | 49 | 50 | 49 | 56 | 53 | 51 |
| $\frac{3}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\frac{5}{100}$ | $\frac{3}{100}$ | $\frac{5}{100}$ | $\frac{4}{100}$ | $\frac{5}{100}$ | $\frac{4}{100}$ | $\frac{4}{100}$ | $\frac{3}{100}$ | $\frac{3}{100}$ | $\frac{4}{100}$ |

Q. 10 Do you think of your vote for Congress this fall as a vote for George W. Bush, as a vote against George W. Bush, or isn't George W. Bush much of a factor in your vote?

| BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [ $\mathrm{N}=1,158$ ]: |  |  | Nota DK/ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | For | Against | Factor | Ref. |
| Early October, 2002 | 30 |  | 44 | 6=100 |
| Early September, 2002 | 29 | 15 | 51 | 5=100 |
| February, 2002 | 34 | 9 | 50 | 7=100 |
| Clinton: Late October, 1998 | 20 | 17 | 58 | 5=100 |
| Clinton: Early October, 1998 | 19 | 23 | 52 | 6=100 |
| Clinton: Early September, 1998 | 18 | 16 | 63 | 3=100 |
| Clinton: Late August, 1998 | 20 | 17 | 61 | 2=100 |
| Clinton: Early August, 1998 | 21 | 18 | 57 | $4=100$ |
| Clinton: June, 1998 | 20 | 18 | 57 | 5=100 |
| Clinton: March, 1998 | 21 | 15 | 59 | 5=100 |
| Clinton: September, 1996 | 24 | 18 | 51 | 7=100 |
| Clinton: November, 1994 | 17 | 21 | 55 | $7=100$ |
| Clinton: October, 1994 | 17 | 21 | 57 | 5=100 |
| Clinton: Early October, 1994 | 17 | 23 | 54 | 6=100 |
| CBS/NYT (BUSH): 10/28-31, 1990 | 19 | 15 | 61 | 6=100 |
| CBS/NYT (REAGAN): 10/24-28, 1986 | 26 | 12 | 55 | $7=100$ |
| CBS/NYT (REAGAN): 9/28-10/1, 1986 | 26 | 16 | 51 | 7=100 |
| CBS/NYT (REAGAN): 10/23-28, 1982 | 23 | 21 | 51 | $5=100$ |

Q. 11 Would you like to see your representative in Congress be re-elected in the next congressional election, or not?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [ $\mathrm{N}=1,158$ ]: (VOL)

|  | Yes | No | Congressperson Not running | No Opinion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Early October, 2002 | 58 | 19 | 2 | 21=100 |
| June, 2002 | 58 | 23 | 1 | $18=100$ |
| Early November, 2000 | 59 | 16 | 2 | $23=100$ |
| October, 2000 | 60 | 17 | 1 | $22=100$ |
| July, 1999 | 66 | 23 | * | $11=100$ |
| Late October, 1998 | 64 | 19 | 1 | $16=100$ |
| Early October, 1998 | 58 | 20 | 2 | $20=100$ |
| Early September, 1998 | 63 | 20 | 1 | $16=100$ |
| March, 1998 | 63 | 21 | 1 | $15=100$ |
| January, 1998 | 66 | 23 | 0 | $11=100$ |
| August, 1997 | 66 | 22 | 0 | $12=100$ |
| Early November, 1996 | 60 | 16 | 3 | $21=100$ |
| October, 1996 | 62 | 19 | 2 | $17=100$ |
| Late September, 1996 | 55 | 17 | 2 | $26=100$ |
| Early September, 1996 | 62 | 19 | 2 | $17=100$ |
| November, 1994 | 58 | 25 | 1 | $16=100$ |
| October, 1994 | 55 | 30 | 2 | $13=100$ |
| Early October, 1994 | 49 | 29 | 2 | $20=100$ |
| Gallup: October 1990 | 62 | 22 | 2 | $14=100$ |

Q. 12 Regardless of how you feel about your own representative, would you like to see most members of Congress re-elected in the next congressional election, or not?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,158]:

|  |  | June | Oct |  | Late | Early | Early | March | Jan | Aug $\begin{gathered}\text { Early } \\ \text { Sept }\end{gathered}$ |  | Late Early |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | July | Oct | Oct | Sept |  |  |  |  | Nov | Oct | Oct |
|  |  | $\underline{2002}$ | $\underline{2000}$ | 1999 | 1998 | 1998 | 1998 | 1998 | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | 1994 | 1994 | 1994 |
| 39 | Yes | 45 | 40 | 41 | 41 | 39 | 46 | 45 | 44 | 45 | 43 | 31 | 31 | 28 |
| 38 | No | 37 | 34 | 47 | 37 | 39 | 36 | 41 | 43 | 42 | 43 | 51 | 56 | 56 |
| 23 | DK/Ref. | 18 | $\underline{26}$ | 12 | $\underline{22}$ | $\underline{22}$ | 18 | 14 | 13 | 13 | 14 | 18 | 13 | 16 |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

## ASK ALL RESPONDENTS:

Q. 13 Now I will read a list of some other things that have been in the news this past month. As I read each item, tell me if you happened to follow this news story very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely. [INSERT ITEM; ROTATE; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]

| a. |  | Very Closely | Fairly Closely | Not too Closely | Not at all Closely | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \mathrm{DK} / \\ & \text { Ref. } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Debate over the possibility that the U.S. will take military action in Iraq | 60 | 28 | 6 | 5 | 1=100 |
|  | Early September, $2002^{7}$ | 48 | 29 | 15 | 6 | $2=100$ |
| b. | Recent major ups and downs in the U.S. stock market | 32 | 30 | 19 | 18 | $1=100$ |
|  | Early September, 2002 | 27 | 30 | 20 | 22 | $1=100$ |
|  | Late July, 2002 | 33 | 33 | 15 | 18 | $1=100$ |
|  | March, 2001 | 27 | 27 | 18 | 27 | $1=100$ |
|  | Mid-October, 2000 | 20 | 26 | 23 | 31 | $1=100$ |
|  | April, 2000 | 18 | 28 | 23 | 31 | *=100 |
|  | Early April, 2000 | 19 | 29 | 20 | 32 | *=100 |
|  | March, 2000 | 23 | 29 | 21 | 26 | $1=100$ |
|  | March, 1999 | 18 | 29 | 22 | 31 | * $=100$ |
|  | January, 1999 | 24 | 28 | 19 | 28 | 1=100 |
|  | Early September, 1998 | 32 | 31 | 20 | 17 | * $=100$ |
|  | Mid-August, 1998 | 17 | 23 | 21 | 39 | * $=100$ |
|  | January, 1998 | 21 | 25 | 23 | 31 | *=100 |
|  | November, $1997{ }^{8}$ | 25 | 36 | 18 | 20 | 1=100 |
|  | September, 1997 | 14 | 22 | 23 | 40 | 1=100 |
|  | April, 1997 | 17 | 21 | 22 | 40 | *=100 |
|  | February, 1996 | 12 | 20 | 25 | 42 | $1=100$ |
| c. | News about business scandals and corporate corruption | 29 | 37 | 19 | 14 | 1=100 |
|  | Early September, 2002 | 28 | 33 | 22 | 16 | $1=100$ |
|  | Late July, $2002{ }^{9}$ | 29 | 34 | 19 | 17 | $1=100$ |
|  | July, 2002 | 31 | 33 | 18 | 17 | 1=100 |
|  | February, $2002{ }^{10}$ | 28 | 33 | 19 | 19 | $1=100$ |
|  | January, 2002 | 19 | 24 | 20 | 35 | $2=100$ |
|  | December, 2001 ${ }^{11}$ | 11 | 23 | 28 | 36 | $2=100$ |

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## Q. 13 CONTINUED...

Very Fairly Not too Not at all DK/ Closely Closely Closely Closely Ref.
d. Recent hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { and Louisiana } & 38 & 34 & 18 & 10 & \text { *=100 }\end{array}$
e. News about government budget problems in your state
$25 \quad 36 \quad 24 \quad 15 \quad *=100$

## ASK FORM 1 ONLY [ $\mathbf{N = 9 3 6 ] :}$

f.F1 Reports of the FBI and CIA having information about terrorist plans prior $\begin{array}{lllccc}\text { to the September 11 }{ }^{\text {th }} \text { attacks } & 41 & 37 & 15 & 7 & *=100 \\ \text { June, 2002 } & 32 & 36 & 21 & 10 & 1=100\end{array}$

## ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=577]:

g.F2 Continued violence in the Middle East between the Palestinians and the Israelis $32 \quad 39 \quad 20 \quad 8 \quad 1=100$

| June, 2002 | 38 | 33 | 18 | 10 | $1=100$ |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| April, 2002 | 38 | 37 | 14 | 10 | $1=100$ |
| Early April, 2002 | 44 | 33 | 13 | 9 | $1=100$ |
| December, 2001 | 31 | 40 | 19 | 9 | $1=100$ |
| Early September, 2001 | 21 | 33 | 25 | 20 | $1=100$ |
| April, 2001 | 22 | 34 | 24 | 19 | $1=100$ |
| Mid-October, 2000 | 30 | 38 | 18 | 13 | $1=100$ |
| Early October, 2000 | 21 | 30 | 27 | 21 | $1=100$ |
| January, 1997 | 12 | 23 | 29 | 35 | $1=100$ |
| October, 1996 | 17 | 34 | 26 | 23 | $*=100$ |
| May, 1988 | 18 | 37 | 34 | 9 | $2=100$ |

Now thinking about President Bush...
Q. 14 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling [INSERT ITEM, ROTATE;

OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]

| a. |  | Approve | Disapprove | DK/Ref. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | The economy | 49 | 40 | 11=100 |
|  | June, 2002 | 53 | 36 | $11=100$ |
|  | January, 2002 | 60 | 28 | $12=100$ |
|  | Early September, 2001 | 47 | 44 | $9=100$ |
|  | February, 2001 | 50 | 22 | 28=100 |
|  | Clinton: Early September, 1998 | 871 | 23 | $6=100$ |
|  | Clinton: September, 1997 | 60 | 34 | $6=100$ |
|  | Clinton: January, 1996 | 50 | 42 | $8=100$ |
|  | Clinton: June, 1995 | 46 | 46 | $8=100$ |
|  | Clinton: October, 1994 | 45 | 46 | $9=100$ |
|  | Clinton: July, 1994 | 38 | 56 | $6=100$ |
|  | Bush, Sr.: August, 1990 | 40 | 52 | $8=100$ |
|  | Bush, Sr.: May, 1990 | 42 | 47 | $11=100$ |
| b. | Terrorist threats | 71 | 22 | $7=100$ |
|  | June, 2002 | 74 | 18 | $8=100$ |
|  | Clinton: September, 1998 ${ }^{13}$ | 72 | 20 | $8=100$ |
| ASK FORM 1 ONLY [ $\mathbf{N}=936]$ : |  |  |  |  |
| c.f1 | The situation in the Middle East | 58 | 34 | $8=100$ |
|  | June, 2002 | 64 | 28 | $8=100$ |
|  | Early September, 2001 | 45 | 35 | $20=100$ |
|  | Clinton: September, 1997 | 50 | 36 | $14=100$ |
|  | Clinton: October, 1996* | 51 | 35 | 14=100 |
|  | Clinton: October, 1994* | 56 | 35 | $9=100$ |
|  | * Gallup/CNN/USA Today trend |  |  |  |
| ASK FORM 2 ONLY [ $=$ =577]: $\quad 34$ |  |  |  |  |
| d.F2 | The situation with Iraq | 56 | 34 | $10=100$ |
|  | Clinton: February, 1998* | 58 | 32 | $10=100$ |
|  | Clinton: September, 1996* | 55 | 25 | $20=100$ |
|  | Clinton: October, 1994* | 59 | 33 | $8=100$ |
|  | Bush, Sr.: September, 1991* * Gallup/CNN/USA Today trend | d 64 | 30 | $6=100$ |
| e. | The jobs situation | 47 | 38 | $15=100$ |
|  | June, 2002 | 50 | 37 | $13=100$ |
|  | Clinton: July, 1994 | 40 | 52 | $8=100$ |
| f. | Corporate corruption and the business scandals | 49 | 35 | $16=100$ |
|  | June, 2002 ${ }^{14}$ | 40 | 38 | 22=100 |

Q. 15 Right now, which is more important for President Bush to focus on... the economy or the war on terrorism?

|  |  | Late Aug 2002 |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
|  | The economy | 39 |
| 45 | War on terrorism | 34 |
| $*$ | Neither (VOL.) | 2 |
| 17 | Both (VOL.) | 22 |
| $\frac{2}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\frac{3}{100}$ |

Q. 16 In the long run, do you think George W. Bush will be a successful or unsuccessful president, or do you think it is too early to tell?

|  | San 2001 | - Clinton -- <br> Early Oct 1994 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 40 | Successful | 26 | 14 |
| 15 | Unsuccessful | 15 | 35 |
| 44 | Too early to tell | 58 | 48 |
| $\frac{1}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\frac{1}{00}$ | $\frac{3}{100}$ |

ASK Q. 17 AND Q. 18 OF REGISTERED VOTERS ONLY (R.1a=1):
Q. 17 What one issue would you most like to hear the candidates in your state or district talk about this fall? [OPEN ENDED; PROMPT ONCE WITH "What would you name second?" ACCEPT UP TO THREE MENTIONS]

| BASED | ON REGISTERED VOTERS [ $\mathrm{N}=1,158$ ]: | June | Early Oct | Early Sept | June |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\underline{2002}$ | 1998 | 1998 | $\underline{1998}$ |
| 40 | Economy/Economic issues | 7 | 6 | 8 | 4 |
| 21 | Education issues | 20 | 24 | 20 | 20 |
| 16 | Jobs/Employment | 6 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 11 | Dealing with terrorism/terrorists | 9 | * | 1 | - |
| 10 | Taxation | 12 | 8 | 11 | 13 |
| 9 | Health care | 13 | 8 | 6 | 5 |
| 6 | Foreign policy/International relations | 7 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| 4 | Balanced budget | 4 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| 4 | Iraq | - | - | - | - |
| 4 | Crime/Crime control/All other crime issues | 6 | 7 | 9 | 14 |
| 3 | Caring for seniors/Elder care | 3 | 2 | 1 | - |
| 3 | National security | 12 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | Environment | 4 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 2 | Social Security | 3 | 6 | 4 | 9 |
| 2 | Business scandals/reform | - | - | - | - |
| 2 | Morality/Character issues | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 |
| 2 | State/local issues | 1 | 3 | 4 | -- |
| 2 | Family/Child care issues | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| 2 | Politicians/Political system | 2 | 4 | 3 | -- |
| 2 | Abortion | 2 | 3 | 2 | 4 |
| 1 | Highway construction | * | * | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | Immigration | 1 | * | * | * |
| 1 | Welfare/Welfare reform | 1 | 1 | 3 | - |
| 1 | George W. Bush/The President | * | 3 | - | - |
| 1 | Poverty/Homelessness | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 |
| 1 | Size/Scope of government | 1 | 2 | 2 | - |
| 1 | Wages/Salaries | * | 1 | 1 | - |
| 1 | None | * | * | * | * |
| 11 | No answer/DK/Refused | 16 | 2 | 21 | 18 |
| 55 | ECONOMIC (NET) | 20 | 14 | 15 | 15 |
| 22 | FOREIGN POLICY/TERRORISM (NET) | 26 | 3 | 4 | 3 |

Q. 18 Next, please tell me if you think the REPUBLICAN Party or the DEMOCRATIC Party could do a better job in each of the following areas... (First,) which party could do a better job of...[INSERT ITEM; OBSERVE FORM DIFFERENCES]

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [ $\mathbf{N}=1,158$ ]:

|  |  |  |  | (VOL.) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Republican | Democratic | Both | (VOL.) | Don't |
|  |  | Party | Party | Equally | Neither | Know |
| a. | Dealing with the economy | 37 | 41 | 4 | 5 | 13=100 |
|  | Early September, 2002 | 37 | 37 | 9 | 6 | $11=100$ |
|  | January, 2002 | 45 | 33 | -- | 5 | $17=100$ |
|  | May, $2001{ }^{15}$ | 33 | 46 | 8 | 4 | $9=100$ |
|  | June, 1999 | 35 | 45 | 9 | 3 | $8=100$ |
|  | March, 1999 | 39 | 45 | 5 | 3 | $8=100$ |
|  | Early September, 1998 | 41 | 37 | 9 | 4 | $9=100$ |
|  | March, 1998 | 39 | 41 | 13 | 3 | $4=100$ |
|  | October, 1994 | 46 | 33 | 5 | 6 | $10=100$ |
|  | October, 1992 ${ }^{16}$ | 36 | 45 | 10 | 0 | $9=100$ |
|  | October, 1990 ${ }^{17}$ | 37 | 35 | 0 | 0 | $28=100$ |

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [ $\mathrm{N}=709$ ]:
b.F1 Making wise decisions about what to do in Iraq 46 $46 \quad 30$

7
4
$13=100$
ASK FORM 2 ONLY [ $\mathrm{N}=449$ ]:
c.F2 Dealing with the terrorist threat at home

44

| 28 | 7 | 5 | $16=100$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 23 | 14 | 6 | $12=100$ |
| 16 | -- | 6 | $28=100$ |

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [ $\mathbf{N}=709$ ]:
d.F1 Bringing corrupt business executives to justice
$37 \quad 38$
ASK FORM 2 ONLY [ $\mathbf{N}=449$ ]:
e.F2 Requiring corporations to reform their business practices 33

41
5
4
$17=100$

## ASK ALL RESPONDENTS:

Q. 19 From what you've heard or read, do you happen to know if Congress has passed a law to toughen regulations on corporate accounting practices, or not?

| 28 | Yes, has passed |
| :--- | :--- |
| 31 | No |
| $\frac{41}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

Gallup poll conducted Oct. 23-25, 1992 based on registered voters.
17 Gallup poll conducted Oct 25-28, 1990, based on general population.

Now, thinking about your own personal finances...
Q. 20 How would you rate your own personal financial situation? Would you say you are in excellent shape, good shape, only fair shape or poor shape?

|  |  | Late |  |  |  | (RVs) |  |  |  |  | U.S. News \& World Report |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | June | Sept | June | un | Aug | May | Sept | Feb |  |  | Jan | Oct | Aug |  | Jan |
|  |  | $\underline{2002}$ | 2001 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1994 | 1993 | 1993 | 1992 | 1992 | 1992 | 1992 |
| 7 | Excellent shape | 5 | 7 | 6 | 9 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 4 |
| 39 | Good shape | 40 | 40 | 38 | 43 | 43 | 43 | 47 | 39 | 41 | 34 | 33 | 34 | 30 | 35 | 32 |
| 37 | Only fair shape | 37 | 37 | 39 | 35 | 41 | 38 | 34 | 38 | 40 | 45 | 46 | 40 | 47 | 45 | 45 |
| 16 | OR poor shape | 16 | 14 | 16 | 11 | 9 | 11 | 10 | 14 | 13 | 15 | 16 | 19 | 17 | 15 | 18 |
| 1 | DK/Ref. | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{2}$ | 1 | $\underline{2}$ | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

Q. 21 Over the course of the next year, do you think the financial situation of you and your family will improve a lot, improve some, get a little worse or get a lot worse?

|  | Late |  |  |  |  |  | U.S. News \& World Report |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| June | Jan | Sept | June | Jan | Jan | May |  | March | Oct | Aug |  | Jan |
| $\underline{2002}$ | 2002 | 2001 | 2001 | 2001 | 1999 | 1997 | 1995 | 1994 | 1992 | 1992 | 1992 | 1992 |
| 11 | 12 | 9 | 11 | 11 | 17 | 12 | 11 | 10 | 9 | 6 | 8 | 9 |
| 55 | 53 | 46 | 52 | 46 | 55 | 56 | 53 | 57 | 51 | 50 | 49 | 46 |
| 15 | 15 | 16 | 15 | 18 | 7 | 10 | 13 | 11 | 14 | 20 | 22 | 19 |
| 4 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 9 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 5 |
| 11 | 11 | 17 | 14 | 12 | 14 | 17 | 17 | 16 | 15 | 14 | 13 | 16 |
| 4 |  | 8 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 5 | 4 | 5 |
| $1 \overline{0} 0$ | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

Q. 22 A year from now, do you expect that economic conditions in the country as a whole will be better than they are at present, or worse, or just about the same as now? ${ }^{18}$

|  |  | Newsweek |  |  |  | Early | Early |  |  |  |  | Newsweek |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | June | Jan | Jan | June | Oct | Sept | May | Feb | Sept | May | Jan | Jan |
|  |  | $\underline{2002}$ | $\underline{2002}$ | $\underline{2001}$ | $\underline{2000}$ | 1998 | 1998 | 1990 | 1989 | 1988 | 1988 | 1988 | 1984 |
| 34 | Better | 30 | 44 | 18 | 15 | 16 | 18 | 18 | 25 | 24 | 24 | 22 | 35 |
| 18 | Worse | 20 | 17 | 33 | 24 | 22 | 17 | 31 | 22 | 16 | 20 | 26 | 13 |
| 42 | Same | 46 | 36 | 44 | 55 | 57 | 61 | 45 | 49 | 51 | 46 | 45 | 49 |
| 6 | DK/Ref. | 4 | 3 | 5 | $\underline{6}$ | 5 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 9 | 10 | 7 | 3 |
| $\overline{100}$ |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | $1 \overline{0} 0$ | $1 \overline{00}$ | $1 \overline{0} 0$ | $1 \overline{00}$ | $1 \overline{0} 0$ | $1 \overline{00}$ | 100 | $1 \overline{0} 0$ | 100 |

Q. 23 In your opinion, is President Bush doing as much as he can to improve economic conditions or do you think he could be doing more?

|  |  | June 2002 |  | --- Bush, Sr. --- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Jan 2002 | March 1992 | Jan 1992 |
| 31 | Doing as much as he can |  | 33 | 48 | 21 | 21 |
| 63 | Could be doing more | 62 | 46 | 76 | 76 |
| $\frac{6}{10}$ | Can't say | ${ }^{5}$ | $\underline{6}$ | $\frac{3}{10}$ | $\underline{3}$ |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

## NO QUESTIONS 24 THRU 27

Q. 28 Over the next 12 months, do you think the stock market is most likely to go up a lot, go up some, stay about the same, go down some, or go down a lot?

|  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan } \\ 2001 \end{gathered}$ | -- Newsweek -- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Dec | Sept |
|  |  |  | $\underline{2000}$ | 1997 |
| 36 | Tota | Goup |  | 34 | 29 | 32 |
|  | 3 | Go up a lot |  | 4 | 6 | -- |
|  | 33 | Go up some | 30 | 23 | -- |
| 31 | Stay | about the same | 26 | 25 | 33 |
| 24 | Tota | Go Down | 30 | 26 | 16 |
|  | 18 | Go down some | 23 | 20 | -- |
|  | 6 | Go down a lot | 7 | 6 | -- |
| 9 | Don't know/Refused |  | 10 | $\underline{20}$ | 19 |
| 100 |  |  | 100 | 100 | 100 |

Q. 29 Now I am going to read a list of things that have been in the news recently. For each, please tell me how often, if ever, it comes up in your conversations with family and friends. First how often do you talk about [INSERT ITEM; ROTATE]... frequently, occasionally, hardly ever or never? What about...
a. Problems with public education June, 2002
Early September, 1998
b. Problems with health insurance and HMOs June, 2002
Early September, 1998
c. Problems with the Social Security system

June, 2002
Early September, 1998
d. The issue of corporate corruption and business scandals June, $2002^{19}$

| Frequently | Occasi- Hardly |  | Never | DK/Ref. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | onally | Ever |  |  |
| 40 | 31 | 18 | 10 | $1=100$ |
| 48 | 28 | 17 | 7 | * $=100$ |
| 48 | 31 | 15 | 6 | * $=100$ |
| 44 | 28 | 17 | 10 | $1=100$ |
| 51 | 24 | 16 | 9 | * $=100$ |
| 44 | 29 | 17 | 10 | * $=100$ |
| 22 | 31 | 31 | 15 | $1=100$ |
| 33 | 31 | 23 | 13 | $0=100$ |
| 31 | 33 | 26 | 10 | * $=100$ |
| 23 | 37 | 25 | 14 | $1=100$ |
| 22 | 30 | 27 | 20 | $1=100$ |
| 52 | 32 | 10 | 5 | $1=100$ |
| 40 | 37 | 14 | 8 | $1=100$ |
| 46 | 32 | 17 | 5 | * $=100$ |
| 48 | 38 | 10 | 4 | *=100 |
| 55 | 31 | 10 | 4 | * $=100$ |
| 37 | 37 | 20 | 6 | * $=100$ |
| 30 | 31 | 22 | 16 | $1=100$ |

Now a few questions about the situation in Iraq.
Q. 30 How much have you yourself thought about whether the US should use military force to remove Saddam Hussein from power in Iraq? [READ]

|  |  | Mid-Sept <br> $\underline{2002}$ | Late Aug |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 54 | A Great deal | $\frac{2002}{45}$ | $\frac{\text { Jan 1991 }}{}{ }^{21}$ |  |
| 32 | Some | 27 | 35 | 66 |
| 8 | Only a little - OR - | 9 | 11 | 24 |
| 5 | Not at all | 6 | 6 | 6 |
| $\frac{1}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | 2 |
| $\frac{100}{100}$ | $\underline{2}$ |  |  |  |
| 100 |  |  |  |  |

Q. 31 Would you favor or oppose taking military action in Iraq to end Saddam Hussein's rule?

ASK IF FAVOR OR OPPOSE ("1" OR "2" IN Q.31):
Q. 32 Do you feel strongly about this, or do you think you might change your mind?


## ASK Q. 33 THRU Q. 47 OF FORM 1 RESPONDENTS ONLY: (FORM 2 SKIP TO Q.48)

ASK IF FAVOR MILITARY ACTION (1 IN Q.31) [N=568]:
Q.33F1 Do you think that most politicians who oppose military action in Iraq are sincere in their beliefs, or do you think most are taking their position for political reasons?

| 16 | Sincere in their beliefs |
| :---: | :--- |
| 75 | Taking position for political reasons |
| 3 | Both (VOL.) |
| $\frac{6}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

ASK IF OPPOSE MILITARY ACTION (2 IN Q.31) [N=272]:
Q.34F1 Regardless of your feelings about the war against Iraq, do you think that most politicians who support military action in Iraq are sincere in their beliefs, or do you think most are taking their position for political reasons?

| 14 | Sincere in their beliefs |
| :---: | :--- |
| 80 | Taking position for political reasons |
| 1 | Both (VOL.) |
| $\frac{5}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

## ASK ALL FORM 1 RESPONDENTS [ $\mathrm{N}=936$ ]:

Now just a few more questions about the situation in Iraq.

## ROTATE Q. 35 THROUGH Q. 44

Q.35F1 What's your opinion based on what you've heard or read: Is Saddam Hussein close to having nuclear weapons, or is he a long way from getting nuclear weapons?

| 65 | Close to having nuclear weapons |
| :--- | :--- |
| 11 | Long way from getting nuclear weapons |
| 14 | Already has nuclear weapons (VOL.) |
| $\frac{10}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

Q.36F1 And what's your opinion, based on what you've heard or read: Do you believe that Saddam Hussein helped the terrorists in the September $11^{\text {th }}$ attacks, or don't you think he was involved?

| 66 | Helped the terrorists |
| :--- | :--- |
| 21 | Was not involved |
| $\frac{13}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

Q.37F1 If the U.S. uses military force in Iraq, do you think this will help the war on terrorism, or will it hurt the war on terrorism?

| 52 | Help |
| :--- | :--- |
| 34 | Hurt |
| $\frac{14}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

Q.38F1 What do we have to do to deal with the possible threat posed by Saddam Hussein? Do you think he can be disarmed but left in power, or do you think he has to be removed from power?

| 8 | Disarmed, but left in power |
| :---: | :--- |
| 85 | Think he has to be removed from power |
| 1 | Neither / Not a threat / No action needed (VOL.) |
| 1 | Other (VOL.) |
| $\frac{5}{100}$ | Don't Know/Refused |

Q.39F1 From what you've heard or read... if the U.S. attacks Iraq, would most of the Iraqi people support Saddam Hussein, or would most of the Iraqi people turn against Hussein?

| 45 | Most will support Hussein |
| :--- | :--- |
| 37 | Most will turn against Hussein |
| $\frac{18}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

Q.40F1 In your opinion, if the U.S. takes military action against Iraq, how much, if at all, will it hurt the image of the United States among Muslim nations? [READ, IN ORDER]

| 48 | A lot |
| :--- | :--- |
| 29 | A little --OR-- |
| 17 | Not much at all |
| $\frac{6}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

Q.41F1 From what you have heard or read, what's your impression of what a war with Iraq would be like? Do you think the U.S. will suffer a large number of casualties, or do you think there will be relatively few American casualties?

40 A large number of U.S. casualties
50 Relatively few American casualties
$\frac{10}{100}$ Don't know/Refused
100
Q.42F1 And in your opinion, if the U.S. takes military action against Iraq, will most of our traditional allies join us, or won't they?

| 51 | Most allies will join us |
| :---: | :--- |
| 33 | They will not |
| 8 | Mixed / some will, some won’t (VOL.) |
| $\frac{8}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

Q.43F1 If the U.S. were to use military force against Iraq, would you worry that this sends a signal to other nations that it is O.K. to strike first against their enemies, or would you not worry about this?

| 40 | Worried that it will send signal that it's OK to strike first |
| :--- | :--- |
| 56 | Not worried about this |
| $\frac{4}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

Q.44F1 If the U.S. takes military action against Iraq, would you favor or oppose a major American effort in Iraq after the war to rebuild the country and establish a stable government?

| 60 | Favor |
| :--- | :--- |
| 32 | Oppose |
| $\frac{8}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

Q.45F1/
Q.53F2 What's your opinion of how Congress is handling the debate about possible military action in Iraq... are they rushing through the debate, are they moving too slowly, or are they giving it careful thought?

## BASED ON ALL RESPONDENTS [ $\mathbf{N}=1,513$ ]:

15 Rushing through the debate
24 Moving too slowly
51 Giving careful thought
$\frac{10}{10}$ Don't know/Refused
100
ASK FORM 1 ONLY [ $\mathbf{N = 9 3 6 ] :}$
Q.46F1 And finally, after thinking about different aspects of a possible war with Iraq, let me ask you again: Would you favor or oppose taking military action in Iraq to end Saddam Hussein's rule?
ASK IF FAVOR OR OPPOSE ("1" OR "2" IN Q.46):
Q.47F1 Do you feel strongly about this, or do you think you might change your mind?

65 Favor
53 Feel Strongly
11 Might Change mind
1 Don't know/Refused
Oppose
15 Feel Strongly
11 Might Change mind
1 Don't know/Refused
8 Don't know/Refused
100

ASK Q. 48 THRU Q. 53 OF FORM 2 RESPONDENTS ONLY: (FORM 1 SKIP TO Q.55)
ASK IF FAVOR MILITARY ACTION (1 IN Q.31) [N=344]:
Q.48F2 People give many different reasons for supporting military action in Iraq. What are the most important reasons why you support going to war in Iraq? [OPEN ENDED: ACCEPT UP TO 3 REASONS;
PROMPT ONCE WITH "Any other reasons"]

| 17 | Prevent future terrorism |
| :---: | :--- |
| 14 | Get rid of/kill Saddam Hussein |
| 13 | Link to terrorism/Al Qaeda/9-11 |
| 13 | Nuclear/chemical/biological weapons |
| 9 | National security/Protect the U.S. |
| 9 | Threat/Danger (general) |
| 8 | Help Iraqi people/Human rights/He's a tyrant |
| 6 | Saddam Hussein is crazy/evil/a monster |
| 5 | Military is only option/Need to end it |
| 5 | Stability in Mideast/Oil supply |
| 5 | Dangerous to delay/Will only get worse |
| 3 | Finish job from Gulf War |
| 3 | Must act to be taken seriously/U.S. image |
| 2 | Help economy |
| 2 | Defiance of U.N. weapons inspections |
| 2 | Protect freedom |
| 2 | Protect future generations |
| 2 | Make world safer |
| 2 | Retribution/Eye for an eye |
| 1 | Support/believe President Bush |
| 7 | Other |
| 7 | Don't know/Refused |

ASK IF OPPOSE MILITARY ACTION (2 IN Q.31) [ $\mathrm{N}=167$ ]:
Q.49F2 People give many different reasons for opposing military action in Iraq. What are the most important reasons why you oppose going to war in Iraq? [OPEN ENDED: ACCEPT UP TO 3 REASONS; PROMPT ONCE WITH "Any other reasons"]

| 24 | Military and civilian casualties |
| :---: | :--- |
| 12 | Won't do any good/Pointless |
| 10 | Not enough proof/Reasons not explained |
| 10 | Will create more problems/Destabilize region |
| 9 | They haven't hurt us/Shouldn't attack first |
| 8 | Lack allied/United Nations/international support |
| 7 | Will hurt war on terrorism/Increase threat |
| 6 | Economic costs |
| 6 | Wrong motivations (oil, personal, political) |
| 5 | Not our business/Don't get involved |
| 4 | Anti-war/Believe in peace |
| 4 | Should find non-military solution |
| 4 | Wrong to impose our views on others |
| 3 | Focus on problems at home |
| 3 | Would hurt U.S. image abroad |
| 3 | Need public/Congressional support first |
| 2 | No clear plan/We aren't prepared |
| 1 | Long war/Quagmire |
| 17 | Other |
| 3 | Don't know/Refused |

## ASK IF FAVOR MILITARY ACTION (1 IN Q.31) [N=344]:

Q.50F2 If Saddam Hussein does cooperate with full and complete weapons inspections, would you favor or oppose using military force against Iraq?

| 51 | Favor |
| :--- | :--- |
| 43 | Oppose |
| $\frac{6}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

## ASK IF OPPOSE MILITARY ACTION (2 IN Q.31) [N=167]:

Q.51F2 If Saddam Hussein does not cooperate with full and complete weapons inspections, would you favor or oppose using military force against Iraq?

| 39 | Favor |
| :--- | :--- |
| 50 | Oppose |
| $\frac{11}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

## ASK ALL FORM 2 RESPONDENTS [N=577]:

## ROTATE QUESTIONS 52 AND 53

Q.52F2 What's your opinion of how George W. Bush is handling the situation with Iraq... is he moving toward military action too quickly, is he moving too slowly, or is he giving the situation careful thought?

| 34 | Moving too quickly |
| :--- | :--- |
| 10 | Moving too slowly |
| 51 | Giving careful thought |
| $\frac{5}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

Q.53F2 What's your opinion of how Congress is handling the debate about possible military action in Iraq... are they rushing through the debate, are they moving too slowly, or are they giving it careful thought?

Identical question wording as Q.45F1; See Q.45F1 for aggregated results [Form split and Q.52F2/Q.53F2 rotation had no significant effect on responses]
Q.54F2 Which comes closer to your view? At this point, does war in Iraq seem inevitable to you, or do you think it still might be avoided?

| 39 | War seems inevitable |
| :--- | :--- |
| 56 | War still might be avoided |
| $\frac{5}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

ASK ALL:
Thinking more generally,
Q. 55 How worried are you that there will soon be another terrorist attack in the United States? [READ]

|  |  | Late Aug | June | Jan | Dec | Oct 15-21 | Oct 10-14 | Early Oct |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 20 | Very worried | $\frac{2002}{16}$ | $\frac{2002}{32}$ | $\frac{2002}{20}$ | $\frac{2001}{13}$ | $\frac{2001}{29}$ | $\frac{2001}{27}$ | $\frac{2001}{28}$ |
| 46 | Somewhat worried | 46 | 44 | 42 | 39 | 42 | 40 | 45 |
| 22 | Not too worried | 25 | 17 | 28 | 27 | 18 | 19 | 15 |
| 11 | Not at all worried | 12 | 7 | 9 | 19 | 10 | 12 | 11 |
| $\frac{1}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\frac{1}{10}$ | $\frac{*}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{2}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{2}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ |

Now, just a few questions for statistical purposes only.
Q. 56 Do you use a computer at your workplace, at school, at home or anywhere else on at least an occasional basis?
IF "1, YES" (USE A COMPUTER) IN Q.56, ASK:
Q. 57 Do you ever go online to access the Internet or World Wide Web or to send and receive email?

|  | Computer User |  |  | Goes Online |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Yes | No | DK/Ref | Yes | No | DK/Ref |
| Early October, 2002 | 75 | 25 | *=100 | 63 | 37 | *=100 |
| June, 2002 | 74 | 26 | *=100 | 66 | 34 | *=100 |
| May, 2002 | 75 | 25 | *=100 | 66 | 34 | *=100 |
| April, 2002 | 71 | 29 | *=100 | 62 | 38 | $0=100$ |
| February, 2002 | 71 | 29 | *=100 | 62 | 38 | $0=100$ |
| January, 2002 | 73 | 27 | $0=100$ | 62 | 38 | $0=100$ |
| Mid-November, 2001 | 73 | 27 | $0=100$ | 62 | 38 | $0=100$ |
| Mid-September, 2001 | 72 | 28 | *=100 | 62 | 38 | *=100 |
| June, 2001 | 72 | 28 | *=100 | 62 | 38 | $0=100$ |
| May, 2001 | 75 | 25 | *=100 | 64 | 36 | $0=100$ |
| April, 2001 | 72 | 28 | *=100 | 62 | 38 | $0=100$ |
| February, 2001 | 72 | 28 | $0=100$ | 60 | 40 | *=100 |
| January, 2001 | 71 | 29 | *=100 | 61 | 39 | $0=100$ |
| July, 2000 | 68 | 31 | 1=100 | 55 | 45 | *=100 |
| June, 2000 | 68 | 31 | $1=100$ | 56 | 44 | *=100 |
| April, 2000 | 68 | 32 | *=100 | 54 | 46 | *=100 |
| March, 2000 ${ }^{23}$ | 72 | 28 | $0=100$ | 61 | 39 | $0=100$ |
| February, 2000 | 67 | 33 | *=100 | 52 | 48 | $0=100$ |
| January, 2000 | 68 | 32 | *=100 | 52 | 48 | *=100 |
| December, 1999 | 67 | 33 | *=100 | 53 | 47 | $0=100$ |
| October, 1999 | 67 | 33 | *=100 | 50 | 50 | $0=100$ |
| Late September, 1999 | 68 | 32 | *=100 | 52 | 48 | *=100 |
| September, 1999 | 70 | 30 | *=100 | 53 | 47 | $0=100$ |
| August, 1999 | 67 | 33 | *=100 | 52 | 48 | $0=100$ |
| July, 1999 | 68 | 32 | *=100 | 49 | 51 | $0=100$ |
| June, 1999 | 64 | 35 | $1=100$ | 50 | 50 | *=100 |
| May, 1999 | 66 | 33 | $1=100$ | 48 | 52 | $0=100$ |
| April, 1999 | 71 | 29 | *=100 | 51 | 49 | *=100 |
| March, 1999 | 68 | 32 | *=100 | 49 | 51 | *=100 |
| February, 1999 | 68 | 32 | *=100 | 49 | 51 | *=100 |
| January, 1999 | 69 | 31 | *=100 | 47 | 53 | *=100 |
| Early December, 1998 | 64 | 36 | *=100 | 42 | 58 | $0=100$ |
| November, 1998 | -- | -- | -- | 37 | 63 | *=100 |
| Early September, 1998 | 64 | 36 | *=100 | 42 | 58 | *=100 |
| Late August, 1998 | 66 | 34 | $0=100$ | 43 | 57 | *=100 |
| Early August, 1998 | 66 | 34 | *=100 | 41 | 59 | *=100 |
| April, 1998 | 61 | 39 | *=100 | 36 | 64 | $0=100$ |
| January, 1998 | 65 | 35 | *=100 | 37 | 63 | $0=100$ |
| November, 1997 | 66 | 34 | *=100 | 36 | 63 | $1=100$ |
| June, 1997 | 60 | 40 | $0=100$ | -- | -- | -- |
| Early September, 1996 | 56 | 44 | *=100 | -- | -- | -- |
| July, 1996 | 56 | 44 | *=100 | 23 | 77 | $0=100$ |
| April, 1996 | 58 | 42 | *=100 | 21 | 79 | *=100 |
| March, 1996 | 61 | 39 | *=100 | 22 | 78 | $0=100$ |
| February, 1996 | 60 | 40 | $0=100$ | 21 | 79 | *=100 |
| January, 1996 | 59 | 41 | $0=100$ | 21 | 79 | $0=100$ |
| June, 1995 ${ }^{24}$ | -- | -- | -- | 14 | 86 | *=100 |

Thinking about your own personal finances...
A. 1 Do you have a retirement plan besides Social Security? [IF YES: Is any of your retirement money in the stock market through stocks, mutual funds or a 401k plan?]
$47 \quad$ Yes, retirement plan in the stock market
13 Yes, but not in stock market
37 No, no retirement plan
3 Don't know/Refused
100
A. 2 [IF 1,2 IN A. 1 READ: Aside from retirement accounts...] Do you currently own shares in a mutual fund that includes stock?

| 36 | Yes |
| :--- | :--- |
| 60 | No |
| $\frac{4}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

A. 3 Do you currently own stock in any INDIVIDUAL COMPANIES besides a company that you or someone else in your household works for?

| 23 | Yes |
| :--- | :--- |
| 74 | No |
| $\frac{3}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

A. 4 Within the past year, have you made changes to your investments -- that is -- decided to buy or sell any stocks or shares in a mutual fund? [IF YES ASK: Have you made any changes within the past six months?]

| 12 | Yes, within past six months |
| :---: | :--- |
| 8 | Yes, within past year |
| 77 | No changes in the past year |
| $\frac{3}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

## ASK OF THOSE WHO OWN STOCK OR MUTUAL FUNDS (1 "YES" in A.1, A. 2 OR A.3) [N=942]:

A. 5 Over the past year, has the value of your stock and mutual fund investments gone up a lot, gone up a little, stayed about the same, gone down a little, or gone down a lot?

| 2 | Gone up a lot |
| :---: | :--- |
| 9 | Gone up a little |
| 15 | Stayed about the same |
| 28 | Gone down a little |
| 39 | Gone down a lot |
| $\frac{7}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |


[^0]:    2 In April 1998, September 1994 and October 1990, story was listed as "Candidates and election campaigns in your state."
    3 In November 1990, story was listed as "Candidates and elections in your state."
    $4 \quad$ October 1990 trend based on total respondents.

[^1]:    $5 \quad$ November 1996 trend based on likely voters.

    6 In Early November 2000, Late October 1998, November 1996 and November 1994 the question was worded: "Do you yourself plan to vote in the election this Tuesday, or not?"

[^2]:    7 In Early September, 2002 the question was worded, "...U.S. will invade Iraq."
    8 In November 1997, April 1997 and February 1996, the story was listed as "Recent major ups and downs in the stock market."

    9 In Late July 2002 and July 2002 the story was listed as "Recent business scandals involving WorldCom and other major U.S. corporations."

    In February 2002 and January 2002 the story was listed as "The ongoing investigation into the bankruptcy of the Enron corporation."

    11 In December 2001 the question was worded "The bankruptcy of the Enron Corporation and its impact on the retirement investments of Enron employees."

