#### PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE AND THE PRESS & COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS EARLY OCTOBER 2002 ELECTION STUDY FINAL TOPLINE October 2-6, 2002 N = 1,513

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 7	8=100
Late September, 2001	86		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?

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	Quite	(VOL.)	Only	None/DK/
	<u>A lot</u>	Some	A Little	Refused
Early October, 2002	45	6	45	4=100
Early September, 2002	36	5	54	5=100
Late October, 1998	49	11	35	5=100
Early October, 1998	42	8	43	7=100
November, 1994	56	7	32	5=100
October, 1994	45	7	45	3=100
Early October, 1994	44	2	50	4=100
Gallup: October, 1990 <sup>1</sup>	43	7	46	4=100
Gallup: October, 1982	29	22	37	12 = 100
Gallup: October, 1978	23	22	39	17 = 100
Gallup: September, 1978	21	18	44	18=100

Gallup trends based on total respondents.

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.I 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 Yes, registered
    - 73 Absolutely certain
      - 3 Chance registration has lapsed
    - 1 Don't know/Refused
  - 22 No, not registered
  - 1 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 [N=1,158]:**

	Very Fairly I		Not too	Not at al	1 DK/
	Closely	Closely	<u>Closely</u>	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 <sup>3</sup>	44	36	13	7	*=100
October, 1990 <sup>4</sup>	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 VO	(VOL.)						
	_	Nearly	Part of		Never	(VOL.)	
	<u>Always</u>	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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In April 1998, September 1994 and October 1990, story was listed as "Candidates and election campaigns in your state."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> In November 1990, story was listed as "Candidates and elections in your state."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> October 1990 trend based on total respondents.

# Q.4 CONTINUED

ONTINUED					(VOL.)		
		Nearly	Part of		Never	(VOL.)	
	Always	<u>Always</u>	The time	Seldom	Vote	Other	DK/Ref.
June, 1998	49	33	12	5	1	0	0 = 100
September, 1997	62	26	8	3	*	1	*=100
November, 1996	55	28	8	6	1	2	*=100
October, 1996	52	30	9	5	2	2	*=100
Late September, 1996	52	31	10	4	1	2	*=100
June, 1996	52	33	9	4	1	1	*=100
February, 1996	42	41	11	4	1	1	*=100
October, 1995	53	35	7	4	*	1	*=100
April, 1995	53	34	9	4	*	*	*=100
November, 1994	58	28	8	5	1	*	0=100
October, 1994	55	32	10	3	*	*	*=100
July, 1994	52	34	10	4	*	*	*=100
June, 1992	60	29	7	3	1	*	*=100
May, 1992	50	35	10	4	*	1	*=100
November, 1991	46	41	9	4	0	*	*=100
May, 1990	42	42	11	4	*	1	*=100
Gallup: November, 1988	57	26	10	4	2	1	*=100
Gallup: October, 1988	56	26	12	4	1	1	*=100
May, 1988	43	41	11	3	1	2	*=100
January, 1988	49	39	9	2	*	1	*=100
May, 1987	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 [N=1,158]:**

DASED ON REGISTERED V	- / -		
	Republican/	Democrat/	Other/
	Lean Rep.	Lean Dem.	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
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Q.5/5a CONTINUED	Republican/ Lean Rep.	Democrat/ Lean Dem.	Other/ <u>Undecided</u>
1996 Election			
November, 1996 <sup>5</sup>	44	48	8=100
October, 1996	42	49	9=100
Late September, 1996	43	49	8=100
Early September, 1996	43	51	6=100
July, 1996	46	47	7=100
June, 1996	44	50	6=100
March, 1996	44	49	7=100
January, 1996	46	47	7=100
October, 1995	48	48	4=100
August, 1995	50	43	7=100
1994 Election			
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]:

	Yes, Plan	No, Don't	Can't Say/
	To Vote	Plan To	Don't know
Early October, 2002 <sup>+</sup>	95	3	2=100
Early November, 2000	96	3	1=100
Late October, 2000	97	2	1=100
Mid-October, 2000	96	3 2 2 2 3 2	2=100
Early October, 2000	97	2	1=100
September, 2000	95	3	2=100
June, 2000	95	2	3=100
Late October, 1998 <sup>6</sup> <sup>†</sup>	91	6	3=100
Early October, 1998 <sup>†</sup>	92	4	4=100
Early September, 1998 <sup>†</sup>	95	2 3 3 2	3=100
Late August, 1998 <sup>†</sup>	93	3	4=100
June, 1998†	95	3	2 = 100
November, 1996	96	2	2 = 100
October, 1996	98	1	1 = 100
Late September, 1996	98	1	1 = 100
Early September, 1996	96	2	2 = 100
July, 1996	95	3	2 = 100
June, 1996	96	2 3 2 5 3	2 = 100
November, 1994 <sup>†</sup>	93	5	2 = 100
October, 1994 <sup>†</sup>	95		2 = 100
October, 1992	98	1	1 = 100
September, 1992	98	1	1 = 100
August, 1992	97	1	2 = 100
June, 1992	97	1	2 = 100
Gallup: November, 1988	97	2 1	1 = 100
Gallup: October, 1988	98	1	1 = 100

† Non-Presidential elections

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November 1996 trend based on likely voters.

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?"

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									De	finitely
	will vote									wil	l not vote
	$\frac{10}{64}$	$\frac{9}{10}$	$\frac{8}{10}$	$\frac{7}{4}$	$\frac{6}{3}$	$\frac{5}{4}$	$\frac{4}{1}$	3	2	$\frac{1}{2}$	DK/Ref.
Early October, 2002	64	10									2 = 100
Early November, 2000	80	6	5	2	1	3	*	*	*	3	1 = 100
Late October, 2000	83	5	5	1	1	2	*	1	1	1	*=100
Mid-October, 2000	80	7	4	3	1	3	1	*	*	1	1=100
Early October, 2000	78	7	5	2	2	2	*	1	1	1	1=100
Late October, 1998	70	6	7	4	1	4	1	1	1	4	1=100
Early October, 1998	64	9	10	4	2	4	1	2	1	2	1 = 100
November, 1996	77	7	7	2	1	2	*	1	*	2	1=100
October, 1996	77	9	7	2	2	2	*	*	*	1	*=100
Late September, 1996	78	10	6	2	1	1	*	*	*	1	1=100
November, 1994	67	9	8	2	2	4	1	1	1	3	2 = 100
October, 1994	66	10	9	4	2	4	1	1	*	2	1=100
Gallup: September, 1992	77	5	4	3	2	4	*	1	*	4	*=100
Gallup: November, 1988	77	7	6	2	1	3	*	*	*	2	2=100
Gallup: October, 1988	73	8	7	3	2	3	1	*	*	1	2=100

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?)

<b>BASED ON REGISTERED</b>	VOTERS	[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	1	4=100
Early October, 1994	22	27	5	39	2	1	4=100
CBŠ/NYT: 10/24-28, 1986	22	25	6	40	1	1	5=100
<b>CBS/NYT</b> : 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 [N=1,158]:**

		Early	-	/ -	Early		Late	Early	Early	Early	
		Sept	June	Feb	Oct	July	Oct	Oct	Sept	Aug	June
		<u>2002</u>	2002	2002	2000	2000	1998	1998	<u>1998</u>	1998	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
3	Don't know/Refused	5	3	5	4	5	4	4	3	3	4
100		100	$1\overline{0}0$	100	100	100	$1\overline{0}0$	100	$1\overline{0}0$	100	$1\overline{0}0$

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?

<b>BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,15</b>		Not a	DK/	
	For	Against	Factor	Ref.
Early October, 2002	30	20	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
<i>CBS/NYT (BUSH)</i> : 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 [N=1,158]: (VOL)

		Congressperson							
	Yes	No	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					
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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]:**

					Late	Early	Early				Early		Late	Early
		June	Oct	July	Oct	Ocť	Sept	March	Jan	Aug	Sept	Nov	Oct	Ocť
		2002	2000	1999	1998	1998	<u>1998</u>	1998	1998	1997	<u>1996</u>	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
<u>23</u>	DK/Ref.	18	26	12	<u>22</u>	22	18	14	13	13	14	18	13	<u>16</u>
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]** 

		Very <u>Closely</u>	Fairly Closely		Not at al <u>Closely</u>	
a.	Debate over the possibility that the U.S.		• •		_	
	will take military action in Iraq	60	28	6	5	1 = 100
	Early September, 2002 <sup>7</sup>	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 <sup>8</sup>	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 <sup>9</sup>	29	34	19	17	1=100
	July, 2002	31	33	18	17	1=100
	February, 2002 <sup>10</sup>	28	33	19	19	1=100
	January, 2002	19	24	20	35	2=100
	December, 2001 <sup>11</sup>	11	23	28	36	2=100

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> In Early September, 2002 the question was worded, "...U.S. will invade Iraq."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> In November 1997, April 1997 and February 1996, the story was listed as "Recent major ups and downs in the stock market."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> In Late July 2002 and July 2002 the story was listed as "Recent business scandals involving WorldCom and other major U.S. corporations."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> In February 2002 and January 2002 the story was listed as "The ongoing investigation into the bankruptcy of the Enron corporation."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> In December 2001 the question was worded "The bankruptcy of the Enron Corporation and its impact on the retirement investments of Enron employees."

Q.13 CONTINU	J <b>ED</b>	Very	Fairly		Not at al	
d.	Recent hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico		Closely	<u>Closely</u>	<u>Closely</u>	<u>ker.</u>
u.	and Louisiana	38	34	18	10	*=100
e.	News about government budget problem in your state	us 25	36	24	15	*=100
ASK FORM 1 (	DNLY [N=936]:					
f.F1	Reports of the FBI and CIA having					
	information about terrorist plans prior				-	
	to the September 11 <sup>th</sup> attacks	41	37	15	7	*=100
	June, 2002	32	36	21	10	1 = 100
ASK FORM 2 (	DNLY [N=577]:					
g.F2	Continued violence in the Middle East					
	between the Palestinians and the Israelis		39	20	8	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 <sup>12</sup>	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

In April 2001 the story was listed as "Continued violence in the Middle East." In Mid-October 2000 the story was listed as "Continued violence in the Middle East between the Palestinians and the Israelis." In Early October 2000 the story was listed as "Renewed violence in the Middle East between the Palestinians and the Israelis." In January 1997 the story was listed as "Renewed tensions between Israelis and Palestinians over Hebron." In October 1996 the story was listed as "Renewed violence between Israelis & Palestinians on the West Bank and in Jerusalem." In May 1988 the story was listed as "The conflict in the Middle East between the Palestinians and the Israelis in the occupied territories."

Now thinking about President Bush...

Q.14	Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling <b>[INSERT ITEM, ROTATE;</b>
	OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]

OBS	SERVE FORM SPLITS]			
		Approve	Disapprove	DK/Ref.
a.	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, 199	8 71	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
1	The second state of the se	71	22	7 100
b.	Terrorist threats	71	22	7 = 100
	June, 2002	74	18	8=100
	<b>Clinton:</b> September, 1998 <sup>13</sup>	72	20	8=100
ASK	FORM 1 ONLY [N=936]:			
	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 tren			,
ASV	<b>FORM 2 ONLY [N=577]:</b>			
	The situation with Iraq	56	34	10=100
u.1 <sup>.</sup> 2	<b>Clinton:</b> February, 1998*	58	32	10 = 100 10 = 100
	Clinton: September, 1998*	55	25	20=100
		55 59	23 33	
	<b>Clinton:</b> October, 1994*			8=100
	Bush, Sr.: September, 1991* * Gallup/CNN/USA Today tren	64 d	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 <sup>14</sup>	40	38	22=100
	June, 2002	70	50	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
36	The economy	39
45	War on terrorism	34
*	Neither (VOL.)	2
17	Both (VOL.)	22
2	Don't know/Refused	3
100		100

<sup>13</sup> In September 1998 the question was "Do you approve or disapprove of the way Bill Clinton is handling current threats from international terrorist groups?"

<sup>14</sup> In June 2002 the item was worded "Recent business scandals."

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

			Clinton
		Jan 2001	Early Oct 1994
40	Successful	26	14
15	Unsuccessful	15	35
44	Too early to tell	58	48
1	Don't know/Refused	1	3
100		100	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]

BASEI	O ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,158]:	June 2002	Early Oct <u>1998</u>	Early Sept 1998	June 1998
40	Economy/Economic issues	$\frac{2002}{7}$	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	$\overline{2}$	5 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	2 9
3 3 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 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	
	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 3 2	_	_
1	Poverty/Homelessness	2	3	2	2
1	Size/Scope of government	1		2	_
1	Wages/Salaries	*	1	1	_
1	None	*	*	*	*
11	No answer/DK/Refused	16	2	21	18
55 22	ECONOMIC (NET) FOREIGN POLICY/TERRORISM (NET)	20 26	14 3	15 4	15 3

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]** Q.18

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

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,158]:												
		Republican Party	Democratic Party	( <b>VOL.</b> ) Both <u>Equally</u>	(VOL.) <u>Neither</u>	Don't <u>Know</u>						
a.	Dealing with the economy	37	41	4	5	13=100						
u.	Early September, 2002	37	37	9	6	11 = 100						
	January, 2002	45	33		5	17=100						
	May, 2001 <sup>15</sup>	33	46	8	4	9=100						
	June, 1999	35	45			8=100						
	March, 1999	39	45	9 5 9	3 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 <sup>16</sup>	36	45	10	0	9=100						
	October, 1990 <sup>17</sup>	37	35	0	0	28 = 100						
<b>ASK F</b> b.F1	<b>ORM 1 ONLY [N=709]:</b> Making wise decisions about what to do in Iraq	46	30	7	4	13=100						
ASK F c.F2	<b>ORM 2 ONLY [N=449]:</b> Dealing with the terrorist threa at home Early September, 2002 January, 2002	44 45 50	28 23 16	7 14 	5 6 6	16=100 12=100 28=100						
ASK F d.F1	<b>ORM 1 ONLY [N=709]:</b> Bringing corrupt business executives to justice	37	38	6	7	12=100						
ASK F e.F2	<b>ORM 2 ONLY [N=449]:</b> Requiring corporations to refor their business practices	rm 33	41	5	4	17=100						

# ASK ALL RESPONDENTS:

- From what you've heard or read, do you happen to know if Congress has passed a law to toughen Q.19 regulations on corporate accounting practices, or not?
  - 28 Yes, has passed
  - 31 No
  - $\frac{41}{100}$ Don't know/Refused

<sup>15</sup> Trend was worded: "... keeping the country prosperous?"

<sup>16</sup> Gallup poll conducted Oct. 23-25, 1992 based on registered voters.

<sup>17</sup> 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	June	Aug	May	Sept	Feb	Mar	Dec	Jan	Oct	Aug	May	Jan
		2002	2001	2001	2000	<u>1999</u>	<u>1997</u>	1996	1995	1994	1993	1993	1992	1992	<u>1992</u>	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.	2	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
100		100	100	100	100	$1\overline{0}0$	$1\overline{0}0$	100	100	100	100	100	100	$1\overline{0}0$	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. Ne	ws & I	World	Report
		June	Jan	Sept	June	Jan	Jan	May	Feb ]	March	Oct	Aug	May	Jan
		2002	2002	<u>2001</u>	2001	2001	<u>1999</u>	1997	<u>1995</u>	1994	199	<u>2 1992</u>	1992	1992
10	Improve a lot	11	12	9	11	11	17	12	11	10	9	6	8	9
54	Improve some	55	53	46	52	46	55	56	53	57	51	50	49	46
13	Get a little worse	15	15	16	15	18	7	10	13	11	14	20	22	19
5	Get a lot worse	4	5	4	4	9	3	2	3	3	3	5	4	5
12	Stay the same (VOL)	11	11	17	14	12	14	17	17	16	15	14	13	16
6	Don't know/Refused	4	4	8	4	4	4	3	3	3	8	5	4	5
100		100	$1\overline{0}0$	100	$1\overline{0}0$	100	100	$1\overline{0}0$	100	100	100	$1\overline{0}0$	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?<sup>18</sup>

			Ν	ewswee	ek	Early	Early					Ν	ewsweek
		June	Jan	Jan	June	Oct	Sept	May	Feb	Sept	May	Jan	Jan
		2002	2002	2001	2000	1998	<u>1998</u>	1990	1989	<u>1988</u>	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	<u>3</u>	5	<u>6</u>	5	4	6	4	9	10	7	3
100		$1\overline{0}0$	$1\overline{0}0$	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	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?

				Bush	, Sr
		June 2002	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
6	Can't say	<u>5</u>	6	3	3
100	·	$1\overline{0}0$	100	100	100

#### NO QUESTIONS 24 THRU 27

September 1988 and January 1984 trends based on registered voters.

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?

			News	veek
		Jan	Dec	Sept
		2001	2000	1997
36	Total Go up	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	Total Go Down	30	26	16
	18 Go down some	23	20	
	6 Go down a lot	7	6	
9	Don't know/Refused	10	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...

		Frequ-	Occasi-	Hardly		DK/
		ently	<u>onally</u>	Ever		<u>Ref.</u>
a.	Problems with public education	40	31	18	10	1=100
	June, 2002	48	28	17	7	*=100
	Early September, 1998	48	31	15	6	*=100
b.	Problems with health insurance and HMOs	44	28	17	10	1=100
	June, 2002	51	24	16	9	*=100
	Early September, 1998	44	29	17	10	*=100
_		22	21	21	15	1 100
c.	Problems with the Social Security system	22 33	31 31	31 23	15 13	$1 = 100 \\ 0 = 100$
	June, 2002 Factor Soutember, 1008	33	33	23 26	10	0=100 *=100
	Early September, 1998	51	55	20	10	-100
d.	The issue of corporate corruption and business scandals	23	37	25	14	1=100
	June, 2002 <sup>19</sup>	22	30	27	20	1=100
e.	The possibility of war with Iraq	52	32	10	5	1=100
С.	The possibility of war with haq	52	52	10	5	1-100
f.	Economic conditions in the nation	40	37	14	8	1=100
	June, 2002	46	32	17	5	*=100
~	The threat of termonist attacks against the U.S.	10	20	10	4	*=100
g.	The threat of terrorist attacks against the U.S. June, 2002 <sup>20</sup>	48 55	38 31	10	4 4	*=100
	Early September, 1998	37	37	20	6	*=100
	Larry September, 1998	37	57	20	0	-100
h.	Recent major ups and downs in the stock market	30	31	22	16	1=100

<sup>19</sup> 

In June 2002 the question was worded, "The collapse of Enron and other recent business scandals."

In June 2002 the question was worded, "Terrorist attacks against Americans at home or abroad."

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	Late Aug	
		2002	2002	Jan 1991 <sup>21</sup>
54	A Great deal	55	46	66
32	Some	27	35	24
8	Only a little – OR –	9	11	6
5	Not at all	6	6	2
1	Don't know/Refused	3	2	2
100		100	100	100

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

ÀSK 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?

					(	Gallup <sup>2</sup>	2	
		Mid-Sept	Late Aug	June	Nov	Feb	June	March
		<u>2002</u>	<u>2002</u>	2002	2001	2001	<u>1993</u>	<u>1992</u>
62	Favor	64	64	59	74	52	70	55
	49 Feel Strongly							
	12 Might Change mind							
	1 Don't know/Refused	1						
28	Oppose	23	21	34	20	42	27	40
	17 Feel Strongly							
	11 Might Change mind							
	<ul> <li>* Don't know/Refused</li> </ul>	1						
<u>10</u>	Don't know/Refused	<u>13</u>	<u>15</u>	7	6	6	3	5
100		100	100	100	100	100	100	100

#### 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.)
  - 6 Don't know/Refused
  - 100

### 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.)
  - 5 Don't know/Refused
  - 100

In January 1991 the question was worded "How much thought have you given to the question of whether the U.S. should use military force against Iraq if it does not withdraw its forces from Kuwait?"

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Gallup trend was worded "Would you favor or oppose sending American troops back to the Persian Gulf in order to remove Saddam Hussein from power in Iraq?"

#### ASK ALL FORM 1 RESPONDENTS [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.)
  - 10 Don't know/Refused
  - 100
- O.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<sup>th</sup> attacks, or don't you think he was involved?
  - 66 Helped the terrorists
  - 21 Was not involved
  - 13 Don't know/Refused
  - 100
- 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
  - 14 Don't know/Refused
  - 100
- 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.)
  - Don't Know/Refused
  - $\frac{5}{100}$
- 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
  - Don't know/Refused 18
  - 100
- 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
  - A little --OR--29
  - 17 Not much at all
  - 6 Don't know/Refused
  - $\overline{100}$

- 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
  - 10 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.)
  - 8 Don't know/Refused
  - 100
- 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
  - 4 Don't know/Refused
  - 100
- 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
  - 8 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 [N=1,513]:

- 15 Rushing through the debate
- 24 Moving too slowly
- 51 Giving careful thought
- 10 Don't know/Refused
- 100

### ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=936]:

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
- 27 Oppose
  - 15 Feel Strongly
  - 11 Might Change mind
  - 1 Don't know/Refused
  - Don't know/Refused

 $\frac{8}{100}$ 

#### 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"]
  - Prevent future terrorism 17
  - 14 Get rid of/kill Saddam Hussein
  - 13 Link to terrorism/Al Oaeda/9-11
  - Nuclear/chemical/biological weapons 13
  - 9 National security/Protect the U.S.
  - Threat/Danger (general) 9
  - Help Iraqi people/Human rights/He's a tyrant
  - 865553322222217 Saddam Hussein is crazy/evil/a monster
  - Military is only option/Need to end it
  - Stability in Mideast/Oil supply
  - Dangerous to delay/Will only get worse
  - Finish job from Gulf War
  - Must act to be taken seriously/U.S. image
  - Help economy
  - Defiance of U.N. weapons inspections
  - Protect freedom
  - Protect future generations
  - Make world safer
  - Retribution/Eye for an eye
  - Support/believe President Bush
  - Other
  - 7 Don't know/Refused

#### ASK IF OPPOSE MILITARY ACTION (2 IN Q.31) [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
- Lack allied/United Nations/international support
- Will hurt war on terrorism/Increase threat
- 8 7 6 Economic costs
- Wrong motivations (oil, personal, political)
- 6 5 Not our business/Don't get involved
- 4 Anti-war/Believe in peace
- 4433321 Should find non-military solution
- Wrong to impose our views on others
- Focus on problems at home
- Would hurt U.S. image abroad
- Need public/Congressional support first
- No clear plan/We aren't prepared
- 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
  - Don't know/Refused 6
  - 100

# 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
  - Don't know/Refused 11
  - 100

#### 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 Don't know/Refused
  - $\frac{5}{100}$
- 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 0.45F1; See 0.45F1 for aggregated results [Form split and 0.52F2/0.53F2] 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
  - 5 Don't know/Refused
  - 100

# ASK ALL:

Thinking more generally,

How worried are you that there will soon be another terrorist attack in the United States? [READ] Q.55

		Late Aug	June	Jan	Dec	Oct 15-21	Oct 10-14	Early Oct
		2002	2002	2002	2001	2001	2001	2001
20	Very worried	16	32	20	13	29	27	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
1	Don't know/Refused	1	*	1	2	<u>1</u>	2	1
100		100	100	100	$1\overline{0}0$	100	100	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 of

Do you ever go online to access the Internet or World Wide Web or to send and receive email?

	C		7	Based		espondents:
		mputer L		<b>X</b> 7	Goes Onl	
E 1 0 1 0000	Yes	$\frac{No}{25}$	DK/Ref	Yes	$\frac{No}{27}$	DK/Ref
Early October, 2002	75	25	*=100	63	37	*=100
June, 2002	74 75	26	*=100	66	34	*=100
May, 2002	75	25 29	*=100	66	34	*=100
April, 2002	71		*=100	62	38	0=100
February, 2002	71 73	29 27	*=100	62 62	38 38	0=100
January, 2002 Mid Nevember 2001	73	27	$0=100 \\ 0=100$	62	38 38	$0=100 \\ 0=100$
Mid-November, 2001 Mid-September, 2001	73 72	27	0=100 *=100	62	38 38	0=100 *=100
June, 2001	72	28 28	*=100	62 62	38 38	0 = 100
May, 2001	75	28 25	*=100	64 62	38 36	0 = 100 0 = 100
April, 2001	73	23	*=100	62	38	0 = 100 0 = 100
February, 2001	72	28 28	0 = 100	60 60	38 40	0=100 *=100
January, 2001	71	28	*=100	61	39	0 = 100
July, 2000	68	31	1 = 100	55	45	*=100
June, 2000	68	31	1 = 100 1 = 100	56	43	*=100
April, 2000	68	31	*=100	54	44	*=100
March, $2000^{23}$	72	28	0 = 100	61	39	0=100
February, 2000	67	33	*=100	52	48	0 = 100 0 = 100
January, 2000	68	33	*=100	52	48	*=100
December, 1999	67	33	*=100	53	40	0=100
October, 1999	67	33	*=100	50	50	0 = 100 0 = 100
Late September, 1999	68	32	*=100	52	48	*=100
September, 1999	70	30	*=100	53	40	0=100
August, 1999	67	33	*=100	52	48	0 = 100 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 <sup>24</sup>				14	86	*=100

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In March 2000, "or anywhere else" was added to the question wording.

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?

Thinking about your own personal finances...

- Do you have a retirement plan besides Social Security? [IF YES: Is any of your retirement money in the A.1 stock market through stocks, mutual funds or a 401k plan?]
  - 47 Yes, retirement plan in the stock market
  - 13 Yes, but not in stock market
  - 37 No, no retirement plan
  - $\frac{3}{100}$ Don't know/Refused
- [IF 1,2 IN A.1 READ: Aside from retirement accounts...] Do you currently own shares in a mutual fund A.2 that includes stock?
  - 36 Yes
  - 60 No
  - Don't know/Refused 4
  - $\frac{1}{100}$
- Do you currently own stock in any INDIVIDUAL COMPANIES besides a company that you or someone A.3 else in your household works for?
  - 23 Yes
  - 74 No
  - Don't know/Refused
  - $\frac{3}{100}$
- Within the past year, have you made changes to your investments -- that is -- decided to buy or sell any A.4 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]:

- Over the past year, has the value of your stock and mutual fund investments gone up a lot, gone up a little, A.5 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
  - Gone down a little 28
  - 39 Gone down a lot
  - 7 Don't know/Refused
  - 100