

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE & THE PRESS**  
**OCTOBER 2006 SURVEY ON ELECTORAL COMPETITION**  
**FINAL TOPLINE**  
**October 17 - 22, 2006**  
**N=2006 General Public**  
**N=1552 Registered Voters**

THOUGHT How much thought have you given to the coming November election... Quite a lot, or only a little?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|  | Quite<br><u>A lot</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>Some</u> | Only a<br><u>Little</u> | None/DK/<br><u>Refused</u> |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| Late October, 2006                       | 54                    | 6                     | 35                      | 5=100                      |
| Early October, 2006                      | 51                    | 4                     | 40                      | 5=100                      |
| Early September, 2006                    | 45                    | 4                     | 48                      | 3=100                      |
| Early November, 2002                     | 52                    | 6                     | 35                      | 7=100                      |
| 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                      |
| Late October, 1994                       | 45                    | 7                     | 45                      | 3=100                      |
| Early October, 1994                      | 44                    | 2                     | 50                      | 4=100                      |
| <i>Gallup: October, 1990<sup>1</sup></i> | 43                    | 7                     | 46                      | 4=100                      |
| <i>Gallup: October, 1982</i>             | 29                    | 22                    | 37                      | 12=100                     |
| <i>Gallup: October, 1978</i>             | 23                    | 22                    | 39                      | 17=100                     |
| <i>Gallup: September, 1978</i>           | 21                    | 18                    | 44                      | 18=100                     |

REGIST 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 RESPONDENT ANSWERED '1' YES IN REGIST ASK:**

REGICERT Are you absolutely certain that you are registered to vote, or is there a chance that your registration has lapsed because you moved or for some other reason?

|     |                                |
|-----|--------------------------------|
| 76  | Yes, registered                |
| 72  | Absolutely certain             |
| 3   | Chance registration has lapsed |
| 1   | Don't know/Refused (VOL.)      |
| 24  | No, not registered             |
| *   | Don't know/Refused (VOL.)      |
| 100 |                                |

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1 Gallup trends based on total respondents.

**ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REGICERT=1):**

CAMPNII 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 ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|                      | Very<br><u>Closely</u> | Fairly<br><u>Closely</u> | Not too<br><u>Closely</u> | Not at all<br><u>Closely</u> | DK/<br><u>Ref.</u> |
|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|
| Late October, 2006   | 27                     | 45                       | 17                        | 11                           | *=100              |
| Early October, 2006  | 23                     | 43                       | 23                        | 10                           | 1=100              |
| Early November, 2002 | 27                     | 46                       | 18                        | 9                            | *=100              |
| Early October, 2002  | 21                     | 46                       | 22                        | 10                           | 1=100              |
| Late October, 1998   | 26                     | 45                       | 20                        | 9                            | *=100              |
| Early October, 1998  | 21                     | 43                       | 24                        | 11                           | 1=100              |
| November, 1994       | 23                     | 49                       | 21                        | 7                            | *=100              |
| Late October, 1994   | 18                     | 43                       | 28                        | 10                           | 1=100              |

PRECINCT Have you ever voted in your precinct or election district?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|            |                 | Early       |             |             | Mid- Early  |             |             | Late        |             |             | Mid- Early  |             |             | Late        |             |             |          |
|------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------|
|            |                 | Oct         | Sept        | Nov         | Oct         | Sept        | Aug         | Nov         | Nov         | Oct         | Oct         | Oct         | Oct         | Oct         | Nov         | Sept        | Nov      |
|            |                 | <u>2006</u> | <u>2006</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2002</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>1998</u> | <u>1998</u> | <u>1996</u> | <u>1996</u> | <u>1994</u> |          |
| 91         | Yes             | 90          | 92          | 82          | 79          | 83          | 88          | 86          | 83          | 81          | 82          | 84          | 86          | 87          | 85          | 85          | 91       |
| 9          | No              | 10          | 8           | 18          | 21          | 17          | 12          | 14          | 17          | 19          | 18          | 16          | 14          | 13          | 15          | 15          | 9        |
| *          | Don't know/Ref. | <u>0</u>    | <u>*</u>    | <u>*</u>    | <u>*</u>    | <u>*</u>    | <u>0</u>    | <u>*</u>    | <u>*</u>    | <u>*</u>    | <u>0</u>    | <u>*</u>    | <u>*</u>    | <u>*</u>    | <u>*</u>    | <u>*</u>    | <u>*</u> |
| <u>100</u> |                 | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100      |

WHERE Do you happen to know where people in your neighborhood go to vote?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|     |                              | Early       |             |             |             | Late        |             |             |             | Early       |             |             |             | <i>Gallup</i> |             |             |             |
|-----|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|     |                              | Oct         | Nov         | Nov         | Nov         | Oct         | Oct         | Nov         | Nov         | Oct         | Oct         | Nov         | Nov         | Oct           | Nov         | Nov         | Oct         |
|     |                              | <u>2006</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2002</u> | <u>2000</u> | <u>1998</u> | <u>1998</u> | <u>1996</u> | <u>1996</u> | <u>1996</u> | <u>1996</u> | <u>1994</u> | <u>1994</u> | <u>1988</u>   | <u>1988</u> | <u>1988</u> | <u>1988</u> |
| 86  | Yes — gives answer           | 88          | 85          | 88          | 84          | 90          | 87          | 88          | 85          | 93          | 89          | 89          | 86          |               |             |             |             |
| 14  | No/Don't know/Ref./No Answer | <u>12</u>   | <u>15</u>   | <u>12</u>   | <u>16</u>   | <u>10</u>   | <u>13</u>   | <u>12</u>   | <u>15</u>   | <u>7</u>    | <u>11</u>   | <u>14</u>   |             |               |             |             |             |
| 100 |                              | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100         | 100           | 100         | 100         | 100         |

FOLGOV 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. Others 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?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|                    | Most of<br><u>the time</u> | Some of<br><u>the time</u> | Only now<br><u>and then</u> | Hardly<br><u>at all</u> | DK/Ref |
|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|--------|
| Late October, 2006 | 57                         | 30                         | 8                           | 5                       | *=100  |
| December, 2005     | 54                         | 29                         | 12                          | 5                       | 0=100  |
| December, 2004     | 49                         | 35                         | 12                          | 4                       | *=100  |
| November, 2004     | 61                         | 27                         | 9                           | 3                       | *=100  |
| Mid-October, 2004  | 63                         | 26                         | 8                           | 3                       | *=100  |
| June, 2004         | 49                         | 35                         | 12                          | 4                       | *=100  |

**FOLGOV CONTINUED...**

|                      | <u>Most of<br/>the time</u> | <u>Some of<br/>the time</u> | <u>Only now<br/>and then</u> | <u>Hardly<br/>at all</u> | <u>DK/Ref</u> |
|----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| November, 2002       | 54                          | 29                          | 11                           | 6                        | *=100         |
| August, 2002         | 61                          | 29                          | 8                            | 2                        | 0=100         |
| Early November, 2000 | 51                          | 32                          | 12                           | 5                        | *=100         |
| Late October, 1998   | 57                          | 29                          | 10                           | 4                        | *=100         |
| Early October, 1998  | 51                          | 33                          | 11                           | 5                        | *=100         |
| November, 1996       | 52                          | 32                          | 12                           | 4                        | *=100         |
| October, 1996        | 43                          | 37                          | 13                           | 6                        | 1=100         |
| October, 1988        | 52                          | 33                          | 12                           | 3                        | *=100         |

OFTVOTE How often would you say you vote... **(READ)**

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|                       | <u>Always</u> | <u>Nearly<br/>Always</u> | <u>Part of<br/>The time</u> | <u>Seldom</u> | <u>Never<br/>Vote</u> | <u>(VOL.)<br/>Other</u> | <u>(VOL.)<br/>DK/Ref.</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Late October, 2006    | 58            | 27                       | 9                           | 4             | 1                     | 1                       | *=100                     |
| Early October, 2006   | 47            | 36                       | 10                          | 3             | 2                     | 1                       | 1=100                     |
| Early September, 2006 | 56            | 28                       | 9                           | 6             | 1                     | *                       | *=100                     |
| November, 2004        | 62            | 21                       | 7                           | 6             | 3                     | 1                       | *=100                     |
| Mid-October, 2004     | 63            | 22                       | 7                           | 5             | 2                     | 1                       | *=100                     |
| Early November, 2002  | 52            | 30                       | 11                          | 6             | 1                     | 0                       | 1=100                     |
| 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             | 2                     | 1                       | *=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                     |
| Late October, 1998    | 56            | 28                       | 10                          | 5             | 1                     | *                       | *=100                     |
| Early October, 1998   | 50            | 32                       | 11                          | 5             | 1                     | 1                       | *=100                     |
| Early September, 1998 | 53            | 33                       | 9                           | 4             | -                     | 1                       | *=100                     |
| June, 1998            | 49            | 33                       | 12                          | 5             | -                     | 1                       | 0=100                     |
| October, 1997         | 62            | 26                       | 8                           | 3             | 1                     | *                       | *=100                     |
| November, 1996        | 55            | 28                       | 8                           | 6             | 2                     | 1                       | *=100                     |
| October, 1996         | 52            | 30                       | 9                           | 5             | 2                     | 2                       | *=100                     |
| Late September, 1996  | 52            | 31                       | 10                          | 4             | 2                     | 1                       | *=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                     |

**OFTVOTE CONTINUED...**

|                                | <u>Always</u> | Nearly<br><u>Always</u> | (VOL.)<br>Part of<br><u>The time</u> | Seldom | Never<br><u>Vote</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>Other</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref.</u> |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------|----------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| April, 1995                    | 53            | 34                      | 9                                    | 4      | *                    | *                      | *=100                    |
| November, 1994                 | 58            | 28                      | 8                                    | 5      | *                    | 1                      | 0=100                    |
| Late October, 1994             | 55            | 32                      | 10                                   | 3      | *                    | *                      | *=100                    |
| July, 1994                     | 52            | 34                      | 10                                   | 4      | *                    | *                      | *=100                    |
| Early October, 1992            | 54            | 33                      | 8                                    | 4      | *                    | 1                      | *=100                    |
| September, 1992                | 52            | 33                      | 8                                    | 5      | 1                    | 1                      | *=100                    |
| June, 1992                     | 60            | 29                      | 7                                    | 3      | 1                    | *                      | *=100                    |
| May, 1992                      | 50            | 35                      | 10                                   | 4      | 1                    | *                      | *=100                    |
| November, 1991                 | 46            | 41                      | 9                                    | 4      | *                    | -                      | *=100                    |
| May, 1990                      | 42            | 42                      | 11                                   | 4      | 1                    | *                      | *=100                    |
| <i>Gallup</i> : November, 1988 | 57            | 26                      | 10                                   | 4      | 2                    | 1                      | *=100                    |
| October, 1988                  | 51            | 37                      | 8                                    | 3      | 1                    | *                      | *=100                    |
| May, 1988                      | 43            | 41                      | 11                                   | 3      | 2                    | 1                      | *=100                    |
| January, 1988                  | 49            | 39                      | 9                                    | 2      | 1                    | *                      | *=100                    |
| May, 1987                      | 43            | 43                      | 9                                    | 3      | 1                    | 1                      | *=100                    |

**NO QUESTIONS 1 THROUGH 9**

Thinking about this year's election...

Q.10 If the 2006 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 ANSWERED '3' OTHER OR '9' DON'T KNOW IN Q.10, ASK:**

Q.10a As of TODAY, do you LEAN more to the Republican or the Democrat?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|                       | Rep/<br><u>Lean Rep</u> | Dem/<br><u>Lean Dem</u> | Other/<br><u>Undecided</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| Late October, 2006    | 38                      | 49                      | 13=100                     |
| Early October, 2006   | 38                      | 51                      | 11=100                     |
| Early September, 2006 | 39                      | 50                      | 11=100                     |
| August, 2006          | 41                      | 50                      | 9=100                      |
| June, 2006            | 39                      | 51                      | 10=100                     |
| April, 2006           | 41                      | 51                      | 8=100                      |
| February, 2006        | 41                      | 50                      | 9=100                      |
| Mid-September, 2005   | 40                      | 52                      | 8=100                      |
| <b>2002 Election</b>  |                         |                         |                            |
| Early November, 2002  | 42                      | 46                      | 12=100                     |
| 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                     |
| <b>1998 Election</b>  |                         |                         |                            |
| 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                     |

**Q.10/Q.10a CONTINUED...**

|                      | Rep/<br><u>Lean Rep</u> | Dem/<br><u>Lean Dem</u> | Other/<br><u>Undecided</u> |
|----------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| March, 1998          | 40                      | 52                      | 8=100                      |
| February, 1998       | 41                      | 50                      | 9=100                      |
| January, 1998        | 41                      | 51                      | 8=100                      |
| August, 1997         | 45                      | 48                      | 7=100                      |
| <b>1994 Election</b> |                         |                         |                            |
| November, 1994       | 45                      | 43                      | 12=100                     |
| Late 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                      |

**IF RESPONDENT ANSWERED '1' OR '2' IN Q.10 ASK:**

Q.10b Do you support the (INSERT PARTY SELECTED IN Q.10: Democratic/Republican) candidate strongly or only moderately?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|           |                        | Early<br>Oct<br><u>2006</u> | Early<br>Nov<br><u>2002</u> | Early<br>Nov<br><u>2000</u> | Late<br>Oct<br><u>1998</u> | Nov<br><u>1996</u> | Nov<br><u>1994</u> |
|-----------|------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 38        | Republican/Lean Rep    | 38                          | 42                          | 42                          | 40                         | 41                 | 45                 |
| 19        | Strongly               | 20                          | 21                          | 20                          | 19                         | 18                 | 19                 |
| 19        | Moderately/Lean        | 17                          | 20                          | 22                          | 21                         | 23                 | 26                 |
| *         | Don't know/Refused     | 1                           | 1                           | *                           | --                         | *                  | --                 |
| 49        | Democrat/Lean Dem      | 51                          | 46                          | 48                          | 47                         | 48                 | 43                 |
| 25        | Strongly               | 26                          | 22                          | 23                          | 24                         | 22                 | 17                 |
| 23        | Moderately/Lean        | 24                          | 23                          | 24                          | 23                         | 25                 | 26                 |
| 1         | Don't know/Refused     | 1                           | 1                           | 1                           | --                         | 1                  | --                 |
| <u>13</u> | Other/Undecided (VOL.) | <u>11</u>                   | <u>12</u>                   | <u>10</u>                   | <u>13</u>                  | <u>11</u>          | <u>12</u>          |
| 100       |                        | 100                         | 100                         | 100                         | 100                        | 100                | 100                |

**ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REGICERT=1):**

PLANTO1 Do you yourself plan to vote in the election this November?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|                                 | Yes, Plan<br><u>To Vote</u> | No, Don't<br><u>Plan To</u> | Don't know/<br><u>Refused</u> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Late October, 2006 <sup>2</sup> | 94                          | 3                           | 3=100                         |
| Early October, 2006             | 93                          | 4                           | 3=100                         |
| Early September, 2006           | 92                          | 5                           | 3=100                         |
| November, 2004                  | 97                          | 2                           | 1=100                         |
| Mid-October, 2004               | 98                          | 1                           | 1=100                         |
| Early October, 2004             | 98                          | 1                           | 1=100                         |
| Early September, 2004           | 98                          | 1                           | 1=100                         |
| September 11-14                 | 97                          | 2                           | 1=100                         |

2 In Late October 2006 through Mid-October 2004 and in November 2002, the volunteer category "already voted" was added and is presented in the "Yes, Plan to vote" category.

**PLANTO1 CONTINUED...**

|                                   | Yes, Plan<br>To Vote | No, Don't<br>Plan To | Don't know/<br>Refused |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| <i>September 8-10</i>             | 99                   | 1                    | *=100                  |
| August, 2004                      | 98                   | 2                    | *=100                  |
| June, 2004                        | 96                   | 2                    | 2=100                  |
| Early November, 2002 <sup>3</sup> | 90                   | 8                    | 2=100                  |
| Early October, 2002               | 95                   | 3                    | 2=100                  |
| Early November, 2000              | 96                   | 3                    | 1=100                  |
| Late October, 2000                | 97                   | 2                    | 1=100                  |
| Mid-October, 2000                 | 96                   | 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                | 91                   | 6                    | 3=100                  |
| Early October, 1998               | 92                   | 4                    | 4=100                  |
| Early September, 1998             | 95                   | 2                    | 3=100                  |
| Late August, 1998                 | 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                    | 2=100                  |
| November, 1994                    | 93                   | 5                    | 2=100                  |
| October, 1994                     | 95                   | 3                    | 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                  |
| <b>Gallup:</b> November, 1988     | 97                   | 2                    | 1=100                  |
| October, 1988                     | 98                   | 1                    | 1=100                  |

**ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REGICERT=1):**

SCALE10 I'd like you to rate your chances of voting in November on a scale of 10 to 1. If TEN represents a person who DEFINITELY will vote and ONE represents a person who definitely will NOT vote, where on this scale of ten to one would you place yourself?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|                       | Definitely will vote |    |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | DK/Ref |
|-----------------------|----------------------|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--------|
|                       | 10                   | 9  | 8 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |        |
| Late October, 2006    | 71                   | 8  | 9 | 4 | 2 | 3 | * | 1 | * | 1 | 1=100  |
| Early October, 2006   | 68                   | 10 | 9 | 4 | 1 | 4 | * | 1 | * | 2 | 1=100  |
| Early September, 2006 | 67                   | 9  | 9 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1=100  |

3 In Early November 2002, 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?" In Early November 2002 "Yes, Plan to Vote" category includes people who volunteered that they already voted.

**SCALE10 CONTINUED...**

|                                   | Definitely will vote |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          |          | Definitely will not vote |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|--------------------------|
|                                   | <u>10</u>            | <u>9</u> | <u>8</u> | <u>7</u> | <u>6</u> | <u>5</u> | <u>4</u> | <u>3</u> | <u>2</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>DK/Ref</u>            |
| November, 2004 <sup>4</sup>       | 87                   | 4        | 3        | 1        | 1        | 1        | *        | *        | *        | 2        | 1=100                    |
| Mid-October, 2004                 | 87                   | 4        | 3        | 1        | 1        | 1        | *        | *        | *        | 2        | 1=100                    |
| Early November, 2002 <sup>5</sup> | 66                   | 9        | 9        | 3        | 1        | 4        | 1        | 1        | 1        | 5        | 1=100                    |
| Early October, 2002               | 64                   | 10       | 10       | 4        | 3        | 4        | 1        | *        | *        | 2        | 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                    |
| <i>Gallup</i> : September, 1992   | 77                   | 5        | 4        | 3        | 2        | 4        | *        | 1        | *        | 4        | *=100                    |
| <i>Gallup</i> : November, 1988    | 77                   | 7        | 6        | 2        | 1        | 3        | *        | *        | *        | 2        | 2=100                    |
| <i>Gallup</i> : October, 1988     | 73                   | 8        | 7        | 3        | 2        | 3        | 1        | *        | *        | 1        | 2=100                    |

**IF YES IN PLANTO1, ASK:**

PLANTO3 In the congressional election this fall, do you plan to vote BEFORE Election Day, OR will you probably vote at your polling place ON Election Day OR have you already cast your vote?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|  | Early Oct 2006 <sup>6</sup> | Nov 2004 <sup>7</sup> | Mid-Oct 2004 | Early Sept 2004 | June 2004 |
|--|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------|
| 15 Before Election Day/By Mail/Absentee                | 14                          | 9                     | 16           | 13              | 19        |
| 74 Will probably vote at polling place on Election Day | 77                          | 75                    | 78           | 84              | 77        |
| 2 Already voted  | *                           | 13                    | 3            | *               | n/a       |
| 3 Don't know/Refused                                   | 2                           | *                     | 1            | 1               | *         |
| <u>6</u> Don't plan to vote/Don't know (IN PLANTO1)    | <u>7</u>                    | <u>3</u>              | <u>2</u>     | <u>2</u>        | <u>4</u>  |
| 100  | 100                         | 100                   | 100          | 100             | 100       |

4 In November 2004 and November 2002 the volunteer category "already voted" was added and is presented in the "10 – definitely will vote" category.

5 In Early November election surveys, the question asked about "Tuesday's election."

6 In Early October 2006 the question was worded: "In the congressional election this fall, do you plan to vote BEFORE Election Day, that is through the mail or with an absentee ballot, OR will you probably vote at your polling place ON Election Day?"

7 In November 2004, the question wording did not begin by referencing a congressional or Presidential election. In Mid-October 2004 and earlier, the question was worded: "In the presidential election this fall..." In November and Mid- October 2004, "or have you already cast your vote," was added to the question wording, but had been a volunteer option in September 2004 and was not made available in June 2004.

**ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REGICERT=1):**

Q.11 What matters more to you as you think about your vote for Congress this fall? [READ AND ROTATE]

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|          |   | Early<br>Oct<br><u>2006</u> | Early<br>Sept<br><u>2006</u> <sup>8</sup> |
|----------|---|-----------------------------|---|
| 47       | National issues OR                      | 51                          | 47  |
| 26       | Local issues                            | 23                          | 36  |
| 25       | Both equally (VOL.) [DO NOT READ]       | 24                          | 17  |
| <u>2</u> | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) [DO NOT READ] | <u>2</u>                    | *   |
| 100      |   | 100                         | 100                                       |

Q.12 Of the following six issues, which ONE would you say is MOST important to your vote for Congress this year [READ AND RANDOMIZE]

**IF ANSWER GIVEN (1-7 IN Q.12) ASK:**

Q.12a And which would you say is the SECOND most important to your vote? [READ IN SAME ORDER AS Q.12 EXCLUDING PRIOR SELECTION]

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

| <u>First</u> | <u>Second</u> | <u>Combined</u> |   | Early Oct<br>2006<br><u>Combined</u> |
|--------------|---------------|-----------------|---|--------------------------------------|
| 20           | 22            | 41              | The economy                             | 41                                   |
| 27           | 18            | 45              | The situation in Iraq                   | 44                                   |
| 14           | 12            | 26              | Terrorism                               | 32                                   |
| 11           | 12            | 24              | Immigration                             | 21                                   |
| 4            | 8             | 12              | Energy policy                           | 14                                   |
| 18           | 20            | 37              | Health care                             | 38                                   |
| 2            | 2             | 3               | Other (VOL.) [DO NOT READ]              | 3                                    |
| *            | *             | 1               | None of these (VOL.) [DO NOT READ]      | *                                    |
| <u>4</u>     | <u>6</u>      | 5               | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) [DO NOT READ] | 3                                    |
| 100          | 100           |                 |   |                                      |

**ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REGICERT=1):**

Q.13 Would you like to see your representative in Congress be re-elected in the upcoming congressional election, or not?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|                                  | (VOL)      |           | Congressperson     | (VOL)         |
|----------------------------------|------------|-----------|--------------------|---------------|
|                                  | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>not running</u> | <u>DK/Ref</u> |
| Late October, 2006               | 55         | 26        | 1                  | 18=100        |
| Early October, 2006 <sup>9</sup> | 50         | 27        | 1                  | 22=100        |
| Early September, 2006            | 53         | 27        | 1                  | 19=100        |

8 In Early September 2006, the question was worded: "What matters most to you..."

9 In Early October 2006 and before the question was worded: "Would you like to see your representative in Congress be re-elected in the next congressional election, or not?"



**Q.13 CONTINUED...**

|                               | <b>(VOL)</b> |           |                                       | <b>(VOL)</b>  |
|-------------------------------|--------------|-----------|---------------------------------------|---------------|
|                               | <u>Yes</u>   | <u>No</u> | <u>Congressperson<br/>not running</u> | <u>DK/Ref</u> |
| August, 2006                  | 51           | 30        | *                                     | 19=100        |
| June, 2006                    | 51           | 32        | 1                                     | 16=100        |
| April, 2006                   | 57           | 28        | 1                                     | 14=100        |
| February, 2006                | 59           | 28        | 1                                     | 12=100        |
| Mid-September, 2005           | 57           | 25        | 1                                     | 17=100        |
| 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        |
| Late October, 1994            | 55           | 30        | 2                                     | 13=100        |
| Early October, 1994           | 49           | 29        | 2                                     | 20=100        |
| <i>Gallup</i> : October, 1990 | 62           | 22        | 2                                     | 14=100        |

Q.14 Regardless of how you feel about your own representative, would you like to see most members of Congress re-elected in the upcoming congressional election, or not?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|                                   | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <b>(VOL)</b><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| Late October, 2006                | 34         | 49        | 17=100                        |
| Early October, 2006 <sup>10</sup> | 32         | 48        | 20=100                        |
| Early September, 2006             | 35         | 49        | 16=100                        |
| August, 2006                      | 36         | 49        | 15=100                        |
| June, 2006                        | 29         | 57        | 14=100                        |
| April, 2006                       | 34         | 53        | 13=100                        |
| February, 2006                    | 36         | 49        | 15=100                        |
| September, 2005                   | 36         | 48        | 16=100                        |
| Early October, 2002               | 39         | 38        | 23=100                        |
| June, 2002                        | 45         | 37        | 18=100                        |
| October, 2000                     | 40         | 34        | 26=100                        |
| July, 1999                        | 41         | 47        | 12=100                        |

10 In Early October 2006 and before the question was worded: "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?"

**Q.14 CONTINUED...**

|                       | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>(VOL)</u><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|-----------------------|------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| Late October, 1998    | 41         | 37        | 22=100                        |
| Early October, 1998   | 39         | 39        | 22=100                        |
| Early September, 1998 | 46         | 37        | 17=100                        |
| March, 1998           | 45         | 41        | 14=100                        |
| January, 1998         | 44         | 43        | 13=100                        |
| August, 1997          | 45         | 42        | 13=100                        |
| Early September, 1996 | 43         | 43        | 14=100                        |
| November, 1994        | 31         | 51        | 18=100                        |
| Late October, 1994    | 31         | 56        | 13=100                        |
| Early October, 1994   | 28         | 56        | 16=100                        |

Q.15 Thinking about the upcoming congressional elections, compared to previous elections, are you more enthusiastic about voting than usual, or less enthusiastic?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|          |                    | Early<br>Oct<br><u>2006<sup>11</sup></u> | Early<br>Sept<br><u>2006</u> | June<br><u>2006</u> | June<br><u>2002</u> | June<br><u>1998</u> | <i>Gallup</i><br>Oct<br><u>1994</u> |
|----------|--------------------|--|------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 41       | More               | 39                                       | 37                           | 38                  | 41                  | 38                  | 34                                  |
| 34       | Less               | 36                                       | 40                           | 40                  | 33                  | 45                  | 44                                  |
| 23       | Same (VOL)         | 21                                       | 20                           | 18                  | 23                  | 15                  | 20                                  |
| <u>2</u> | Don't know/Refused | <u>4</u>                                 | <u>3</u>                     | <u>4</u>            | <u>3</u>            | <u>2</u>            | <u>2</u>                            |
| 100      |                    | 100                                      | 100                          | 100                 | 100                 | 100                 | 100                                 |

Q.16 Will the issue of which party controls Congress, the Republicans or the Democrats, be a factor in your vote for Congress this year, or not?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|                       | <u>Yes, will be<br/>a factor</u> | <u>No,<br/>will not</u> | <u>(VOL)</u><br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Late October, 2006    | 61                               | 36                      | 3=100                         |
| Early October, 2006   | 57                               | 40                      | 3=100                         |
| Early September, 2006 | 55                               | 41                      | 4=100                         |
| June, 2006            | 58                               | 39                      | 3=100                         |
| April, 2006           | 56                               | 39                      | 5=100                         |
| June, 2004            | 43                               | 51                      | 6=100                         |
| Early November, 2002  | 48                               | 49                      | 3=100                         |
| Early October, 2002   | 42                               | 55                      | 3=100                         |
| Early September, 2002 | 44                               | 51                      | 5=100                         |
| June, 2002            | 47                               | 50                      | 3=100                         |
| February, 2002        | 46                               | 49                      | 5=100                         |
| Early October, 2000   | 46                               | 50                      | 4=100                         |
| July, 2000            | 46                               | 49                      | 5=100                         |
| Late October, 1998    | 46                               | 50                      | 4=100                         |

11 In Early October 2006 and before the question was worded: "Thinking about the congressional elections that will be held this November, compared to previous elections, are you more enthusiastic about voting than usual, or less enthusiastic?"

**Q.16 CONTINUED...**

|                       | Yes, will be<br><u>a factor</u> | No,<br><u>will not</u> | (VOL)<br><u>DK/Ref</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Early October, 1998   | 47                              | 49                     | 4=100                  |
| Early September, 1998 | 41                              | 56                     | 3=100                  |
| Early August, 1998    | 44                              | 53                     | 3=100                  |
| June, 1998            | 45                              | 51                     | 4=100                  |

Q.17 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 ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|  | <u>For</u> | <u>Against</u> | <u>Not a factor</u> | <u>DK/Ref</u> |
|--|------------|----------------|---------------------|---------------|
| Late October, 2006                     | 20         | 37             | 38                  | 5=100         |
| Early October, 2006                    | 18         | 39             | 40                  | 3=100         |
| Early September, 2006                  | 20         | 36             | 40                  | 4=100         |
| August, 2006                           | 17         | 35             | 43                  | 5=100         |
| June, 2006                             | 15         | 38             | 44                  | 3=100         |
| April, 2006                            | 17         | 34             | 46                  | 3=100         |
| February, 2006                         | 18         | 31             | 47                  | 4=100         |
| Early November, 2002                   | 29         | 16             | 49                  | 6=100         |
| Early October, 2002                    | 30         | 20             | 44                  | 6=100         |
| Early September, 2002                  | 29         | 15             | 51                  | 5=100         |
| February, 2002                         | 34         | 9              | 50                  | 7=100         |
| <b>Clinton:</b> Late October, 1998     | 20         | 17             | 58                  | 5=100         |
| <b>Clinton:</b> Early October, 1998    | 19         | 23             | 52                  | 6=100         |
| <b>Clinton:</b> Early September, 1998  | 18         | 16             | 63                  | 3=100         |
| <b>Clinton:</b> Late August, 1998      | 20         | 17             | 61                  | 2=100         |
| <b>Clinton:</b> Early August, 1998     | 21         | 18             | 57                  | 4=100         |
| <b>Clinton:</b> June, 1998             | 20         | 18             | 57                  | 5=100         |
| <b>Clinton:</b> March, 1998            | 21         | 15             | 59                  | 5=100         |
| <b>Clinton:</b> Early September, 1996  | 24         | 18             | 51                  | 7=100         |
| <b>Clinton:</b> November, 1994         | 17         | 21             | 55                  | 7=100         |
| <b>Clinton:</b> Late October, 1994     | 17         | 21             | 57                  | 5=100         |
| <b>Clinton:</b> Early October, 1994    | 17         | 23             | 54                  | 6=100         |
| <b>CBS/NYT Bush:</b> 10/28-31, 1990    | 19         | 15             | 61                  | 6=100         |
| <b>CBS/NYT Reagan:</b> 10/24-28, 1986  | 26         | 12             | 55                  | 7=100         |
| <b>CBS/NYT Reagan:</b> 9/28-10/1, 1986 | 26         | 16             | 51                  | 7=100         |
| <b>CBS/NYT Reagan:</b> 10/23-28, 1982  | 23         | 21             | 51                  | 5=100         |

**QUESTION 18 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

**ASK ALL GENERAL PUBLIC:**

Q.19 As I read a list of some stories covered by news organizations this past month, tell me if you happened to follow each news story very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely. First, **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE. [IF NECESSARY “Did you follow [ITEM] very closely, fairly closely, not too closely or not at all closely?”]**

|   | Very<br>closely | Fairly<br>closely | Not too<br>closely | Not at all<br>closely | DK/<br>Ref |
|---|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| a. News about the current situation in Iraq | 42              | 38                | 12                 | 6                     | 2=100      |
| September, 2006                             | 33              | 43                | 14                 | 8                     | 2=100      |
| August, 2006                                | 41              | 39                | 12                 | 7                     | 1=100      |
| June, 2006                                  | 37              | 43                | 13                 | 6                     | 1=100      |
| May, 2006                                   | 42              | 35                | 15                 | 7                     | 1=100      |
| April, 2006                                 | 43              | 36                | 13                 | 7                     | 1=100      |
| March, 2006                                 | 43              | 38                | 12                 | 6                     | 1=100      |
| February, 2006                              | 39              | 42                | 12                 | 6                     | 1=100      |
| January, 2006                               | 40              | 40                | 12                 | 7                     | 1=100      |
| December, 2005                              | 45              | 38                | 11                 | 5                     | 1=100      |
| Early November, 2005                        | 41              | 40                | 13                 | 6                     | *=100      |
| Early October, 2005                         | 43              | 36                | 15                 | 6                     | *=100      |
| Early September, 2005                       | 32              | 40                | 20                 | 7                     | 1=100      |
| July, 2005                                  | 43              | 37                | 13                 | 6                     | 1=100      |
| June, 2005                                  | 41              | 39                | 12                 | 7                     | 1=100      |
| Mid-May, 2005                               | 42              | 42                | 11                 | 5                     | *=100      |
| Mid-March, 2005                             | 40              | 39                | 14                 | 5                     | 2=100      |
| February, 2005                              | 38              | 45                | 13                 | 4                     | *=100      |
| January, 2005                               | 48              | 37                | 11                 | 4                     | *=100      |
| December, 2004                              | 34              | 44                | 15                 | 6                     | 1=100      |
| Mid-October, 2004                           | 42              | 38                | 11                 | 8                     | 1=100      |
| Early September, 2004                       | 47              | 37                | 9                  | 6                     | 1=100      |
| August, 2004                                | 39              | 42                | 12                 | 6                     | 1=100      |
| July, 2004                                  | 43              | 40                | 11                 | 6                     | *=100      |
| June, 2004                                  | 39              | 42                | 12                 | 6                     | 1=100      |
| April, 2004                                 | 54              | 33                | 8                  | 5                     | *=100      |
| Mid-March, 2004                             | 47              | 36                | 12                 | 4                     | 1=100      |
| Early February, 2004                        | 47              | 38                | 10                 | 4                     | 1=100      |
| Mid-January, 2004                           | 48              | 39                | 9                  | 4                     | *=100      |
| December, 2003                              | 44              | 38                | 11                 | 6                     | 1=100      |
| November, 2003                              | 52              | 33                | 9                  | 5                     | 1=100      |
| October, 2003                               | 38              | 40                | 14                 | 7                     | 1=100      |
| September, 2003                             | 50              | 33                | 10                 | 6                     | 1=100      |
| Mid-August, 2003                            | 45              | 39                | 10                 | 5                     | 1=100      |
| Early July, 2003                            | 37              | 41                | 13                 | 8                     | 1=100      |
| June, 2003                                  | 46              | 35                | 13                 | 6                     | *=100      |
| May, 2003                                   | 63              | 29                | 6                  | 2                     | *=100      |
| April 11-16, 2003 <sup>12</sup>             | 47              | 40                | 10                 | 2                     | 1=100      |
| April 2-7, 2003                             | 54              | 34                | 9                  | 2                     | 1=100      |

**Q.19 CONTINUED...**

|   | Very<br><u>closely</u> | Fairly<br><u>closely</u> | Not too<br><u>closely</u> | Not at all<br><u>closely</u> | DK/<br><u>Ref</u> |
|---|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| March 20-24, 2003   | 57                     | 33                       | 7                         | 2                            | 1=100             |
| March 13-16, 2003 <sup>13</sup>   | 62                     | 27                       | 6                         | 4                            | 1=100             |
| February, 2003  | 62                     | 25                       | 8                         | 4                            | 1=100             |
| January, 2003   | 55                     | 29                       | 10                        | 4                            | 2=100             |
| December, 2002  | 51                     | 32                       | 10                        | 6                            | 1=100             |
| Late October, 2002  | 53                     | 33                       | 8                         | 5                            | 1=100             |
| Early October, 2002   | 60                     | 28                       | 6                         | 5                            | 1=100             |
| Early September, 2002   | 48                     | 29                       | 15                        | 6                            | 2=100             |
| b. North Korea's announcement that it recently tested a nuclear weapon                        | 45                     | 33                       | 13                        | 8                            | 1=100             |
| c. The resignation of Congressman Mark Foley, who sent inappropriate messages to young people | 26                     | 32                       | 23                        | 18                           | 1=100             |
| d. Recent shootings at schools in Pennsylvania and other states                               | 46                     | 33                       | 12                        | 8                            | 1=100             |

**QUESTIONS 20 THROUGH 24 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

**READ TO ALL:** Next I would like to ask you about a couple of things that have been in the news. Not everyone will have heard about them...

**ASK ALL GENERAL PUBLIC:**

Q.25 Do you happen to know which political party has a majority in the U.S. House of Representatives?

|                                  | April<br><u>2006</u> | April<br><u>2004</u> | June<br><u>2001</u> | Aug<br><u>1999</u> | Dec<br><u>1998</u> | June<br><u>1997</u> | April<br><u>1996</u> | June<br><u>1995</u> |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 58 Republican ( <i>Correct</i> ) | 64                   | 56                   | 31                  | 55                 | 56                 | 50                  | 70                   | 73                  |
| 4 Democratic                     | 6                    | 8                    | 34                  | 8                  | 11                 | 6                   | 8                    | 5                   |
| <u>38</u> Don't know/Refused     | <u>30</u>            | <u>36</u>            | <u>35</u>           | <u>37</u>          | <u>33</u>          | <u>44</u>           | <u>22</u>            | <u>22</u>           |
| 100                              | 100                  | 100                  | 100                 | 100                | 100                | 100                 | 100                  | 100                 |

Q.26 Do you happen to know the name of your current Representative in Congress or not?

|          |                                      | <b>-- Based on Registered Voters --</b> |                    |                    |                              |
|----------|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
|          |                                      | Late<br>Oct<br><u>2006</u>              | Oct<br><u>1998</u> | Nov<br><u>1994</u> | Gallup<br>Oct<br><u>1990</u> |
| 37       | Yes ( <b>ACCEPT ANY NAME GIVEN</b> ) | 46                                      | 59                 | 63                 | 61                           |
| 54       | No                                   | 46                                      | 37                 | 34                 | 39                           |
| <u>9</u> | Don't know/Refused                   | <u>8</u>                                | <u>4</u>           | <u>3</u>           | <u>*</u>                     |
| 100      |                                      | 100                                     | 100                | 100                | 100                          |

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13 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."

Q.27 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]

|                       | App-<br>rove | Dis-<br>approve | Don't<br>know |                               | App-<br>rove | Dis-<br>approve | Don't<br>know |
|-----------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|-------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Late October, 2006    | 38           | 53              | 9=100         | <i>April 10-16, 2003</i>      | 72           | 22              | 6=100         |
| Early October, 2006   | 37           | 53              | 10=100        | <i>April 9, 2003</i>          | 74           | 20              | 6=100         |
| Early September, 2006 | 37           | 53              | 10=100        | <i>April 2-7, 2003</i>        | 69           | 25              | 6=100         |
| August, 2006          | 37           | 54              | 9=100         | <i>March 28-April 1, 2003</i> | 71           | 23              | 6=100         |
| July, 2006            | 36           | 57              | 7=100         | <i>March 25-27, 2003</i>      | 70           | 24              | 6=100         |
| June, 2006            | 36           | 54              | 10=100        | <i>March 20-24, 2003</i>      | 67           | 26              | 7=100         |
| April, 2006           | 33           | 56              | 11=100        | <i>March 13-16, 2003</i>      | 55           | 34              | 11=100        |
| Early April, 2006     | 35           | 55              | 10=100        | <i>February, 2003</i>         | 54           | 36              | 10=100        |
| March, 2006           | 33           | 57              | 10=100        | <i>January, 2003</i>          | 58           | 32              | 10=100        |
| February, 2006        | 40           | 52              | 8=100         | <i>December, 2002</i>         | 61           | 28              | 11=100        |
| January, 2006         | 38           | 54              | 8=100         | <i>Late October, 2002</i>     | 59           | 29              | 12=100        |
| December, 2005        | 38           | 54              | 8=100         | <i>Early October, 2002</i>    | 61           | 30              | 9=100         |
| Early November, 2005  | 36           | 55              | 9=100         | <i>Mid-September, 2002</i>    | 67           | 22              | 11=100        |
| Late October, 2005    | 40           | 52              | 8=100         | <i>Early September, 2002</i>  | 63           | 26              | 11=100        |
| Early October, 2005   | 38           | 56              | 6=100         | <i>Late August, 2002</i>      | 60           | 27              | 13=100        |
| September 8-11, 2005  | 40           | 52              | 8=100         | <i>August, 2002</i>           | 67           | 21              | 12=100        |
| September 6-7, 2005   | 40           | 52              | 8=100         | <i>Late July, 2002</i>        | 65           | 25              | 10=100        |
| July, 2005            | 44           | 48              | 8=100         | <i>July, 2002</i>             | 67           | 21              | 12=100        |
| June, 2005            | 42           | 49              | 9=100         | <i>June, 2002</i>             | 70           | 20              | 10=100        |
| Late May, 2005        | 42           | 48              | 10=100        | <i>April, 2002</i>            | 69           | 18              | 13=100        |
| Mid-May, 2005         | 43           | 50              | 7=100         | <i>Early April, 2002</i>      | 74           | 16              | 10=100        |
| Late March, 2005      | 49           | 46              | 5=100         | <i>February, 2002</i>         | 78           | 13              | 9=100         |
| Mid-March, 2005       | 45           | 46              | 9=100         | <i>January, 2002</i>          | 80           | 11              | 9=100         |
| February, 2005        | 46           | 47              | 7=100         | <i>Mid-November, 2001</i>     | 84           | 9               | 7=100         |
| January, 2005         | 50           | 43              | 7=100         | <i>Early October, 2001</i>    | 84           | 8               | 8=100         |
| December, 2004        | 48           | 44              | 8=100         | <i>Late September, 2001</i>   | 86           | 7               | 7=100         |
| Mid-October, 2004     | 44           | 48              | 8=100         | <i>Mid-September, 2001</i>    | 80           | 9               | 11=100        |
| August, 2004          | 46           | 45              | 9=100         | <i>Early September, 2001</i>  | 51           | 34              | 15=100        |
| July, 2004            | 46           | 46              | 8=100         | <i>August, 2001</i>           | 50           | 32              | 18=100        |
| June, 2004            | 48           | 43              | 9=100         | <i>July, 2001</i>             | 51           | 32              | 17=100        |
| May, 2004             | 44           | 48              | 8=100         | <i>June, 2001</i>             | 50           | 33              | 17=100        |
| Late April, 2004      | 48           | 43              | 9=100         | <i>May, 2001</i>              | 53           | 32              | 15=100        |
| Early April, 2004     | 43           | 47              | 10=100        | <i>April, 2001</i>            | 56           | 27              | 17=100        |
| Late March, 2004      | 47           | 44              | 9=100         | <i>March, 2001</i>            | 55           | 25              | 20=100        |
| Mid-March, 2004       | 46           | 47              | 7=100         | <i>February, 2001</i>         | 53           | 21              | 26=100        |
| February, 2004        | 48           | 44              | 8=100         |                               |              |                 |               |
| Mid-January, 2004     | 56           | 34              | 10=100        |                               |              |                 |               |
| Early January, 2004   | 58           | 35              | 7=100         |                               |              |                 |               |
| 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         |                               |              |                 |               |

**ASK ALL GENERAL PUBLIC:**

Q.28 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; RANDOMIZE – OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]<sup>14</sup>

|    | Republican                                | Democratic | (VOL.)<br>Both | (VOL.)<br>Neither | Don't |        |
|----|---|------------|----------------|-------------------|-------|--------|
|    | Party                                     | Party      | Equally        |                   | Know  |        |
| a. | Dealing with the economy                  | 32         | 45             | 4                 | 5     | 14=100 |
|    | September, 2006                           | 32         | 46             | 5                 | 5     | 12=100 |
|    | February, 2006                            | 36         | 46             | 5                 | 5     | 8=100  |
|    | Mid-September, 2005                       | 38         | 44             | 5                 | 7     | 6=100  |
|    | July, 2004                                | 34         | 46             | 5                 | 5     | 10=100 |
|    | Late October, 2002 (RVs)                  | 37         | 40             | 5                 | 6     | 12=100 |
|    | Early October, 2002 (RVs)                 | 37         | 41             | 4                 | 5     | 13=100 |
|    | Early September, 2002                     | 36         | 36             | 9                 | 6     | 13=100 |
|    | January, 2002                             | 43         | 34             | --                | 5     | 18=100 |
|    | May, 2001 <sup>15</sup>                   | 33         | 44             | 8                 | 5     | 10=100 |
|    | June, 1999                                | 37         | 43             | 8                 | 3     | 9=100  |
|    | March, 1999                               | 39         | 44             | 5                 | 3     | 9=100  |
|    | Early September, 1998                     | 40         | 38             | 8                 | 4     | 10=100 |
|    | March, 1998                               | 40         | 40             | 12                | 3     | 5=100  |
|    | October, 1994                             | 45         | 33             | 5                 | 7     | 10=100 |
|    | Gallup: October, 1992 (RVs)               | 36         | 45             | 10                | --    | 9=100  |
|    | Gallup: October, 1990                     | 37         | 35             | --                | --    | 28=100 |
| b. | Making wise decisions about               |            |                |                   |       |        |
|    | what to do in Iraq                        | 31         | 39             | 5                 | 8     | 17=100 |
|    | September, 2006                           | 33         | 40             | 5                 | 8     | 14=100 |
|    | February, 2006                            | 38         | 41             | 3                 | 8     | 10=100 |
|    | Mid-September, 2005                       | 38         | 43             | 5                 | 6     | 8=100  |
|    | July, 2004                                | 38         | 40             | 4                 | 6     | 12=100 |
|    | Late October, 2002 (RVs)                  | 42         | 33             | 6                 | 6     | 13=100 |
|    | Early October, 2002 (RVs)                 | 46         | 30             | 7                 | 4     | 13=100 |
| c. | Dealing with the terrorist threat at home | 39         | 33             | 7                 | 6     | 15=100 |
|    | September, 2006                           | 41         | 32             | 7                 | 6     | 14=100 |
|    | February, 2006                            | 46         | 30             | 8                 | 7     | 9=100  |
|    | Mid-September, 2005                       | 45         | 34             | 7                 | 6     | 8=100  |
|    | July, 2004                                | 45         | 30             | 6                 | 6     | 13=100 |
|    | Late October, 2002 (RVs)                  | 44         | 27             | 11                | 6     | 12=100 |
|    | Early October, 2002 (RVs)                 | 44         | 28             | 7                 | 5     | 16=100 |
|    | Early September, 2002                     | 44         | 22             | 14                | 6     | 14=100 |
|    | January, 2002                             | 48         | 18             | --                | 6     | 28=100 |

14 In January 1999, January 2001, January 2002, and May 2002, the question was worded: "Please tell me which party you think has the best ideas... the Republican Party or the Democratic Party?"

15 In May 2001 and earlier, the item was worded: "... keeping the country prosperous?"

**Q.28 CONTINUED...**

|                                  |                                    | Republican   | Democratic   | (VOL.)<br>Both | (VOL.)<br>Neither | Don't       |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------|
|                                  |                                    | <u>Party</u> | <u>Party</u> | <u>Equally</u> | <u>Neither</u>    | <u>Know</u> |
| d.                               | Improving morality in this country | 30           | 37           | 6              | 12                | 15=100      |
|                                  | September, 2006                    | 34           | 36           | 5              | 10                | 15=100      |
|                                  | July, 2004                         | 37           | 35           | 5              | 10                | 13=100      |
|                                  | January, 2002                      | 38           | 27           | --             | 8                 | 27=100      |
|                                  | January, 2001                      | 49           | 26           | --             | 11                | 14=100      |
|                                  | January, 1999                      | 37           | 29           | --             | 17                | 17=100      |
|                                  | June, 1999 <sup>16</sup>           | 40           | 33           | 7              | 11                | 9=100       |
|                                  | Early September, 1998              | 45           | 27           | 8              | 9                 | 11=100      |
|                                  | March 1998                         | 43           | 29           | 9              | 11                | 8=100       |
|                                  | October, 1994                      | 40           | 35           | 6              | 8                 | 11=100      |
|                                  | July, 1994                         | 46           | 34           | 4              | 8                 | 8=100       |
| <b>ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=1003]:</b> |                                    |              |              |                |                   |             |
| e.F1                             | Reforming government in Washington | 24           | 41           | 5              | 12                | 18=100      |
|                                  | September, 2006                    | 25           | 41           | 4              | 16                | 14=100      |
|                                  | April, 2006                        | 28           | 44           | 5              | 15                | 8=100       |
|                                  | February, 2006                     | 29           | 42           | 7              | 12                | 10=100      |
|                                  | March, 1998 <sup>17</sup>          | 37           | 35           | 8              | 10                | 10=100      |
|                                  | July, 1994                         | 39           | 40           | 3              | 11                | 7=100       |
| f.F1                             | Dealing with immigration           | 35           | 33           | 6              | 8                 | 18=100      |
|                                  | September, 2006                    | 32           | 37           | 5              | 10                | 16=100      |
|                                  | April, 2006                        | 27           | 43           | 6              | 11                | 13=100      |
|                                  | February, 2006                     | 34           | 38           | 8              | 9                 | 11=100      |
| g.F1                             | Dealing with taxes                 | 32           | 40           | 5              | 7                 | 16=100      |
|                                  | September, 2006                    | 30           | 45           | 4              | 9                 | 12=100      |
|                                  | February, 2006                     | 35           | 46           | 5              | 6                 | 8=100       |
|                                  | May, 2001                          | 37           | 40           | 8              | 6                 | 9=100       |
|                                  | June, 1999                         | 38           | 38           | 5              | 7                 | 12=100      |
|                                  | September, 1998                    | 41           | 37           | 7              | 5                 | 10=100      |
|                                  | March, 1998                        | 39           | 40           | 6              | 7                 | 8=100       |
|                                  | October, 1994                      | 43           | 34           | 5              | 9                 | 9=100       |
| h.F1                             | Reducing crime                     | 29           | 33           | 9              | 9                 | 20=100      |
|                                  | September, 2006                    | 32           | 34           | 8              | 10                | 16=100      |
|                                  | February, 2006                     | 37           | 30           | 8              | 10                | 15=100      |
|                                  | September, 2002                    | 35           | 26           | 14             | 10                | 15=100      |
|                                  | June, 1999                         | 35           | 35           | 12             | 6                 | 12=100      |
|                                  | Early September, 1998              | 39           | 32           | 10             | 7                 | 12=100      |
|                                  | March, 1998                        | 35           | 34           | 11             | 10                | 10=100      |
|                                  | October, 1994                      | 38           | 34           | 7              | 10                | 11=100      |
|                                  | December, 1993                     | 29           | 35           | --             | 17                | 19=100      |
|                                  | January, 1992                      | 32           | 32           | --             | 18                | 18=100      |

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16 In June 1999 and earlier the item was worded "...promoting morality and personal responsibility."

17 In March 1998 and July 1994 the item was worded "reforming government."



**Q.28 CONTINUED...**

|                                  |   | Republican   | Democratic   | (VOL.)<br>Both | (VOL.)<br>Neither | Don't       |
|----------------------------------|---|--------------|--------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------|
|                                  |   | <u>Party</u> | <u>Party</u> | <u>Equally</u> | <u>Neither</u>    | <u>Know</u> |
| <b>ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1003]:</b> |   |              |              |                |                   |             |
| i.F2                             | Reforming the U.S. health care system     | 25           | 46           | 4              | 8                 | 17=100      |
|                                  | September, 2006                           | 24           | 48           | 5              | 10                | 13=100      |
|                                  | February, 2006                            | 27           | 49           | 6              | 9                 | 9=100       |
|                                  | Mid-September, 2005                       | 28           | 51           | 4              | 10                | 7=100       |
|                                  | July, 2004                                | 23           | 50           | 4              | 10                | 13=100      |
|                                  | Early July, 2003                          | 31           | 38           | 6              | 10                | 15=100      |
|                                  | January, 2002 <sup>18</sup>               | 20           | 45           | --             | 6                 | 29=100      |
|                                  | January, 2001                             | 30           | 47           | --             | 7                 | 16=100      |
|                                  | January, 1999                             | 25           | 46           | --             | 7                 | 22=100      |
|                                  | Early September, 1998                     | 31           | 43           | 7              | 7                 | 12=100      |
|                                  | March, 1998                               | 25           | 53           | 6              | 8                 | 8=100       |
|                                  | October, 1994                             | 34           | 41           | 5              | 10                | 10=100      |
|                                  | July, 1994                                | 34           | 48           | 2              | 8                 | 8=100       |
|                                  | December, 1993                            | 25           | 47           | --             | 10                | 18=100      |
|                                  | January, 1992                             | 21           | 56           | --             | 8                 | 15=100      |
|                                  | May, 1990                                 | 20           | 50           | --             | 16                | 14=100      |
| j.F2                             | Dealing with the nation's energy problems | 28           | 44           | 5              | 6                 | 17=100      |
|                                  | September, 2006                           | 27           | 47           | 4              | 7                 | 15=100      |
|                                  | February, 2006                            | 32           | 45           | 6              | 7                 | 10=100      |
|                                  | Mid-September, 2005                       | 31           | 44           | 6              | 8                 | 11=100      |
|                                  | May, 2001                                 | 36           | 34           | 10             | 7                 | 13=100      |
| k.F2                             | Improving the educational system          | 27           | 45           | 5              | 6                 | 17=100      |
|                                  | September, 2006                           | 28           | 46           | 7              | 6                 | 13=100      |
|                                  | February, 2006                            | 33           | 44           | 8              | 7                 | 8=100       |
|                                  | Mid-September, 2005                       | 35           | 44           | 6              | 7                 | 8=100       |
|                                  | July, 2004                                | 29           | 45           | 7              | 7                 | 12=100      |
|                                  | January, 2002                             | 37           | 34           | --             | 6                 | 23=100      |
|                                  | May, 2001                                 | 36           | 38           | 11             | 6                 | 9=100       |
|                                  | January, 2001                             | 40           | 41           | --             | 7                 | 12=100      |
|                                  | June, 1999                                | 29           | 52           | 7              | 5                 | 7=100       |
|                                  | March, 1999                               | 33           | 46           | 6              | 5                 | 10=100      |
|                                  | January, 1999                             | 26           | 46           | --             | 7                 | 21=100      |
|                                  | Early September, 1998                     | 34           | 42           | 10             | 4                 | 10=100      |
|                                  | March, 1998                               | 29           | 49           | 10             | 5                 | 7=100       |
|                                  | July, 1994                                | 37           | 46           | 4              | 5                 | 8=100       |
|                                  | January, 1992                             | 28           | 48           | --             | 10                | 14=100      |
|                                  | May, 1990                                 | 30           | 42           | --             | 14                | 14=100      |
| l.F2                             | Dealing with North Korea                  | 36           | 35           | 5              | 5                 | 19=100      |

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18 From 1999 to 2002, the item was listed as "...regulating health maintenance organizations (HMOs) and managed health care plans." In December 1993 question was worded "Reforming health care." In January 1992 and May 1990 the question was worded "improving health care in the U.S."

**ASK ALL GENERAL PUBLIC:  
ROTATE N.1 AND N.2**

N.1 How concerned are you, if at all, that if the Democrats take control of the Congress this fall they will weaken the country's efforts to combat terrorism? **[READ]**

|          |                          | Sept<br><u>2006</u> | Aug<br><u>2006</u> |
|----------|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 29       | Very concerned           | 31                  | 35                 |
| 22       | Fairly concerned         | 21                  | 22                 |
| 19       | Not too concerned        | 18                  | 17                 |
| 26       | Not at all concerned     | 25                  | 23                 |
| <u>4</u> | Don't know/Refused (VOL) | <u>5</u>            | <u>3</u>           |
| 100      |                          | 100                 | 100                |

N.2 How concerned are you, if at all, that if the Republicans keep control of the Congress this fall they will get the U.S. involved in too many military operations overseas? **[READ]**

|          |                          | Sept<br><u>2006</u> | Aug<br><u>2006</u> |
|----------|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 43       | Very concerned           | 41                  | 46                 |
| 22       | Fairly concerned         | 25                  | 23                 |
| 19       | Not too concerned        | 15                  | 18                 |
| 13       | Not at all concerned     | 15                  | 11                 |
| <u>3</u> | Don't know/Refused (VOL) | <u>4</u>            | <u>2</u>           |
| 100      |                          | 100                 | 100                |

**ASK REGISTERED VOTERS ONLY (REGICERT=1)**

Q.29 Here are a few ways that candidates and political groups contact voters to encourage them to vote a particular way. Thinking just about the past few months, have you been contacted **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** by any candidates or political groups? Have you been contacted **[NEXT ITEM]**?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|  | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>DK/<br/>Ref</u> |
|--|------------|-----------|--------------------|
| a. Over the phone                              |            |           |                    |
| Late October, 2006                             | 41         | 59        | *=100              |
| Early October, 2006                            | 38         | 61        | 1=100              |
| November, 2002 <sup>19</sup>                   | 33         | 66        | 1=100              |
| Early November, 2000                           | 26         | 73        | 1=100              |
| b. In person by someone<br>coming to your door |            |           |                    |
| Late October, 2006                             | 14         | 86        | *=100              |
| Early October, 2006                            | 14         | 86        | *=100              |
| c. By e-mail                                   |            |           |                    |
| Late October, 2006                             | 16         | 82        | 2=100              |
| Early October, 2006                            | 15         | 83        | 2=100              |

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19 In November 2002 and earlier the question was worded: "Recently, have you been contacted over the phone by any candidates, campaigns or other groups urging you to vote in a particular way in the upcoming elections?"

**IF YES TO ANY (1 IN Q.29a, Q.29b OR Q.29c), ASK:**

Q.30 When you were contacted, were you urged to vote for Democratic candidates OR Republican candidates?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|           |                          | Early Oct<br><u>2006</u> |
|-----------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 54        | Yes, contacted (NET)     | 49                       |
| 15        | Democrats                | 14                       |
| 13        | Republicans              | 13                       |
| 3         | Other (VOL.)             | 2                        |
| 13        | Both (VOL.)              | 11                       |
| 10        | Don't know/Refused       | 9                        |
| <u>46</u> | Not contacted/DK/Refused | <u>51</u>                |
| 100       |                          | 100                      |

**ASK REGISTERED VOTERS ONLY (REGICERT=1)**

Q.31 So far, have you seen or heard any campaign commercials for candidates running for office?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|          |   | Early Oct<br><u>2006</u> <sup>20</sup> |
|----------|---|--|
| 89       | Yes, have seen campaign commercials       | 71                                     |
| 10       | No, haven't seen any campaign commercials | 29                                     |
| <u>1</u> | Don't know/Refused (VOL.)                 | *                                      |
| 100      |   | <u>100</u>                             |

Q.32 Have you, yourself, volunteered any of your time to help one of the election campaigns this fall or not?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|            |                    |
|------------|--------------------|
| 5          | Yes                |
| 95         | No                 |
| *          | Don't know/Refused |
| <u>100</u> |                    |

Q.33 Have you, yourself contributed money to a campaign in support of a candidate in the elections this fall, or not?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|            |                    |
|------------|--------------------|
| 10         | Yes                |
| 90         | No                 |
| *          | Don't know/Refused |
| <u>100</u> |                    |

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20 In Early October 2006 the question was worded: "So far, have you seen or heard any campaign commercials for candidates running for office? [IF YES: Have you seen a lot of commercials, some, or just a few?"]

**ASK ALL GENERAL PUBLIC:**

Q.34 I'd like to get your opinion of some organizations in the news. Is your overall opinion of... **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? **[INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN NEVER HEARD OF AND CAN'T RATE.]**

|    |                           | -----Favorable----- |      |        | -----Unfavorable----- |      |        | (VOL)    | (VOL)    |
|----|---------------------------|---------------------|------|--------|-----------------------|------|--------|----------|----------|
|    |                           | Total               | Very | Mostly | Total                 | Very | Mostly | Never    | Can't    |
|    |                           |                     |      |        |                       |      |        | Heard of | Rate/Ref |
| a. | The Republican Party      | 41                  | 9    | 32     | 50                    | 20   | 30     | *        | 9=100    |
|    | July, 2006                | 40                  | 10   | 30     | 52                    | 23   | 29     | 1        | 7=100    |
|    | April, 2006               | 40                  | 10   | 30     | 50                    | 21   | 29     | *        | 10=100   |
|    | February, 2006            | 44                  | 11   | 33     | 50                    | 24   | 26     | *        | 6=100    |
|    | Late October, 2005        | 42                  | 12   | 30     | 49                    | 24   | 25     | *        | 9=100    |
|    | July, 2005                | 48                  | 13   | 35     | 43                    | 18   | 25     | *        | 9=100    |
|    | June, 2005                | 48                  | 11   | 37     | 44                    | 20   | 24     | 0        | 8=100    |
|    | December, 2004            | 52                  | 15   | 37     | 42                    | 17   | 25     | 0        | 6=100    |
|    | June, 2004                | 51                  | 12   | 39     | 40                    | 14   | 26     | 0        | 9=100    |
|    | Early February, 2004      | 52                  | 14   | 38     | 42                    | 16   | 26     | *        | 6=100    |
|    | June, 2003                | 58                  | 14   | 44     | 33                    | 10   | 23     | 0        | 9=100    |
|    | April, 2003               | 63                  | 14   | 49     | 31                    | 10   | 21     | *        | 6=100    |
|    | December, 2002            | 59                  | 18   | 41     | 33                    | 11   | 22     | *        | 8=100    |
|    | July, 2001                | 48                  | 11   | 37     | 42                    | 15   | 27     | *        | 10=100   |
|    | January, 2001             | 56                  | 13   | 43     | 35                    | 13   | 22     | *        | 9=100    |
|    | September, 2000 (RVs)     | 53                  | 11   | 42     | 40                    | 12   | 28     | 0        | 7=100    |
|    | August, 1999              | 53                  | 8    | 45     | 43                    | 12   | 31     | *        | 4=100    |
|    | February, 1999            | 44                  | 7    | 37     | 51                    | 15   | 36     | 0        | 5=100    |
|    | January, 1999             | 44                  | 10   | 34     | 50                    | 23   | 27     | 0        | 6=100    |
|    | Early December, 1998      | 46                  | 11   | 35     | 47                    | 20   | 27     | *        | 7=100    |
|    | Early October, 1998 (RVs) | 52                  | 9    | 43     | 42                    | 14   | 28     | 0        | 6=100    |
|    | Early September, 1998     | 56                  | 9    | 47     | 37                    | 11   | 26     | *        | 7=100    |
|    | March, 1998               | 50                  | 10   | 40     | 43                    | 12   | 31     | *        | 7=100    |
|    | August, 1997              | 47                  | 9    | 38     | 47                    | 11   | 36     | *        | 6=100    |
|    | June, 1997                | 51                  | 8    | 43     | 42                    | 11   | 31     | 1        | 6=100    |
|    | January, 1997             | 52                  | 8    | 44     | 43                    | 10   | 33     | *        | 5=100    |
|    | October, 1995             | 52                  | 10   | 42     | 44                    | 16   | 28     | *        | 4=100    |
|    | December, 1994            | 67                  | 21   | 46     | 27                    | 8    | 19     | *        | 6=100    |
|    | July, 1994                | 63                  | 12   | 51     | 33                    | 8    | 25     | *        | 4=100    |
|    | May, 1993                 | 54                  | 12   | 42     | 35                    | 10   | 25     | 0        | 11=100   |
|    | July, 1992                | 46                  | 9    | 37     | 48                    | 17   | 31     | *        | 6=100    |
| b. | The Democratic Party      | 53                  | 13   | 40     | 36                    | 11   | 25     | *        | 11=100   |
|    | July, 2006                | 47                  | 13   | 34     | 44                    | 13   | 31     | 2        | 7=100    |
|    | April, 2006               | 47                  | 12   | 35     | 42                    | 14   | 28     | *        | 11=100   |
|    | February, 2006            | 48                  | 14   | 34     | 44                    | 17   | 27     | 0        | 8=100    |
|    | Late October, 2005        | 49                  | 14   | 35     | 41                    | 15   | 26     | *        | 10=100   |
|    | July, 2005                | 50                  | 15   | 35     | 41                    | 14   | 27     | *        | 9=100    |
|    | June, 2005                | 52                  | 12   | 40     | 39                    | 13   | 26     | *        | 9=100    |
|    | December, 2004            | 53                  | 13   | 40     | 41                    | 14   | 27     | *        | 6=100    |
|    | June, 2004                | 54                  | 12   | 42     | 36                    | 11   | 25     | 0        | 10=100   |
|    | Early February, 2004      | 58                  | 14   | 44     | 37                    | 9    | 28     | *        | 5=100    |
|    | June, 2003                | 54                  | 11   | 43     | 38                    | 10   | 28     | 0        | 8=100    |
|    | April, 2003               | 57                  | 13   | 44     | 36                    | 11   | 25     | *        | 7=100    |
|    | December, 2002            | 54                  | 15   | 39     | 37                    | 10   | 27     | *        | 9=100    |
|    | July, 2001                | 58                  | 18   | 40     | 34                    | 10   | 24     | *        | 8=100    |

Q.34 CONTINUED...

|    |                           | -----Favorable----- |      |        | -----Unfavorable----- |      |        | (VOL.)   | (VOL.)   |
|----|---------------------------|---------------------|------|--------|-----------------------|------|--------|----------|----------|
|    |                           | Total               | Very | Mostly | Total                 | Very | Mostly | Never    | Can't    |
|    |                           |                     |      |        |                       |      |        | heard of | rate/Ref |
|    | January, 2001             | 60                  | 18   | 42     | 30                    | 9    | 21     | 1        | 9=100    |
|    | 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    |
| c. | The Congress              | 41                  | 5    | 36     | 46                    | 15   | 31     | *        | 13=100   |
|    | February, 2006            | 44                  | 6    | 38     | 47                    | 14   | 33     | 0        | 9=100    |
|    | Late October, 2005        | 45                  | 7    | 38     | 45                    | 13   | 32     | *        | 10=100   |
|    | July, 2005                | 49                  | 6    | 43     | 40                    | 11   | 29     | *        | 11=100   |
|    | June, 2005                | 49                  | 6    | 43     | 40                    | 10   | 30     | *        | 11=100   |
|    | June, 2004                | 56                  | 7    | 49     | 33                    | 7    | 26     | *        | 11=100   |
|    | July, 2001                | 57                  | 7    | 50     | 32                    | 8    | 24     | *        | 11=100   |
|    | March, 2001               | 56                  | 6    | 50     | 36                    | 10   | 26     | 1        | 7=100    |
|    | January, 2001             | 64                  | 10   | 54     | 23                    | 5    | 18     | 1        | 12=100   |
|    | September, 2000 (RVs)     | 61                  | 8    | 53     | 32                    | 5    | 27     | *        | 7=100    |
|    | August, 1999              | 63                  | 8    | 55     | 34                    | 7    | 27     | *        | 3=100    |
|    | June, 1999                | 56                  | 9    | 47     | 39                    | 9    | 30     | *        | 5=100    |
|    | February, 1999            | 52                  | 4    | 48     | 44                    | 8    | 36     | 0        | 4=100    |
|    | January, 1999             | 48                  | 7    | 41     | 45                    | 15   | 30     | 0        | 7=100    |
|    | Early December, 1998      | 52                  | 11   | 41     | 41                    | 12   | 29     | 0        | 7=100    |
|    | Early October, 1998 (RVs) | 62                  | 7    | 55     | 33                    | 8    | 25     | 0        | 5=100    |
|    | Early September, 1998     | 66                  | 7    | 59     | 27                    | 5    | 22     | 0        | 7=100    |
|    | October, 1997             | 53                  | 5    | 48     | 44                    | 11   | 33     | 0        | 3=100    |
|    | August, 1997              | 50                  | 6    | 44     | 44                    | 11   | 33     | 0        | 6=100    |
|    | June, 1997                | 52                  | 4    | 48     | 42                    | 8    | 34     | 0        | 6=100    |
|    | May, 1997                 | 49                  | 5    | 44     | 42                    | 10   | 32     | *        | 9=100    |
|    | February, 1997            | 52                  | 6    | 46     | 40                    | 9    | 31     | *        | 8=100    |
|    | January, 1997             | 56                  | 6    | 50     | 40                    | 8    | 32     | *        | 4=100    |
|    | June, 1996                | 45                  | 6    | 39     | 50                    | 12   | 38     | *        | 5=100    |
|    | April, 1996               | 45                  | 6    | 39     | 50                    | 13   | 37     | 0        | 5=100    |
|    | January, 1996             | 42                  | 4    | 38     | 54                    | 16   | 38     | *        | 4=100    |
|    | October, 1995             | 42                  | 4    | 38     | 55                    | 13   | 42     | 0        | 3=100    |
|    | August, 1995              | 45                  | 5    | 40     | 47                    | 13   | 34     | *        | 7=100    |
|    | June, 1995                | 53                  | 8    | 45     | 42                    | 11   | 31     | *        | 5=100    |
|    | February, 1995            | 54                  | 10   | 44     | 37                    | 10   | 27     | 0        | 9=100    |
|    | July, 1994                | 53                  | 7    | 46     | 43                    | 9    | 34     | *        | 4=100    |
|    | May, 1993                 | 43                  | 8    | 35     | 48                    | 13   | 35     | 0        | 9=100    |

**Q.34 CONTINUED...**

|                | -----Favorable----- |      |        | -----Unfavorable----- |      |        | (VOL.)         | (VOL.)         |
|----------------|---------------------|------|--------|-----------------------|------|--------|----------------|----------------|
|                | Total               | Very | Mostly | Total                 | Very | Mostly | Never heard of | Can't rate/Ref |
| November, 1991 | 51                  | 7    | 44     | 43                    | 9    | 34     | 0              | 6=100          |
| March, 1991    | 66                  | 16   | 50     | 26                    | 7    | 19     | 0              | 8=100          |
| May, 1990      | 59                  | 6    | 53     | 34                    | 9    | 25     | 1              | 6=100          |
| May, 1988      | 64                  | 8    | 56     | 28                    | 5    | 23     | 0              | 8=100          |
| January, 1988  | 64                  | 6    | 58     | 29                    | 4    | 25     | 0              | 7=100          |
| May, 1987      | 74                  | 10   | 64     | 20                    | 4    | 16     | *              | 6=100          |
| January, 1987  | 59                  | 7    | 52     | 31                    | 8    | 23     | 0              | 10=100         |
| June, 1985     | 67                  | 9    | 58     | 26                    | 5    | 21     | *              | 7=100          |

**ASK REGISTERED VOTERS ONLY (REGICERT=1)**

Q.35 From what you have heard or read, will voters in your state this November be voting on any ballot initiatives, referendums, or state constitutional amendments, or not?

**BASED ON ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1552]:**

|           |                | Early Oct   | Mid-Oct     |
|-----------|----------------|-------------|-------------|
|           |                | <u>2006</u> | <u>2004</u> |
| 39        | Yes            | 36          | 42          |
| 28        | No             | 28          | 31          |
| <u>33</u> | Don't know/Ref | <u>36</u>   | <u>27</u>   |
| 100       |                | 100         | 100         |

**IF 'YES' (1 IN Q.35) ASK:**

Q.36 Can you think of any particular issues on the ballot that are up for a vote in your state? [OPEN-END, PRECODED RESPONSES BELOW, DO NOT READ. ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES BUT DO NOT PROBE FOR ADDITIONAL]

**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS WHO SAID "YES" IN Q.35 [N=575]:**

|    |  | Early Oct   | Mid-Oct     |
|----|--|-------------|-------------|
|    |  | <u>2006</u> | <u>2004</u> |
| 11 | Education/Schools/school bonds   | 8           | 9           |
| 11 | Gay marriage/gay rights  | 5           | 15          |
| 11 | Taxes  | 11          | 7           |
| 8  | Cigarettes/Smoking   | 3           | --          |
| 5  | Property rights/Eminent domain/Private property/<br>Government taking land | 3           | --          |
| 5  | Gambling/Lottery/Casinos   | 3           | 20          |
| 5  | Energy/Gas/Oil/Drilling  | 3           | --          |
| 4  | Other bond issues / Local development                                      | 3           | 4           |
| 3  | Immigration issues   | 4           | 2           |
| 3  | Transportation   | 1           | 2           |
| 3  | Alcohol  | --          | --          |
| 3  | Stem cell research   | 2           | 2           |
| 2  | Minimum wage   | 3           | --          |
| 1  | Environment issues   | 1           | 3           |
| 1  | Politicians/elections  | 1           | 2           |
| 1  | Health care  | 3           | 2           |
| 15 | Other (VOL.)   | 12          | 15          |
| 31 | No / Don't know / No others (VOL.)   | 46          | 37          |

**IF 'YES' (1 IN Q.35) ASK:**

Q.37 How interested are you in the ballot issues in your state this year? [READ]

**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS WHO SAID "YES" IN Q.35 [N=575]:**

|          |                           | Early Oct<br><u>2006</u> | Mid-Oct<br><u>2004</u> |
|----------|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 38       | Very interested           | 42                       | 41                     |
| 43       | Fairly interested         | 42                       | 45                     |
| 15       | Not too interested        | 12                       | 11                     |
| 2        | Not at all interested     | 2                        | 2                      |
| <u>2</u> | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | <u>2</u>                 | <u>1</u>               |
| 100      |                           | 100                      | 100                    |

**ASK ALL GENERAL PUBLIC:**

**ROTATE Q.38 AND Q.39**

Thinking about the nation's economy...

Q.38 How would you rate economic conditions in this country today... as excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

|                               | <u>Excellent</u> | <u>Good</u> | Only<br><u>Fair</u> | <u>Poor</u> | Don't Know<br><u>Refused</u> |
|-------------------------------|------------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| Late October, 2006            | 6                | 27          | 40                  | 25          | 2=100                        |
| September, 2006               | 5                | 32          | 41                  | 20          | 2=100                        |
| March, 2006                   | 4                | 29          | 44                  | 22          | 1=100                        |
| January, 2006                 | 4                | 30          | 45                  | 19          | 2=100                        |
| Early October, 2005           | 2                | 23          | 45                  | 29          | 1=100                        |
| Mid-September, 2005           | 3                | 28          | 44                  | 24          | 1=100                        |
| Mid-May, 2005                 | 3                | 29          | 47                  | 20          | 1=100                        |
| January, 2005                 | 3                | 36          | 45                  | 15          | 1=100                        |
| 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                        |
| February 17-19, 2003 (Gallup) | 1                | 17          | 48                  | 34          | *=100                        |
| February 4-6, 2002 (Gallup)   | 2                | 26          | 55                  | 16          | 1=100                        |
| March 5-7, 2001 (Gallup)      | 3                | 43          | 43                  | 10          | 1=100                        |
| January 7-10, 2000 (Gallup)   | 19               | 52          | 23                  | 5           | 1=100                        |
| January 15-17, 1999 (Gallup)  | 14               | 55          | 27                  | 4           | *=100                        |
| March 20-22, 1998 (Gallup)    | 20               | 46          | 27                  | 7           | *=100                        |
| Jan 31 - Feb 2, 1997 (Gallup) | 4                | 38          | 43                  | 15          | *=100                        |
| March 15-17, 1996 (Gallup)    | 2                | 31          | 48                  | 18          | 1=100                        |
| May 11-14, 1995 (Gallup)      | 2                | 27          | 50                  | 20          | 1=100                        |
| January 15-17, 1994 (Gallup)  | *                | 22          | 54                  | 24          | *=100                        |

**Q.38 CONTINUED...**

|  | <u>Excellent</u> | <u>Good</u> | Only<br><u>Fair</u> | <u>Poor</u> | Don't Know<br><u>Refused</u> |
|--|------------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------|------------------------------|
| February 12-14, 1993 ( <i>Gallup</i> ) | *                | 14          | 46                  | 39          | 1=100                        |
| January 3-6, 1992 ( <i>Gallup</i> )    | *                | 12          | 46                  | 41          | 1=100                        |

Thinking about your own personal finances...

Q.39 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 financially?

|   | <u>Excellent</u> | <u>Good</u> | Only<br><u>Fair</u> | <u>Poor</u> | Don't Know/<br><u>Refused</u> |
|---|------------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|
| Late October, 2006                                | 9                | 40          | 33                  | 16          | 2=100                         |
| March, 2006                                       | 9                | 39          | 36                  | 15          | 1=100                         |
| January, 2006                                     | 7                | 39          | 37                  | 15          | 2=100                         |
| Mid- May, 2005                                    | 7                | 37          | 39                  | 16          | 1=100                         |
| January, 2005                                     | 10               | 41          | 34                  | 14          | 1=100                         |
| August, 2004                                      | 9                | 42          | 34                  | 14          | 1=100                         |
| September, 2003                                   | 10               | 38          | 36                  | 15          | 1=100                         |
| Late March, 2003                                  | 10               | 43          | 31                  | 12          | 4=100                         |
| January, 2003                                     | 7                | 38          | 39                  | 15          | 1=100                         |
| Early October, 2002                               | 7                | 39          | 37                  | 16          | 1=100                         |
| June, 2002  | 5                | 40          | 37                  | 16          | 2=100                         |
| Late September, 2001                              | 7                | 40          | 37                  | 14          | 2=100                         |
| June, 2001  | 6                | 38          | 39                  | 16          | 1=100                         |
| June, 2000  | 9                | 43          | 35                  | 11          | 2=100                         |
| August, 1999                                      | 6                | 43          | 41                  | 9           | 1=100                         |
| May, 1997   | 7                | 43          | 38                  | 11          | 1=100                         |
| September, 1996 ( <i>RVs</i> )                    | 8                | 47          | 34                  | 10          | 1=100                         |
| February, 1995                                    | 8                | 39          | 38                  | 14          | 1=100                         |
| March, 1994                                       | 5                | 41          | 40                  | 13          | 1=100                         |
| December, 1993                                    | 5                | 34          | 45                  | 15          | 1=100                         |
| January, 1993 <i>U.S. News &amp; World Report</i> | 4                | 33          | 46                  | 16          | 1=100                         |
| October, 1992 <i>U.S. News &amp; World Report</i> | 6                | 34          | 40                  | 19          | 1=100                         |
| August, 1992 <i>U.S. News &amp; World Report</i>  | 5                | 30          | 47                  | 17          | 1=100                         |
| May, 1992 <i>U.S. News &amp; World Report</i>     | 4                | 35          | 45                  | 15          | 1=100                         |
| January, 1992 <i>U.S. News &amp; World Report</i> | 4                | 32          | 45                  | 18          | 1=100                         |

Turning to the subject of Iraq ...

Q.40 Do you think the U.S. made the right decision or the wrong decision in using military force against Iraq?

|                       | <u>Right<br/>decision</u> | <u>Wrong<br/>decision</u> | (VOL)<br><u>DK/ Ref</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Late October, 2006    | 43                        | 47                        | 10=100                  |
| Early October, 2006   | 45                        | 47                        | 8=100                   |
| Early September, 2006 | 49                        | 43                        | 8=100                   |
| August, 2006          | 45                        | 46                        | 9=100                   |
| July, 2006            | 44                        | 50                        | 6=100                   |
| June, 2006            | 49                        | 44                        | 7=100                   |
| April, 2006           | 47                        | 46                        | 7=100                   |
| March, 2006           | 45                        | 49                        | 6=100                   |
| February, 2006        | 51                        | 44                        | 5=100                   |
| January, 2006         | 45                        | 47                        | 8=100                   |
| December, 2005        | 47                        | 48                        | 5=100                   |



**Q.40 CONTINUED...**

|                        | <u>Right<br/>decision</u> | <u>Wrong<br/>decision</u> | <u>(VOL)<br/>DK/ Ref</u> |
|------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Late October, 2005     | 48                        | 45                        | 7=100                    |
| Early October, 2005    | 44                        | 50                        | 6=100                    |
| Mid-September, 2005    | 49                        | 44                        | 7=100                    |
| July, 2005             | 49                        | 44                        | 7=100                    |
| June, 2005             | 47                        | 45                        | 8=100                    |
| February, 2005         | 47                        | 47                        | 6=100                    |
| January, 2005          | 51                        | 44                        | 5=100                    |
| December, 2004         | 49                        | 44                        | 7=100                    |
| November, 2004 (RVs)   | 48                        | 41                        | 11=100                   |
| Mid-October, 2004      | 46                        | 42                        | 12=100                   |
| Early October, 2004    | 50                        | 39                        | 11=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                    |
| Late April, 2004       | 54                        | 37                        | 9=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                        | 24                        | 9=100                    |
| May, 2003              | 74                        | 20                        | 6=100                    |
| April 10-16, 2003      | 74                        | 19                        | 7=100                    |
| April 8-9, 2003        | 74                        | 19                        | 7=100                    |
| April 2-7, 2003        | 72                        | 20                        | 8=100                    |
| March 28-April 1, 2003 | 69                        | 25                        | 6=100                    |
| March 25-27, 2003      | 74                        | 21                        | 5=100                    |
| March 23-24, 2003      | 74                        | 21                        | 5=100                    |
| March 20-22, 2003      | 71                        | 22                        | 7=100                    |
| Late January, 1991     | 77                        | 15                        | 8=100                    |

**Q.41 How well is the U.S. military effort in Iraq going? [READ IN ORDER]**

|                       | <u>Very<br/>well</u> | <u>Fairly<br/>well</u> | <u>Not too<br/>well</u> | <u>Not at all<br/>well</u> | <u>(VOL)<br/>DK/ Ref</u> |
|-----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Late October, 2006    | 5                    | 30                     | 34                      | 25                         | 6=100                    |
| Early October, 2006   | 8                    | 29                     | 33                      | 25                         | 5=100                    |
| Early September, 2006 | 8                    | 39                     | 28                      | 20                         | 5=100                    |
| August, 2006          | 8                    | 33                     | 32                      | 23                         | 4=100                    |
| June, 2006            | 16                   | 37                     | 25                      | 18                         | 4=100                    |
| April, 2006           | 13                   | 34                     | 29                      | 21                         | 3=100                    |
| March, 2006           | 9                    | 34                     | 30                      | 21                         | 6=100                    |
| February, 2006        | 13                   | 38                     | 29                      | 17                         | 3=100                    |
| January, 2006         | 12                   | 39                     | 27                      | 17                         | 5=100                    |

**Q.41 CONTINUED...**

|                               | Very<br><u>well</u> | Fairly<br><u>well</u> | Not too<br><u>well</u> | Not at all<br><u>well</u> | (VOL)<br><u>DK/ Ref</u> |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| December, 2005                | 14                  | 37                    | 29                     | 17                        | 3=100                   |
| Early October, 2005           | 9                   | 35                    | 31                     | 22                        | 3=100                   |
| Mid-September, 2005           | 12                  | 41                    | 26                     | 18                        | 3=100                   |
| July, 2005                    | 14                  | 38                    | 27                     | 17                        | 4=100                   |
| June, 2005                    | 9                   | 41                    | 27                     | 19                        | 4=100                   |
| February, 2005                | 14                  | 40                    | 25                     | 17                        | 4=100                   |
| January, 2005                 | 9                   | 39                    | 29                     | 20                        | 3=100                   |
| 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                   |
| <i>April 10-16, 2003</i>      | <i>61</i>           | <i>32</i>             | <i>3</i>               | <i>1</i>                  | <i>3=100</i>            |
| <i>April 8-9, 2003</i>        | <i>60</i>           | <i>32</i>             | <i>3</i>               | <i>3</i>                  | <i>2=100</i>            |
| <i>April 2-7, 2003</i>        | <i>55</i>           | <i>37</i>             | <i>3</i>               | <i>2</i>                  | <i>3=100</i>            |
| <i>March 25-April 1, 2003</i> | <i>39</i>           | <i>46</i>             | <i>8</i>               | <i>2</i>                  | <i>5=100</i>            |
| <i>March 23-24, 2003</i>      | <i>45</i>           | <i>41</i>             | <i>6</i>               | <i>2</i>                  | <i>6=100</i>            |
| <i>March 20-22, 2003</i>      | <i>65</i>           | <i>25</i>             | <i>2</i>               | <i>1</i>                  | <i>7=100</i>            |

Q.42 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?

|                       | Keep troops<br><u>in Iraq</u> | Bring troops<br><u>home</u> | (VOL)<br><u>DK/ Ref</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Late October, 2006    | 46                            | 47                          | 7=100                   |
| Early October, 2006   | 47                            | 47                          | 6=100                   |
| Early September, 2006 | 47                            | 47                          | 6=100                   |
| August, 2006          | 48                            | 46                          | 6=100                   |
| June, 2006            | 50                            | 45                          | 5=100                   |
| April, 2006           | 48                            | 48                          | 4=100                   |
| March, 2006           | 44                            | 50                          | 6=100                   |
| February, 2006        | 50                            | 46                          | 4=100                   |
| January, 2006         | 48                            | 48                          | 4=100                   |
| December, 2005        | 49                            | 46                          | 5=100                   |
| Early October, 2005   | 47                            | 48                          | 5=100                   |
| Mid-September, 2005   | 51                            | 45                          | 4=100                   |
| July, 2005            | 52                            | 43                          | 5=100                   |

**Q.42 CONTINUED...**

|                          | Keep troops<br><u>in Iraq</u> | Bring troops<br><u>home</u> | (VOL)<br><u>DK/ Ref</u> |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| June, 2005               | 50                            | 46                          | 4=100                   |
| February, 2005           | 55                            | 42                          | 3=100                   |
| January, 2005            | 54                            | 41                          | 5=100                   |
| December, 2004           | 56                            | 40                          | 4=100                   |
| Mid-October, 2004        | 57                            | 36                          | 7=100                   |
| Early September, 2004    | 54                            | 40                          | 6=100                   |
| August, 2004             | 54                            | 42                          | 4=100                   |
| July, 2004               | 53                            | 43                          | 4=100                   |
| June, 2004 <sup>21</sup> | 51                            | 44                          | 5=100                   |
| May, 2004                | 53                            | 42                          | 5=100                   |
| Late April, 2004         | 53                            | 40                          | 7=100                   |
| Early April, 2004        | 50                            | 44                          | 6=100                   |
| Early January, 2004      | 63                            | 32                          | 5=100                   |
| October, 2003            | 58                            | 39                          | 3=100                   |
| September, 2003          | 64                            | 32                          | 4=100                   |

Q.43 Do you think the war in Iraq has helped the war on terrorism, or has it hurt the war on terrorism?

|                           | <u>Helped</u> | <u>Hurt</u> | (VOL)<br><u>No effect</u> | Don't know/<br><u>Refused</u> |
|---------------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Late October, 2006        | 36            | 46          | 6                         | 12=100                        |
| Early October, 2006       | 38            | 47          | 5                         | 10=100                        |
| Early September, 2006     | 41            | 45          | 5                         | 9=100                         |
| June, 2006                | 44            | 40          | 6                         | 10=100                        |
| March, 2006               | 38            | 44          | 8                         | 10=100                        |
| January, 2006             | 44            | 38          | 8                         | 10=100                        |
| Late October, 2005        | 44            | 44          | 6                         | 6=100                         |
| Mid-September, 2005       | 43            | 43          | 6                         | 8=100                         |
| July, 2005                | 39            | 47          | 7                         | 7=100                         |
| February, 2005            | 44            | 41          | 7                         | 8=100                         |
| Mid-October, 2004         | 45            | 40          | 6                         | 9=100                         |
| Early September, 2004     | 46            | 40          | 6                         | 8=100                         |
| August, 2004              | 45            | 44          | 4                         | 7=100                         |
| July, 2004                | 43            | 45          | 5                         | 7=100                         |
| June, 2004                | 43            | 44          | 4                         | 9=100                         |
| Mid-March, 2004           | 50            | 37          | 5                         | 8=100                         |
| Late February, 2004       | 62            | 28          | 3                         | 7=100                         |
| Early February, 2004      | 55            | 32          | 7                         | 6=100                         |
| December, 2003            | 59            | 26          | 6                         | 9=100                         |
| September, 2003           | 54            | 31          | 7                         | 8=100                         |
| May, 2003                 | 65            | 22          | 6                         | 7=100                         |
| April, 2003 <sup>22</sup> | 63            | 22          | --                        | 15=100                        |
| Early October, 2002       | 52            | 34          | --                        | 14=100                        |

21 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?"

22 In April 2003, the question was worded: "Do you think the war in Iraq will help the war on terrorism, or will it hurt the war on terrorism?" In Early October 2002 the question was worded: "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?"

Q.44 Do you think the U.S. should or should not set a timetable for when troops will be withdrawn from Iraq?

|          |                            | Early<br>Oct<br><u>2006</u> | Early<br>Sept<br><u>2006</u> | Aug<br><u>2006</u> | June<br><u>2006</u> | April<br><u>2006</u> | March<br><u>2006</u> | Jan<br><u>2006</u> | Dec<br><u>2005</u> | Early<br>Oct<br><u>2005</u> | Mid-<br>Sept<br><u>2005</u> | July<br><u>2005</u> |
|----------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
| 54       | Should set a timetable     | 53                          | 47                           | 52                 | 52                  | 53                   | 55                   | 50                 | 56                 | 52                          | 57                          | 49                  |
| 37       | Should not set a timetable | 39                          | 45                           | 41                 | 42                  | 40                   | 39                   | 42                 | 38                 | 43                          | 37                          | 45                  |
| 2        | Should get out now (VOL.)  | 2                           | 1                            | 1                  | 2                   | 2                    | 1                    | 2                  | 1                  | 1                           | 1                           | *                   |
| <u>7</u> | Don't know/Refused (VOL.)  | <u>6</u>                    | <u>7</u>                     | <u>6</u>           | <u>4</u>            | <u>5</u>             | <u>5</u>             | <u>6</u>           | <u>5</u>           | <u>4</u>                    | <u>5</u>                    | <u>6</u>            |
| 100      |                            | 100                         | 100                          | 100                | 100                 | 100                  | 100                  | 100                | 100                | 100                         | 100                         | 100                 |

On another subject...

Q.45 In general, do you think new laws COULD BE written that would be effective in reducing the role of money in politics, OR don't you think any new laws would be effective?

|           |                                     | Feb<br><u>2002</u> | Feb<br><u>2000</u> | Sept<br><u>1997</u> | <i>Ctr for Responsive Politics</i><br><u>April 1997</u> |
|-----------|-------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---|
| 51        | Yes, new laws would be effective    | 55                 | 59                 | 62                  | 62  |
| 37        | No, new laws would not be effective | 34                 | 34                 | 32                  | 32  |
| <u>12</u> | Don't know/Refused                  | <u>11</u>          | <u>7</u>           | <u>6</u>            | <u>6</u>  |
| 100       |                                     | 100                | 100                | 100                 | 100   |

**NO QUESTIONS 46-49**

**QUESTIONS 50 THROUGH 56 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.57 On Election Day, should voters be required to show an official photo identification, such as a Drivers' License, or shouldn't they have to do this?

|          |                            |
|----------|----------------------------|
| 78       | Should show photo ID       |
| 18       | Should not have to do this |
| <u>4</u> | Don't know/Refused (VOL.)  |
| 100      |                            |

**ROTATE Q.58 AND Q.59**

Q.58 How concerned are you, if at all, that if the Democrats take control of the Congress this fall they will spend too much time investigating the Bush administration and the Republicans in Congress? [READ]

|          |                                       |
|----------|---------------------------------------|
| 26       | Very concerned                        |
| 26       | Fairly concerned                      |
| 26       | Not too concerned                     |
| 18       | Not at all concerned                  |
| <u>4</u> | Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ) |
| 100      |                                       |

Q.59 How concerned are you, if at all, that if the Republicans keep control of the Congress this fall they won't take the steps needed to reform the government? [READ]

|          |                                       |
|----------|---------------------------------------|
| 34       | Very concerned                        |
| 30       | Fairly concerned                      |
| 20       | Not too concerned                     |
| 12       | Not at all concerned                  |
| <u>4</u> | Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ) |
| 100      |                                       |

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

|                       | <u>Republican</u> | <u>Democrat</u> | <u>Independent</u> | (VOL.)<br>No<br><u>Preference</u> | (VOL.)<br>Other<br><u>Party</u> | DK/<br><u>Ref</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Late October, 2006    | 26                | 32              | 33                 | 5                                 | 1                               | 3=100             |
| Early October, 2006   | 27                | 34              | 33                 | 3                                 | *                               | 3=100             |
| Early September, 2006 | 30                | 34              | 30                 | 3                                 | *                               | 3=100             |
| August, 2006          | 30                | 33              | 30                 | 4                                 | *                               | 3=100             |
| July, 2006            | 29                | 33              | 31                 | 4                                 | 1                               | 2=100             |
| June, 2006            | 29                | 34              | 31                 | 4                                 | *                               | 2=100             |
| April, 2006           | 29                | 32              | 33                 | 3                                 | *                               | 3=100             |
| March, 2006           | 28                | 34              | 30                 | 4                                 | *                               | 4=100             |
| February, 2006        | 30                | 33              | 31                 | 3                                 | *                               | 3=100             |
| January, 2006         | 28                | 32              | 32                 | 5                                 | *                               | 3=100             |
| December, 2005        | 29                | 34              | 31                 | 4                                 | *                               | 2=100             |
| Late November, 2005   | 27                | 34              | 29                 | 5                                 | 1                               | 4=100             |
| Early November, 2005  | 28                | 34              | 31                 | 5                                 | *                               | 2=100             |
| Late October, 2005    | 29                | 33              | 31                 | 5                                 | *                               | 2=100             |
| Early October, 2005   | 26                | 34              | 34                 | 4                                 | *                               | 2=100             |
| September 8-11, 2005  | 31                | 32              | 33                 | 3                                 | *                               | 1=100             |
| September 6-7, 2005   | 27                | 33              | 33                 | 4                                 | *                               | 3=100             |
| July, 2005            | 31                | 34              | 29                 | 4                                 | *                               | 2=100             |
| June, 2005            | 30                | 32              | 32                 | 4                                 | *                               | 2=100             |
| <b>Yearly Totals</b>  |                   |                 |                    |                                   |                                 |                   |
| 2005                  | 30                | 33              | 31                 | 4                                 | *                               | 2=100             |
| 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             |
|                       |                   |                 |                    | No Preference/                    |                                 |                   |
|                       | <u>Republican</u> | <u>Democrat</u> | <u>Independent</u> | <u>Other/DK</u>                   |                                 |                   |
| 1996                  | 29                | 33              | 33                 | 5=100                             |                                 |                   |
| 1995                  | 32                | 30              | 34                 | 4=100                             |                                 |                   |
| 1994                  | 30                | 32              | 34                 | 4=100                             |                                 |                   |
| 1993                  | 27                | 34              | 34                 | 5=100                             |                                 |                   |
| 1992                  | 28                | 33              | 35                 | 4=100                             |                                 |                   |
| 1991                  | 31                | 32              | 33                 | 4=100                             |                                 |                   |
| 1990                  | 31                | 33              | 30                 | 6=100                             |                                 |                   |
| 1989                  | 33                | 33              | 34=100             |                                   |                                 |                   |
| 1987                  | 26                | 35              | 39=100             |                                   |                                 |                   |

**IF ANSWERED 1 IN PARTY, ASK:**

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

|                  | Early     |           |           |           |           | Early     |           |           |           |           | Late      |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|                  | Oct       | Sep       | Dec       | Dec       | Jul       | Aug       | Sep       | Sep       | Aug       | Nov       | Oct       | Apr       | Oct       | Jul       | Jun       | May       | Feb       | May       | Jan       | May       |
| 14 Strong        | <u>06</u> | <u>06</u> | <u>05</u> | <u>04</u> | <u>04</u> | <u>03</u> | <u>00</u> | <u>99</u> | <u>99</u> | <u>97</u> | <u>95</u> | <u>95</u> | <u>94</u> | <u>94</u> | <u>92</u> | <u>90</u> | <u>89</u> | <u>88</u> | <u>88</u> | <u>87</u> |
| 12 Not Strong/DK | <u>15</u> | <u>17</u> | <u>16</u> | <u>18</u> | <u>17</u> | <u>14</u> | <u>14</u> | <u>10</u> | <u>11</u> | <u>11</u> | <u>11</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>16</u> | <u>13</u> | <u>11</u> | <u>13</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>13</u> | <u>12</u> | <u>11</u> |
| 26%              | <u>12</u> | <u>13</u> | <u>13</u> | <u>13</u> | <u>12</u> | <u>13</u> | <u>13</u> | <u>14</u> | <u>14</u> | <u>14</u> | <u>19</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>16</u> | <u>17</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>16</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>14</u> |
|                  | <u>27</u> | <u>30</u> | <u>29</u> | <u>31</u> | <u>29</u> | <u>27</u> | <u>27</u> | <u>24</u> | <u>25</u> | <u>25</u> | <u>30</u> | <u>30</u> | <u>31</u> | <u>29</u> | <u>28</u> | <u>28</u> | <u>31</u> | <u>28</u> | <u>27</u> | <u>25</u> |

**IF ANSWERED 2 IN PARTY, ASK:**

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

|                  | Early     |           |           |           |           | Early     |           |           |           |           | Late      |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |           |
|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|                  | Oct       | Sep       | Dec       | Dec       | Jul       | Aug       | Sep       | Sep       | Aug       | Nov       | Oct       | Apr       | Oct       | Jul       | Jun       | May       | Feb       | May       | Jan       | May       |
| 18 Strong        | <u>06</u> | <u>06</u> | <u>05</u> | <u>04</u> | <u>04</u> | <u>03</u> | <u>00</u> | <u>99</u> | <u>99</u> | <u>97</u> | <u>95</u> | <u>95</u> | <u>94</u> | <u>94</u> | <u>92</u> | <u>90</u> | <u>89</u> | <u>88</u> | <u>88</u> | <u>87</u> |
| 14 Not strong/DK | <u>19</u> | <u>18</u> | <u>20</u> | <u>19</u> | <u>20</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>19</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>14</u> | <u>14</u> | <u>14</u> | <u>18</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>14</u> | <u>16</u> | <u>17</u> | <u>19</u> | <u>19</u> | <u>18</u> |
| 32%              | <u>15</u> | <u>16</u> | <u>14</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>13</u> | <u>16</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>16</u> | <u>18</u> | <u>18</u> | <u>16</u> | <u>15</u> | <u>14</u> | <u>18</u> | <u>18</u> | <u>17</u> | <u>21</u> | <u>19</u> | <u>20</u> | <u>19</u> |
|                  | <u>34</u> | <u>34</u> | <u>34</u> | <u>34</u> | <u>33</u> | <u>31</u> | <u>34</u> | <u>31</u> | <u>33</u> | <u>32</u> | <u>30</u> | <u>29</u> | <u>32</u> | <u>33</u> | <u>32</u> | <u>33</u> | <u>38</u> | <u>38</u> | <u>39</u> | <u>37</u> |

**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?

|                       | <u>Republican</u> | <u>Democrat</u> | <u>Refused to lean</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| Late October, 2006    | 10                | 17              | 15=42%                 |
| Early October, 2006   | 12                | 15              | 12=39%                 |
| Early September, 2006 | 10                | 15              | 11=36%                 |
| August, 2006          | 12                | 14              | 11=37%                 |
| July, 2006            | 11                | 14              | 13=38%                 |
| June, 2006            | 10                | 16              | 11=37%                 |
| April, 2006           | 12                | 17              | 10=39%                 |
| March, 2006           | 11                | 14              | 13=38%                 |
| February, 2006        | 11                | 16              | 10=37%                 |
| January, 2006         | 10                | 16              | 14=40%                 |
| December, 2005        | 10                | 16              | 11=37%                 |
| Late November, 2005   | 9                 | 13              | 17=39%                 |
| Early November, 2005  | 11                | 14              | 13=38%                 |
| Late October, 2005    | 11                | 15              | 12=38%                 |
| Early October, 2005   | 11                | 18              | 11=40%                 |
| September 8-11, 2005  | 10                | 18              | 9=37%                  |
| September 6-7, 2005   | 10                | 15              | 15=40%                 |
| July, 2005            | 9                 | 15              | 11=35%                 |
| June, 2005            | 10                | 16              | 12=38%                 |
| Mid-May, 2005         | 9                 | 13              | 14=36%                 |
| Late March, 2005      | 13                | 17              | 9=39%                  |
| December, 2004        | 14                | 12              | 9=35%                  |
| August, 2003          | 12                | 16              | 14=42%                 |
| August, 2002          | 12                | 13              | 13=38%                 |
| September, 2000       | 11                | 13              | 15=39%                 |
| Late September, 1999  | 14                | 15              | 16=45%                 |
| August, 1999          | 15                | 15              | 12=42%                 |

**IF REPUBLICAN OR LEAN REPUBLICAN (1 IN PARTY OR 1 IN PARTYLN) ASK [N=792]:**

STDEM Do you ever vote for Democratic candidates, or do you always vote Republican?

|          |  | Dec         |
|----------|--|-------------|
|          |  | <u>2004</u> |
| 64       | Sometimes vote for Democratic candidates | 71          |
| 28       | Always vote Republican                   | 22          |
| <u>8</u> | Don't know/Refused                       | <u>7</u>    |
| 100      |  | 100         |

**IF DEMOCRAT OR LEAN DEMOCRAT (2 IN PARTY OR 2 IN PARTYLN) ASK [N=946]:**

STREP Do you ever vote for Republican candidates, or do you always vote Democratic?

|          |  | Dec         |
|----------|--|-------------|
|          |  | <u>2004</u> |
| 57       | Sometimes vote for Republican candidates | 56          |
| 34       | Always vote Democratic                   | 38          |
| <u>9</u> | Don't know/Refused                       | <u>6</u>    |
| 100      |  | 100         |

**ASK ALL:**

PVOTE04A In the 2004 presidential election between George W. Bush and John Kerry, did things come up that kept you from voting, or did you happen to vote?

**IF YES (1 IN PVOTE04A) ASK:**

PVOTE04B Did you vote for Bush, Kerry or someone else?

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| 73         | Voted                                     |
| 37         | Bush                                      |
| 31         | Kerry                                     |
| 2          | Other candidate                           |
| *          | Don't remember which candidate (VOL.)     |
| 3          | Refused (VOL.)                            |
| 26         | Did not vote (includes too young to vote) |
| 1          | Don't remember if voted (VOL.)            |
| *          | Refused (VOL.)                            |
| <u>100</u> |   |

**IF YES (1 IN PVOTE04A) ASK:**

CVOTE04A And do you recall if you also cast a vote for a candidate in the race for Congress in your district?

|            |   |
|------------|---|
| 73         | Yes, voted in presidential election       |
| 43         | And voted in congressional race           |
| 13         | But didn't vote in congressional race     |
| 17         | Don't know if voted in congressional race |
| 26         | Did not vote (includes too young to vote) |
| 1          | Don't remember if voted (VOL.)            |
| *          | Refused (VOL.)                            |
| <u>100</u> |   |