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Q. $1 \quad$ 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]

April, 2007
March, 2007
February, 2007
Mid-January, 2007
Early January, 2007
December, 2006
Mid-November, 2006
Early October, 2006
September, 2006
August, 2006
July, 2006
June, 2006
April, 2006
Early April, 2006
March, 2006
February, 2006
January, 2006
December, 2005
Early November, 2005
Late October, 2005
Early October, 2005
September 8-11, 2005
September 6-7, 2005
July, 2005
June, 2005
Late May, 2005
Mid-May, 2005
Late March, 2005
Mid-March, 2005
February, 2005
January, 2005
December, 2004
Mid-October, 2004
August, 2004
July, 2004
June, 2004
May, 2004
Late April, 2004
Early April, 2004
Late March, 2004
Mid-March, 2004
February, 2004
Mid-January, 2004
Early January, 2004
December, 2003

| App- <br> rove | Disapprove | Don't know |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 35 | 57 | 8=100 |
| 33 | 58 | $9=100$ |
| 33 | 56 | $11=100$ |
| 33 | 59 | $8=100$ |
| 33 | 57 | $10=100$ |
| 32 | 57 | $11=100$ |
| 32 | 58 | $10=100$ |
| 37 | 53 | $10=100$ |
| 37 | 53 | $10=100$ |
| 37 | 54 | $9=100$ |
| 36 | 57 | $7=100$ |
| 36 | 54 | $10=100$ |
| 33 | 56 | $11=100$ |
| 35 | 55 | $10=100$ |
| 33 | 57 | $10=100$ |
| 40 | 52 | $8=100$ |
| 38 | 54 | $8=100$ |
| 38 | 54 | $8=100$ |
| 36 | 55 | $9=100$ |
| 40 | 52 | $8=100$ |
| 38 | 56 | 6=100 |
| 40 | 52 | $8=100$ |
| 40 | 52 | $8=100$ |
| 44 | 48 | $8=100$ |
| 42 | 49 | $9=100$ |
| 42 | 48 | $10=100$ |
| 43 | 50 | $7=100$ |
| 49 | 46 | $5=100$ |
| 45 | 46 | $9=100$ |
| 46 | 47 | $7=100$ |
| 50 | 43 | $7=100$ |
| 48 | 44 | $8=100$ |
| 44 | 48 | $8=100$ |
| 46 | 45 | $9=100$ |
| 46 | 46 | $8=100$ |
| 48 | 43 | $9=100$ |
| 44 | 48 | $8=100$ |
| 48 | 43 | $9=100$ |
| 43 | 47 | $10=100$ |
| 47 | 44 | $9=100$ |
| 46 | 47 | $7=100$ |
| 48 | 44 | $8=100$ |
| 56 | 34 | $10=100$ |
| 58 | 35 | $7=100$ |
| 57 | 34 | $9=100$ |


| November, 2003 | 50 | 40 | $10=100$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| October, 2003 | 50 | 42 | $8=100$ |
| September, 2003 | 55 | 36 | $9=100$ |
| Mid-August, 2003 | 56 | 32 | $12=100$ |
| Early August, 2003 | 53 | 37 | $10=100$ |
| Mid-July, 2003 | 58 | 32 | $10=100$ |
| Early July, 2003 | 60 | 29 | $11=100$ |
| June, 2003 | 62 | 27 | $11=100$ |
| May, 2003 | 65 | 27 | $8=100$ |
| April 10-16, 2003 | 72 | 22 | $6=100$ |
| April 9, 2003 | 74 | 20 | $6=100$ |
| April 2-7, 2003 | 69 | 25 | $6=100$ |
| March 28-April 1, 2003 | 71 | 23 | $6=100$ |
| March 25-27, 2003 | 70 | 24 | $6=100$ |
| March 20-24, 2003 | 67 | 26 | $7=100$ |
| March 13-16, 2003 | 55 | 34 | $11=100$ |
| February, 2003 | 54 | 36 | $10=100$ |
| January, 2003 | 58 | 32 | $10=100$ |
| December, 2002 | 61 | 28 | $11=100$ |
| Late October, 2002 | 59 | 29 | $12=100$ |
| Early October, 2002 | 61 | 30 | $9=100$ |
| Mid-September, 2002 | 67 | 22 | $11=100$ |
| Early September, 2002 | 63 | 26 | $11=100$ |
| Late August, 2002 | 60 | 27 | $13=100$ |
| August, 2002 | 67 | 21 | $12=100$ |
| Late July, 2002 | 65 | 25 | $10=100$ |
| July, 2002 | 67 | 21 | $12=100$ |
| June, 2002 | 70 | 20 | $10=100$ |
| April, 2002 | 69 | 18 | $13=100$ |
| Early April, 2002 | 74 | 16 | $10=100$ |
| February, 2002 | 78 | 13 | $9=100$ |
| January, 2002 | 80 | 11 | $9=100$ |
| Mid-November, 2001 | 84 | 9 | $7=100$ |
| Early October, 2001 | 84 | 8 | $8=100$ |
| Late September, 2001 | 86 | 7 | $7=100$ |
| Mid-September, 2001 | 80 | 9 | $11=100$ |
| Early September, 2001 | 51 | 34 | $15=100$ |
| August, 2001 | 50 | 32 | $18=100$ |
| July, 2001 | 51 | 32 | $17=100$ |
| June, 2001 | 50 | 33 | $17=100$ |
| May, 2001 | 53 | 32 | $15=100$ |
| April, 2001 | 56 | 27 | $17=100$ |
| March, 2001 | 55 | 25 | $20=100$ |
| February, 2001 | 53 | 21 | $26=100$ |

More specifically...
Q. 2 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]? How about [NEXT ITEM]?

|  |  | Approve | Disapprove | DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. | The economy | 38 | 52 | 10=100 |
|  | December, 2006 | 39 | 53 | $8=100$ |
|  | August, 2006 | 33 | 59 | $8=100$ |
|  | June, 2006 | 33 | 57 | $10=100$ |
|  | March, 2006 | 34 | 57 | $9=100$ |
|  | February, 2006 | 38 | 55 | $7=100$ |
|  | December, 2005 | 38 | 55 | $7=100$ |
|  | Late October, 2005 | 36 | 56 | $8=100$ |
|  | Early September, 2005 | 33 | 60 | $7=100$ |
|  | July, 2005 | 38 | 53 | $9=100$ |
|  | Mid-May, 2005 | 35 | 57 | $8=100$ |
|  | February, 2005 | 43 | 50 | $7=100$ |
|  | January, 2005 | 45 | 50 | 5=100 |
|  | Mid-October, 2004 | 38 | 55 | $7=100$ |
|  | Early September, 2004 | 44 | 49 | $7=100$ |
|  | August, 2004 | 42 | 52 | $6=100$ |
|  | July, 2004 | 42 | 52 | $6=100$ |
|  | June, 2004 | 43 | 50 | $7=100$ |
|  | Early April, 2004 | 39 | 53 | $8=100$ |
|  | Mid-January, 2004 | 47 | 47 | $6=100$ |
|  | September, 2003 | 43 | 48 | $9=100$ |
|  | February, 2003 | 43 | 48 | $9=100$ |
|  | January, 2003 | 47 | 45 | $8=100$ |
|  | Early October, 2002 | 49 | 40 | $11=100$ |
|  | June, 2002 | 53 | 36 | $11=100$ |
|  | January, 2002 | 60 | 28 | $12=100$ |
|  | Early September, 2001 | 47 | 44 | $9=100$ |
|  | February, 2001 | 50 | 22 | $28=100$ |
| b. | The situation in Iraq | 30 | 63 | $7=100$ |
|  | December, 2006 | 23 | 71 | $6=100$ |
|  | August, 2006 | 32 | 61 | $7=100$ |
|  | June, 2006 | 35 | 57 | $8=100$ |
|  | March, 2006 | 30 | 65 | $5=100$ |
|  | February, 2006 | 38 | 57 | $5=100$ |
|  | December, 2005 | 36 | 58 | $6=100$ |
|  | Late October, 2005 | 37 | 57 | $6=100$ |
|  | Early September, 2005 | 34 | 58 | $8=100$ |
|  | July, 2005 | 35 | 57 | $8=100$ |
|  | Mid-May, 2005 | 37 | 56 | $7=100$ |
|  | February, 2005 | 40 | 53 | $7=100$ |
|  | January, 2005 | 45 | 50 | $5=100$ |
|  | Mid-October, 2004 | 37 | 56 | $7=100$ |
|  | Early September, 2004 | 47 | 45 | $8=100$ |
|  | August, 2004 | 43 | 52 | $5=100$ |
|  | July, 2004 | 42 | 53 | $5=100$ |
|  | June, 2004 | 42 | 51 | $7=100$ |
|  | Late April, 2004 | 44 | 48 | $8=100$ |
|  | Early April, 2004 | 40 | 53 | $7=100$ |

## Q. 2 CONTINUED...

|  |  | Approve | Disapprove | DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mid-January, 2004 | 59 | 37 | 4=100 |
|  | September, 2003 | 52 | 40 | $8=100$ |
|  | April 10-16, $2003{ }^{1}$ | 77 | 17 | $6=100$ |
|  | April 8-9, 2003 | 71 | 23 | $6=100$ |
|  | --April 9, 2003 | 76 | 18 | $6=100$ |
|  | --April 8, 2003 | 65 | 28 | $7=100$ |
|  | April 2-7, 2003 | 73 | 21 | $6=100$ |
|  | March 28-April 1, 2003 | 69 | 26 | 5=100 |
|  | March 25-27, 2003 | 73 | 23 | $4=100$ |
|  | March 23-24, 2003 | 72 | 22 | $6=100$ |
|  | March 20-22, 2003 | 70 | 23 | $7=100$ |
|  | February, 2003 | 56 | 37 | $7=100$ |
|  | January, 2003 | 56 | 36 | $8=100$ |
|  | Early October, 2002 | 56 | 34 | $10=100$ |
| C. | Terrorist threats | 46 | 43 | $11=100$ |
|  | December, 2006 | 48 | 44 | $8=100$ |
|  | August, 2006 | 50 | 39 | $11=100$ |
|  | June, 2006 | 47 | 41 | $12=100$ |
|  | March, 2006 | 42 | 49 | $9=100$ |
|  | February, 2006 | 53 | 40 | $7=100$ |
|  | December, 2005 | 49 | 44 | $7=100$ |
|  | Late October, 2005 | 52 | 40 | $8=100$ |
|  | Early September, 2005 | 49 | 41 | $10=100$ |
|  | July, 2005 | 49 | 40 | $11=100$ |
|  | Mid-May, 2005 | 57 | 35 | $8=100$ |
|  | February, 2005 | 59 | 34 | $7=100$ |
|  | January, 2005 | 62 | 33 | $5=100$ |
|  | Mid-October, 2004 | 49 | 40 | $11=100$ |
|  | Early September, 2004 | 62 | 32 | $6=100$ |
|  | August, 2004 | 58 | 37 | $5=100$ |
|  | July, 2004 | 54 | 40 | $6=100$ |
|  | June, 2004 | 56 | 35 | $9=100$ |
|  | Late April, 2004 | 55 | 36 | $9=100$ |
|  | Early April, 2004 | 53 | 38 | $9=100$ |
|  | Gallup: December, 2003 | 65 | 33 | $2=100$ |
|  | September, 2003 | 64 | 28 | $8=100$ |
|  | February, 2003 | 67 | 25 | $8=100$ |
|  | January, 2003 | 69 | 23 | $8=100$ |
|  | Early October, 2002 | 71 | 22 | $7=100$ |
|  | June, 2002 | 74 | 18 | $8=100$ |
|  | Mid-September, $2001{ }^{2}$ | 85 | 6 | $9=100$ |
|  | Clinton: Early September, 1998 | 72 | 20 | $8=100$ |

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## Q. 2 CONTINUED...

| d. |  | Approve | Disapprove | DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Education | 38 | 45 | 17=100 |
|  | August, 2006 | 38 | 45 | $17=100$ |
|  | February, 2006 | 43 | 45 | $12=100$ |
|  | February, 2005 | 44 | 42 | $14=100$ |
|  | Gallup: August, 2004 | 47 | 47 | $6=100$ |
|  | Gallup: January, 2004 | 56 | 35 | $9=100$ |
|  | Gallup: January, 2003 | 57 | 30 | $13=100$ |
|  | June, 2002 | 56 | 31 | $13=100$ |
|  | Gallup: March, 2001 | 65 | 22 | $13=100$ |
|  | Bush, Sr: May, 1990 | 45 | 45 | $10=100$ |
| ASK FORM 1 ONLY [ $\mathrm{N}=756$ ]: |  |  |  |  |
| e.F1 | The nation's foreign policy | 30 | 55 | $15=100$ |
|  | December, 2006 | 30 | 59 | $11=100$ |
|  | August, 2006 | 37 | 49 | $14=100$ |
|  | June, 2006 | 37 | 51 | $12=100$ |
|  | Late October, 2005 | 36 | 51 | $13=100$ |
|  | July, 2005 | 36 | 49 | $15=100$ |
|  | Mid-May, 2005 | 38 | 46 | $16=100$ |
|  | February, 2005 | 43 | 46 | $11=100$ |
|  | January, 2005 | 48 | 43 | $9=100$ |
|  | Mid-October, 2004 | 37 | 49 | $14=100$ |
|  | Early September, 2004 | 47 | 42 | $11=100$ |
|  | August, 2004 | 42 | 49 | $9=100$ |
|  | July, 2004 | 40 | 48 | $12=100$ |
|  | Mid-January, 2004 | 53 | 36 | $11=100$ |
|  | March, 2003 | 53 | 36 | $11=100$ |
|  | Early April, 2002 | 69 | 20 | $11=100$ |
|  | Gallup: October, 2001 | 81 | 14 | $5=100$ |
|  | Early September, 2001 | 46 | 34 | $20=100$ |
|  | August, 2001 ${ }^{3}$ | 45 | 32 | 23=100 |
|  | Clinton: September, 1997 | 54 | 34 | $12=100$ |
|  | Bush, Sr: May, 1990 | 58 | 30 | $12=100$ |
| f.F1 | The federal budget deficit | 22 | 60 | $18=100$ |
|  | February, 2006 | 27 | 60 | $13=100$ |
|  | February, 2005 | 41 | 46 | $13=100$ |
|  | Gallup: December, 2003 | 32 | 60 | $8=100$ |
|  | Gallup: August, 2003 | 39 | 55 | $6=100$ |
|  | Gallup: January, $2003{ }^{4}$ | 43 | 47 | $10=100$ |
|  | Gallup: March, 2002 | 51 | 37 | $12=100$ |
|  | Gallup: April, 2001 | 52 | 37 | $11=100$ |
|  | Clinton: July, 1994 | 31 | 58 | $11=100$ |
|  | Bush, Sr: May, 1990 | 22 | 64 | $14=100$ | half was asked about the handling of the nation's foreign policy. Results did not differ between question wordings.

## Q. 2 CONTINUED...

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [ $\mathrm{N}=752$ ]:

| g.F2 | Dealing with Iran | 30 | 56 | $14=100$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| h.F2 | The nation's immigration policy | 26 | 59 | $15=100$ |
|  | June, 2006 | 32 | 52 | $16=100$ |
|  | April, $2006^{5}$ | 25 | 62 | $13=100$ |
|  | February, 2006 | 23 | 57 | $20=100$ |
|  | Late October, 2005 | 24 | 54 | $22=100$ |

## ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=756]:

Q.3F1 Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Democratic leaders in Congress are doing? [IF DK ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall do you approve or disapprove of the job the Democratic leaders in Congress are doing? IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]

April, 2007
March, $2007^{6}$
February, 2007
Mid-January, 2007
Early October, 2006
June, 2006
March, 2006
January, 2006
Early November, 2005
Early October, 2005
Mid-September, 2005
Mid-May, 2005
Mid-March, 2005
Early February, 2004
June, 2002
May, 2002
February, 2002
Early September, 2001
June, 2001

| Approve | Disapprove | Don't know |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 36 | 43 | 21=100 |
| 37 | 42 | $21=100$ |
| 41 | 36 | $23=100$ |
| 39 | 34 | $27=100$ |
| 35 | 53 | $12=100$ |
| 32 | 50 | $18=100$ |
| 34 | 46 | $20=100$ |
| 34 | 48 | $18=100$ |
| 36 | 44 | $20=100$ |
| 32 | 48 | $20=100$ |
| 36 | 45 | $19=100$ |
| 39 | 41 | $20=100$ |
| 37 | 44 | $19=100$ |
| 38 | 42 | $20=100$ |
| 47 | 36 | $17=100$ |
| 42 | 37 | $21=100$ |
| 49 | 30 | $21=100$ |
| 49 | 30 | $21=100$ |
| 50 | 28 | $22=100$ |

## NO QUESTIONS 4 THROUGH 7

[^1]ASK ALL:
PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or Independent?
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?

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | No | Other | DK/ | Lean | Lean |
|  | Republican | Democrat | Independent | Preference | Party | Ref | Rep | Dem |
| April, 2007 | 25 | 28 | 40 | 5 | * | $2=100$ | 13 | 17 |
| March, 2007 | 25 | 36 | 33 | 3 | * | $3=100$ | 12 | 16 |
| February, 2007 | 25 | 34 | 34 | 4 | * | $3=100$ | 10 | 18 |
| Mid-January, 2007 | 24 | 35 | 34 | 3 | * | $4=100$ | 12 | 18 |
| Early-January, 2007 | 23 | 31 | 39 | 4 | * | $3=100$ | 12 | 18 |
| December, 2006 | 25 | 35 | 32 | 5 | * | $3=100$ | 11 | 17 |
| Mid-November, 2006 | 25 | 36 | 32 | 4 | * | $3=100$ | 9 | 18 |
| Late October, 2006 | 26 | 32 | 33 | 5 | 1 | $3=100$ | 10 | 16 |
| Early October, 2006 | 27 | 34 | 33 | 3 | * | $3=100$ | 12 | 15 |
| Early September, 2006 | 630 | 34 | 30 | 3 | * | $3=100$ | 10 | 14 |
| August, 2006 | 30 | 33 | 30 | 4 | * | $3=100$ | 12 | 14 |
| July, 2006 | 29 | 33 | 31 | 4 | 1 | $2=100$ | 11 | 14 |
| June, 2006 | 29 | 34 | 31 | 4 | * | $2=100$ | 11 | 16 |
| April, 2006 | 29 | 32 | 30 | 5 | * | $4=100$ | 10 | 14 |
| Early April, 2006 | 29 | 32 | 33 | 3 | * | $3=100$ | 12 | 16 |
| March, 2006 | 28 | 34 | 30 | 4 | * | $4=100$ | 11 | 15 |
| February, 2006 | 30 | 33 | 31 | 3 | * | $3=100$ | 11 | 16 |
| January, 2006 | 28 | 32 | 32 | 5 | * | $3=100$ | 10 | 15 |
| Yearly Totals |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2006 | 27.6 | 32.8 | 30.3 | 5.0 | . 4 | $3.9=100$ | 10.2 | 14.5 |
| 2005 | 29.2 | 32.8 | 30.3 | 4.5 | . 3 | $2.8=100$ | 10.2 | 14.9 |
| 2004 | 29.5 | 33.1 | 30.0 | 4.0 | . 4 | $3.0=100$ | 11.8 | 13.6 |
| 2003 | 29.8 | 31.4 | 31.2 | 4.7 | . 5 | $2.5=100$ | 12.1 | 13.0 |
| 2002 | 30.3 | 31.2 | 30.1 | 5.1 | . 7 | $2.7=100$ | 12.6 | 11.6 |
| 2001 | 29.2 | 33.6 | 28.9 | 5.1 | . 5 | $2.7=100$ | 11.7 | 11.4 |
| 2001 Post-Sept 11 | 30.9 | 31.8 | 27.9 | 5.2 | . 6 | $3.6=100$ | 11.7 | 9.4 |
| 2001 Pre-Sept 11 | 28.2 | 34.6 | 29.5 | 5.0 | . 5 | $2.1=100$ | 11.7 | 12.5 |
| 2000 | 27.5 | 32.5 | 29.5 | 5.9 | . 5 | $4.0=100$ | 11.6 | 11.6 |
| 1999 | 26.6 | 33.5 | 33.7 | 3.9 | . 5 | $1.9=100$ | 13.0 | 14.5 |
| 1998 | 27.5 | 33.2 | 31.9 | 4.6 | . 4 | $2.4=100$ | 11.8 | 13.5 |
| 1997 | 28.2 | 33.3 | 31.9 | 4.0 | . 4 | $2.3=100$ | 12.3 | 13.8 |
| 1996 | 29.2 | 32.7 | 33.0 | $5.2=100$ |  |  | 12.7 | 15.6 |
| 1995 | 31.4 | 29.7 | 33.4 | $5.4=100$ |  |  | 14.4 | 12.9 |
| 1994 | 29.8 | 31.8 | 33.8 | $4.6=100$ |  |  | 14.3 | 12.6 |
| 1993 | 27.4 | 33.8 | 34.0 | $4.8=100$ |  |  | 11.8 | 14.7 |
|  |  |  |  | No Preferenc | / |  | Lean | Lean |
|  | Republican | Democrat | Independent | Other/DK |  |  | Rep | Dem |
| 1992 | 27.7 | 32.7 | 35.7 | $3.9=100$ |  |  | 13.8 | 15.8 |
| 1991 | 30.9 | 31.4 | 33.2 | $4.5=100$ |  |  | 14.6 | 10.8 |
| 1990 | 31.0 | 33.1 | 29.1 | $6.8=100$ |  |  | 12.4 | 11.3 |
| 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?

|  | Strong | Not Strong/ Don't Know |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April, 2007 | 14 | 11=25\% |
| January, 2007 | 12 | 11=23\% |
| Mid-November, 2006 | 14 | 11=25\% |
| Late-October, 2006 | 14 | 12=26\% |
| Early-October, 2006 | 15 | 12=27\% |
| September, 2006 | 17 | 13=30\% |
| December, 2005 | 16 | 13=29\% |
| December, 2004 | 18 | 13=31\% |
| July, 2004 | 17 | 12=29\% |
| August, 2003 | 14 | 13=27\% |
| September, 2000 | 14 | 13=27\% |
| Late-September, 1999 | 10 | 14=24\% |
| August, 1999 | 11 | 14=25\% |
| November, 1997 | 11 | 14=25\% |
| October, 1995 | 11 | 19=30\% |
| April, 1995 | 15 | 15=30\% |
| October, 1994 | 16 | 15=31\% |
| July, 1994 | 13 | 16=29\% |
| June, 1992 | 11 | 17=28\% |
| May, 1990 | 13 | 15=28\% |
| February, 1989 | 15 | 16=31\% |
| May, 1988 | 13 | 15=28\% |
| January, 1988 | 12 | 15=27\% |
| May, 1987 | 11 | 14=25\% |

## IF ANSWERED 2 IN PARTY, ASK:

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

| Strong | 15 | Not Strong/ <br> Don't Know |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| April, 2007 | 17 | $14=28 \%$ |
| January, 2007 | 22 | $14=31 \%$ |
| Mid-November, 2006 | 18 | $14=32 \%$ |
| Late-October, 2006 | 19 | $15=34 \%$ |
| Early-October, 2006 | 18 | $16=34 \%$ |
| September, 2006 | 20 | $14=34 \%$ |
| December, 2005 | 19 | $15=34 \%$ |
| December, 2004 | 20 | $13=33 \%$ |
| July, 2004 | 15 | $16=31 \%$ |
| August, 2003 | 19 | $15=34 \%$ |
| September, 2000 | 15 | $16=31 \%$ |
| Late-September, 1999 | 15 | $18=33 \%$ |
| August, 1999 | 14 | $18=32 \%$ |
| November, 1997 | 14 | $16=30 \%$ |
| October, 1995 | 14 | $15=29 \%$ |
| April, 1995 | 18 | $14=32 \%$ |
| October, 1994 | 15 | $18=33 \%$ |
| July, 1994 | 14 | $18=32 \%$ |

## PARTYSTR CONTINUED...

| May, 1990 | Strong | Not Strong/ <br> Don’t Know |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| February, 1989 | 16 | $17=33 \%$ |
| May, 1988 | 17 | $21=38 \%$ |
| January, 1988 | 19 | $19=38 \%$ |
| May, 1987 | 19 | $20=39 \%$ |
| F | 18 | $19=37 \%$ |

ASK ALL:
Q. 8 How much thought, if any, have you given to candidates who may be running for president in 2008?
[READ]

|  | March | Feb | Dec |  |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 26 | A lot | $\frac{2007}{24}$ | $\frac{2007}{24}$ | $\frac{2006}{23}$ |
| 34 | Some | 36 | 34 | 36 |
| 21 | Not much | 20 | 22 | 20 |
| 17 | None at all | 18 | 18 | 20 |
| $\underline{2}$ | Don't know/Refused (VOL. - DO NOT READ) | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{1}$ |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 |

ASK OF DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC-LEANING INDEPENDENTS (PARTY=2 OR PARTYLN=2)
ONLY:
Q. 9 I'm going to read you the names of some possible DEMOCRATIC presidential candidates. Who would you most like to see nominated as the Democratic Party's candidate for president in 2008? [READ AND
RANDOMIZE. ACCEPT VOLUNTEERED RESPONSE IF OFFERED BEFORE FULL LIST IS
READ. IF 98 'DON'T KNOW' PROBE ONCE: Is there anyone you are leaning toward as of today?]
IF ANSWERED (1-96 IN Q.9) ASK:
Q.9a And who would be your SECOND choice? [READ REMAINING NAMES IF NECESSARY]

## BASED ON DEMOCRATIC AND DEMOCRATIC-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=574]:

| Choice |  |  | March 2007 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\underline{1} \underline{1}^{\text {st }} \quad 2^{\text {nd }}$ | Total |  | $1^{\text {st }}$ | $\underline{2^{\text {nd }}}$ | Total |
| $34 \quad 24$ | 58 | Hillary Clinton | 35 | 24 | 59 |
| 2422 | 46 | Barack Obama | 26 | 20 | 46 |
| 1815 | 33 | John Edwards | 16 | 13 | 29 |
| 1416 | 30 | Al Gore | 12 | 17 | 29 |
| 12 | 3 | Joe Biden | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 11 | 2 | Dennis Kucinich | * | 1 | 1 |
| 14 | 5 | Bill Richardson | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| 1 | 1 | Chris Dodd | * | 1 | 1 |
| * 0 |  | Other (VOL. DO NOT READ) [SPECIFY] | 0 | * |  |
| 52 |  | None of them (VOL. DO NOT READ) | 3 | 5 |  |
| 26 |  | Don't know/Haven't thought about it (VOL. DO NOT READ) | 5 | 5 |  |
| * * |  | Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ) | 1 | 1 |  |
| n/a 7 |  | No first choice |  |  |  |
| 100100 |  |  |  | 100 |  |

## ASK OF REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN-LEANING INDEPENDENTS (PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1) ONLY:

Q. 10 I'm going to read you the names of some possible REPUBLICAN presidential candidates. Who would you most like to see nominated as the Republican Party's candidate for president in 2008? [READ AND
RANDOMIZE. ACCEPT VOLUNTEERED RESPONSE IF OFFERED BEFORE FULL LIST IS
READ. IF 98 'DON'T KNOW' PROBE ONCE: Is there anyone you are leaning toward as of today?]
IF ANSWERED (1-96 IN Q.10) ASK:
Q.10a And who would be your SECOND choice? [READ REMAINING NAMES IF NECESSARY]

BASED ON REPUBLICAN AND REPUBLICAN-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=530]:

| Choice | Total |  | March 2007 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Cho | oice |  |
| $1^{\text {st }} \quad 2^{\text {nd }}$ |  |  | $1^{\text {st }}$ | $2^{\text {nd }}$ | Total |
| 3221 | 53 | Rudy Giuliani | 33 | 18 | 51 |
| 2321 | 44 | John McCain | 22 | 17 | 39 |
| 107 | 17 | Fred Thompson | n/a |  | n/a |
| 910 | 19 | Newt Gingrich | 8 | 11 | 19 |
| 811 | 19 | Mitt Romney | 7 | 8 | 15 |
| 31 | 4 | Mike Huckabee | 2 | 3 | 5 |
| 23 | 5 | Tommy Thompson | 3 | 3 | 6 |
| * 1 | 1 | Sam Brownback | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| 11 | 2 | Duncan Hunter | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| * 1 | 1 | Jim Gilmore | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| 11 |  | Other (VOL. DO NOT READ) [SPECIFY] | 2 | 1 |  |
| 34 |  | None of them (VOL. DO NOT READ) | 5 | 7 |  |
| 87 |  | Don't know/Haven't thought about it (VOL. DO NOT READ) |  | 10 |  |
| * * |  | Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ) |  | 1 |  |
| n/a 11 |  | No first choice | n/a | 17 |  |
| 100100 |  |  |  | 100 |  |

ASK OF DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC-LEANING INDEPENDENTS (PARTY=2 OR PARTYLN=2) ONLY:
Q. 11 In choosing between the candidates for the Democratic nomination in 2008, what one issue will be most important to you? [OPEN END; ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES; PROBE ONCE FOR ADDITIONAL]

## BASED ON DEMOCRATIC AND DEMOCRATIC-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=574]:

| 38 | Iraq/The war |
| :---: | :--- |
| 16 | Economy/Jobs |
| 13 | Health care |
| 12 | Education |
| 8 | Foreign policy |
| 5 | Terrorism/Security |
| 3 | Immigration |
| 2 | Environment |
| 2 | Gas/Oil/Energy |
| 2 | Social Security |
| 1 | Abortion |
| 1 | Honesty/Integrity |
| 1 | Direction of the country |
| 1 | Moral values |
| 9 | Other |
| 9 | DK/Nothing/Everything |

Q. 12 [READ FOR $1^{\text {ST }}$ ITEM ONLY: Regardless of who you may support for the Democratic nomination in 2008], who do you think [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]? [RANDOMIZE NAMES FOR EACH RESPONDENT, BUT KEEP SAME ORDER ACROSS ITEMS: Hillary Clinton, Barack Obama, John Edwards or Al Gore?]

BASED ON DEMOCRATIC AND DEMOCRATIC-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=574]:

|  |  |  |  |  |  | (VOL.) | (VOL.) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Hillary <br> Clinton | Barack Obama | John Edwards | Al Gore | All/ multiple | Other/ none | DK/ <br> Ref |
| a. | Would be the strongest leader | 37 | 20 | 12 | 19 | 2 | 1 | $9=100$ |
| b. | Has the best experience to be president | t 39 | 5 | 7 | 39 | 1 | 2 | $7=100$ |
| c. | Is the most inspiring | 32 | 34 | 10 | 13 | 2 | 2 | $7=100$ |
| d. | Has the best chance of getting elected president in November 2008 | 32 | 17 | 16 | 16 | 3 | 2 | $14=100$ |
| e. | Is most likely to make the changes the country needs | 37 | 22 | 11 | 15 | 3 | 3 | $9=100$ |

ASK ITEM f. APRIL 19-22 ONLY [N=475]:
f. Comes closest to YOUR views on abortion
$6 \quad 5$
$5 \quad 4 \quad 2$
$6 \quad 51=100$

## ASK OF REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN-LEANING INDEPENDENTS (PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1)

 ONLY:Q. 13 In choosing between the candidates for the Republican nomination in 2008, what one issue will be most important to you? [OPEN END; ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES; PROBE ONCE FOR
ADDITIONAL]
BASED ON REPUBLICAN AND REPUBLICAN-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=530]:
31 Iraq/The war
17 Terrorism/Security
12 Economy/Jobs
12 Immigration
$8 \quad$ Foreign policy
7 Abortion
5 Education
4 Taxes
3 Health care
2 Honesty/Integrity
1 Social Security
1 Gas/Oil/Energy
1 Gay marriage/Rights
1 Moral values
8 Other
9 DK/Nothing/Everything
Q. 14 [READ FOR $1^{\text {ST }}$ ITEM ONLY: Regardless of who you may support for the Republican nomination in 2008], who do you think [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]? [RANDOMIZE NAMES FOR EACH RESPONDENT, BUT KEEP SAME ORDER ACROSS ITEMS: Rudy Giuliani [pronounced: John McCain, Mitt Romney, Newt Gingrich or Fred Thompson?]

BASED ON REPUBLICAN AND REPUBLICAN-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=530]:

|  |  | Rudy Giuliani |  |  |  |  | (VOL.) | (VOL.) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | John <br> McCain | Mitt <br> Romney | Newt <br> Gingrich | Fred <br> Thompson |  | Other/ none | DK/ <br> Ref |
| a. | Would be the strongest leader | 37 | 26 | 7 | 12 | 7 | 1 | 1 | $9=100$ |
| b. | Has the best experience to be president | 28 | 32 | 5 | 17 | 4 | 1 | 4 | $9=100$ |
| C. | Is the most inspiring | 44 | 20 | 4 | 10 | 7 | 1 | 4 | $10=100$ |
| d. | Has the best chance of getting elected president in November 2008 | 44 | 21 | 5 | 5 | 6 | * | 4 | $15=100$ |
| e. | Is most likely to make the changes the country needs | 31 | 22 | 7 | 11 | 7 | 1 | 6 | $15=100$ |

ASK ITEM f. APRIL 19-22 ONLY [ $\mathrm{N}=438$ ]:
f. Comes closest to YOUR views $\begin{array}{llllllllll}\text { on abortion } & 11 & 15 & 6 & 9 & 6 & 1 & 3 & 49=100\end{array}$
Q. 15 Thinking about Iraq, would you prefer a Republican candidate who will continue George W. Bush’s policies in Iraq, or would you prefer a Republican candidate who will take a different approach to the situation in Iraq?

## BASED ON REPUBLICAN AND REPUBLICAN-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=530]:

| 38 | Continue Bush’s policies |
| :---: | :--- |
| 54 | Take a different approach |
| $\underline{8}$ | Don’t know/Refused |
| 100 |  |

## ASK ALL:

Q. 16 How would you describe the presidential election campaign so far - is it interesting to you, or would you say it is dull?

## BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1258]:

|  |  | Mid-Oct | Early Sept | June | June | July |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\frac{2004}{}$ | $\underline{2004}$ | $\frac{2004}{35}$ | $\frac{2000}{31}$ | $\frac{1996}{21}$ |
| 35 | Interesting | 66 | 50 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 63 | 73 |
| 52 | Dull | 28 | 42 | 56 | 4 | 3 |
| 6 | Neither (VOL.) | 51 | 6 | 4 | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{3}$ |
| $\underline{7}$ | Don't know/Ref (VOL.) | $\underline{1}$ | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{5}$ | $\underline{2}$ | 100 |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |  |

Q. 17 And do you think the presidential election is too long, or not too long?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1258]:

|  |  | Mid-Oct | Early Sept | June | Mid-March |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\frac{2004}{51}$ | $\underline{2004}$ | $\frac{2004}{53}$ | $\underline{53}$ | 53 |
| 63 | Too long OR | 43 | 42 | 42 | 43 |  |
| 30 | Not too long | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 |  |
| 3 | Neither applies (VOL.) | 3004 |  |  |  |  |
| $\underline{4}$ | Don’t know/Ref (VOL.) | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{3}$ |  |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |  |

## NO QUESTIONS 18 AND 19

## QUESTIONS 20 THROUGH 23 ALREADY RELEASED

## ASK ALL:

On a different subject...
Q. 24 The Congress is now debating future funding for the war in Iraq. Would you like to see your Congressional representative vote FOR or AGAINST a bill that calls for a withdrawal of troops from Iraq to be completed by August of 2008?

## IF 'VOTE FOR' (1 IN Q.24) ASK:

Q. 25 As you may know, President Bush has said he will veto any Iraq funding bill that includes a timeline for troop withdrawal. Would you like to see Democratic leaders work with Bush toward a compromise, or should they insist on a timeline for troop withdrawal?

## IF ‘VOTE AGAINST’ (2 IN Q.24) ASK:

Q. 26 As you may know, President Bush has said he will veto any Iraq funding bill that includes a timeline for troop withdrawal. Would you like to see President Bush work with Democratic leaders toward a compromise, or should Bush insist on NO timeline for troop withdrawal?

| BASED ON TOTAL: | March <br> 59 <br> 59$\quad$ Vote for | $\frac{2007}{59}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
|  | 25 Work with Bush | -- |
|  | 32 Insist on a timeline | -- |
| 33 | 2 Don't know/Refused | -- |
|  | Vote against | 33 |
|  | 14 Work with Democratic leaders | -- |
|  | 18 Insist on NO timeline | -- |
|  | 1 Don't know/Refused | -- |
| $\underline{8}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{8}$ |
| 100 |  | 100 |

## ASK ALL:

Q. 27 How much, if anything, have you heard about the firing of eight federal prosecutors and questions about how Attorney General Alberto Gonzales and the White House handled the firings - have you heard a lot, a little, or nothing at all?

|  |  | March <br> 33 |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| A lot | $\frac{2007}{33}$ |  |
| 44 | A little | 43 |
| 22 | Nothing at all | 22 |
| $\frac{1}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | $\underline{2}$ |
| 100 |  |  |

Q. 28 Do you think Attorney General Alberto Gonzales should resign or otherwise lose his job over the issue of the firings, or not?

|  | March <br> $21-25,2007$ <br> 34 | Newsweek <br> March |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 24 | Yes, should | $\underline{14-15,2007}$ |  |
| $\underline{42}$ | No, should not | 31 | 35 |
| 100 |  | $\underline{39}$ | $\underline{33}$ |
| 100 | $\underline{100}$ |  |  |

Q. 29 Do you think Congress is spending too much, too little, or the right amount of time conducting investigations of possible government wrongdoing in the Gonzales case?

| 34 | Too much |
| :--- | :--- |
| 17 | Too little |
| 23 | Right amount |
| $\frac{26}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) |

Now a different kind of question...
Q. 30 If " 6 " represents someone who is very liberal in politics and " 1 " represents someone who is very conservative, where on this scale of 6 to 1 would you rate the following people? First, where would you place (INSERT ITEMS a AND b ROTATED FIRST; RANDOMIZE ITEMS c THRU g; ALWAYS ASK ITEM h "Yourself" LAST)? [IF ANSWERS "DON'T KNOW"/"NEVER HEARD OF" DO NOT PROBE.]
a. George W. Bush

March, 2007
Early September, 2004
Mid-March, 2004
Mid-January, 2004
January, 2000
May, 1999

| Based on Those Who Could Rate |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| -- Conservative -- |  |  | ---- Liberal ---- |  |  | Never heard of/ |  |
| 1 | $\underline{2}$ | 3 | 4 | $\underline{5}$ | $\underline{6}$ | DK/Refused | $(\mathbf{N})^{7}$ |
| 32 | 26 | 16 | 10 | 8 | $8=100$ | 9\% | (1379) |
| 32 | 24 | 18 | 10 | 6 | $10=100$ | 9\% |  |
| 28 | 27 | 18 | 10 | 8 | $9=100$ | 8\% |  |
| 26 | 24 | 20 | 13 | 7 | $9=100$ | 8\% |  |
| 28 | 28 | 16 | 10 | 8 | $10=100$ | 10\% |  |
| 13 | 26 | 30 | 14 | 10 | $7=100$ | 16\% |  |
| 15 | 24 | 27 | 15 | 10 | $9=100$ | 15\% |  |


|  | Based on Those Who Could Rate |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | -- Conservative -- |  |  | ---- Liberal ---- |  |  | Never heard of DK/Refused | (N) |
|  | 1 | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{3}$ | 4 | $\underline{5}$ | $\underline{6}$ |  |  |
| b. Bill Clinton | 9 | 4 | 14 | 19 | 25 | 29=100 | 9\% | (1376) |
| March, 2007 | 6 | 5 | 16 | 18 | 24 | $31=100$ | 8\% |  |
| January, 2000 | 10 | 6 | 14 | 18 | 23 | $29=100$ | 12\% |  |
| September, 1996 | 7 | 4 | 18 | 27 | 20 | $24=100$ | 5\% |  |
| c. Nancy Pelosi | 7 | 9 | 15 | 20 | 18 | $31=100$ | 33\% | (1060) |
| d. Hillary Clinton | 9 | 6 | 13 | 18 | 22 | $32=100$ | 8\% | (1382) |
| January, 2004 | 10 | 6 | 12 | 16 | 21 | $35=100$ | 15\% |  |
| e. Barack Obama | 5 | 6 | 20 | 30 | 23 | $16=100$ | 31\% | (1065) |
| f. Al Gore | 8 | 9 | 15 | 19 | 22 | $27=100$ | 13\% | (1331) |
| January, 2000 | 10 | 7 | 23 | 22 | 22 | $16=100$ | 16\% |  |
| May, 1999 | 11 | 8 | 17 | 19 | 22 | $23=100$ | 13\% |  |
| g. John Edwards | 5 | 7 | 22 | 29 | 23 | $14=100$ | 24\% | (1163) |
| January, 2004 | 6 | 10 | 26 | 30 | 16 | $12=100$ | 56\% |  |
| h. Yourself | 14 | 14 | 28 | 20 | 13 | $11=100$ | 7\% | (1418) |
| March, 2007 | 12 | 16 | 27 | 20 | 14 | $11=100$ | 6\% |  |
| June, 2005 | 11 | 14 | 31 | 20 | 15 | $9=100$ | 7\% |  |
| Early September, 2004 | 15 | 13 | 30 | 17 | 12 | $13=100$ | 8\% |  |
| Mid-March, 2004 | 12 | 12 | 30 | 20 | 14 | $12=100$ | 6\% |  |
| Mid-January, 2004 | 15 | 15 | 27 | 18 | 14 | $11=100$ | 5\% |  |
| January, 2000 | 15 | 16 | 31 | 16 | 10 | $12=100$ | 8\% |  |
| May, 1999 | 13 | 12 | 30 | 20 | 11 | $14=100$ | 7\% |  |
| September, 1996 | 17 | 10 | 31 | 18 | 13 | $11=100$ | 6\% |  |
| September, 1988 | 14 | 15 | 29 | 20 | 12 | $10=100$ | 6\% |  |
| Newsweek: 1984 | 16 | 9 | 31 | 19 | 12 | $13=100$ | 6\% |  |

## QUESTIONS 31 THROUGH 44 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

## ASK ALL:

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

April, 2007
March, 2007
February, 2007
Mid-January, 2007
Early January, 2007
December, 2006
Mid-November, 2006
Late October, 2006
Early October, 2006

| Right decision | Wrong decision | DK/ Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 45 | 47 | 8=100 |
| 43 | 49 | $8=100$ |
| 40 | 54 | $6=100$ |
| 40 | 51 | $9=100$ |
| 40 | 53 | $7=100$ |
| 42 | 51 | $7=100$ |
| 41 | 51 | $8=100$ |
| 43 | 47 | $10=100$ |
| 45 | 47 | $8=100$ |

## Q. 45 CONTINUED...

|  | Right decision | Wrong decision | DK/ Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 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 | $5=100$ |
| 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. 46 How well is the U.S. military effort in Iraq going? [READ IN ORDER]

|  | Very well | Fairly well | Not too well | Not at all well | DK/ Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April, 2007 | 7 | 31 | 34 | 25 | 3=100 |
| March, 2007 | 10 | 30 | 32 | 24 | $4=100$ |
| February, 2007 | 5 | 25 | 38 | 29 | $3=100$ |
| Mid-January, 2007 | 7 | 28 | 32 | 30 | $3=100$ |
| December, 2006 | 4 | 28 | 37 | 27 | $4=100$ |
| Mid-November, 2006 | 6 | 26 | 34 | 30 | $4=100$ |
| 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 | $6=100$ |
| 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 | $4=100$ |
| April 10-16, 2003 | 61 | 32 | 3 | 1 | $3=100$ |
| April 8-9, 2003 | 60 | 32 | 3 | 3 | $2=100$ |
| April 2-7, 2003 | 55 | 37 | 3 | 2 | $3=100$ |
| March 25-April 1, 2003 | 39 | 46 | 8 | 2 | $5=100$ |
| March 23-24, 2003 | 45 | 41 | 6 | 2 | $6=100$ |
| March 20-22, 2003 | 65 | 25 | 2 | 1 | $7=100$ |

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

|  | Keep troops <br> in Iraq | Bring troops <br> home | DK/Ref <br> April, 2007 41 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| March, 2007 | 43 | 53 | $6=100$ |
| February, 2007 | 42 | 53 | $5=100$ |
| Mid-January, 2007 | 46 | 48 | $5=100$ |
| Early January, 2007 | 41 | 53 | $6=100$ |
| December, 2006 | 44 | 50 | $6=100$ |
| Mid-November, 2006 | 46 | 48 | $6=100$ |
| 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 | $5=100$ |
| 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 | 51 | 42 | $5=100$ |
| 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 | 64 | 39 | $3=100$ |
| September, 2003 | 32 | $4=100$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |

## IF "KEEP TROOPS IN IRAQ" (1 IN Q.47) ASK:

Q. 48 Do you think more troops are needed in Iraq right now, or do you think there are already enough troops there to do the job?

Mid- Mid- Early Early
March Feb Jan Dec Nov Aug April Oct July June Jan Oct Sept $\underline{2007} 2007 \underline{2007} 2006 \underline{2006} 2006 \underline{2006} 20052005 \underline{2004} \underline{2004} \underline{2003} \underline{2003}$

| 17 | More troops needed | $\frac{2007}{21}$ | $\frac{2007}{21}$ | $\frac{2007}{25}$ | $\frac{2006}{17}$ | $\frac{2006}{17}$ | $\frac{2006}{15}$ | $\frac{2006}{13}$ | $\frac{2005}{13}$ | $\frac{2005}{16}$ | $\frac{2004}{18}$ | $\frac{2004}{29}$ | $\frac{2003}{32}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

## IF "BRING TROOPS HOME" (2 IN Q.47) ASK:

Q. 49 Should the U.S. remove all troops from Iraq immediately, or should the withdrawal of troops be gradual over the next year or two?


## ASK ALL:

Q. 50 Do you think the war in Iraq has helped the war on terrorism, or has it hurt the war on terrorism?

|  | Helped |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |$\quad$| Hurt | (VOL) <br> No effect | DK/ <br> $\underline{\text { Ref }}$ |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April, 2007 | 38 | 44 | 7 | $11=100$ |
| February, 2007 | 40 | 47 | 5 | $8=100$ |
| Mid-November, 2006 | 37 | 48 | 5 | $10=100$ |
| 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 | $7=100$ |

Q. 51 Do you think the U.S. should or should not set a timetable for when troops will be withdrawn from Iraq?

|  | Should <br> set a <br> timetable | Should <br> not set <br> timetable | (VOL) <br> Should <br> get out now | DK/ <br> Refused |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April, 2007 | 56 | 38 | 1 | $5=100$ |
| March, 2007 | 55 | 38 | 1 | $6=100$ |
| Mid-January, 2007 | 59 | 35 | 1 | $5=100$ |
| December, 2006 | 58 | 34 | 2 | $6=100$ |
| Mid-November, 2006 | 56 | 36 | 1 | $7=100$ |
| Late October, 2006 | 54 | 37 | 2 | $7=100$ |
| Early October, 2006 | 53 | 39 | 2 | $6=100$ |
| Early September, 2006 | 47 | 45 | 1 | $7=100$ |
| August, 2006 | 52 | 41 | 1 | $6=100$ |
| June, 2006 | 52 | 42 | 2 | $4=100$ |
| April, 2006 | 53 | 40 | 2 | $5=100$ |
| March, 2006 | 55 | 39 | 1 | $5=100$ |
| January, 2006 | 50 | 42 | 2 | $6=100$ |
| December, 2005 | 56 | 38 | 1 | $5=100$ |
| Early October, 2005 | 52 | 43 | 1 | $4=100$ |
| Mid-September, 2005 | 57 | 37 | 1 | $5=100$ |
| July, 2005 | 49 | 45 | $*$ | $6=100$ |

## ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=756]:

Q.52F1 Regardless of what you think about the original decision to use military force in Iraq, do you now believe that the United States will definitely succeed, probably succeed, probably fail, or definitely fail in establishing a stable democratic government in Iraq?

|  |  | Mid- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Late |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb | Nov | Sept | Aug | June | March | Feb | Jan | Dec | Oct | July |
|  |  | $\underline{2007}$ | 2006 | $\underline{2006}$ | $\underline{2006}$ | $\underline{2006}$ | 2006 | $\underline{2006}$ | $\underline{2006}$ | $\underline{2005}$ | $\underline{2005}$ | $\underline{2005}$ |
| 6 | Definitely succeed | 7 | 7 | 9 | 12 | 15 | 10 | 16 | 14 | 16 | 12 | 17 |
| 36 | Probably succeed | 37 | 39 | 43 | 35 | 40 | 39 | 39 | 42 | 41 | 44 | 43 |
| 37 | Probably fail | 35 | 31 | 29 | 30 | 29 | 33 | 28 | 26 | 28 | 29 | 25 |
| 14 | Definitely fail | 12 | 13 | 10 | 11 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 8 | 9 | 8 | 8 |
| $\underline{7}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{9}$ | 10 | $\underline{9}$ | 12 | $\underline{7}$ | 8 | $\underline{6}$ | 10 | $\underline{6}$ | $\underline{7}$ | $\underline{7}$ |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

## ASK FORM 2 ONLY [ $\mathbf{N = 7 5 2 ] : ~}$

Q.53F2 Regardless of what you think about the original decision to use military force in Iraq, do you now believe that the United States will definitely succeed, probably succeed, probably fail, or definitely fail in achieving its goals in Iraq?

| Mid- |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Feb | Nov | Sept | Aug |
|  |  | $\frac{2007}{7}$ | $\frac{2006}{12}$ | $\frac{2006}{13}$ | $\frac{2006}{14}$ |
| 9 | Definitely succeed | 40 | 41 | 44 | 40 |
| 36 | Probably succeed | 34 | 28 | 26 | 28 |
| 30 | Probably fail | 12 | 13 | 9 | 12 |
| 16 | Definitely fail | $\underline{7}$ | $\underline{6}$ | $\underline{8}$ | $\underline{6}$ |
| $\underline{9}$ | Don't know/Refused | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

## ASK ALL:

Q. 54 How much, if anything, have you read or heard about George W. Bush's decision earlier this year to send more U.S. troops to Iraq? [READ]

|  |  | March <br>  <br>  <br>  <br> 51 | Feb | Jan |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 42 | A little | $\frac{2007}{52}$ | $\frac{2007}{42}$ | $\frac{2007}{43}$ |
| 6 | Nothing at all | 38 | 47 | 43 |
| $\underline{1}$ | DK/Refused (VOL.) | 9 | 10 | 13 |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 10 |

Q. 55 So far, do you think the troop increase is making things better in Iraq, is making things worse, or not having any effect?

|  | March <br> 2007 |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| 24 | Is making things in Iraq better | $\underline{27}$ |
| 20 | Is making things in Iraq worse | 19 |
| 46 | Not having any effect | 44 |
| $\frac{10}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused (VOL) | $\underline{10}$ |

Q. 56 Looking ahead, do you think the troop increase will make things better in the long run, will make things worse, or not have any effect in the long run?

|  | March <br> 2007 |  |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 34 | Will make things in Iraq better | 36 |
| 20 | Will make things in Iraq worse | 22 |
| 38 | Not have any effect | 33 |
| $\underline{8}$ | Don't know/Refused (VOL) | $\underline{9}$ |
| 100 |  | 100 |

Q. 57 A number of suggestions have been made about how the U.S. might change its policies in Iraq. As I read a few, tell me if you would favor or oppose each. First, would you favor or oppose [READ AND RANDOMIZE]

| a. |  | Favor | Oppose | DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Starting talks with Iran and Syria to encourage their cooperation in the Iraq effort | 66 | 25 | $9=100$ |
|  | December, 2006 | 69 | 22 | $9=100$ |
| b. | Trying harder to resolve the Israeli-Palestinian conflict | 59 | 30 | $11=100$ |
|  | December, 2006 | 59 | 31 | $10=100$ |
| c. | Shifting the primary mission of U.S. troops from |  |  |  |
|  | fighting insurgents to supporting the Iraqi Army | 55 | 29 | 16=100 |
|  | December, 2006 | 62 | 25 | $13=100$ |
| d. | Ending our support of the Iraqi government if they fail to make substantial progress | 52 | 36 | $12=100$ |
|  | December, 2006 | 52 | 38 | $10=100$ |

## ASK FORM 1 ONLY [ $\mathbf{N = 7 5 6 ] :}$

Q.58F1 If the U.S. withdraws its troops from Iraq while the country remains unstable, would it make a terrorist attack in the United States more likely, less likely, or not make a difference?

| 45 | More likely |
| :---: | :--- |
| 7 | Less likely |
| 43 | Not make a difference |
| $\underline{5}$ | Don’t know/Refused |
| 100 |  |

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [ $\mathbf{N}=752$ ]:
Q.59F2 If U.S. troops remain in Iraq for many years, would it make a terrorist attack in the U.S. more likely, less likely, or not make a difference?

| 41 | More likely |
| :---: | :--- |
| 18 | Less likely |
| 34 | Not make a difference |
| $\frac{7}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

## NO QUESTIONS 60 OR 61

ASK ALL:
Q. 62 Do you personally know someone who has served in the current military effort in Iraq or Afghanistan, or not?
IF 'YES' (1 IN Q.62), ASK:
Q. 63 How close would you say you are to this person? Would you say you are...(READ) [IF VOL: "Know more than one person" PROMPT: Thinking about the person you are closest to... How close would you say you are?"]

## BASED ON TOTAL:

## 62 Yes

27 Very close
25 Somewhat close, OR
10 Don't you know this person all that well?

* Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ)


## 37

No
1 Don't know/Refused
100

IF 'VERY CLOSE' (1 IN Q.63) [N=388]:
Q. 64 Is that a close friend or a close family member?

| 28 | Friend |
| :---: | :--- |
| 60 | Family member |
| 1 | Other (VOL.) |
| 11 | Both (VOL.) |
| $\underline{0}$ | Don't know/Refused |


[^0]:    1 From March to April 2003 the item was worded: "... dealing with the war in Iraq?"

    2 In Mid-September, 2001 the question was worded: "...dealing with the terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center in New York City and the Pentagon in Washington." In Early September 1998 the question was worded: "Do you approve or disapprove of the way Bill Clinton is handling current threats from international terrorist groups?"

[^1]:    5
    In April 2006 the item was asked as a stand-alone question and not part of a list of items.
    6 In March 2007 the question was worded: "Do you approve or disapprove of the policies and proposals of the Democratic leaders in Congress?"

