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## Q. 1 THOUGH Q. 9 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

## ASK ALL:

On a different subject...
Q. 10 How much thought, if any, have you given to the candidates running for president in 2008? ${ }^{1}$ [READ]

|  | Dec | Nov | Oct | Sept | July | June | April March | Feb | Dec |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\frac{2007}{35}$ | $\frac{2007}{34}$ | $\frac{2007}{30}$ | $\frac{2007}{27}$ | $\frac{2007}{30}$ | $\frac{2007}{29}$ | $\frac{2007}{26}$ | $\frac{2007}{24}$ | $\frac{2007}{24}$ | $\frac{2006}{23}$ |
| 44 | A lot | 33 | 35 | 37 | 33 | 38 | 34 | 34 | 36 | 34 | 36 |
| 32 | Some | 13 | 16 | 17 | 21 | 16 | 20 | 21 | 20 | 22 | 20 |
| 11 | Not much | 18 | 14 | 14 | 17 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 18 | 20 |
| 11 | None at all | DK/Ref (VOL. DO NOT READ) | $\underline{1}$ | $\underline{1}$ | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{1}$ | $\underline{1}$ | $\underline{1}$ | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{2}$ |
| $\underline{2}$ | DK | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{1}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

Q. 11 Now I'd like your views on some people. As I read some names, please tell me if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of each person. (First, INSERT NAME) would you say your overall opinion of...
[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE WITH ITEM i ALWAYS LAST] is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable?
How about (NEXT NAME)? [IF NECESSARY: would you say your overall opinion of [NAME] is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? [INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN’T RATE."]

|  | George W. Bush | ----- | avora | le--- | -----Un | favora | be---- | (VOL) <br> Never | $\begin{gathered} \text { (VOL) } \\ \text { Can't } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total | Very | Mostly | Total | Very | Mostly | $\underline{\text { Heard of }}$ | rate/Ref |
| a. |  | 36 | 11 | 25 | 60 | 37 | 23 | 0 | 4=100 |
|  | Late December, 2007 | 33 | 10 | 23 | 63 | 41 | 22 | 0 | $4=100$ |
|  | August, 2007 | 40 | 12 | 28 | 57 | 34 | 23 | * | $3=100$ |
|  | December, 2006 | 39 | 12 | 27 | 57 | 34 | 23 | * | $4=100$ |
|  | April, 2006 | 40 | 15 | 25 | 57 | 35 | 22 | * | $3=100$ |
|  | Late October, 2005 | 46 | 17 | 29 | 51 | 29 | 22 | * | $3=100$ |
|  | July, 2005 | 51 | 22 | 29 | 46 | 25 | 21 | 0 | $3=100$ |
|  | Late March, 2005 | 53 | 23 | 30 | 45 | 27 | 18 | 0 | $2=100$ |
|  | Mid-October, 2004 (RVs) | 56 | 26 | 30 | 42 | 23 | 19 | * | $2=100$ |
|  | Early October, 2004 (RVs) | 57 | 27 | 30 | 40 | 20 | 20 | 0 | $3=100$ |
|  | Early September, 2004 | 52 | 25 | 27 | 43 | 24 | 19 | * | $5=100$ |
|  | August, 2004 | 58 | 27 | 31 | 39 | 22 | 17 | 0 | $3=100$ |
|  | June, 2004 | 52 | 19 | 33 | 45 | 22 | 23 | * | $3=100$ |
|  | Early February, 2004 | 53 | 21 | 32 | 44 | 25 | 19 | 0 | $3=100$ |
|  | January 29-February 1, 2004 | 52 | -- | -- | 47 | -- | -- | -- | $1=100$ |
| Gallup: | January 2-5, 2004 | 65 | -- | -- | 35 | -- | -- | -- | *=100 |
| Gallup: | October 6-8, 2003 | 60 | -- | -- | 39 | -- | -- | -- | $1=100$ |
| Gallup: | June 9-10, 2003 | 66 | -- | -- | 33 | -- | -- | -- | $1=100$ |

[^0]|  |  | ----- | avorab | ------ | -----U | favora | ----- | (VOL) <br> Never | $\begin{aligned} & \text { (VOL) } \\ & \text { Can't } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total | Very | Mostly | Total | Very | Mostly | Heard of | rate/Ref |
|  | April, 2003 | 72 | 37 | 35 | 25 | 11 | 14 | 0 | 3=100 |
|  | January, 2003 | 70 | 28 | 42 | 28 | 10 | 18 | 0 | $2=100$ |
|  | December, 2002 | 68 | 35 | 33 | 27 | 11 | 16 | 0 | $5=100$ |
|  | July, 2001 | 61 | 22 | 39 | 35 | 14 | 21 | * | $4=100$ |
|  | January, 2001 | 60 | 24 | 36 | 33 | 12 | 21 | 0 | $7=100$ |
|  | May, 2000 | 58 | 18 | 40 | 31 | 12 | 19 | 1 | $10=100$ |
|  | March, 1999 ${ }^{2}$ | 61 | 21 | 40 | 21 | 7 | 14 | 4 | $14=100$ |
|  | November, 1997 | 54 | 13 | 41 | 18 | 6 | 12 | 9 | $19=100$ |
| b. | Rudy Giuliani | 39 | 8 | 31 | 48 | 18 | 30 | 3 | $10=100$ |
|  | Late December, 2007 | 44 | 9 | 35 | 40 | 14 | 26 | 5 | $11=100$ |
|  | August, 2007 | 54 | 12 | 42 | 28 | 9 | 19 | 8 | $10=100$ |
|  | April, 2006 | 70 | 26 | 44 | 14 | 4 | 10 | 10 | $6=100$ |
|  | Late October, 2005 | 63 | 22 | 41 | 17 | 6 | 11 | 10 | $10=100$ |
|  | Late March, 2005 | 60 | 20 | 40 | 17 | 5 | 12 | 7 | $16=100$ |
|  | May, 2000 | 37 | 9 | 28 | 18 | 6 | 12 | 26 | 19=100 |
| c. | Mitt Romney | 31 | 7 | 24 | 43 | 13 | 30 | 8 | $18=100$ |
|  | Late December, 2007 | 29 | 4 | 25 | 35 | 11 | 24 | 17 | $19=100$ |
|  | August, 2007 | 28 | 5 | 23 | 24 | 7 | 17 | 29 | $19=100$ |
| d. | John McCain | 55 | 14 | 41 | 31 | 9 | 22 | 3 | $11=100$ |
|  | Late December, 2007 | 46 | 8 | 38 | 34 | 10 | 24 | 7 | $13=100$ |
|  | August, 2007 | 47 | 8 | 39 | 29 | 8 | 21 | 12 | $12=100$ |
|  | December, 2006 | 51 | 13 | 38 | 26 | 6 | 20 | 10 | $13=100$ |
|  | April, 2006 | 54 | 14 | 40 | 26 | 7 | 19 | 8 | $12=100$ |
|  | Late October, 2005 | 56 | 15 | 41 | 19 | 5 | 14 | 10 | $15=100$ |
|  | Late March, 2005 | 59 | 15 | 44 | 17 | 4 | 13 | 8 | $16=100$ |
|  | July, 2001 | 51 | 14 | 37 | 22 | 5 | 17 | 13 | $14=100$ |
|  | January, 2001 | 59 | 18 | 41 | 15 | 3 | 12 | 9 | $17=100$ |
|  | May, 2000 | 54 | 14 | 40 | 20 | 5 | 15 | 11 | $15=100$ |
| e. | Mike Huckabee | 34 | 8 | 26 | 37 | 13 | 24 | 10 | 19=100 |
|  | Late December, 2007 | 27 | 7 | 20 | 32 | 11 | 21 | 19 | $22=100$ |
| f. | Hillary Clinton | 52 | 20 | 32 | 44 | 25 | 19 | * | $4=100$ |
|  | Late December, 2007 | 50 | 21 | 29 | 44 | 26 | 18 | * | $6=100$ |
|  | August, 2007 | 55 | 21 | 34 | 39 | 21 | 18 | 2 | $4=100$ |
|  | December, 2006 | 56 | 22 | 34 | 39 | 21 | 18 | * | 5=100 |
|  | April, 2006 | 54 | 20 | 34 | 42 | 21 | 21 | 1 | $3=100$ |
|  | Late October, 2005 | 56 | 20 | 36 | 38 | 19 | 19 | 1 | $5=100$ |
|  | Late March, 2005 | 57 | 22 | 35 | 36 | 17 | 19 | * | $7=100$ |
|  | December 2002 | 47 | 15 | 32 | 44 | 23 | 21 | 1 | $8=100$ |
|  | July, 2001 | 53 | 20 | 33 | 42 | 23 | 19 | 1 | 4=100 |
|  | January, 2001 | 60 | 25 | 35 | 35 | 16 | 19 | * | $5=100$ |
|  | May, 2000 | 49 | 15 | 34 | 42 | 22 | 20 | 1 | $8=100$ |
|  | Early December, 1998 | 66 | 32 | 34 | 31 | 15 | 16 | * | $3=100$ |

## Q. 11 CONTINUED...

|  | , | --- | avorab | le------ | -----Un | favorab | ble----- | (VOL) <br> Never | (VOL) <br> Can't |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total | Very | Mostly | Total | Very | Mostly | Heard of | $\underline{\text { rate/Ref }}$ |
|  | Early October, 1998 (RVs) | 58 | 24 | 34 | 36 | 18 | 18 | * | 6=100 |
|  | Early September, 1998 | 64 | 24 | 40 | 31 | 13 | 18 | 0 | $5=100$ |
|  | Late August, 1998 | 63 | 25 | 38 | 34 | 13 | 21 | * | $3=100$ |
|  | March, 1998 | 65 | 26 | 39 | 31 | 14 | 17 | * | $4=100$ |
|  | January, 1997 | 57 | 17 | 40 | 40 | 17 | 23 | * | $3=100$ |
|  | June, 1996 | 53 | 13 | 40 | 43 | 17 | 26 | * | $4=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 49 | 12 | 37 | 46 | 19 | 27 | 0 | $5=100$ |
|  | February, 1996 | 42 | 14 | 28 | 54 | 27 | 27 | 0 | $4=100$ |
|  | January, 1996 | 42 | 10 | 32 | 54 | 26 | 28 | 0 | $4=100$ |
|  | October, 1995 | 58 | 14 | 44 | 38 | 14 | 24 | -- | $4=100$ |
|  | August, 1995 | 49 | 16 | 33 | 47 | 22 | 25 | * | $4=100$ |
|  | December, 1994 | 50 | 17 | 33 | 45 | 20 | 25 | 1 | 4=100 |
|  | July, 1994 | 57 | 19 | 38 | 40 | 18 | 22 | 1 | $2=100$ |
|  | May, 1993 | 60 | 19 | 41 | 29 | 11 | 18 | 1 | $10=100$ |
| g. | John Edwards | 45 | 10 | 35 | 37 | 13 | 24 | 4 | $14=100$ |
|  | Late December, 2007 | 47 | 10 | 37 | 33 | 12 | 21 | 5 | 15=100 |
|  | August, 2007 | 47 | 10 | 37 | 29 | 10 | 19 | 11 | $13=100$ |
|  | Early April, 2006 | 47 | 10 | 37 | 27 | 9 | 18 | 11 | $15=100$ |
|  | Late October, 2005 | 50 | 12 | 38 | 23 | 6 | 17 | 10 | $17=100$ |
|  | Mid-October, 2004 (RVs) | 58 | 18 | 40 | 31 | 13 | 18 | 1 | $10=100$ |
|  | Early October, 2004 (RVs) | 50 | 16 | 34 | 28 | 11 | 17 | 2 | $20=100$ |
|  | Early September, 2004 | 49 | 16 | 33 | 31 | 11 | 20 | 3 | 17=100 |
|  | August, 2004 | 58 | 22 | 36 | 24 | 6 | 18 | 4 | $14=100$ |
|  | Early February, 2004 | 42 | 9 | 33 | 24 | 7 | 17 | 8 | 26=100 |
|  | January, 2003 | 22 | 4 | 18 | 14 | 4 | 10 | 43 | 21-100 |
| h. | Barack Obama | 56 | 20 | 36 | 33 | 13 | 20 | 3 | $8=100$ |
|  | Late December, 2007 | 54 | 16 | 38 | 30 | 12 | 18 | 5 | $11=100$ |
|  | August, 2007 | 48 | 14 | 34 | 26 | 10 | 16 | 13 | $13=100$ |
| i. | Michael Bloomberg | 17 | 4 | 13 | 38 | 13 | 25 | 17 | $28=100$ |
|  | FOR COMPARISON: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | July 6-8, 2007 | 36 | -- | -- | 27 | -- | -- | 11 | $28=100$ |

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?

81 Yes, Registered
78 Absolutely certain
3 Chance registration has lapsed

* Don't know/Refused

18 No, Not registered/Don't know
1 Don't know/Refused
100

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?

|  | Republican | Democrat | Independent | (VOL.) <br> No <br> Preference | (VOL.) <br> Other <br> Party | $\begin{aligned} & \text { DK/ } \\ & \underline{\text { Ref }} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Lean } \\ \text { Rep } \end{gathered}$ | Lean <br> Dem |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| January, 2008 | 24 | 33 | 37 | 4 | * | $2=100$ | 12 | 18 |
| Late December, 2007 | 25 | 32 | 36 | 4 | * | $3=100$ | 12 | 18 |
| November, 2007 | 28 | 33 | 32 | 4 | 1 | $2=100$ | 9 | 16 |
| October, 2007 | 25 | 37 | 33 | 3 | * | $2=100$ | 11 | 17 |
| September, 2007 | 27 | 32 | 32 | 6 | * | $3=100$ | 8 | 16 |
| August, 2007 | 26 | 32 | 32 | 5 | 1 | $4=100$ | 10 | 16 |
| July, 2007 | 27 | 32 | 34 | 4 | * | $3=100$ | 11 | 17 |
| June, 2007 | 25 | 34 | 32 | 6 | * | $3=100$ | 10 | 17 |
| 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 |
| Yearly Totals |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2007 | 25.4 | 32.9 | 33.7 | 4.6 | . 4 | $3.1=100$ | 10.7 | 16.7 |
| 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 |
| 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 | $39=100$ |  |  |  |  |  |

## ASK OF REGISTERED VOTERS (REGICERT=1):

Q. 12 If there is a primary election or caucus in your state this year, how likely is it that you will vote in either the Republican or Democratic primary for President? [READ IN ORDER]

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1255]:

|  |  | Dec | Nov | Oct | Sept | Feb |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\underline{2007}$ | $\underline{2007}$ | $\underline{2007^{3}}$ | $\underline{2007}$ | $\frac{2000^{4}}{73}$ |
| 72 | Very likely | $\frac{19}{68}$ | 17 | 16 | 67 | 76 |
| 13 | Somewhat likely | 7 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 4 |
| 5 | Not too likely | 8 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 5 |
| 6 | Not at all likely | $*$ | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 1 | No primary (VOL.) | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| $*$ | Already voted (VOL.) | n/a |  |  |  |  |
| $\underline{3}$ | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{4}$ | $\underline{2}$ |  |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

## ASK OF DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANING RVs [(PARTY=2 OR PARTYLN=2) AND

 REGICERT=1] ONLY:Q. 13 Overall, what's your impression of the candidates running for the DEMOCRATIC presidential nomination? AS A GROUP, would you say they are excellent candidates, good candidates, only fair candidates or poor candidates?

BASED ON DEMOCRATIC AND DEMOCRATIC LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=621]:

|  |  | Nov | Oct |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\frac{2007}{20}$ | $\underline{2007}$ |
| 28 | Excellent | 51 | 17 |
| 50 | Good | 28 | 22 |
| 18 | Only fair | 2 | 5 |
| 2 | Poor | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{4}$ |
| $\underline{2}$ | Don’t know/Refused (VOL.) | 100 | 100 |

The word "either" was added to the question in October 2007.
4 In February 2000, the question read, "If there is a primary election in your state this year, how likely is it that you will vote in either the Republican or Democratic primary for president?"

## ASK OF REPUBLICAN AND REPUBLICAN LEANING RVs [(PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1) AND

 REGICERT=1] ONLY:Q. 14 Overall, what's your impression of the candidates running for the REPUBLICAN presidential nomination? AS A GROUP, would you say they are excellent candidates, good candidates, only fair candidates or poor candidates?

| BASED ON REPUBLICAN AND REPUBLICAN-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=499]: |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Nov | Oct |  |
|  |  | $\underline{2007}$ | $\underline{2007}$ |  |
| 11 | Excellent | 47 | 46 |  |
| 57 | Good | 34 | 39 |  |
| 28 | Only fair | 7 | 7 |  |
| 3 | Poor | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{4}$ |  |
| $\frac{1}{1}$ | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) | $\underline{3}$ |  |  |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 |  |

## ASK OF DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANING RVs [(PARTY=2 OR PARTYLN=2) AND

 REGICERT=1] ONLY:Q. 15 I'm going to read you the names of some DEMOCRATIC presidential candidates. Which one of the following

Democratic candidates would be your first choice for president? (READ AND RANDOMIZE) [IF "Don't know" PROBE ONCE WITH: "Just as of today, would you say you LEAN toward ...(READ). IF STILL DK, ENTER.]

BASED ON DEMOCRATIC AND DEMOCRATIC LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=621]:

| Jan |  |  |  |  | WITHOUT AL GORE |  |  |  | WITH AL GORE |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Dec | Nov | Oct | Sept | July | Apr | Mar | July | April | Mar |
| $\underline{2008}$ |  | $\underline{2007}$ | $\underline{2007}$ | $\underline{2007}$ | $\underline{2007}$ | $\underline{\text { 2007^ }}$ | 2007^ | $\underline{2007 \wedge}$ | $\underline{2007}$ | $\underline{2007}$ | $\underline{2007}$ |
| 46 | Hillary Clinton | 46 | 45 | 45 | 42 | 44 | 39 | 39 | 40 | 34 | 35 |
| 31 | Barack Obama | 26 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 24 | 27 | 28 | 21 | 24 | 26 |
| 13 | John Edwards | 14 | 12 | 12 | 14 | 13 | 21 | 19 | 18 | 16 | * |
| 4 | Dennis Kucinich | 3 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 1 | * | 2 | 1 | * |
| n/a | Bill Richardson | 3 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| n/a | Joe Biden | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| n/a | Chris Dodd | * | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | * | * | 1 | * | * |
| n/a | Mike Gravel | 0 | * | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a |
| n/a | Al Gore^ | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | -- | -- | -- | 12 | 14 | 12 |
| * | Other (VOL.) | * | 2 | * | 1 | 1 | * | * | 1 | * | 0 |
| 1 | None of them (VOL.) | 2 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 3 |
| 4 | DK/Haven't thought about it (VOL.) | 3 | 9 | 7 | 8 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 5 |
| $\underline{1}$ | Refused (VOL.) | $\underline{1}$ | * | * | * | $\underline{0}$ | $\underline{1}$ | $\underline{1}$ | $\underline{0}$ | * | $\underline{1}$ |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

$\wedge$ March-July trends recalculated by substituting in Gore supporters’ second choice.

IF HAS A FIRST CHOICE (1-96 IN Q.15) ASK:
Q. 16 And which of the Democratic candidates would be your second choice? [RE-READ RANDOMIZED LIST,

IF NECESSARY- EXCLUDE NAME CITED IN Q.15]
BASED ON DEMOCRATIC AND DEMOCRATIC LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=621]:

| $1^{\text {st }}$ <br> choice | $\begin{gathered} 2^{\text {nd }} \\ \text { choice } \end{gathered}$ | Com- <br> bined |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 46 | 23 | 69 | Hillary Clinton |
| 31 | 32 | 63 | Barack Obama |
| 13 | 26 | 39 | John Edwards |
| 4 | 2 | 6 | Dennis Kucinich |
| * | 3 |  | Other (VOL.) [SPECIFY] |
| 1 | 4 |  | None of them (VOL.) |
| 4 | 4 |  | DK/Haven't thought about it (VOL.) |
| 1 | * |  | Refused (VOL.) |
| n/a | $\underline{6}$ |  | No first choice |
| 100 | 100 |  |  |

IF NAMED CANDIDATE GIVEN (1 thru 8 in Q.15) ASK:
Q. 17 Do you support (INSERT RESPONSE FROM Q.15) strongly or only moderately?

BASED ON DEMOCRATIC AND DEMOCRATIC LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=621]:

|  | $1{ }^{\text {st }}$ | Only moderately/ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Choice | Strongly | Don't know |
| Hillary Clinton | 45 | 28 | 17 |
| Late December, 2007 | 46 | 29 | 17 |
| November, 2007 | 45 | 27 | 18 |
| Barack Obama | 31 | 20 | 11 |
| Late December, 2007 | 26 | 16 | 10 |
| November, 2007 | 23 | 13 | 10 |
| John Edwards | 13 | 8 | 5 |
| Late December, 2007 | 14 | 5 | 9 |
| November, 2007 | 12 | 3 | 9 |
| Dennis Kucinich | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| Late December, 2007 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| November, 2007 | 1 | 1 | 0 |

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ASK OF REPUBLICAN AND REPUBLICAN LEANING RVs [(PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1) AND
REGICERT=1] ONLY:
Q. 18 I'm going to read you the names of some REPUBLICAN presidential candidates. Which one of the following Republican candidates would be your first choice for president? (READ AND RANDOMIZE)
[IF "Don't know" PROBE ONCE WITH: "Just as of today, would you say you LEAN toward (READ). IF STILL DK, ENTER.]
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BASED ON REPUBLICAN AND REPUBLICAN-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=499]:

| Jan |  | WITHOUT GINGRICH |  |  |  |  |  |  | WITH GINGRICH |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Dec | Nov | Oct | Sept | July | Apr | Mar | Sept | July | Apr | Mar |
| $\underline{2008}$ |  | $\underline{2007}$ | $\underline{2007}$ | 2007 | $\underline{2007 \wedge}$ | $\underline{2007 \wedge}$ | 2007^ | $\underline{2007 \wedge}$ | $\underline{2007}$ | $\underline{2007}$ | $\underline{2007}$ | $\underline{2007}$ |
| 29 | John McCain | 22 | 19 | 18 | 16 | 16 | 25 | 24 | 15 | 16 | 23 | 22 |
| 20 | Mike Huckabee | 17 | 10 | 8 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| 17 | Mitt Romney | 12 | 13 | 9 | 10 | 12 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 8 | 8 |
| 13 | Rudy Giuliani | 20 | 26 | 31 | 33 | 29 | 33 | 35 | 32 | 27 | 32 | 33 |
| 9 | Fred Thompson | 9 | 12 | 17 | 22 | 20 | 12 | n/a | 21 | 18 | 10 | n/a |
| 6 | Ron Paul | 4 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 3 | n/a | n/a | 1 | 2 | n/a | n/a |
| n/a | Duncan Hunter | 1 | 1 | n/a | n/a | n/a | 1 | 1 | n/a | n/a | 1 | 1 |
| n/a | Tom Tancredo | n/a | * | 1 | 1 | 1 | n/a | n/a | 1 | 1 | n/a | n/a |
| n/a | Sam Brownback | n/a | n/a | n/a | 3 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | * | 2 |
| n/a | Newt Gingrich | n/a | n/a | n/a | -- | -- | -- | -- | 6 | 8 | 9 | 7 |
| n/a | Tommy Thompson | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | 1 | 2 | 3 | n/a | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| n/a | Jim Gilmore | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | n/a | * | 3 | n/a | n/a | * | 3 |
| * | Other (VOL.) | 1 | * | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 1 | None of them (VOL.) | 2 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 5 |
| 5 | DK/Haven't thought about it (VOL.) | 10 | 12 | 8 | 7 | 11 | 9 | 12 | 6 | 11 | 8 | 12 |
| * | Refused | $\underline{2}$ | * | $\underline{0}$ | $\stackrel{*}{ }$ | $\stackrel{*}{ }$ | $\stackrel{*}{*}$ | * | * | * | $\stackrel{*}{*}$ | $\stackrel{*}{ }$ |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

$\wedge$ March-September trends recalculated by substituting in Gingrich’s supporters second choice.
IF HAS A FIRST CHOICE (1-96 IN Q.18) ASK:
Q. 19 And which of the Republican candidates would be your second choice? [RE-READ RANDOMIZED LIST, IF NECESSARY- EXCLUDE NAME CITED IN Q.18]

BASED ON REPUBLICAN AND REPUBLICAN-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=499]:

| $\begin{gathered} 1^{\text {st }} \\ \text { choice } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 2^{\text {nd }} \\ \text { choice } \end{gathered}$ | Com- <br> bined |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 29 | 23 | 52 | John McCain |
| 20 | 16 | 36 | Mike Huckabee |
| 17 | 14 | 31 | Mitt Romney |
| 13 | 19 | 32 | Rudy Giuliani |
| 9 | 11 | 20 | Fred Thompson |
| 6 | 2 | 8 | Ron Paul |
| * | * |  | Other (VOL.) |
| 1 | 4 |  | None of them (VOL.) |
| 5 | 5 |  | Don't know/Haven't thought about it (VOL.) |
| * | * |  | Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ) |
| n/a | $\underline{6}$ |  | No first choice |
| 100 | 100 |  |  |

IF NAMED CANDIDATE GIVEN (1 thru 7 in Q.18) ASK:
Q. 20 Do you support (INSERT RESPONSE FROM Q.18) strongly or only moderately?

BASED ON REPUBLICAN AND REPUBLICAN-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=499]:

|  | $1{ }^{\text {st }}$ | Only moderately/ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Choice | Strongly | Don't know |
| John McCain | 29 | 14 | 15 |
| Late December, 2007 | 22 | 9 | 13 |
| November, 2007 | 19 | 6 | 13 |
| Mike Huckabee | 20 | 11 | 9 |
| Late December, 2007 | 17 | 10 | 7 |
| November, 2007 | 10 | 5 | 5 |
| Mitt Romney | 17 | 10 | 7 |
| Late December, 2007 | 12 | 6 | 6 |
| November, 2007 | 13 | 4 | 9 |
| Rudy Giuliani | 13 | 7 | 6 |
| Late December, 2007 | 20 | 8 | 12 |
| November, 2007 | 26 | 11 | 15 |
| Fred Thompson | 9 | 5 | 4 |
| Late December, 2007 | 9 | 5 | 4 |
| November, 2007 | 12 | 5 | 7 |
| Ron Paul | 6 | 4 | 2 |
| Late December, 2007 | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| November, 2007 | 4 | 1 | 3 |

## ASK OF DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANING RVs [(PARTY=2 OR PARTYLN=2) $\underline{\text { AND }}$ REGICERT=1] ONLY:

Q. 21 And regardless of who you personally prefer, which Democratic candidate do you think has the best chance of defeating the Republican nominee in November? (READ AND RANDOMIZE)

## BASED ON DEMOCRATIC AND DEMOCRATIC LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=621]:

|  | Nov |  |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
|  |  | $\frac{2007}{5}$ |
| 46 | Hillary Clinton | 59 |
| 35 | Barack Obama | 14 |
| 9 | John Edwards | 11 |
| $*$ | Dennis Kucinich | 0 |
| 1 | Other (VOL.) | 4 |
| 1 | None has a chance (VOL.) | 1 |
| $\underline{8}$ | Don't know/No answer/Refused (VOL.) | $\underline{11}$ |
| $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ |  | 100 |

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ASK OF REPUBLICAN AND REPUBLICAN LEANING RVs [(PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1) AND
REGICERT=1] ONLY:
Q. }22\mathrm{ And regardless of who you personally prefer, which Republican candidate do you think has the best chance
of defeating the Democratic nominee in November? }\mp@subsup{}{}{5}\mathrm{ (READ AND RANDOMIZE)
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BASED ON REPUBLICAN AND REPUBLICAN LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=499]:

|  | Nov |  |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
|  |  | $\underline{2007}$ |
| 42 | John McCain | 16 |
| 17 | Rudy Giuliani | 45 |
| 15 | Mitt Romney | 11 |
| 13 | Mike Huckabee | 3 |
| 2 | Fred Thompson | 6 |
| 1 | Ron Paul | 1 |
| 0 | Other (VOL.) | 2 |
| 1 | None has a chance (VOL.) | 3 |
| $\underline{9}$ | Don’t know/Refused (VOL.) | $\underline{13}$ |
| 100 |  | 100 |

## ASK REGISTERED VOTERS ONLY (REGICERT=1):

Q. 23 Which ONE of the following qualities is most important to you when deciding whom to support for president: That the candidate? [READ AND RANDOMIZE]

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1255]:
35 Can bring about needed change
15 Cares about people like you
19 Has the best experience
24 Says what they believe
3 Other/None of these (VOL. DO NOT READ)
$4 \quad$ DK/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ)
100
Q. 24 There has been a lot of talk about CHANGE in this year's campaign. Which of the following CHANGES in Washington is most important to you when you think about voting for a new president? [READ AND RANDOMIZE]

## BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1255]:

39 Getting Democrats and Republicans to work together
20
14
Changing America's domestic policies
7 All/Multiple (VOL. DO NOT READ-PROBE FOR ANSWER BEFORE ACCEPTING)
$\underline{3}$ Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ)
100

ASK OF DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANING RVs [(PARTY=2 OR PARTYLN=2) AND REGICERT=1] ONLY:
Q. 25 Of the leading candidates in the Democratic primaries - [READ AND RANDOMIZE NAMES: Hillary Clinton, Barack Obama and John Edwards] - are there any that you would absolutely NOT vote for in the Democratic primary? ACCEPT UP TO TWO RESPONSES

## BASED ON DEMOCRATIC AND DEMOCRATIC LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=621]:

14 Yes, would not vote for Hillary Clinton
11 Yes, would not vote for Barack Obama
20
Yes, would not vote for John Edwards
No, would vote for any of them
(VOL. DO NOT READ) All of them are unacceptable
(VOL. DO NOT READ) Don't know/Refused
NOTE: Total may exceed $100 \%$ because of multiple responses.

## ASK OF REPUBLICAN AND REPUBLICAN LEANING RVs [(PARTY=1 OR PARTYLN=1) AND REGICERT=1] ONLY:

Q. 26 Of the leading candidates in the Republican primaries - [READ AND RANDOMIZE NAMES: Rudy Giuliani, John McCain, Mike Huckabee and Mitt Romney] - are there any that you would absolutely NOT vote for in the Republican primary? ACCEPT UP TO THREE RESPONSES

## BASED ON REPUBLICAN AND REPUBLICAN LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=499]:

15 Yes, would not vote for Rudy Giuliani
9 Yes, would not vote for John McCain
8 Yes, would not vote for Mike Huckabee
20 Yes, would not vote for Mitt Romney
43 No, would vote for any of them
2 (VOL. DO NOT READ) All of them are unacceptable
7 (VOL. DO NOT READ) Don't know/Refused
NOTE: Total may exceed $100 \%$ because of multiple responses.
ASK ALL:
Q. 27 Now a different kind of question. Please tell me if you think of each person I name as very conservative, conservative, moderate, liberal, or very liberal. (First,) [INSERT NAME; RANDOMIZE]. From what you've read and heard, would you say [NAME] is very conservative, conservative, moderate, liberal, or very liberal? How about [NEXT NAME]? [IF NECESSARY: From what you've read and heard, would you say [NAME] is very conservative, conservative, moderate, liberal, or very liberal?]

|  |  | Very <br> Conservative | Conservative | Moderate | Liberal | Very <br> Liberal | Don't Know |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. | George W. Bush | 22 | 34 | 13 | , | , | $17=100$ |
| b. | Hillary Clinton | 7 | 14 | 20 | 29 | 18 | $12=100$ |
| c. | Barack Obama | 4 | 10 | 23 | 33 | 13 | 17=100 |
| d. | Rudy Giuliani | 6 | 30 | 26 | 14 | 4 | $20=100$ |
| e. | John McCain | 7 | 35 | 27 | 10 | 2 | $19=100$ |


| Q. 27 CON | D... | Very Conservative | Conservative | Moderate | Liberal | Very <br> Liberal | Don't Know |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| f. | Mitt Romney | 9 | 34 | 18 | 6 | 2 | $31=100$ |
| g. | Mike Huckabee | 15 | 29 | 17 | 8 | 1 | $30=100$ |

## ROTATE Q.A1/A2 WITH Q.A3/A4

ROTATE Q.A1 AND Q.A2
Q.A1 If Barack Obama [PRONOUNCED: bur-ROK oh-BAH-muh] is the Democratic Party nominee for president, do you think his being African-American will help him, hurt him, or won't it make a difference to voters?

Sept 2007
Racial Attitudes Survey
20 Will help him 18

26 Will hurt him 26
49 Won't make a difference to voters 44
$\underline{5}$ Don't know/Refused (VOL.) $\underline{12}$
100100
Q.A2 If Barack Obama [PRONOUNCED: bur-ROK oh-BAH-muh] is the Democratic Party nominee for president, do you think his being relatively new to national politics will help him, hurt him, or won't it make a difference to voters?

Sept 2007
Racial Attitudes Survey
19 Will help him 17
47 Will hurt him 39

28 Won't make a difference to voters 32
6 Don’t know/Refused (VOL.) $\underline{12}$
100100

## ROTATE Q.A3 AND Q.A4

Q.A3 If Hillary Clinton is the Democratic Party nominee for president, do you think the fact that she is a woman will help her, hurt her, or won't it make a difference to voters?

| 24 | Will help her |
| :---: | :--- |
| 35 | Will hurt her |
| 36 | Won't make a difference to voters |
| $\underline{5}$ | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) |
| $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ |  |

Q.A4 If Hillary Clinton is the Democratic Party nominee for president, do you think her involvement in Bill Clinton's administration will help her, hurt her, or won't it make a difference to voters?

| 42 | Will help her |
| :---: | :--- |
| 29 | Will hurt her |
| 25 | Won’t make a difference to voters |
| $\underline{4}$ | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) |
| 100 |  |

## ROTATE Q.A5 AND Q.A6

Q.A5 From what you've seen and heard, do you think Hillary Clinton is [INSERT, ROTATE OPTIONS 1 AND 2] than other candidates because she is a woman, is she [NEXT ITEM] because she is a woman, or don't you think her gender is a factor?

33 Being held to a higher standard
15 Being treated less critically
45 Don't think this is a factor
7 Don't know/Refused (VOL.) 100
Q.A6 From what you've seen and heard, do you think Barack Obama is [INSERT, ROTATE OPTIONS 1 AND 2] than other candidates because he is African-American, is he [NEXT ITEM] because he is AfricanAmerican, or don't you think his race is a factor?

| 20 | Being held to a higher standard |
| :---: | :--- |
| 14 | Being treated less critically |
| 59 | Don’t think this is a factor |
| $\frac{7}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) |

IDEO In general, would you describe your political views as... [READ]

| 7 | Very conservative |
| :---: | :--- |
| 30 | Conservative |
| 38 | Moderate |
| 15 | Liberal OR |
| 5 | Very liberal? |
| $\underline{5}$ | Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ) |
| $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ |  |


[^0]:    1 In December, 2007, and before the question was worded: "How much thought, if any, have you given to candidates who may be running for president in 2008?"

