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Public Sees Stalemate in Iraq, Support Path To Citizenship For Undocumented Workers Bush Job Ratings At Or Near All Time Lows

mid a frustrating sense of stand-off in Iraq, a bipartisan majority wants to link a continued U.S. military presence in that country to setting benchmarks for Iraqi progress, according to the latest Los Angeles Times / Bloomberg poll. Support for setting a timetable for troop withdrawal, while high overall, splits along the same partisan lines that divide Congress and the administration. A majority overall would like troops to come home within the next year.

The survey found widespread belief that illegal immigrants mostly take jobs that Americans do not want, and across the board public support for a congressional proposal for a path to citizenship that is at the center of a bill currently stalled by lawmakers in Congress. The proposal would allow illegal residents already residing in the U.S. and who meet certain criteria to apply to become legal residents. The immigration bill, which also includes proposals for a guest worker program and setting up a new point system based on employability, among other things, was drafted by a bipartisan Congressional committee and backed by President Bush. The bill was brought to a standstill by those – mostly on the political right - who adamantly oppose a citizenship program as "amnesty".

President Bush's efforts to bring his party into line on the immigration bill may be hampered by his continued low job approval ratings – this survey found him at or near all time lows on his overall approval, as well as on the economy and Iraq.

While the proportion who think the economy is doing well has dropped since its height in late 2006, it remains fairly high. Most say the economy is doing well, are optimistic about home prices either staying the same or increasing, and feel they are doing as well or better financially than they were three years ago. However, most have expressed a jaundiced view of business leaders – seeing CEOs as overpaid and largely unethical in their business practices.

Presidential Job Approvals

The public continues to give George W. Bush historically low marks for how he handles his job as president, as well as on the economy and especially the Iraq war. Fewer than one in four think the country is generally going in the right direction, while 69% - including a 51% majority of Republicans - say it is off on the wrong track. This is up eight points from January. As has been found in previous polls, Republicans are the most optimistic but even among that group a majority now think the country is moving in the wrong direction, with only 43% saying the country is going the right way. This is a sharp drop from the 61% of Republicans who felt that way last September.

Do you think things in this country are generally going in the right direction or are they seriously off on the wrong track? Current poll compared to September 2006.

(Among Republicans)	<u>6/07</u>	<u>9/06</u>
Right Direction	43	61
Wrong Track	51	31

source: Los Angeles Times/Bloomberg Polls

Bush's approval numbers remain little changed from those found in a L.A. Times/Bloomberg poll last April, but they indicate an overall trend of decline. The strength of discontent in the country with the president is very high – the proportion of those who *strongly* disapprove of his job as President is – at 44% - nearly three times greater than the proportion of those who *strongly* approve.

Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling ...? (among all adults)

	<u>6/07</u>	<u>4/07</u>	<u>1/07</u>	<u>9/06</u>	<u>8/06</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>3/04</u>
his job as pre	sident								
Approve	34	36	39	45	40	41	43	50	51
Disapprove	62	62	59	52	58	56	54	47	54
the economy									
Approve	38	38	45	43	38	39	37	49	43
Disapprove	58	57	49	51	59	54	59	46	53
Iraq									
Approve	31	33	33	40	38	40	41	42	49
Disapprove	67	65	65	56	60	56	56	54	46

source: Los Angeles Times/Bloomberg and L.A. Times Polls

Bush has seen the biggest decline in his overall job rating among the core of his own party - Republicans and conservatives. His approval has dropped thirteen points among those who identify with the GOP, falling from from 83% last September to 70% today, while those who disapprove have correspondingly increased from 13% to nearly a quarter today. Among independents and Democrats, approval dropped 9 points - from 38% to 29% today for independents and 19% to 10% for Democrats.

Bush job approval among Republicans compared to September 2006.

(Among Republicans)	<u>6/07</u>	<u>9/06</u>
Approve (net)	<u>70</u>	<u>83</u>
Approve Strongly	36	52
Approve Somewhat	34	31
Disapprove (net)	<u>24</u>	<u>13</u>
Disapprove Somewhat	12	7
Disapprove Strongly	12	6

source: Los Angeles Times/Bloomberg Polls

Iraq War

The survey found that the American public continues to view the war in Iraq as a stalemate, with neither the U.S. nor the insurgents gaining the upper hand. Nearly two out of 10 nationwide said the U.S. is winning the war in Iraq while slightly fewer - 13% - see the insurgents as winning. Almost two-thirds feel neither side is on top. Optimism abut the course of the war in Iraq is low, even among Republicans and conservatives, who are the most optimistic of all... Republicans picked the U.S. over the insurgents by 34% to 4% and conservatives by 31% to 9%, but even among those groups, a 54% majority of each said the war is a draw so far.

So far, do you think the U.S. is winning the war in Iraq, or do you think the anti-U.S. insurgents in Iraq are winning the war, or is neither side winning the war in Iraq? (among all adults)

	6/07	1/07	12/06	9/06	1/06	1/05	<u>11/03</u>
U.S.	18	16	15	22	33	29	37
Insurgents	13	15	14	11	7	10	4
Neither	64	66	66	63	55	58	52
Don't Know	4	3	5	4	4	2	6

source: Los Angeles Times/Bloomberg and L.A. Times Polls

Timetables and Benchmarks

There is bipartisan support for tying a continued U.S. military presence in Iraq to benchmarks and goals for reform, however, political divisions intrude when it comes to setting a timetable for withdrawal. That issue became especially contentious while congressional Democrats and President Bush disagreed over whether a war funding bill should contain timetables for withdrawal of troops. Eventually Bush prevailed and the bill was passed and signed without any timetables.

While overall support for a timed withdrawal of troops was higher than in any previous Times survey, this subject divides respondents sharply along political lines. Nearly three out of five - 57% - said they support laying out a schedule for bringing troops home from Iraq, including 42% who said they support it strongly. However, majority support is found only among Democrats and independents – at 82% and 60% respectively – while three times as many Republicans oppose the idea as support it - 73% to 24%. Conservative Republicans are the least likely to support setting a timetable – 81% are opposed, including 71% who are *strongly* opposed. More moderate Republicans oppose the idea by a much narrower margin of 53% to 46%.

There is strong support for setting benchmarks for reforms in Iraq that would be followed by U.S. troop withdrawal if the Iraqi government failed to meet those goals. Sixty-four percent overall said they would support such a plan, including 39% who feel strongly about it. Twenty-five percent were opposed, including 12% who were strongly opposed. Support crosses party lines - about six out of 10 Republicans would like to see the U.S. set goals for Iraq, along with 74% of Democrats and 62% of independents.

Whether a timetable should be set for withdrawals or not, a 68% majority – including four out of 10 Republicans - would like to see troops begin coming home within the next year or sooner. A quarter overall want troop withdrawal to commence immediately, and another 43% want it to begin within the year. Only 26% said that troops should stay in Iraq "as long as it takes". The most conservative wing of the Republican party is again the exception - nearly two-thirds think troops should stay in Iraq as long as it takes to win the war while a 52% majority of more moderate party members would like to see troop withdrawal begin within the next year, and another nearly two in 10 moderate Republicans would like to see them come home right away.

This finding comes at a time when the Bush administration has been discussing a long-term American presence in Iraq along the lines of the 57 year U.S. military presence in South Korea. The survey found discontent among the general public with Bush's leadership on Iraq – at 31% his approval rating in that area is the lowest yet and while it is similar to his rating on Iraq from last April, it has dropped nine points from 40% in a Times/Bloomberg Poll last September.

Illegal Immigration

Nearly nine out of 10 nationwide see immigration as either the most important problem (31%) or an important one (55%) facing the country today. Forty percent of conservatives, 37% of Republicans and 37% of men said they consider illegal immigration to be the most important problem.

However, by more than two to one, a 56% majority think illegal immigrants do work that Americans disdain rather than taking jobs away from Americans who need them. Just over one in four said undocumented workers take needed jobs, and not surprisingly, that group sees illegal immigration as a big problem. Just under half of those who think they take jobs from Americans felt that illegal immigration is the most important problem facing the country today. On the other hand, among the 56% majority who think that illegal immigrants do work that American workers won't do, only 22% said immigration is the most important problem facing the country.

This survey, like previous surveys done by the Times Poll and other organizations, found the public in a much more forgiving mood toward illegal immigrants than are some Congressional leaders. Conservative lawmakers in Congress broke with President Bush, who backs the bill that as of this writing is stalemated in Congress after being attacked by GOP conservatives as promoting "amnesty". The poll tested a few of the ideas and programs that were part of that bill.

It found bipartisan support for an approach to illegal immigration that includes a path to citizenship for certain illegal residents. By 63% to 23% the public supports allowing undocumented immigrants without a criminal record who have been living in the U.S. for years to start on a path to citizenship, after registering, paying a fine, getting fingerprinted, and learning English, among other requirements. Majorities of Democrats (66%), independents (66%) and Republicans (65%) agree.

Another proposal would establish a guest worker program and provide non-citizens with a temporary work visa. That proposal received slightly less public support than the path to citizenship, but still, more supported (49%) than opposed (26%) the idea while 25% weren't sure. Slim majorities of Democrats (51%) and independents (52%) expressed support along with a 47% plurality of Republicans.

The public is more wary, or at least needs to know more about yet another program that gives more weight to immigrants who have professional qualifications and a good command of English than to those who have family already in the United States. A plurality of 43% said they weren't sure yet about their support for a system so different from the one that is in place now. Among conservatives and Republicans, support for the proposal climbed to over four in 10, while Democrats were split, and independents narrowly support it at 33% to 24%.

Economy

In the early spring of this year, amid a mixed economic environment that included a housing slowdown and a run up in gas prices, public economic optimism took a decided hit. This followed a period of increasing economic optimism throughout 2006 that reached a high point in January of this year. The proportion of those who said the economy is doing well dropped eleven points between January and April, and this survey found that despite a few months of high gas prices in between, public optimism has leveled off and remains virtually unchanged today at 57% who say it is doing well and 41% badly.

Generally speaking, do you think the nation's economy these days is doing very well, or fairly well, or fairly badly, or very badly? (categories shown combine the very/fairly categories, "don't know" left out)

	6/07	4/07	1/07	12/06	9/06	6/06	1/06	1/05	3/04	4/03
Well	57	57	68	61	54	50	55	60	49	
Badly	41	42	31	38	44	47	44	39	49	47

sources: Los Angeles Times/Bloomberg and L.A. Times Polls

Bush's marks on the economy – at 38% approval to 58% disapproval – are hovering near an all-time low, with 83% of Democrats, 66% of independents, and 19% of Republicans giving him a thumbs-down.

However, by a slim margin of 35% to 26%, the public said they are better off financially now than they were three years ago, with the rest -38% - saying that their financial picture remains the same. Not surprisingly, those in the highest economic brackets are the most satisfied. A 55% majority of those in households making more than \$100,000 a year said that they are better off and only 15% said they are worse off. In sharp contrast are households making less than \$40,000 a year, only 22% of whom indicated that they are better off now than they were, while roughly two out of five said they are worse off and a similar proportion said they remain in the same financial condition as three years ago.

Gasoline Prices

When given a list of possible causes of higher gas prices to choose from, a plurality of the public (38%) chose the U.S. oil industry as the main culprit for gasoline price increases over the past year. The Bush administration came in for its share of the blame at 21%. Roughly one in ten each blamed market forces (12%) and the oil exporting countries (10%). Five percent blamed EPA regulations. Politics plays some role in this – 36% of self-described Democrats blamed the Bush administration, compared to 19% of independents and 7% of Republicans. A third of Democrats named "Big Oil", compared to 45% of independents and 39% of Republicans. Republicans (19%) along with those living in the most affluent households (24%) tended to point to the unseen hand of market forces.

Home Prices

The public remains more optimistic than pessimistic about home prices – a 56% majority said that home prices will remain the same over the next six months. The rest are 10 points more inclined toward optimism than pessimism – 26% predict increases and 15% decreases in the near future. This is only a slightly less optimistic outlook than the Times Poll found last April – at that time twice as many thought prices would increase (32%) as decrease (16%) while 51% said it would remain the same.

Business Leaders

The public overwhelmingly agrees that CEO pay is too high and a strong majority see them as unethical in their business practices. More than eight in 10, including large majorities across all party, ideological, and financial lines said that they are compensated too much. Fourteen percent overall said they are paid the right amount, and 1% (maybe CEOs?) said that they are paid too little.

Sixty-one percent doubted the ethics of CEO business practices, including 18% who said that business leaders are not ethical at all. Those in households making more than 100,000 a year were more split over business leader ethics – 47% said they are mostly ethical, while 53% disagreed. Republicans were most likely to give CEOs the benefit of the doubt – 50% said they are mostly ethical compared to 45% who disagree.

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Results from the Los Angeles Times/Bloomberg Poll June 7-10, 2007 (Iraq, economy and illegal immigration)

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<40K	Respondents with annual household income of less than \$40K
40-59K	Respondents with annual household income between \$40K to \$59K
60-100K	Respondents with annual household income between \$60K to \$100K
>100K	Respondents with annual household income of more than \$100K

Note:

- (vol.) indicates a volunteered response
- '-' indicates of less than 0.5%
- Poll results can also be found on our website: www.latimes.com/timespoll

Q1. Do you think things in this country are generally going in the right direction or are they seriously off on the wrong track?

	ALL	REG	LIB	MOD	CON	DEM	IND	REP	MEN	WOM
Right direction	24	22	12	17	38	11	21	43	28	21
Wrong track	69	71	82	79	52	83	71	51	66	72
Don't know	7	7	6	4	10	6	8	6	6	7

	<40K	<u>40-59K</u>	<u>60-100K</u>	>100K
Right direction	26	23	22	29
Wrong track	66	72	73	68
Don't know	8	5	5	3

Q2. Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president? (IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE) Do you (approve/disapprove) strongly or do you (approve/disapprove) somewhat?

Approve (net) Approve strongly Approve somewhat Disapprove (net) Disapprove	<u>ALL</u> <u>34</u> 15 19 <u>62</u> 18	REG 34 16 19 62 18	LIB <u>16</u> 8 8 79 16	MOD <u>23</u> 6 17 <u>73</u> 19	CON 55 27 27 41 17	DEM <u>10</u> 4 6 <u>89</u> 18	<u>IND</u> <u>29</u> 9 21 <u>67</u> 22	REP 70 36 35 24 12	<u>MEN</u> <u>36</u> 14 22 <u>62</u>	WOM <u>32</u> 16 16 <u>63</u> 20
somewhat Disapprove strongly		18 44	10 63	19 54	17 25	18 70	44	12	16 46	20 43
Don't know	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>
Approve (net)	<u><40K</u> <u>29</u>	<u>40-59K</u> <u>36</u>	<u>60-100K</u> <u>39</u>	<u>>100K</u> <u>36</u>						

Approve (net)	<u>29</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>36</u>
Approve strongly	13	20	17	13
Approve somewhat	15	16	22	23
Disapprove (net)	<u>65</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>62</u>
Disapprove				
somewhat	16	22	16	15
Disapprove strongly	49	41	42	47
D/know (net)	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>
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(ORDER OF NEXT TWO QUESTIONS IS ROTATED)

Q3. Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling the economy? (IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE) Do you (approve/disapprove) strongly or do you (approve/disapprove) somewhat?

	ALL	REG	LIB	MOD	CON	DEM	IND	REP	MEN	WOM
Approve (net)	<u>38</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>33</u>
Approve strongly	21	22	5	9	40	4	13	50	26	17
Approve somewhat	17	16	13	14	23	10	16	27	17	17
Disapprove (net)	<u>58</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>83</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>61</u>
Disapprove										
somewhat	19	18	17	29	11	19	27	8	19	18
Disapprove strongly	39	40	59	43	24	64	38	12	35	43
Don't know	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>6</u>

	<u><40K</u>	<u>40-59K</u>	<u>60-100K</u>	>100K
Approve (net)	<u>32</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>45</u>
Approve strongly	16	22	24	27
Approve somewhat	16	20	19	18
Disapprove (net)	<u>65</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>52</u>
Disapprove				
somewhat	15	23	19	16
Disapprove strongly	49	30	34	36
Don't know	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>

Q4. Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling the situation in Iraq? (IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE) Do you (approve/disapprove) strongly or do you (approve/disapprove) somewhat?

	ALL	REG	LIB	MOD	CON	DEM	IND	REP	MEN	WOM
Approve (net)	<u>31</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>27</u>
Approve strongly	16	15	7	9	27	5	13	33	20	12
Approve somewhat	15	16	4	15	23	4	13	34	16	14
Disapprove (net)	<u>67</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>85</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>71</u>
Disapprove										
somewhat	11	11	10	11	11	6	15	10	10	12
Disapprove strongly	56	56	75	64	37	84	56	20	52	59
Don't know	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

On economy...

Q9. Generally speaking, do you think the nation's economy these days is doing very well, or fairly well, or fairly badly, or very badly?

Well (net) Very well Fairly well Badly (net) Fairly badly Very badly Don't know	<u>ALL</u> <u>57</u> 13 44 <u>41</u> 24 17 <u>2</u>	REG 57 14 43 41 24 17 2	LIB <u>42</u> <u>3</u> <u>39</u> <u>55</u> <u>37</u> 18 <u>3</u>	<u>MOD</u> <u>53</u> <u>5</u> <u>48</u> <u>46</u> <u>29</u> <u>17</u> <u>1</u>	CON 72 25 47 <u>26</u> 11 15 2	DEM <u>44</u> 39 <u>55</u> 32 23 <u>1</u>	<u>IND</u> <u>52</u> 7 45 <u>45</u> 27 18 <u>3</u>	REP 82 32 50 17 8 9 1	<u>MEN</u> <u>68</u> 18 50 <u>31</u> 18 13 <u>1</u>	WOM <u>49</u> 9 40 <u>49</u> 29 20 <u>2</u>
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Q10. Six months from now, do you expect housing values to increase in your neighborhood, or to decrease, or do you think housing values in your neighborhood will remain about the same?

ALLIncrease26Decrease15Remain about the same56Don't know3	REG	LIB	<u>MOD</u>	CON	DEM	<u>IND</u>	REP	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
	26	25	24	30	29	20	27	24	28
	15	21	14	11	18	19	9	18	13
	56	47	60	58	50	56	63	57	55
	3	7	2	1	3	5	1	1	4
<40KIncrease31Decrease15Remain about the same48Don't know6	40-59K 21 15 63 1	<u>60-100K</u> 23 18 59 -	>100K 30 20 50 -						

Q11. Would you say that you are better off or worse off financially than you were three years ago, or would you say that you are about the same financially as you were then? (IF BETTER OR WORSE OFF) Would you say you much (better off/worse off) or only somewhat (better off/worse off)?

	ALL	REG	LIB	MOD	CON	DEM	IND	<u>REP</u>	MEN	<u>WOM</u>
Better (net)	<u>35</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>32</u>
Much better off	18	19	16	14	24	9	21	26	20	16
Somewhat better off	17	17	13	12	24	13	15	24	18	16
Worse (net)	<u>26</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>28</u>
Somewhat worse off	17	17	16	25	10	22	19	8	16	18
Much worse off	9	9	12	9	8	13	10	6	9	10
Same	<u>38</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>40</u>
Don't know	<u>1</u>	-	<u>1</u>	-	-	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	-	<u>1</u>	-

	<u><40K</u>	<u>40-59K</u>	<u>60-100K</u>	>100K
Better (net)	<u>22</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>55</u>
Much better off	11	22	19	33
Somewhat better off	11	15	22	22
Worse (net)	<u>37</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>15</u>
Somewhat worse off	22	14	16	11
Much worse off	15	7	6	4
Same	<u>41</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>30</u>
Don't know	_	1	1	_

On gas prices...

(ORDER OF RESPONSES WITHIN TEXT IS ROTATED)

Q12. As you may know, gas prices have been rising over the last year and the average price of regular gas for your car is about \$3.50 a gallon in some areas. Who or what do you think is the main reason for the higher gasoline prices these days: Is it the Bush administration, or the oil exporting countries, or the U.S. oil industry, or supply and demand, or environmental regulations, or is there another reason for the higher gasoline prices?

	ALL	REG	LIB	MOD	<u>CON</u>	DEM	IND	REP	MEN	<u>WOM</u>
U.S. oil industry (gouging, greed, profits) Bush administration Supply and Demand	38 21	39 21	30 30	45 20	38 15	33 36	45 19	39 7	39 19	37 23
(market forces)	12	13	10	9	16	7	12	19	17	7
Oil exporting countries	10	9	9	10	11	9	9	11	7	12
Environmental										
regulations	5	5	1	3	10	_	3	14	6	5
Other	2	2	3	1	1	3	1	2	2	2
No one/no one thing in										
particular	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
All (vol.)	7	7	12	8	4	7	7	5	7	7
Don't know	4	3	3	3	4	4	3	2	2	6

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<u><</u>	40K	<u>40-59K</u>	<u>60-100K</u>	<u>>100K</u>
U.S. oil industry				
(gouging, greed,				
profits)	32	42	44	36
Bush administration	30	18	15	17
Oil exporting countries	12	10	7	10
Supply and Demand				
(market forces)	7	12	13	24
Environmental regulation	ns 3	6	6	6
Other	1	2	2	2
No one/no one thing in				
particular	1	1	_	1
Âll (vol.)	8	6	9	4
Don't know	6	3	4	_

Q16. In general, do you think most CEO's of large American companies are compensated too much, too little, or just about the right amount?

Too much Too little Right amount Don't know	<u>ALL</u> 81 1 14 4	<u>REG</u> 83 - 13 4	LIB 88 1 8 3	MOD 88 2 8 2	CON 71 - 23 6	DEM 88 1 7 4	<u>IND</u> 86 2 9 3	REP 73 - 23 4	<u>MEN</u> 80 1 16 3	<u>WOM</u> 82 1 12 5
Too much Too little Right amount Don't know	<40K 76 1 18 5	40-59K 86 2 10 2	<u>60-100K</u> 86 - 11 3	<u>>100K</u> 80 − 20 −						

Q17. Do you think CEO's of American companies are always ethical, mostly ethical, not too ethical, or not ethical at all in their business practices?

	ALL	REG	LIB	MOD	<u>CON</u>	DEM	IND	REP	MEN	WOM
Ethical (net)	<u>33</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>28</u>
Mostly ethical	33	34	30	29	39	23	28	50	39	28
Not ethical (net)	<u>61</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>65</u>
Not too ethical	44	45	48	51	37	48	45	35	38	49
Not ethical at all	18	17	17	16	17	23	21	10	19	17
Don't know	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>7</u>

	<u><40K</u>	<u>40-59K</u>	<u>60-100K</u>	<u>>100K</u>
Ethical (net)	<u>19</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>47</u>
Mostly ethical	19	43	40	47
Not ethical (net)	<u>72</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>53</u>
Not too ethical	45	40	45	39
Not ethical at all	27	14	10	14
Don't know	<u>9</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	-

On the war in Iraq...

Q44. So far, do you think the U.S. is winning the war in Iraq, or do you think the anti-U.S. insurgents in Iraq are winning the war, or is neither side winning the war in Iraq?

U.S. winning	<u>ALL</u>	<u>REG</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CON</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
	18	18	7	11	31	11	13	34	22	15
Insurgents in Iraq winning Neither U.S. nor	13	14	20	14	9	20	16	4	14	13
insurgents winning	64	64	68	73	54	66	66	54	59	67
Don't know	5	4	5	2	6	3	5	8	5	5

(ORDER OF NEXT TWO QUESTIONS IS ROTATED)

Q45. Do you support or oppose setting a timetable for withdrawal of U.S. troops from Iraq? (IF SUPPORT OR OPPOSE) Do you (support/oppose) this strongly, or only somewhat?

	ALL	REG	LIB	MOD	CON	DEM	IND	REP	MEN	WOM
Support (net)	<u>57</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>78</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>59</u>
Strongly support	42	40	57	48	29	64	47	13	42	42
Support somewhat	15	14	21	19	9	18	12	11	13	17
Oppose (net)	<u>39</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>36</u>
Oppose somewhat	11	12	6	16	10	5	15	15	9	13
Oppose strongly	27	30	11	15	49	9	21	59	33	23
Don't know	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>

Q46. Do you support or oppose setting benchmarks or goals for political reforms in Iraq, and withdrawing U.S. troops if the Iraqi government fails to meet the goals? (IF SUPPORT OR OPPOSE) Do you (support/oppose) this strongly, or only somewhat?

	ALL	REG	LIB	MOD	CON	DEM	IND	REP	MEN	WOM
Support (net)	<u>64</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>62</u>
Strongly support	39	41	45	42	34	52	39	24	42	37
Support somewhat	25	25	20	29	24	22	23	33	24	25
Oppose (net)	<u>25</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>25</u>
Oppose somewhat	13	11	10	13	15	7	12	18	13	13
Oppose strongly	12	12	12	8	15	13	11	13	12	12
Don't know	<u>11</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>13</u>

Q47. In your opinion, should the United States withdraw troops from Iraq right away, or should the U.S. begin bringing troops home within the next year, or should troops stay in Iraq for as long as it takes to win the war?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>REG</u>	<u>LIB</u>	MOD	<u>CON</u>	<u>DEM</u>	IND	<u>REP</u>	MEN	<u>WOM</u>
Troops home right away Begin bringing home	25	23	33	27	18	42	22	9	23	27
within the next year	43	44	53	51	31	50	46	31	40	46
As long as it takes to win the war Don't know	26 6	28 5	7 7	17 5	47 4	6 2	23 9	54 6	32 5	21 6

On illegal immigration....

Q48. Compared to other problems facing the country, how big a problem is illegal immigration? Would you say it is one of the most important problems facing the country, or is it an important problem, but not one of the most important, or is it not all that important, or is it not important at all?

	ALL	REG	LIB	MOD	CON	DEM	IND	REP	MEN	WOM
Important (net)	<u>86</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>93</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>83</u>	<u>91</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>86</u>
Most important	31	31	19	28	40	27	32	37	37	27
Important, not most										
important	55	56	58	56	53	57	51	54	49	59
Not important (net)	<u>13</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>
Not that important	10	11	17	12	4	12	12	6	9	11
Not important at all	3	1	5	4	2	3	4	2	4	3
Don't know	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	_	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	_

Q49. Do you think illegal immigrants mostly take jobs that nobody wants, or do they mostly take jobs away from Americans who need them?

	ALL	REG	LIB	MOD	CON	DEM	IND	REP	MEN	WOM
Jobs nobody wants	56	55	62	58	53	58	56	54	57	55
Jobs Americans need	27	28	25	25	28	30	23	30	28	27
Both (vol)	11	11	7	12	12	9	13	9	11	10
Don't know	6	6	6	5	7	3	8	7	4	8

On Congress recently debating a new immigration bill.....

(ORDER OF NEXT THREE QUESTIONS IS ROTATED)

Q50. One proposal would allow undocumented immigrants who have been living and working in the United States for a number of years, and who do not have a criminal record, to start on a path to citizenship by registering that they are in the country, paying a fine, getting fingerprinted, and learning English, among other requirements. Do you support or oppose this, or haven't you heard enough about it to say? (IF SUPPORT/OPPOSE) Do you (support/oppose) it strongly, or (support/oppose) it somewhat?

	ALL	<u>REG</u>	LIB	MOD	CON	DEM	IND	<u>REP</u>	MEN	WOM
Support (net)	<u>63</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>62</u>
Support strongly	35	35	43	31	33	34	38	37	34	35
Support somewhat	29	30	27	34	26	32	27	29	30	28
Oppose (net)	<u>23</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>20</u>
Oppose somewhat	6	6	6	5	6	5	8	7	7	5
Oppose strongly	16	16	7	19	20	14	13	20	19	14
Don't know (net)	<u>14</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>18</u>
Haven't heard										
enough	12	11	14	10	13	12	12	6	8	16

Q51. One proposal is to create a "guest worker" program that would give a temporary visa to non-citizens who want to work legally in the United States. Do you support or oppose this, or haven't you heard enough about it to say? (IF SUPPORT/OPPOSE) Do you (support/oppose) it strongly, or (support/oppose) it somewhat?

	ALL	REG	LIB	MOD	CON	DEM	IND	REP	MEN	WOM
Support (net)	<u>49</u>	<u>48</u>	49	50	49	51	52	47	50	<u>48</u>
Support strongly	24	24	22	22	28	25	23	26	25	24
Support somewhat	25	24	27	28	21	27	29	21	25	24
Oppose (net)	<u>26</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>21</u>
Oppose somewhat	7	7	6	5	7	4	8	9	8	5
Oppose strongly	19	19	16	22	19	22	16	21	23	16
Don't know (net)	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>31</u>
Haven't heard										
enough	22	23	26	20	21	19	21	21	17	26

Q52. One proposal is to establish a point system for new immigrants that gives more weight to professional qualifications and command of English than to those having family already in the United States. Do you support or oppose this, or haven't you heard enough about it to say? (IF SUPPORT/OPPOSE) Do you (support/oppose) it strongly, or (support/oppose) it somewhat?

	ALL	REG	LIB	MOD	CON	DEM	IND	<u>REP</u>	MEN	WOM
Support (net)	<u>34</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>30</u>
Support strongly	19	18	14	15	25	15	16	27	22	16
Support somewhat	15	15	11	12	20	15	17	16	17	14
Oppose (net)	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>
Oppose somewhat	9	10	12	8	7	9	12	8	9	9
Oppose strongly	14	14	14	18	11	21	11	8	13	14
Don't know (net)	<u>43</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>47</u>
Haven't heard										
enough	38	38	42	43	33	36	38	37	35	41

METHODOLOGY

The Los Angeles Times / Bloomberg Poll contacted 1,183 adults nationwide by telephone June 7 through 10, 2007, including 1,056 Registered voters. Telephone numbers were chosen randomly from a list of all exchanges in the nation, allowing listed and unlisted numbers to be contacted. Multiple attempts were made to contact each number. Adults were weighted slightly to conform with their respective census proportions by sex, ethnicity, age, education, and national region. The margin of sampling error for all adults is plus or minus 3 percentage points. For certain subgroups, the error margin may be somewhat higher. Poll results may also be affected by factors such as question wording and the order in which questions are presented.