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Stat Sheet

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(National/personal economy, proposals in Congress & war in Iraq)

Guide to Column Headings

ALL	All adults
LIB	Self-described liberals
MOD	Self-described moderates
CONS	Self-described conservatives
DEM	Self-described Democrats
IND	Self-described Independents
REP	Self-described Republicans
MEN	Males
WOM	Females

Note:

- (vol.) indicates a volunteered response
- ‘-’ indicates of less than 0.5%

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

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Right direction	31	14	29	45	8	28	59	37	25
Wrong track	61	77	63	49	85	65	35	56	66
Don't know	8	9	8	6	7	7	6	7	9

Trend for Q1 among All

POLL/QNO	DATE	Right direction	Wrong track	Don't know
539/Q1	12/06	28	62	10
534/Q1	09/06	31	61	8
533/Q1	08/06	31	63	6
532/Q1	06/06	30	63	7
526/Q1	04/06	26	65	—
525/Q1	03/06	30	64	6
524/Q1	01/06	32	61	7
514/Q1	01/05	40	48	12
510/Q1	10/04	38	53	9
507/Q1	09/04	37	55	8
505/Q1	08/04	40	51	9
504/Q1	07/04	37	52	11
503/Q1	06/04	33	59	8
501/Q1	03/04	36	55	9
491/Q1	11/03	40	50	10
484/Q1	04/03	57	33	10
481/Q1	02/03	39	50	11
480/Q2	12/02	44	47	9
473/Q1	08/02	45	45	10
465/Q1	02/02	65	26	9
463/Q1	11/01	65	22	13
462/Q1	09/01	60	28	12
458/Q1	04/01	44	43	13
455/Q1	03/01	49	40	11
450/Q1	12/00	49	41	10
442/Q1	06/00	42	46	12
441/Q1	05/00	44	46	10
425/Q5	03/99	43	48	9
423/Q5	02/99	45	42	13
422/Q5	02/99	49	42	9
421/Q5	01/99	53	37	10
417/Q5	09/98	56	38	6
414/Q5	08/98	53	39	8
406/Q5	01/98	53	38	9
405/Q5	01/98	45	44	11
398/Q6	09/97	42	47	11
391/Q8	02/97	41	51	8
387/Q6	10/96	37	54	9
384/Q6	10/96	35	57	8
382/Q6	09/96	42	48	10
380/Q6	08/96	31	59	10

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Trend for Q1 among All contd.

POLL/QNO	DATE	Right direction	Wrong track	Don't know
375/Q8	04/96	29	61	10
369/Q6	10/95	27	66	7
366/Q8	09/95	25	68	7
360/Q8	06/95	31	58	11
357/Q5	04/95	33	56	11
356/Q9	03/95	30	60	10
353/Q7	01/95	37	51	12
352/Q6	01/95	35	55	10
347/Q5	10/94	26	66	8
345/Q7	09/94	30	62	8
341/Q8	07/94	27	64	9
334/Q6	04/94	28	64	8
328/Q9	01/94	36	54	10
327/Q6	12/93	37	52	11
322/Q8	09/93	35	54	11
317/Q6	06/93	24	68	8
308/Q5	02/93	45	45	10
305/Q6	01/93	36	53	11
302/Q5	10/92	22	70	8
299/Q6	10/92	17	75	8
296/Q6	08/92	23	68	9
294/Q6	08/92	16	77	7
291/Q5	07/92	19	74	7
290/Q5	07/92	17	75	8
275/Q6	03/92	20	72	8
268/Q6	02/92	23	70	7
263/Q6	11/91	23	67	10
259/Q9	09/91	40	49	11
253/Q6	06/91	38	52	10
250/Q8	04/91	48	43	9
246/Q9	03/91	55	34	11

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?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Approve (net)	<u>39</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>33</u>
Approve strongly	<u>20</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>17</u>
Approve somewhat	<u>19</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>16</u>
Disapprove (net)	<u>59</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>89</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>65</u>
Disapprove somewhat	<u>15</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>17</u>
Disapprove strongly	<u>45</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>48</u>
Don't know	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>

Trend for Q2 among All

POLL/QN	DATE	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't know
539/Q2	12/06	21	20	14	43	2
534/Q2	09/06	23	22	13	40	2
533/Q2	08/06	20	20	14	43	3
532/Q4	06/06	18	23	16	40	3
526/Q4	04/06	19	20	15	42	4
525/Q2	03/06	20	18	16	42	4
524/Q5	01/06	25	18	15	39	3
514/Q2	01/05	32	18	10	36	4
501/Q3	03/04	28	23	11	32	6
491/Q3	11/03	32	22	14	27	5
484/Q2	04/03	45	24	9	19	3
481/Q3	02/03	33	23	14	25	5
480/Q1	12/02	38	25	13	20	4
473/Q3	08/02	35	34	12	15	4
465/Q2	02/02	51	29	6	9	5
463/Q2	11/01	59	27	6	5	3
462/Q4	09/01	49	28	8	9	6
458/Q3	04/01	29	28	12	21	10
455/Q7	03/01	38	25	6	12	19

COMBINED RESPONSES

POLL/QN	DATE	APPROVE	DISAPPROVE	DON'T KNOW
539/C2	12/06	42	56	2
534/C2	09/06	45	52	3
533/C2	08/06	40	58	2
532/C4	06/06	41	56	3
526/C4	04/06	39	57	4
525/C2	03/06	38	58	4
524/C5	01/06	43	54	3
514/C2	01/05	50	47	3
501/C3	03/04	51	44	5
491/C3	11/03	54	41	5
484/C2	04/03	68	28	4
481/C3	02/03	56	39	5
480/C1	12/02	63	33	4
473/C3	08/02	68	27	5
465/C2	02/02	80	15	5
463/C2	11/01	86	10	4
462/C4	09/01	77	17	6
458/C3	04/01	57	33	10
455/C7	03/01	62	18	20

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?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Approve (net)	<u>45</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>38</u>
Approve strongly	23	3	19	41	3	19	54	30	17
Approve somewhat	22	19	22	24	14	26	26	22	21
Disapprove (net)	<u>49</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>55</u>
Disapprove somewhat	18	26	18	11	23	17	13	17	19
Disapprove strongly	31	46	35	18	51	35	5	25	36
Don't know	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>

Trend for Q3 among All

POLL/QN	DATE	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't know
539/Q3	12/06	26	23	15	33	3
534/Q3	09/06	21	23	17	34	5
533/Q4	08/06	21	17	16	43	3
532/Q9	06/06	16	23	17	36	8
526/Q7	04/06	17	22	19	38	4
525/Q5	03/06	17	19	20	40	4
524/Q8	01/06	20	18	18	40	4
514/Q5	01/05	25	24	10	35	6
501/Q6	03/04	20	23	15	38	4
491/Q7	11/03	21	23	16	35	5
484/Q4	04/03	22	34	11	27	6
481/Q6	02/03	20	26	18	28	8
480/Q4	12/02	19	32	17	26	6
473/Q4	08/02	24	32	19	19	6
465/Q3	02/02	32	34	11	17	6
463/Q3	11/01	36	30	13	12	9

COMBINED RESPONSES

POLL/QN	DATE	APPROVE	DISAPPROVE	DON'T KNOW
539/C3	12/06	48	48	4
534/Q3	09/06	43	51	6
533/Q4	08/06	38	59	3
532/Q9	06/06	39	54	7
526/Q7	04/06	39	57	4
525/Q5	03/06	36	60	4
524/c8	01/06	37	59	4
514/c5	01/05	49	46	5
501/C6	03/04	43	53	4
491/C7	11/03	44	50	6
484/C4	04/03	55	39	6
481/C6	02/03	45	47	8
480/C4	12/02	51	43	6
473/C4	08/02	56	38	6
465/C3	02/02	66	28	6
463/C3	11/01	66	25	9

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?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Approve (net)	<u>33</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>26</u>
Approve strongly	18	5	14	30	2	13	46	23	13
Approve somewhat	15	7	12	21	6	13	26	17	13
Disapprove (net)	<u>65</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>71</u>
Disapprove somewhat	10	9	12	10	8	14	10	12	9
Disapprove strongly	55	77	60	37	82	57	17	47	62
Don't know	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>

Trend for Q4 among all

POLL/QN	DATE	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't know
539/Q4	12/06	17	19	13	48	3
534/Q4	09/06	22	19	11	45	3
533/Q5	08/06	22	16	11	49	2
532/Q7	06/06	20	20	12	44	4
526/Q5	04/06	21	16	12	48	3
525/Q3	03/06	18	15	16	48	3
524/Q6	01/06	26	15	12	45	2
514/Q3	01/05	28	13	11	44	4
501/Q4	03/04	30	19	14	33	4
491/Q5	11/03	24	21	16	36	3

COMBINED RESPONSES

POLL/QN	DATE	APPROVE	DISAPPROVE	DON'T KNOW
539/C4	12/06	35	62	3
534/Q4	09/06	40	56	4
533/c5	08/06	38	60	2
532/Q7	06/06	40	56	4
526/Q5	04/06	37	59	4
525/c3	03/06	34	63	3
524/C6	01/06	41	56	3
514/C3	01/05	42	54	4
501/C4	03/04	49	46	5
491/C5	11/03	45	51	4

Q5. Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling the war on terrorism? (IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE)
Do you (approve/disapprove) strongly or do you (approve/disapprove) somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Approve (net)	<u>40</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>78</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>33</u>
Approve strongly	25	7	21	42	4	20	57	31	20
Approve somewhat	15	9	15	17	8	14	21	16	13
Disapprove (net)	<u>58</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>65</u>
Disapprove somewhat	17	17	20	14	16	24	12	18	17
Disapprove strongly	41	65	43	26	70	40	8	33	48
Don't know	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>

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Trend for Q5 among all

POLL/QN	DATE	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't know
539/Q5	12/06	27	19	11	39	4
534/Q6	09/06	30	18	14	35	3
533/Q6	08/06	32	18	14	32	4
532/Q8	06/06	29	22	16	27	6
526/Q6	04/06	25	17	17	36	5
525/Q4	03/06	26	16	15	41	2
524/Q7	01/06	33	15	13	36	3
514/Q4	01/05	36	18	10	33	3
501/Q5	03/04	34	22	13	25	6
491/Q6	11/03	35	24	11	24	6
481/Q8	02/03	48	26	9	13	4
480/Q6	12/02	45	28	9	14	4
473/Q6	08/02	44	30	10	12	4

COMBINED RESPONSES

POLL/QNO	DATE	Approve	Disapprove	Don't know
539/C5	12/06	46	50	4
534/Q6	09/06	48	49	3
533/C6	08/06	50	46	4
532/Q8	06/06	51	43	6
526/Q6	04/06	43	53	4
525/c4	03/06	41	56	3
524/C7	01/06	48	49	3
514/C4	01/05	54	43	3
501/C5	03/04	56	39	5
491/C6	11/03	59	35	6
481/C8	02/03	74	22	4
480/C6	12/02	73	23	4
473/C6	08/02	74	22	4

Q6. Would you say the country is better off because of George W. Bush's policies and should proceed in the direction he set out, or do you think the country is not better off and needs to move in a new direction?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Continue policies of G.W. Bush	32	8	25	52	6	26	71	38	26
Needs a new direction	64	90	71	43	91	70	25	58	69
Don't know	4	2	4	5	3	4	4	4	5

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Trend for Q6 among All

POLL/QN	DATE	Continue	New direction	Don't know
534/Q7	09/06	35	61	4
532/Q3	06/06	29	61	10
526/Q2	04/06	29	64	7
524/Q3	01/06	31	62	7

Q7. How do you think George W. Bush will go down in history -- as an outstanding, above average, average, below average, or poor president?

Study/Question No.	540/Q7
Date	01/16/07
	<u>All</u>
Outstanding	6
Above average	16
Average	28
Below average	21
Poor	28
Don't know	1

Q8. In your opinion, have the Democrats in Congress formulated a clear direction for the country, or not?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Yes	25	30	29	19	42	21	13	18	32
No	58	48	53	71	40	62	79	69	48
Don't know	17	22	18	10	18	17	8	13	20

Q9. What issue do you think should be the first priority for the newly elected Congress to address? Is there another issue that should be a top priority? (UP TO TWO REPLIES ACCEPTED)

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
<i>Iraq-net includes:</i>	<u>45</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>48</u>
-Oppose Bush Iraq plan	9	16	9	5	16	8	2	6	12
-Oversight of spending in Iraq	2	3	2	2	3	3	1	2	3
-Alternative Iraq plan / implement Iraq Study Group	7	9	6	8	7	9	5	8	6
-Set a timetable in Iraq	20	29	24	12	27	21	12	18	22
-Support Bush Iraq plan	5	3	3	9	2	3	12	6	4
-Iraq war (in general)	2	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	2
Universal health care	20	25	23	16	22	23	14	22	19
Stronger immigration laws	10	4	8	17	6	11	16	13	8
Jobs/unemployment	7	8	7	6	10	6	5	7	7
Economic growth	6	5	8	6	7	5	7	7	6
Education	6	6	7	5	5	6	9	4	8
Gas prices/energy policy	5	5	5	3	3	6	7	6	3
Homeland security	5	1	7	5	3	6	6	7	2
Budget deficit	4	5	4	4	3	4	5	5	4
Medicare part D reform/ lower prescription drug prices	4	6	3	3	4	2	5	1	6
Social security	4	1	4	7	3	5	4	4	4
Terrorism	4	6	2	4	3	3	6	4	5
Minimum wage increase	3	3	3	1	4	6	1	3	4
Tax reform in general	3	3	3	4	1	2	6	5	1
Poverty and homelessness	3	6	2	3	7	2	1	1	5
Environmental protections/global warming/clean water and air	2	6	—	1	3	2	1	2	2
Income gap	2	3	1	2	2	2	1	2	1
Allow stem cell research	2	3	3	1	1	3	2	2	2
Bi-partisanship/work with Bush	2	—	1	2	1	1	3	1	2
Congressional reforms	1	—	2	1	—	2	1	1	1
Impeachment hearings for Bush	1	2	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Investigate ethics violations (white house and congress)	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1
Restore checks and balances in government	1	1	1	—	—	1	1	1	1
Repeal provisions of patriot act	1	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
Iran/North Korea nuclear ambitions	1	1	1	—	1	—	1	1	—
Pass Bush admin tax cuts	1	—	1	3	—	1	3	2	1
Repeal Bush admin tax cuts	1	2	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
Abortion/pro-choice	1	—	—	2	—	—	3	1	1
Ban on gay marriage	1	—	1	3	1	1	2	1	1
Create guest worker program/path to citizenship	1	—	2	1	1	—	2	2	—
Gay rights, support for	1	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Peace between Israel/Palestine	—	1	—	—	—	1	—	1	—
Decrease student loan rates	—	—	1	—	1	—	—	—	—
Campaign finance reform	—	2	—	—	1	—	—	—	1
Nothing in particular	5	2	5	7	5	5	7	3	7
Other	8	8	7	9	6	8	7	10	6
Other (misc social issues)	2	1	3	2	1	3	2	1	3
Don't know	4	—	5	5	4	3	2	2	6

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Trend for Q9

539/Q6

12/06

All

Set a timetable in Iraq	27
Healthcare	16
Stronger immigration laws	11
Economic growth	7
Jobs/Unemployment	6
Domestic issues	5
Reduce budget deficit	5
Energy policy	5
Education	5
Medicare part D reform/lower prescription prices	5
Social Security	4
Minimum wage increase	4
Accept recommendation of bi-partisan study	4
Poverty and homelessness	4
Strengthen troops	3
Terrorism	3
Iraq war (general)	3
Iraq war (misc.)	2
Tax reform	2
Pass Bush Administration tax cuts	2
Weapons ban	2
Environmental protection	2
Allow stem cell research	2
Bi-partisanship/w/GWB	2
Investigate ethics violations	2
Strengthen homeland security	2
Congressional reform	1
Repeal GWB tax cuts	1
Abortion	1
Impeachment of GWB	1
Restore checks and balances in government	1
Create guest worker program	1
Iran/North Korea nuclear ambitions	1
Work for peace between Israel and Palestine	1
Gay rights	—
Income gap	—
Pro-life	—
Investigations on Iraq war	—
Repeal provisions of patriotic act	—
Violence in Africa	—
Nothing in particular	5
Other	7
Don't know	7

Do you support or oppose the following proposals that are currently being considered in Congress :

Q10. As you may know, Congress is considering a bill that would reduce interest rates on federally subsidized student loans from 6.8% to 3.4%. Supporters say this will make education more affordable for middle to poor income families. Opponents say the decrease will make banks increase their other fees and encourage colleges to increase tuition. What do you think? Do you support or oppose reducing interest rates on student loans? (IF SUPPORT OR OPPOSE) Do you (support/oppose) this strongly or only somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Support (net)	<u>79</u>	<u>91</u>	<u>83</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>81</u>
Support strongly	<u>58</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>61</u>
Support somewhat	<u>21</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>20</u>
Oppose (net)	<u>14</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>12</u>
Oppose somewhat	<u>8</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>7</u>
Oppose strongly	<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>5</u>
Don't know	<u>7</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>

Q11. Some have proposed that the federal government should be allowed to negotiate lower prescription drug prices for senior citizens. Opponents say that this would result in federal price controls on prescription drugs. What do you think? Do you support or oppose allowing the government to negotiate lower prices on prescription drugs for seniors? (IF SUPPORT OR OPPOSE) Do you (support/oppose) this strongly or only somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Support (net)	<u>80</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>85</u>
Support strongly	<u>62</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>67</u>
Support somewhat	<u>18</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>
Oppose (net)	<u>14</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>10</u>
Oppose somewhat	<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>
Oppose strongly	<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>7</u>
Don't know	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>

Q12. As you may know, one of the nine-eleven commission's recommendations is to screen all cargo on planes and U.S. bound ships for terrorist weapons. Opponents say that such screening would be prohibitively expensive and would curtail commerce. What do you think? Do you support or oppose screening all cargo on planes and ships for terrorist weapons? (IF SUPPORT OR OPPOSE) Do you (support/oppose) this strongly or only somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Support (net)	<u>80</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>83</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>83</u>
Support strongly	<u>59</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>62</u>
Support somewhat	<u>21</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>21</u>
Oppose (net)	<u>14</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>11</u>
Oppose somewhat	<u>8</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>7</u>
Oppose strongly	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>4</u>
Don't know	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

Q13. Some have proposed that Congress should enact a pay-as-you-go rule that requires new spending bills or tax breaks to be offset with spending cuts or tax hikes. Supporters say this would produce more fiscal discipline in federal spending. Opponents say this would result in higher taxes. How about you? Do you support or oppose imposing pay-as-you-go rules on congressional spending? (IF SUPPORT OR OPPOSE) Do you (support/oppose) this strongly or only somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Support (net)	<u>51</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>45</u>
Support strongly	<u>27</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>21</u>
Support somewhat	<u>24</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>
Oppose (net)	<u>26</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>26</u>
Oppose somewhat	<u>15</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>17</u>
Oppose strongly	<u>11</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>9</u>
Don't know	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>29</u>

Q14. As you may know, Congress is considering increasing federal funding for embryonic stem cell research. Supporters say stem cell research could lead to breakthrough cures for diseases such as Parkinsons and Alzheimers. Opponents say that stem cell research crosses an ethical line by using cells from potentially viable human embryos. What do you think? Do you support or oppose increasing federal funding for embryonic stem cell research? (IF SUPPORT OR OPPOSE) Do you (support/oppose) this strongly or only somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Support (net)	<u>59</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>62</u>
Support strongly	<u>44</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>44</u>
Support somewhat	<u>15</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>19</u>
Oppose (net)	<u>31</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>28</u>
Oppose somewhat	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>
Oppose strongly	<u>25</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>20</u>
Don't know	<u>10</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>

Q15. As you may know, Congress is considering raising the minimum wage from \$5.15 to \$7.25 an hour over the next two years. Supporters say a raise in the minimum wage is long overdue, since it hasn't been raised in a decade. Opponents say that a raise in the minimum wage would hurt small businesses and should be accompanied by tax breaks to offset their costs. What do you think? Do you support or oppose raising the minimum wage? (IF SUPPORT OR OPPOSE) Do you (support/oppose) this strongly or only somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Support (net)	<u>81</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>86</u>
Support strongly	<u>67</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>80</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>73</u>
Support somewhat	<u>14</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>13</u>
Oppose (net)	<u>16</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>12</u>
Oppose somewhat	<u>7</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>5</u>
Oppose strongly	<u>9</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>7</u>
Don't know	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>

Q16. As you may know, Congress is considering repealing some tax breaks and subsidies to oil companies. Supporters say that the oil industry is reaping record profits and doesn't need tax breaks from the government. Opponents say it would reduce incentives for more oil production and lead to higher prices. What do you think? Do you support or oppose repealing some of the oil industry's tax breaks and subsidies? (IF SUPPORT OR OPPOSE) Do you (support/oppose) this strongly or only somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Support (net)	<u>61</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>57</u>
Support strongly	<u>46</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>40</u>
Support somewhat	<u>15</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>17</u>
Oppose (net)	<u>31</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>33</u>
Oppose somewhat	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>11</u>
Oppose strongly	<u>21</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>22</u>
Don't know	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>10</u>

Q17. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Congress is handling its job? (IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE) Do you (approve/disapprove) strongly or do you (approve/disapprove) somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Approve (net)	<u>36</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>40</u>
Approve strongly	<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>
Approve somewhat	<u>29</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>33</u>
Disapprove (net)	<u>44</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>40</u>
Disapprove somewhat	<u>21</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>20</u>
Disapprove strongly	<u>24</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>20</u>
Don't know	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>20</u>

Trend for Q17 among All

POLL/QN	DATE	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	Don't know
534/Q52	09/06	<u>4</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>13</u>
526/Q9	04/06	<u>5</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>11</u>
524/Q12	01/06	<u>7</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>10</u>
514/Q12	01/05	<u>9</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>12</u>
480/Q8	12/02	<u>11</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>12</u>
473/Q9	08/02	<u>11</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>10</u>
465/Q7	02/02	<u>16</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>9</u>
463/Q7	11/01	<u>25</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>12</u>
421/Q11	01/99	<u>11</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>8</u>
406/Q7	01/98	<u>13</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>10</u>
398/Q9	09/97	<u>7</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>10</u>
391/Q10	02/97	<u>6</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>7</u>
387/Q8	10/96	<u>9</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>8</u>
382/Q12	09/96	<u>11</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>9</u>
380/Q15	08/96	<u>8</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>10</u>

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COMBINED RESPONSES

POLL/QN	DATE	APPROVE	DISAPPROVE	DON'T KNOW
534/C52	09/06	30	57	13
526/C9	04/06	28	61	11
524/C12	01/06	35	55	10
514/C12	01/05	45	43	12
480/C8	12/02	49	39	12
473/C9	08/02	53	36	11
465/C7	02/02	59	32	9
463/C7	11/01	69	20	11
421/C11	01/99	46	46	8
406/C7	01/98	53	37	10
398/C9	09/97	46	44	10
391/C10	02/97	46	46	8
387/C8	10/96	37	55	8
382/C12	09/96	39	52	9
380/C15	08/96	35	56	9

Q18. What is your impression of the Democrats in Congress? As of today, is it very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, very unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about them to say?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Favorable (net)	<u>42</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>46</u>
Very favorable	<u>11</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>13</u>
Somewhat favorable	<u>32</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>33</u>
Unfavorable (net)	<u>32</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>25</u>
Somewhat unfavorable	<u>19</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>16</u>
Very unfavorable	<u>13</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>8</u>
Haven't heard enough	<u>22</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>25</u>
Don't know	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>

Trend for Q18 among All

Poll	Date	Haven't heard enough	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
534/Q53	09/06	16	6	34	25	16	3
532/Q28	06/06	24	6	28	20	17	5
526/Q12	04/06	17	4	37	25	13	4
524/Q13	01/06	16	6	30	28	16	4
422/Q8	02/99	11	14	27	21	21	6
421/Q13	01/99	13	12	37	20	14	4

COMBINED RESPONSES

POLL/QN	DATE	Haven't heard enough	Favorable	Unfavorable	Don't know
534/C53	09/06	15	40	41	4
532/C28	06/06	24	34	36	6
526/C12	04/06	17	41	38	4
524/C13	01/06	16	36	45	3
422/C8	02/99	11	41	42	6
421/C13	01/99	13	49	34	4

Q19. What is your impression of the Republicans in Congress? As of today, is it very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, very unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about them to say?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Favorable (net)	<u>35</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>36</u>
Very favorable	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>
Somewhat favorable	<u>29</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>31</u>
Unfavorable (net)	<u>44</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>40</u>
Somewhat unfavorable	<u>23</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>22</u>
Very unfavorable	<u>21</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>18</u>
Haven't heard enough	<u>18</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>20</u>
Don't know	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>

Trend for Q19 among All

Poll	Date	Haven't heard enough	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Don't know
534/Q54	09/06	11	6	37	23	20	3
532/Q29	06/06	22	4	27	23	19	5
526/Q13	04/06	10	5	33	28	22	2
524/Q14	01/06	16	6	32	25	19	2
422/Q7	02/99	16	10	22	23	23	6
421/Q12	01/99	16	13	25	19	22	5

COMBINED RESPONSES

POLL/QN	DATE	Haven't heard enough	Favorable	Unfavorable	Don't know
534/C54	09/06	11	42	43	4
532/C29	06/06	22	31	42	5
526/C13	04/06	11	37	50	2
524/C14	01/06	16	38	44	2
422/C7	02/99	15	32	46	7
421/C12	01/99	15	38	41	6

Q20. What is your impression of Speaker of the House, Nancy Pelosi? As of today, is it very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, very unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about her to say?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Favorable (net)	<u>34</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>38</u>
Very favorable	<u>17</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>21</u>
Somewhat favorable	<u>18</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>17</u>
Unfavorable (net)	<u>21</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>15</u>
Somewhat unfavorable	<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>
Very unfavorable	<u>14</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>9</u>
Haven't heard enough	<u>41</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>44</u>
Don't know	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>

Q21. What is your impression of Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid? As of today, is it very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, very unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him to say?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Favorable (net)	<u>21</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>20</u>
Very favorable	<u>3</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>
Somewhat favorable	<u>18</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>17</u>
Unfavorable (net)	<u>15</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>9</u>
Somewhat unfavorable	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>5</u>
Very unfavorable	<u>8</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>4</u>
Haven't heard enough	<u>61</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>67</u>
Don't know	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>

Q22. Do you support or oppose a proposed House of Representatives ethics rules package that includes banning lobbyists gifts as well as making legislators fully disclose any earmarks or pet projects they insert into spending measures? (IF SUPPORT OR OPPOSE) Do you (support/oppose) this strongly or only somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Support (net)	<u>72</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>78</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>68</u>
Support strongly	<u>59</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>56</u>
Support somewhat	<u>13</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>11</u>
Oppose (net)	<u>15</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>14</u>
Oppose somewhat	<u>8</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>7</u>
Oppose strongly	<u>7</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>
Don't know	<u>13</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>18</u>

Q23. Do you think the new ethics package proposed by the House of Representatives will make a real difference in how business is conducted in Washington, or do you think it will be business as usual?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Make a real difference	<u>27</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>30</u>
Business as usual	<u>60</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>54</u>
Don't know	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>16</u>

Q24. Generally speaking, do you think the nation's economy these days is doing very well, or fairly well, or fairly badly, or very badly?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Well (net)	<u>68</u>	<u>60</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>78</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>63</u>
Very well	<u>11</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>10</u>
Fairly well	<u>57</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>53</u>
Badly (net)	<u>31</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>35</u>
Fairly badly	<u>18</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>22</u>
Very badly	<u>13</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>13</u>
Don't know	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>

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Trend for Q24 among All

POLL/QN	DATE	Very well	Fairly well	Fairly badly	Very badly	Don't know
539/Q25	12/06	12	49	23	15	1
534/Q27	09/06	9	45	27	17	2
533/Q15	08/06	9	42	26	22	1
532/Q12	06/06	9	41	28	19	3
526/Q3	04/06	10	42	30	16	2
525/Q10	03/06	11	45	25	17	2
524/Q24	01/06	7	48	30	14	1
514/Q9	01/05	5	55	26	13	1
501/Q7	03/04	6	43	29	20	2
491/Q15	11/03	5	44	31	19	1
484/Q7	04/03	3	46	31	17	3
481/Q21	02/03	4	31	40	24	1
480/Q9	12/02	2	43	36	19	0
473/Q20	08/02	3	51	33	12	1
462/Q3	09/01	6	65	19	6	4
455/Q14	03/01	7	57	25	9	2
450/Q3	12/00	19	63	11	6	1
441/Q15	05/00	25	60	8	5	2
421/Q15	01/99	32	57	5	3	3
417/Q8	09/98	28	59	8	4	1
406/Q9	01/98	26	59	8	5	2
398/Q11	09/97	16	57	18	7	2

COMBINED RESPONSES

POLL/QN	DATE	WELL	BADLY	DON'T KNOW
539/C25	12/06	61	38	1
534/c27	09/06	54	44	2
533/C15	08/06	50	49	1
532/C12	06/06	50	47	3
526/C3	04/06	52	46	2
525/C10	03/06	56	42	2
524/C24	01/06	55	44	1
514/C9	01/05	60	39	1
501/C7	03/04	49	49	2
491/C15	11/03	50	49	1
484/C7	04/03	50	47	3
481/C21	02/03	35	64	1
480/C9	12/02	45	55	0
473/C20	08/02	54	45	1
462/C3	09/01	71	25	4
455/C14	03/01	64	34	2
450/C3	12/00	82	17	1
441/C15	05/00	84	14	2
421/C15	01/99	89	8	3
417/C8	09/98	88	11	1
406/C9	01/98	86	12	2
398/C11	09/97	73	25	2

Q25. Six months from now, do you expect the nation's economy will be better than it is now, worse than it is now, or about the same as it is now?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Better	<u>19</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>19</u>
Worse	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>18</u>
About the same	<u>61</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>59</u>
Don't know	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>

Trend for Q25 among All

POLL/QN	DATE	BETTER	WORSE	SAME	DON'T KNOW
539/Q26	12/06	<u>16</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>3</u>
534/Q28	09/06	<u>18</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>4</u>
532/Q20	06/06	<u>16</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>7</u>
525/Q11	03/06	<u>18</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>4</u>
524/Q26	01/06	<u>16</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>5</u>
514/Q10	01/05	<u>26</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>2</u>
491/Q16	11/03	<u>35</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>2</u>
480/Q12	12/02	<u>39</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>3</u>
473/Q23	08/02	<u>38</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>4</u>
465/Q21	02/02	<u>47</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>4</u>
463/Q20	11/01	<u>38</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>4</u>

Q26. 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? (IF DECREASE) Do you expect housing values in your neighborhood to fall by less than ten percent, or by ten to fifteen percent or by more than fifteen percent?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Increase	<u>27</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>25</u>
Decrease (net)	<u>14</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>
Decrease: less than 10%	<u>7</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>
Decrease: 10% to 15%	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
Decrease: more than 15%	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Decrease: not sure by how much	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>
Remain about the same	<u>57</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>61</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>58</u>
Don't know	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>

Trend for Q26 among All

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Increase	<u>26</u>
Decrease (net)	<u>15</u>
Decrease: less than 10%	<u>7</u>
Decrease: 10% to 15%	<u>4</u>
Decrease: more than 15%	<u>2</u>
Decrease: not sure by how much	<u>2</u>
Remain about the same	<u>57</u>
Don't know	<u>2</u>

Q27. Would you describe the state of your own personal finances these days as very secure, fairly secure, fairly shaky or very shaky?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Secure (net)	<u>71</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>83</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>68</u>
Very secure	<u>15</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>14</u>
Fairly secure	<u>56</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>53</u>
Shaky (net)	<u>28</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>31</u>
Fairly shaky	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>15</u>
Very shaky	<u>12</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>16</u>
Don't know	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	—	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	—	<u>1</u>

Trend for Q27 among All

Poll	Date	Very secure	Fairly secure	Fairly shaky	Very shaky	Don't know
539/Q27	12/06	15	53	18	13	1
532/Q15	06/06	18	48	18	13	3
525/Q23	03/06	17	55	15	12	1
524/Q25	01/06	15	47	21	16	1
514/Q11	01/05	16	54	15	15	—
482/Q23	02/03	15	50	22	12	1
480/Q13	12/02	15	51	21	12	1
473/Q24	08/02	10	55	21	13	1
465/Q22	02/02	19	58	16	7	—
463/Q21	11/01	21	54	16	7	2
462/Q43	09/01	19	57	15	7	2
455/Q15	03/01	13	55	18	12	2
441/Q19	05/00	15	57	17	10	1
421/Q16	01/99	15	59	16	8	2
398/Q14	09/97	14	51	19	14	2
387/Q58	10/96	13	55	18	12	2
382/Q64	09/96	14	54	21	11	—
380/Q50	08/96	13	54	18	14	1
375/Q17	04/96	13	54	21	11	1
369/Q22	10/95	11	54	20	13	2
356/Q15	03/95	13	54	19	12	2
353/Q12	01/95	12	55	21	11	1
347/Q15	10/94	12	57	16	13	2
341/Q28	07/94	14	49	23	12	2
334/Q19	04/94	10	51	24	14	1
328/Q33	01/94	11	50	23	15	1
327/Q17	12/93	10	50	23	16	1
322/Q18	09/93	11	52	19	17	1
317/Q19	06/93	10	50	23	16	1
308/Q12	02/93	9	52	23	14	2
305/Q25	01/93	9	48	24	18	1
290/Q57	07/92	13	51	21	13	2
275/Q56	03/92	13	54	19	12	2
268/Q21	02/92	13	49	22	15	1
263/Q30	11/91	11	52	22	14	1
259/Q20	09/91	11	54	22	11	2
253/Q25	06/91	11	53	21	14	1
250/Q26	04/91	13	55	20	11	1

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Trend for Q27 among All contd.

POLL/QN	DATE	SECURE	SHAKY	DON'T KNOW
539/C27	12/06	68	31	1
532/C15	06/06	67	31	2
525/C23	03/06	71	27	2
524/C25	01/06	61	38	1
514/C11	01/05	70	29	1
482/C23	02/03	65	34	1
480/C13	12/02	66	33	1
473/C24	08/02	65	34	1
465/C22	02/02	77	22	1
463/C21	11/01	75	23	2
462/C43	09/01	76	22	2
455/C15	03/01	68	30	2
441/C19	05/00	72	27	1
421/C16	01/99	74	24	2
398/C14	09/97	66	33	1
387/C58	10/96	68	30	2
382/C64	09/96	67	32	1
380/C50	08/96	67	32	1
375/C17	04/96	66	32	2
369/C22	10/95	66	33	1
356/C15	03/95	68	31	1
353/C12	01/95	67	32	1
347/C15	10/94	69	29	2
341/C28	07/94	63	35	2
334/C19	04/94	61	38	1
328/C33	01/94	60	39	1
327/C17	12/93	60	39	1
322/C18	09/93	63	36	1
317/C19	06/93	60	39	1
308/C12	02/93	62	37	1
305/C25	01/93	57	42	1
290/C57	07/92	63	35	2
275/C56	03/92	67	32	1
268/C21	02/92	62	37	1
263/C30	11/91	63	36	1
259/C20	09/91	65	33	2
253/C25	06/91	64	35	1
250/C26	04/91	68	31	1

Q28. Which do you think is more effective in stimulating the nation's economy: An economic agenda focused on returning money to taxpayers through tax cuts, or an economic agenda focused on reducing the federal deficit and paying down the national debt?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Tax cuts	42	27	37	57	35	37	59	43	42
Reducing deficit, paying debt	46	62	53	30	51	50	34	50	41
Don't know	12	11	10	13	14	13	7	7	17

Trend for Q28 among All

Study/Question No.	524/Q30	514/Q34	491/Q23	480/Q29	473/Q19
Date	01/25/06	01/17/05	11/18/03	12/15/02	08/26/02
Tax cuts	40	46	37	45	39
Reducing deficit, paying debt	51	45	50	44	51
Don't know	9	9	13	11	10

Q29. Which do you think is more effective in stimulating the nation's economy: An economic agenda focused on returning money to taxpayers through tax cuts, or an economic agenda focused on spending on such issues as health care and education?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Tax cuts	36	17	33	54	25	31	57	42	32
Health care and education	54	75	57	39	64	59	36	48	59
Don't know	10	8	10	7	11	10	7	10	9

Trend for Q29 among All

Study/Question No.	524/Q31
Date	01/25/06
Tax cuts	36
Health care and education	56
Don't know	8

Q30. As you may know, George W. Bush said that even while continuing to fund military and reconstruction programs in Iraq, and making his tax cuts permanent, he will be able to balance the budget in five years. Do you think this is a realistic or unrealistic goal?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Realistic	18	9	13	27	7	14	37	21	15
Unrealistic	77	90	83	65	91	82	54	75	79
Don't know	5	1	4	8	2	4	9	4	6

Q31. Generally speaking, do you believe that free international trade has helped or hurt the economy, or hasn't it made a difference to the economy one way or the other? (IF HELPED OR HURT) Do you believe it (helped/hurt) the economy a lot, or just some, or not too much?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Helped (net)	<u>28</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>21</u>
Helped: a lot	5	7	2	7	3	3	11	7	3
Helped: some	19	16	16	26	13	18	26	24	15
Helped: not too much	3	2	3	3	1	4	3	3	2
Helped: not sure how much	1	2	—	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hurt (net)	<u>41</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>40</u>
Hurt: not too much	2	3	1	2	2	2	1	1	2
Hurt: some	15	18	12	17	13	17	18	12	18
Hurt: a lot	22	20	28	15	20	29	18	27	18
Hurt: not sure how much	2	3	2	2	4	2	1	2	2
No difference	<u>17</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>19</u>
Don't know	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>20</u>

Trend for Q31 among All

Study/Question No. 398/Q20
Date 09/09/97

Helped (net)	<u>39</u>
HELPED: A LOT	9
HELPED: SOME	23
HELPED: NOT TOO M	3
HELPED: NOT SURE	4
Hurt (net)	<u>30</u>
HURT: NOT TOO MUC	2
HURT: SOME	17
HURT: A LOT	8
HURT: NOT SURE HO	3
NO DIFFERENCE (net)	<u>18</u>
Don't know	<u>13</u>

Q32. Who do you think can do a better job of handling the situation in Iraq: President Bush or the Democrats in Congress?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Bush	34	8	26	57	7	26	79	41	27
Democrats	43	72	47	24	75	39	12	39	48
Both equally (vol.)	3	4	3	2	4	2	2	2	3
Neither (vol.)	11	9	13	11	6	21	3	12	10
Don't know	9	7	11	6	8	12	4	6	12

Trend for Q32 among All

Study/Question No. 539/Q17
Date 12/11/06

Bush	34
Democrats	45
Both equally (vol.)	6
Neither (vol.)	10
Don't know	5

Q33. All in all, do you think the situation in Iraq was worth going to war over, or not?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Yes, worth going to war	34	13	27	56	10	28	73	39	30
No, not worth going to war	62	84	68	41	87	68	24	58	65
Don't know	4	3	5	3	3	4	3	3	5

Trend for Q33 among All

POLL/QNO	DATE	Worth it	Not worth it	Don't know
539/Q58	12/06	40	56	4
534/Q42	09/06	40	55	5
532/Q52	06/06	41	54	5
526/Q42	04/06	38	58	4
524/Q46	01/06	42	53	5
514/Q40	01/05	39	56	5
501/Q20	03/04	48	45	7
491/Q48	11/03	48	43	9

Q34. 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>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
U.S. winning	16	9	10	28	5	11	38	21	12
Insurgents in Iraq winning	15	23	14	11	22	13	9	13	16
Neither U.S. nor insurgents winning	66	67	74	57	70	74	47	62	69
Don't know	3	1	2	4	3	2	6	4	3

Trend for Q34 among All

POLL/QN	DATE	U.S. winning	Insurgents winning	Neither	Don't know
539/Q59	12/06	15	14	66	5
534/Q44	09/06	22	11	63	4
524/Q50	01/06	33	7	55	5
514/Q42	01/05	29	10	58	3
491/Q61	11/03	37	4	52	7

Q35. 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>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Troops home right away	19	24	21	14	27	20	6	18	20
Begin bringing home within the next year	46	57	50	36	61	50	28	41	51
As long as it takes to win the war	30	16	24	45	10	25	64	37	24
Don't know	5	3	5	5	2	5	2	4	5

Q36. Do you support or oppose the idea of withdrawing most U.S. troops from Iraq by early 2008, while keeping military training forces there to assist and train Iraqi troops? (IF SUPPORT OR OPPOSE) Do you (support/oppose) this strongly, or only somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Support (net)	<u>60</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>62</u>
Strongly support	<u>32</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>31</u>
Support somewhat	<u>28</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>32</u>
Oppose (net)	<u>31</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>28</u>
Oppose somewhat	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>
Oppose strongly	<u>21</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>18</u>
Don't know	<u>9</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>

Q37. Do you approve or disapprove of George W. Bush's plan to send almost an additional twenty-two thousand U.S. troops into Iraq? (IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE) Do you (approve/disapprove) strongly or only somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Approve (net)	<u>36</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>27</u>
Approve strongly	<u>22</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>15</u>
Approve somewhat	<u>14</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>12</u>
Disapprove (net)	<u>60</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>69</u>
Disapprove somewhat	<u>9</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>9</u>
Disapprove strongly	<u>51</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>61</u>
Don't know	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>

Q38. Do you think a greater U.S. military presence in Iraq will reduce, increase, or have no effect on the level of violence and instability there? (IF REDUCE OR INCREASE VIOLENCE AND INSTABILITY) Do you think adding more troops will create a long-lasting, or temporary (reduction/increase) in violence and instability in Iraq?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Increase (net)	<u>24</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>27</u>
Long lasting increase	<u>14</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>16</u>
Temporary increase	<u>10</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>
Decrease (net)	<u>27</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>23</u>
Temporary reduction	<u>13</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>13</u>
Long-lasting reduction	<u>14</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>10</u>
No effect	<u>43</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>44</u>
Don't know	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>

Q39. Do you agree or disagree with those who say that adding almost twenty-two thousand additional U.S. troops to those in Iraq right now will allow U.S. and Iraqi forces to defeat the insurgency and win the war in Iraq? (IF AGREE OR DISAGREE) Do you (agree/disagree) strongly, or only somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Agree (net)	<u>34</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>26</u>
Agree strongly	<u>18</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>14</u>
Agree somewhat	<u>16</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>12</u>
Disagree (net)	<u>60</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>65</u>
Disagree somewhat	<u>16</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>17</u>
Disagree strongly	<u>44</u>	<u>64</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>48</u>
Don't know	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>9</u>

Q40. Which approach do you prefer: The bipartisan Iraq Study Group recommendation that the U.S. should begin withdrawing its troops from Iraq and begin negotiations with other countries in the region, including Iran and Syria or that George W. Bush has opposed negotiations with Iran and Syria and has increased the number of American troops in Iraq?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
The Iraq Study Group	53	71	59	39	76	57	23	51	55
George W. Bush	28	14	19	46	7	21	63	36	21
Don't know	19	15	22	15	17	22	14	13	24

Q41. Should Congress attempt to prevent George W. Bush from sending more troops to Iraq either by denying him funding for the deployment or through some other legislative measure, or not?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Do not block deployment	41	22	36	58	14	41	76	53	30
Refuse to fund deployment	25	37	30	14	41	22	9	20	30
Block through other legislative measures	26	31	26	23	35	30	11	22	29
Don't know	8	10	8	5	10	7	4	5	11

Q42. Should Congress attempt to require George W. Bush to begin withdrawing the troops already in Iraq by cutting off funding or through some other legislative measures, or not?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Do not require Bush to withdraw troops	42	24	36	61	16	39	79	56	30
Cut off funding	17	19	20	11	26	16	6	14	19
Use legislative measures	33	47	36	23	46	39	13	26	39
Don't know	8	10	8	5	12	6	2	4	12

Q43. Should Congress set a mandatory deadline for the withdrawal of all American troops in Iraq either by cutting off funding or through some other legislative measure, or not?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Do not set a mandatory date	48	39	41	62	23	49	79	62	35
Cut off funding	17	23	18	15	30	15	7	15	20
Other legislative measure	28	32	34	19	38	30	11	20	35
Don't know	7	6	7	4	9	6	3	3	10

Q44. As you may know, Republican Senator John McCain supports George W. Bush's decision to send almost twenty-two thousand additional troops to Iraq. Senator McCain has also said he believes the U.S. should send an even larger number of additional troops to Iraq. Does knowing this make you more or less likely to support McCain if he runs for president in 2008, or would it have no effect on your decision? (IF MORE/LESS LIKELY) Does that make you much (more/less) likely or only somewhat (more/less) likely?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
More likely (net)	<u>13</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>9</u>
Much more likely	<u>8</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>6</u>
Somewhat more likely	<u>5</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>3</u>
Less likely (net)	<u>42</u>	<u>56</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>50</u>
Somewhat less likely	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>
Much less likely	<u>36</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>44</u>
No effect	<u>42</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>51</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>59</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>37</u>
Don't know	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>

Q45. As you may know Democratic Senators Barack Obama, Hillary Clinton and former Senator John Edwards all oppose George W. Bush's decision to send almost twenty-two thousand additional troops to Iraq. Does knowing this make you more or less likely to support them if they run for president in 2008, or would it have no effect on your decision? (IF MORE/LESS LIKELY) Does that make you much (more/less) likely or only somewhat (more/less) likely?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
More likely (net)	<u>34</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>41</u>
Much more likely	<u>24</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>31</u>
Somewhat more likely	<u>9</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>10</u>
Less likely (net)	<u>18</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>16</u>
Somewhat less likely	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>
Much less likely	<u>14</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>30</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>12</u>
No effect	<u>46</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>40</u>
Don't know	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>

Q46. Would you be more or less likely to vote for a presidential candidate in 2008 who supports a timetable for the withdrawal of all American troops in Iraq, or would it have no effect on your decision? (IF MORE/LESS LIKELY) Does that make you much (more/less) likely or only somewhat (more/less) likely?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
More likely(net)	<u>38</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>44</u>
Much more likely	<u>21</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>27</u>
Somewhat more likely	<u>17</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>
Less likely (net)	<u>12</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>10</u>
Somewhat less likely	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>
Much less likely	<u>8</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>6</u>
No effect	<u>46</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>42</u>
Don't know	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>

Q47. Do you agree or disagree that the Iraqi government is capable of taking over security and defense operations from the U.S. over the next twelve months? (IF AGREE/DISAGREE) Do you (agree/disagree) strongly or only somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Agree (net)	<u>43</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>43</u>
Agree strongly	17	16	19	14	21	18	13	18	16
Agree somewhat	26	23	27	28	23	25	29	25	27
Disagree (net)	<u>45</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>41</u>
Disagree somewhat	17	16	17	19	17	19	19	19	15
Disagree strongly	28	33	25	28	26	30	29	30	26
Don't know	<u>12</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>16</u>

Q48. Do you think Iraq is currently engaged in a civil war, or do you not think Iraq is currently engaged in a civil war?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Yes, in a civil war	<u>69</u>	<u>83</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>71</u>
No, not in a civil war	22	8	21	30	9	23	35	26	18
Don't know	9	9	10	8	14	4	10	7	11

Trend for Q48 among All

Study/Question No. Date	539/Q61 12/11/06	534/Q50 09/19/06	526/Q46 04/11/06
Yes, in a civil war	65	59	56
No, not in a civil war	26	27	33
Don't know	9	14	11

Q49. Do you agree or disagree with those who say that U.S. funding of a billion dollar jobs-creation program in Iraq would reduce the number of young Iraqi men joining the insurgency? (IF AGREE OR DISAGREE) Do you (agree/disagree) strongly, or only somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Agree (net)	<u>38</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>40</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>34</u>
Agree strongly	16	9	22	15	11	19	19	22	11
Agree somewhat	22	28	18	22	18	22	27	21	22
Disagree (net)	<u>43</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>44</u>
Disagree somewhat	15	14	18	14	15	15	18	17	14
Disagree strongly	28	30	27	28	34	28	20	25	31
Don't know	<u>19</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>22</u>

Q50. Generally speaking, do you think the U.S. has a moral obligation to help pay for the reconstruction of Iraq, or not?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Yes	<u>39</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>35</u>
No	55	44	58	59	49	55	59	53	57
Don't know	6	3	4	7	9	4	7	4	8

Q51. If Congress does fully fund George W. Bush's request for additional money for the Iraqi war, where do you think the additional money should come from: Should it come from repealing the Bush administration tax cuts, or cutting domestic spending programs, or increasing the budget deficit?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Repealing the Bush administration tax cuts	38	52	42	28	48	47	20	38	39
Cutting domestic spending programs	18	6	12	33	7	14	37	23	14
Increasing the budget deficit	19	18	20	18	15	16	27	19	18
Don't know	25	24	26	21	30	23	16	20	29

Q52. Do you agree or disagree with those who say that if U.S. forces withdraw from Iraq before the country is secure, Iraq will become a safe haven for Al Qaeda and other terrorists? (IF AGREE OR DISAGREE) Do you (agree/disagree) strongly, or only somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Agree (net)	65	57	62	73	54	68	85	73	58
Agree strongly	42	30	39	54	23	47	67	52	34
Agree somewhat	23	27	24	20	31	21	18	21	23
Disagree (net)	25	34	28	17	31	26	10	22	27
Disagree somewhat	14	17	17	8	18	12	6	11	16
Disagree strongly	11	18	10	9	13	14	4	11	11
Don't know	10	9	10	10	15	6	5	5	15

Q53. Regardless of whether or not you believe that Iraq would become a safe haven for Al Qaeda and other terrorists, if the U.S. were to withdraw from Iraq before the country was secure, do you think the likelihood of terrorist attacks on the U.S. would increase, decrease or stay the same?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Increase	38	30	29	53	25	32	61	41	35
Decrease	4	7	2	5	5	5	2	5	4
Stay the same	53	59	65	39	63	61	34	52	54
Don't know	5	4	4	3	7	2	3	2	7

Q54. Do you agree or disagree with those who say that George W. Bush deliberately misled Congress and the American people about Iraq having weapons of mass destruction and its ties with Al Qaeda in order to build support for going to war with Iraq? (IF AGREE OR DISAGREE) Do you (agree/disagree) strongly, or only somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Agree (net)	50	74	57	32	79	53	14	47	53
Agree strongly	42	64	49	25	69	44	11	41	44
Agree somewhat	8	11	8	7	10	9	3	6	9
Disagree (net)	44	18	37	65	13	40	85	48	40
Disagree somewhat	12	8	12	13	6	13	16	6	17
Disagree strongly	32	9	25	52	7	27	68	42	23
Don't know	6	8	6	3	8	7	1	5	7

Q55. Do you agree or disagree with those who want Congress to hold hearings to investigate whether George W. Bush deliberately misled Congress and the American people in order to build support for the Iraq war? (IF AGREE OR DISAGREE) Do you (agree/disagree) strongly, or only somewhat?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>LIB</u>	<u>MOD</u>	<u>CONS</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>IND</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOM</u>
Agree (net)	<u>44</u>	<u>65</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>66</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>44</u>
Agree strongly	<u>34</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>38</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>35</u>
Agree somewhat	<u>10</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>9</u>
Disagree (net)	<u>50</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>48</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>52</u>	<u>48</u>
Disagree somewhat	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>13</u>
Disagree strongly	<u>40</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>58</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>35</u>
Don't know	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>8</u>

METHODOLOGY

This Los Angeles Times/Bloomberg News poll is the 540th in a series of opinion studies designed to measure public attitudes on a number of issues. This survey focuses on George W. Bush and his new Iraq strategy. Also included are questions regarding the first session of the Democratic-led 110th Congress.

The sampling frame for this survey is all telephone residences in the nation. One thousand three hundred forty-four men and women 18 years of age or older were contacted by telephone January 13-16, 2007.

The sample for this survey are random selections of telephone numbers from among all working banks of land-line exchanges in the nation, including Alaska and Hawaii. Working banks are 100 contiguous numbers containing one or more residential listings. The use of random samples of telephone exchanges such as these allow researchers to contact both listed and unlisted numbers. Sampled numbers are released in representative replicates to ensure an appropriate regional distribution, and multiple attempts were made to contact each number.

The entire sample of adults was evaluated against the most recent Census Bureau's Current Population Survey demographic estimates of sex, ethnicity, age, education and national region and a weight was calculated to bring the sample proportions into alignment with their respective census proportions, if necessary, for analysis.

For results based on the entire national sample, one can say with 95% confidence that error attributable to sampling for this survey among all adults is at most plus or minus 3 percentage points. For certain subgroups, the error margin may be somewhat higher. Weights such as these are used to account for error introduced when respondents to the survey may differ from those who refused to be interviewed or who were never home during the interviewing period.

While every precaution has been taken to avoid error and increase accuracy, surveys such as this one may be subject to inaccuracies for which precise estimates cannot be calculated and which may, in some cases, contribute to errors of greater or lesser extent than the effects associated with sampling procedures. For example, findings may be influenced by events which take place while the survey is in the field and, of course, events occurring since the time the interviews were conducted could have changed the opinions reported here. In addition, inadvertently biased question wordings and the order in which they are asked may influence results. Such errors and others are the result of the various practical difficulties associated with taking any survey of public opinion.

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This report is consistent with the standards of the National Council on Public Polls and the American Association for Public Opinion Research.