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Overall margin of error: +/- 3.1 percentage points

Margins of Error for Subsample Questions							
Question Number	Subsample	Margin Of Error (+/-)					
Q5a, Q6, Q12, Q20, Q21a, Q21b, Q30	Form A/C	4.4					
Q5b, Q7, Q20, Q21a, Q21b, Q31	Form B/D	4.4					

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Interviews: <u>1,006 registered voters</u> Dates: <u>October 13-16, 2006</u>

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Study #6067 NBC News/Wall Street Journal October 13-16, 2006 48 Male 52 Female [109]

Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.

The margin of error for 1,006 interviews is \pm 3.1%

Unless otherwise noted by a "+", all previous data shown reflects responses among all adults.

1. First, can you tell me if you are currently registered to vote at this address?

Registered	100	CONTINUE	[138]
Not registered	-	TERMINATE	_
Not sure	_		

2. All in all, do you think that things in the nation are generally headed in the right direction, or do you feel that things are off on the wrong track?

				7	/06	High	Low	
	10/13-	9/30-	9/8-	All	Reg.			
	<u> 16/06</u> +	<u>10/2/06</u> +	<u>11/06</u> +	<u>Adults</u>	Voters+	9/01	<u>7/92</u> +	
Headed in the right direction	26	29	31	27	29	72	14	[139]
Off on the wrong track	61	58	54	60	59	11	71	
Mixed (VOL)	11	11	12	11	11	11	9	
Not sure	2	2	3	2	1	6	6	

-	3/06 26 62 9 3	1/06 31 57 10 2	12/05 30 59 8 3
8 32 9 57 0 8	7/05 34 52 12 2	5/05 35 52 10 3	4/05 34 51 12 3
0 41 7 46 0 11	39 48 10	9/04+ 39 49 10	8/04+ 36 50 12 2
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Q.2 (cont'd)

	<u>7/04</u> +	<u>6/04</u> +	<u>5/04</u> +	3/04	1/04	12/14/03	12/13/03
Headed in the right direction	36	36	33	41	47	56	41
Off on the wrong track	48	48	50	49	43	30	48
Mixed (VOL)	14	14	14	5	6	9	8
Not sure	2	2	3	5	4	5	3
	11/03	9/03	7/03	<u>5/03</u> +	4/03	1/03	12/02
	43	38	42	49	62	36	43
	47	50	44	38	22	47	42
	6	8	9	8	13	14	13
	3	4	4	5	3	3	2
	<u>10/02</u> +	9/02	7/02	6/02	4/02	1/02	12/01
	44	42	40	52	53	62	70
	42	43	42	31	28	20	15
	14	12	14	14	15	14	12
	-	3	4	3	4	4	3
	9/01	6/01	1/01	10/00			
	72	43	45	48			
	11	39	36	32			
	11	14	15	18			
	6	4	4	2			

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3a. For statistical purposes only, would you please tell me how old you are? (IF "REFUSED," ASK:) Well, would you tell me which age group you belong to? +

18-24	5	[140-141]
25-29	5	
30-34	13	
35-39	5	
40-44	10	
45-49	11	
50-54	9	
55-59	11	
60-64	9	
65-69	5	
70-74	5	
75 and over	11	
Refused	1	

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3b. To ensure that we have a representative sample, would you please tell me whether you are from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background? +

Yes, Hispanic	8	[142]
No, not Hispanic	91	
Not sure/refused	1	

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3c. And again, for statistical purposes only, what is your race—white, black, Asian, or something else? +

White	79	[143]
Black	10	
Asian	1	
Other	2	
Hispanic (VOL)	7	
Not sure/refused		

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4. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing as president?

				7/	06	High	Low	
Approve Disapprove Not sure	10/13- 16/06+ 38 57 5	9/30- 10/2/06+ 39 56 5	9/8- <u>11/06</u> + 42 53 5	All Adults 39 56 5	Reg. <u>Voters</u> + 40 55 5	11/01 88 7 5	4/06 36 57 5	[144]
		6/0 All <u>Adults</u> 37 58 5	06 Reg. <u>Voters</u> + 38 57 5	4/06 36 57 7	3/06 37 58 5	1/06 39 54 7	12/05 39 55 6	11/05 38 57 5
		10/05 39 54 7	9/05 40 55 5	7/05 46 49 5	5/05 47 47 6	4/05 48 46 6	2/05 50 45 5	1/05 50 44 6
		12/04 49 44 7	10/04+ 49 47 4	9/04+ 47 48 5	8/04+ 47 48 5	7/04+ 48 46 6	6/04+ 45 49 6	5/04+ 47 46 7
		3/04 50 46 5	1/04 54 41 6	12/14/03 58 34 9	12/13/03 52 41 7	11/03 51 44 5	9/03 49 45 6	7/03 56 38 6
		5/03+ 62 31 7	4/03 71 23 6	3/29- <u>30/03</u> 66 29 5	3/23/03 67 28 5	3/17/03 62 33 5	2/03 ¹ 61 31 8	1/03 54 40 6
		10/02+ 63	<u>9/02</u> 64	<u>7/02</u> 67	<u>6/02</u> 69	<u>5/02</u> 75	4/02 74	<u>4/01</u> 57

¹ Overnight poll conducted after Colin Powell's speech to the United Nations.

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5a. Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing in handling the economy?

				7	/06	High	Low	
	10/13-	9/30-	9/8-	All	Reg.			
	<u>16/06</u> +*	<u>10/2/06</u> +	<u>11/06+</u>	<u>Adults</u>	Voters+	<u>12/01</u>	<u>11/05</u>	
Approve	44	41	43	41	43	63	34	[145]
Disapprove	52	53	52	53	52	25	60	
Not sure	4	6	5	6	5	12	6	İ

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	06					
All <u>Adults</u> 38 56 6	Reg. <u>Voters</u> + 39 56 5	4/06 35 60 5	3/06 36 58 6	1/06 40 53 7	12/05 38 54 8	
11/05 34 60 6	9/05 40 55 5	7/05 39 54 7	<u>5/05</u> 43 51 6	4/05 41 53 6	2/05 46 50 4	
1/05 47 47 6	12/04 44 51 5	10/04+ 45 52 3	9/04+ 45 51 4	8/04+ 43 52 5	6/04+ 45 49 6	
5/04+ 41 53 6	3/04 45 51 4	1/04 49 45 6	12/13/03 48 46 6	11/03 50 44 5	9/03 43 52 6	
7/03 45 48 7	5/03+ 47 45 8	4/03 49 42 9	1/03 44 49 7	12/02 47 45 8	10/02+ 48 44 8	
9/02 48 43 9	7/02 49 43 8	6/02 57 34 9	4/02 61 30 9	1/02 63 27 10	12/01 63 25 12	4/01 52 27 21

^{*} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A/C).

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5b. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing in handling the situation in Iraq?

			7.	/06	6	/06		
	10/13-	9/8-	All	Reg.	All	Reg.		
	<u>16/06</u> +**	11/06+	Adults	Voters+	Adults	Voters+	<u>4/06</u>	
Approve	33	38	34	35	35	36	33	[146]
Disapprove	63	57	61	60	61	61	62	
Not sure	4	5	5	5	4	3	5	
							=	
	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	9/05	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	
	35	39	36	32	37	39	44	
	61	56	60	64	58	55	52	
	4	5	4	4	5	6	4	

^{**} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B/D).

6. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that Congress is doing?

			7/	06	6/	06	High	Low	
	10/13-	9/8-	All	Reg.	All	Reg.			
	<u>16/06</u> +*	<u>11/06+</u>	<u>Adults</u>	Voters+	<u>Adults</u>	Voters+	9/98	<u>4/92</u> +	
Approve	16	20	25	24	23	22	61	15	[147]
Disapprove	75	65	60	62	64	67	28	78	
Not sure	9	15	15	14	13	11	11	7	
	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	
	22	33	29	25	28	29	28	33	
	65	53	56	60	57	53	55	51	
	13	14	15	15	15	18	17	16	
	<u>4/05</u>	1/05	6/04+	5/04+	<u>1/04</u>	12/13/03	11/03	9/03	
	4/05 39	41	40	39	46	39	43	39	
	46	40	42	43	41	47	45 45	45	
	15	19	18	18	13	14	11	16	
	10		10	10	10		• •		
	7/03	<u>5/03</u> +	1/03	12/02	<u>10/02</u> +	9/02	7/02	6/02	
	42	43	42	44	44	40	34	43	
	45	43	39	39	40	44	48	41	
	13	14	19	17	16	16	18	16	
	4/00	40/04	0/04	4/04	0/04	4 /04	40/00	40/00	
	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>6/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>	<u>3/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>12/00</u>	<u>10/00</u> +	
	54 29	57 29	47 34	43 33	45 32	48 35	55 30	49 35	
	17	14	19	24	23	17	15	16	
	17	17	13	24	23	17	10	10	
	<u>9/00</u> +	<u>7/00</u> +	<u>6/00</u> +	<u>4/00</u> +	<u>3/00</u> +	1/00	12/99	10/99	
	46	46	43	42	43	48	45	42	
	41	42	46	44	40	36	42	45	
	13	12	11	14	17	16	13	13	
	0/00	7/00	0/00	4/00	4/00	40/00	40/00 :	40/04 :	0/04
	<u>9/99</u>	<u>7/99</u>	<u>6/99</u>	<u>4/99</u>	<u>1/99</u>	<u>12/98</u>	<u>10/98</u> +	<u>10/94</u> +	<u>9/94</u>
	40 49	43	40 42	49 38	50 40	44	48 39	24 67	23 67
	49 11	41 16	42 18	38 13	40 10	42 14	39 13	67 9	10
	11	76	18	13	10	14	13	9	10

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How would you rate the overall performance and accomplishments of this year's Congress--one of the best, above average, average, below average, or one of the worst? 7.

		7,	/05				
	10/13-	All	Reg.				
	<u>16/06</u> +**	Adults	Voters+	<u>6/00</u> +	10/99	7/99	
One of the best	1	1	1	2	2	1	[148]
Above average	4	6	6	9	11	12	
Average	37	47	48	58	54	53	
Below average	31	32	32	22	21	25	
One of the worst	25	11	11	7	10	7	
Not sure	2	3	2	2	2	2	
		12/97	<u>12/95</u>	<u>10/94</u>	<u>10/91</u> +	<u>10/90</u> +	
		2	7	1	1	1	
		11	18	6	5	7	
		56	33	46	45	39	
		22	24	28	32	32	
		6	16	16	14	19	
		3	2	3	3	2	

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8. Now I'm going to read you the names of several public figures and organizations, and I'd like you to rate your feelings toward each one as either very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative. If you don't know the name, please just say so.

	Very <u>Positive</u>	Somewhat Positive	<u>Neutral</u>	Somewhat <u>Negative</u>	Very <u>Negative</u>	Don't Know Name/ <u>Not Sure</u>	
George W. Bush							[149]
October 13-16, 2006+	19	20	9	15	37	-	
September 30-October 2, 2006+	22	18	10	14	35	1	
September 8-11, 2006+	23	19	9	13	36	-	
July 2006							
All Adults	21	18	10	15	36	-	
Registered voters+	21	19	10	14	36	-	
June 2006							
All Adults	18	21	9	15	37	-	
Registered voters+	18	22	7	16	37	-	
April 2006	19	20	9	15	37	-	
March 2006	20	19	11	14	36	-	
January 2006	24	17	12	13	33	1	
December 2005	23	19	10	13	35	-	
November 2005	20	18	12	15	35	-	
October 2005	21	20	11	17	31	-	
September 2005	24	18	10	14	34	-	
July 2005	27	20	10	15	28	-	
May 2005	27	22	10	12	29	-	
April 2005	28	20	11	16	25	-	
February 2005	31	20	9	13	27	-	
January 2005	32	19	9	15	25	-	
October 2004+	36	14	6	13	31	-	
June 2004+	33	15	8	14	30	-	
January 2004	38	17	8	13	24	-	
September 2003	35	17	9	15	23	1	
July 2003	38	21	9	14	17	-	
January 2003	36	20	12	16	16	-	
October 2002+	37	24	11	12	15	1	
July 2002	40	26	11	11	12	-	
June 2001	30	23	16	15	15	1	
January 2001	25	25	18	13	17	2	
High							
December 2001	54	26	9	6	5	-	
Low							
November 2005	20	18	12	15	35	-	

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Q.8 (cont'd)	Very <u>Positive</u>	Somewhat Positive	<u>Neutral</u>	Somewhat <u>Negative</u>	Very <u>Negative</u>	Don't Know Name/ <u>Not Sure</u>	
The Democratic Party							[150]
October 13-16, 2006+	11	26	26	19	16	2	
September 30-October 2, 2006+	9	29	26	17	17	2	
September 8-11, 2006+	11	23	24	21	19	2	
July 2006							
All Adults	7	25	27	22	17	2	
Registered voters+	7	23	26	24	18	2	
June 2006							
All Adults	10	25	25	22	17	1	
Registered voters+	9	24	25	23	18	1	
April 2006	9	24	27	23	16	1	
March 2006	8	24	30	22	15	1	
January 2006	11	25	28	20	15	1	
November 2005	8	25	29	20	16	2	
October 2005	10	24	32	19	13	2	
September 2005	11	26	29	18	14	2	
July 2005	9	25	28	22	14	2	
May 2005	12	26	26	20	14	2	
February 2005	14	28	28	16	13	1	
December 2004	18	26	22	19	14	1	
October 2004+	17	25	22	16	19	1	
September 2004+	16	26	20	18	19	1	
August 2004+	17	24	23	16	19	1	
July 2004+	16	25	24	19	14	2	
September 2003	11	29	22	19	16	3	
July 2003	11	25	25	20	16	3	
December 2002	13	27	27	16	15	2	
July 2002	10	29	25	21	13	2	
July 2000+	19	27	24	15	14	1	
High							
January 2000	20	30	23	15	10	2	
Low							
July 2006	7	25	27	22	17	2	

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Q.8 (cont'd)	Very <u>Positive</u>	Somewhat Positive	<u>Neutral</u>	Somewhat <u>Negative</u>	Very <u>Negative</u>	Don't Know Name/ <u>Not Sure</u>	
The Republican Party							[1
October 13-16, 2006+	11	21	18	19	30	1	
September 30-October 2, 2006+	11	26	18	17	27	1	
September 8-11, 2006+	13	24	17	20	25	1	
July 2006							
All Adults	11	22	18	21	25	3	
Registered voters+	11	23	17	21	26	2	
June 2006							
All Adults	10	24	18	21	26	1	
Registered voters+	10	25	17	21	26	1	
April 2006	9	26	20	21	22	2	
March 2006	10	24	21	22	21	2	
January 2006	13	24	20	20	22	1	
November 2005	9	23	23	19	24	2	
October 2005	13	23	23	20	19	2	
September 2005	14	23	20	19	22	2	
July 2005	12	26	20	21	20	1	
May 2005	13	27	17	19	22	2	
February 2005	17	27	19	18	18	1	
December 2004	19	27	18	16	18	2	
October 2004+	20	24	18	15	22	1	
September 2004+	21	22	16	18	22	1	
August 2004+	18	26	17	16	22	1	
July 2004+	18	25	20	18	18	1	
September 2003	17	26	17	19	18	3	
July 2003	18	30	16	16	16	3	
December 2002	21	26	22	15	14	2	
July 2002	18	25	22	17	14	4	
July 2000+	15	28	24	16	15	2	
High							
December 2001	21	36	18	13	9	3	
Low							
July 2006	11	22	18	21	25	3	

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Q.8 (cont'd)	Very <u>Positive</u>	Somewhat Positive	<u>Neutral</u>	Somewhat <u>Negative</u>	Very <u>Negative</u>	Don't Know Name/ <u>Not Sure</u>	
Mark Foley							[152]
October 13-16, 2006+	-	4	10	11	58	17	
Dennis Hastert							[153]
October 13-16, 2006+	4	11	15	16	16	40	
September 8-11, 2006+	3	10	17	7	8	55	
December 2002	4	8	19	5	2	62	
January 1999	1	5	16	2	2	74	
Nancy Pelosi							[154]
October 13-16, 2006+	4	10	18	8	17	43	
September 8-11, 2006+	4	11	12	7	16	50	
December 2005	3	10	20	6	12	49	
February 2005	5	10	17	6	10	52	
December 2002	3	8	16	4	8	61	

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9a. Please tell me how interested you are in this November's elections, using a scale from one to ten, on which a ten means that you are very interested in this November's elections, and a one means that you are not at all interested. You may choose any number from one to ten, depending on how interested you are.

	10/13-	9/30-	9/8-						
	<u>16/06</u> +	10/2/06+	<u>11/06</u> +	<u>7/06</u> +	<u>6/06</u> +	<u>4/06</u> +	<u>3/06</u> +	<u>1/06</u> +	
10, very interested	53	46	47	51	47	49	45	46	[155-156]
9	8	9	8	9	8	7	7	7	
8	14	17	16	17	17	17	18	15	
7	7	12	10	10	9	10	11	12	
6	6	5	5	4	5	5	5	5	
5	5	6	8	6	8	7	7	7	
4	2	1	2	2	1	2	1	2	
3	1	2	1	-	2	-	2	1	
2	1	-	-	-	1	1	1	1	
1, not interested at all	3	2	2	1	2	2	3	4	
Cannot rate	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	

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9b. Compared with previous elections, are you more enthusiastic about voting than usual, or less enthusiastic?

	10/13-	10/6-				
	<u>16/06</u> +	8/06 ¹	11/02	10/98	10/04	
More enthusiastic	45	45	41	45	34	[157]
Less enthusiastic	29	44	42	38	44	
Same (VOL)	25	10	15	16	20	
Not sure	1	1	2	1	2	

¹ Comparative data taken from surveys conducted by USA Today-Gallup.

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10. What is your preference for the outcome of this year's congressional elections—a Congress controlled by Republicans or a Congress controlled by Democrats?

Republican-controlled Congress Democrat-controlled Congress Not sure	10/13- 16/06+ 37 52 11	9/30- 10/2/06+ 39 48 13	9/8- 11/06+ 39 48 13	7/06+ 38 48 14	6/06+ 38 49 13	4/06+ 39 45 16	3/06+ 37 50 13	[158]
		1/06+ 38 47 15	12/05+ 38 46 16	11/05+ 37 48 15	10/05+ 39 48 13	7/05+ 40 45 15	<u>5/05</u> + 40 47 13	
		10/04+ 43 44 13	9/04+ 42 46 12	6/04+ 42 44 14	<u>5/04</u> + 41 44 15	3/04+ 42 45 13	1/04 42 43 15	
		12/13/03 42 42 42 16	10/02+ 43 42 15	9/02 42 42 16	7/02 43 41 16	6/02 42 41 17	1/02 44 40 16	
		12/01 42 40 18	12/99 40 44 16	10/99 39 41 20	7/99 39 43 18	6/99 42 41 17	<u>4/99</u> 41 40 19	
		3/99 37 43 20	10/98+ 41 43 16	9/98 40 39 21	7/98 41 40 19	6/98 39 40 21	4/98 37 41 22	
		2/98 41 37 22	1/98 40 42 18	12/97 41 37 22	<u>9/97</u> 41 39 20	7/97 45 39 16	4/97 44 38 18	
		1/96 41 38 21	12/95 42 41 17	10/94 44 38 18				

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11. In November's election for U.S. Congress, do you feel that your representative deserves to be reelected, or do you think that it is time to give a new person a chance?

Deserves to be reelected Give new person a chance Not sure	10/13- 16/06+ 39 45 16	9/30- 10/2/06+ 38 45 17	9/8- 11/06+ 41 43 16	7/06+ 38 48 14	6/06+ 42 45 13	3/06+ 41 48 11	1/06+ 41 46 13	12/05+ 41 44 15	[167]
		<u>11/05</u> + 37	<u>5/05</u> + 42	<u>10/04</u> + 49	<u>10/02</u> + 42	<u>9/02</u> 41	<u>10/00</u> + 50	<u>9/00</u> + 49	
		51	45	34	39	42	35	38	
		12	13	17	19	17	15	13	
		<u>6/00</u> +	12/99	<u>10/98</u> +	<u>12/97</u> +	<u>10/94</u> +	9/94	<u>5/94</u>	
		49	42	48	41	39	30	34	
		39	47	37	45	49	53	50	
		12	11	15	14	12	17	16	
		<u>1/94</u>	<u>10/93</u>	9/93	7/93	<u>10/92</u> +	<u>9/92</u> +	<u>7/92</u> +	
		35	34	37	30	31	31	27	
		47	52	47	55	56	56	62	
		18	14	16	15	13	13	11	
		<u>4/92</u> +	<u>2/92</u> +	<u>1/92</u> +	<u>12/91</u> +	<u>10/91</u> +	<u>10/90</u> +	<u>11/89</u> +	
		33	37	42	35	40	39	41	
		57	52	48	52	48	48	36	
		10	11	10	13	12	13	23	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

12. In deciding whether to vote for your member of Congress, which is more important to you--your congressperson's position on national issues or your congressperson's performance in taking care of problems in your district?

	10/13- 16/06+*	7/06+	6/06+	4/06+	3/06+	10/94+	
Position on national issues	39	40	37	43	44	35	[168]
Performance in district	39	36	40	38	40	51	
Both/neither (VOL)	21	23	21	18	15	13	
Not sure	1	1	2	1	1	1	

^{*} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A/C).

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

13. Will your vote for Congress this November be a vote to send a signal of support for President Bush, a signal of opposition to President Bush, or not a signal either way about President Bush?

A vote to send signal of support for Bush A vote to send signal of opposition to Bush Not a signal either way about Bush Do not plan to vote (VOL) Not sure	10/13- 16/06+ 22 38 38 - 2	9/30- 10/2/06+ 28 39 31 - 2	9/8- 11/06+ 25 37 36 - 2	7/06+ 21 38 39 - 2	6/06+ 21 38 39 -	[169]
	4/06+ 21 31	3/06+ 20 37	11/05+ 21 39	10/02+1 31 19	Bill Clinton 10/98+ ² 28 23	
	45 - 3	41 - 2	36 1 3	49 - 1	49 NA -	

¹ In October 2002, the question was phrased, Is your vote for Congress this November a vote to send a signal of support for President Bush, a signal of opposition to President Bush, or not a signal either way about President Bush?

14a. If the Republicans were to control the House of Representatives, the U.S. Senate, and the White House, do you think that it would be a good thing, a bad thing, or would it not make much difference to you?

	10/13-		
	<u>16/06</u> +	<u>10/02</u> +	
A good thing	26	31	[170]
A bad thing	48	41	
Would not make much difference to me	24	25	
Not sure	2	3	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

14b. If the Democrats were to control the House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate, do you think that it would be a good thing, a bad thing, or would it not make much difference to you?

	10/13-		
	<u>16/06</u> +	<u>10/02</u> +	
A good thing	40	32	[171]
A bad thing	30	34	
Would not make much difference to me	26	30	
Not sure	4	4	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

² In October 1998, the question was phrased, Is your vote for Congress this November a vote to send a signal of support for Bill Clinton, a signal of opposition to Bill Clinton, or not a signal either way about Bill Clinton?

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

15a. Has what you have seen and heard over the past few weeks made you feel more favorable, less favorable, or had no effect on your feelings about possibly having the Democrats become the majority party in Congress?

	10/13-	9/30-	
	<u>16/06</u> +	<u>10/2/06</u> +	
More favorable	37	34	[172]
Less favorable	22	23	
No effect	37	37	
Have not seen/heard enough to say (VOL)	2	4	
Not sure	2	2	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

15b. Has what you have seen and heard over the past few weeks made you feel more favorable, less favorable, or had no effect on your feelings about possibly having the Republicans maintain the majority in Congress?

	10/13- 16/06+	9/30- 10/2/06+	
More favorable	14	18	[173]
Less favorable	47	41	
No effect	35	35	
Have not seen/heard enough to say (VOL)	2	4	
Not sure	2	2	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

16. I'm going to read you a statement. Please tell me how much you agree or disagree with this statement using a five-point scale. On this scale a five means you totally agree with this statement and a one means you totally disagree. You may use any number from one to five depending on how much you agree or disagree with the statement. In a time of economic uncertainty and potential terrorism, it makes sense to have unity and cooperation in the government with a majority in Congress and a president who are of the same party. +

5, totally agree	33	[215]
4	17	
3	21	
2	10	
1, totally disagree	18	
Cannot rate	1	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

17. As you may know, there have been a number of allegations of ethics violations and misconduct by members of Congress. Do you think this Congress has had more ethical problems than those in the past, fewer ethical problems than those in the past, or about the same number of ethical problems as those in the past?

		6/06		
	10/13-	All	Reg.	•
	<u> 16/06</u> +	<u>Adults</u>	Voters+	
More ethical problems	33	33	34	[216]
Fewer ethical problems	3	3	2	
About the same number of ethical problems	62	60	60	
Not sure	2	4	4	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

18. Of the following issues, please tell me which one or two are going to be most important to you in deciding your vote for Congress in November. (IF MORE THAN TWO, ASK:) Well, if you had to pick just one or two, which would they be?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

	<u>10/06</u> +	<u>10/02</u> +	
The war in Iraq	35	36	[217-218]
Job creation and economic growth	24	23	>
Terrorism	23	22	
Health care	20	19	
Illegal immigration	19	20	
Social Security and Medicare	17	16	
Moral values	13	15	
The cost of gas and energy	11	11	
Other (VOL)	1	1	
All equally (VOL)	11	9	
None of these (VOL)	-	-	
Not sure	-	-	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

19a. I'm going to read you several reasons that some people have given for why people should vote for Republican candidates for Congress in this November's election. Please tell me which one or two, if any, are most important to you personally. (IF "ALL," ASK:) Well, which one or two would you say are MOST important to you? +

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

They are tough on terrorism	24	[219]
Their conservative position on issues of moral values	18	>
Their economic policies are helping to improve the economy	18	
Their efforts to halt illegal immigration	16	
They will continue to reduce taxes	14	
None	34	
All (VOL)	6	
Not sure	3	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

19b. I'm going to read you several reasons that some people have given for why people should vote for Democratic candidates for Congress in this November's election. Please tell me which one or two, if any, are most important to you personally. (IF "ALL," ASK:) Well, which one or two would you say are MOST important to you? +

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

They will set a new course in Iraq	25	[220]
They will provide a check on the policies of the Bush administration	23	>
They will protect Social Security	20	
They will expand the number of people who have health insurance	20	
Their economic policies will help to improve the economy	15	
None	26	
All (VOL)	9	
Not sure	3	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

20. When it comes to **(READ ITEM)**, which party do you think would do a better job—the Democratic Party, the Republican Party, or both about the same? If you think that neither would do a good job, please just say so.

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY DEMOCRATIC PARTY ADVANTAGE

	Party <u>Advantage</u>	Democratic <u>Party</u>	Republican <u>Party</u>	Both About The Same	<u>Neither</u>	Not <u>Sure</u>	
Dealing with Social Security							[229]
October 13-16, 2006+ **	D-28	48	20	18	10	4	
September 8-11, 2006	D-23	42	19	17	16	6	
November 2005							
All Adults	D-22	44	22	13	16	5	
Registered voters+	D-24	46	22	11	17	4	
December 2004	D-15	38	23	20	13	6	
January 2004	D-20	45	25	16	11	3	
December 13, 2003	D-15	39	24	18	13	7	
October 2002+	D-23	43	20	19	13	5	
June 2002	D-15	36	21	26	12	5	
June 2001	D-15	38	23	22	11	6	
December 1999	D-15	38	23	18	14	7	
March 1999	D-18	39	21	23	11	6	
October 1998+	D-23	44	21	25	6	4	
September 1998	D-16	37	21	25	13	4	
July 1998	D-9	28	19	34	14	5	
January 1998	D-11	26	15	34	18	7	
September 1997	D-14	33	19	18	22	8	
October 1996	D-12	36	24	17	15	8	
December 1995	D-22	44	22	14	14	6	
June 1995	D-9	35	26	16	15	8	
November 1994	D-5	32	27	15	16	10	

^{**} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B/D).

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q.20 (cont'd)	Party Advantage	Democratic <u>Party</u>	Republican <u>Party</u>	Both About The Same	<u>Neither</u>	Not Sure	
Dealing with the economy		1 					[225]
October 13-16, 2006+ *	D-13	43	30	17	7	3	
September 2006+	D-12	40	28	17	10	5	
March 2006		 					
All Adults	D-12	39	27	20	11	3	
Registered voters+	D-11	39	28	19	11	3	
November 2005		 					
ALL ADULTS	D-14	39	25	17	14	5	
Registered voters+	D-14	40	26	17	13	4	
December 2004	D-9	39	30	20	7	4	
July 2004+	D-8	40	32	19	7	2	
January 2004+	R-2	36	38	15	8	2	
December 13, 2003	R-1	37	38	14	7	5	
October 2002+	D-6	36	30	21	9	4	
June 2002	D-1	32	31	24	9	4	
June 2001	D-6	37	31	20	6	6	
December 1999	D-3	34	31	24	7	4	
March 1999	D-6	35	29	26	6	4	
September 1998	-	31	31	29	6	3	
September 1997	R-9	25	34	26	9	6	
October 1996	D-4	36	32	15	10	7	
May 1996+	R-4	26	30	27	14	3	
December 1995	R-8	22	30	27	17	4	
June 1995	R-12	17	29	29	23	2	
October 1994	R-8	22	30	28	16	4	
July 1994	R-11	18	29	32	17	4	
June 1994	R-5	21	26	39	12	2	
October 1993	R-5	22	27	20	28	3	
March 1993	D-16	34	18	34	11	3	
July 1992+	D-8	26	18	35	18	3	
May 1992	D-6	29	23	26	17	5	
January 1992+	D-5	28	23	33	12	4	
October 1991+	R-1	27	28	26	14	5	
Dealing with ethics in government		! !					[228]
October 13-16, 2006+ **	D-10	29	19	23	26	3	
March 2006] 					
All Adults	D-6	25	19	29	22	5	
Registered voters+	D-6	26	20	28	22	4	
November 2005 ¹] 					
All Adults	D-5	27	22	19	26	6	
Registered voters+	D-4	26	22	19	26	7	

^{*} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A/C).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B/D).

1 In November 2005, the item was phrased, Promoting ethics in government.

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q.20 (cont'd)	Party <u>Advantage</u>	Democratic <u>Party</u>	Republican <u>Party</u>	Both About The Same	<u>Neither</u>	Not Sure	
Dealing with Iraq							[221/226]
October 13-16, 2006+	D-8	39	31	14	12	4	
September 8-11, 2006+	R-5	29	34	16	15	6	
March 2006							
All Adults	R-3	27	30	21	16	6	
Registered voters+	R-4	27	31	21	15	6	
November 2005							
All Adults	D-3	33	30	14	17	6	
Registered voters+	-	32	32	13	17	6	
December 2004	R-15	27	42	17	10	4	
July 2004+	R-8	31	39	16	10	4	
January 2004+	R-27	22	49	14	12	4	
December 13, 2003	R-21	24	45	13	7	11	
October 2002+	R-30	17	47	21	8	7	
Dealing with immigration							[224]
October 13-16, 2006+ *	D-3	28	25	21	19	7	
September 8-11, 2006+	D-2	24	22	21	22	11	
November 2005							
All Adults	D-6	25	19	21	26	9	
Registered voters+	D-4	24	20	22	26	8	
Dealing with the development of nuclear weapons by other countries							[222/227]
October 13-16, 2006+	R-4	26	30	26	13	5	
Dealing with the war on terrorism							[230]
October 13-16, 2006+ **	R-10	25	35	25	11	4	
September 8-11, 2006+ **	R-14	24	38	21	12	5	
November 2005		i I					
All Adults	R-9	26	35	23	11	5	
Registered voters+	R-9	27	36	21	11	5	
December 2004	R-18	24	42	22	7	5	
January 2004	R-24	23	46	22	6	3	
December 13, 2003	R-26	20	46	19	9	5	
October 2002+	R-36	13	49	27	6	5	
Promoting strong moral values							[223]
October 13-16, 2006+ *	R-13	20	33	19	24	4	
November 2005							
All Adults	R-17	18	35	22	21	4	
Registered voters+	R-17	19	36	22	20	3	
December 2004		21	42	22	12	3	
January 2004	R-22	23	45	18	13	2	
December 13, 2003		20	42	15	15	8	
June 2001		18	40	23	16	3	
December 1999	R-21	16	37	23	20	4	

^{*} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A/C).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B/D).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

21a. Now I'm going to read you several events that have happened in the past month or two. For each one, please tell me whether that event is extremely important, very important, not too important, or not at all important to you in deciding how you will vote in this November's election for Congress. +

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY EXTREMELY IMPORTANT

			Not		
Extremely Important	Very <u>Important</u>	Not Too Important	Important <u>At All</u>	Not <u>Sure</u>	
34	44	15	6	1	[238]
31	49	13	6	1	[233]
30	57	11	2	-	[236]
22	28	23	25	2	[231]
19	36	24	20	1	[234]
15	42	26	15	2	[235]
13	31	30	24	2	[237]
9	36	30	22	3	[232]
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^{*} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A/C).

21b. I'm going to read you these events again. Please tell me whether each event makes you more likely to vote for the Democratic candidate for Congress in your district, the Republican candidate for Congress in your district, or would it make no difference to your vote one way or the other? +

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY DEMOCRATIC PARTY ADVANTAGE

	Party <u>Advantage</u>	Democratic <u>Candidate</u>	Republican <u>Candidate</u>	No Difference <u>Either Way</u>	Not Sure	
Criticism of the current Iraq plan by retired American military leaders **	D-26	44	18	34	4	[243]
Recent developments in the war in Iraq *	D-20	45	25	29	1	[241]
The revelation of a congressman sending inappropriate e-mails to congressional pages *	D-19	29	10	58	3	[239]
Overall condition of the economy **	D-10	41	31	24	4	[244]
The decline in the price of gasoline *	D-9	25	16	57	2	[242]
The passage of a bill that would begin to fund the building of a fence along the border with Mexico **	D-1	27	26	42	5	[245]
North Korea testing a nuclear weapon **	R-2	31	33	31	5	[246]
The improvement in the stock market *	R-3	19	22	57	2	[240]

^{*} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A/C).

^{**} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B/D).

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⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

22. Have you heard about a situation involving former Congressman Mark Foley sending inappropriate e-mails to congressional pages? (IF "YES," ASK:) Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the actions that the Republican leadership in Congress has taken to respond to this situation? +

Have heard—satisfied	27	[247]
Have heard—dissatisfied	55	
Have heard—no opinion (VOL)	7	
Have not heard	7	
Not sure	4	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

On a different subject . . .

23. Do you think the war in Afghanistan against the Taliban and Al Qaeda has been very successful, somewhat successful, somewhat unsuccessful, or very unsuccessful? +

Very successful	9	[248]
Somewhat successful	42	
Somewhat unsuccessful	23	
Very unsuccessful	24	
Not sure	2	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

24. Do you think that capturing or killing Osama bin Laden is necessary to successfully conclude the campaign in Afghanistan, or not?

		9/03					
	10/13-	All	Reg.				
	<u>16/06</u> +	<u>Adults</u>	Voters+	6/02	4/02	1/02	
Capturing or killing is necessary	39	48	45	41	49	44	[249]
Capturing or killing is NOT necessary	56	45	47	54	46	52	
Not sure	5	8	8	5	5	4	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

25. If North Korea continues with its weapons development program and continues to launch test missiles, do you believe that the United States should or should not initiate military action to destroy North Korea's ability to make weapons? If you have not been following this situation, please just say so. (IF "SHOULD" OR "SHOULD NOT," ASK:) And do you feel strongly about that, or not?

		7/	06	
	10/13-	All	Reg.	-
	<u>16/06</u> +	<u>Adults</u>	Voters+	
Should Initiate Military Action				
Feel strongly	24	30	31	[250]
Do not feel strongly	8	12	11	
Should Not Initiate Military Action				
Do not feel strongly	15	12	12	
Feel strongly	42	34	35	
Have not been following situation	3	4	3	
Not sure	8	8	8	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

As you may know, North Korea is believed to have recently had a test explosion of a nuclear weapon. Do you believe that this is something the United States had the ability to prevent, or do you think that this is something the United States did NOT have the ability to prevent? +

Had the ability to prevent	30	[251]
Did NOT have the ability to prevent	63	
Not sure	7	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Turning to the war in Iraq . . .

27. Based on what you have seen happening in Iraq over the course of the past month, do you feel more optimistic or more pessimistic about the way things are going in Iraq?

		6/	06	
	10/13-	All	Reg.	
	<u>16/06</u> +	<u>Adults</u>	Voters+	
More optimistic	20	46	45	[252]
Less optimistic	68	44	44	
No difference (VOL)	9	6	7	
Not sure	3	4	4	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

28. Do you think that America's safety from terrorism depends upon our success in the war in Iraq, or does it NOT depend upon our success in the war in Iraq?

	10/13- 1 <u>6/06</u> + 37 58 5	9/30- 10/2/06+ 37 57 6	[253]
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⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

29. Do you feel that the United States has accomplished as much as can be expected in Iraq or do you feel that the United States can be expected to accomplish more?

	10/13-		
	<u>16/06</u> +	3/06	
Accomplished as much as can be expected	43	52	[254]
Can be expected to accomplish more	48	42	
Not sure	9	6	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

30. Do you think that President Bush has or has not given good reasons for why the United States must keep troops in Iraq?

	10/13-				
	<u>16/06</u> +*	1/06	12/05	11/05	
Has given good reasons	39	43	42	38	[255]
Has not given good reasons	57	52	54	58	
Not sure	4	5	4	4	

- * Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A/C).
- + Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.
- 31. Thinking about the situation today in Iraq, do you think the violence in that country is BETTER described as Iraqis fighting against each other in a civil war OR Iraqis and foreign terrorists fighting against American soldiers? + **

Iraqis fighting against each other in a civil war	40	[256]
Iraqis and foreign terrorists fighting against American soldiers	31	
Some of both (VOL)	26	
Not sure		

- ** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B/D).
- + Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

FACTUALS: Now I am going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.

F1. A lot of people are unable to get out and vote for many reasons. Did you happen to vote in the November 2004 election for president? (IF "YES," ASK:) For whom did you vote—George W. Bush, John Kerry, or someone else? +

Voted—George W. Bush	46	[257]
Voted—John Kerry	41	
Voted—someone else	4	
Voted—refused (VOL)	2	
Did not vote	6	
Not sure	1	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

F2. Are you currently employed? (IF CURRENTLY EMPLOYED:) What type of work do you do?

(IF NOT CURRENTLY EMPLOYED:) Are you a student, a homemaker, retired, or unemployed and looking for work? +

<u>Currently Employed</u>		
Professional/ manager	23	[258-265]
White-collar worker	19	
Blue-collar worker	15	
Farmer, rancher	-	
Not Currently Employed		
Student	3	
Homemaker	7	
Retired	27	
Unemployed, looking for work	3	
Other	-	
Not sure	3	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

F3. What is the last grade that you completed in school? +

Grade school	1	[266-267]
Some high school	4	
High school graduate	24	
Some college, no degree	18	
Vocational training/2-year college	11	
4-year college/bachelor's degree	22	
Some postgraduate work, no degree	2	
2 or 3 years' postgraduate work/master's degree	13	
Doctoral/law degree	3	
Not sure/refused	2	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

F4. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or something else? (IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:) Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican) or not a very strong (Democrat/Republican)? (IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK:) Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, closer to the Democratic Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly independent? +

Strong Democrat	21	[268]
Not very strong Democrat	7	
Independent/lean Democrat	15	
Strictly independent	15	
Independent/lean Republican	10	
Not very strong Republican	9	
Strong Republican	18	
Other	3	
Not sure/nothing	2	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

F5. Thinking about your general approach to issues, do you consider yourself to be liberal, moderate, or conservative? +

Liberal	21	[269]
Moderate	37	
Conservative	37	
Not sure	5	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

F6a. What is your religion? +

Protestant (includes Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist, Episcopal, Presbyterian, and other Christians)	53	CONTINUE	[270]
Catholic	25		- "
Jewish	1	Skip to Q.F7	
Muslim	-		
Other	9		
None	8	CONTINUE	
Not sure/refused	4		

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "PROTESTANT," "OTHER," "NONE," OR "NOT SURE" IN Q.F7a.)

F6b. Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or an evangelical Christian, or would you not describe yourself that way? +

Fundamentalist/evangelical	20	[271]
Neither fundamentalist nor evangelical	46	
Not sure	8	
Catholic/Jewish/Muslim (Q.F6a)	26	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

F7. How often do you attend services at a church, synagogue, mosque, or other place of worship? +

Never	14	[272]
Once a year	7	
A few times a year		
Once a month		
About twice a month	8	
Once a week or more often	44	
Not sure	5	

⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

F8. Are you currently single and never married, unmarried and living with a partner, married, separated, widowed, or divorced? +

Single	16	[273]
Unmarried, living with partner		
Married	61	
Separated	1	
Widowed		
Divorced	9	
Other (VOL)	-	
Not sure/refused	2	

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F9. Are you a member of a labor union? (IF "NO," ASK:) Is anyone else in this household a member of a labor union? +

Labor union member	11	[274]
Labor union household	6	
Non-union household	81	
Not sure	2	

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F10. If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, would the total be less than ten thousand dollars, between ten thousand dollars and twenty thousand dollars, between thirty thousand dollars and forty thousand dollars, between forty thousand dollars and fifty thousand dollars, between fifty thousand dollars and seventy-five thousand dollars, between seventy-five thousand dollars and one hundred thousand dollars, or would the total be more than that? +

Less than \$10,000	4	[275]
Between \$10,000 and \$20,000	7	
Between \$20,000 and \$30,000	7	
Between \$30,000 and \$40,000	9	
Between \$40,000 and \$50,000	9	
Between \$50,000 and \$75,000	19	
Between \$75,000 and \$100,000	12	
More than \$100,000	16	
Not sure/refused	17	

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