# PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE & THE PRESS APRIL 2008 POLITICAL SURVEY FINAL TOPLINE

April 23-27, 2008 N=1502

## **ASK ALL:**

Q.1 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president? [IF DK ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president? IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]

	App-	Dis-	Don't		App-	Dis-	Don't
	rove	<u>approve</u>	<u>know</u>		rove	<u>approve</u>	<u>know</u>
April, 2008	27	65	8=100	Mid-March, 2005	45	46	9=100
March, 2008	28	63	9=100	February, 2005	46	47	7 = 100
Late February, 2008	33	59	8=100	January, 2005	50	43	7 = 100
Early February, 2008	31	62	7=100	December, 2004	48	44	8=100
January, 2008	31	59	10=100	Mid-October, 2004	44	48	8=100
Late December, 2007	31	60	9=100	August, 2004	46	45	9=100
November, 2007	30	59	11=100	July, 2004	46	46	8=100
October, 2007	30	63	7=100	June, 2004	48	43	9=100
September, 2007	31	59	10=100	May, 2004	44	48	8=100
August, 2007	31	59	10=100	Late April, 2004	48	43	9=100
July, 2007	29	61	10 = 100	Early April, 2004	43	47	10 = 100
June, 2007	29	61	10 = 100	Late March, 2004	47	44	9=100
April, 2007	35	57	8=100	Mid-March, 2004	46	47	7=100
March, 2007	33	58	9=100	February, 2004	48	44	8=100
February, 2007	33	56	11=100	Mid-January, 2004	56	34	10=100
Mid-January, 2007	33	59	8=100	Early January, 2004	58	35	7=100
Early January, 2007	33	57	10=100	December, 2003	57	34	9=100
December, 2006	32	57	11=100	November, 2003	50	40	10=100
Mid-November, 2006	32	58	10=100	October, 2003	50	42	8=100
Early October, 2006	37	53	10=100	September, 2003	55	36	9=100
September, 2006	37	53	10=100	Mid-August, 2003	56	32	12=100
August, 2006	37	54	9=100	Early August, 2003	53	37	10=100
July, 2006	36	57	7=100	Mid-July, 2003	58	32	10=100
June, 2006	36	54	10=100	Early July, 2003	60	29	11=100
April, 2006	33	56	11=100	June, 2003	62	27	11=100
Early April, 2006	35	55	10=100	May, 2003	65	27	8=100
March, 2006	33	57	10=100	April 10-16, 2003	72	22	6=100
February, 2006	40	52	8=100	April 9, 2003	74	20	6=100
January, 2006	38	54	8=100	April 2-7, 2003	69	25	6=100
December, 2005	38	54	8=100	March 28-April 1, 2003	71	23	6=100
Early November, 2005	36	55	9=100	March 25-27, 2003	70	24	6=100
Late October, 2005	40	52	8=100	March 20-24, 2003	67	26	7=100
Early October, 2005	38	56	6=100	March 13-16, 2003	55	34	11=100
September 8-11, 2005	40	52	8=100	February, 2003	54	36	10=100
September 6-7, 2005	40	52	8=100	January, 2003	58	32	10=100
July, 2005	44	48	8=100	December, 2002	61	28	11=100
June, 2005	42	49	9=100	Late October, 2002	59	29	12=100
Late May, 2005	42	48	10=100	Early October, 2002	61	30	9=100
Mid-May, 2005	43	50	7=100	Mid-September, 2002	67	22	11=100
Late March, 2005	49	46	5=100	Early September, 2002	63	26	11=100

Q.1 CONTINUED			
	App-	Dis-	Don't
	rove	<u>approve</u>	<u>know</u>
Late August, 2002	60	27	13=100
August, 2002	67	21	12=100
Late July, 2002	65	25	10=100
July, 2002	67	21	12=100
June, 2002	70	20	10=100
April, 2002	69	18	13=100
Early April, 2002	74	16	10=100
February, 2002	78	13	9=100
January, 2002	80	11	9=100
Mid-November, 2001	84	9	7=100
Early October, 2001	84	8	8=100
Late September, 2001	86	7	7=100
Mid-September, 2001	80	9	11=100
Early September, 2001	51	34	15=100
August, 2001	50	32	18=100
July, 2001	51	32	17=100
June, 2001	50	33	17=100
May, 2001	53	32	15=100
April, 2001	56	27	17=100
March, 2001	55	25	20=100
February, 2001	53	21	26=100

# ASK ALL:

# ROTATE THOUGHT/Q.2

THOUGHT How much thought have you given to the coming presidential election ... Quite a lot, or only a little?

# BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1323]:

						(VOL.)
		Quite	(VOL.)	Only a	(VOL.)	DK/
		A lot	<u>Some</u>	<u>Little</u>	<u>None</u>	Ref.
2008	April, 2008	77	7	13	2	1=100
	March, 2008	78	3	15	3	1 = 100
	Late February, 2008	74	3	19	2	2=100
2004	November, 2004	82	3	12	2	1=100
	Mid-October, 2004	76	5	15	3	1=100
	Early October, 2004	74	4	19	2	1=100
	September, 2004	71	3	22	3	1=100
	August, 2004	69	2	26	2	1=100
	July, 2004	67	2	28	2	1=100
	June, 2004	58	3	36	2	1=100
	May, 2004	59	6	30	4	1=100
	Late March, 2004	60	4	31	4	1=100
	Mid-March, 2004	65	2	31	2	*=100
2000	November, 2000	72	6	19	2	1=100
	Late October, 2000	66	6	24	4	*=100
	Mid-October, 2000	67	9	19	4	1=100
	Early October, 2000	60	8	27	4	1 = 100
	September, 2000	59	8	29	3	1=100
	July, 2000	46	6	45	3	*=100

## THOUGHT CONTINUED...

						(VOL.)
		Quite	(VOL.)	Only a	(VOL.)	DK/
		A lot	Some	<u>Little</u>	None	Ref.
	June, 2000	46	6	43	5	*=100
	May, 2000	48	4	42	5	1=100
	April, 2000	45	7	41	7	*=100
1996	November, 1996	67	8	22	3	*=100
	October, 1996	65	7	26	1	1=100
	Late September, 1996	61	7	29	2	1=100
	Early September, 1996	56	3	36	4	1=100
	July, 1996	55	3	41	1	*=100
	June, 1996	50	5	41	3	1=100
1992	Early October, 1992	77	5	16	1	1=100
	September, 1992	69	3	26	1	1=100
	August, 1992	72	4	23	1	*=100
	June, 1992	63	6	29	1	1=100
1988	Gallup: November, 1988	73	8	17	2	0 = 100
	Gallup: October, 1988	69	9	20	2	0 = 100
	Gallup: August, 1988	61	10	27	2	0 = 100
	Gallup: September, 1988	57	18	23	2	0=100

#### **ASK ALL:**

# **ROTATE THOUGHT/Q.2**

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Q.2 Would you say you are looking forward to the presidential election this fall or not?

## --TREND FOR COMPARISON---1

		Late Dec	Jan
		2007	1988
68	Yes	70	74
30	No	28	23
<u>2</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
100		100	100

In Late December 2007 and January 1988, this question was asked as part of a list where the presidential election always appeared first in the list. "I am going to read you a list of events that will occur in the coming year. As I read each one, please tell me whether or not this is an event you are especially looking forward to. The first one is..."

#### **ASK ALL:**

REGIST These days, many people are so busy they can't find time to register to vote, or move around so often they don't get a chance to re-register. Are you NOW registered to vote in your precinct or election district or haven't you been able to register so far?

# IF RESPONDENT ANSWERED '1' YES IN REGIST ASK:

REGICERT Are you absolutely certain that you are registered to vote, or is there a chance that your registration has lapsed because you moved or for some other reason?

- 86 Yes, Registered
  - 83 Absolutely certain
  - 1 Chance registration has lapsed
  - 2 Don't know/Refused
- 14 No, Not registered/Don't know
- \* Don't know/Refused

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**ASK ALL:** 

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or Independent? **IF ANSWERED 3, 4, 5 OR 9 IN PARTY, ASK:** 

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

				(VOL.)	(VOL.)	(VOL.)		
				No	Other	DK/	Lean	Lean
	Republican	Democrat	Independent	Preference	Party	Ref	Rep	Dem
April, 2008	24	37	31	5	1	2=100	11	15
March, 2008	24	38	29	5	*	4=100	9	14
Late February, 2008	24	38	32	3	*	3=100	10	17
Early February, 2008	3 26	35	31	5	*	3=100	11	14
January, 2008	24	33	37	4	*	2 = 100	12	18
Late December, 2007	7 25	32	36	4	*	3=100	12	18
November, 2007	28	33	32	4	1	2 = 100	9	16
October, 2007	25	37	33	3	*	2 = 100	11	17
September, 2007	27	32	32	6	*	3=100	8	16
August, 2007	26	32	32	5	1	4=100	10	16
July, 2007	27	32	34	4	*	3=100	11	17
June, 2007	25	34	32	6	*	3=100	10	17
April, 2007	25	28	40	5	*	2 = 100	13	17
March, 2007	25	36	33	3	*	3=100	12	16
February, 2007	25	34	34	4	*	3=100	10	18
Mid-January, 2007	24	35	34	3	*	4 = 100	12	18
Early-January, 2007	23	31	39	4	*	3=100	12	18
Yearly Totals								
2007	25.4	32.9	33.7	4.6	.4	3.1=100	10.7	16.7
2006	27.6	32.8	30.3	5.0	.4	3.9=100	10.2	14.5
2005	29.2	32.8	30.3	4.5	.3	2.8=100	10.2	14.9
2004	29.5	33.1	30.0	4.0	.4	3.0=100	11.8	13.6
2003	29.8	31.4	31.2	4.7	.5	2.5 = 100	12.1	13.0
2002	30.3	31.2	30.1	5.1	.7	2.7 = 100	12.6	11.6
2001	29.2	33.6	28.9	5.1	.5	2.7 = 100	11.7	11.4
2001 Post-Sept 11	30.9	31.8	27.9	5.2	.6	3.6=100	11.7	9.4
2001 Pre-Sept 11	28.2	34.6	29.5	5.0	.5	2.1=100	11.7	12.5
2000	27.5	32.5	29.5	5.9	.5	4.0=100	11.6	11.6

## PARTY/PARTYLN CONTINUED...

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			(VOL.)	(VOL.)	(VOL.)		
			No	Other	DK/	Lean	Lean
Republican	<b>Democrat</b>	Independent	<b>Preference</b>	<u>Party</u>	<u>Ref</u>	<u>Rep</u>	<u>Dem</u>
26.6	33.5	33.7	3.9	.5	1.9=100	13.0	14.5
27.5	33.2	31.9	4.6	.4	2.4 = 100	11.8	13.5
28.2	33.3	31.9	4.0	.4	2.3 = 100	12.3	13.8
29.2	32.7	33.0	5.2 = 100			12.7	15.6
31.4	29.7	33.4	5.4 = 100			14.4	12.9
29.8	31.8	33.8	4.6 = 100			14.3	12.6
27.4	33.8	34.0	4.8 = 100			11.8	14.7
27.7	32.7	35.7	3.9 = 100			13.8	15.8
30.9	31.4	33.2	4.5 = 100			14.6	10.8
31.0	33.1	29.1	6.8 = 100			12.4	11.3
33	33	34=100					
26	35	39=100					
	Republican 26.6 27.5 28.2 29.2 31.4 29.8 27.4 27.7 30.9 31.0 33	26.6 33.5 27.5 33.2 28.2 33.3 29.2 32.7 31.4 29.7 29.8 31.8 27.4 33.8 27.7 32.7 30.9 31.4 31.0 33.1 33 33	Republican         Democrat         Independent           26.6         33.5         33.7           27.5         33.2         31.9           28.2         33.3         31.9           29.2         32.7         33.0           31.4         29.7         33.4           29.8         31.8         33.8           27.4         33.8         34.0           27.7         32.7         35.7           30.9         31.4         33.2           31.0         33.1         29.1           33         33         34=100	Republican         Democrat         Independent         Preference           26.6         33.5         33.7         3.9           27.5         33.2         31.9         4.6           28.2         33.3         31.9         4.0           29.2         32.7         33.0         5.2=100           31.4         29.7         33.4         5.4=100           29.8         31.8         33.8         4.6=100           27.4         33.8         34.0         4.8=100           27.7         32.7         35.7         3.9=100           30.9         31.4         33.2         4.5=100           31.0         33.1         29.1         6.8=100           33         33         34=100	Republican         Democrat         Independent         Preference         Party           26.6         33.5         33.7         3.9         .5           27.5         33.2         31.9         4.6         .4           28.2         33.3         31.9         4.0         .4           29.2         32.7         33.0         5.2=100         .4           31.4         29.7         33.4         5.4=100         .4           29.8         31.8         33.8         4.6=100         .4           27.4         33.8         34.0         4.8=100         .4           27.7         32.7         35.7         3.9=100         .3           30.9         31.4         33.2         4.5=100         .4           31.0         33.1         29.1         6.8=100         .8=100           33         33         34=100         .4         .8=100         .8	Republican         Democrat         Independent         Preference         Party         Ref           26.6         33.5         33.7         3.9         .5         1.9=100           27.5         33.2         31.9         4.6         .4         2.4=100           28.2         33.3         31.9         4.0         .4         2.3=100           29.2         32.7         33.0         5.2=100         5.2=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=100         5.4=1	Republican         Democrat         Independent         Preference         Party         Ref         Rep           26.6         33.5         33.7         3.9         .5         1.9=100         13.0           27.5         33.2         31.9         4.6         .4         2.4=100         11.8           28.2         33.3         31.9         4.0         .4         2.3=100         12.3           29.2         32.7         33.0         5.2=100         12.7         12.7           31.4         29.7         33.4         5.4=100         14.4           29.8         31.8         33.8         4.6=100         14.3           27.4         33.8         34.0         4.8=100         13.8           30.9         31.4         33.2         4.5=100         14.6           31.0         33.1         29.1         6.8=100         12.4           33         33         34=100         12.4

#### **ASK ALL:**

Q.3 Now I'd like your views on some people. As I read some names, please tell me if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of each person. (First, INSERT NAME) would you say your overall opinion of... [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE] is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? How about (NEXT NAME)? [IF NECESSARY: would you say your overall opinion of [NAME] is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? [INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE."]

								(VOL.)	(VOL.)
		I	Favoral	ole	Un	favora	able	Never	Can't
		<u>Total</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>Total</u>	Very	<b>Mostly</b>	Heard of	rate/Ref
a.	George W. Bush	31	9	22	65	42	23	*	4 = 100
	March, 2008	34	8	26	61	37	24	0	5=100
	Late February, 2008	35	10	25	60	39	21	0	5=100
	Early February, 2008	34	9	25	61	39	22	*	5=100
	January, 2008	36	11	25	60	37	23	0	4 = 100
	Late December, 2007	33	10	23	63	41	22	0	4=100
	August, 2007	40	12	28	57	34	23	*	3=100
	December, 2006	39	12	27	57	34	23	*	4 = 100
	April, 2006	40	15	25	57	35	22	*	3=100
	Late October, 2005	46	17	29	51	29	22	*	3=100
	July, 2005	51	22	29	46	25	21	0	3=100
	Late March, 2005	53	23	30	45	27	18	0	2 = 100
	Mid-October, 2004 (RVs)	56	26	30	42	23	19	*	2 = 100
	Early October, 2004 (RVs)	57	27	30	40	20	20	0	3=100
	September, 2004	52	25	27	43	24	19	*	5=100
	August, 2004	58	27	31	39	22	17	0	3=100
	June, 2004	52	19	33	45	22	23	*	3=100
	Early February, 2004	53	21	32	44	25	19	0	3=100
Gallu	p: January 29-February 1, 2004	52			47				1 = 100
Gallu	p: January 2-5, 2004	65			35				*=100
Gallu	p: October 6-8, 2003	60			39				1=100
Gallu	p: June 9-10, 2003	66			33				1 = 100
	April, 2003	72	37	35	25	11	14	0	3=100
	January, 2003	70	28	42	28	10	18	0	2 = 100

Q. 3	CONTINUED							(VOL.) Never	(VOL.)
			Favorable			Unfavorable			Can't
	D 1 2002	<u>Total</u>		<u>Mostly</u>				<u>Heard of</u>	
	December, 2002	68	<i>35</i>	33	27	11	16	0	5=100
	July, 2001	61	22	<i>39</i>	35	14	21	*	4=100
	January, 2001	60 50	24	36	33	12	21	0	7=100
	May, 2000	58	18	40	31	12	19	1	10=100
	March, 1999 <sup>2</sup>	61	21	40	21	7	14	4	14=100
	November, 1997	54	13	41	18	6	12	9	19=100
b.	John McCain	48	11	37	40	17	23	2	10=100
	March, 2008	45	8	37	41	16	25	2	12=100
	Late February, 2008	48	12	36	38	14	24	1	13=100
	Early February, 2008	53	12	41	31	10	21	3	13=100
	January, 2008	55	14	41	31	9	22	3	11=100
	Late December, 2007	46	8	38	34	10	24	7	13=100
	August, 2007	47	8	39	29	8	21	12	12=100
	December, 2006	51	13	38	26	6	20	10	13=100
	April, 2006	54	14	40	26	7	19	8	12=100
	Late October, 2005	56	15	41	19	5	14	10	15=100
	Late March, 2005	59	15	44	17	4	13	8	16=100
	July, 2001	51	14	37	22	5	17	13	14=100
	January, 2001	59	18	41	15	3	12	9	17=100
	May, 2000	54	14	40	20	5	15	11	15=100
c.	Hillary Clinton	49	16	33	47	23	24	0	4=100
	March, 2008	50	16	34	44	23	21	*	6=100
	Late February, 2008	51	19	32	44	23	21	0	5=100
	Early February, 2008	52	20	32	42	24	18	*	6=100
	January, 2008	52	20	32	44	25	19	*	4=100
	Late December, 2007	50	21	29	44	26	18	*	6=100
	August, 2007	55	21	34	39	21	18	2	4 = 100
	December, 2006	56	22	34	39	21	18	*	5=100
	April, 2006	54	20	34	42	21	21	1	3=100
	Late October, 2005	56	20	36	38	19	19	1	5=100
	Late March, 2005	57	22	35	36	17	19	*	7 = 100
	December 2002	47	15	32	44	23	21	1	8=100
	July, 2001	53	20	33	42	23	19	1	4 = 100
	January, 2001	60	25	35	35	16	19	*	5=100
	May, 2000	49	15	34	42	22	20	1	8=100
	Early December, 1998	66	32	34	31	15	16	*	3=100
	Early October, 1998 (RVs)	58	24	34	36	18	18	*	6=100
	Early September, 1998	64	24	40	31	13	18	0	5=100
	Late August, 1998	63	25	38	34	13	21	*	3=100
	March, 1998	65	26	39	31	14	17	*	4=100
	January, 1997	57	17	40	40	17	23	*	3=100
	June, 1996	53	13	40	43	17	26	*	4=100
	April, 1996	49	12	37	46	19	27	0	5=100
	February, 1996	42	14	28	54	27	27	0	4=100
	January, 1996	42	10	32	54	26	28	0	4=100

In March 1999 and November 1997 the category was listed: "Texas Governor George W. Bush."

#### Q. 3 CONTINUED...

							(VOL.)	(VOL.)
	J	Favorab	ole	Unfavorable			Never	Can't
	<u>Total</u>	Very	<b>Mostly</b>	<u>Total</u>	Very	<b>Mostly</b>	Heard of	rate/Ref
October, 1995	58	14	44	38	14	24		4 = 100
August, 1995	49	16	33	47	22	25	*	4 = 100
December, 1994	50	17	33	45	20	25	1	4=100
July, 1994	57	19	38	40	18	22	1	2 = 100
May, 1993	60	19	41	29	11	18	1	10=100
d. Barack Obama	52	21	31	42	21	21	*	6=100
March, 2008	56	21	35	34	18	16	1	9=100
Late February, 2008	57	24	33	34	16	18	1	8=100
Early February, 2008	58	19	39	30	13	17	2	10=100
January, 2008	56	20	36	33	13	20	3	8=100
Late December, 2007	54	16	38	30	12	18	5	11=100
August, 2007	48	14	34	26	10	16	13	13=100

# ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REGICERT=1):

#### ROTATE Q.4-Q.4A/Q.5-Q.5A BLOCKS

Q.4 Now, suppose the 2008 presidential election were being held TODAY. If you had to choose between [**READ AND ROTATE**]—who would you vote for?

#### IF OTHER OR DK (Q.4 = 3.9), ASK:

Q.4a As of TODAY, do you LEAN more to [READ, ROTATE IN SAME ORDER AS Q.4]?

#### **BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1323]:**

			Late
		Mar	Feb
		<u>2008</u>	2008
45	McCain	44	45
49	Clinton	49	50
<u>6</u>	Other/Don't know (VOL.)	<u>7</u>	<u>5</u>
100		100	100

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

#### ROTATE Q.4-Q.4A/Q.5-Q.5A BLOCKS

Q.5 Now, suppose the 2008 presidential election were being held TODAY. If you had to choose between [**READ AND ROTATE**]—who would you vote for?

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#### IF OTHER OR DK (Q.5 = 3.9), ASK:

Q.5a As of TODAY, do you LEAN more to [READ, ROTATE IN SAME ORDER AS Q.5]?

#### **BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1323]:**

			Late
		Mar	Feb
		<u>2008</u>	2008
44	McCain	43	43
50	Obama	49	50
<u>6</u>	Other/Don't know (VOL.)	<u>8</u>	<u>7</u>
100		100	100

# ASK OF DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANING RVs [(PARTY=2 OR PARTYLN=2) AND REGICERT=1] ONLY:

Thinking about the Democratic nomination...

Q.6 Which Democratic candidate would be your first choice for president? (**READ AND ROTATE**) [**IF** "Don't know" **PROBE ONCE WITH:** "Just as of today, would you say you LEAN toward...(**READ**). **IF STILL DK, ENTER.**]

## BASED ON DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC-LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=651]:

			Late	Early				WITHOUT GORE			WITH GORE				
		Mar	Feb	Feb	Jan	Dec	Nov	Oct	Sept	July	Apr	Mar	July	April	Mar
		2008	<u>2008</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2008</u>	2007	2007	<u>2007</u>	<u>2007</u>	2007^	2007^	2007^	<u>2007</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2007</u>
47	Barack Obama	49	49	38	31	26	23	24	25	24	27	28	21	24	26
45	Hillary Clinton	39	40	46	46	46	45	45	42	44	39	39	40	34	35
n/a	John Edwards	n/a	n/a	n/a	13	14	12	12	14	13	21	19	18	16	*
n/a	Dennis Kucinich	n/a	n/a	n/a	4	3	1	4	2	3	1	*	2	1	*
n/a	Bill Richardson	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	3	3	2	3	3	2	2	2	1	1
n/a	Joe Biden	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2	3	2	2	3	1	2	2	1	1
n/a	Chris Dodd	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	*	1	1	1	1	*	*	1	*	*
n/a	Mike Gravel	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	*	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
n/a	Al Gore^	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a				12	14	12
*	Other (VOL.)	0	0	1	*	*	2	*	1	1	*	*	1	*	0
2	None of them (VOL.)	1	2	1	1	2	1	3	2	3	5	4	2	5	3
6	Don't know (VOL.)	9	8	12	4	3	9	7	8	6	3	5	6	2	5
*	Refused (VOL.)	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	*	*	*	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	*	<u>1</u>
100		100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

<sup>^</sup>March-July trends recalculated by substituting in Al Gore supporters' second choice.

# ASK OF DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANING RVs [(PARTY=2 OR PARTYLN=2) AND REGICERT=1] ONLY:

Q.7 Do you think the fact that the contest between Clinton and Obama has not yet been decided is a good thing or a bad thing for the Democratic Party?

#### BASED ON DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=651]:

		Mar	Late Feb
		2008	2008
35	Good thing	44	57
51	Bad thing	41	27
<u>14</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>
100		100	100

# ASK OF DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANING RVs [(PARTY=2 OR PARTYLN=2) AND REGICERT=1] ONLY:

Q.8 If it turns out that neither Hillary Clinton nor Barack Obama wins enough support in the primaries and caucuses to get the nomination, the decision could be made by a group of party leaders called "super delegates." If this happens, what do you think these party leaders should do? [READ AND ROTATE]

#### BASED ON DEMOCRATS AND DEMOCRATIC LEANING REGISTERED VOTERS [N=651]:

- 53 Should they vote for the candidate who won the most support in the primaries and caucuses [OR]
- 40 Should they vote for the candidate they think has the best chance of defeating John McCain
- 7 Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ)

100

# ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REGICERT=1): ROTATE Q.9 AND Q.10

Q.9 Regardless of who you might support, who do you think is most likely to win the presidential election if it is

between [READ AND ROTATE]?

#### **BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1323]:**

	John	Hillary	(VOL.)
	<b>McCain</b>	Clinton	Other/DK
April, 2008	46	45	9=100
March, 2008	46	42	12=100

# ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REGICERT=1): ROTATE Q.9 AND Q.10

Q.10 Regardless of who you might support, who do you think is most likely to win the presidential election if it is between [READ AND ROTATE]?

#### **BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1323]:**

	John	Barack	(VOL.)
	<u>McCain</u>	<u>Obama</u>	Other/DK
April, 2008	42	47	11=100
March, 2008	38	50	12=100

#### TREND FOR COMPARISON: (VOL.) Republican Democrat Other/DK November, 2004 48 27 Bush Kerry 25=100Mid-October, 2004 54 Bush 27 Kerry 19=100 Early October, 2004 61 Bush 27 Kerry 12 = 100September, 2004 60 Bush 22 Kerry 18 = 100August, 2004 37 44 Bush Kerry 19=100 July, 2004 42 Bush 38 Kerry 20 = 100June, 2004 35 Kerry 51 Bush 14 = 100May, 2004 52 Bush 31 Kerry 17 = 100Early February, 2004 56 Bush 32 Dem Candidate 12=100 Mid-January, 2004 61 Bush 21 Dem Candidate 18=100 September, 2003 47 Bush 34 Dem Candidate 19=100 June, 2003 Bush 22 Dem Candidate 12=100 66 November, 2000 32 43 Bush Gore25=100

Q.9/10 TREND FOR COMPARISON CONTINUED (					
	<u>nocrat</u>	Other/DK			
Late October, 2000	48	Bush	38	Gore	14=100
Early October, 2000	33	Bush	46	Gore	21=100
June, 2000	51	Bush	33	Gore	16=100
October, 1999	70	Bush	23	Gore	7=100
Late September, 1996 <sup>3</sup>	12	Dole	79	Clinton	9=100
Early September, 1996	16	Dole	75	Clinton	9=100
July, 1996	19	Dole	72	Clinton	9=100
October, 1992	30	Bush, Sr.	61	Clinton	9=100
March, 1992	72	Bush, Sr.	20	Dem Candidate	8=100
February, 1992	66	Bush, Sr.	25	Dem Candidate	9=100
October, 1991	78	Bush, Sr.	11	Dem Candidate	11=100

# ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REGICERT=1): ROTATE Q.9 AND Q.10

- Q.9 Regardless of who you might support, who do you think is most likely to win the presidential election if it is between [**READ AND ROTATE:** John McCain or Hillary Clinton]?
- Q.10 Regardless of who you might support, who do you think is most likely to win the presidential election if it is between [**READ AND ROTATE:** John McCain or Barack Obama]?

#### **DO NOT ASK IF (Q9=1 AND Q10=2) OR (Q9=2 AND Q10=1):**

Q.10a All in all, do you think [ROTATE NAMES: Hillary Clinton or Barack Obama] has the BEST chance of defeating John McCain this fall?

#### **BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1323]:**

- 36 Hillary Clinton<sup>4</sup>
- 42 Barack Obama
- 9 Neither (VOL. DO NOT READ)
- 6 Both (VOL. DO NOT READ)
- 7 Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ)

100

In 1996 and October 1992, the question also asked about Ross Perot. Results here are included in the "Other/DK" category.

<sup>4 &</sup>quot;Hillary Clinton" includes respondents who selected Clinton in Q.9 but McCain in Q.10; "Barack Obama" includes respondents who selected McCain in Q.9 but Obama in Q.10.

Now a different kind of question...

## ASK FORM 1 REGISTERED VOTERS ONLY [N=658]:

## **RANDOMIZE Q.11F1/Q.12F1/Q.13F1**

Q.11F1 What ONE WORD best describes your impression of Hillary Clinton. Just the one word that best describes her. [OPEN-END. PROBE ONCE IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS "DON'T KNOW". ACCEPT UP TO TWO RESPONSES, BUT DO NOT PROBE FOR SECOND RESPONSE].

*NOTE:* The numbers listed represent the <u>number of respondents</u> who offered each response; the numbers <u>are not</u> percentages

		Late Fel	oruary 2008
22	Experienced	34	Experienced
17	Liar	16	Strong
17	Untrustworthy	16	Untrustworthy
16	Determined	15	Intelligent
15	Strong	14	Smart
14	Smart	12	Determined
13	Intelligent	11	"Rhymes with rich"
12	Dishonest	11	Knowledgeable
11	Politician	10	Capable
10	Aggressive	10	Competent
10	Ambitious	10	Female/woman
9	Tenacious	8	Good
7	Devious	8	Liberal
7	Honest	8	Politician/political
7	Knowledgeable	8	Socialist
7	Liberal	7	Ambitious
7	Okay	7	Qualified
7	Tough	6	Bill Clinton
7	Woman	6	Crooked
6	Competent	6	Dislike her
6	Deceitful	6	Power hungry
6	Good	6	Selfish/self-centered
6	Powerful	6	Unfavorable
5	"Rhymes with rich"	5	Dynamic
5	Confident	5	Fair
5	Two-faced	5	Liar
5	Manipulative	5	Manipulative
4	Capable	5	Same
4	Crooked	5	Scary
4	Fair	4	Arrogant
4	Go-getter	4	Cold
4	Sincere	4	Confident
		4	Dishonest
		4	Driven
		4	Fake
		4	Old
		4	Overbearing
		4	Tough
		4	Untruthful
		(N=629)	)

# Q.11F1 CONTINUED... TREND FOR COMPARISON

*NOTE:* The numbers listed represent the <u>number of respondents</u> who offered each response; the numbers <u>are not</u> percentages

August 1998		July 199	<u>6</u>	March 1996		
66	Strong	25	Strong	34	Intelligent	
17	Intelligent	24	Dishonest	26	Smart	
11	Brave	23	Intelligent	22	"Rhymes with rich"	
10	Good	23	Smart	21	Good	
9	Loyal	22	"Rhymes with rich"	21	Bossy	
9	Smart	19	Good	20	Aggressive	
8	Dominating	15	Bossy	18	Domineering	
8	Courageous	14	Aggressive	17	Okay	
7	Powerful	10	Outspoken	16	Strong	
6	Naive	10	Okay		13 Nice	
6	Tough	9	Crook	13	Liar	
5	Controlling	8	Dominating	11	Powerful	
5	Aggressive	8	Fake	10	Distrustful	
5	Admirable	8	Nice	9	Dishonest	
5	Nice	8	Pushy	9	Pushy	
5	Excellent	7	Arrogant	8	Snob	
5	Faithful	7	Outgoing	7	Ambitious	
5	Fine	7	Sneaky	7	Fair	
5	Steadfast	7	Independent	7	Great	
5	"Rhymes with rich"	7	Liar	6	Independent	
(N=498)		(N=606)		(N=75)	0)	

# ASK FORM 1 REGISTERED VOTERS ONLY [N=658]: RANDOMIZE Q.11F1/Q.12F1/Q.13F1

Q.12F1 What ONE WORD best describes your impression of Barack Obama. Just the one word that best describes him. [OPEN-END. PROBE ONCE IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS "DON'T KNOW". ACCEPT UP TO TWO RESPONSES, BUT DO NOT PROBE FOR SECOND RESPONSE].

*NOTE:* The numbers listed represent the <u>number of respondents</u> who offered each response; the numbers <u>are not</u> percentages

46	Inexperienced
19	Good
17	Change
17	Charismatic
16	Intelligent
13	Honest
12	Inspirational
9	Liberal
8	New
7	Different
7	Energetic
7	Hopeful
7	Scary
7 7 7 7	Unknown
7	Young
6	Fake
6	Idealistic
6	Leader
6	Okay
6 6 5 5 5 5 5 4	Smooth
5	Dishonest
5	Sincere
5	Strong
5	Unqualified
4	Ambitious
4	Arrogant
4	Bad
4	Charming
4	Confident
4	Educated
4	Good speaker
4	Likeable
4	Nice
4	Untrustworthy
4	Phony
4	Refreshing

4

Smart Terrorist

Late Feb 45	oruary 2008 Inexperienced
32	Charismatic
25	Intelligent
23	Change
14	Inspirational
13	Young
11	New
10	Enthusiastic
10	Hope
9	Arrogant
9	Energetic
9	Leader
9	Speaker
8	Different
7	Honest
6	Articulate
6	Good
6	Integrity
6	Unqualified
5	Visionary
5 5 5 5 5	Impressive
5	Liberal
5	Okay
5	Smart
4	Dynamic
4	Fair
4	Fresh
4	Great
4	Muslim
4	Refreshing
4	Smooth
4	Unfavorable
(N=629)	)

# ASK FORM 1 REGISTERED VOTERS ONLY [N=658]: RANDOMIZE Q.11F1/Q.12F1/Q.13F1

Q.13F1 What ONE WORD best describes your impression of John McCain. Just the one word that best describes him. [OPEN-END. PROBE ONCE IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS "DON'T KNOW". ACCEPT UP TO TWO RESPONSES, BUT DO NOT PROBE FOR SECOND RESPONSE].

*NOTE:* The numbers listed represent the <u>number of respondents</u> who offered each response; the numbers <u>are not</u> percentages

Old
Honest
Experienced
Patriot
Conservative
Hero
Republican
Good
Knowledgeable
Honorable
Veteran
American
Moderate
Steadfast
Trustworthy
Untrustworthy
Liar
Okay
Politician
Seasoned
Age
Bush
Confident
Dedicated
Determined
Likeable
Loyal
Nice
Sincere
Strong

Warmonger

Late Fe	bruary 2008
55	Old
32	Honest
29	Experienced
21	Patriot
14	Conservative
13	Hero
12	Liberal
10	Good
7	Integrity
7	Leader
7	War
6	Bush
6	Honorable
6	Knowledgeable
6	Moderate
6	Republican
6	Steady
5	Fair
5	Okay
4	Military
4	Trustworthy
4	Untrustworthy
(N=611)	1)

Now I have a different kind of question ...

# ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REGICERT=1): RANDOMIZE Q.14/Q.15/Q.16

Q.14 As I name some traits, please tell me whether you think each one describes Hillary Clinton. First, [INSERT FIRST ITEM; RANDOMIZE] do you think of Hillary Clinton as [FIRST ITEM] or not? Do you think of Clinton as [NEXT ITEM] or not? [INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: IF RESPONDENT SAYS THEY DON'T KNOW CANDIDATE WELL ENOUGH ENTER AS DON'T KNOW AND EMPHASIZE THAT IS A LEGITIMATE ANSWER]

#### **BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1323]:**

		Yes, describes		Don't Know/
		Clinton	<u>No</u>	Refused
a.	Patriotic	76	20	4=100
	March, 2008	76	19	5=100
b.	Phony	50	47	3=100
	March, 2008	46	50	4=100
c.	Honest	42	51	7=100
	March, 2008	48	46	6=100
d.	Down-to-earth	48	48	4=100
	March, 2008	45	50	5=100
e.	Hard to like	53	45	2=100
	March, 2008	51	45	4=100
f.	Inspiring	50	47	3=100
	March, 2008	49	47	4=100
g.	Tough	76	22	2=100
h.	Arrogant	55	43	2=100

# ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REGICERT=1): RANDOMIZE 0.14/0.15/0.16

Q.15 As I name some traits, please tell me whether you think each one describes Barack Obama. First, [INSERT FIRST ITEM; RANDOMIZE] do you think of Barack Obama as [FIRST ITEM] or not? Do you think of Obama as [NEXT ITEM] or not? [INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: IF RESPONDENT SAYS THEY DON'T KNOW CANDIDATE WELL ENOUGH ENTER AS DON'T KNOW AND EMPHASIZE THAT IS A LEGITIMATE ANSWER]

#### **BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1323]:**

		Yes, describes	Don't Know/		
		<u>Obama</u>	<u>No</u>	Refused	
a.	Patriotic	61	32	7=100	
	March, 2008	64	27	9=100	
b.	Phony	32	63	5=100	
	March, 2008	27	66	7=100	

## Q.15 CONTINUED...

		Yes, describes		Don't Know/	
		<u>Obama</u>	<u>No</u>	Refused	
c.	Honest	61	30	9=100	
	March, 2008	65	25	10=100	
d.	Down-to-earth	60	35	5=100	
	March, 2008	67	25	8=100	
e.	Hard to like	25	71	4=100	
	March, 2008	17	78	5=100	
f.	Inspiring	66	31	3=100	
	March, 2008	70	26	4=100	
g.	Tough	49	44	7=100	
h.	Arrogant	38	58	4=100	

# ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS (REGICERT=1): RANDOMIZE Q.14/Q.15/Q.16

Q.16 As I name some traits, please tell me whether you think each one describes John McCain. First, [INSERT FIRST ITEM; RANDOMIZE] do you think of John McCain as [FIRST ITEM] or not? Do you think of McCain as [NEXT ITEM] or not? [INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: IF RESPONDENT SAYS THEY DON'T KNOW CANDIDATE WELL ENOUGH ENTER AS DON'T KNOW AND EMPHASIZE THAT IS A LEGITIMATE ANSWER]

#### **BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1323]:**

		Yes, describes		Don't Know/		
		<b>McCain</b>	<u>No</u>	Refused		
a.	Patriotic	90	7	3=100		
b.	Phony	26	69	5=100		
c.	Honest	65	26	9=100		
d.	Down-to-earth	60	33	7=100		
e.	Hard to like	37	57	6=100		
f.	Inspiring	39	55	6=100		
g.	Tough	71	23	6=100		
h.	Arrogant	36	59	5=100		

#### **ASK ALL:**

Q.17 Now a different kind of question. Please tell me if you think of each person I name as very conservative, conservative, moderate, liberal, or very liberal. (First,) [INSERT NAME; RANDOMIZE]. From what you've read and heard, would you say [NAME] is very conservative, conservative, moderate, liberal, or very liberal? How about [NEXT NAME]? [IF NECESSARY: From what you've read and heard, would you say [NAME] is very conservative, conservative, moderate, liberal, or very liberal?]

							(VOL.)
		Very				Very	Don't
		Conservative	Conservative	<b>Moderate</b>	Liberal	Liberal	Know
a.	George W. Bush	25	31	15	9	7	13=100
	January, 2008	22	34	13	8	6	17=100
b.	Hillary Clinton	4	13	22	34	18	9=100
	January, 2008	7	14	20	29	18	12=100
c.	Barack Obama	4	11	21	33	20	11=100
	January, 2008	4	10	23	33	13	17=100
d.	John McCain	10	38	27	8	4	13=100
	January, 2008	7	35	27	10	2	19=100

#### ASK ALL REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1323]:

Q.18 Thinking about the issues, what one ISSUE would you most like to hear the presidential candidates talk about? [OPEN ENDED; MAY ACCEPT UP TO THREE MENTIONS]

NOTE: Totals exceed 100% because of multiple responses.

		Nov
		2007 <sup>5</sup>
44	Economy	15
24	Iraq/The war	32
14	Health care/Health care reform	22
7	Energy/gas	2
5	Job situation/Unemployment	3
5	Education/Education reform	4
4	Terrorism/Protecting the nation	5
4	Budget deficit/National debt	2
3	Immigration	8
3	Environment/global warming	2
3	Social Security	4
1	Abortion	1
1	Taxes	1
1	Moral values/Religion	2
3	Other domestic policy	5
1	Other foreign policy	2
5	Other (general)	1
3	Don't know/Refused	5

<sup>5</sup> Trends from previous elections not shown.

#### ASK ALL FORM 1 REGISTERED VOTERS (REGICERT=1):

Q.19F1 Regardless of who you support, which one of the presidential candidates — [ROTATE ORDER OF CANDIDATES] John McCain or Barack Obama — do you think would do the best job of [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE. IF RESPONDENT MENTIONS ANYONE OTHER THAN MCCAIN OR OBAMA PROBE ONCE: "If you had to choose between McCain and Obama. . . "?]

## BASED ON FORM 1 REGISTERED VOTERS [N=658]:

a.	Improving economic conditions	John McCain 33	Barack Obama 53	(VOL.) Neither 8	( <b>VOL.</b> ) <u>DK/Ref.</u> 6=100
b.	Making wise decisions about what to do in Iraq	50	38	5	7=100
c.	Defending the country from future terrorist attacks	63	26	5	6=100
d.	Making wise decisions about U.S. trade policies	48	38	7	7=100

#### ASK ALL FORM 2 REGISTERED VOTERS (REGICERT=1):

Q.20F2 Regardless of who you support, which one of the presidential candidates — [ROTATE ORDER OF CANDIDATES] John McCain or Hillary Clinton — do you think would do the best job of [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE. IF RESPONDENT MENTIONS ANYONE OTHER THAN MCCAIN OR CLINTON PROBE ONCE: "If you had to choose between McCain and Clinton. . . "?]

#### BASED ON FORM 2 REGISTERED VOTERS [N=665]:

a.	Improving economic conditions	John McCain 35	Hillary Clinton 56	(VOL.) Neither 5	( <b>VOL.</b> ) <u>DK/Ref.</u> 4=100
b.	Making wise decisions about what to do in Iraq	49	43	4	4=100
c.	Defending the country from future terrorist attacks	58	31	3	8=100
d.	Making wise decisions about U.S. trade policies	44	44	5	7=100

#### TREND FOR COMPARISON

		George	Jonn	(VOL.)	(VOL.)
a.	Improving economic conditions	W. Bush	Kerry <sup>6</sup>	<u>Neither</u>	DK/Ref.
	Mid October, 2004	40	47	4	9=100
	Early October, 2004	40	46	5	9=100
	September, 2004	42	45	4	9=100
	August, 2004	37	52	3	8=100
	May, 2004	38	48	5	9=100
	Late March, 2004	39	44	6	11=100
	Mid-March, 2004	37	53	2	8=100

In 2000 the question asked about Al Gore.

# Q19F1/Q20F2 TREND FOR COMPARISON CONTINUED...

		George	John	(VOL.)	(VOL.)
		W. Bush	<b>Kerry</b>	<u>Neither</u>	DK/Ref
	Mid-October, 2000	37	49	3	11=100
	Early October, 2000	35	47	6	12=100
	September, 2000	38	46	5	11=100
	June, 2000	38	41	5	16=100
	March, 2000	42	46	4	8=100
b.	Making wise decisions about what to do in Iraq				
	Mid October, 2004	47	41	4	8=100
	Early October, 2004	50	40	2	8=100
	September, 2004	51	39	3	7=100
	August, 2004	44	46	3	7=100
	May, 2004	44	41	4	11=100
	Late March, 2004	49	37	4	10=100
	Mid-March, 2004	47	45	2	6=100
c.	Defending the country from future terrorist attacks				
	Mid October, 2004	53	35	4	8=100
	Early October, 2004	57	32	3	8=100
	September, 2004	58	31	3	8=100
	August, 2004	49	39	4	8=100
	May, 2004	52	33	5	10=100
	Late March, 2004	53	29	4	14=100
	Mid-March, 2004	57	32	4	7=100
d.	Making wise decisions about U.S. trade policies				
	May, 2004	40	40	6	14=100
	Late March, 2004	38	39	5	18=100
	Mid-March, 2004	38	48	3	11=100
	July, 1996 <sup>7</sup>	40	40	6	14=100

# QUESTION 21 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

In 1996 the question asked about Bob Dole and Bill Clinton. In 1992, the question asked about George Bush, Sr., Bill Clinton and Ross Perot. Perot is included in the "Neither" trend category.

ASK ALL:
ROTATE Q.22-Q.22b BLOCK WITH Q.23
Thinking now about the nation's economy...

Q.22 How would you rate economic conditions in this country today... as excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

			Only		(VOL.) Don't Know/
	Excellent	Good	<u>Fair</u>	Poor	Refused
April, 2008	1	10	33	56	*=100
March, 2008	1	10	32	56	1=100 1=100
Early February, 2008	1	16	36	45	2=100
January, 2008	3	23	45	28	1=100
November, 2007	3	20	44	32	1=100
September, 2007	3	23	43	29	2=100
June, 2007	6	27	40	25	2=100
February, 2007	5	26	45	23	1=100
December, 2006	6	32	41	19	2=100
Early November, 2006 (RVs)	9	35	37	17	2=100
Late October, 2006	6	27	40	25	2=100
September, 2006	5	32	41	20	2=100
March, 2006	4	29	44	22	1=100
January, 2006	4	30	45	19	2=100
Early October, 2005	2	23	45	29	1=100
Mid-September, 2005	3	28	44	24	1=100
Mid-May, 2005	3	29	47	20	1=100
January, 2005	3	36	45	15	1=100
December, 2004	3	33	43	20	1=100
Early November, 2004 (RVs)	5	31	37	26	1=100
Mid-September, 2004	4	34	40	20	2=100
August, 2004	3	30	45	21	1=100
Late April, 2004	4	34	38	22	2=100
Late February, 2004	2	29	42	26	1=100
February 9-12, 2004 ( <i>Gallup</i> )	2	31	46	21	0 = 100
January 12-15, 2004 (Gallup)	3	34	42	21	0 = 100
January 2-5, 2004 (Gallup)	3	40	41	16	*=100
December 11-14, 2003 (Gallup		34	44	19	*=100
November 3-5, 2003 (Gallup)	2	28	49	21	*=100
October 24-26, 2003 (Gallup)	2	24	44	30	*=100
October 6-8, 2003 ( <i>Gallup</i> )	2	20	50	27	1=100
September 8-10, 2003 (Gallup		20	49	30	*=100
August 4-6, 2003 (Gallup)	1	24	52	23	*=100
February 17-19, 2003 (Gallup)		17	48	34	*=100
February 4-6, 2002 (Gallup)	2	26	55	16	1=100
March 5-7, 2001 ( <i>Gallup</i> )	3	43	43	10	1=100
January 7-10, 2000 ( <i>Gallup</i> )	19	52	23	5	1=100
January 15-17, 1999 (Gallup)	14	55	27	4	*=100
March 20-22, 1998 (Gallup)	20	46	27	7	*=100
Jan 31 - Feb 2, 1997 (Gallup)	4	38	43	15	*=100
March 15-17, 1996 (Gallup)	2	31	48	18	1=100
May 11-14, 1995 (Gallup)	2	27	50	20	1=100
January 15-17, 1994 (Gallup)	*	22	54	24	*=100
February 12-14, 1993 (Gallup)		14	46	39	1=100
January 3-6, 1992 ( <i>Gallup</i> )	*	12	46	41	1=100

## IF 'ONLY FAIR' OR 'POOR (3,4 IN Q.22) ASK [N=1322]:

Q.22a Which of the following do you think is the biggest reason for the nation's economic problems? [READ AND RANDOMIZE]

#### IF ANSWER GIVEN (1-5 IN Q.22a), ASK:

Q.22b And which, if any, would you say is the SECOND biggest reason? [READ IN THE SAME ORDER AS Q.22a. DO NOT READ ITEM SELECTED IN Q.22a]

1st	$2^{nd}$	Com-	
choice	choice	bined	
31	21	52	The war in Iraq
26	28	54	Rising energy prices
12	13	25	Foreign competition
11	12	23	Too little regulation of financial institutions
9	10	19	Normal ups and downs of the economy
8	2		Other (VOL. DO NOT READ)
1	1		None (VOL. DO NOT READ)
2	2		Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ)
==	<u>11</u>		No first choice
100	100		

#### **ASK ALL:**

## ROTATE Q.22-Q.22b BLOCK WITH Q.23

Now thinking about your own personal finances...

Q.23 How would you rate your own personal financial situation? Would you say you are in excellent shape, good shape, only fair shape or poor shape financially?

					(VOL.)
			Only		Don't Know/
	Excellent	Good	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	Refused
April, 2008	8	35	39	16	2 = 100
March, 2008	8	39	34	17	2 = 100
Early February, 2008	9	36	37	16	2 = 100
January, 2008	10	39	34	15	2 = 100
November, 2007	9	41	34	15	1=100
September, 2007	10	38	34	16	2 = 100
February, 2007	8	41	36	14	1=100
December, 2006	8	40	35	16	1=100
Late October, 2006	9	40	33	16	2 = 100
March, 2006	9	39	36	15	1=100
January, 2006	7	39	37	15	2 = 100
Mid-May, 2005	7	37	39	16	1=100
January, 2005	10	41	34	14	1=100
August, 2004	9	42	34	14	1=100
September, 2003	10	38	36	15	1=100
Late March, 2003	10	43	31	12	4=100
January, 2003	7	38	39	15	1=100
Early October, 2002	7	39	37	16	1=100
June, 2002	5	40	37	16	2 = 100
Late September, 2001	7	40	37	14	2 = 100
June, 2001	6	38	39	16	1=100
June, 2000	9	43	35	11	2 = 100
August, 1999	6	43	41	9	1=100
May, 1997	7	43	38	11	1=100
September, 1996 (RVs)	8	47	34	10	1=100

# Q.23 CONTINUED...

01/12/022···					(VOL.)
			Only		Don't Know/
<u>E</u>	xcellent	Good	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	Refused
February, 1995	8	39	38	14	1=100
March, 1994	5	41	40	13	1=100
December, 1993	5	34	45	15	1=100
January, 1993 U.S. News & World Repor	t 4	33	46	16	1=100
October, 1992 U.S. News & World Report	rt 6	34	40	19	1=100
August, 1992 U.S. News & World Report	t 5	30	47	17	1=100
May, 1992 U.S. News & World Report	4	35	45	15	1=100
January, 1992 U.S. News & World Report	4	32	45	18	1=100

# **NO QUESTION 24**

#### **ASK ALL:**

Q.25 Thinking now about job opportunities where you live, would you say there are plenty of jobs available in your community or are jobs difficult to find?

			(VOL.)	(VOL.)
	Plenty of	Jobs are	Lots of some jobs,	DK/
<u>j.</u>	obs available	difficult to find	few of others	Refused
April, 2008	30	61	4	5=100
Early February, 2008	34	53	5	8=100
November, 2007	41	48	4	7=100
September, 2007	36	50	6	8=100
June, 2007	39	49	5	7 = 100
February, 2007	39	48	6	7 = 100
December, 2006	40	49	5	6=100
March, 2006	37	56	3	4=100
January, 2006	33	56	6	5=100
Early October, 2005	36	56	4	4 = 100
May, 2005	30	60	6	4=100
January, 2005	32	58	5	5=100
Mid-September, 2004	31	52	6	11=100
August, 2004	34	55	4	7=100
Late April, 2004	30	57	4	9=100
Late February, 2004	31	59	5	6=100
Mid-January, 2004	27	60	6	7=100
October, 2003	24	66	5	5=100
June, 2002	31	59	4	6=100
June, 2001	42	44	8	6=100
August, 1992 U.S. News & World Repo	ort 15	76	6	3=100
May, 1992 U.S. News & World Report	16	77	4	3=100
January, 1992 U.S. News & World Repo	ort 12	79	6	3=100

# NO QUESTION 26

# QUESTIONS 27 THROUGH 33 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

# NO QUESTIONS 34 AND 35

#### **ASK ALL:**

Thinking about another topic...

Q.36 In general, do you think that free trade agreements like NAFTA, and the policies of the World Trade Organization, have been a good thing or a bad thing for the United States? [INTERVIEWER: IF RESPONDENT ASKS WHAT NAFTA IS, "The North American Free Trade Agreement"]

					Late					Early	
		Nov	Dec	Oct	Dec	July	March	Dec	Sept	Nov	Sept
		2007	$2006^{8}$	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2004</u>	2003	2001	1997	<u> 1997</u>
35	Good thing	40	44	44	47	47	44	34	49	45	47
48	Bad thing	40	35	34	34	34	37	33	29	34	30
<u>17</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u> 19</u>	<u> 19</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>33</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>23</u>
100		100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

#### **ASK ALL:**

Q.37 Thinking about the financial situation of you and your family... Do you think these free trade agreements have definitely helped, probably helped, probably hurt, or definitely hurt the financial situation of you and your family?

		Dec	July	Dec
		<u>2006</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>
3	Definitely helped	3	3	2
24	Probably helped	32	31	25
32	Probably hurt	24	25	24
16	Definitely hurt	12	16	14
13	Neither (VOL.)	11	12	15
<u>12</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>18</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>20</u>
100		100	100	100

#### **ASK ALL:**

Q.38 As I read some of the possible ways free trade agreements affect America, tell me what your impression is. First [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]?

a. Do free trade agreements make the price of products sold in the U.S. higher, lower or not make a difference?

		Dec
		<u>2006</u>
39	Higher	30
29	Lower	32
18	Not make a difference	23
1	Mixed/Depends (VOL. DO NOT READ)	1
<u>13</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ)	<u>14</u>
100		100

In December 2006 the question wording asked about: "free trade agreements like NAFTA and the World Trade Organization," and did not mention "policies of" the World Trade Organization. In October 2005 the question asked: "So far, do you think that NAFTA has been a good thing or a bad thingfrom a U.S.point of view?" In December 2003 the question wording asked about "free trade agreements like NAFTA and the WTO"; full names of the organizations were read out only if the respondent was uncertain. In Early September 2001 and earlier the question was worded: "NAFTA, the North American Free Trade Agreement..."

## Q.38 CONTINUED...

b. Do free trade agreements make the wages of American workers higher, lower, or not make a difference?

		Dec
		<u>2006</u>
8	Higher	11
56	Lower	44
22	Not make a difference	30
2	Mixed/Depends (VOL. DO NOT READ)	1
<u>12</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ	<u>14</u>
100		100

c. Do free trade agreements create jobs in the U.S., lead to job losses, or not make a difference?

		Dec
		<u>2006</u>
9	Create jobs	12
61	Lead to job losses	48
18	Not make a difference	25
2	Mixed/Depends (VOL. DO NOT READ)	2
<u>10</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ)	<u>13</u>
100		100

d. Do free trade agreements make the American economy grow, slow the economy down, or not make a difference?

		Dec
		<u>2006</u>
19	Make the economy grow	28
50	Slow the economy down	34
17	Not make a difference	21
2	Mixed/Depends (VOL. DO NOT READ)	2
<u>12</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ)	<u>15</u>
100		100

e. Are free trade agreements good for the people of developing countries, bad for the people of developing countries, or don't they make a difference?

		Dec
		<u>2006</u>
58	Good	57
12	Bad	9
19	Don't make a difference	19
0	Mixed/Depends (VOL. DO NOT READ)	1
<u>11</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ)	<u>14</u>
100		100

ASK ALL:

Now a few questions about Iraq...

Q.39 Do you think the U.S. made the right decision or the wrong decision in using military force against Iraq?

	Right	Wrong	(VOL.)
	decision	decision	DK/Ref
April, 2008	37	57	6=100
Late February, 2008	38	54	8=100
Late December, 2007	36	56	8=100
October, 2007	39	54	7=100
September, 2007	42	50	8=100
July, 2007	41	53	6=100
June, 2007	40	51	9=100
April, 2007	45	47	8=100
March, 2007	43	49	8=100
February, 2007	40	54	6=100
Mid-January, 2007	40	51	9=100
Early January, 2007	40	53	7=100
December, 2006	42	51	7=100
Mid-November, 2006	41	51	8=100
Early November, 2006 (RVs)	45	48	7=100
Late October, 2006	43	47	10=100
Early October, 2006	45	47	8=100
Early September, 2006	49	43	8=100
August, 2006	45	46	9=100
July, 2006	44	50	6=100
June, 2006	49	44	7=100
April, 2006	47	46	7=100
March, 2006	45	49	6=100
February, 2006	51	44	5=100
January, 2006	45	47	8=100
December, 2005	47	48	5=100
Late October, 2005	48	45	7=100
Early October, 2005	44	50	6=100
Mid-September, 2005	49	44	7=100
July, 2005	49	44	7=100
June, 2005	47	45	8=100
February, 2005	47	47	6=100
January, 2005	51	44	5=100
December, 2004	49	44	7=100
November, 2004 (RVs)	48	41	11=100
Mid-October, 2004	46	42	12=100
Early October, 2004	50	39	11=100
September, 2004	53	39	8=100
August, 2004	53	41	6=100
July, 2004	52	43	5=100
June, 2004	55	38	7=100
May, 2004	51	42	7=100
Late April, 2004	54	37	9=100
Early April, 2004	57	35	8=100
Mid-March, 2004	55	39	6=100
Late February, 2004	60	32	8=100
Early February, 2004	56	39	5=100

# Q. 39 CONTINUED...

Right	Wrong	(VOL.)
decision	decision	DK/Ref
65	30	5=100
62	28	10=100
67	26	7=100
60	33	7=100
63	31	6=100
63	30	7=100
67	24	9=100
74	20	6=100
74	19	7=100
74	19	7=100
72	20	8=100
69	25	6=100
74	21	5=100
74	21	5=100
71	22	7=100
77	15	8=100
	decision 65 62 67 60 63 63 67 74 74 74 72 69 74 74 71	decision         decision           65         30           62         28           67         26           60         33           63         31           63         30           67         24           74         20           74         19           72         20           69         25           74         21           74         21           71         22

ASK ALL:
Q.40 How well is the U.S. military effort in Iraq going? [READ IN ORDER]

					(VOL.)
	Very	Fairly	Not too	Not at all	DK/
	well	<u>well</u>	<u>well</u>	<u>well</u>	Refused
April, 2008	10	34	28	24	4 = 100
Late February, 2008	12	36	25	23	4 = 100
Late December, 2007	11	30	31	23	5=100
November, 2007	11	37	29	19	4 = 100
October, 2007	10	34	29	22	5=100
September, 2007	9	32	30	24	5=100
July, 2007	8	28	34	25	5=100
June, 2007	7	27	33	28	5=100
April, 2007	7	31	34	25	3=100
March, 2007	10	30	32	24	4=100
February, 2007	5	25	38	29	3=100
Mid-January, 2007	7	28	32	30	3=100
December, 2006	4	28	37	27	4 = 100
Mid-November, 2006	6	26	34	30	4 = 100
Early November, 2006 (RVs)	7	30	32	27	4 = 100
Late October, 2006	5	30	34	25	6=100
Early October, 2006	8	29	33	25	5=100
Early September, 2006	8	39	28	20	5=100
August, 2006	8	33	32	23	4 = 100
June, 2006	16	37	25	18	4 = 100
April, 2006	13	34	29	21	3=100
March, 2006	9	34	30	21	6=100
February, 2006	13	38	29	17	3=100
January, 2006	12	39	27	17	5=100
December, 2005	14	37	29	17	3=100
Early October, 2005	9	35	31	22	3=100
Mid-September, 2005	12	41	26	18	3=100

# Q. 40 CONTINUED...

					(VOL.)
	Very	Fairly	Not too	Not at all	DK/
	<u>well</u>	well	<u>well</u>	<u>well</u>	Refused
July, 2005	14	38	27	17	4 = 100
June, 2005	9	41	27	19	4 = 100
February, 2005	14	40	25	17	4=100
January, 2005	9	39	29	20	3=100
December, 2004	10	40	28	18	4 = 100
Mid-October, 2004	13	38	26	17	6=100
September, 2004	12	40	26	18	4=100
August, 2004	12	41	28	16	3=100
July, 2004	13	42	26	16	3=100
June, 2004	16	41	25	14	4 = 100
May, 2004	10	36	32	19	3=100
Late April, 2004	12	43	26	15	4 = 100
Early April, 2004	14	43	26	13	4 = 100
Mid-March, 2004	16	45	26	11	2 = 100
Early February, 2004	17	46	23	11	3=100
Mid-January, 2004	22	51	18	6	3=100
Early January, 2004	23	47	18	7	5=100
December, 2003	28	47	16	6	3=100
October, 2003	16	44	25	11	4=100
September, 2003	15	47	26	9	3=100
August, 2003	19	43	24	11	3=100
Early July, 2003	23	52	16	5	4=100
April 10-16, 2003	61	32	3	1	3=100
April 8-9, 2003	60	32	3	3	2=100
April 2-7, 2003	55	37	3	2	3=100
March 25-April 1, 2003	39	46	8	2	5=100
March 23-24, 2003	45	41	6	2	6=100
March 20-22, 2003	65	25	2	1	7=100

## **ASK ALL:**

Q.41 Do you think the U.S. should keep military troops in Iraq until the situation has stabilized, or do you think the U.S. should bring its troops home as soon as possible?

	Keep troops	Bring troops	(VOL.)
	<u>in Iraq</u>	<u>home</u>	DK/ Ref
April, 2008	41	56	3=100
Late February, 2008	47	49	4=100
Late December, 2007	40	54	6=100
November, 2007	41	54	5=100
October, 2007	42	54	4=100
September, 2007	39	54	7=100
July, 2007	39	54	7=100
June, 2007	39	56	5=100
April, 2007	41	53	6=100
March, 2007	43	52	5=100
February, 2007	42	53	5=100
Mid-January, 2007	46	48	6=100
Early January, 2007	41	53	6=100
December, 2006	44	50	6=100

Q. 41 CONTINUED	Keep troops	Bring troops	(VOL.)
	in Iraq	home	DK/ Ref
Mid-November, 2006	46	48	6=100
Early November, 2006 (RVs)	49	44	7=100
Late October, 2006	46	47	7=100
Early October, 2006	47	47	6=100
Early September, 2006	47	47	6=100
August, 2006	48	46	6=100
June, 2006	50	45	5=100
April, 2006	48	48	4=100
March, 2006	44	50	6=100
February, 2006	50	46	4=100
January, 2006	48	48	4=100
December, 2005	49	46	5=100
Early October, 2005	47	48	5=100
Mid-September, 2005	51	45	4=100
July, 2005	52	43	5=100
June, 2005	50	46	4=100
February, 2005	55	42	3=100
January, 2005	54	41	5=100
December, 2004	56	40	4=100
Mid-October, 2004	57	36	7=100
September, 2004	54	40	6=100
August, 2004	54	42	4=100
July, 2004	53	43	4=100
June, 2004 <sup>9</sup>	51	44	5=100
May, 2004	53	42	5=100
Late April, 2004	53	40	7=100
Early April, 2004	50	44	6=100
Early January, 2004	63	32	5=100
October, 2003	58	39	3=100
September, 2003	64	32	4=100

# IF "KEEP TROOPS IN IRAQ" (1 IN Q.41) ASK:

Q.42 Do you think the U.S. should or should not set a timetable for when troops will be withdrawn from Iraq?

	Should	Should	(VOL.)
	set a	not set	DK/
	<u>timetable</u>	<u>timetable</u>	Refused
April, 2008	14	26	1=41%
Late February, 2008	16	30	1=47%
Late December, 2007	13	26	1=40%
November, 2007	11	29	1=41%
October, 2007	15	26	1=42%
September, 2007	13	25	1=39%
June, 2007^	13	25	1=39%
April, 2007	11	28	2=41%
March, 2007	14	27	2=43%
Mid-January, 2007	19	26	1=46%

In June 2004 and earlier, the question was worded: "Do you think the U.S. should keep military troops in Iraq until a stable government is established there, or do you think the U.S. should bring its troops home as soon as possible?"

Q. 42 CONTINUED	Should set a <u>timetable</u>	Should not set timetable	(VOL.) DK/ <u>Refused</u>
December, 2006	17	25	2=44%
Mid-November, 2006	17	27	2=46%
Late October, 2006	15	29	2=46%
Early October, 2006	15	30	2=47%
Early September, 2006	13	32	2=47%
August, 2006	16	30	2=48%
June, 2006	16	32	1=50%
April, 2006	14	32	1=48%
March, 2006	14	29	1=44%
January, 2006	16	30	2=48%
December, 2005	17	30	2=49%
Early October, 2005	15	31	1=47%
Mid-September, 2005	19	30	2=51%
July, 2005	16	34	2=52%

<sup>^</sup> Trend note: In June 2007 and earlier the question was asked of all respondents. Results shown here are limited to those who said we should "keep troops in Iraq until the situation has stabilized" in order to be consistent with the way the question is currently asked. The small number who volunteered that the U.S. should "get out now" in previous surveys have been grouped with supporters of a timetable.

## IF "BRING TROOPS HOME" (2 IN Q.41) ASK:

Q.43 Should the U.S. remove all troops from Iraq immediately, or should the withdrawal of troops be gradual over the next year or two?

	Remove		(VOL.)
	all troops	Gradual	DK/
	<u>immediately</u>	withdrawal	Refused
April, 2008	16	39	1=56%
Late February, 2008	14	33	2=49%
Late December, 2007	18	34	2=54%
November, 2007	16	36	2=54%
October, 2007	18	35	1=54%
September, 2007	18	34	2=54%
July, 2007	21	31	2=54%
June, 2007	20	35	1=56%
April, 2007	17	34	2=53%
March, 2007	18	33	1=52%
February, 2007	16	35	2=53%
Mid-January, 2007	16	30	2=48%
December, 2006	18	32	*=50%
Mid-November, 2006	16	31	1=48%
August, 2006	15	30	1=46%
April, 2006	18	29	1=48%
January, 2006	14	32	2=48%
December, 2005	17	28	1=46%

## **ASK ALL:**

Q.44 Regardless of what you think about the original decision to use military force in Iraq, do you now believe that the United States will definitely succeed, probably succeed, probably fail, or definitely fail in achieving its goals in Iraq?

		Late-	Late-								Mid-	
		Feb	Dec	Nov	Oct	Sept	July	April	Feb	Nov	Sept	Aug
		2008	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2007	2006	<u>2006</u>	<u>2006</u>
12	Definitely succeed	13	10	11	11	8	9	9	7	12	13	14
35	Probably succeed	40	35	37	35	34	34	36	40	41	44	40
30	Probably fail	26	31	33	31	32	32	30	34	28	26	28
16	Definitely fail	13	14	13	13	15	17	16	12	13	9	12
<u>7</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>8</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>6</u>
100		100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

#### **ASK ALL:**

Q.45 As I read a few specific things about Iraq, tell me if you think we are making progress or losing ground in each area. First, are we making progress or losing ground in [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]? How about [NEXT ITEM]? [IF NECESSARY: Do you think we are making progress or losing ground in this area?]

				(VOL.)	(VOL.)
		Making	Losing	No	DK/
ASK IT	EMS a THRU d OF FORM 1 ONLY [N=747]:	progress	ground	<u>change</u>	<u>Ref</u>
a.F1	Training Iraqi security forces so they				
	can replace U.S. troops	53	32	4	11=100
	Late February, 2008	57	29	1	13=100
	November, 2007	50	36	3	11=100
	September, 2007	50	38	2	10 = 100
	June, 2007	42	36	2	20 = 100
	February, 2007	51	34	2	13=100
	November, 2006	48	37	1	14 = 100
	August, 2006	58	26	2	14 = 100
	June, 2006	61	28	2	9=100
	April, 2006	55	30	1	14 = 100
	March, 2006	56	30	1	13=100
	January, 2006	65	22	1	12 = 100
	December, 2005	61	27	1	11=100
b.F1	Reducing the number of civilian casualties there	37	48	4	11=100
	Late February, 2008	46	40	3	11=100
	November, 2007	43	46	3	8=100
	September, 2007	37	48	2	13=100
	June, 2007	21	65	2	12=100
	February, 2007	20	66	2	12 = 100
	November, 2006	20	67	2	11=100
	August, 2006	25	58	3	14=100
	June, 2006	29	56	3	12=100
	April, 2006	28	56	3	13=100
	March, 2006	27	56	3	14=100
	January, 2006	32	54	3	11=100
	December, 2005	35	53	3	9=100

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<b>Q.43</b> C.	ONTHACED			(VOL.)	(VOL.)
		Making	Losing	No	DK/
		progress	ground	<u>change</u>	<u>Ref</u>
c.F1	Preventing terrorists from using Iraq as a base				
	for attacks against the U.S. and its allies	45	41	6	8=100
	Late February, 2008	52	37	2	9=100
	November, 2007	51	36	3	10 = 100
	September, 2007	46	41	2	11=100
	June, 2007	38	46	3	13=100
	February, 2007	43	43	3	11=100
	November, 2006	39	49	2	10 = 100
	August, 2006	45	40	2	13=100
	June, 2006	49	39	2	10 = 100
	April, 2006	44	43	3	10 = 100
	March, 2006	42	44	2	12 = 100
	January, 2006	52	33	2	13=100
	December, 2005	48	41	2	9=100
d.F1	Establishing democracy in Iraq	39	46	5	10=100
	Late February, 2008	49	40	2	9=100
	November, 2007	43	46	3	8=100
	September, 2007	39	49	4	8=100
	June, 2007	39	47	3	11=100
	February, 2007	40	47	3	10=100
	November, 2006	43	42	2	13=100
	August, 2006	47	39	3	11 = 100
	June, 2006	55	35	2	8=100
	April, 2006	51	38	3	8=100
	March, 2006	50	38	2	10=100
	January, 2006	62	26	2	10=100
	December, 2005	58	32	2	8=100
ASK IT	TEMS e THRU h OF FORM 2 ONLY [N=755]:				
e.F2	Defeating the insurgents militarily	42	43	3	12=100
	Late February, 2008	49	35	2	14=100
	November, 2007	43	44	3	10=100
	September, 2007	37	44	4	15=100
	June, 2007	32	50	3	15=100
	February, 2007	30	55	3	12=100
	November, 2006	34	52	2	12=100
	August, 2006	41	45	3	11=100
	June, 2006	48	36	2	14=100
	April, 2006	40	46	2	12=100
	March, 2006	36	51	1	12=100
	January, 2006	46	38	3	13=100
	December, 2005	44	41	3	12=100
f.F2	Preventing a civil war between various				
	religious and ethnic groups	33	51	6	10=100
	Late February, 2008	35	49	3	13=100
	November, 2007	32	55	3	10=100
	September, 2007	26	57	4	13=100

# Q.45 CONTINUED...

Q. IS S.	01,11,012,W			(VOL.)	(VOL)
		Making	Losing	No	DK/
		progress		change	Ref
	June, 2007	24	60	3	13=100
	February, 2007	18	68	4	10=100
	November, 2006	22	65	2	11=100
	August, 2006	22	63	4	11=100
	June, 2006	32	50	4	14=100
	April, 2006	26	59	3	12 = 100
	March, 2006	24	66	2	8=100
	January, 2006	34	48	4	14=100
	December, 2005	36	49	3	12=100
g.F2	Rebuilding roads, power plants and				
	other services in Iraq	53	29	2	16=100
	Late February, 2008	47	29	1	23=100
	November, 2007	46	30	1	23=100
	September, 2007	39	34	2	25=100
	June, 2007	36	39	1	24 = 100
	February, 2007	40	36	2	22 = 100
	November, 2006	43	36	1	20 = 100
	August, 2006	46	34	1	19=100
	June, 2006	52	23	1	24 = 100
	April, 2006	55	26	1	18=100
	March, 2006	53	29	1	17=100
	January, 2006	59	22	1	18=100
h.F2	Getting Iraqi political leaders to work together	44	45	3	8=100
$\Pi$ . $\Gamma$ $L$	6 11	44 47	43 39		
	Late February, 2008			3	11=100
	November, 2007	41	47	3	9=100
	September, 2007	35	49	3	13=100

# ASK FORM A ONLY [N=755]:

Q.46FA If the U.S. withdraws its troops from Iraq while the country remains unstable, would it make a terrorist attack in the United States more likely, less likely, or not make a difference?

		April
		<u>2007</u>
41	More likely	45
11	Less likely	7
42	Not make a difference	43
<u>6</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>5</u>
100		100

# **ASK FORM B ONLY [N=747]:**

Q.47FB If U.S. troops remain in Iraq for many years, would it make a terrorist attack in the U.S. more likely, less likely, or not make a difference?

		April
		<u>2007</u>
35	More likely	41
22	Less likely	18
38	Not make a difference	34
<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>7</u>
100		100

## **ASK ALL:**

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

- 9 Very conservative
- 29 Conservative
- 37 Moderate
- 14 Liberal OR
- 5 Very liberal?
- 6 Don't know/Refused (VOL. DO NOT READ)
- 100