

October 25-27 interviews: 1,000 adults, 775 registered voters October 28-31 interviews: 1,000 adults, 758 registered voters Margin of error: ±3.1 for all adults, ±3.6 for registered voters Combined interviews: 2,000 adults, 1,533 registered voters Margin of error: ±2.2 for all adults, ±2.6 for registered voters

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# IPSOS PUBLIC AFFAIRS/COOK POLITICAL REPORT NATIONAL POLL IPSOS/CONSUMER ECONOMICS POLL RELEASE DATE: NOVEMBER 1, 2002 PROJECT #45-3663-32

NOTE: all results shown are percentages unless otherwise labeled.

1. Generally speaking, would you say things in this country are heading in the right direction, or are they off on the wrong track?

	ALL ADULTS								
			Current				3 <sup>rd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>
	10/25-	10/28-	Likely	10/15-	10/1-	9/16-	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter
	31/02	31/02	Voters	27/02	17/02	10/3/02	JAS 02	<u>AMJ 02</u>	JFM 02
Right direction	43	43	46	44	44	47	46	54	63
Wrong track	50	51	47	49	50	47	48	39	32
Not sure	7	6	7	7	6	6	6	7	5

Overall, do you approve, disapprove or have mixed feelings about the way George W. Bush is handling his job as President? (IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE, ASK:) Is that strongly (approve/disapprove) or somewhat (approve/disapprove)? (IF HAVE MIXED FEELINGS OR NOT SURE, ASK:) If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approve or disapprove?

	Registered Voters								
			Current				3 <sup>rd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>
	10/25-	10/28-	Likely	10/15-	10/1-	9/16-	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter
	<u>31/02</u>	<u>31/02</u>	<u>Voters</u>	<u>27/02</u>	<u>17/02</u>	<u>10/3/02</u>	JAS 02	<u>AMJ 02</u>	<u>JFM 02</u>
Strongly approve	34	35	38	33	35	38	34	41	50
Somewhat approve	16	16	15	16	15	15	16	19	16
Lean toward approval	13	13	10	14	13	12	15	13	11
Still have mixed feelings	2	2	2	2	2	3	2	2	2
Lean toward disapproval	13	13	12	14	14	14	14	12	10
Somewhat disapprove	6	5	7	5	4	4	5	4	3
Strongly disapprove	15	16	16	16	17	14	13	9	7
Not sure	1	<u>-</u>	-	-	<b>-</b>	-	1	-	-
Total Approve	64	64	63	63	63	64	65	73	77
Total Disapprove	34	34	34	35	35	32	32	25	21
Mean Rating <sup>1</sup>	4.8	4.8	4.8	4.7	4.8	4.9	4.9	5.3	5.6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Mean rating is calculated by assigning each response except "not sure" a value from 1 to 7, with "strongly approve" receiving a value of 7, and "strongly disapprove" a value of 1.

3. And when it comes to **(READ ISSUE)** do you approve or disapprove or have mixed feelings about the way George W. Bush is handling that issue?

(IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE, ASK: ) Is that strongly (approve/disapprove) or somewhat (approve/disapprove)? (IF HAVE MIXED FEELINGS OR NOT SURE, ASK:) If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approve or disapprove?

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Handling the economy	0.4	40	4.4		4.4	_	0.4			40	4.0
10/25-31/02	21	19	14	3	14	7	21	1	54	42	4.3
10/28-31/02	21	19	14	2	14	8	21	1	55	42	4.2
Current Likely Voters	25	17	13	3	12	6	23	1	54	42	4.3
10/15-27/02	20	18	14	3	14	9	21	1	53	43	4.2
10/1-17/02	21	17	15	3	13	10	21	-	53	43	4.2
9/16-10/3/02	23	18	16	2	12	9	19	1	56	41	4.3
3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter JAS 02	21	19	15	2	14	9	19	1	55	42	4.3
2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter AMJ 02	27	23	12	2	12	8	15	1	63	34	4.7
1 <sup>st</sup> quarter JFM 02	31	21	14	2	11	7	14	1	66	32	4.8
Handling domestic issues like health care, education, the environment and energy											
10/25-31/02	19	21	14	3	13	8	21	1	55	41	4.2
10/28-31/02	19	22	14	4	13	7	20	1	55	40	4.3
Current Likely Voters	22	20	12	3	11	8	23	1	54	42	4.2
10/15-27/02	19	19	16	3	13	9	21	-	53	43	4.2
10/1-17/02	21	18	15	3	12	9	21	1	54	42	4.2
9/16-10/3/02	22	18	15	3	12	8	21	1	55	41	4.3
3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter JAS 02	20	19	14	3	14	8	21	1	53	43	4.2
2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter AMJ 02	22	20	14	3	13	8	19	1	56	40	4.4
1 <sup>st</sup> quarter JFM 02	25	20	16	2	12	7	17	1	61	36	4.6
Handling foreign policy issues and the war on terrorism											
10/25-31/02	40	13	11	3	12	6	14	1	64	32	4.9
10/28-31/02	40	13	12	3	13	6	13	-	64	32	4.9
Current Likely Voters	42	12	10	3	13	5	15	-	64	33	4.9
10/15-27/02	41	14	10	3	13	5	14	-	64	32	4.9
10/1-17/02	43	12	9	3	14	5	14	-	64	33	5.0
9/16-10/3/02	45	11	10	3	12	5	13	1	66	31	5.1
3 <sup>rd</sup> quarter JAS 02	44	14	12	3	12	4	10	1	70	26	5.2
2 <sup>nd</sup> quarter AMJ 02	47	16	11	2	10	4	9	1	74	23	5.4
1 <sup>st</sup> quarter JFM 02	59	14	10	1	7	2	6	_	83	15	5.9

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Mean rating is calculated by assigning each response except "not sure" a value from 1 to 7, with "strongly approve" receiving a value of 7, and "strongly disapprove" a value of 1.

5. If the election were held today, would you ...

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		REGISTERED VOTERS								
			Current				3 <sup>rd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>	
	10/25-	10/28-	Likely	10/15-	10/1-	9/16-	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	
	31/02	<u>31/02</u>	Voters	27/02	17/02	10/3/02	JAS 02	AMJ 02	JFM 02	
Definitely vote to reelect Bush as										
President	42	42	45	43	44	45	42	50	54	
Consider voting for someone else	27	26	23	28	28	27	29	25	24	
Definitely vote for someone else	27	28	29	26	26	25	26	22	20	
Not sure	4	4	3	3	2	3	3	3	2	

6. And if the election for Congress were held today, would you want to see the Republicans or Democrats win control of Congress?

	REGISTERED VOTERS								
	,		Current				3 <sup>rd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>
	10/25-	10/28-	Likely	10/15-	10/1-	9/16-	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter
	31/02	31/02	Voters	27/02	<u>17/02</u>	10/3/02	JAS 02	AMJ 02	JFM 02
Republicans	42	44	44	42	43	43	43	44	43
Democrats	45	45	45	45	45	44	44	40	41
Neither (VOL)	9	8	8	9	8	8	9	12	12
Not sure	4	3	3	4	4	5	4	4	4

# **DEMOGRAPHICS**

- D1a. First of all, in what year were you born?
- D1b. Have you already had a birthday this year?

#### (IF RESPONDENT REFUSES Q.D1a OR Q.D1b, Q.D1c ASKED. RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

D1c. Are you:

		ALL ADULTS
	Current	
	Likely	10/25-
	Voters	31/02
18-34	20	31
35-49	33	30
50-64	29	23
65 and over	18	15
Refused/not sure	-	1

D2a. Are you employed:

		ALL ADULTS
	Current	
	Likely	10/25-
	Voters	<u>31/02</u>
Full time	57	55
Part time	10	13
Not employed	9	12
Retired	24	20
Refused/not sure	-	-

# (Q.D2b ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO ARE EMPLOYED FULL OR PART-TIME IN Q.2a.)

D2b. We would also like to have just a general idea of what type of occupation you have. Which one of the following best describes your current job?

		ALL ADULTS
	Current	
	Likely	10/25-
	<u>Voters</u>	<u>31/02</u>
Professional	19	17
Senior executive or manager	10	8
Clerical or administrative	9	8
Sales or services	6	9
A skilled trade or technical occupation	12	12
Blue-collar work or laborer	3	6
Farming or fishing	1	1
Other (VOL)	6	7
Refused/not sure	1	-
Not Employed Full/Part Time (Q.2a)	33	32

# D3. What is the last year of school you completed?

		ALL ADULTS
	Current	
	Likely	10/25-
	Voters	31/02
Grade school or some high school	5	7
Completed high school	19	24
Some community college or university, but		
did not finish	22	22
Completed technical school or a		
community college	14	14
Completed a university or Bachelor's degree	23	20
Completed a post-graduate degree such as a		
Master's or Ph.D.	17	13
Refused/not sure	-	-

#### D4. Are you currently married?

		ALL ADULTS
	Current	
	Likely	10/25-
	Voters	31/02
Yes	61	54
No	39	46
Refused/not sure	-	-

D5. Including yourself and any children, how many people are currently living in your household?

		ALL ADULTS
	Current	
	Likely	10/25-
	Voters	<u>31/02</u>
1	21	22
2	34	32
3	18	18
4	15	15
5	7	7
6 or more	4	5
Refused/not sure	1	1

# (Q.D6a-c ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY MORE THAN ONE PERSON IN HOUSEHOLD IN Q.D5.)

D6a. How many children under 6 years are currently living in your household?

D6b. How many children ages 6 to 12 are currently living in your household?

D6c. How many children ages 13 to 17 are currently living in your household?

		ALL ADULTS
	Current	
	Likely	10/25-
	Voters	<u>31/02</u>
ANY CHILDREN – NET	35	36
Under 6	14	17
6-12	18	18
13-17	15	15
NO CHILDREN	64	63
Refused/not sure	1	1

D7. Now, I am going to read a list of income ranges. When I get to the income range that best describes your household income from all sources in 2001, please stop me. Was your household income for 2001:

		ALL ADULTS
	Current	
	Likely	10/25-
	Voters	<u>31/02</u>
Under \$15,000	7	10
\$15,000 to less than \$20,000	6	8
\$20,000 to less than \$25,000	6	9
\$25,000 to less than \$30,000	5	6
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	10	10
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	10	9
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	19	17
\$75,000 to less than \$100,000	13	11
\$100,000 or more	14	11
Refused/not sure	10	9

D8a. Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race?

D8b. Are you of Hispanic ethnicity?

# (RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

		ALL ADULTS
	Current	
	Likely	10/25-
	Voters	31/02
White	83	79
Black	8	9
Hispanic	5	6
Asian	-	2
American Indian	-	1
Other	1	1
Refused	3	2

D9. Are you currently registered to vote at this address, or not?

		ALL ADULTS
	Current	
	Likely	10/25-
	Voters	<u>31/02</u>
Yes	100	75
No	-	25
Refused/not sure	-	-

#### (Q.D10a-c ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY THEY ARE REGISTERED TO VOTE IN Q.D9.)

D10a. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent or none of these?

(IF "DEMOCRAT" TO Q.D10a, Q.D10b ASKED. IF "REPUBLICAN" TO Q.D10a, Q.D10c ASKED. IF "INDEPENDENT" or "NONE OF THESE" TO Q.D10a, Q.D10d ASKED. RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

- D10b. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Democratic Party?
- D10c. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Republican Party?
- D10d. Do your beliefs tend to lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

		REGISTERED	
		Voters	
	Current		
	Likely	10/25-	
	Voters	31/02	
Strongly Republican	23	19	
Moderately Republican	21	22	
Definitely Independent/neither	11	13	
Moderately Democrat	24	26	
Strongly Democrat	19	18	
Refused/not sure	2	2	
Total Republican	44	42	
Total Democrat	43	44	

#### (Q.D11 ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY THEY ARE REGISTERED TO VOTE IN Q.D9.)

D11. How likely are you to vote in the elections this November for Congress and other offices?

		REGISTERED VOTERS
	Current	
	Likely	10/25-
	Voters	<u>31/02</u>
Extremely likely	100	65
Very likely	-	21
Only somewhat likely	-	9
Not likely to vote	-	4
(DO NOT READ:) Definitely not voting	-	-
Refused/not sure	-	1

#### (Q.D12 ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY THEY ARE REGISTERED TO VOTE IN Q.D9.)

D12. How much interest do you have in following news about the elections in November, using a 1 to 10 scale where a 10 means you have a lot of interest and a 1 means you have no interest at all.

		REGISTERED
	Current	Voters
		10/25-
	Likely Voters	31/02
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10, a lot of interest	33	26
9	10	8
8	22	18
7	13	13
6	6	8
5	10	14
4	2	3
3	2	3
2	-	2
1, no interest at all	2	5
Refused/not sure	-	-
Mean	7.8	7.2

D15. Do you own your home, or do you rent?

		ALL ADULTS
	Current	
	Likely	10/25-
	Voters	31/02
Own	68	59
Rent	16	23
Refused/not sure	16	18

D16a. What religion were you brought up in? Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, or some other religion?

		ALL ADULTS
	Current	
	Likely	10/25-
	Voters	<u>31/02</u>
Protestant	61	57
Catholic	27	28
Jewish	2	2
Some other religion	4	6
Not raised religiously (VOL)	2	2
Refused/not sure	4	5

D16b. Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or born-again Christian, or neither?

		ALL ADULTS
	Current	
	Likely	10/25-
	Voters	31/02
Born-again Christian	30	27
Fundamentalist	5	6
Neither	64	65
Refused/not sure	1	2

#### **REGION:**

		ALL ADULTS
	Current	
	Likely	10/25-
	<u>Voters</u>	31/02
Northeast	19	20
Midwest	23	23
South	34	35
West	24	22

# **METROPOLITAN STATUS:**

		ALL ADULTS
	Current	
	Likely	10/25-
	<u>Voters</u>	31/02
Urban	26	28
Suburban	52	49
Rural	22	23

# **GENDER:**

		ALL ADULTS
	Current	\ <u>-</u>
	Likely	10/25-
	Voters	31/02
Male	50	48
Female	50	52