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Interviews: 1,000 adults, 845 registered voters
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NOTE: all results shown are percentages unless otherwise labeled.

REGISTERED VOTERS/ PARTY AFFILIATION

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

	ALL ADULTS
Yes.....	81
No	19
Refused/not sure	-

- 2a. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent or none of these? *

(IF "DEMOCRAT" TO Q.2a, Q.2b ASKED. IF "REPUBLICAN" TO Q.2a, Q.2c ASKED. IF "INDEPENDENT" or "NONE OF THESE" TO Q.2a, Q.2d ASKED. RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

- 2b. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Democratic Party?
2c. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Republican Party?
2d. Do your beliefs tend to lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

	REGISTERED VOTERS
Strongly Republican	23
Moderately Republican	21
Definitely Independent/neither.....	7
Moderately Democrat.....	27
Strongly Democrat	21
Refused/not sure.....	1
Total Republican	45
Total Democrat	48

* Half the respondents were asked party identification in this location, the other half were asked at the end of the survey with the other demographic questions. Results for the respondents who were asked the question early were 42% Republican, 48% Democrat. For the respondents asked later in the survey, the results were 47% Republican, 47% Democrat.

POLITICAL STUDY

- 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						
	12/6 - 8/04	11/3 - 5/04	10/4 - 6/04	9/7 - 9/04	8/3 - 5/04	7/5 - 7/04
Right direction.....	43	46	40	44	39	41
Wrong track	52	51	56	52	59	56
Not sure	5	3	4	4	2	3
	6/7 - 9/04	5/3 - 5/04	4/5 - 7/04	3/1 - 3/04	2/2 - 4/04*	1/5 - 7/04**
	40	38	38	35	44	49
	56	58	57	60	52	46
	4	4	5	5	4	5
	2 nd Quarter AMJ 04	1 st Quarter JFM 04	4 th Quarter OND 03	3 rd Quarter JAS 03	2 nd Quarter AMJ 03	1 Year Ago 12/1 - 3/03
	39	44	43	41	52	43
	57	52	51	53	42	51
	4	4	6	6	6	6

* Half of sample was asked this question at start of interview, half after questions about the economy. There was no significant difference in the results.

** These results reflect responses among half the respondents.

2. 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					
	12/6 - 8/04	11/3 - 5/04	10/4 - 6/04	9/7 - 9/04	8/3 - 5/04	7/5 - 7/04
Strongly approve	31	33	31	33	30	31
Somewhat approve.....	10	12	9	12	10	9
Lean toward approval	11	6	8	8	9	10
Still have mixed feelings	2	1	1	1	1	1
Lean toward disapproval	14	9	12	11	13	11
Somewhat disapprove	4	5	6	4	5	5
Strongly disapprove	28	34	33	31	32	33
Not sure	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Approve	51	51	48	52	49	50
Total Disapprove	47	48	51	46	50	48
<i>Mean Rating¹</i>	<i>4.1</i>	<i>4.1</i>	<i>4.0</i>	<i>4.2</i>	<i>4.0</i>	<i>4.0</i>
	6/7 - 9/04	5/3 - 5/04	4/5 - 7/04	3/1 - 3/04	2/2 - 4/04	1/5 - 7/04
Strongly approve	27	27	28	28	27	33
Somewhat approve.....	12	11	9	10	10	11
Lean toward approval	9	11	11	10	9	12
Still have mixed feelings	2	2	2	3	4	1
Lean toward disapproval	13	14	13	16	16	15
Somewhat disapprove	7	5	5	4	5	5
Strongly disapprove	30	30	32	29	29	22
Not sure	-	-	-	-	-	1
Total Approve	48	48	48	48	47	56
Total Disapprove	50	50	50	49	50	42
<i>Mean Rating¹</i>	<i>4.0</i>	<i>4.0</i>	<i>4.0</i>	<i>4.0</i>	<i>4.0</i>	<i>4.4</i>
	2 nd Quarter AMJ 04	1 st Quarter JFM 04	4 th Quarter OND 03	3 rd Quarter JAS 03	2 nd Quarter AMJ 03	1 Year Ago 12/1 - 3/03
Strongly approve	27	30	30	31	39	30
Somewhat approve.....	11	10	12	15	12	12
Lean toward approval	10	10	11	10	11	10
Still have mixed feelings	2	2	3	2	2	3
Lean toward disapproval	13	16	13	14	13	13
Somewhat disapprove	6	5	6	5	4	7
Strongly disapprove	31	27	25	22	18	25
Not sure	-	-	-	1	1	-
Total Approve	48	50	53	56	62	53
Total Disapprove	50	47	44	41	35	44
<i>Mean Rating¹</i>	<i>4.0</i>	<i>4.2</i>	<i>4.3</i>	<i>4.4</i>	<i>4.8</i>	<i>4.2</i>

¹Mean 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?

REGISTERED VOTERS											
	Strongly Ap- prove	Some- what Ap- prove	Lean Toward Ap- proval	Still Have Mixed Feelings	Lean Toward Disap- proval	Some- what Disap- prove	Strongly Disap- prove	Not Sure	Total Ap- prove	Total Disap- prove	Mean- Rating ¹
Handling the economy											
12/6-8/04	25	15	8	1	13	6	31	1	48	51	3.9
11/3-5/04	25	14	8	1	10	7	34	1	48	51	3.9
10/4-6/04	25	13	8	2	9	9	34	-	47	51	3.8
9/7-9/04	27	15	8	1	9	7	33	-	50	49	4.0
8/3-5/04	26	14	7	1	8	10	33	1	46	52	3.8
7/5-7/04	29	13	7	1	10	9	31	-	49	50	4.0
6/7-9/04	23	15	9	2	11	9	30	1	47	50	3.9
5/3-5/04	24	13	6	2	13	11	31	-	43	55	3.8
4/5-7/04	23	12	9	2	11	9	34	-	45	53	3.7
3/1-3/04	23	13	9	2	10	10	33	-	45	53	3.7
2/2-4/04	19	16	9	2	12	8	33	1	44	53	3.7
1/5-7/04	25	17	11	2	10	8	25	2	53	44	4.2
2nd quarter AMJ 04.....	23	13	8	2	11	10	32	1	45	53	3.8
1st quarter JFM 04	22	15	10	2	11	9	30	1	47	50	3.9
4 th quarter OND 03	22	16	11	2	11	9	28	1	49	48	3.9
3 rd quarter JAS 03.....	20	16	12	2	11	9	29	1	48	49	3.9
2nd quarter AMJ 03.....	22	16	12	3	11	8	27	1	51	46	4.0
1st quarter JFM 03	21	16	11	3	11	10	26	2	49	46	4.0
1 year ago 12/1-3/03	26	16	8	2	11	9	27	1	50	47	4.1

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REGISTERED VOTERS

Q.3 (cont.)

Handling domestic issues like health care, education, the environment and energy

	Strongly Ap- prove	Some- what Ap- prove	Lean Toward Ap- proval	Still Have Mixed Feelings	Lean Toward Disap- proval	Some- what Disap- prove	Strongly Disap- prove	Not Sure	Total Ap- prove	Total Disap- prove	Mean- Rating ¹
12/6-8/04	21	17	10	2	10	8	32	-	48	50	3.8
11/3-5/04	21	17	9	1	9	8	35	-	46	52	3.7
10/28-31/04	22	13	11	1	10	7	35	1	46	52	3.8
10/18-20/04	22	13	10	1	10	8	36	-	45	54	3.7
10/4-6/04	20	15	8	2	11	8	36	-	43	55	3.6
9/20-22/04	21	16	11	1	10	8	32	1	48	50	3.8
9/7-9/04	21	15	10	2	8	9	34	1	46	51	3.7
8/3-5/04	21	15	9	1	12	8	34	-	45	54	3.7
7/5-7/04	20	16	10	1	10	7	36	-	46	52	3.7
6/7-9/04	16	14	11	1	13	10	34	1	41	57	3.5
5/3-5/04	17	16	8	2	13	9	34	1	42	55	3.6
4/5-7/04	18	16	10	2	11	7	35	1	43	53	3.6
3/1-3/04	17	16	12	2	13	9	31	-	45	53	3.7
2/2-4/04	16	16	10	2	13	9	33	1	42	55	3.6
1/5-7/04	18	17	14	1	13	7	29	1	49	49	3.9
2nd quarter AMJ 04.....	17	15	10	2	12	9	34	1	42	55	3.6
1st quarter JFM 04	17	16	12	2	13	8	31	1	45	52	3.7
4 th quarter OND 03	17	17	11	3	12	10	29	1	45	51	3.8
3 rd quarter JAS 03.....	19	17	13	2	12	9	27	1	49	48	3.9
2nd quarter AMJ 03.....	19	18	13	3	12	8	26	1	50	47	4.0
1st quarter JFM 03	21	17	11	4	12	9	25	1	49	46	4.0
1 year ago 12/1-3/03	19	19	9	3	9	12	28	1	47	49	3.9

¹Mean 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.

Q.3 (cont.)	REGISTERED VOTERS								Total Ap- prove	Total Disap- prove	Mean- Rating ¹
	Strongly Ap- prove	Some- what Ap- prove	Lean Toward Ap- proval	Still Have Mixed Feelings	Lean Toward Disap- proval	Some- what Disap- prove	Strongly Disap- prove	Not Sure			
Handling foreign policy issues and the war on terrorism											
12/6-8/04	35	11	7	2	12	6	27	-	53	45	4.3
11/3-5/04	39	8	7	-	11	6	29	-	54	46	4.3
(FROM APRIL THROUGH OCTOBER 2004 - ASKED OF ONLY HALF THE REGISTERED VOTERS)											
10/4-6/04	36	5	9	1	12	6	31	-	50	49	4.1
9/7-9/04	42	8	4	1	10	6	29	-	54	44	4.4
8/3-5/04	38	7	6	-	12	7	30	-	51	49	4.2
7/5-7/04	37	8	7	1	10	6	31	-	51	48	4.2
6/7-9/04	36	8	7	1	15	6	27	-	51	48	4.2
5/3-5/04	32	9	10	3	15	6	25	-	50	47	4.2
4/5-7/04	38	10	7	1	13	5	26	-	55	43	4.4
3/1-3/04	36	12	6	1	13	7	25	-	54	45	4.4
2/2-4/04	35	11	8	2	14	6	24	-	53	45	4.3
1/5-7/04	39	11	9	1	13	6	20	1	60	38	4.7
2nd quarter AMJ 04.....	35	9	8	2	14	6	26	-	52	46	4.3
1st quarter JFM 04	37	11	8	1	13	6	23	1	56	43	4.5
4 th quarter OND 03	36	11	8	2	14	6	22	1	55	42	4.4
3 rd quarter JAS 03.....	40	11	9	2	12	6	20	-	60	38	4.7
2nd quarter AMJ 03.....	48	11	9	2	10	5	14	1	68	29	5.2
1st quarter JFM 03	41	11	8	3	11	5	20	1	60	36	4.7
1 year ago 12/1-3/03	36	12	7	3	12	7	23	-	54	43	4.4
Handling the situation in Iraq											
12/6-8/04	27	12	10	1	8	7	35	-	48	50	3.9
11/3-5/04	31	10	7	1	7	5	39	-	48	51	3.8
(PRIOR TO NOVEMBER 2004 - ASKED OF ONLY HALF THE REGISTERED VOTERS)											
10/4-6/04	32	7	7	2	9	5	38	-	46	52	3.8
9/20-22/04	31	9	9	2	10	6	33	-	49	49	4.0
7/5-7/04	31	10	7	1	9	4	38	-	47	51	3.9
6/7-9/04	28	9	6	2	10	5	40	-	43	55	3.7
5/3-5/04	26	10	10	3	13	4	34	-	46	51	3.9
2 nd quarter AMJ 04 ²	27	9	8	3	11	5	37	-	44	53	3.8

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²This item was asked only in May and June (773 registered voters).

IRAQ STUDY

Now on a different topic.

IR1. How likely is it that a stable, democratic government will be established in Iraq? Is it ...

	12/6 - 8/04	4/16- 18/04	4/5 - 7/04
Very likely	9	11	10
Somewhat likely.....	38	44	40
Not too likely	32	31	33
Not at all likely	19	13	16
Not sure	2	1	1
Total Likely	47	55	50
Total Not Likely	51	44	49

DEMOGRAPHICS

NOTE: Results for demographic questions represent all adults unless otherwise indicated.

D1a. 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:

18-34	31
35-49	27
50-64	25
65 and over	17
Refused/not sure	-

D2. Are you employed:

TOTAL EMPLOYED	60
- Full time.....	49
- Part time.....	12
Not employed	19
Retired.....	20
Refused/not sure	-

(Q.D3 ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO ARE EMPLOYED FULL OR PART-TIME IN Q.D2.)

D3. 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?

Professional	17
Senior executive or manager	6
Clerical or administrative	6
Sales or services	9
A skilled trade or technical occupation.....	10
Blue-collar work or laborer.....	6
Farming or fishing	1
Other (VOL)	5
Refused/not sure	-
Not Employed Full/Part Time (Q.D2)	40

D4. What is the last year of school you completed?

Grade school or some high school	7
Completed high school	24
Some college but did not finish.....	24
Completed a two year college degree	11
Completed a four year college degree.....	22
Completed a post-graduate degree such as a Master's or Ph.D.	12
Refused/not sure	-

D5. Are you currently:

Married	56
Cohabiting or living as married	4
Divorced	9
Separated	1
Single or never married	22
Widow or widower	8
Refused/not sure	-

D6. Including yourself and any children, how many people are currently living in your household?

1	20
2	32
3	20
4	16
5	8
6 or more	3
Refused/not sure	1

(Q.D7a-c ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY MORE THAN ONE PERSON IN HOUSEHOLD IN Q.D6.)

D7a. How many children under 6 years are currently living in your household?

D7b. How many children ages 6 to 12 are currently living in your household?

D7c. How many children ages 13 to 17 are currently living in your household?

ANY CHILDREN – NET	38
Under 6.....	18
6-12	18
13-17	14
NO CHILDREN	62
Refused/not sure	1

D8. Do you currently own stocks, bonds, or mutual funds?

Yes	52
No.....	47
Refused/not sure	1

(Q.D9 ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY THEY OWN STOCKS, BONDS OR MUTUAL FUNDS IN Q.D8.)

D9. In the past 12 months, how many times did you make changes in your investments - buying or selling stocks or stock mutual funds either within or outside an employer-sponsored 401K plan?

	<u>INVESTORS</u>
None.....	34
1 time.....	23
2 times.....	14
3 times.....	6
4 times.....	5
5 to 9 times.....	7
10 to 14 times.....	4
15 to 19 times.....	1
20 to 24 times.....	1
25 times or more	2
Refused/not sure	3
Active Investors (5 times or more).....	15

D10. Do you own your home, or do you rent?

Own	72
Rent.....	27
Refused/not sure	1

D11a. Would you describe yourself as a born-again or evangelical Christian, or not?

Yes	42
No.....	56
Refused/not sure	2

D11b. What is your religious preference? Is it Protestant, Catholic, Mormon, Jewish, Muslim, some other religion, or don't you belong to any religious denomination? **(IF "SOME OTHER RELIGION, ASK) Is that a Christian denomination, or not? (IF YES, CODED AS "PROTESTANT".)**

Protestant	51
Catholic	21
Mormon	2
Jewish	1
Muslim	1
Other non-Christian religion.....	3
No religion	20
Refused/not sure	1

D12a. Are you of Hispanic ethnicity?

(Q.D12b ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO DO NOT SAY THEY ARE HISPANIC IN Q.D12a.)

D12b. Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race?

(RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

White	80
Black.....	9
Hispanic.....	6
Asian.....	2
American Indian.....	1
Other.....	1
Refused	1

D13. Could you please tell me your household income from all sources in 2003?

Under \$15,000.....	12
\$15,000 to less than \$20,000	6
\$20,000 to less than \$25,000	7
\$25,000 to less than \$30,000	6
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	10
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	10
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	16
\$75,000 to less than \$100,000	10
\$100,000 or more	12
Refused/not sure	11

REGION:

Northeast.....	20
Midwest.....	23
South.....	35
West.....	22

METROPOLITAN STATUS:

Urban	27
Suburban.....	48
Rural.....	25

GENDER:

Male	48
Female	52