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Interview dates: October 3-5, 2005 Interviews 1,000 adults, 836 registered voters Margin of error: ±3.1 for all adults, ±3.4 for 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
	<b>A</b> DULTS
Yes	78
No	22
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
	<b>V</b> OTERS
Strongly Republican	20
Moderately Republican	21
Definitely Independent/neither	10
Moderately Democrat	25
Strongly Democrat	23
Refused/not sure	1
Total Republican	40
Total Democrat	48

<sup>\*</sup> 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 39% Republican, 46%Democrat. For the respondents asked later in the survey, the results were 42% Republican, 49% Democrat.

# **CURRENT EVENTS STUDY**

1. As you may know, Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor is retiring, and President Bush has nominated Harriet Miers to replace her. Is your opinion of Supreme Court nominee Harriet Miers favorable, unfavorable, or haven't you heard enough about Harriet Miers yet to have an opinion?

	Harriet Miers	John Roberts	
	10/3- 5/05	8/29- 31/05	7/19- 20/05
Favorable	<u>3/03</u> 19	34	25
Unfavorable	13	16	14
Haven't heard enough to have an			
opinion	67	49	59
Not sure	1	1	2

2. Do you think the U.S. Senate should or should not confirm Harriet Miers as a Supreme Court Justice? Do you feel strongly or not strongly about that?

	Harriet	John	
	Miers	Rob	erts <sup>1</sup>
	10/3-	8/29-	7/19-
	<u>5/05</u>	31/05	20/05
Total Should Confirm	41	52	47
- Feel strongly	19	36	36
- Do NOT feel strongly	22	16	11
Total Should NOT Confirm	27	24	24
- Feel strongly	13	17	16
- Do NOT feel strongly	14	7	8
Not sure	32	24	29

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For John Roberts, the question was worded "Do you think the U.S. Senate should or should not vote to confirm John Roberts Jr. as a Supreme Court Justice?"

3. As you may know, the U.S. Congress is expected to appropriate up to 200 billion dollars to help the affected areas recover from Hurricane Katrina. What best describes how you feel about federal spending on the recovery from Hurricane Katrina?

	10/3-	9/16-
	<u>5/05</u>	<u>18/05</u>
We are spending too much	27	24
We are spending the right amount	47	52
We should spend more	21	15
Not sure	5	9

4. How confident are you that the money appropriated for recovery from Katrina is being spent wisely?

	10/3-	9/16-
	<u>5/05</u>	<u> 18/05</u>
Very confident	5	8
Somewhat confident	32	42
Not too confident	36	31
Not at all confident	25	18
Not sure	2	11
Total Confident Total Not Confident	37 61	50 49

5. If your community were faced with a major disaster that required large-scale evacuations, how confident are you that the government would help evacuate you and your family out of harm's way?

Very confident	17
Somewhat confident	32
Not too confident	28
Not at all confident	21
Not sure	2
Total Confident	48
Total Not Confident	49

6. If you did have to evacuate yourself and your family, do you have a plan in place for how you would get to a safe location, or not?

Yes	51
No	48
Not sure	1

7. THIS QUESTION WILL BE RELEASED IN CONJUNCTION WITH A LATER STORY.

#### **DEMOGRAPHICS**

NOTE:	Results for	demographic	questions	represent a	ıll adults	unless	otherwise in	idicated.

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	
50-64	
65 and over	17
Refused/not sure	1

D2. Are you employed:

TOTAL EMPLOYED	65
- Full time	50
- Part time	15
Not employed	14
Retired	20
Refused/not sure	1

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

Grade school or some high school	5
Completed high school	23
Some community college or university, but	
did not finish	25
Completed technical school or a community	
college	11
Completed a university or Bachelor's degree	22
Completed a post-graduate degree such	
as a Master's or Ph.D.	14
Refused/not sure	_

D4. Are you currently married?

Yes	58
No	42
Refused/not sure	_

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

1	19
2	
3	19
4	
5	
6 or more	5
Refused/not sure	1

(Q.D6a-c ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY MORE THAN ON	<b>NE PERSON IN HOUSEHOLD IN Q.D5.)</b>
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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?

ANY CHILDREN - NET	41
Under 6	20
6-12	20
13-17	18
NO CHILDREN	58
Refused/not sure	1

D7. Do you currently own stocks, bonds, or mutual funds?

Yes	50
No	48
Refused/not sure	2

# (Q.D8 ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY THEY OWN STOCKS, BONDS OR MUTUAL FUNDS IN Q.D7.)

D8. 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? Would you say you bought or sold stocks or stock mutual funds four times or fewer or five times or more times in the past 12 months? [IF FOUR TIMES OR FEWER, ASK:] Is that once, twice, three times, four times, or no changes? [IF MORE THAN FOUR, ASK:] How many times did you buy or sell stocks or mutual funds – 5-9 times, 10 to 14 times, 15-19 times, 20-24 times, or 25 times or more?

	<u>Investors</u>
None	
1 time	
2 times	14
3 times	
4 times	
5 to 9 times	
10 to 14 times	
15 to 19 times	
20 to 24 times	1
25 times or more	
Refused/not sure	8

Active Investors (5 times or more)...... 16

D9a. Would you describe yourself as a born-again or evangelical Christian, or not?

Yes	39
No	57
Refused/not sure	4

D9b. 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	48
Catholic	25
Mormon	1
Jewish	1
Muslim	1
Other non-Christian religion	4
No religion	
Refused/not sure	1

D10a. Are you of Hispanic ethnicity?

# (Q.D10b ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO DO NOT SAY THEY ARE HISPANIC IN Q.D10a.)

D10b. Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race?

# (RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

White	71
Black	
Hispanic	
Asian	
American Indian	-
Other	1
Refused	_

D11. Could you please tell me your household income from all sources in 2004?

Under \$15,000	12
\$15,000 to less than \$20,000	6
\$20,000 to less than \$25,000	6
\$25,000 to less than \$30,000	5
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	10
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	8
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	16
\$75,000 to less than \$100,000	10
\$100,000 or more	12
Refused/not sure	15

**REGION:** 

Northeast	20
Midwest	23
South	35
West	22

#### **METROPOLITAN STATUS:**

Urban	29
Suburban	51
Rural	20

#### **GENDER:**

Male	48
Female	52