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Interview dates: October 20-25, 2006
Interviews: 2,000 adults, 1,621 registered voters, 970 likely voters
Margin of error: ± 2.2 for all adults, ± 2.4 for registered voters, ± 3.1 for likely voters

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POLITICAL STUDY

NOTE: Results represent all adults unless otherwise indicated.

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

	<u>10/20- 25/06</u>	<u>10/2- 4/06</u>	<u>9/11- 13/06</u>	<u>8/7- 9-06</u>	<u>7/10- 12/06</u>	<u>6/5- 7/06</u>	<u>5/1- 3/06</u>	<u>4/3- 5/06</u>
Right direction	29	31	33	26	30	26	23	28
Wrong track	66	64	63	71	67	70	73	69
Not sure	5	5	4	3	3	4	4	3
	<u>3/6- 8/06</u>	<u>2/6- 8/06</u>	<u>1/3- 5/06</u>	<u>12/5- 7/05</u>	<u>11/7- 9/05</u>	High <u>1/18- 21/02</u>	Low <u>5/1- 3/06</u>	1 Year Ago <u>10/3- 5/05</u>
Right direction	30	35	32	33	32	68	23	28
Wrong track	67	61	65	64	64	29	73	66
Not sure	3	4	3	3	4	3	4	6

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?

	10/20-25/06						10/2-4/06		
		REGIS- TERED VOTERS	LIKELY VOTERS					REGIS- TERED VOTERS	LIKELY VOTERS
	ALL						ALL		
Strongly approve	19	20	23				19	21	25
Somewhat approve	8	8	7				10	9	7
Lean toward approval	10	9	8				8	8	7
Still have mixed feelings	2	2	1				2	2	2
Lean toward disapproval	13	12	9				12	10	9
Somewhat disapprove	5	5	4				6	6	5
Strongly disapprove	42	44	48				42	43	45
Not sure	1	-	-				1	1	-
Total Approve	37	37	38				38	38	39
Total Disapprove	61	61	61				59	59	58
<i>Mean Rating¹</i>	3.3	3.3	3.3				3.4	3.4	3.4
	9/11-13/06								
		REGIS- TERED VOTERS	LIKELY VOTERS						
	ALL			8/7- 9-06	7/10- 12/06	6/5- 7/06	5/1- 3/06	4/3- 5/06	
Strongly approve	19	21	24	16	18	15	15	18	
Somewhat approve	9	9	8	10	9	8	7	8	
Lean toward approval	11	11	9	7	9	11	10	10	
Still have mixed feelings	1	1	-	2	1	2	2	2	
Lean toward disapproval	15	14	14	14	12	16	14	12	
Somewhat disapprove	8	7	4	7	8	5	6	8	
Strongly disapprove	37	37	41	44	43	42	46	42	
Not sure	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	
Total Approve	39	41	40	33	36	35	33	36	
Total Disapprove	60	57	59	64	63	63	65	62	
<i>Mean Rating¹</i>	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.3	
							1 Year Ago		
	3/6- 8/06	2/6- 8/06	1/3- 5/06	12/5- 7/05	11/7- 9/05	10/31- 11/2/05	High 1/4- 21/02	Low 5/1- 3/06	10/3- 5/05
Strongly approve	18	22	19	20	18	20	54	15	21
Somewhat approve	9	11	11	11	10	10	16	7	9
Lean toward approval	10	8	11	10	9	7	10	10	9
Still have mixed feelings	2	2	1	1	1	3	2	2	3
Lean toward disapproval	12	13	12	14	12	12	11	14	14
Somewhat disapprove	7	7	5	5	6	5	2	6	5
Strongly disapprove	41	37	41	38	43	42	5	46	39
Not sure	1	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-
Total Approve	37	40	40	42	37	37	80	33	39
Total Disapprove	60	57	59	57	61	59	18	65	58
<i>Mean Rating¹</i>	3.3	3.6	3.4	3.5	3.3	3.4	5.7	3.1	3.5

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.

(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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LIKELY VOTER STUDY

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

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>REGISTERED</u> <u>VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY</u> <u>VOTERS</u>
Yes	81	100	100
No	19	-	-
Refused	-	-	-

[REMAINING QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION ASKED ONLY OF REGISTERED VOTERS]

B. How often would you say you vote? **(READ LIST)**

	<u>REGISTERED</u> <u>VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY</u> <u>VOTERS</u>
Always	63	72
Nearly always ...	26	24
Part of the time .	7	3
Seldom.....	2	1
Never	2	-
Refused	-	-

1a. Sometimes things come up and people are not able to vote. In the 2004 election for President, did you happen to vote?

	<u>REGISTERED</u> <u>VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY</u> <u>VOTERS</u>
Yes.....	93	95
No	7	5
Refused	-	-

[ASKED OF RESPONDENTS WHO DID NOT VOTE IN THE 2004 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION]

1b. Why not?

	<u>REGISTERED</u> <u>VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY</u> <u>VOTERS</u>
Did not live in the state/district at the time.....	1	1
Too young to vote at the time	1	2
Not registered, too busy, something came up	2	1
Other.....	3	1
Refused	-	-
Yes voted.....	93	95

2. On November 7th, the Congressional elections will be held. Using a 1-to-10 scale, where 10 means you are completely certain you will vote and 1 means you are completely certain you will NOT vote, how likely are you to vote in the upcoming Congressional election? You can use any number between 1 and 10, to indicate how strongly you feel about your likelihood to vote.

	REGISTERED VOTERS	LIKELY VOTERS
10, completely certain you will vote	75	86
9	7	5
8	5	4
7	2	1
6	2	-
5	3	1
4	1	-
3	1	-
2	1	-
1, completely certain you will NOT vote.....	3	2
Refused.....	-	1
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Total likely (8-10)	87	95
Total not likely (1-3)	5	2

3. How much interest do you have in following news about the upcoming Congressional election? A great deal, quite a bit, only some, very little, or no interest at all?

	REGISTERED VOTERS	LIKELY VOTERS
A great deal	43	62
Quite a bit	27	38
Only some	20	-
Very little.....	6	-
No interest at all.....	4	-
Refused	-	-
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Total Great deal/quite a bit.....	71	100
Total very little/none.....	9	-

- 4a. Have you already voted in the upcoming November Congressional election by going to an early voting location or by mailing in an early voting or absentee ballot or not?

ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO HAVE NOT ALREADY VOTED

- 4b. Do you plan to vote early or will you vote on election day?

	REGISTERED VOTERS	LIKELY VOTERS
Total voting early (net)	20	20
-Already voted	9	10
-Will vote early.....	11	10
Will vote on election day	77	79
Will not vote	2	-
DK/NS	1	1

5. Do you happen to know where people in your neighborhood go to vote, or not?

	REGISTERED VOTERS	LIKELY VOTERS
Yes.....	82	100
No	18	-
Refused	-	-

CONGRESSIONAL VOTE STUDY

[ASKED ONLY OF REGISTERED VOTERS]

1a. If the election for U.S. House of Representatives were held today, would you vote for the **(ROTATE)** Democratic or Republican candidate in your congressional district?

	10/20-25/06		10/2-4/06		9/11-13/06		8/7-9/06	7/10-12/06
	<u>REGIS-TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>	<u>REGIS-TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>	<u>REGIS-TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>		
Democratic Candidate	51	53	49	48	47	50	51	47
Lean Democratic	3	2	4	3	4	3	4	3
Lean Republican	3	2	4	4	4	3	5	4
Republican Candidate	34	35	34	36	35	36	32	36
Other Candidate (VOL)	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	3
Undecided (VOL).....	4	3	5	4	5	4	5	4
None/Will not vote (VOL).....	2	1	2	2	2	1	1	2
Not sure.....	2	3	1	1	2	1	1	1
Total Democratic Candidate	54	56	54	51	51	53	55	51
Total Republican Candidate	37	37	38	41	39	39	37	40

[ASKED OF THOSE WHO WILL VOTE FOR EITHER THE DEMOCRATIC OR REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE]

1b. In November, will you definitely vote for that candidate, probably vote for that candidate, or do you think you could change your mind before the election in November?

	10/20-25/06		10/2-4/06		9/11-13/06		8/7-9/06	7/10-12/06
	<u>REGIS-TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>	<u>REGIS-TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>	<u>REGIS-TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>		
Definitely will vote for Democratic candidate	36	41	32	34	27	30	25	23
Probably will vote for Democratic candidate	14	12	15	14	19	19	18	15
Could change mind (Democrat)	9	6	12	9	11	9	18	17
Definitely will vote for Republican candidate	23	27	18	22	18	23	14	17
Probably will vote for Republican candidate	10	7	12	12	14	12	11	12
Could change mind (Republican).....	7	6	10	9	10	7	13	13
Not sure	1	1	1	-	1	-	1	3

[ASKED ONLY OF REGISTERED VOTERS]

2. Will your vote for Congress be at least in part to **(RANDOMIZE)** - show opposition to President Bush, show support for President Bush), or will President Bush not be a factor in your vote for Congress?

	10/20-25/06		10/2-4/06		9/11-13/06		8/7-9/06	7/10-12/06
	<u>REGIS-TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>	<u>REGIS-TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>	<u>REGIS-TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>		
Show opposition to President Bush	30	33	25	26	25	29	29	20
Show support for President Bush	15	15	16	17	16	16	12	15
President Bush will not be a factor.....	54	51	57	56	58	54	56	63
Not sure	1	1	2	1	1	1	3	2

(ASKED OF ALL ADULTS)

3. No matter how you will vote in November, if the election for Congress were held today, would you want to see the Republicans or Democrats win control of Congress?

		10/20-25/06			10/2-4/06			9/11-13/06	
	<u>ALL</u>	<u>REGIS-TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>	<u>ALL</u>	<u>REGIS-TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>	<u>ALL</u>	<u>REGIS-TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>
Republicans	36	37	37	34	34	36	36	38	38
Democrats.....	51	53	55	53	55	53	53	52	54
(DO NOT READ)									
Neither	7	5	4	8	7	7	8	7	6
Not sure	6	5	4	5	4	4	3	3	2
		8/7-9/06	7/10-12/06 ¹	6/5-7/06	5/1-3/06	4/3-5/06	3/6-8/06	2/6-8/06	1/3-5/06
Republicans		33	36	32	34	33	36	37	36
Democrats.....		52	53	52	51	49	47	47	49
(DO NOT READ)									
Neither		10	7	12	13	15	13	13	12
Not sure		5	4	4	2	3	4	3	3

¹ Prior to July 2006, question was phrased as "And if the election for Congress were held today, would you want to see the Republicans or Democrats win control of Congress?"

ELECTION ISSUES STUDY

1. How important are each of the following issues to you personally? For each issue, please tell me if it is extremely important, very important, moderately important, slightly important, or not at all important to you personally.

How important to you personally is...

TABLE RANKED BY % TOTAL EXTREMELY/VERY IMPORTANT AMONG ALL ADULTS

	EXTREMELY IMPORTANT	VERY IMPORTANT	MODER- ATELY IMPORTANT	SLIGHTLY IMPORTANT	NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT	REFUSED	TOTAL EXTREMELY /VERY IMPORTANT	TOTAL SLIGHTLY / NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT
The economy								
(10/20-25/06) ALL ADULTS	35	52	10	2	1	-	86	3
(10/20-25/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	34	53	10	2	1	-	88	2
(10/20-25/06) LIKELY VOTERS	38	51	9	1	1	-	89	2
(10/2-4/06) ALL ADULTS	32	52	12	3	1	-	84	3
(10/2-4/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	32	52	12	3	1	-	85	3
(10/2-4/06) LIKELY VOTERS ...	33	55	9	2	1	-	88	2
Health care								
(10/20-25/06) ALL ADULTS	38	47	10	3	2	-	85	5
(10/20-25/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	38	47	10	3	2	-	85	5
(10/20-25/06) LIKELY VOTERS	40	44	11	3	2	-	84	5
(10/2-4/06) ALL ADULTS	35	47	11	5	1	1	82	6
(10/2-4/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	36	45	12	4	2	1	82	6
(10/2-4/06) LIKELY VOTERS ...	37	45	12	5	1	-	82	5
The situation in Iraq								
(10/20-25/06) ALL ADULTS	41	42	10	3	3	1	84	6
(10/20-25/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	42	43	10	2	2	1	85	5
(10/20-25/06) LIKELY VOTERS	47	43	8	1	1	-	90	2
(10/2-4/06) ALL ADULTS	39	46	11	2	2	-	84	5
(10/2-4/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	39	48	10	2	1	-	87	3
(10/2-4/06) LIKELY VOTERS ...	43	47	8	2	-	-	90	2
Terrorism								
(10/20-25/06) ALL ADULTS	40	39	14	5	2	-	79	7
(10/20-25/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	39	40	14	4	2	1	79	6
(10/20-25/06) LIKELY VOTERS	41	39	15	3	2	-	80	5
(10/2-4/06) ALL ADULTS	39	44	11	4	2	-	83	5
(10/2-4/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	39	45	11	4	1	-	83	5
(10/2-4/06) LIKELY VOTERS ...	40	45	11	3	1	-	85	4
Social Security								
(10/20-25/06) ALL ADULTS	30	47	15	5	3	-	77	8
(10/20-25/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	30	47	15	5	3	-	77	8
(10/20-25/06) LIKELY VOTERS	33	44	15	5	3	-	77	8
(10/2-4/06) ALL ADULTS	30	44	17	7	2	-	74	9
(10/2-4/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	30	44	17	7	2	-	74	9
(10/2-4/06) LIKELY VOTERS ...	30	46	17	5	2	-	76	7

Q.1. (cont.)	EXTREMELY IMPORTANT	VERY IMPORTANT	MODER- ATELY IMPORTANT	SLIGHTLY IMPORTANT	NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT	REFUSED	TOTAL EXTREMELY /VERY IMPORTANT	TOTAL SLIGHTLY / NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT
Taxes								
(10/20-25/06) ALL ADULTS	31	43	17	6	3	-	74	8
(10/20-25/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	31	45	17	5	2	-	76	7
(10/20-25/06) LIKELY VOTERS	32	44	16	6	2	-	75	8
(10/2-4/06) ALL ADULTS	23	45	22	8	2	-	68	10
(10/2-4/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	24	45	21	8	2	-	69	10
(10/2-4/06) LIKELY VOTERS ...	26	45	22	6	1	-	71	8
Political corruption								
(10/20-25/06) ALL ADULTS	32	40	15	7	5	1	71	12
(10/20-25/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	31	41	15	7	5	1	73	12
(10/20-25/06) LIKELY VOTERS	35	41	13	6	5	-	76	10
(10/2-4/06) ALL ADULTS	28	41	17	9	5	-	69	14
(10/2-4/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	29	41	18	9	3	-	70	12
(10/2-4/06) LIKELY VOTERS ...	33	43	17	6	1	-	75	8
Gas prices								
(10/20-25/06) ALL ADULTS	28	39	21	7	5	-	67	11
(10/20-25/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	26	40	22	7	4	1	66	11
(10/20-25/06) LIKELY VOTERS	27	38	24	7	4	-	65	11
(10/2-4/06) ALL ADULTS	25	42	21	8	4	-	68	11
(10/2-4/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	25	42	22	7	4	-	67	11
(10/2-4/06) LIKELY VOTERS ...	22	42	25	7	4	-	64	11
Immigration								
(10/20-25/06) ALL ADULTS	23	35	24	11	6	1	58	17
(10/20-25/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	23	35	25	11	5	1	58	16
(10/20-25/06) LIKELY VOTERS	25	36	25	10	4	-	61	14
(10/2-4/06) ALL ADULTS	20	38	24	12	6	-	58	18
(10/2-4/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	19	38	25	12	6	-	57	18
(10/2-4/06) LIKELY VOTERS ...	21	38	26	10	5	-	59	15
Same-sex marriage								
(10/20-25/06) ALL ADULTS	17	20	15	11	36	1	37	47
(10/20-25/06) REGISTERED VOTERS	16	21	16	10	35	2	37	45
(10/20-25/06) LIKELY VOTERS	18	21	15	11	33	2	40	44
(10/2-4/06) All Adults.....	16	20	12	12	39	1	35	51
(10/2-4/06) Registered Voters.....	17	20	12	11	39	1	37	50
(10/2-4/06) Likely Voters	18	19	12	11	39	1	37	50

2. And who do you trust to do a better job of handling ...?

	<u>DEMOCRATS</u>	<u>REPUBLICANS</u>	<u>BOTH EQUALLY</u>	<u>NEITHER</u>	<u>REFUSED</u>
Terrorism					
10/20-25/06 (ALL).....	40	43	9	3	5
10/20-25/06 (RV)	41	42	9	3	5
10/20-25/06 (LV).....	43	42	9	3	3
10/2-4/06 (ALL).....	41	41	8	4	6
10/2-4/06 (RV)	43	41	7	3	6
10/2-4/06 (LV).....	44	42	7	3	4
Handling the situation in Iraq					
10/20-25/06 (ALL).....	48	37	10	1	4
10/20-25/06 (RV)	49	36	10	1	4
10/20-25/06 (LV).....	51	36	9	1	3
10/2-4/06 (ALL).....	47	37	9	3	4
10/2-4/06 (RV)	48	38	8	2	4
10/2-4/06 (LV).....	49	40	6	2	3
9/11-13/06 (ALL).....	44	39	1	10	6
9/11-13/06 (RV)	44	41	1	10	4
9/11-13/06 (LV).....	46	40	1	9	4
4/06.....	42	39	3	12	4
Handling the economy					
10/20-25/06 (ALL).....	50	39	7	1	3
10/20-25/06 (RV)	51	38	7	1	3
10/20-25/06 (LV).....	52	39	6	1	2
10/2-4/06 (ALL).....	50	36	7	3	4
10/2-4/06 (RV)	51	36	7	2	4
10/2-4/06 (LV).....	51	38	6	2	3
9/11-13/06 (ALL).....	52	34	2	7	5
9/11-13/06 (RV)	52	36	1	7	4
9/11-13/06 (LV).....	53	38	1	5	3
Taxes					
10/20-25/06 (ALL).....	44	42	9	1	4
10/20-25/06 (RV)	46	41	9	1	3
10/20-25/06 (LV).....	47	41	8	1	3
10/2-4/06 (ALL).....	49	37	8	2	4
10/2-4/06 (RV)	50	37	7	2	4
10/2-4/06 (LV).....	50	38	8	1	3
Health care					
10/20-25/06 (ALL).....	55	30	11	1	3
10/20-25/06 (RV)	55	30	10	1	4
10/20-25/06 (LV).....	58	30	9	1	2
10/2-4/06 (ALL).....	56	27	11	2	4
10/2-4/06 (RV)	58	27	10	2	3
10/2-4/06 (LV).....	58	28	10	2	2
Social Security					
10/20-25/06 (ALL).....	52	33	9	2	4
10/20-25/06 (RV)	52	33	9	2	4
10/20-25/06 (LV).....	55	32	8	2	3
10/2-4/06 (ALL).....	52	30	11	3	4
10/2-4/06 (RV)	53	31	11	2	3
10/2-4/06 (LV).....	54	32	9	2	3

Q.2. (cont.)	<u>DEMOCRATS</u>	<u>REPUBLICANS</u>	<u>BOTH EQUALLY</u>	<u>NEITHER</u>	<u>REFUSED</u>
Same-sex marriage					
10/20-25/06 (ALL).....	44	37	11	1	7
10/20-25/06 (RV)	44	36	11	2	7
10/20-25/06 (LV).....	46	36	11	2	5
10/2-4/06 (ALL).....	44	35	10	3	8
10/2-4/06 (RV)	44	35	10	2	9
10/2-4/06 (LV).....	44	35	11	2	8
Immigration					
10/20-25/06 (ALL).....	44	37	12	1	6
10/20-25/06 (RV)	43	37	12	2	6
10/20-25/06 (LV).....	45	37	12	1	5
10/2-4/06 (ALL).....	44	36	13	3	4
10/2-4/06 (RV)	44	36	12	4	4
10/2-4/06 (LV).....	42	38	13	4	3
Gas prices					
10/20-25/06 (ALL).....	50	30	14	1	5
10/20-25/06 (RV)	50	30	14	1	5
10/20-25/06 (LV).....	52	29	13	1	5
10/2-4/06 (ALL).....	52	27	14	3	4
10/2-4/06 (RV)	52	27	14	3	4
10/2-4/06 (LV).....	52	29	15	2	2
Political corruption					
10/20-25/06 (ALL).....	41	28	24	3	4
10/20-25/06 (RV)	41	27	26	2	4
10/20-25/06 (LV).....	43	25	26	3	3
10/2-4/06 (ALL).....	40	25	24	6	5
10/2-4/06 (RV)	41	25	24	5	5
10/2-4/06 (LV).....	41	23	28	4	4

3. Which comes closest to your feelings about the Bush administration?

		10/20-25/06			10/2-4/06	
		REGIS- TERED	LIKELY		REGIS- TERED	LIKELY
	<u>ALL</u>	<u>VOTERS</u>	<u>VOTERS</u>	<u>ALL</u>	<u>VOTERS</u>	<u>VOTERS</u>
Enthusiastic	11	11	12	10	10	13
Satisfied, but not enthusiastic	25	25	25	29	29	27
Dissatisfied, but not angry	31	29	23	30	29	27
Angry	32	34	40	30	31	32
Refused	1	1	-	1	1	1

4. Which comes closest to your feelings about the Republican leadership in Congress?

		10/20-25/06			10/2-4/06	
		REGIS- TERED	LIKELY		REGIS- TERED	LIKELY
	<u>ALL</u>	<u>VOTERS</u>	<u>VOTERS</u>	<u>ALL</u>	<u>VOTERS</u>	<u>VOTERS</u>
Enthusiastic	5	5	6	5	5	6
Satisfied, but not enthusiastic	30	30	28	31	32	30
Dissatisfied, but not angry	39	37	33	42	39	35
Angry	25	27	32	20	23	28
Refused	1	1	1	2	1	1

5. Who do you trust to do a better job of protecting the country?

	<u>DEMOCRATS</u>	<u>REPUBLICANS</u>	<u>BOTH EQUALLY</u>	<u>NEITHER</u>	<u>REFUSED</u>
10/20-25/06 (ALL).....	43	42	3	8	4
10/20-25/06 (RV)	44	42	3	8	3
10/20-25/06 (LV).....	45	42	3	7	3
10/2-4/06 (ALL).....	42	41	5	8	4
10/2-4/06 (RV)	43	41	4	8	4
10/2-4/06 (LV).....	45	43	4	6	2
9/11-13/06 (ALL).....	42	41	3	9	5
9/11-13/06 (RV)	41	42	3	9	5
9/11-13/06 (LV).....	43	41	4	8	4
8/15-17/06	37	32	4	22	5
8/7-9/06	42	35	5	13	5
4/06.....	41	41	4	11	3

6. How important will recent disclosures of corruption and scandal in Congress be to your vote in November?

	10/20-25/06			10/2-4/06		
	<u>ALL</u>	<u>REGIS- TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>	<u>ALL</u>	<u>REGIS- TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>
Not at all important	21	21	23	18	19	21
Slightly important	15	14	13	15	15	15
Moderately important	22	22	21	19	18	16
Very important	22	23	20	25	25	24
Extremely important	19	19	22	22	23	24
Refused	1	1	1	1	-	-

7. Thinking about the personal beliefs you hold most closely, the ones that determine how you live your life, which party best represents those beliefs?

	<u>DEMOCRATS</u>	<u>REPUBLICANS</u>	<u>BOTH EQUALLY</u>	<u>NEITHER</u>	<u>REFUSED</u>
10/20-25/06 (ALL)	49	39	2	8	2
10/20-25/06 (RV)	48	40	2	8	2
10/20-25/06 (LV)	50	39	2	7	2

8. All in all, thinking about how things have gone in Iraq since the United States went to war there in March, 2003, do you think the United States...

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>REGIS- TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>	<u>ALL ADULTS</u>					
				<u>6/5- 7/06</u>	<u>12/12- 14/05</u>	<u>8/22- 24/05</u>	<u>6/20- 22/05</u>	<u>4/16- 18/04*</u>	<u>12/15- 17/04*</u>
Made the right decision in going to war in Iraq	39	37	37	38	42	43	42	57	64
Made a mistake in going to war in Iraq	58	60	61	59	49	53	53	40	34
Not sure	3	3	2	3	9	4	5	3	2

*Asked of half the respondents

9. Which comes closest to your view?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>REGIS- TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>
The situation in Iraq has distracted the Bush administration from dealing with North Korea	53	52	54
The situation in Iraq has had no impact on the Bush administration's ability to deal with North Korea	40	40	39
Refused	7	8	7

10. How difficult is it for you and your family to get ahead financially these days? Is it...

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>REGIS- TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>
Very difficult	28	27	27
Somewhat difficult.....	35	35	34
Not too difficult	23	23	23
Not at all difficult.....	12	14	15
Refused	2	1	1

POLITICAL INFORMATION STUDY

1. Do you ever get news or information about candidates and campaigns for the upcoming elections from the internet or not?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>REGIS- TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>
Yes	35	38	43
No.....	65	62	57
Refused	-	-	-

(ASKED ONLY AMONG THOSE WHO ANSWERED YES TO Q1 OF THIS SECTION)

2. For each of the following, please tell me if you have used this resource as a way of obtaining information about candidates and the campaign for the upcoming Congressional elections on the internet, or not. How about.....

	<u>ALL</u>		<u>REGISTERED VOTERS</u>		<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>	
	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
News sites	87	13	86	14	89	11
Candidates' websites.....	34	66	36	64	40	60
Political websites	45	55	46	54	50	50
Blogs	24	76	24	76	26	74

3. Have you used a message board, chat room, or blog to participate in discussions about the upcoming Congressional elections, or not?

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>REGIS- TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>
Yes	10	10	13
No	90	90	87
Refused	-	-	-

4. If you had to choose, which of these resources available on the Internet would you trust most to provide you with accurate information about the upcoming Congressional elections? Would you say....

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>REGIS- TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>
News sites.....	70	70	70
Candidates' websites.....	8	8	7
Political websites.....	9	9	9
Blogs.....	7	7	8
Refused	6	6	6

PARTY AFFILIATION / IDEOLOGY

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

	REGISTERED VOTERS	LIKELY VOTERS
Republican	30	30
Democrat	36	37
Independent	23	24
None of these.....	11	8
Not sure	-	1

(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	LIKELY VOTERS
Strongly Republican	19	19
Moderately Republican	21	20
Lean Republican	-	-
Definitely Independent/neither	7	6
Lean Democrat	-	-
Moderately Democrat.....	26	26
Strongly Democrat	26	28
Refused/not sure.....	1	1
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Total Republican	40	40
Total Democrat.....	52	54

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	26
50-64	26
65 and over.....	16
Refused/not sure	1

D2. Are you employed:

TOTAL EMPLOYED.....	65
- Full time.....	55
- Part time	10
Not employed	14
Retired	21
Refused/not sure	-

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

Grade school or some high school	7
Completed high school	22
Some community college or university, but did not finish.....	21
Completed technical school or a community college	13
Completed a university or Bachelor's degree	21
Completed a post-graduate degree such as a Master's or Ph.D.	16
Refused/not sure	-

D4. Are you currently married?

Yes	56
No	43
Refused/not sure	1

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

1.....	20
2.....	36
3.....	17
4.....	16
5.....	6
6 or more	4
Refused/not sure	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?

ANY CHILDREN – NET	35
Under 6.....	18
6-12	16
13-17	14
NO CHILDREN.....	64
Refused/not sure	1

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

Yes	51
No	46
Refused/not sure	3

(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.....	35
1 time.....	15
2 times.....	13
3 times.....	7
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	10
Active Investors (5 times or more).....	15

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

Yes	40
No	56
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	49
Catholic.....	22
Mormon	1
Jewish.....	2
Muslim	-
Other non-Christian religion.....	3
No religion	20
Refused/not sure	3

D9c. How often do you attend religious services?

More than once a week	16
Once a week.....	25
A few times a month	12
A few times a year	26
Never	19
Refused	2

D10. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself a liberal, moderate or conservative? (IF "LIBERAL" OR "CONSERVATIVE", ASK:) Would you say you are very (liberal/conservative) or somewhat (liberal/conservative)?

	<u>ALL ADULTS</u>	<u>REGISTERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>
Very liberal	9	8	8
Somewhat liberal	18	17	17
Moderate	36	37	36
Somewhat conservative	19	20	19
Very conservative.....	15	15	17
Refused	3	3	3
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Total Liberal	27	25	25
Total Conservative	34	35	36

[ASKED ONLY OF RESPONDENTS INDICATING THEY VOTED IN THE 2004 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION]

D11. In the 2004 election for President, did you vote for...?

	<u>REGIS- TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>
George W. Bush, the Republican.....	46	46
John Kerry, the Democrat	44	45
Ralph Nader, the Independent candidate	3	3
Refused, not sure who voted for	3	3
Too young to vote at the time.....	-	-
Refused.....	4	3

D12a. Are you of Hispanic ethnicity?

(Q.D10c ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO DO NOT SAY THEY ARE HISPANIC IN Q.D10a.)

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

(RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

White.....	69
Black	11
Hispanic	13
Asian.....	3
American Indian	1
Other.....	1
Refused	2

D13. Could you please tell me your household income from all sources in 2005?

Under \$15,000	10
\$15,000 to less than \$20,000	4
\$20,000 to less than \$25,000	7
\$25,000 to less than \$30,000	4
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	8
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	8
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	14
\$75,000 to less than \$100,000	8
\$100,000 or more	13
Refused/not sure	24

REGION:

Northeast.....	19
Midwest	22
South	36
West	23

METROPOLITAN STATUS:

Urban.....	34
Suburban	46
Rural	20

GENDER:

Male.....	48
Female.....	52