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**THE ASSOCIATED PRESS POST-ELECTION STUDY  
CONDUCTED BY IPSOS PUBLIC AFFAIRS  
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**NOTE: all results shown are percentages unless otherwise labeled.**

**POST-ELECTION STUDY**

1. Have the results of the election made you feel more or less confident in the fairness of the country's electoral system?

	<u>11/2006</u>	<u>11/2004*</u>
More confident .....	50	54
Less confident .....	22	39
(NOT READ) Neither .....	21	6
(NOT READ) Both .....	1	1
Not sure .....	6	--

*\*2004 is among registered voters*

2. Now that the Democrats have taken control of Congress, do you think the country will be...

Better off	42
Worse off	21
Will not make much difference	33
Not sure .....	4

3. How confident are you that President Bush and the Democrats in Congress can work together to solve the country's problems?

Very confident .....	8
Somewhat confident .....	40
Not too confident .....	30
Not at all confident .....	20
Not sure .....	2
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<b>Total confident .....</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>Total not confident .....</b>	<b>51</b>

4. I'm going to read you a list of issues and I'm going to read the list twice. Please tell me which one issue should be the highest priority for the U.S. Congress in the next two years. The issues are...

	<u>11/2006</u>	<u>11/2004</u>
		*
The situation in Iraq .....	37	27
Terrorism .....	15	23
Health care .....	12	14
The economy .....	10	18
Immigration .....	9	NA
Education .....	7	7
Unemployment .....	5	7
Taxes .....	3	2
(NOT READ) Other .....	1	2
Not sure .....	1	--

*\*2004 is among registered voters  
Immigration not included in 2004 data*

5. Do the Democrats in Congress have a plan on how to handle the situation in Iraq, or not?

Yes .....	29
No .....	57
Not sure .....	14

6. How much of the blame does President Bush deserve for the Republican losses in the recent Congressional elections?

All of the blame .....	13
A great deal .....	32
Some .....	31
Very little .....	12
None of the blame .....	10
Not sure .....	2
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<b>Top2Box (All of the blame/A great deal) .....</b>	<b>45</b>
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<b>Low2Box (Very little/None of the blame) .....</b>	<b>22</b>

7. **HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

**PARTY AFFILIATION STUDY**

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

	<b>ALL ADULTS</b>
Yes.....	80
No .....	20
Refused/not sure .....	-

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

**INITIAL PARTY IDENTIFICATION**

	<b>REGISTERED VOTERS</b>
Democrat .....	34
Republican .....	28
Independent .....	25
None of these.....	12
Refused/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?

	<b>REGISTERED VOTERS</b>
Strongly Republican .....	16
Moderately Republican .....	11
Lean Republican .....	11
Definitely Independent/neither.....	11
Lean Democrat.....	15
Moderately Democrat.....	12
Strongly Democrat .....	22
Refused/not sure .....	2
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<b>Total Republican .....</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>Total Democrat .....</b>	<b>49</b>

D10. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself a liberal, moderate, or conservative?

D10a. Would you say you are very or somewhat (RESPONSE TO D10)

Strongly liberal.....	8
Somewhat liberal .....	13
Moderate .....	34
Somewhat conservative.....	21
Strongly conservative .....	12
Not sure .....	12
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<b>Total liberal .....</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>Total conservative .....</b>	<b>33</b>

## 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 .....	29
35-49 .....	23
50-64 .....	28
65 and over .....	13
Refused/not sure .....	7

D2. Are you employed:

<b>TOTAL EMPLOYED .....</b>	<b>61</b>
- Full time.....	49
- Part time.....	12
Not employed .....	12
Retired.....	20
Refused/not sure .....	7

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

Grade school or some high school .....	5
Completed high school .....	19
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. ....	14
Refused/not sure .....	7

D4. Are you currently married?

Yes .....	53
No.....	39
Refused/not sure .....	8

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

1 .....	20
2 .....	31
3 .....	18
4 .....	12
5 .....	7
6 or more .....	3
Refused/not sure .....	9

D5a Are any children 17 and under currently living in your household?

**(QD6a-c ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY MORE THAN ONE PERSON IN HOUSEHOLD IN QD5a.)**

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?

<b>ANY CHILDREN – NET .....</b>	<b>30</b>
Under 6.....	16
6-12 .....	13
13-17 .....	10
<b>NO CHILDREN .....</b>	<b>62</b>
Refused/not sure .....	9

D7a. Would you describe yourself as a born-again or evangelical Christian, or not?

Yes .....	30
No.....	60
Refused/not sure .....	10

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.....	41
Catholic .....	19
Mormon .....	3
Jewish .....	2
Muslim.....	-
Other non-Christian religion.....	4
No religion .....	21
Refused/not sure .....	10

D11a. Are you of Hispanic ethnicity?

**(Q.D11b ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO DO NOT SAY THEY ARE HISPANIC IN Q.D11a.)**

D11b. Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race?

**(RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)**

White .....	63
Black.....	10
Hispanic.....	12
Asian.....	2
(Not Read) American Indian .....	1
Other.....	2
Refused .....	10

D12. Could you please tell me your household income from all sources in 2005?

Under \$15,000.....	11
\$15,000 to less than \$20,000 .....	4
\$20,000 to less than \$25,000 .....	8
\$25,000 to less than \$30,000 .....	4
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000 .....	9
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000 .....	9
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000 .....	13
\$75,000 to less than \$100,000 .....	7
\$100,000 or more .....	14
Refused/not sure .....	21

**REGION:**

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

**METROPOLITAN STATUS:**

Urban .....	31
Suburban.....	51
Rural.....	18

**GENDER:**

Male .....	47
Female .....	53