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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>2/5- 7/07</u>		<u>1/16- 18/07</u>	<u>1/8- 10/07</u>	<u>12/4- 6/06</u>	<u>11/13- 15/06</u>	<u>10/20- 25/06</u>	<u>10/2- 4/06</u>	<u>9/11- 13/06</u>
Right direction	28		29	28	28	34	29	31	33
Wrong track	68		66	67	68	61	66	64	63
Not sure	4		5	5	4	5	5	5	4
	<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>	<u>3/6- 8/06</u>	High <u>1/18- 21/02</u>	Low <u>5/1- 3/06</u>	1 Year Ago <u>2/6-8/07</u>
Right direction	26	30	26	23	28	30	68	23	35
Wrong track	71	67	70	73	69	67	29	73	61
Not sure	3	3	4	4	3	3	3	4	4

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	
	<u>2/5-7/07</u>	<u>1/16-18/07</u>	<u>1/8-10/07</u>	<u>12/4-6/06</u>	<u>11/13-15/06</u>	<u>ALL</u>	REGIS-TERED VOTERS	LIKELY VOTERS
Strongly approve.....	15	16	14	14	16	19	20	23
Somewhat approve.....	8	10	10	9	10	8	8	7
Lean toward approval.....	9	10	8	10	10	10	9	8
Still have mixed feelings.....	3	2	2	4	1	2	2	1
Lean toward disapproval.....	13	12	15	13	13	13	12	9
Somewhat disapprove.....	8	7	8	6	7	5	5	4
Strongly disapprove.....	43	42	42	44	42	42	44	48
Not sure.....	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	-
Total Approve.....	32	36	32	33	36	37	37	38
Total Disapprove.....	65	61	65	64	62	61	61	61
<i>Mean Rating¹</i>	3.1	3.3	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.3
			10/2-4/06			9/11-13/06		
			REGIS-TERED VOTERS	LIKELY VOTERS		REGIS-TERED VOTERS	LIKELY VOTERS	8/7-9-06
		<u>ALL</u>	<u>VOTERS</u>	<u>VOTERS</u>	<u>ALL</u>	<u>VOTERS</u>	<u>VOTERS</u>	<u>9-06</u>
Strongly approve.....		19	21	25	19	21	24	16
Somewhat approve.....		10	9	7	9	9	8	10
Lean toward approval.....		8	8	7	11	11	9	7
Still have mixed feelings.....		2	2	2	1	1	-	2
Lean toward disapproval.....		12	10	9	15	14	14	14
Somewhat disapprove.....		6	6	5	8	7	4	7
Strongly disapprove.....		42	43	45	37	37	41	44
Not sure.....		1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Total Approve.....		38	38	39	39	41	40	33
Total Disapprove.....		59	59	58	60	57	59	64
<i>Mean Rating¹</i>		3.4	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.2
	<u>7/10-12/06</u>	<u>6/5-7/06</u>	<u>5/1-3/06</u>	<u>4/3-5/06</u>	<u>3/6-8/06</u>	High <u>1/4-21/02</u>	Low <u>1/8-10/07</u>	1 Year Ago <u>2/6-8/06</u>
Strongly approve.....	18	15	15	18	18	54	14	22
Somewhat approve.....	9	8	7	8	9	16	10	11
Lean toward approval.....	9	11	10	10	10	10	8	8
Still have mixed feelings.....	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
Lean toward disapproval.....	12	16	14	12	12	11	15	13
Somewhat disapprove.....	8	5	6	8	7	2	8	7
Strongly disapprove.....	43	42	46	42	41	5	42	37
Not sure.....	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-
Total Approve.....	36	35	33	36	37	80	32	40
Total Disapprove.....	63	63	65	62	60	18	65	57
<i>Mean Rating¹</i>	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.3	3.3	5.7	3.1	3.6

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?

Handling the economy	Strongly Approve	Some-what Approve	Lean Toward Approval	Still Have Mixed Feelings	Lean Toward Dis-approval	Some-what Dis-approve	Strongly Dis-approve	Not Sure	Total Approve	Total Dis-approve	Mean-Rating ¹
2/5-7/07.....	20	15	8	2	14	11	30	-	42	55	3.7
1/8-10/07.....	20	16	7	1	16	10	29	1	43	55	3.8
12/4-6/06.....	18	14	6	3	16	12	31	-	38	58	3.6
11/13-15/06.....	24	12	7	1	15	10	30	1	43	55	3.8
10/2-4/06 (ALL)	19	13	8	2	14	11	33	-	40	58	3.6
10/2-4/06 (RV).....	21	12	6	2	13	11	35	-	40	58	3.6
10/2-4/06 (LV)	26	11	6	2	11	10	34	-	42	56	3.7
9/11-13/06 (ALL)	18	13	8	1	14	11	34	1	39	60	3.5
9/11-13/06 (RV).....	20	13	8	1	13	10	35	-	41	58	3.6
9/11-13/06 (LV)	23	11	6	1	11	10	38	-	40	59	3.5
8/7-9/06.....	16	14	7	1	13	11	38	-	37	61	3.4
7/10-12/06.....	17	13	8	1	12	11	37	1	38	60	3.4
6/5-7/06.....	18	14	7	2	14	10	35	-	38	60	3.5
5/1-3/06.....	17	11	9	2	11	15	35	-	37	61	3.4
4/3-5/06.....	17	13	8	2	13	13	34	-	39	59	3.5
3/6-8/06.....	19	12	9	1	10	11	36	2	40	57	3.5
High 1/18-21/02*	34	22	15	2	11	5	10	-	71	27	5.1
Low 11/7-9/05.....	17	14	6	1	10	10	41	1	37	61	3.3
1 Year Ago 2/6-8/06.....	18	15	7	2	14	11	33	-	40	58	3.6

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.

*Asked only of Registered Voters

Q.3 (Cont.)	Strongly <u>Approve</u>	Some- what <u>Approve</u>	Lean Toward <u>Approval</u>	Still Have Mixed <u>Feelings</u>	Lean Toward Dis- <u>approval</u>	Some- what Dis- <u>approve</u>	Strongly Dis- <u>approve</u>	Not <u>Sure</u>	<u>Total</u> Approve	<u>Total</u> Dis- approve	<u>Mean- Rating</u> ¹
Handling domestic issues like health care, education, the environment and energy											
2/5-7/07.....	11	14	10	3	12	11	38	1	35	61	3.2
1/8-10/07.....	13	14	11	2	12	11	36	1	38	59	3.3
12/4-6/06.....	13	14	7	2	15	12	37	-	33	64	3.2
11/13-15/06.....	13	15	8	1	13	11	38	1	36	62	3.3
10/2-4/06 (ALL)	15	13	8	3	13	10	38	-	36	61	3.3
10/2-4/06 (RV).....	16	12	8	2	12	10	40	-	36	62	3.3
10/2-4/06 (LV)	17	12	8	2	11	7	43	-	37	61	3.3
9/11-13/06 (ALL)	14	14	8	1	14	9	39	1	36	62	3.3
9/11-13/06 (RV).....	16	12	9	1	13	9	40	-	36	62	3.3
9/11-13/06 (LV)	16	13	7	-	13	7	44	-	35	64	3.2
8/7-9/06.....	11	14	9	1	9	11	45	-	34	64	3.1
7/10-12/06.....	14	13	9	1	14	9	39	1	36	62	3.3
6/5-7/06.....	12	17	9	2	11	9	40	-	38	60	3.3
5/1-3/06.....	13	14	9	3	9	9	42	1	36	60	3.2
4/3-5/06.....	13	15	9	3	10	12	38	-	37	60	3.3
3/6-8/06.....	14	15	7	1	13	8	41	1	36	62	3.3
High											
1/18-21/02*	28	22	16	3	15	4	12	-	66	31	4.9
Low											
12/4-6/06.....	13	14	7	2	15	12	37	-	33	64	3.2
1 Year Ago											
2/6-8/06.....	16	14	9	2	13	11	35	-	39	58	3.5

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Q.3 (Cont.)	Strongly <u>Approve</u>	Some- what <u>Approve</u>	Lean Toward <u>Approval</u>	Still Have Mixed <u>Feelings</u>	Lean Toward Dis- <u>approval</u>	Some- what Dis- <u>approve</u>	Strongly Dis- <u>approve</u>	Not <u>Sure</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Approve</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Dis-</u> <u>approve</u>	<u>Mean-</u> <u>Rating</u> ¹
Handling foreign policy issues and the war on terrorism											
2/5-7/07.....	21	9	7	2	14	8	39	-	36	61	3.4
1/8-10/07.....	22	10	5	1	15	9	36	2	37	60	3.5
12/4-6/06.....	20	9	6	1	16	8	40	-	35	64	3.3
11/13-15/06.....	23	12	5	1	10	9	39	1	40	58	3.6
10/2-4/06 (ALL).....	25	10	7	1	11	8	37	1	42	56	3.6
10/2-4/06 (RV).....	25	10	6	2	11	8	38	-	42	56	3.6
10/2-4/06 (LV).....	29	9	5	1	10	7	39	-	43	56	3.7
9/11-13/06 (ALL).....	27	10	7	2	13	9	32	-	44	54	3.8
9/11-13/06 (RV).....	30	10	7	1	12	8	32	-	46	53	3.9
9/11-13/06 (LV).....	32	9	5	1	11	5	37	-	47	53	3.9
8/7-9/06.....	23	10	7	1	13	7	39	-	40	58	3.5
7/10-12/06.....	27	11	7	2	12	9	32	-	44	53	3.8
6/5-7/06.....	23	10	5	2	13	9	37	1	39	59	3.5
5/1-3/06.....	24	11	9	2	12	8	34	-	43	54	3.7
4/3-5/06.....	26	8	6	2	11	11	36	-	40	58	3.6
3/6-8/06.....	28	10	5	1	14	8	33	1	43	55	3.8
High											
1/18-21/02*.....	64	12	10	2	6	3	3	1	86	12	6.1
Low											
12/4-6/06.....	20	9	6	1	16	8	40	-	35	64	3.3
1 Year Ago											
2/6-8/06.....	30	10	7	2	13	9	28	1	47	50	4.0

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Q3. (Cont.)	Strongly Approve	Some-what Approve	Lean Toward Approval	Still Have Mixed Feelings	Lean Toward Dis-approval	Some-what Dis-approve	Strongly Dis-approve	Not Sure	Total Approve	Total Dis-approve	Mean-Rating ¹
Handling the situation in Iraq											
2/5-7/07.....	16	6	8	3	9	7	51	-	30	67	2.9
1/16-18/07.....	17	6	9	2	14	4	48	-	32	65	3.1
1/8-10/07.....	13	9	7	2	11	9	48	1	29	68	2.9
12/4-6/06.....	15	6	6	2	10	8	53	-	27	71	2.8
11/13-15/06.....	15	10	7	2	8	9	48	1	31	66	3.0
10/2-4/06 (ALL).....	19	9	8	2	8	9	45	-	36	62	3.2
10/2-4/06 (RV).....	21	9	7	1	8	8	46	-	37	62	3.2
10/2-4/06 (LV).....	23	8	6	1	5	7	50	-	37	61	3.2
9/11-13/06 (ALL).....	20	9	9	1	9	8	44	-	38	61	3.3
9/11-13/06 (RV).....	22	9	9	-	10	7	43	-	40	59	3.4
9/11-13/06 (LV).....	25	7	9	1	8	4	46	-	41	58	3.4
8/7-9/06.....	18	8	7	2	8	8	49	-	33	65	3.0
7/10-12/06.....	20	11	7	1	8	7	44	2	38	59	3.4
6/5-7/06.....	17	9	7	2	8	7	49	1	33	64	3.1
5/1-3/06.....	18	10	9	2	9	6	45	1	37	60	3.3
4/3-5/06.....	22	8	6	1	8	8	47	-	35	63	3.2
3/6-8/06.....	21	10	7	2	9	7	43	1	39	58	3.4
High											
9/20-22/04.....	31	9	9	2	10	6	33	-	49	49	4.0
Low											
12/4-6/06.....	15	6	6	2	10	8	53	-	27	71	2.8
1 Year Ago											
2/6-8/06.....	24	7	7	1	10	7	43	1	38	60	3.4

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*Asked only of Registered Voters

4. Overall, do you approve, disapprove or have mixed feelings about the way Congress is handling its job?

(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
	2/5- 7/07		1/8- 10/07	12/4- 6/06	11/13- 15/06	ALL	REGIS- TERED VOTERS	LIKELY VOTERS
Strongly approve	5		4	5	4	3	3	4
Somewhat approve	14		17	13	13	11	9	9
Lean toward approval.....	15		11	9	9	11	10	10
Still have mixed feelings.....	6		4	4	2	2	3	2
Lean toward disapproval	19		23	19	20	20	19	18
Somewhat disapprove.....	16		15	17	17	16	16	19
Strongly disapprove.....	23		23	32	33	36	39	43
Not sure.....	2		3	1	2	1	1	-
Total Approve	34		32	27	26	25	23	23
Total Disapprove	58		62	67	70	72	74	75
<i>Mean Rating</i> ¹	3.4		3.3	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.6
			10/2-4/06			9/11-13/06		
		ALL	REGIS- TERED VOTERS	LIKELY VOTERS	ALL	REGIS- TERED VOTERS	LIKELY VOTERS	8/7- 9/06
Strongly approve		4	4	4	6	5	3	3
Somewhat approve		12	10	10	13	12	11	16
Lean toward approval.....		11	10	11	10	10	9	10
Still have mixed feelings.....		3	3	2	2	2	2	2
Lean toward disapproval		19	19	17	20	19	18	23
Somewhat disapprove.....		16	17	17	16	17	16	15
Strongly disapprove.....		34	36	39	32	35	41	30
Not sure.....		1	1	-	1	-	-	1
Total Approve		27	25	24	29	27	23	29
Total Disapprove		69	72	73	68	70	75	69
<i>Mean Rating</i> ¹		2.9	2.8	2.7	3.1	2.9	2.6	3.1
	7/10- 12/06	6/5- 7/06	5/1- 3/06	4/3- 5/06	3/6- 8/06	High 2/7- 9/05	Low 6/5- 7/06	1 Year Ago 2/6-8/06
Strongly approve	5	5	2	4	4	6	5	5
Somewhat approve	12	12	12	15	15	21	12	19
Lean toward approval.....	10	7	11	11	11	17	7	12
Still have mixed feelings.....	3	3	3	3	2	3	3	2
Lean toward disapproval	16	20	19	17	20	21	20	17
Somewhat disapprove.....	22	22	18	17	18	15	22	18
Strongly disapprove.....	31	31	34	33	28	16	31	26
Not sure.....	1	-	1	-	2	1	-	1
Total Approve	27	24	25	30	31	44	24	35
Total Disapprove	68	73	71	67	66	52	73	61
<i>Mean Rating</i> ¹	3.0	2.9	2.8	3.0	3.1	3.8	2.9	3.3

PARTY AFFILIATION / IDEOLOGY

A. 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?

INITIAL PARTY IDENTIFICATION

	REGISTERED VOTERS
Republican	28
Democrat.....	36
Independent	22
None of these.....	12
Not sure.....	2

(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	17
Moderately Republican.....	12
Lean Republican	10
Definitely Independent/neither.....	10
Lean Democrat.....	14
Moderately Democrat.....	14
Strongly Democrat	22
Refused/not sure.....	1
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Total Republican	38
Total Democrat	51

3. 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)?

	ALL ADULTS
Very liberal	9
Somewhat liberal	12
Moderate.....	39
Somewhat conservative	22
Very conservative	14
Refused	4
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Total Liberal.....	21
Total Conservative.....	36

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	25
50-64	27
65 and over.....	16
Refused/not sure	1

D2. Are you employed:

TOTAL EMPLOYED.....	64
- Full time.....	54
- Part time	10
Not employed	14
Retired	21
Refused/not sure	1

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

Grade school or some high school	7
Completed high school	23
Some community college or university, but did not finish.....	22
Completed technical school or a community college	9
Completed a university or Bachelor's degree	22
Completed a post-graduate degree such as a Master's or Ph.D.	16
Refused/not sure	1

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.....	21
2.....	31
3.....	19
4.....	14
5.....	8
6 or more	6
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	38
Under 6.....	20
6-12	21
13-17	15
NO CHILDREN.....	60
Refused/not sure	1

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

Yes	54
No	44
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.....	33
1 time.....	16
2 times.....	14
3 times.....	6
4 times.....	4
5 to 9 times.....	8
10 to 14 times.....	5
15 to 19 times.....	1
20 to 24 times.....	1
25 times or more.....	4
Refused/not sure	8
Active Investors (5 times or more).....	19

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

Yes	36
No	61
Refused/not sure	3

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	47
Catholic.....	23
Mormon	1
Jewish.....	1
Muslim	-
Other non-Christian religion.....	5
No religion	21
Refused/not sure	2

D12a. Are you of Hispanic ethnicity?

(Q.D12c 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.....	68
Black	11
Hispanic	13
Asian.....	3
(NOT READ) American Indian	1
(NOT READ) Other	2
Refused	2

D13. Could you please tell me your household income from all sources in 2006?

Under \$15,000	13
\$15,000 to less than \$20,000	4
\$20,000 to less than \$25,000	5
\$25,000 to less than \$30,000	4
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	9
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	10
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	16
\$75,000 to less than \$100,000	9
\$100,000 or more	15
Refused/not sure	15

REGION:

Northeast	19
Midwest	22
South	36
West	23

METROPOLITAN STATUS:

Urban.....	31
Suburban	51
Rural	18

GENDER:

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

Zz5ab. How often do you attend religious services?

At least once a week (net)	40
More than once a week	15
Once a week	25
Less than once a week (net).....	38
A few times a month	14
A few times a year	24
Never	20
Refused	2