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CELEBRITY TRIAL STUDY

1. I'm going to read three statements about how the legal system in this country treats people. Please tell me which of these statements comes closest to your view.

The legal system treats all people pretty much the same, regardless of their occupation, wealth or fame.....	24
The legal system treats celebrities better than other people because they have a lot of money	60
The legal system targets celebrities unfairly because they are so high-profile	12
Not sure	4

2. As you may know, singer Michael Jackson faces charges that he sexually molested a child at his Neverland ranch. Would you say you are ...

Closely following the case	19
Have heard about the case but not closely following it.....	79
Have not heard about the Jackson case	2
Not sure	-

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY IN Q.2 THAT THEY ARE CLOSELY FOLLOWING OR HAVE HEARD ABOUT THE CASE.)

3. Do you think Michael Jackson will get a fair trial or not?

Will get a fair trial	58
Will not get a fair trial	33
(DO NOT READ) Case won't go to trial	1
Not sure	8

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY IN Q.2 THAT THEY ARE CLOSELY FOLLOWING OR HAVE HEARD ABOUT THE CASE.)

4. Do you think Michael Jackson will be convicted of charges that he sexually molested a child, or do you not think he will be convicted?

Think he'll be convicted	24
Do not think he'll be convicted	50
(DO NOT READ) He'll plea bargain.....	1
Not sure	25

5. Are you a fan of pop music, or not?

A fan	49
Not a fan.....	51
Not sure.....	-

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY IN Q.5 THAT THEY ARE POP MUSIC FANS.)

6. Regardless of whether Michael Jackson is convicted, do the accusations against him make you ...

Less likely to buy his music and other products.....	19
More likely to buy his music and other products.....	1
Has no effect on whether you will buy his music and other products	74
(DO NOT READ) Do not listen to Michael Jackson music regardless	5
Not sure	1

7. As you may know, professional basketball player Kobe Bryant faces charges that he sexually assaulted a young woman in Colorado? Would you say you are ...

Closely following the case	20
Have heard about the case but not closely following it.....	77
Have not heard about the Bryant case	3
Not sure	-

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY IN Q.7 THAT THEY ARE CLOSELY FOLLOWING OR HAVE HEARD ABOUT THE CASE.)

8. Do you think Kobe Bryant will get a fair trial or not?

Will get a fair trial	73
Will not get a fair trial	22
(DO NOT READ) Case won't go to trial	-
Not sure	5

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY IN Q.7 THAT THEY ARE CLOSELY FOLLOWING OR HAVE HEARD ABOUT THE CASE.)

9. Do you think Kobe Bryant will or will not be convicted of sexually assaulting the young woman?

Think he'll be convicted	19
Do not think he'll be convicted	58
(DO NOT READ) He'll plea bargain.....	1
Not sure	22

10. Are you a fan of basketball, or not?

A fan	43
Not a fan.....	57
Not sure.....	-

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY IN Q.10 THAT THEY ARE BASKETBALL FANS.)

11. Regardless of whether Kobe Bryant is convicted, do the accusations against him make you ...

Less likely to want to watch him play basketball	12
More likely to want to watch him play basketball	3
Has no effect on whether you watch him play basketball	84
Not sure	1

12. As you may know, interior decorator and cooking celebrity Martha Stewart faces charges that she broke the law by lying about her sale of stock on Wall Street. Would you say you are ...

Closely following the case	20
Have heard about the case but not closely following it.....	74
Have not heard about the Stewart case	6
Not sure	-

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY IN Q.12 THAT THEY ARE CLOSELY FOLLOWING OR HAVE HEARD ABOUT THE CASE.)

13. Do you think Martha Stewart will get a fair trial or not?

Will get a fair trial	75
Will not get a fair trial	21
(DO NOT READ) Case won't go to trial.....	-
Not sure	4

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY IN Q.12 THAT THEY ARE CLOSELY FOLLOWING OR HAVE HEARD ABOUT THE CASE.)

14. Do you think Martha Stewart will or will not be convicted of charges that she broke the law by lying about her sale of stock?

Think she will be convicted.....	48
Do not think she will be convicted.....	35
(DO NOT READ) She'll plea bargain.....	1
Not sure	16

15. Do you watch television shows about cooking or home decorating, or not?

Watch shows	51
Do not watch shows	49
Not sure.....	-

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY IN Q.15 THAT THEY ARE FANS OF COOKING/HOME DECORATING SHOWS.)

16. Regardless of whether Martha Stewart is convicted, do the accusations against her make you ...

Less likely to buy Martha Stewart products	10
More likely to buy Martha Stewart products....	1
Has no effect on whether you would buy Martha Stewart products	89
Not sure	-

17. Regardless of the outcome of either the criminal or civil trials of O.J. Simpson a few years ago, do you think O.J. Simpson was innocent or guilty of the murders of Nicole Brown and Ronald Goldman?

Innocent.....	13
Guilty	77
Not sure.....	10

SPACE STUDY

(ASKED OF HALF THE RESPONDENTS.)

1a. As you may have heard, the **United States** is considering expanding the space program by building a permanent space station on the Moon with a plan to eventually send astronauts to Mars. Considering all the potential costs and benefits, do you favor expanding the space program this way or do you oppose it?

Favor	48
Oppose.....	48
Not sure.....	4

(ASKED OF HALF THE RESPONDENTS.)

1b. As you may have heard, the **Bush administration** is considering expanding the space program by building a permanent space station on the Moon with a plan to eventually send astronauts to Mars. Considering all the potential costs and benefits, do you favor expanding the space program this way or do you oppose it?

Favor	43
Oppose.....	52
Not sure.....	5

2. Some have suggested that space exploration on the moon and Mars would be more affordable using robots than sending humans to do the exploration. Would you rather see exploration of the moon and Mars done by robots or with human astronauts?

Robots.....	57
Humans.....	38
Not sure.....	5

3. In light of the space shuttle accident last February, in which seven astronauts were killed, do you think the United States should or should not continue to send humans into space?

Should.....	73
Should not.....	24
Not sure.....	3

4. On the whole, do you think our investment in space research is worthwhile or do you think it would be better spent on domestic programs such as health care and education?

Space research is worthwhile	42
Better to spend on domestic programs.....	55
Not sure.....	3

5. How important do you think it is for the United States to be the leading country in the world in the exploration of space? Do you think that is ...

Very important.....	29
Somewhat important	44
Not very important.....	15
Not important at all.....	12
Not sure.....	-
Total Important	72
Total Not Important	27

DEMOGRAPHICS

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

D1a. First of all, 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	29
50-64	22
65 and over	17
Refused/not sure	1

D2. Are you employed:

TOTAL EMPLOYED	61
Full time	49
Part time	12
Not employed	17
Retired.....	22
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	5
Clerical or administrative	7
Sales or services	9
A skilled trade or technical occupation.....	11
Blue-collar work or laborer.....	4
Farming or fishing	1
Other (VOL)	6
Refused/not sure	1
Not Employed Full/Part Time (Q.D2)	39

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

Grade school or some high school	8
Completed high school	25
Some college but did not finish.....	21
Completed a two year college degree	13
Completed a four year college degree.....	19
Completed a post-graduate degree such as a Master's or Ph.D.	14
Refused/not sure	-

D5. Are you currently married?

Yes	54
No.....	45
Refused/not sure	1

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

1	20
2	33
3	18
4	16
5	7
6 or more	5
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	37
Under 6.....	18
6-12	20
13-17	14
NO CHILDREN	61
Refused/not sure	2

D8. Are you currently registered to vote at this address, or not?

Yes	77
No.....	23
Refused/not sure	-

(Q.D9a-d ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY THEY ARE REGISTERED TO VOTE IN Q.D8.)

D9a. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent or none of these?

(IF “DEMOCRAT” TO Q.D9a, Q.D9b ASKED. IF “REPUBLICAN” TO Q.D9a, Q.D9c ASKED. IF “INDEPENDENT” or “NONE OF THESE” TO Q.D9a, Q.D9d ASKED. RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

D9b. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Democratic Party?

D9c. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Republican Party?

D9d. Do your beliefs tend to lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

	REGISTERED VOTERS
Strongly Republican	18
Moderately Republican	25
Definitely Independent/neither	10
Moderately Democrat.....	29
Strongly Democrat	17
Refused/not sure.....	1
Total Republican	42
Total Democrat	46

D10. Do you currently own stocks, bonds or mutual funds?

Yes	51
No.....	46
Refused/not sure	3

(Q.D11 ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY THEY OWN STOCKS, BONDS OR MUTUAL FUNDS IN Q.D10.)

D11. 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.....	38
1 time.....	17
2 times.....	12
3 times.....	9
4 times.....	4
5 to 9 times.....	8
10 to 14 times.....	3
15 to 19 times.....	1
20 to 24 times.....	1
25 times or more	3
Refused/not sure	4
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Active Investors (5 times or more).....	16

D12. Do you own your home, or do you rent?

Own	69
Rent.....	28
Refused/not sure	3

D13a. What religion are you? Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, or some other religion?

Protestant	52
Catholic	23
Jewish	1
Some other religion	8
(DO NOT READ) No religion	12
Refused/not sure	4

D13b. Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or born-again Christian, or neither?

Born-again Christian.....	26
Fundamentalist.....	7
Neither.....	65
Refused/not sure	2

D14. Could you please tell me your household income from all sources in 2003?

Under \$15,000.....	13
\$15,000 to less than \$20,000	5
\$20,000 to less than \$25,000	6
\$25,000 to less than \$30,000	5
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	9
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	9
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	16
\$75,000 to less than \$100,000	9
\$100,000 or more	11
Refused/not sure	17

D15a. Are you of Hispanic ethnicity?

(Q.D15b ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO DO NOT SAY THEY ARE HISPANIC IN Q.D15a.)

D15b. Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race?

(RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

White	79
Black.....	8
Hispanic.....	7
Asian.....	2
American Indian.....	1
Other.....	1
Refused	2

REGION:

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

METROPOLITAN STATUS:

Urban.....	27
Suburban.....	52
Rural.....	21

GENDER:

Male	48
Female	52