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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?

Right direction	2/5- 7/07 28 68 4		<u>1/16-</u> <u>18/07</u> 29 66 5	<u>1/8-</u> 10/07 28 67 5	12/4- 6/06 28 68 4	11/13- 15/06 34 61 5	<u>10/20-</u> <u>25/06</u> 29 66 5	10/2- 4/06 31 64 5	9/11- <u>13/06</u> 33 63 4
Right direction Wrong track Not sure	8/7- <u>9-06</u> 26 71 3	7/10 <u>-</u> 12/06 30 67 3	6/5- <u>7/06</u> 26 70 4	5/1- 3/06 23 73 4	4/3- <u>5/06</u> 28 69 3	3/6- <u>8/06</u> 30 67 3	High 1/18- 21/02 68 29 3	5/1- 3/06 23 73 4	1 Year Ago 2/6-8/07 35 61 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>S</u>
	0/5						Regis-	
	<u>2/5-</u>	<u>1/16-</u>	<u>1/8-</u>	<u>12/4-</u>	<u>11/13-</u>		TERED	LIKELY
	<u>7/07</u>	<u>18/07</u>	<u>10/07</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>15/06</u>	<u>All</u>	<u>Voters</u>	<u>Voters</u>
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
Mean Rating ¹	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-			REGIS-		
			TERED	LIKELY		TERED	LIKELY	8/7-
		<u>All</u>	<u>Voters</u>	VOTERS	<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
Mean Rating ¹		3.4	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.2
						High	Low	1 Year
	7/10-	6/5-	5/1-	4/3-	3/6-	1/4-	1/8-	Ago
	12/06	7/06	3/06	5/06	8/06	21/02	10/07	<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
Mean Rating ¹						5.7		
ıvıcarı Kalırıy	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	Strongly <u>Approve</u>	Some- what <u>Approve</u>	Lean Toward <u>Approval</u>	Still Have Mixed Feelings	Lean Toward Dis- approval	Some- what Dis- approve	Strongly Dis- approve	Not <u>Sure</u>	Total <u>Approve</u>	Total Dis- approve	Mean- <u>Rating</u> ¹
economy											
2/5-7/07	20	15	8	2	14	11	30	-	42	55	3.7
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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

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*Asked only of Registered Voters

Q.3 (Cont.)	Strongly	Some- what	Lean Toward	Still Have Mixed	Lean Toward Dis-	Some- what Dis-	Strongly Dis-	Not	Total	Total Dis-	Mean-
	Approve	Approve	Approval	Feelings	approval	approve	approve	Sure	Approve	approve	Rating ¹
Handling domestic issues like health care, education, the environment and energy	Дриоче	<u>прргочо</u>	Approval	<u>r cennga</u>	аррюча	аррточо	арргочс	<u>ouro</u>	Approve	<u>арыоче</u>	raung
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	<i>4</i> 3	-	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	<i>4</i> 5	-	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
<u>High</u>											
1/18-21/02*	28	22	16	3	15	4	12	-	66	31	4.9
<u>Low</u>											
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 Approve	Some- what Approve	Lean Toward <u>Approval</u>	Still Have Mixed Feelings	Lean Toward Dis- approval	Some- what Dis- approve	Strongly Dis- approve	Not Sure	Total <u>Approve</u>	Total Dis- approve	Mean- <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
<u>High</u>											
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.) Handling the	Strongly Approve	Some- what Approve	Lean Toward <u>Approval</u>	Still Have Mixed Feelings	Lean Toward Dis- approval	Some- what Dis- approve	Strongly Dis- approve	Not Sure	Total <u>Approve</u>	Total Dis- approve	Mean- <u>Rating</u> 1
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	<i>4</i> 8	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	<i>4</i> 5	-	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
<u>High</u>											
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	<u> </u>
	0/5		4 /0	10/1	4.440		Regis-	
	<u>2/5-</u> 7/07		<u>1/8-</u> 10/07	<u>12/4-</u> <u>6/06</u>	<u>11/13-</u> <u>15/06</u>	Λ.,	TERED	LIKELY
Strongly approve	5		4	<u>5</u>	<u>13/00</u> 4	<u>All</u> 3	VOTERS 3	VOTERS 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	<i>7</i> 5
Mean Rating ¹	3.4		3.3	3.0	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.6
			<u>10/2-4/06</u>			9/11-13/06		
			Regis-			Regis-		
			TERED	LIKELY		TERED	LIKELY	8/7-
	_	<u>All</u>	VOTERS	VOTERS	<u>All</u>	VOTERS	VOTERS	<u>9-06</u>
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 1	36 1	39 -	32 1	35 -	41 -	30
Not sure			•					1
Total Approve		27	25 70	24	29	27	23 75	29 69
Total Disapprove		69	72	73	68	70	75	
Mean Rating ¹		2.9	2.8	2.7	3.1	2.9	2.6	3.1
						High	Low	1 Year
	7/10-	6/5-	5/1-	4/3-	3/6-	2/7-	6/5-	Ago
	12/06	<u>7/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	5/06	8/06	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/06</u>	<u>2/6-8/06</u>
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
Mean Rating 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
	A DULTS
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?

	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
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)?

Very liberal	12 39 22 14
Refused	
Total Liberal Total Conservative	21 36

DEMOGRAPHICS

NOTE: Results for demographic questions represent all adults unless otherwise indicated	NOTE: I	Results for	demographic	questions r	epresent all	adults	unless d	otherwise indicated
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D1a. I	n what	year	were	you	born?
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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.)

\Box	1c.	Are you:	
U	IG.	AIR VOU.	

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

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?

	INVESTORS
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

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

Yes	36
No	61
Refused/not sure	3

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

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