



**THE ASSOCIATED PRESS POLL  
CONDUCTED BY IPSOS PUBLIC AFFAIRS  
PROJECT #81-5681-13**

**NOTE: all results shown are percentages unless otherwise labeled.**

**PARTY AFFILIATION / IDEOLOGY**

**NOTE: Results represent all adults unless otherwise indicated.**

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

	<u>ALL ADULTS</u>
Yes.....	83
No .....	17
Refused/not sure.....	-

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

**INITIAL PARTY IDENTIFICATION**

	<u>ALL ADULTS</u>
Republican .....	22
Democrat.....	36
Independent .....	25
None of these.....	16
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?

	<u>ALL ADULTS</u>
Strongly Republican .....	13
Moderately Republican.....	10
Lean Republican .....	13
Definitely Independent/neither.....	9
Lean Democrat.....	18
Moderately Democrat .....	14
Strongly Democrat.....	21
Refused/not sure .....	2
<b>Total Republican .....</b>	<b>36</b>
<b>Total Democrat .....</b>	<b>54</b>

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)?

	<b>ALL ADULTS</b>
Very liberal .....	10
Somewhat liberal.....	16
Moderate.....	35
Somewhat conservative .....	22
Very conservative.....	14
Refused.....	3
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<b>Total Liberal.....</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>Total Conservative .....</b>	<b>36</b>

**ISSUES STUDY**

3. 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.

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
<b>The economy</b>								
(6/4-6/07) ALL ADULTS .....	29	55	13	3	-	-	84	3
(1/16-18/07) ALL ADULTS .....	32	52	12	2	2	-	84	4
(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
<b>Health care</b>								
(6/4-6/07) ALL ADULTS .....	37	46	12	3	2	-	83	5
(1/16-18/07) ALL ADULTS .....	42	43	11	3	1	-	84	4
(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
<b>The situation in Iraq</b>								
(6/4-6/07) ALL ADULTS .....	38	45	11	4	2	-	82	6
(1/16-18/07) ALL ADULTS .....	40	41	13	3	3	-	81	6
(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
<b>Terrorism</b>								
(6/4-6/07) ALL ADULTS .....	32	45	13	6	3	1	77	9
(1/16-18/07) ALL ADULTS .....	39	38	13	6	3	1	77	9
(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
<b>Gas prices</b>								
(6/4-6/07) ALL ADULTS .....	33	42	14	6	5	-	75	11
(1/16-18/07) ALL ADULTS .....	27	41	22	6	4	-	69	9
(10/20-25/06) ALL ADULTS ....	28	39	21	7	5	-	67	11
(10/20-25/06) REGISTERED	26	40	22	7	4	1	66	11

VOTERS .....

	<u>EXTREMELY IMPORTANT</u>	<u>VERY IMPORTANT</u>	<u>MODER- ATELY IMPORTANT</u>	<u>SLIGHTLY IMPORTANT</u>	<u>NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT</u>	<u>REFUSED</u>	<u>TOTAL EXTREMELY /VERY IMPORTANT</u>	<u>TOTAL SLIGHTLY/ NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT</u>
Q.3. (cont.)								
(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
<b>Social Security</b>								
(6/4-6/07) ALL ADULTS .....	26	46	18	6	4	-	72	10
(1/16-18/07) ALL ADULTS .....	31	45	17	4	3	-	76	7
(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
<b>Taxes</b>								
(6/4-6/07) ALL ADULTS .....	25	47	20	6	2	-	72	7
(1/16-18/07) ALL ADULTS .....	27	44	21	5	3	-	71	8
(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
<b>Political corruption</b>								
(6/4-6/07) ALL ADULTS .....	24	39	20	10	6	1	63	16
(1/16-18/07) ALL ADULTS .....	26	43	19	7	5	-	69	12
(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
<b>Immigration</b>								
(6/4-6/07) ALL ADULTS .....	18	34	23	17	7	1	52	24
(1/16-18/07) ALL ADULTS .....	21	35	22	14	7	1	56	21
(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
<b>Abortion</b>								
(6/4-6/07) ALL ADULTS .....	21	28	20	13	17	1	49	30
<b>Same-sex marriage</b>								
(6/4-6/07) ALL ADULTS .....	12	18	15	12	42	1	30	54
(1/16-18/07) All Adults .....	13	19	15	11	41	1	32	52
(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

Q.3. (cont.)	<u>EXTREMELY IMPORTANT</u>	<u>VERY IMPORTANT</u>	<u>MODER- ATELY IMPORTANT</u>	<u>SLIGHTLY IMPORTANT</u>	<u>NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT</u>	<u>REFUSED</u>	<u>TOTAL EXTREMELY /VERY IMPORTANT</u>	<u>TOTAL SLIGHTLY/ NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT</u>
(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

4. 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>
<b>Terrorism</b>					
6/4-6/07 (ALL).....	39	40	10	6	5
1/16-18/07 (ALL).....	42	44	8	3	3
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
<b>Handling the situation in Iraq</b>					
6/4-6/07 (ALL).....	51	32	10	3	4
1/16-18/07 (ALL).....	50	38	8	2	2
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
<b>Handling the economy</b>					
6/4-6/07 (ALL).....	50	35	8	3	4
1/16-18/07 (ALL).....	51	39	7	2	1
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
<b>Taxes</b>					
6/4-6/07 (ALL).....	46	36	10	4	4
1/16-18/07 (ALL).....	51	39	7	2	1
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

Q.4. (cont.)	DEMOCRATS	REPUBLICANS	BOTH EQUALLY	NEITHER	REFUSED
<b>Health care</b>					
6/4-6/07 (ALL).....	58	24	11	3	4
1/16-18/07 (ALL).....	60	29	7	2	2
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
<b>Social Security</b>					
6/4-6/07 (ALL).....	55	28	10	3	4
1/16-18/07 (ALL).....	53	32	9	3	3
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
<b>Same-sex marriage</b>					
6/4-6/07 (ALL).....	47	31	12	4	6
1/16-18/07 (ALL).....	47	36	11	3	3
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
<b>Immigration</b>					
6/4-6/07 (ALL).....	39	35	15	5	6
1/16-18/07 (ALL).....	46	38	11	3	2
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
<b>Gas prices</b>					
6/4-6/07 (ALL).....	52	21	18	4	5
1/16-18/07 (ALL).....	55	30	11	2	2
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
<b>Political corruption</b>					
6/4-6/07 (ALL).....	39	25	26	6	4
1/16-18/07 (ALL).....	47	25	21	3	4
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
<b>Abortion</b>					

6/4-6/07 (ALL)..... 47 34 10 3 6

5. If you had to choose, which of the following issues would you say is MOST important to you personally?

	<u>6/4-6/07</u>	<u>1/16-18/07</u>	<u>10/2-4/06</u>	<u>REGIS- TERED VOTERS</u>	<u>LIKELY VOTERS</u>
	<u>ALL</u>	<u>ALL</u>	<u>ALL</u>		
The situation in Iraq .....	20	24	19	20	22
Healthcare .....	15	16	14	14	13
Terrorism .....	12	13	17	17	19
The economy .....	11	14	16	15	14
Gas prices.....	10	4	5	5	3
Social Security .....	8	10	6	7	7
Immigration .....	6	7	8	8	8
Political corruption .....	5	5	6	6	7
Taxes.....	5	3	3	3	3
Abortion .....	5	NA	NA	NA	NA
Same-sex marriage .....	1	3	5	4	3
Don't know/Refused.....	2	1	1	1	1

<b>DEMOGRAPHICS</b>
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**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	30
35-49	26
50-64	27
65+	16
(DK/NS)	1

D2. Are you employed:

TOTAL EMPLOYED	62
- Full time	50
- Part time	12
Not employed	15
Retired	22
(DK/NS)	1

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

Grade school or some high school	7
Completed high school	20
Some community college or university, did not finish	26
Completed technical school or a community college	10
Completed a university or Bachelor's degree	20
Completed a post-graduate degree such as a Master's or Ph.D.	16
(DK/NS)	1

D4. Are you currently married?

Yes	54
No	45
(DK/NS)	1



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

1	20
2	31
3	18
4	17
5	8
6+	4
(DK/NS)	2

**(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	22
6-12	18
13-17	14
NO CHILDREN	60
(DK/NS)	2
Summary	
Any children 12 or younger	31
Any children 6 to 17	26

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

Yes	52
No	46
(DK/NS)	2

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

Yes	35
No	62
(DK/NS)	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	45
Catholic	22
Mormon	1
Jewish	3
Muslim	1
Some other religion	6
None	20
(DK/NS)	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	69
Black	11
Hispanic	13
Asian	3
(NOT READ) American	
Indian	1
(NOT READ) Other	1
(DK/NS)	2

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

Under \$15,000	12
\$15,000 to less than \$20,000	5
\$20,000 to less than \$25,000	5
\$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	17
\$75,000 to less than \$100,000	9
\$100,000 or more	16
(DK/NS)	13

**REGION:**

Northeast	19
Midwest	22
South	37
West	22

**METROPOLITAN STATUS:**

Urban	32
Suburban	50
Rural	18

**GENDER:**

Male	48
Female	52

Zz5b. How often do you attend religious services?

At least once a week (Net)	37
More than once a week	14
Once a week	23
Less than once a week (Net)	39
A few times a month	12
A few times a year	27
Never	23
(DK/NS)	1