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NOTE: all results shown are percentages unless otherwise labeled.

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	<u>6/4-</u> <u>6/07</u> 21 75 4		<u>5/7-</u> <u>9/07</u> 25 71 4	<u>4/2-</u> <u>4/07</u> 27 70 3	3/5- 7/07 29 68 3	<u>2/5-</u> <u>7/07</u> 28 68 4	<u>1/16-</u> <u>18/07</u> 29 66 5	1/8- 10/07 28 67 5	12/4- 6/06 28 68 4
Right direction	11/13- 15/06 34 61 5	10/20- 25/06 29 66 5	10/2- 4/06 31 64 5	9/11- 13/06 33 63 4	8/7- 9-06 26 71	7/10- 12/06 30 67 3	High 1/18- 21/02 68 29	Low 6/4- 6/07 21 75 4	1 Year Ago 6/5-7/06 26 70 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?

	6/4				E/7	4/0	2/5	2/5	4/40
	<u>6/4-</u> 6/07				<u>5/7-</u>	<u>4/2-</u>	<u>3/5-</u>	<u>2/5-</u> 7/07	<u>1/16-</u>
Strongly approve					<u>9/07</u>	<u>4/07</u>	<u>7/07</u>	<u>7/07</u>	<u>18/07</u>
Strongly approve	14	_			17	16	17 10	15	16 10
Somewhat approve	9				7	8	10	8	10
Lean toward approval	9				11	10	8	9	10
Still have mixed feelings	1				3	3	1	3	2
Lean toward disapproval	12	_			11	14	16	13	12
Somewhat disapprove	6				6	6	6	8	7
Strongly disapprove	<i>4</i> 8	_			44	43	42	43	42
Not sure	1				1	<u>-</u>	-	11	1
Total Approve	32				35	35	35	32	36
Total Disapprove	66				61	62	65	65	61
Mean Rating ¹	3.0				3.2	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.3
					10/20-25/06	<u></u>		10/2-4/06	
					Regis-			Regis-	
	<u>1/8-</u>	<u>12/4-</u>	<u>11/13-</u>		TERED	LIKELY		TERED	LIKELY
	<u>10/07</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>15/06</u>	<u>All</u>	VOTERS	VOTERS	<u>All</u>	VOTERS	VOTERS
Strongly approve	14	14	16	19	20	23	19	21	25
Somewhat approve	10	9	10	8	8	7	10	9	7
Lean toward approval	8	10	10	10	9	8	8	8	7
Still have mixed feelings	2	4	1	2	2	1	2	2	2
Lean toward disapproval	15	13	13	13	12	9	12	10	9
Somewhat disapprove	8	6	7	5	5	4	6	6	5
Strongly disapprove	42	44	42	42	44	48	42	43	45
Not sure	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	1	-
Total Approve	32	33	36	37	37	38	38	38	39
Total Disapprove	65	64	62	61	61	61	59	59	58
Mean Rating ¹	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4
Wisdir Rating	0.1	0.1			0.0	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1
			<u>9/11-13/06</u>						1 Year
			Decis				I I! ark	1	Ago
			Regis- tered	LIKELY	Q/7	7/10	High	Low 1/9	6/5-
		ALL	VOTERS	VOTERS	<u>8/7-</u> 9-06	<u>7/10-</u> 12/06	<u>1/4-</u> 21/02	<u>1/8-</u> 10/07	<u> </u>
Strongly approve		19	21	24	16	18	54	14	15
Somewhat approve		9	9	8	10	9	16	10	8
Lean toward approval		11	11	9	7	9	10	8	11
• • •		1	1	9	2	9 1	2	0 2	2
Still have mixed feelings Lean toward disapproval		15	14	- 14	14	1 12	11	15	
		8	7	4	7				16 5
Somewhat disapprove						8	2	8	5
Strongly disapprove		37	37	41	44	43	5	42	42
Not sure		-	-	-			-	11	1
Total Approve		39	41	40	33	36	80	32	35
Total Disapprove		60	57	59	64	63	18	65	63
Mean Rating ¹		3.5	3.5	3.5	3.2	3.2	5.7	3.1	3.2
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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?

	Strongly Approve	Some- what <u>Approve</u>	Lean Toward Approval	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
Handling the economy											
6/4-6/07	16	14	7	3	13	11	35	1	37	59	3.4
5/7-9/07	18	14	9	2	13	9	34	1	41	56	3.6
4/2-4/07	20	12	6	2	14	13	33	-	38	60	3.5
3/5-7/07	20	13	8	1	15	10	32	1	41	57	3.6
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
<u>High</u>											
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											
6/5-7/06	18	14	7	2	14	10	35	-	38	60	3.5

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.)					Lean	Some-					
	Strongly Approve	Some- what Approve	Lean Toward Approval	Still Have Mixed <u>Feelings</u>	Toward Dis- approval	what Dis- approve	Strongly Dis- approve	Not Sure	Total Approve	Total Dis- approve	Mean- Rating ¹
Handling domestic issues like health care, education, the environment and energy	7.555.010	при	<u>,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,</u>	<u>, comigo</u>	<u>арргота.</u>	арртото	аррили	<u>oa.o</u>	7.55.010	<u>аррго то</u>	<u>rtaurg</u>
6/4-6/07	12	11	9	2	13	11	41	1	32	66	3.1
5/7-9/07	13	13	8	3	12	9	41	1	35	62	3.2
4/2-4/07	13	14	7	3	12	9	42	-	34	63	3.2
3/5-7/07	13	14	9	2	14	12	35	1	37	61	3.4
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
<u>High</u>											
1/18-21/02*	28	22	16	3	15	4	12	-	66	31	4.9
Low											
6/4-6/07	12	11	9	2	13	11	41	1	32	66	3.1
1 Year Ago											
6/5-7/06	12	17	9	2	11	9	40	-	38	60	3.3

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Q.3 (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 foreign policy issues and the war on terrorism											
6/4-6/07	20	9	6	2	12	10	41	-	35	63	3.3
5/7-9/07	23	10	8	2	12	6	39	-	41	57	3.5
4/2-4/07	23	8	6	2	13	8	39	1	37	60	3.4
3/5-7/07	22	9	7	1	12	8	41	-	38	61	3.4
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
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											
6/5-7/06	23	10	5	2	13	9	37	1	39	59	3.5

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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- <u>Rating</u> 1
Handling the											
situation in Iraq 6/4-6/07	14	7	7	2	7	8	54	1	28	69	2.8
0/4-0/07	14	/	/		/	0	04	1	20	09	2.0
5/7-9/07	17	9	8	2	7	7	50	-	33	64	3.0
4/2-4/07	19	8	6	3	9	6	49	-	33	64	3.1
3/5-7/07	16	8	8	1	11	8	48	-	32	66	3.0
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
<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											
6/5-7/06	17	9	7	2	8	7	49	1	33	64	3.1

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PARTY AFFILIATION / IDEOLOGY

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

	ALL
	ADULTS
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

	ALL ADULTS
Republican	22
Democrat	36
Independent	25
None of these	
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?

	ALL ADULTS
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
Total Republican	36
Total Democrat	

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
	<u>Adults</u>
Very liberal	10
Somewhat liberal	16
Moderate	35
Somewhat conservative	22
Very conservative	14
Refused	3
Total Liberal	26
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	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 26 not finish Completed technical school or a community college 10 Completed a university or Bachelor's degree 20 Completed a postgraduate 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.)

69
11
13
3
1
1
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