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NOTE: all results shown are percentages unless otherwise labeled.

S1. Are you registered to vote at this address?

Yes.....	81
No	19
Refused/not sure	-

Q.1-Q.12b ASKED ONLY OF REGISTERED VOTERS.

1a. If the election for Governor were held today and the candidates were Christine Gregoire, the Democrat, and Dino Rossi, the Republican, for whom would you vote? (IF UNDECIDED/ NONE/NOT SURE, ASK:) Do you lean more toward Christine Gregoire, the Democrat, or Dino Rossi, the Republican?

Dino Rossi, the Republican	41
Undecided, lean Rossi.....	2
Christine Gregoire, the Democrat	46
Undecided, lean Gregoire	3
(NOT READ) Neither/other candidate.....	6
Not sure	2
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Total Would Vote/Lean Rossi	43
Total Would Vote/Lean Gregoire	49

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SELECT A CANDIDATE IN Q.1a.)

1b-c. In November, will you definitely vote for that candidate, probably vote for that candidate, or do you think you could change your mind before the election in November?

	Would Vote for <u>Rossi</u>	Would Vote for <u>Gregoire</u>
Definitely will vote for that candidate ...	64	64
Probably will vote for that candidate....	18	23
Could change mind	17	12
Not sure	1	1

<i>ROSSI VS. GREGOIRE: HIERARCHICAL VOTE WITH "LEANERS"</i>	
Strong Rossi.....	26
Weak Rossi.....	17
TOTAL ROSSI	43
Strong Gregoire.....	29
Weak Gregoire.....	20
TOTAL GREGOIRE	49
Undecided/other.....	8

2a. If the election for President and Vice President were held today and the candidates were George W. Bush for President and Dick Cheney for Vice President, the Republicans, and John Kerry for President and John Edwards for Vice President, the Democrats, and Ralph Nader for President and Peter Camejo for Vice President, the Independents, for whom would you vote? (IF UNDECIDED/ NONE/NOT SURE, ASK:) Do you lean more toward...?

	WA	<i>Nation- wide</i>
	9/17 - <u>20/04</u>	9/7 - <u>9/04</u>
Bush-Cheney, the Republicans.....	41	50
Undecided, lean Bush-Cheney.....	2	1
Kerry-Edwards, the Democrats.....	49	42
Undecided, lean Kerry-Edwards.....	2	1
Nader-Camejo, the Independents.....	2	2
Undecided, lean Nader-Camejo.....	1	-
(NOT READ) None/other candidate.....	3	2
Not sure.....	-	2
Total Would Vote/Lean Bush-Cheney....	42	51
Total Would Vote/Lean Kerry-Edwards..	51	43
Total Would Vote/Lean Nader-Camejo...	3	2

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SELECT A CANDIDATE IN Q.2a.)

2b-c. In November, will you definitely vote for those candidates, probably vote for those candidates, or do you think you could change your mind before the election in November?

	<i>WA 9/17-20/04</i>		<i>Nationwide 9/7-9/04</i>	
	<u>Vote for Bush- Cheney</u>	<u>Vote for Kerry- Edwards</u>	<u>Vote for Bush- Cheney</u>	<u>Vote for Kerry- Edwards</u>
Definitely will vote for candidates.....	84	83	74	72
Probably will vote for candidates.....	12	10	19	19
Could change mind.....	4	7	7	9
Not sure.....	-	-	-	-

<i>BUSH-CHENEY VS. KERRY-EDWARDS: HIERARCHICAL VOTE WITH "LEANERS"</i>		
	<i>WA</i>	<i>Nation- wide</i>
	<u>9/17 - 20/04</u>	<u>9/7 - 9/04</u>
Strong Bush-Cheney	34	37
Weak Bush-Cheney	8	14
TOTAL BUSH-CHENEY	42	51
Strong Kerry-Edwards	41	30
Weak Kerry-Edwards.....	10	13
TOTAL KERRY-EDWARDS	51	43
Nader-Camejo	3	2
Undecided/other	4	4

ISSUES

3. I'm going to read you a list of issues, and I'm going to read you the list twice. Please tell me which one issue is most important to you in deciding how you will vote for President in November?

The economy and jobs	29
The war in Iraq	29
Health care	15
Homeland security.....	12
Taxes.....	5
Gay marriage.....	4
Education	3
(NOT READ) Other	2
Not sure.....	1

Now, thinking again about the election for governor in Washington State....

4. I'm going to read you another list of issues, and I'm going to read the list twice. Please tell me which one issue is most important to you in deciding how you will vote for governor in November?

The economy and jobs	38
Education	14
Taxes.....	14
Health care	13
Roads, highways, and bridges	7
The environment	5
Abortion	5
Gay marriage.....	2
(NOT READ) Other	1
(NOT READ) None.....	-
Not sure.....	1

Now I have questions about measures that will be on the ballot in November...

5. For each of the following state initiatives, tell me whether you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose the initiative.

THIS TABLE IS RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY STRONGLY OR SOMEWHAT SUPPORT

	<u>Strongly Support</u>	<u>Some-what Support</u>	<u>Some-what Oppose</u>	<u>Strongly Oppose</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	<u>Total Support</u>	<u>Total Oppose</u>
Changing the rules to allow primary election voters to vote for a candidate from <u>any</u> party, even if that meant two candidates from the <u>same</u> party might wind up on the general election ballot	43	24	13	17	3	67	30
Allowing slot machine gambling, with taxes on the machines going toward property tax relief.....	25	29	13	30	3	54	43
The new law allowing the establishment of charter schools in the state's school districts	22	31	16	20	11	53	36
Increasing the state sales tax by 1 cent per dollar to fund public schools, colleges and universities.	26	26	15	32	1	52	47

Now, thinking about economic issues ...

6. Compared to four years ago, is the economy in your area...

Better today	19
Worse today	47
About the same	33
Not sure.....	1

7. Does state government do more to help or hurt economic growth in Washington State?

Help.....	37
Hurt	49
(NOT READ) Both, it depends.....	2
(NOT READ) Neither	5
Not sure.....	7

8. Which statement comes closest to your view?

Tax breaks for large employers help to create and keep jobs in Washington State	50
Tax breaks for large employers divert resources that could be better spent on state services like education and health care.....	44
(NOT READ) Both, it depends.....	-
(NOT READ) Neither	4
Not sure	2

9. Compared to four years ago, is your family's financial situation...

Better today	31
Worse today	25
About the same	44
Not sure.....	-

Now, thinking about other issues ...

10. Do you support or oppose expanding state-paid health insurance for low-income people?

Support.....	72
Oppose.....	24
Not sure.....	4

11. Do you support or oppose gay marriage?

Support.....	43
Oppose.....	50
Not sure.....	7

Finally, I have two questions about the situation in Iraq...

12a. All in all, thinking about how things have gone in Iraq since the United States went to war there in March 2003, do you think the United States ...

	<i>WA</i>	<i>Nation-wide</i>
	<u>9/17 - 20/04</u>	<u>9/7 - 9/04</u>
Made the right decision in going to war in Iraq	44	57
Made a mistake in going to war in Iraq	53	40
Not sure.....	3	3

12b. Looking ahead, do you favor...

Keeping U.S. troops in Iraq until a stable government is formed.....	61
Bringing home U.S. troops as soon as possible	37
Not sure	2

DEMOGRAPHICS

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

D0a. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent or none of these?

(IF "DEMOCRAT" TO Q.D0a, Q.D0b ASKED. IF "REPUBLICAN" TO Q.D0a, Q.D0c ASKED. IF "INDEPENDENT" or "NONE OF THESE" TO Q.D0a, Q.D0d ASKED. RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

D0b. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Democratic Party?
 D0c. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Republican Party?
 D0d. Do your beliefs tend to lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

	REGISTERED VOTERS
Strongly Republican	22
Moderately Republican	20
Definitely Independent/neither	7
Moderately Democrat.....	28
Strongly Democrat	23
Refused/not sure.....	-
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Total Republican	41
Total Democrat	50

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	21
35-49	30
50-64	32
65 and over	17
Refused/not sure	-

D2. What is the last year of school you completed?

Grade school or some high school.....	3
Completed high school	15
Some community college or university, but did not finish.....	27
Completed technical school or a community college	16
Completed a university or Bachelor's degree....	25
Completed a post-graduate degree such as a Master's or Ph.D.	14
Refused/not sure.....	-

D3. What religion are you? Protestant, Catholic, Mormon, Jewish, or some other religion?

Protestant	52
Catholic	16
Mormon	3
Jewish	-
Some other religion	10
(NOT READ) No religion	16
Refused/not sure	3

D4a. Are you of Hispanic ethnicity?

(Q.D4b ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO DO NOT SAY THEY ARE HISPANIC IN Q.D4a.)

D4b. Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race?

(RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

White	88
Black	2
Hispanic	4
Asian	3
American Indian	1
Other	1
Refused	1

D5. Are you:

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Refused/ Not Sure</u>
A gun owner	36	64	-
Someone who attends religious services once a week or more	35	64	1
An evangelical or born-again Christian	25	73	2
A military veteran or living in a household with a military veteran	34	66	-

D6. Could you please tell me your household income from all sources in 2003?

Under \$15,000	7
\$15,000 to less than \$20,000	6
\$20,000 to less than \$25,000	5
\$25,000 to less than \$30,000	4
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	8
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	9
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	22
\$75,000 to less than \$100,000	11
\$100,000 or more	15
Refused/not sure	13

REGION:

Kings County	27
Urban Puget Sound.....	29
West	22
East	22

METROPOLITAN STATUS:

Urban.....	27
Suburban.....	58
Rural.....	15

GENDER:

Male	48
Female	52