

Democracy Corps Frequency Questionnaire

April 20-24, 2006
1000 Likely Voters

Q.3 First of all, are you registered to vote at this address?

	Total
Yes	100
No.....	-
(Refused).....	-
(ref:SCREEN1)	

Q.4 Many people weren't able to vote in the 2004 election for President between George Bush and John Kerry. How about you? Were you able to vote, or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	Total
Voted	99
Not registered in 2004/Ineligible/too young	1
Did not vote	-
(Can't remember/Don't know).....	-
(Refused).....	-
(ref:VOTE00)	

Q.5 As you know, there was an election for Congress and other offices in 2002. Many people weren't able to vote. How about you? Were you able to vote or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	Total
Voted	89
Did not vote	8
(Can't remember/Don't know).....	3
(Refused).....	0
(ref:VOTE02)	

Q.6 I know it's a long way off, but what are the chances of your voting in the election for Congress this November: are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or don't you think you will vote?

	Total
Almost certain.....	86
Probably	14
50-50	-
Will not vote.....	-
(Don't know)	-
(Refused).....	-
(ref:CP3)	

Q.8 Generally speaking, do you think that things in this country are going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

	Total
Right direction	25
Wrong track.....	67
(Don't know/refused)	8
Right - Wrong.....	-42
(ref:DIRECT)	

Q.9 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George Bush is handling his job as president?

	Total
Strongly approve	22
Somewhat approve	18
Somewhat disapprove.....	11
Strongly disapprove.....	44
(Don't know/Refused).....	4
Total approve.....	40
Total disapprove.....	56
Approve - disapprove	-16
(ref:CANDAPP2)	

Q.10 Now, I'd like to rate your feelings toward some people and organizations, with one hundred meaning a VERY WARM, FAVORABLE feeling; zero meaning a VERY COLD, UNFAVORABLE feeling; and fifty meaning not particularly warm or cold. You can use any number from zero to one hundred, the higher the number the more favorable your feelings are toward that person or organization. If you have no opinion or never heard of that person or organization, please say so.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	ID
10 The Republican Party	45.8	38	44	98
11 The Democratic Party	47.6	39	39	97
12 George W. Bush	43.6	40	51	99
[500 Respondents]				
13 (SPLIT A) The Republican Congress.....	44.4	35	43	96
[500 Respondents]				
14 (SPLIT B) The Congress.....	48.0	32	34	95
15 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association	49.9	40	36	94
16 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups.....	47.4	36	42	95

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% ID
17 NAFTA and international trade agreements	41.9	23	40	87
18 The Iraq war	34.9	29	56	97
19 Gay marriage	32.3	25	56	95
20 Immigration into the country.....	45.4	32	40	93
21 Undocumented immigrants.....	30.7	16	59	94
[630 Respondents]				
22 (SPLIT A) John McCain	52.6	42	28	92
[618 Respondents]				
23 (SPLIT B) Donald Rumsfeld.....	40.0	30	46	89
[500 Respondents]				
24 (SPLIT A) China.....	43.5	20	36	88
[500 Respondents]				
25 (SPLIT B) Globalization	48.0	29	28	82
(ref:THERM204)				

[736 Respondents]

Q.26 (IF STATE HAS SENATE ELECTION IN 2006) And thinking about the election for U.S. Senate next year, if the election for U.S. Senate were held today, would you be voting for (Democratic candidate) or (Republican candidate)? ¹

	Total
Democratic candidate.....	47
Lean Democratic candidate.....	4
Republican candidate.....	37
Lean Republican candidate.....	4
(Other candidate)	1
Lean (Other candidate)	0
(Undecided).....	5
(Refused).....	1
Total Democratic candidate	52
Total Republican candidate.....	41
Total (Other candidate).....	1
Democratic candidate - Republican candidate.....	11
(ref:SEN06)	

Q.27 Now thinking about the election for Congress this November, if the election for U.S. Congress were held today, would you be voting for (Democratic incumbent/candidate) or (Republican incumbent/ candidate)?²

	Total
Democratic incumbent/candidate	46
Lean Democratic incumbent/candidate	4
Republican incumbent/candidate	39
Lean Republican incumbent/candidate	3
(Other candidate)	1
Lean (Other candidate)	-
(Undecided).....	7
(Refused).....	0
Total Democratic incumbent/candidate	49
Total Republican incumbent/candidate	42
Total (Other candidate).....	1
Democratic candidate - Republican candidate.....	8
(ref:CONG06)	

¹ For each state, the actual name of each party's most likely candidate was inserted. For cases in which a party's most likely candidate could not be determined, a generic candidate ("the Democratic candidate" or "the Republican candidate") was inserted.

² For each district in which the incumbent is expected to run for reelection in 2006, the incumbent's actual name was inserted, and a generic candidate ("the Democratic candidate" or "the Republican candidate") was inserted for the opposition. For districts in which the incumbent is not expected to run for reelection, the actual name of each party's most likely candidate was inserted if one could be determined, and a generic candidate was inserted if a most likely candidate could not be determined.

Q.28 Even though you are not supporting (Democratic incumbent/candidate) now, what are the chances that you might support (Democratic incumbent/candidate) in the election for Congress this year -- is there a fair chance that you might support that candidate, a small chance, just a very slight chance or no chance at all that you might support that candidate?

	Total
Fair chance.....	14
A small chance	9
Just a very slight chance	10
No chance at all.....	15
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
 Democratic candidate Supporter	 49
(ref:CONG06C)	

Q.29 Even though you are not supporting (Republican incumbent/candidate) now, what are the chances that you might support (Republican incumbent/candidate) in the election for Congress this year -- is there a fair chance that you might support that candidate, a small chance, just a very slight chance or no chance at all that you might support that candidate?

	Total
Fair chance.....	13
A small chance	9
Just a very slight chance	12
No chance at all.....	23
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
 Republican candidate Supporter	 42
(ref:CONG06D)	

Q.30 Now let me ask overall, do you think the country should continue in the direction Bush is headed or go in a significantly different direction?

	Total
Different direction strongly.....	52
Different direction not so strongly.....	8
Bush direction not so strongly	11
Bush direction strongly	23
(Don't know/refused)	6
 Total Different direction.....	 60
Total Bush direction.....	34
 Different direction - Bush direction	 26
(ref:COUNTDIR)	

Q.31/32 Which one of the following issue areas would be the MOST important to you in deciding how to vote for a candidate for Congress? And from that list, which one of the following issue areas would be SECOND MOST important to you in deciding how to vote for a candidate for Congress?

	Comb	Most	2nd
Jobs and economy	28	16	12
The war in Iraq	25	14	12
Health care	21	8	14
Medicare and Social Security	18	8	11
Taxes and spending	18	9	10
Moral values	18	13	5
Education	18	9	9
Terrorism and national security	17	8	10
Corruption in Washington	15	6	9
Illegal immigration	13	6	7
(None of these).....	1	1	0
(Don't know/Refused).....	4	3	1
(ref:CONC06/CONC062)			

[876 Respondents]

Q.33 As you know, there is now a new prescription drug benefit under Medicare for seniors. How do you rate the program - mostly positively or mostly negatively?

	Total
Very positively	11
Somewhat positively.....	23
Somewhat negatively	19
Very negatively	20
(Don't know/Refused).....	26
Total Positively	35
Total Negatively.....	40
Positively - Negatively	-5
(ref:DRUGBEN)	

Q.34 Now I'm going to read you some pairs of statements. After I read each pair, please tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own views, even if neither is exactly right.

	1 st Strng	1 ST Not Strng	2 ND Not Strng	2 nd Strng	Both	Nei- ther	DK/ Ref	Total 1 st Stmt	Total 2 nd Stmt	1 st - 2 nd
35 The war in Iraq was not worth the cost of U.S. lives and dollars.										
The war in Iraq was worth the cost of U.S. lives and dollars.	53	7	10	26	0	1	2	60	37	23
36 The Iraq war has made us LESS secure.										
The Iraq war made us MORE secure.	46	9	11	30	0	3	2	55	41	14
37 The current course cannot bring stability and we need to start reducing the number of U.S. troops in Iraq.										
We must stay the course to achieve stability and finish the job in Iraq.....	44	6	7	38	0	1	3	51	46	5
[500 Respondents]										
38 (SPLIT C) Our country was founded by immigrants and we benefit from the diversity of immigration.										
Immigration has gone too far and many of today's immigrants are not learning the language or assimilating into American culture.	33	11	11	41	2	1	2	44	51	-8

	1 st Strng	1 ST Not Strng	2 ND Not Strng	2 nd Strng	Both	Nei- ther	DK/ Ref	Total 1 st Stmt	Total 2 nd Stmt	1 st - 2 nd
[500 Respondents]										
39 (SPLIT D) Immigrants help the economy grow by taking jobs other Americans aren't willing to do.										
Immigrants are taking jobs away from Americans because they'll work for less.....										
	32	16	12	34	2	3	2	47	45	2
[500 Respondents]										
40 (SPLIT C) Immigrants give more to our country than they take.										
Immigrants take more from our country than they give.....										
	25	14	16	37	1	2	7	38	53	-14
[500 Respondents]										
41 (SPLIT D) Our country benefits from the values of faith, family and hard work that immigrants re-enforce.										
Our country is damaged by illegal immigrants who violate the law to cross the border.....										
	27	13	13	40	2	2	3	40	53	-13
42 Immigrants contribute with their taxes as much as they take in benefits such as education and healthcare.										
Immigrants take more benefits such as education and healthcare than they contribute with their taxes.										
	20	11	14	47	0	1	7	31	61	-30
(ref:VALUES04/VALUES2)										

Q.43 In your view, should immigration be increased, decreased or kept at its present level?

	Total
Increase a lot.....	5
Increase a little	6
Kept at present level.....	42
Decrease a little.....	11
Decrease a lot	29
(Don't know/refused)	6
Total Increase	11
Total Decrease.....	40
Increase - Decrease.....	-29
(ref:IMMLEVEL)	

Q.44 Recently there have been large demonstrations in many cities on the immigration issue. Have you seen or heard anything about these demonstrations?

	Total
Yes	86
No.....	14
(Don't know/refused)	-
(ref:DEMONSTR)	

[859 Respondents]

Q.45 (IF YES) After seeing the protests, do you find yourself more sympathetic or less sympathetic to the position of the immigrants in the United States?

	Total
More sympathetic.....	32
Less sympathetic.....	55
(No change).....	8
(Don't know/refused)	5
More sympathetic - Less sympathetic	-22
(ref:DEMONSPT)	

Q.46 Thinking about illegal immigration, which TWO of the following are your biggest concerns about illegal immigration?

	Total
(SPLIT B) Health care, education and other benefits going to illegal immigrants who don't pay taxes	46
(SPLIT A) Health care, education and other benefits going to illegal immigrants.....	38
Breaking of the law to enter or remain in the US.....	30
Refusal to learn English and assimilate American culture.....	26
Increased chances of terrorism	25
American jobs going to illegal immigrants	19
Crime increasing	16
(SPLIT B) Keep wages low for Americans without high school education	14
(SPLIT A) Keep wages low for Americans	12
Spreading of new diseases brought from other countries	8
(Don't know/Refused).....	6
(ref:IMMCON2)	

Q.47 Now I want you to tell me whether, overall, you think the Democrats or the Republicans do a better job with handling the immigration issue.

	Total
Democrat MUCH Better	12
Democrat SOMEWHAT Better	18
Republican SOMEWHAT Better.....	14
Republican MUCH Better	9
(Both).....	2
(Neither)	19
(Don't know/refused)	26
Total Democrat	30
Total Republican	22
Democrat - Republican	8
(ref:BETJOB04)	

Q.48 Now I'd like to read you some proposals for how to fix the immigration problem that our nation is currently facing. After I read each one please tell whether you favor or oppose that proposal.

	Strng Fav	Smwt Fav	Smwt Opp	Strng Opp	DK/ Ref	Total Fav	Total Opp	Fav - Opp
[500 Respondents]								
49 (SPLIT A) A guest worker program that allows immigrants to work in the United States for a set period of time and then requires them to return to their home country.	31	35	13	16	4	66	30	37

	Strng Fav	Smwt Fav	Smwt Opp	Strng Opp	DK/ Ref	Total Fav	Total Opp	Fav - Opp
[500 Respondents]								
50 (SPLIT B) A guest worker program that allows immigrants to work in the United States and offers them an opportunity to apply for citizenship if they pay fines and back taxes.....	40	35	8	14	3	75	22	53
[500 Respondents]								
51 (SPLIT A) Build a fence along the Mexican border to keep immigrants from entering the country	25	18	19	33	4	43	53	-9
[500 Respondents]								
52 (SPLIT B) Put 10,000 new border patrol agents on our borders, install electronic border surveillance and provide more funding for state and local immigration enforcement	48	28	12	10	3	76	21	55
[500 Respondents]								
53 (SPLIT A) Mandate employers of immigrants to participate in an improved electronic system to verify that employees are legal workers	60	22	7	7	4	82	14	68
[500 Respondents]								
54 (SPLIT B) Deport all illegal immigrants	33	18	20	25	4	51	45	5
[500 Respondents]								
55 (SPLIT A) Deport all illegal immigrants and let them apply to return as guest workers.....	35	22	17	24	2	56	41	15
[500 Respondents]								
56 (SPLIT B) Enforce more strictly the laws that penalize employers who hire illegal immigrants	61	19	10	9	1	80	19	61
57 Require immigrants to learn English and basics about American culture and government before becoming citizens	73	18	5	4	1	91	9	82
(ref:AGREEIMM)								

Q.58 Now, let me read you some statements from a Democratic candidate for Congress. After each statement please tell me whether it would make you more likely or less likely to support this Democratic candidate.

	Much More Lkly	Smwt More Lkly	Smwt Less Lkly	Much Less Lkly	No Diff	DK/ Ref	Total More Lkly	Total Less Lkly	More - Less
[500 Respondents] 59 (SPLIT A) Illegal immigration and the lack of border security puts our country at risk and we need to take action now to secure our borders. The Bush administration is failing in its responsibility to control our borders and potential terrorists can now cross our border at will. It is simply too easy to get into the US, and we need to secure our borders before we do anything else.....	37	30	13	15	3	2	67	28	40

[500 Respondents] 60 (SPLIT B) Illegal immigrants break the law to enter our country. The Bush administration is failing in its responsibility to enforce immigration laws. It is simply too easy to get into the US, and we need to enforce immigration laws before we do anything else.....	38	29	15	14	2	2	68	29	39
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[500 Respondents] 61 (SPLIT A) We must slow down the flow of immigrants into our country, but we must realize that immigrants are important in our economy. Immigrants often take jobs that Americans don't want, they perform services that are important in our society, and their hard work helps our economy grow. Our economy is stronger with immigrants as part of our society.....	28	37	14	16	3	3	65	29	36
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	Much More Lkly	Smwt More Lkly	Smwt Less Lkly	Much Less Lkly	No Diff	DK/ Ref	Total More Lkly	Total Less Lkly	More - Less
[500 Respondents]									
62 (SPLIT B) Sending all 12 million illegal immigrants back to their countries is unrealistic and will result in millions of people hiding in the shadows. We should deport those immigrants with criminal records immediately, no questions asked. But most immigrants are law abiding, hard working people and we should provide them with a path to citizenship while holding them responsible to pay taxes and share in the responsibilities of our society.....	40	33	11	12	2	2	74	23	51

[500 Respondents]									
63 (SPLIT B) Immigrants are the lifeblood of America and their values made our country great. They work hard, attend church, and seek a better life for their families. Republicans simply want to treat illegal immigrants as felons, ignoring the fact that we need immigrant labor to make our economy work. America should always be a home for people who will work to create a better life for themselves and their families.....	25	28	21	22	2	3	52	43	9

	Much More Lkly	Smwt More Lkly	Smwt Less Lkly	Much Less Lkly	No Diff	DK/ Ref	Total More Lkly	Total Less Lkly	More - Less
[500 Respondents]									
64 (SPLIT A) Illegal immigration is out of control and undermines the wages and living standards of Americans. The Bush administration has failed on the borders but it also has stopped enforcing our employment laws. It stopped penalizing employers who employ illegal immigrants - which creates low wage industries in areas of the country. We need enforcement that helps raise living standards for Americans.....	30	30	18	16	2	3	60	34	26
(ref:DEMIM)									

Q.65 Now, let me read you some statements from a Republicans candidate for Congress. After each statement please tell me whether it would make you more likely or less likely to support this Republican candidate.

	Much More Lkly	Smwt More Lkly	Smwt Less Lkly	Much Less Lkly	No Diff	DK/ Ref	Total More Lkly	Total Less Lkly	More - Less
[500 Respondents]									
66 (SPLIT A) We need to stop supporting illegal immigrants with taxpayer dollars. Illegal immigrants don't pay taxes, but they get taxpayer benefits like health care, college scholarships and drivers licenses. We need to tighten the borders so illegal immigrants can not enter our country and deport those who are already here.....	36	28	12	20	2	1	64	32	32

[500 Respondents]									
67 (SPLIT B) Some of the jobs being generated in America's growing economy are jobs Americans don't want. It is essential that we secure our borders but we also need to create a guest workers program that will provide foreigners with temporary visas to fill these jobs and help our economy grow.....	19	40	19	18	1	2	59	37	22

	Much More Lkly	Smwt More Lkly	Smwt Less Lkly	Much Less Lkly	No Diff	DK/ Ref	Total More Lkly	Total Less Lkly	More - Less
[500 Respondents]									
68 (SPLIT A) Pressure from employers of illegal immigrants, foreign governments and interest groups should not violate the desires of law abiding Americans who want an immigration policy that secures our borders and does not reward those who break the law. We need to secure our borders, enforce America's laws and stand up to lawbreakers.....	40	36	12	8	2	1	77	20	56

[500 Respondents]									
69 (SPLIT B) The 11 to 12 million illegal immigrants in our country prove that we need a comprehensive immigration reform. We must prevent more illegal immigrants from entering the country by securing our borders and dealing with those who are already here by providing a path to citizenship that does not reward those who have broken the law..... (ref:REPIM1)	33	40	14	11	1	1	73	26	47

[500 Respondents]

Q.70 (SPLIT C) *The Democrat says we need a tough, fair and practical immigration reform that strengthens border security, allows illegal immigrants to come out of the shadows, and creates prosperity in America. We need reforms that increase border control, provide law abiding immigrants with a path to citizenship, and create a guest worker program to meet labor needs.*

The Republican says we need reforms that make border security and law enforcement a priority. We need to build a fence along the US-Mexico border, increase our border patrols, enforce strict penalties for companies that hire illegal immigrants, and declare illegal immigrants and those who help them to be felons.

Which statement do you agree with more, the statement from the Democratic candidate or the statement from the Republican candidate?

	Total
Democrat strongly	35
Democrat not so strongly	18
Republican not so strongly	11
Republican strongly	27
(Don't know/Refused)	9
Total Democrat	54
Total Republican	37
Democrat - Republican	16
(ref:IMMDVSR)	

[500 Respondents]

Q.71 (SPLIT D) *The Democrat says we need a tough immigration reform that gets this problem under control. We need to greatly strengthen border security and to penalize companies that employ illegal immigrants. We need for law abiding immigrants to come out of the shadows and a low wage economy and get on a path to citizenship. To get this under control, we need greater respect for law.*

The Republican says we need reforms that make border security and law enforcement a priority. We need to build a fence along the US-Mexico border, increase our border patrols, enforce strict penalties for companies that hire illegal immigrants, and declare illegal immigrants and those who help them to be felons.

Which statement do you agree with more, the statement from the Democratic candidate or the statement from the Republican candidate?

	Total
Democrat strongly	45
Democrat not so strongly	13
Republican not so strongly	12
Republican strongly	22
(Don't know/Refused)	7
Total Democrat	58
Total Republican	34
Democrat - Republican	24
(ref:IMMDVSR2)	

Q.72 Now I want to ask you again whether, overall, you think the Democrats or the Republicans do a better job with handling the immigration issue.

	Total
Democrat MUCH Better	16
Democrat SOMEWHAT Better	20
Republican SOMEWHAT Better.....	15
Republican MUCH Better	10
(Both).....	1
(Neither)	14
(Don't know/refused)	25
Total Democrat	35
Total Republican	24
Democrat - Republican	11
(ref:BETJOB05)	

Q.73 Finally, I would like to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes. What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

	Total
1 - 11th grade	5
High School graduate.....	23
Non-college post H.S.	1
Some college.....	26
College graduate.....	27
Post-graduate school	17
(Don't know/refused)	1
(ref:EDUC)	

Q.74 Are you a member of a labor union? (IF NO) Is any member of your household a union member?

	Total
Yes: Respondent belongs	13
Household member	8
No member belongs	78
(Don't know/refused)	1
(ref:UNION)	

Q.75 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total
Married	64
Single	17
Separated/divorced	10
Widowed.....	9
(Don't know/refused)	1
(ref:MARITAL)	

Q.76 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	Total
Strong Democrat	23
Weak Democrat.....	14
Independent-lean Democrat.....	11
Independent	7
Independent-lean Republican	9
Weak Republican	14
Strong Republican.....	20
(Don't know/Refused).....	0
(ref:PTYID1)	

Q.77 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Total
Liberal.....	22
Moderate	35
Conservative	42
(Don't know/refused)	2
(ref:IDEO1)	

Q.78 What is your religion?

	Total
Protestant	53
Catholic	23
Jewish	1
Muslim	1
(Other/none/refused)	22
(ref:RELIG1)	

[535 Respondents]

Q.79 (IF PROTESTANT) Which one of these words best describes your kind of Christianity -- fundamentalist, evangelical, charismatic, Pentecostal or moderate to liberal?

	Total
Fundamentalist.....	12
Evangelical	21
Charismatic/Pentecostal.....	11
Moderate to liberal.....	42
(Something else)	4
(Don't know/refused)	9
(ref:RELIG3)	

Q.80 How often do you attend church -- every week, once or twice a month, several times a year, or hardly ever?

	Total
Every week.....	43
Once or twice a month	16
Several times a year.....	13
Hardly ever	19
(Never)	7
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
(ref:RELIG2)	

[992 Respondents]

Q.81 (IF VOTED IN 2004) In the 2004 election for President, did you vote for Democrat John Kerry or Republican George Bush?

	Total
Democrat John Kerry	46
Republican George Bush	48
(Ralph Nader).....	0
(Other candidate)	2
(Don't know/refused)	5
Democrat John Kerry - Republican George Bush.....	-2
(ref:VOTE2004)	

Q.82 How many guns or rifles do you own?

	Total
None.....	61
1-2	13
3-9	12
10 or more	5
(Don't know/Refused)	8
(ref:GUNS)	

Q.83 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Total
White	79
African-American or Black.....	10
Hispanic or Latino.....	8
Native American	1
Asian	0
(Other)	1
(Don't know/refused)	1
(ref:RACETHN)	

[80 Respondents]

Q.84 (IF HISPANIC OR LATINO) Would you describe your Hispanic origin as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Latin American, Central American, or Spanish?

	Total
Spanish	29
Mexican	28
Puerto Rican.....	14
Central American.....	12
Latin American	9
Cuban.....	3
(Other)	4
(Don't know/refused)	2
(ref:ORIGIN)	

Q.85 Last year, that is in 2005, what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category.

	Total
Less than \$10K	4
\$10K to under \$20K	6
\$20K to under \$30K	11
\$30K to under \$50K	17
\$50K to under \$75K	21
\$75K to under \$100K	13
\$100K or more.....	13
(Refused).....	13
(Don't know)	3
(ref:INCOME)	

Q.2 Respondent's gender

	Total
Male.....	48
Female	52
(ref:GENDER)	

Q.7 In what year were you born?

	Total
18 - 24	4
25 - 29	7
30 - 34	7
35 - 39	8
40 - 44	10
45 - 49	12
50 - 54	11
55 - 59	12
60 - 64	7
Over 64.....	21
(No answer).....	1
(ref:AGE)	