

Democracy Corps Frequency Questionnaire

April 26-29, 2007
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 I know it's a long way off, but what are the chances of you voting in the election for president in 2008: 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.....	91
Probably	9
50-50	-
Will not vote.....	-
(Don't know)	-
(Refused).....	-
(ref:CP3)	

Q.6 Do you approve or disapprove of the way [incumbent Member of Congress] is handling his/her job as a member of the U.S. Congress?

	Total
Strongly approve	25
Somewhat approve	28
Somewhat disapprove.....	11
Strongly disapprove.....	11
(Don't know/Refused).....	25
Total approve.....	53
Total disapprove.....	22
Approve - disapprove	31
(ref:CONGAPP)	

Q.7 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
7 The Republican Party	44.0	34	47	98
8 The Democratic Party	48.7	41	37	99
9 George W. Bush	41.5	37	52	99
[500 Respondents]				
10 (SPLIT A) Nancy Pelosi - the Speaker of the House	43.6	34	37	87
[500 Respondents]				
11 (SPLIT B) Harry Reid - the Democratic Leader of the Senate ..	42.2	23	31	69
[500 Respondents]				
12 (SPLIT A) The Congress.....	49.1	35	33	98
[500 Respondents]				
13 (SPLIT B) The Democratic Congress	47.0	39	38	95
14 (Incumbent member of Congress) ¹	56.6	43	22	83
15 John Boehner - the Republican leader of the House	42.7	18	25	59
16 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association	50.0	41	38	96

¹ For each district, the member of Congress' name was inserted.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% ID
17 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups.....	48.3	38	40	96
18 NAFTA and international trade agreements	41.4	23	41	90
19 The Iraq war.....	34.3	27	60	99
20 Gay marriage	32.3	22	56	95
21 Immigration into the country.....	38.7	24	49	96
22 Liberals	41.3	25	43	92
23 Conservatives	51.2	37	34	94

(ref:THERM04/THERM204)

Q.24 Thinking about the election for Congress in 2008, 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 candidate.....	48
Lean Democratic candidate.....	2
Republican candidate.....	40
Lean Republican candidate.....	3
(Other candidate)	1
Lean (Other candidate)	-
(Undecided).....	5
(Refused).....	1
Total Democratic candidate	51
Total Republican candidate.....	43
Total (Other candidate).....	1
Democrat - Republican	8

(ref:CONG06)

² For each district, the incumbent's name was inserted, and a generic candidate ("the Democratic candidate" or "the Republican candidate") was inserted for the opposition.

Q.25 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 view, even if neither is exactly right.

	1 st Strng	1 st Not Strng	2 nd Not Strng	2 nd Strng	Both	Nthr	Dk/ Ref	Total 1 st Stmt	Total 2 nd Stmt	1 st - 2 nd
25 The current course cannot bring stability and we need to start reducing the number of U.S. troops in Iraq. OR We must stay the course to achieve stability and finish the job in Iraq.....	47	8	8	34	0	1	1	55	42	13
26 I'm hopeful about what the Congress is doing. OR I'm doubtful about what the Congress is doing.	29	17	14	37	-	1	2	46	51	-5
27 President Bush is being divisive and partisan. OR The Democrats in Congress are being divisive and partisan.	35	12	11	31	3	2	5	47	42	5
28 I'm more concerned that the Republicans will wait too long to withdraw our troops from Iraq. OR I'm more concerned that the Democrats will leave Iraq too quickly.....	43	7	7	38	1	1	2	51	45	6

	1 st Strng	1 st Not Strng	2 nd Not Strng	2 nd Strng	Both	Nthr	Dk/ Ref	Total 1 st Stmt	Total 2 nd Stmt	1 st - 2 nd
29 The next president of the U.S. should be someone who can inspire and lead the American people to meet the great challenges facing our country. OR The next president of the U.S. should be someone who has the experience and knowledge to meet the great challenges facing our country.	38	8	7	43	3	1	1	46	50	-4
30 The next president of the U.S. should be someone who will stick to core principles and fight for what they believe is right. OR The next president of the U.S. should be someone who can compromise and work with both parties to get things done.	24	5	9	59	1	0	1	29	68	-39
31 America needs a national service initiative that requires young people to serve our country by joining the military or serving their local communities. OR Young Americans should have the freedom to decide how they want to live their lives and serve their country without government interference.	26	9	12	51	0	0	1	35	63	-29

	1 st Strng	1 st Not Strng	2 nd Not Strng	2 nd Strng	Both	Nthr	Dk/ Ref	Total 1 st Stmt	Total 2 nd Stmt	1 st - 2 nd
32 Now is the time to establish a Canadian-style national health care system that provides affordable health care for all Americans.										
OR										
We can improve our healthcare system through incremental steps without taking radical measures that will result in a government takeover.	42	11	11	33	-	2	2	52	44	8
(ref:VALUES06/VALUES09)										

Q.33 Based on what you have seen or read, overall, do you favor or oppose Bush's current plan for Iraq?

	Total
Strongly oppose	43
Somewhat oppose.....	12
Somewhat favor	21
Strongly favor	19
(Don't know/refused)	5
Total oppose	56
Total favor	40
Oppose - Favor	16
(ref:IRQFAV)	

Q.34 Now, I'd like to read you some policies regarding Iraq. Even if neither is exactly right, which of the following policies best reflects your own views?

I want my member of Congress to vote for measures that will force the President to change policies and reduce troop levels in Iraq.

OR

I want my member of Congress to vote against measures that could undermine the President's policies in Iraq.

	Total
Vote for measures strongly	44
Vote for measures not so strongly.....	14
Vote against measures not so strongly	10
Vote against measures strongly	29
(Both).....	0
(Neither)	3
(Don't know/refused)	1
Total Vote for	57
Total Vote against	39
Vote for - Vote against	19
(ref:IRQPTION)	

Q.35 As you may know, Democrats in Congress passed legislation that ties further funding of the war in Iraq to targeted dates for withdrawal of troops and Bush says he will veto any funding bill that sets a timetable for troop withdrawal. Do you find yourself agreeing mainly with George Bush or mainly with the Democrats in Congress?

	Total
The Democrats in Congress.....	55
George Bush	42
(Neither)	2
(Don't know/refused)	1
The Democrats in Congress - George Bush.....	12
(ref:AGREEIFB)	

Q.36 The Congress and the President have been publicly debating over the Iraq spending bill and have not been able to come to an agreement on it yet. Whom do you think is mainly to blame for that: George Bush or the Democrats in Congress?

	Total
George Bush	50
Democrats in Congress.....	39
(Both).....	5
(Don't know/refused)	5
 George Bush - Democrats in Congress	 11
(ref:BLAMEIRQ)	

Q.37 How would you like to see the debate over the Iraq spending bill settled in Washington?

	Total
The President accepting most of what the Democrats in Congress want.....	50
The Democrats in Congress accepting most of what the President wants.....	41
(Working together and compromising)	4
(Don't know/refused)	5
 The President accepting most of what the Democrats in Congress want - The Democrats in Congress accepting most of what the President wants	 9
(ref:SETTLIRQ)	

Q.38 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 view, even if neither is exactly right.

	1 st	1 st	2 nd	2 nd	Both	Nthr	Dk/ Ref	Total 1 st Stmnt	Total 2 nd Stmnt	1 st - 2 nd
	Strng	Not Strng	Not Strng	Strng						

38 Congress should pass an Iraq spending bill that gives our troops all the resources they need, but sets benchmarks that the Iraqis must meet to achieve a political settlement and set a goal for having all U.S. combat troops leave by March 2008.

OR

Congress should pass a 'clean' Iraq spending bill to give our troops all the resources they need, without imposing restrictions on our military commanders and setting a fixed date for withdrawal from Iraq.....

40	12	11	33	0	2	2	52	44	8
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	1 st Strng	1 st Not Strng	2 nd Not Strng	2 nd Strng	Both	Nthr	Dk/ Ref	Total 1 st Stmt	Total 2 nd Stmt	1 st - 2 nd
39 After the President vetoes the Iraq spending bill, Congress should pass a short-term bill fully funding the troops for the next 3 months. Then, the President should come to the Congress and certify that the surge is working. If Congress decides Bush's plan is not working, it will vote to remove all U.S. combat troops within a year. OR After the President vetoes the Iraq spending bill, Congress should pass a 'clean' bill to give our troops all the resources they need without a fixed date for withdrawal or imposing restrictions on our military commanders, so we can give Bush's plan an opportunity to make progress in Iraq.	42	13	10	31	0	2	2	55	41	14
(ref:IRQVTO)										

Q.40 Now let me read you two more statements. After I read them, please tell me which statement comes closest to your own views, even if neither is exactly right.

Democrats say we have done what we can in Iraq and there are no further military gains to be made there. It is time to begin withdrawing our troops from Iraq and launch an international diplomatic initiative that puts Iraqis in charge of their future.

OR

Bush and the Republicans say, the war in Iraq can still be won and Democrats are playing politics with the issue and helping the enemy with their defeatist approach. We must continue the battle for a stable result in Iraq, so our vital security interests are achieved.

	Total
Democrats strongly	45
Democrats somewhat.....	13
Bush and the Republicans somewhat.....	11
Bush and the Republicans strongly.....	28
(Don't know/ refused)	3
Total Democrats	58
Total Bush/republicans.....	39
Democrats - Bush/republicans	19
(ref:IRQNAR)	

Q.41 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	4
High School graduate.....	25
Non-college post H.S.	1
Some college.....	27
College graduate	25
Post-graduate school	18
(Don't know/refused)	0
(ref:EDUC)	

Q.42 Are you a member of a labor union? (IF NO) Is any member of your household a union member?

	Total
Yes: Respondent belongs	12
Household member	9
No member belongs	79
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
(ref:UNION)	

Q.43 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total
Married	63
Single	15
Separated/Divorced.....	12
Widowed.....	9
(Don't know/refused)	1
(ref:MARITAL)	

Q.44 Do you have any children 18 years of age or younger living at home?

	Total
Yes	35
No.....	65
(Don't know/Refused).....	0
(ref:KIDS)	

Q.45 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	Total
Strong Democrat	27
Weak Democrat.....	14
Independent-lean Democrat.....	10
Independent	5
Independent-lean Republican	7
Weak Republican	15
Strong Republican.....	21
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
(ref:PTYID1)	

Q.46 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Total
Liberal.....	18
Moderate	42
Conservative	38
(Don't know/refused)	2
(ref:IDEO1)	

Q.47 What is your religion?

	Total
Protestant	52
Catholic	24
Jewish	2
(Other/none/refused).....	23
Muslim	0
(ref:RELIG1)	

[516 Respondents]

Q.48 Which one of these words best describes your kind of Christianity -- fundamentalist, evangelical, charismatic, Pentecostal or moderate to liberal?

	Total
Fundamentalist.....	14
Evangelical.....	22
Charismatic/Pentecostal.....	12
Moderate to liberal.....	39
(Something else).....	5
(Don't know/Refused).....	8
(ref:RELIG3)	

Q.49 How often do you attend religious services -- every week, once or twice a month, several times a year, or hardly ever?

	Total
Every week.....	42
Once or twice a month.....	16
Several times a year.....	13
Hardly ever.....	22
(Never).....	5
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
(ref:RELIG2)	

[990 Respondents]

Q.50 (IF VOTED IN VOTE00) 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).....	4
Democrat John Kerry - Republican George Bush.....	-1
(ref:VOTE2004)	

Q.51 As you know, there was an election for Congress and other offices in November 2006. 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.....	85
Did not vote.....	14
(Can't remember/Don't know).....	1
(Refused).....	0
(ref:VOTE06)	

[847 Respondents]

Q.52 (IF VOTED IN VOTE06) In the 2006 election for Congress, did you vote for (Democratic incumbent/candidate) or (Republican incumbent/candidate)?³

	Total
Democratic candidate.....	47
Republican candidate.....	45
(Other candidate)	2
(Don't know/Refused).....	6
Democrat - Republican	2
(ref:VOTE2006)	

Q.53 How many guns or rifles do you own?

	Total
None.....	59
1-2	15
3-9	14
10 or more	4
(Don't know/Refused).....	8
(ref:GUNS)	

Q.54 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Total
White	77
African-American or Black.....	10
Hispanic or Latino.....	8
Native American	1
Asian	0
(Other)	1
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
(ref:RACETHN)	

³ For each district, the candidates' actual names on the ballot were inserted. In Florida's 16th district, Republican Joe Negron's name was inserted though Republican Mark Foley appeared on the ballot. In Texas' 22nd district, Republican Shelley Sekula-Gibbs' name was inserted though she ran as a write-in and there was no Republican on the ballot.

[85 Respondents]

Q.55 (ASK IF HISPANIC OR LATINO) Would you describe your Hispanic origin as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Dominican, Salvadoran or are you and your ancestors from another country? (IF FROM ANOTHER COUNTRY) Are you and your ancestors from Central America, South America or somewhere else?

	Total
Mexican	47
Puerto Rican.....	4
Cuban.....	4
Dominican	1
Salvadoran	1
Other: Central America.....	-
Other: South America.....	3
Other	38
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
(ref:ORIGIN08)	

Q.56 (DCORPS ONLY) Do you know someone who is currently serving, or has recently served in the military in Iraq or Afghanistan? (IF YES) Is that person you, a family member, a friend, or just someone you know?

	Total
Yes - respondent.....	1
Yes - family member	26
Yes - friend.....	27
Yes - someone you know.....	17
No.....	28
(Don't know/refused)	1
Total Yes	71
No.....	28
Yes - No	44
(ref:IRQSERV)	

Q.57 Last year, that is in 2006, 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	2
\$10K to under \$20K	6
\$20K to under \$30K	10
\$30K to under \$50K	18
\$50K to under \$75K	19
\$75K to under \$100K	14
\$100K or more.....	15
(Refused).....	13
(Don't know)	2
(ref:INCOME)	

Q.2 Record respondent's gender

	Total
Male.....	47
Female	53
(ref:GENDER)	

Q.5 In what year were you born?

	Total
18 - 24	4
25 - 29	8
30 - 34	8
35 - 39	8
40 - 44	9
45 - 49	12
50 - 54	11
55 - 59	10
60 - 64	9
Over 64.....	20
(No answer).....	1
(ref:AGE)	