

Democracy Corps Frequency Questionnaire

January 24-28, 2007
1,002 Likely Voters

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	97
Not registered in 2004/Ineligible/too young	2
Did not vote	-
(Can't remember/Don't know).....	0
(Refused).....	-
(ref:VOTE00)	

Q.5 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	90
Did not vote	10
(Can't remember/Don't know).....	0
(Refused).....	0
(ref:VOTE06)	

Q.7 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.....	95
Probably	5
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	27
Wrong track.....	62
(Don't know/refused)	10
Right - Wrong.....	-35
(ref:DIRECT)	

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

	Total
Strongly approve	21
Somewhat approve	18
Somewhat disapprove.....	11
Strongly disapprove.....	45
(Don't know/Refused).....	4
Total approve.....	39
Total disapprove.....	57
Approve - disapprove	-18
(ref:CANDAPP2)	

Q.10 Do you approve or disapprove of the job Congress is doing?

	Total
Strongly approve	8
Somewhat approve	29
Somewhat disapprove.....	21
Strongly disapprove.....	27
(Don't know/Refused).....	15
Total approve.....	37
Total disapprove.....	49
Approve - disapprove	-12
(ref:CONGAPRO)	

Q.11 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?¹

	Total
Strongly approve	25
Somewhat approve	28
Somewhat disapprove.....	9
Strongly disapprove.....	10
(Don't know/Refused).....	28
Total approve.....	53
Total disapprove.....	19
Approve - disapprove	34
(ref:CONGAPP)	

Q.12 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
12 The Republican Party	44.7	35	45	97
13 The Democratic Party	53.9	46	33	98
14 George W. Bush	42.6	39	51	100
15 Nancy Pelosi - the Democratic Leader of the House	50.9	40	30	83
[501 Respondents]				
16 (SPLIT A) The Congress.....	51.8	38	28	96
[501 Respondents]				
17 (SPLIT B) The Democratic Congress	53.9	45	28	94
18 (Incumbent member of Congress)	59.5	45	18	81
19 John Boehner - the Republican leader of the House	43.8	15	21	51
20 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association	50.8	41	37	95

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

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% ID
21 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups.....	48.9	37	40	96
22 NAFTA and international trade agreements	43.9	24	35	86
23 The Iraq war.....	35.6	30	56	98
24 Gay marriage	33.6	24	55	96
25 Immigration into the country.....	42.3	30	45	95
26 Global warming	49.0	37	35	93

(ref:THERM04/THERM204)

Q.27 I know it is a long way off, but thinking about the election in 2008, if the election for president were held today, for whom would you vote -- the Democratic candidate or the Republican candidate?

	Total
Democratic candidate.....	49
Lean Democratic candidate.....	4
Republican candidate.....	33
Lean Republican candidate.....	4
(Other candidate)	1
Lean (Other candidate)	0
(Undecided).....	7
(Refused).....	2
Total Democratic candidate	53
Total Republican candidate.....	37
Total (Other candidate).....	1
Democratic candidate - Republican candidate.....	16

(ref:PRES08)

Q.29 And let me ask you again about the election in 2008, though with some potential candidates. I know it is a long way off, but if the election for president were held today and the candidates were -- Hillary Clinton or John McCain for whom would you vote?

	Total
Hillary Clinton	45
Lean Hillary Clinton	2
John McCain	47
Lean John McCain	1
(Other candidate)	3
Lean (Other candidate)	0
(Undecided)	2
(Refused).....	0
Total Hillary Clinton	47
Total John McCain	48
Total (Other candidate)	3
Hillary Clinton - John McCain	-1
(ref:PRES08N)	

[501 Respondents]

Q.31 (SPLIT C) And let me ask you again about the election in 2008, though with some potential candidates. I know it is a long way off, but if the election for president were held today and the candidates were -- Hillary Clinton, John McCain or Independent Lou Dobbs, the anti-illegal immigration candidate -- for whom would you vote?

	Total
Hillary Clinton	42
Lean Hillary Clinton	2
John McCain	43
Lean John McCain	1
Independent Lou Dobbs	7
Lean Independent Lou Dobbs	0
(Other candidate)	2
Lean (Other candidate)	-
(Undecided)	2
(Don't know/Refused)	1
Total Hillary Clinton	44
Total John McCain	44
Total Independent Lou Dobbs.....	8
Total (Other candidate)	2
Hillary Clinton - John McCain	-1
(ref:PR08INDC)	

[501 Respondents]

Q.33 (SPLIT D) And let me ask you again about the election in 2008, though with some potential candidates. I know it is a long way off, but if the election for president were held today and the candidates were -- Hillary Clinton, John McCain or Independent Michael Bloomberg, the successful businessman -- for whom would you vote?

	Total
Hillary Clinton	44
Lean Hillary Clinton	1
John McCain	40
Lean John McCain	1
Independent Michael Bloomberg.....	9
Lean Independent Michael Bloomberg.....	-
(Other candidate)	1
Lean (Other candidate)	0
(Undecided).....	3
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
Total Hillary Clinton	45
Total John McCain	42
Total Independent Michael Bloomberg	9
Total (Other candidate).....	1
Hillary Clinton - John McCain	3
(ref:PR08INDD)	

[501 Respondents]

Q.35 (SPLIT C) And now let me read you some statements by some potential candidates for President.

Democratic Senator Hillary Clinton says it is time to renew the promise of America. She has spent 6 years in the U.S. Senate fighting for middle-class families, working to create jobs and expanding children's health care. Serving on the Armed Services Committee, she supports the toughest measures to protect America's national security, and is working to bring the right end to the war in Iraq.

Republican Senator John McCain says America cannot afford to lose the war in Iraq, and we must do whatever it takes to complete the mission. An independent-minded individual, McCain is willing to take tough positions such as increasing American troop levels in Iraq, fighting for campaign finance reform and take action to control global warming. McCain wants to return to commonsense conservatism and a limited government.

Independent candidate Lou Dobbs is an author and CNN anchor who says it is time to stand up for America's middle class. We must protect our jobs by taking real measures to stop illegal immigration and roll back trade deals that send good jobs overseas. The Republicans and Democrats both let corporate lobbyists have their way in Washington, and we need to start putting America first again.

Now let me ask you once again. I know it is a long way off, but if the election for president were held today and the candidates were -- Hillary Clinton, John McCain or Independent Lou Dobbs - for whom would you vote?

	Total
Hillary Clinton	42
Lean Hillary Clinton	1
John McCain	37
Lean John McCain	2
Independent Lou Dobbs	15
Lean Independent Lou Dobbs	0
(Other candidate)	1
Lean (Other candidate)	-
(Undecided)	1
(Don't know/Refused)	1
Total Hillary Clinton	43
Total John McCain	39
Total Independent Lou Dobbs.....	15
Total (Other candidate)	1
 Hillary Clinton - John McCain	 3
(ref:PRESBIOIC)	

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Independent candidate Michael Bloomberg is the mayor of New York and says the political parties have failed us in Washington because they are too busy fighting partisan battles and putting their own interests ahead of the public interest. A successful businessman who got the job done for New York, Bloomberg will roll up his sleeves to balance the budget, achieve energy independence, and provide affordable health care.

Now let me ask you once again. I know it is a long way off, but if the election for president were held today and the candidates were -- Hillary Clinton, John McCain or Independent Michael Bloomberg -- for whom would you vote?

	Total
Hillary Clinton	45
Lean Hillary Clinton	1
John McCain	36
Lean John McCain	0
Independent Michael Bloomberg.....	14
Lean Independent Michael Bloomberg.....	1
(Other candidate)	1
Lean (Other candidate)	-
(Undecided).....	2
(Don't know/Refused).....	0
Total Hillary Clinton	46
Total John McCain	36
Total Independent Michael Bloomberg	15
Total (Other candidate).....	1
Hillary Clinton - John McCain	10
(ref:PRESBIOID)	

Q.38 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.....	49
Lean Democratic candidate.....	3
Republican candidate.....	38
Lean Republican candidate.....	2
(Other candidate)	1
Lean (Other candidate)	0
(Undecided).....	6
(Refused).....	1
Total Democratic candidate	52
Total Republican candidate.....	40
Total (Other candidate).....	1
 Democrat - Republican	 12
(ref:CONG06)	

Q.40 Now, let me ask about a number of issues and how President Bush is handling each issue. For each one, please tell me whether you approve or disapprove of the way George Bush is handling the issue.

	Strng	Smwt	Smwt	Strng	DK/	Total	Total	App
	App	App	Disap	Disap	Ref	App	Disap	-
								Disap
40 The economy	23	24	18	33	2	47	51	-4
41 The war on terrorism.....	29	20	15	35	2	49	50	-1
42 Iraq.....	18	19	9	53	1	37	62	-25
43 Unifying the country	17	22	18	40	3	39	58	-19
44 Global warming	11	23	20	35	11	34	55	-21
45 Taxes	20	27	17	32	3	47	50	-3
46 Energy.....	13	30	19	33	5	43	52	-9
47 The federal deficit	10	18	20	46	6	28	66	-37
(ref:BUSHJOB)								

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.48 Now, I am going to read you a list of words and phrases which people use to describe political parties. For each word or phrase, please tell me whether it describes the Democratic Party very well, well, not too well, or not well at all.

	Very Well	Well	Not Too Well	Not Well At All	DK/ Ref	Total Well	Total Not Well	Well - Not
48 Good for the economy	18	39	21	18	3	57	40	18
49 For the middle class.....	23	36	22	17	2	60	38	21
50 Can be trusted to keep America safe	18	37	20	20	4	56	40	15
51 Stands up to big special interests	14	32	30	20	4	46	50	-4
52 Shares your values	20	32	22	23	2	52	45	7
53 Has new ideas for addressing the country's problems.....	18	31	28	19	3	50	47	2
54 Know what they stand for.....	19	33	27	19	3	51	46	5
55 On your side..... (ref:DEMPOS)	19	32	24	22	2	51	46	5

Q.56 Now I am going to read you another list of words. Please tell me whether it describes the Democratic Party very well, well, not too well, or not well at all.

	Very Well	Well	Not Too Well	Not Well At All	DK/ Ref	Total Well	Total Not Well	Well - Well
56 Too willing to raise taxes.....	28	24	29	15	4	52	44	-8
57 Big spenders	26	26	28	16	4	52	44	-9
58 Too liberal	31	24	26	16	3	56	42	-14
59 Weak on security and defense issues.....	23	26	29	18	5	49	46	-2
60 Spends more time bickering than solving the country's real problems.....	34	24	25	15	3	58	39	-19
61 Too willing to withdraw from Iraq	36	25	21	15	3	61	36	-26
(ref:DEMNEG)								

Q.62 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
62 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.....	45	6	8	37	1	2	1	51	45	6
63 I've given up on Bush. OR I'm still hopeful about Bush.....	47	4	10	37	-	0	0	51	48	3
64 I'm hopeful about what the Congress is doing. OR I'm doubtful about what the Congress is doing.	37	19	11	30	1	0	2	56	41	15
65 President Bush is being divisive and partisan. OR The Democrats in Congress are being divisive and partisan.	33	9	11	30	7	3	6	43	41	2
66 George Bush may be the worst President we've ever had. OR George Bush has done both good and bad things and we've had all kinds of presidents.	32	5	13	49	0	1	0	36	63	-26
67 We should withdraw our troops from Iraq. OR We should give the president's plan a chance.	37	6	13	39	0	2	2	43	53	-9

	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
[501 Respondents]										
68 (SPLIT A) Global warming is caused more by human actions than by naturally occurring forces.										
OR										
Global warming is caused more by naturally occurring forces than by human actions.....	46	10	8	28	3	1	4	57	35	21

[501 Respondents]										
69 (SPLIT B) Scientists mostly agree that global warming is happening and that it will harm the environment.										
OR										
There is a lot of disagreement between scientists about global warming and how serious its effects are on the environment.	46	9	10	30	1	1	3	55	40	15
(ref:VALUES06)										

Q.70 As you know, Katrina was a category 4 hurricane, and it has been preceded in the last couple of years by a series of storms hitting Florida and the Gulf coast. How responsible do you believe global warming is for making these storms worse -- very responsible, somewhat responsible, not very responsible or not at all responsible?

	Total
Very responsible.....	21
Somewhat responsible.....	38
Not very responsible.....	17
Not at all responsible.....	19
(Don't know/Refused).....	5
Total Responsible	59
Total Not responsible.....	36
 Responsible – Not responsible.....	 23
(ref:KTRNGLBW)	

Q.71 Based on what you have seen or read, overall, do you favor or oppose Bush's new plan for Iraq?

	Total
Strongly oppose	39
Somewhat oppose.....	14
Somewhat favor	20
Strongly favor	22
(Don't know/refused)	5
Total oppose	53
Total favor	42
Oppose - Favor	11
(ref:IRQFAV)	

Q.72 Students are often given the grades A, B, C, D, or Fail to describe the quality of their work. Thinking about what you have heard or read about the new Democratic Congress, what grade would you give to the new Congress

	Total
A	6
B.....	30
C.....	38
D.....	12
F/Fail	7
(Don't know/Refused).....	8
(ref:CONGGRAD)	

[501 Respondents]

Q.73 (SPLIT A) Now, thinking about the new Congress and what is happening in Washington. Please tell me what you have heard or read recently about the Congress.

	Total
CHANGE	23
Positive change.....	14
Inaction	4
Too much change	3
Democratic control	3
THE WAR IN IRAQ	19
Opposition to escalation.....	10
Opposition to the war	6
Other Iraq mentions	3
AGENDA	17
Raising the minimum wage.....	7
100 hours plan	5
Other issues.....	3
RX and health care	2
Will raise taxes.....	2
Accountability.....	1
Stem cell research	1
Immigration reform.....	1
LEADERSHIP/ STYLE	14
Partisanship/ opposition to Bush.....	12
Bi-partisanship	3
PELOSI	2
Pelosi positive	1
Pelosi other	1
STATE OF THE UNION	1
State of the union.....	1
NOTHING SEEN/HEARD/NO RESPONSE	30
(ref:CONGOPOE)	

[501 Respondents]

Q.74 (SPLIT B) Now I am going to read you a number of things that the House of Representatives has passed in the last few weeks. Please tell me which TWO you think were the most important for the Congress to focus on.

	Total
Requiring Medicare to negotiate lower drug prices for seniors.....	42
Raising the minimum wage	33
Repealing billions in tax breaks for oil companies and using the money to promote alternative energy	31
Implementing the 9/11 Commission recommendations that all air cargo and ship containers be inspected	30
Lowering the interest rate on college loans by 50 percent	18
Broaden the types of stem cell research allowed with federal funds.....	16
(All)	3
(Other)	0
(None)	1
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
(ref:ACCOMP)	

Q.75 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	24
Non-college post H.S.	1
Some college.....	27
College graduate	28
Post-graduate school	15
(Don't know/refused)	0
(ref:EDUC)	

Q.76 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)	0
Union Household.....	21
Non College Non Union	44
Non union worker	32
(ref:UNION)	

Q.77 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total
Married	64
Single	16
Separated/Divorced.....	12
Widowed.....	9
(Don't know/refused)	0
Sep/Div/Wid.....	20
(ref:MARITAL)	

Q.78 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.79 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	Total
Strong Democrat	30
Weak Democrat.....	13
Independent-lean Democrat.....	9
Independent	5
Independent-lean Republican	9
Weak Republican	12
Strong Republican.....	21
(Don't know/Refused).....	0
(ref:PTYID1)	

Q.80 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Total
Liberal.....	18
Moderate	41
Conservative	39
(Don't know/refused)	2
(ref:IDEO1)	

Q.81 What is your religion?

	Total
Protestant.....	54
Catholic	24
Jewish	1
Muslim	0
(Other/none/refused).....	21
(ref:RELIG1)	

[543 Respondents]

Q.82 Which one of these words best describes your kind of Christianity -- fundamentalist, evangelical, charismatic, Pentecostal or moderate to liberal?

	Total
Fundamentalist.....	13
Evangelical	20
Charismatic/Pentecostal.....	12
Moderate to liberal.....	43
(Something else)	4
(Don't know/Refused).....	9
(ref:RELIG3)	

Q.83 How often do you attend religious services -- every week, once or twice a month, several times a year, or hardly ever?

	Total
Every week.....	44
Once or twice a month	15
Several times a year.....	14
Hardly ever	21
(Never)	6
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
(ref:RELIG2)	

[976 Respondents]

Q.84 (ASK 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	47
Republican George Bush	49
(Ralph Nader).....	0
(Other candidate)	2
(Don't know/Refused).....	3
Democrat John Kerry - Republican George Bush.....	-2
(ref:VOTE2004)	

[899 Respondents]

Q.85 (ASK 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.....	50
Republican candidate.....	41
(Other candidate)	2
(Don't know/refused)	7
Democrat - Republican	10
(ref:VOTE2006)	

Q.86 How many guns or rifles do you own?

	Total
None.....	58
1-2	16
3-9	13
10 or more	6
(Don't know/Refused).....	7
(ref:GUNS)	

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.

Q.87 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Total
White	77
African-American or Black.....	11
Hispanic or Latino.....	9
Native American	1
Asian	0
(Other)	2
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
(ref:RACETHN)	

[85 Respondents]

Q.88 (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?

	Total
Mexican	30
Puerto Rican.....	9
Cuban.....	5
Dominican	2
Salvadoran	2
Other: Central America.....	3
Other: South America.....	7
Other	27
(Don't know/Refused).....	16
(ref:ORIGIN08)	

Q.89 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	3
Yes - family member	25
Yes - friend.....	28
Yes - someone you know	15
No.....	29
(Don't know/refused)	0
Total Yes	71
No.....	29
Yes - No	42
(ref:IRQSERV)	

Q.90 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	4
\$10K to under \$20K	5
\$20K to under \$30K	9
\$30K to under \$50K	21
\$50K to under \$75K	20
\$75K to under \$100K	14
\$100K or more.....	15
(Refused).....	10
(Don't know)	2
(ref:INCOME)	

Q.2 Record respondent's gender

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

Q.6 In what year were you born?

	Total
18 - 24	5
25 - 29	9
30 - 34	7
35 - 39	9
40 - 44	9
45 - 49	11
50 - 54	11
55 - 59	9
60 - 64	9
Over 64.....	20
(No answer).....	1
(ref:AGE)	