

Democracy Corps Battleground Frequency Questionnaire

July 25-31, 2007

1,600 Swing District Likely Voters

Q.4 First of all, are you registered to vote at this address?

	Dem	Rep
Yes.....	100	100
No	-	-
(Refused)	-	-
(ref:SCREEN1)		

Q.5 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?

	Dem	Rep
Voted.....	99	98
Not registered in 2004/Ineligible/too young.....	1	2
Did not vote	-	-
(Can't remember/Don't know)	-	-
(Refused)	-	-
(ref:VOTE00)		

Q.6 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?

	Dem	Rep
Almost certain	92	92
Probably	8	8
50-50.....	-	-
Will not vote	-	-
(Don't know)	-	-
(Refused)	-	-
(ref:CP3)		

Q.7 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?

	Dem	Rep
Right direction	23	27
Wrong track.....	69	65
(Don't know/refused)	8	8
Right - Wrong	-46	-37
(ref:DIRECT)		

Q.8 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George Bush is handling his job as president?

	Dem	Rep
Strongly approve	16	18
Somewhat approve	17	20
Somewhat disapprove	13	11
Strongly disapprove	49	47
(Don't know/Refused).....	5	5
Total approve	33	37
Total disapprove	62	58
Approve - disapprove	-30	-20
(ref:CANDAPP2)		

Q.9 Do you approve or disapprove of the way (member of Congress)¹ is handling his/her job as a member of the U.S. Congress?

	Dem	Rep
Strongly approve	20	19
Somewhat approve	30	26
Somewhat disapprove	9	13
Strongly disapprove	13	17
(Don't know/Refused).....	29	25
Total approve	49	45
Total disapprove	22	29
Approve - disapprove	28	16
(ref:CONGAPP)		

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

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				
Dem	43.3	31	49	98
Rep	42.5	33	49	98
11 The Democratic Party				
Dem	48.5	42	39	99
Rep	47.3	40	41	98
12 George W. Bush				
Dem	37.4	33	57	100
Rep	40.1	36	54	99
13 The Congress				
Dem	45.2	29	40	98
Rep	43.2	26	42	96
14 The Democratic Congress				
Dem	46.7	38	40	98
Rep	43.9	34	43	96
15 (Member of Congress)				
Dem	53.9	38	22	84
Rep	52.0	35	27	83

Q.16 Now let me read you some more names. Please rate them on the same scale of 0 to 100.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	ID
17 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association				
Dem	52.0	43	34	96
Rep	50.7	41	37	96
18 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups				
Dem	48.4	39	41	96
Rep	48.4	36	40	96
19 NAFTA and international trade agreements				
Dem	40.9	21	42	88
Rep	40.7	22	42	88
20 The Iraq war				
Dem	31.4	23	61	99
Rep	33.1	26	60	98
21 Gay marriage				
Dem	37.7	28	51	95
Rep	36.2	24	52	96
22 Immigration into the country				
Dem	38.7	23	50	96
Rep	36.9	21	54	94

(ref:THERM204)

Q.23 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?

	Dem	Rep
Democratic candidate	48	49
Lean Democratic candidate	5	3
Republican candidate	33	33
Lean Republican candidate	5	6
(Other candidate)	2	2
Lean (Other candidate)	1	1
(Undecided)	6	6
(Refused)	1	1
Total Democratic candidate	53	51
Total Republican candidate	38	39
Total (Other candidate)	3	3
Democratic candidate - Republican candidate	15	12

(ref:PRES08)

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

	Dem	Rep
Democratic candidate	52	45
Lean Democratic candidate	3	4
Republican candidate	34	41
Lean Republican candidate	3	3
(Other candidate)	1	1
Lean (Other candidate)	0	0
(Undecided)	6	5
(Refused)	1	1
Total Democratic candidate	55	49
Total Republican candidate	37	44
Total (Other candidate).....	1	1
Democratic candidate - Republican candidate	18	5
(ref:CONG06)		

Q.25 (SKIP IF DEMOCRAT IN CONG06 OR CONG06B) Even though you are not supporting Democratic candidate now, what are the chances that you might support Democratic candidate in the election for Congress in 2008 -- 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?

	Dem	Rep
Fair chance	12	14
A small chance.....	9	8
Just a very slight chance.....	11	13
No chance at all	12	15
(Don't know/Refused).....	2	1
Democratic candidate Supporter	55	49
(ref:CONG06C)		

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.26 (SKIP IF REPUBLICAN IN CONG06 OR CONG06B) Even though you are not supporting Republican candidate now, what are the chances that you might support Republican candidate in the election for Congress in 2008 -- 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?

	Dem	Rep
Fair chance	15	12
A small chance.....	12	8
Just a very slight chance.....	15	12
No chance at all	20	23
(Don't know/Refused).....	2	1
Republican candidate Supporter.....	37	44
(ref:CONG06D)		

Q.27 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
[800 Respondents]										
27 (SPLIT A) 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.										
Dem	47	7	7	36	0	2	1	54	43	11
Rep	49	6	7	36	-	1	1	55	43	12

[800 Respondents]										
28 (SPLIT B) President Bush is being divisive and partisan.										
OR										
The Democrats in Congress are being divisive and partisan.										
Dem	36	9	12	29	4	2	7	45	41	4
Rep	30	11	13	35	3	2	6	41	48	-7

	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 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.										
Dem	43	7	6	39	0	2	2	50	46	4
Rep	43	7	6	40	0	1	2	50	46	4
30 Congress should keep passing bills that require the President to reduce troop levels in Iraq and set a date for removing most U.S. forces, even if the president keeps vetoing these bills. OR The Congress isn't able to change policies in Iraq and should instead focus on other issues where it could get things done.										
Dem	38	8	8	42	1	2	1	46	50	-4
Rep	39	10	10	36	1	2	2	50	45	4
31 Democrats have made progress on the actions they pledged to take if they took control of Congress. OR Democrats have not made progress on the actions they pledged to take if they took control of Congress.										
Dem	17	20	18	36	0	3	6	37	54	-17
Rep	18	20	17	37	.	3	5	38	54	-16

(ref:VALUES06)

Q.32 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
33 The Democrats are mostly to blame for the gridlock in Congress. OR The Republicans and President Bush are mostly to blame for the Gridlock in Congress.										
Dem	24	9	11	42	6	5	4	33	53	-19
Rep	28	9	11	39	4	3	5	37	50	-13

34 The gridlock in Washington leads me to want to see more Democrats elected to the Congress. OR The gridlock in Washington leads me to want to see more Republicans elected to the Congress.										
Dem	40	12	10	28	-	5	4	52	38	14
Rep	40	12	8	30	1	6	3	52	38	14

(ref:VALUES09)

Q.35 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.

	Dem	Rep
Vote for measures strongly	51	52
Vote for measures not so strongly	10	8
Vote against measures not so strongly	7	8
Vote against measures strongly.....	27	29
(Both)	0	0
(Neither)	3	2
(Don't know/refused)	1	1
Total Vote for	61	60
Total Vote against	34	37
Vote for - Vote against	27	23
(ref:IRQPTION)		

Q.36 As you may know, (member of Congress) is the member of Congress that represents this area. Let me read you some things that he/she has been saying and doing. After hearing each one, please tell me whether it makes you much more likely, somewhat more likely, a little more likely, no more likely or less likely to support (member of Congress).

	Much More Likly	Smwt More Likly	Lttle More Likly	No More Likly	Less Likly	DK/ Ref	Much Smwt/ Lttle	Much Smwt/ Lttle
36 (ALL DISTRICTS) I will vote against any increase in pay for members of Congress when so little is getting done in Washington.								
Dem	48	21	11	11	9	1	68	79
Rep	45	19	8	14	12	3	63	71

[800 Respondents]

37 (ALL DISTRICTS) (SPLIT A) I am frustrated with both parties in Washington who think this is business as usual. I will work with Democrats and Republicans to get things done on issues important to people.

Dem	42	27	12	11	8	-	69	81
Rep	38	25	15	11	9	2	63	78

	Much More Likly	Smwt More Likly	Ltle More Likly	No More Likly	Less Likly	DK/ Ref	Much Smwt/ Ltle	Much Smwt Ltle
[800 Respondents]								
38 (ALL DISTRICTS) (SPLIT B) I am frustrated with both parties in Washington who think this is business as usual. I voted against a pay increase for Congress, to make the appropriations transparent to the public and for the strongest possible restrictions on lobbyists.								
Dem	39	27	13	12	7	2	65	79
Rep	36	27	14	12	9	2	63	77

39 (ALL DISTRICTS) I will vote to expand federal funding for stem cell research so that America can lead in this new industry that will create more economic opportunities for our country.								
Dem	32	22	10	14	20	2	54	64
Rep	27	23	14	15	18	3	50	64

[396 Respondents]								
40 (DEM DISTRICTS ONLY) (SPLIT A) I am proud of the fact that I helped get enacted the first increase in the minimum wage in ten years and a fifty percent increase in the money for health care for our returning veterans from Iraq.								
Dem	45	25	12	9	6	2	71	83
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

[404 Respondents]								
41 (DEM DISTRICTS ONLY) (SPLIT B) I fought for a different course than Bush's. I am proud of the fact that I helped get enacted the first increase in the minimum wage in ten years and a fifty percent increase in the money for health care for our returning veterans from Iraq, both opposed by the President.								
Dem	41	23	13	11	11	1	65	77
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	Much More Likly	Smwt More Likly	Ltle More Likly	No More Likly	Less Likly	DK/ Ref	Much/Smwt/ Smwt	Ltle
[396 Respondents]								
42 (DEM DISTRICTS ONLY) (SPLIT								
A) I do not favor expelling 12 million undocumented immigrants, but I do favor tougher border enforcement and penalizing employers who illegally employ immigrant workers.								
Dem	38	25	11	11	14	1	63	74
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

[404 Respondents]								
43 (DEM DISTRICTS ONLY) (SPLIT								
B) I do not favor expelling 12 million undocumented immigrants, but I do favor tougher border enforcement, penalizing employers who illegally employ immigrant workers, and I would bar illegal immigrants from getting Social Security and other benefits.								
Dem	39	25	11	11	11	2	64	76
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

[396 Respondents]								
44 (DEM DISTRICTS ONLY) (SPLIT								
A) I was elected last year to change President Bush's direction in Iraq. Though Bush has vetoed the change, I am proud to have voted for a timeline that would have responsibly brought our troops out of Iraq over 12 months.								
Dem	32	21	8	12	26	1	52	60
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

[404 Respondents]								
45 (DEM DISTRICTS ONLY) (SPLIT								
B) I was elected last year to change President Bush's direction in Iraq. Though Bush has vetoed the change, I am proud to have voted for a timeline that would have responsibly brought our troops out of Iraq over 12 months. It is clear the surge is not working and I will continue voting to create a timeline for withdrawal.								
Dem	35	18	8	12	26	1	53	61
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	Much More Likly	Smwt More Likly	Ltle More Likly	No More Likly	Less Likly	DK/ Ref	Much Smwt/ Ltle	Much Smwt Ltle
[396 Respondents]								
46 (DEM DISTRICTS ONLY) (SPLIT								
A) I will vote to reauthorize and strengthen the S-CHIP program to cover more uninsured children and pay for it with an increase in the federal tax on a pack of cigarettes.								
Dem	36	23	9	12	18	2	59	68
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

[404 Respondents]								
47 (DEM DISTRICTS ONLY) (SPLIT								
B) I will vote to reauthorize and strengthen the S-CHIP program to cover more uninsured children and pay for it with an increase in the federal tax on a pack of cigarettes, even though the President has threatened to veto an expansion of this program.								
Dem	30	22	8	17	21	2	52	59
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

[396 Respondents]								
48 (DEM DISTRICTS ONLY) (SPLIT								
A) I will support investments in the development of clean, alternative energy like solar, wind and biofuels which will create new businesses and jobs and reduce our dependence on foreign oil.								
Dem	50	25	12	7	5	1	75	87
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

[404 Respondents]								
49 (DEM DISTRICTS ONLY) (SPLIT								
B) I will support investments in the development of clean, alternative energy like solar, wind and biofuels which will create new businesses and jobs, reduce our dependence on foreign oil and stop global warming.								
Dem	51	23	11	9	6	0	73	84
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	Much More Likly	Smwt More Likly	Ltle More Likly	No More Likly	Less Likly	DK/ Ref	Much/ Smwt/ Ltle
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[800 Respondents]

50 (REP DISTRICTS ONLY) I am opposed to granting amnesty to illegal immigrants, which would reward those who broke the law to enter our country by putting them ahead of law-abiding immigrants in the queue for citizenship.

Dem	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rep	36	15	11	13	22	4	51 61

[404 Respondents]

51 (REP DISTRICTS ONLY) (SPLIT A) I support the President's commitment to keep our troops in Iraq until we achieve a stable result and Iraqis are ready to take responsibility for their own country. Withdrawing from Iraq abruptly would have devastating consequences for our security.

Dem	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rep	30	15	6	17	30	3	45 50

[396 Respondents]

52 (REP DISTRICTS ONLY) (SPLIT B) I have voted to support the President's policy in Iraq and his commitment to fight the war on terror, but I now have to support a timeline for withdrawal because it is clear that it is time for a change.

Dem	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rep	23	25	14	11	25	2	48 62

[800 Respondents]

53 (REP DISTRICTS ONLY) I will oppose any spending bills that are much larger than what the President proposed in his budget. We need to get spending and deficits under control to ensure our economy continues to grow.

Dem	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rep	38	27	11	12	9	3	65 76

	Much More Likly	Smwt More Likly	Ltle More Likly	No More Likly	Less Likly	DK/ Ref	Much/ Smwt/ Ltle
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[800 Respondents]

54 (REP DISTRICTS ONLY) I will vote to extend the President's tax cuts which helped our economy grow and oppose Democratic efforts to pass the biggest tax increase in history by letting the President's tax cuts expire.

Dem	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rep	30	20	10	14	22	4	50 60

[396 Respondents]

55 (REP DISTRICTS ONLY) (SPLIT B) I will vote to reauthorize and strengthen the S-CHIP program to cover more uninsured children and pay for it with an increase in the federal tax on a pack of cigarettes, even though the President has threatened to veto an expansion of this program.

Dem	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rep	22	22	17	15	21	3	45 61

[404 Respondents]

56 (REP DISTRICTS ONLY) (SPLIT A) I will oppose Democratic efforts to expand the S-CHIP program, which is a first step towards socialized medicine that will eventually reduce quality and choice for patients.

Dem	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rep	21	11	11	20	32	5	33 43

(ref:BYDIST)

Q.57 Now I'd like to read you some things that people have been saying about the Democrats in Congress. For each phrase I read, please tell me whether the statement makes you much more likely, somewhat more likely, a little more likely, no more likely or less likely to support the Democrats in Congress.

Much More Likly	Smwt More Likly	Ltle More Likly	No More Likly	Less Likly	DK/ Ref	Much/ Smwt/ Ltle
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[800 Respondents]

58 (SPLIT A) Democrats in Congress are making progress to move America in a new direction. They increased the minimum wage for the first time in 10 years, passed the largest veterans health care increase in history and are protecting health coverage for millions of children. We need the support of the American people to continue moving forward.

Dem	40	20	13	14	12	1	60	73
Rep	40	20	12	11	16	1	60	72

[800 Respondents]

59 (SPLIT B) The Democrats in Congress have passed things important to all Americans, including a timeline for withdrawing troops over a year period, support for stem cell research, and expanded health insurance for children but President Bush and the Republicans have vetoed or blocked these from happening. We need the support of the American people in this fight.

Dem	37	17	9	18	18	1	54	62
Rep	37	14	6	12	29	4	50	56

[800 Respondents]

60 (SPLIT A) Democrats in Congress are holding to their promise to end the war in Iraq. They are using every opportunity they have to challenge Bush's failed policies and force the President to set a date to bring our troops home. We need the support of the American people as we work to bring our troops back home.

Dem	34	16	9	11	28	1	50	59
Rep	34	18	7	12	27	1	52	60

Much Smwt Ltle No
 More More More More Less
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 DK/ Much/Smwt/
 Ref Smwt Ltle

[800 Respondents]

61 (SPLIT B) The Democrats in Congress have increased the minimum wage for the first time in 10 years and passed the largest veterans health care increase in history, but we know it is not enough. We have passed a timeline for Iraq but the President vetoed it and now he is promising to veto the expansion of health coverage for children. We need the support of the American people as we work to get more done.

Dem	41	16	10	14	17	1	57	67
Rep	33	14	13	11	24	4	47	61

62 Democrats in Congress are working to make progress but President Bush has vetoed any change in Iraq and he's threatened to veto bills being passed by Congress – the bills to expand stem cell research, to lower student loan rates, expand health coverage for uninsured children and allow Medicare to negotiate lower drug prices for seniors. We need the support of the American people to make these happen.

Dem	40	21	10	14	15	1	61	70
Rep	39	15	11	11	21	2	54	65

(ref:CONDEF)

Q.63 Now I'd like to read you some things that critics have been saying about the Democrats in Congress. For each phrase I read, please tell me whether the statement makes you much less likely, somewhat less likely, a little less likely, no less likely or more likely to support the Democrats in Congress.

	Much Less Likly	Smwt Less Likly	Lttle Less Likly	No Less Likly	More Likly	DK/ Ref	Much/ Smwt/ Lttle	Much Smwt Lttle
64 Instead of following through with their pledge to make progress on providing health care for all Americans and achieving energy independence, Democrats have chose to fight with the President and Republicans to set a date to withdraw our troops from Iraq.								
Dem	24	15	12	19	27	2	40	52
Rep	28	14	11	17	26	3	42	54

[800 Respondents]

65 (SPLIT A) Democrats pledged to legislate with fiscal responsibility. Yet, they passed a budget with 205 billion dollars in additional domestic spending and are legislating with the same "tax and spend" policies of the past that put our economic growth in jeopardy.

Dem	28	19	13	20	16	4	46	60
Rep	26	18	19	19	15	2	44	64

[800 Respondents]

66 (SPLIT B) Democrats in Congress said they would end the culture of corruption in Congress by making earmarks open to public scrutiny. Yet, they've been in power for more than seven months and have made no move to require members to disclose earmark requests as they promised.

Dem	22	21	18	19	17	4	43	61
Rep	30	21	15	16	14	4	51	66

(ref:CONDEF2)

Q.67 Now let me ask you one more time. Do you approve or disapprove of the way (member of Congress) is handling his/her job as a member of the U.S. Congress?

	Dem	Rep
Strongly approve	28	22
Somewhat approve	35	30
Somewhat disapprove	11	15
Strongly disapprove	11	16
(Don't know/Refused).....	16	16
Total approve	62	53
Total disapprove	22	31
Approve - disapprove	41	21
(ref:RECONGAP)		

Q.68 (DEM DISTRICTS ONLY) Now let me read you some reasons why (member of Congress) may vote to require that president Bush start reducing troops within four months and require all troops to be out of Iraq by April of next year. For each of these reasons, please tell me if it would make you much more likely, somewhat more likely, a little more likely, no more likely or less likely to support (member of Congress).

	Much More Likly	Smwt More Likly	Lttle More Likly	No More Likly	Less Likly	DK/ Ref	Much Smwt/ Lttle	Much Smwt Lttle
[396 Respondents]								
69 (SPLIT A) It is clear from the report that the surge in Iraq is not working because we are bogged down in a religious war. Giving the same strategy more time will not bring victory or stability to the region. Now is the time to change President Bush's course and start responsibly reducing the number of troops in Iraq.								
Dem	34	16	10	11	28	1	50	60
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

[404 Respondents]								
70 (SPLIT B) It is clear now that President Bush is determined to continue the war indefinitely, which now is costing us 10 billion dollars a month and rising. We can't afford to waste American taxpayers' money in this way when we have a chance to address our country's problems, like health care, the deficit and our dependence on foreign oil.								
Dem	38	17	8	16	19	1	55	64
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Much Smwt Ltle No
More More More More Less DK/ Much/Smwt/
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[396 Respondents]

71 (SPLIT A) Since President Bush announced his plan for a surge in troop levels, Iraq has become even more deadly for American soldiers with over 100 losing their lives during each of the past three months. It is our responsibility to start reducing troops and set a deadline that will get our soldiers out of harms way.

Dem	33	18	8	12	28	1	51	59
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

[404 Respondents]

72 (SPLIT B) It is clear now, President Bush intends to keep our troops in the middle of a religious civil war while Al Qaeda is operating freely along the Afghanistan-Pakistan border nearly six years after the September eleven attacks. Our security needs are too great to keep our troops bogged down in an endless war.

Dem	29	22	9	17	21	3	51	60
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

(ref:SEPTDEM1)

Q.73 (DEM DISTRICTS ONLY) Now let me read you some arguments that critics might make against (member of Congress) for voting to require that president Bush start reducing troops within four months and require all troops to be out of Iraq by April of next year. For each of these statements, please tell me whether, if accurate, it raises very serious doubts, serious doubts, minor doubts or no real doubts in your own mind about (member of Congress) voting to change course in Iraq.

Very No
Ser Ser Minor Real DK/ Total Total
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[396 Respondents]

73 (SPLIT A) Voting to just withdraw from Iraq is the wrong thing to do. We should ensure there is a stable government in Iraq before we withdraw our troops. Leaving Iraq suddenly will increase violence and make politicians less likely to reach a political settlement.

Dem	10	24	19	42	6	34	61
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	Very Ser Dbts	Ser Dbts	Minor Dbts	No Real Dbts	DK/ Ref	Total Ser	Total Not Ser
[404 Respondents]							
74 (SPLIT B) Voting to just withdraw from Iraq is the wrong thing to do. The surge report shows that violence is down in the key areas where the surge has been focused. These successes demonstrate that our troops are making progress in Iraq and we shouldn't undercut the commanders who need more time for our strategy to succeed.							
Dem	13	29	22	33	3	42	55
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

[396 Respondents]							
75 (SPLIT A) This vote to withdraw our troops from Iraq is not good for our country. Al Qaeda is now growing in Iraq, has allied with Al Qaeda in Pakistan and threatens to attack American soil again. Just retreating and leaving Al Qaeda free to operate in Iraq is a dangerous policy.							
Dem	13	27	17	38	5	40	55
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

[404 Respondents]							
76 (SPLIT B) This vote to withdraw our troops from Iraq is not good for our country. After committing so much to this effort and having so many Iraqis bet on America, we cannot just walk away and watch hundreds of thousands be killed in a civil war and millions forced to become refugees, destabilizing the entire Middle East region.							
Dem	16	26	19	35	4	42	55
Rep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(ref:SEPTREP1)							

Q.77 (REP DISTRICTS ONLY) Now let me read you some arguments that critics might make against (member of Congress) for voting to give president Bush more time to implement the new strategy in Iraq. For each of these statements, please tell me whether, if accurate, it raises very serious doubts, serious doubts, minor doubts or no real doubts in your own mind about (member of Congress) voting to give President Bush more time to implement the new strategy in Iraq.

	Very Ser Dbts	Ser Dbts	Minor Dbts	No Real Dbts	DK/ Ref	Total Ser	Total Not Ser
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77 (SPLIT A) It is clear from the report that the surge in Iraq is not working because we are bogged down in a religious war. Giving the same strategy more time will not bring victory or stability to the region. Continuing with Bush's policies will not bring the change that is needed to start responsibly reducing the number of troops in Iraq.

Dem	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rep	16	30	20	32	2	46	52

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78 (SPLIT B) It is clear now that President Bush is determined to continue the war indefinitely, which now is costing us 10 billion dollars a month and rising. We can't afford to waste American taxpayers' money in this way when we have a chance to address our country's problems, like health care, the deficit and our dependence on foreign oil.

Dem	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rep	17	25	21	32	5	43	53

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79 (SPLIT A) Since President Bush announced his plan for a surge in troop levels, Iraq has become even more deadly for American soldiers with over 100 losing their lives during each of the past three months. By continuing to support Bush's policy, republicans are ignoring their responsibility to set a deadline that will get our soldiers out of harms way.

Dem	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rep	17	32	18	29	4	49	48

	Very Ser Dbts	Ser Dbts	Minor Dbts	No Real Dbts	DK/ Ref	Total Ser	Total Not Ser
[396 Respondents]							
80 (SPLIT B) It is clear now, President Bush intends to keep our troops in the middle of a religious civil war while Al Qaeda is operating freely along the Afghanistan-Pakistan border nearly six years after the September eleven attacks. This strategy is undermining our security by keeping our troops bogged down in an endless war.							
Dem	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rep	14	33	17	31	5	47	48
(ref:SEPTDEM2)							

Q.81 (REP DISTRICTS ONLY) Now let me read you some reasons why (member of Congress) may vote to give president Bush more time to implement the new strategy in Iraq. For each of these reasons, please tell me if it would make you much more likely, somewhat more likely, a little more likely, no more likely or less likely to support (member of Congress).

	Much More Likly	Smwt More Likly	Lttle More Likly	No More Likly	Less Likly	DK/ Ref	Much/ Smwt/ Lttle
[404 Respondents]							
81 (SPLIT A) Voting to just withdraw from Iraq is the wrong thing to do. We should give the President's strategy more time to ensure there is a stable government in Iraq before we withdraw our troops. Leaving Iraq suddenly will increase violence and make politicians less likely to reach a political settlement.							
Dem	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rep	29	13	6	18	33	2	41 47

[396 Respondents]							
82 (SPLIT B) Voting to just withdraw from Iraq is the wrong thing to do. The surge report shows that violence is down in the key areas where the surge has been focused. These successes demonstrate that our troops are making progress in Iraq and we shouldn't undercut the commanders who need more time for our strategy to succeed.							
Dem	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rep	31	15	10	14	29	2	45 55

Much Smwt Ltle No
More More More More Less
Likly Likly Likly Likly Likly
DK/ Much/Smwt/
Ref Smwt Ltle

[404 Respondents]

83 (SPLIT A) This vote to withdraw our troops from Iraq is not good for our country. Al Qaeda is now growing in Iraq, has allied with Al Qaeda in Pakistan and threatens to attack American soil again. Just retreating and leaving Al Qaeda free to operate in Iraq is a dangerous policy. We should give the President's strategy more time to succeed.

Dem	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rep	28	14	6	17	34	1	42	48

[396 Respondents]

84 (SPLIT B) This vote to withdraw our troops from Iraq is not good for our country. After committing so much to this effort and having so many Iraqis bet on America, we cannot just walk away and watch hundreds of thousands be killed in a civil war and millions forced to become refugees, destabilizing the entire Middle East region.

Dem	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rep	29	18	11	15	25	1	47	58

(ref:SEPTREP2)

Q.85 Finally, I would like to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes. What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

	Dem	Rep
1 - 11th grade.....	2	3
High School graduate	27	26
Non-college post H.S.	1	1
Some college	26	26
College graduate.....	25	26
Post-graduate school	18	17
(Don't know/refused)	1	1

(ref:EDUC)

Q.86 Are you a member of a labor union?

	Dem	Rep
Yes: Respondent belongs.....	13	11
Household member.....	9	9
No member belongs.....	78	79
(Don't know/Refused).....	1	1

(ref:UNION)

Q.87 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Dem	Rep
Married.....	63	64
Single.....	16	15
Separated/Divorced.....	12	12
Widowed.....	9	8
(Don't know/refused).....	0	1
Sep/Div/Wid	21	20
(ref:MARITAL)		

Q.88 Do you have any children 18 years of age or younger living at home?

	Dem	Rep
Yes.....	35	32
No.....	65	67
(Don't know/Refused).....	0	1
(ref:KIDS)		

Q.89 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	Dem	Rep
Strong Democrat.....	27	25
Weak Democrat.....	12	13
Independent-lean Democrat.....	11	10
Independent.....	6	7
Independent-lean Republican.....	12	9
Weak Republican.....	14	13
Strong Republican.....	18	23
(Don't know/Refused).....	1	1
(ref:PTYID1)		

Q.90 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Dem	Rep
Liberal.....	21	16
Moderate.....	38	40
Conservative.....	39	42
(Don't know/refused).....	3	2
(ref:IDEO1)		

Q.91 What is your religion?

	Dem	Rep
Protestant.....	48	54
Catholic.....	27	21
Jewish.....	1	1
Muslim.....	1	1
(Other/none/refused).....	23	23
(ref:RELIG1)		

[813 Respondents]

Q.92 (ASK IF PROTESTANT IN RELIG1) Which one of these words best describes your kind of Christianity -- fundamentalist, evangelical, charismatic, Pentecostal or moderate to liberal?

	Dem	Rep
Fundamentalist	12	10
Evangelical.....	19	24
Charismatic/Pentecostal	9	8
Moderate to liberal	43	42
(Something else)	8	8
(Don't know/Refused).....	10	8
(ref:RELIG3)		

Q.93 How often do you attend religious services – every week, once or twice a month, several times a year, or hardly ever?

	Dem	Rep
Every week	38	39
Once or twice a month	15	17
Several times a year	14	13
Hardly ever.....	25	21
(Never)	6	7
(Don't know/Refused).....	3	3
(ref:RELIG2)		

[1,577 Respondents]

Q.94 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE00) In the 2004 election for President, did you vote for Democrat John Kerry or Republican George Bush?

	Dem	Rep
Democrat John Kerry	47	44
Republican George Bush.....	46	49
(Ralph Nader)	0	0
(Other candidate)	2	1
(Don't know/Refused).....	5	5
Democrat John Kerry - Republican George Bush	1	-5
(ref:VOTE2004)		

Q.95 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?

	Dem	Rep
Voted.....	83	84
Did not vote	15	14
(Can't remember/Don't know)	1	1
(Refused)	1	1
(ref:VOTE06)		

[1,338 Respondents]

Q.96 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE06) In the 2006 election for Congress, did you vote for (Democratic incumbent/candidate) or (Republican incumbent/candidate)?³

	Dem	Rep
Democratic candidate	54	38
Republican candidate	38	54
(Other candidate)	1	2
(Don't know/Refused).....	6	6
Democrat - Republican.....	16	-16
(ref:VOTE2006)		

Q.97 How many guns or rifles do you own?

	Dem	Rep
None	57	60
1-2.....	15	14
3-9.....	12	12
10 or more.....	5	5
(Don't know/Refused).....	10	9
(ref:GUNS)		

Q.98 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Dem	Rep
White	86	81
African-American or Black	7	5
Hispanic or Latino	4	8
Native American.....	0	1
Asian	1	1
(Other).....	1	1
(Don't know/Refused).....	2	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.

[96 Respondents]

Q.99 (ASK IF HISPANIC OR LATINO IN RACETHN OR IF YES IN RACETHN2) Would you describe your Hispanic origin as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Dominican, Salvadoran or are you and your ancestors from another country?

	Dem	Rep
Mexican.....	29	27
Puerto Rican	23	28
Cuban	10	-
Dominican	-	2
Salvadoran.....	-	-
Other: Central America	-	-
Other: South America	5	8
Other	32	31
(Don't know/Refused).....	-	4
(ref:ORIGIN08)		

Q.100 Do you know someone who is currently serving, or has recently served in the military in Iraq or Afghanistan?

	Dem	Rep
Yes - respondent.....	1	1
Yes - family member	27	23
Yes - friend.....	28	26
Yes - someone you know.....	18	16
No	25	32
(Don't know/refused)	1	1
Total Yes	74	67
No	25	32
Yes - No.....	49	35
(ref:IRQSERV)		

Q.101 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.

	Dem	Rep
Less than \$10K.....	3	1
\$10K to under \$20K.....	5	7
\$20K to under \$30K.....	11	9
\$30K to under \$50K.....	18	19
\$50K to under \$75K.....	19	14
\$75K to under \$100K.....	14	16
\$100K or more	15	17
(Refused)	12	14
(Don't know)	2	2
(ref:INCOME)		

Q.103 Record respondent's gender

	Dem	Rep
Male	49	45
Female	51	55
(ref:GENDER)		

Q.104 In what year were you born?

	Dem	Rep
18 - 24.....	4	4
25 - 29.....	5	5
30 - 34.....	9	7
35 - 39.....	8	7
40 - 44.....	9	8
45 - 49.....	13	12
50 - 54.....	10	10
55 - 59.....	12	10
60 - 64.....	10	10
Over 64.....	20	24
(No answer).....	2	2
(ref:AGE)		