

# Democracy Corps/Campaign for America's Future Frequency Questionnaire

November 4-5, 2008  
**2000 Voters**

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

	<b>Total</b>
Yes .....	100
No.....	-
(Refused).....	-
(ref:SCREEN1)	

Q.5 As you may know, there was an election on November 4 for president, Congress and other offices. Many people weren't able to vote. How about you? Were you able to vote or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	<b>Total</b>
Voted .....	100
Did not vote .....	-
(Can't remember/ don't know) .....	-
(Refused).....	-
(Have not voted yet) .....	-
(Will vote) .....	-
(ref:VOTE08)	

Q.6 Did you vote prior to Election Day or did you vote on Election Day?

	<b>Total</b>
Prior to Election Day.....	29
On Election Day .....	71
(Don't know/ refused) .....	-
(ref:WARLYVTG)	

Q.7 Did you vote by absentee ballot, by mail or in person?

	<b>Total</b>
Absentee .....	8
Mail.....	6
In person .....	86
(Don't know/ refused) .....	0
(ref:EARLYV1)	

Q.8 Sometimes there are many elections on one ballot, such as elections for president, governor, Senate, Congress, and state and local offices. Some people do not vote in all of the elections on the ballot. How about you? Did you vote for president only? For president, governor, and U.S. Senate? For president, governor, Senate, and Congress? Or for all of the elections on the ballot, including state and local offices?

	<b>Total</b>
President only.....	3
President, governor and U.S. Senate.....	3
President, governor, Senate and Congress .....	4
All of the elections on the ballot.....	89
(Don't know/ refused) .....	1
(ref:ALLVLT)	

Q.9 Generally speaking, before this election did you think that things in this country were going in the right direction, or did you feel things had gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

	<b>Total</b>
Right direction .....	16
Wrong track.....	78
(Don't know/refused) .....	5
<b>Right - Wrong.....</b>	<b>-62</b>
(ref:DIRECT)	

Q.10 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George Bush is handling his job as president?

	<b>Total</b>
Strongly approve .....	13
Somewhat approve .....	18
Somewhat disapprove.....	14
Strongly disapprove.....	51
(Don't know/refused) .....	4
<b>Total approve.....</b>	<b>31</b>
<b>Total disapprove.....</b>	<b>65</b>
(ref:CANDAPP2)	

Q.11 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
11 The Republican Party .....	46.3	37	45	98
12 The Democratic Party .....	52.7	48	36	98
13 George W. Bush .....	36.2	31	59	99
14 The Democratic Congress .....	48.1	42	39	96
15 Barack Obama .....	58.9	57	35	99
16 John McCain .....	53.0	48	37	99
<b>[967 Respondents]</b>				
17 Democratic Incumbent Member of Congress .....	61.8	51	18	85
<b>[1033 Respondents]</b>				
17 Republican Incumbent Member of Congress.....	56.4	43	24	81
18 Republicans in Congress .....	45.3	33	45	96
19 Joe Biden .....	52.8	47	35	94
20 Sarah Palin .....	46.1	41	47	97
21 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association .....	53.3	44	33	94
22 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups.....	50.4	39	41	96
23 NAFTA and international trade agreements .....	43.1	25	38	87
24 The Iraq War .....	37.2	29	54	98
<b>[1000 Respondents]</b>				
25 (CAF) Labor unions.....	50.8	39	33	93
<b>[1000 Respondents]</b>				
26 (SPLIT A) Big corporations .....	43.4	27	42	95
27 Gay marriage .....	36.6	28	52	95
28 Immigration into the country.....	43.8	28	43	95

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% ID
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>				
29 (CAF SPLIT A) Liberals .....	42.9	31	45	94
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>				
30 (CAF) Conservatives.....	53.3	44	34	94
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>				
31 (CAF SPLIT A) CNN .....	53.0	40	30	91
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>				
32 (CAF SPLIT B) Fox News .....	51.6	42	35	92
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>				
33 (CAF SPLIT B) Progressives .....	46.8	23	23	65
34 The state of the economy .....	27.4	12	77	99
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>				
35 (SPLIT B) Wall Street.....	34.7	16	56	93
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>				
36 (CAF SPLIT B) Newt Gingrich .....	40.5	25	48	84
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>				
37 (CAF SPLIT A) Rush Limbaugh.....	33.8	23	51	87
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>				
38 (CAF) MSNBC .....	48.0	34	32	85
(ref:THERM04/THERM204)				

Q.39 Thinking about the presidential election, did you vote for -- Democrat Barack Obama, Republican John McCain, Libertarian Party candidate Bob Barr, Independent candidate Ralph Nader or Constitution Party candidate Ron Paul?

	Total
Democrat Barack Obama.....	53
Republican John McCain .....	46
Libertarian Bob Barr .....	0
Constitution Party/Louisiana Tax Payer's Party candidate Ron Paul .....	
Independent Ralph Nader .....	0
(Other candidate) .....	0
(ref:PRESEV)	

Q.41 Think back in time for a minute. Did you, at any point in this campaign, think about voting for John McCain for president? (IF YES) How seriously did you think about voting for John McCain -- very seriously, somewhat seriously, or only a little seriously?

	<b>Total</b>
Yes, very seriously .....	5
Yes, somewhat seriously.....	8
Yes, only a little seriously .....	5
Didn't consider.....	37
(Don't know/ refused) .....	0
<b>Total Yes .....</b>	<b>18</b>
(ref:CHCEJM)	

Q.42 Think back in time for a minute. Did you, at any point in this campaign, think about voting for Barack Obama for president? (IF YES) How seriously did you think about voting for Barack Obama -- very seriously, somewhat seriously, or only a little seriously?

	<b>Total</b>
Yes, very seriously .....	4
Yes, somewhat seriously.....	6
Yes, only a little seriously .....	4
Didn't consider.....	34
(Don't know/ refused) .....	0
<b>Total Yes .....</b>	<b>14</b>
(ref:CHCEBO)	

Q.43 When did you finally decide to vote for (CANDIDATE): on Election Day, in the last few days before the election, the week before the election, a month before the election, sometime in September, during the summer or before that?

	<b>Total</b>
On Election Day .....	3
Last few days .....	3
Week before .....	5
Month before .....	10
Sometime in September.....	15
During the summer.....	22
Before the summer.....	39
(Don't know/ refused) .....	2
(ref:DECTIME)	

### [ Respondents]

Q.44 (ASK ONLY IF ON ELECTION DAY/ LAST FEW DAYS/ WEEK BEFORE) In the end, what was the one thing that made you decide to vote the way you did?

*(Awaiting open-end coding)*

(ref:LATEDEC)

Q.45 Now let me ask you about the election for Congress: did you vote for (Democratic incumbent/candidate) or (Republican incumbent/candidate)<sup>1</sup>?

	<b>Total</b>
Democratic House Candidate .....	53
Republican House Candidate.....	45
Other .....	2

**[967 Respondents]**

Q.45 (DEMOCRATIC INCUMBENT)

	<b>Total</b>
Democratic House Candidate .....	70
Republican House Candidate.....	28
Other .....	2

**[1033 Respondents]**

Q.45 (REPUBLICAN INCUMBENT)

	<b>Total</b>
Democratic House Candidate .....	38
Republican House Candidate.....	61
Other .....	2
(ref:CONGEV)	

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<sup>1</sup> For each district, the candidates' names were inserted where they are known and otherwise a generic candidate ("the Democratic candidate" or "the Republican candidate") was inserted

**[877 Respondents]**

Q.47 (ASK ONLY VOTED FOR JOHN MCCAIN) Now let me read you a list reasons to support John McCain. Which THREE describe the most important reasons why you voted for John McCain?

	<b>Total</b>
Is a strong leader and would be a strong commander-in-chief.....	48
Would drill for oil and explore all energy sources for energy independence.....	30
Supported the surge and would not retreat in Iraq.....	28
Picked Sarah Palin as his running mate.....	28
Was a P-O-W and has always put country first.....	26
Is a maverick who works with both parties.....	19
Would cut taxes.....	17
Would end earmarks and pork barrel spending.....	14
I just couldn't vote for Barack Obama.....	13
Would stabilize home prices and help fix the financial crisis.....	11
Is a reformer who would lessen the influence of special interests.....	11
His health care plan gives everyone a \$5,000 credit and more choice.....	7
(All).....	5
(Other).....	3
(None).....	1
(Don't know/ refused).....	1
(ref:JMSUPPOR)	

**[1035 Respondents]**

Q.48 (ASK ONLY IF VOTED FOR BARACK OBAMA) Now let me read you a list reasons to support Barack Obama. Which THREE describe the most important reasons why you voted for Barack Obama?

	<b>Total</b>
Would withdraw troops from Iraq and deal with Afghanistan .....	35
Would be for the middle class and cut middle class taxes first .....	32
Has a plan for affordable health care for all .....	29
Will invest in education and make college more affordable .....	27
Is self-confident and a strong leader .....	24
Offers a different direction than Bush.....	22
Would bring people together, end the old politics and get things done.....	20
Would get the wealthiest and big corporations to pay their fair share in taxes.....	18
Would end tax breaks for companies that ship jobs overseas.....	14
Will protect Social Security and Medicare .....	13
His serious response to the financial crisis .....	11
I just couldn't vote for John McCain .....	7
Was endorsed by people like Warren Buffett and Colin Powell.....	5
(All) .....	8
(Other) .....	2
(None) .....	0
(Don't know/ refused) .....	0
(ref:BOSUPPOR)	

**[1274 Respondents]**

Q.49 (DO NOT ASK IF VOTED FOR BARACK OBAMA AND DIDN'T CONSIDER IN CHCEJM)

Let me read you a list of doubts about Barack Obama. Regardless of how you voted, which THREE describe the most important reasons NOT to vote for Barack Obama?

	<b>Total</b>
Too inexperienced and too big a risk to be commander-in-chief.....	41
Wrong on abortion, gay marriage and restricting guns .....	32
Would redistribute wealth and introduce socialism .....	29
Would raise my taxes .....	23
Would increase taxes on small business and hurt the economy.....	21
Too ready to retreat in Iraq and weaken our national security .....	21
Associates with people and groups that make me uncomfortable.....	20
Would increase government spending .....	14
His health care plan is too government-run.....	13
Would give Democrats too much control in Washington.....	13
Would end up catering to minority groups and not working for all .....	9
Is out of touch with working people .....	3
(All) .....	6
(Other) .....	1
(None) .....	5
(Don't know/ refused) .....	2
(ref:BODBT)	

**[1352 Respondents]**

Q.50 (DO NOT ASK IF VOTED FOR JOHN MCCAIN AND DIDN'T CONSIDER IN CHCEBO)  
 Let me read you a list of doubts about John McCain. Regardless of how you voted, which THREE describe the most important reasons NOT to vote for John McCain?

	<b>Total</b>
Picked Sarah Palin as his running mate.....	37
Would give tax breaks to the rich and big corporations and not to the middle class.....	35
Would continue Bush's policies.....	34
Would stay in Iraq.....	28
Would privatize Social Security and cut Medicare benefits.....	22
Would tax health care benefits and give insurance companies more power.....	22
Ran a negative campaign rather than say what'd he do .....	20
Would help end a woman's right to choose on abortion.....	17
Is too old to be president.....	16
His erratic response to the financial crisis .....	14
Supports outsourcing and bad trade deals.....	8
Would cut government spending and services.....	4
(All) .....	4
(Other) .....	1
(None) .....	2
(Don't know/ refused) .....	2

(ref:JMDBT)

**[1000 Respondents]**

Q.51 (DCOR) Now, I am going to read you a list of words and phrases which people use to describe political figures. For each word or phrase, please tell me whether it describes Barack Obama very well, well, not too well, or not well at all.

	<b>Very Well</b>	<b>Well</b>	<b>Not Too Well</b>	<b>Not Well At All</b>	<b>DK/ Ref</b>	<b>Total Well</b>	<b>Total Not Well</b>
51 Has what it takes to be president.....	39	20	18	24	1	<b>58</b>	<b>41</b>
52 Will keep America strong .....	35	22	19	23	1	<b>57</b>	<b>42</b>
53 Makes me feel hopeful about the future.....	42	16	16	26	0	<b>58</b>	<b>41</b>

(ref:BOPOS)

**[1000 Respondents]**

Q.54 (DCOR) Now, I am going to read you a list of words and phrases which people use to describe political figures. For each word or phrase, please tell me whether it describes Barack Obama 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
54 Too liberal .....	32	18	22	26	2	<b>50</b>	<b>48</b>
55 Will raise my taxes .....	30	16	23	29	2	<b>47</b>	<b>52</b>
56 Just too many questions to take a chance on him as president .....	33	13	18	34	3	<b>46</b>	<b>52</b>

(ref:BONEG)

**[1000 Respondents]**

Q.57 (DCOR) Now I'd like to ask you which presidential candidate you associate more with these terms, Barack Obama or John McCain.

	BO Much More	BO Smwt More	JM Smwt More	JM Much More	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total BO	Total JM	BO - JM
57 Shares your values .....	40	11	14	31	1	1	1	<b>51</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>5</b>
58 Being on your side .....	41	11	17	26	1	3	1	<b>52</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>9</b>
59 Bringing the right kind of change .....	45	11	17	22	1	3	2	<b>56</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>17</b>
60 Independent .....	27	18	20	26	3	4	3	<b>45</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>.</b>
61 Strong leader .....	34	15	12	35	3	1	1	<b>48</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>1</b>
62 Is honest and trustworthy .....	35	13	14	30	5	3	1	<b>48</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>4</b>

(ref:ASSOCAND)

Q.63 Now I'd like to ask you which presidential candidate's campaign has tried more to reach you in different ways,

	<b>BO Much Btrr</b>	<b>BO Smwt Btrr</b>	<b>JM Smwt Btrr</b>	<b>JM Much Btrr</b>	<b>Both</b>	<b>Nei- ther</b>	<b>DK/ Ref</b>	<b>Total BO</b>	<b>Total JM</b>	<b>BO - JM</b>
63 Received emails from the campaigns or other political organizations.....	17	5	4	7	3	61	4	<b>25</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>11</b>
64 Received campaign or candidate information on your cell phone or personal digital assistant.....	9	3	2	2	2	79	3	<b>14</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>
65 Received printed materials in the mail from the campaigns or another political organization .....	17	8	8	13	14	38	3	<b>38</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>4</b>
66 Watched a campaign commercial on-line.....	14	8	2	3	7	62	4	<b>29</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>17</b>
67 Spoken with someone who came to your door from one of the campaigns or another political organization .....	12	5	2	2	1	75	3	<b>18</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>13</b>
68 Received phone calls from the campaigns or other political organizations.....	19	8	7	12	9	43	3	<b>36</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>8</b>
69 Contacted by the campaign and urged to vote in the last few days before the election .....	23	6	6	11	6	45	3	<b>35</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>12</b>
70 Contacted by a friend, neighbor or co-worker, volunteering on behalf of a campaign .....	19	7	3	4	2	63	2	<b>27</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>18</b>
71 Watched campaign ads on television .....	23	13	5	6	33	18	3	<b>69</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>25</b>

	<b>BO Much Btrr</b>	<b>BO Smwt Btrr</b>	<b>JM Smwt Btrr</b>	<b>JM Much Btrr</b>	<b>Both</b>	<b>Nei- ther</b>	<b>DK/ Ref</b>	<b>Total BO</b>	<b>Total JM</b>	<b>BO - JM</b>
72 Visited a campaign or candidate-sponsored website.....	17	6	4	4	5	58	4	<b>29</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
73 And something different, volunteered yourself and worked for a campaign ..... (ref:ASSOCAD3)	8	3	1	2	0	81	4	<b>11</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>

**[1000 Respondents]**

Q.74 (CAF) Now I am going to ask you something different. I am going to read you a list of issues and I want you to tell me whether, overall, you think Democrat Barack Obama or Republican John McCain had better ideas on this issue. If you do now know, just tell me and we will move on to the next item.

	<b>BO Much Btrr</b>	<b>BO Smwt Btrr</b>	<b>JM Smwt Btrr</b>	<b>JM Much Btrr</b>	<b>Both</b>	<b>Nei- ther</b>	<b>DK/ Ref</b>	<b>Total BO</b>	<b>Total JM</b>	<b>BO - JM</b>
74 The economy .....	36	15	17	21	1	4	5	<b>51</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>14</b>
75 Education .....	39	16	12	14	2	5	12	<b>55</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>29</b>
76 Taxes .....	34	16	13	29	1	2	4	<b>51</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>9</b>
77 Health care.....	39	15	14	20	1	5	5	<b>54</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>19</b>
78 Standing up to the powerful special interests in Washington .....	27	13	14	27	3	5	11	<b>40</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>0</b>
79 National security .....	19	13	13	42	3	3	7	<b>33</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>-21</b>
80 The situation in Iraq .....	34	11	12	37	1	1	3	<b>45</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>-4</b>
81 Government spending.....	27	14	17	28	2	4	8	<b>41</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>-4</b>
82 Gas prices and the energy crisis.....	32	15	15	24	2	6	6	<b>47</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>8</b>
83 The financial crisis in the country .....	34	16	16	18	2	8	6	<b>50</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>16</b>
84 Medicare and Social Security .....	35	15	14	19	1	6	10	<b>50</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>17</b>

**[1000 Respondents]**

Q.85 (SPLIT A) Which of the following problems should President Obama give the greatest attention to?

<b>FIRST CHOICE</b>	<b>Total</b>
Reducing unemployment and getting the economy moving.....	43
Investing in alternative energy and getting us off foreign oil.....	18
Reducing the federal deficit.....	8
Changing the health care system.....	8
Cleaning up special interest influence in Washington.....	7
Investing more in education and training.....	5
Investing in rebuilding our roads, transportation, and economic infrastructures.....	4
(All).....	5
(Other).....	1
(Don't know/ refused).....	2
 <b>SECOND CHOICE</b>	 <b>Total</b>
Investing in alternative energy and getting us off foreign oil.....	26
Reducing unemployment and getting the economy moving.....	19
Changing the health care system.....	13
Reducing the federal deficit.....	10
Investing more in education and training.....	10
Cleaning up special interest influence in Washington.....	9
Investing in rebuilding our roads, transportation, and economic infrastructures.....	5
(All).....	4
(Other).....	3
(Don't know/ refused).....	2
 <b>COMBINED</b>	 <b>Total</b>
Reducing unemployment and getting the economy moving.....	62
Investing in alternative energy and getting us off foreign oil.....	43
Changing the health care system.....	20
Reducing the federal deficit.....	18
Cleaning up special interest influence in Washington.....	16
Investing more in education and training.....	14
Investing in rebuilding our roads, transportation, and economic infrastructures.....	9
(All).....	7
(Other).....	3
(Don't know/ refused).....	2
(ref:MANDATE1/MANDATE2)	

**[1000 Respondents]**

Q.87 (DCOR) I am going to read you a list of issues relating to the economy. For each issue I want you to tell me whether today you think it is a very serious problem, a serious problem, not too serious a problem, or not a problem at all in the current economy?

	Very Ser Prob	Ser Prob	Not too Ser	Not at all	DK/Ref	Total Ser	Total Not Ser
<b>[500 Respondents]</b> 87 (DCOR SPLIT A) Inequality, where the richest 1 percent are seeing big increases in their income and wealth and most other people are seeing no increase or little increase in their income each year. ....	36	35	19	9	1	71	28
<b>[500 Respondents]</b> 88 (DCOR SPLIT B) The richest 1 percent are seeing big increases in their income and wealth and most other people are seeing no increase or little increase in their income each year. ....	44	29	18	7	2	73	25
<b>[500 Respondents]</b> 89 (DCOR SPLIT A) Most people in the country receiving no increase or little increase in income each year. ....	31	43	20	6	1	73	26
<b>[500 Respondents]</b> 90 (DCOR SPLIT A) Insecurity, where people could find their pensions not offering the income they thought they would receive.....	45	40	12	3	0	85	15
<b>[500 Respondents]</b> 91 (DCOR SPLIT B) Too much debt, little savings and high interest payments that leave people squeezed.....	62	32	5	0	0	94	6
<b>[500 Respondents]</b> 92 (DCOR SPLIT A) The risk of losing a job and not being able to find one with similar benefits like health care very quickly .....	52	32	12	4	0	84	16
<b>[500 Respondents]</b> 93 (DCOR SPLIT B) The inability to get good jobs because jobs are being outsourced, company operations moved overseas, or because products are now made abroad.....	50	35	12	2	2	85	13

	Very Ser Prob	Ser Prob	Not too Ser	Not at all	DK/ Ref	Total Ser	Total Not Ser
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>							
94 (DCOR SPLIT B) Failure to make the investments we need in education and research to maintain America's leadership. ....	43	40	13	2	2	<b>83</b>	<b>15</b>
(ref:ECNPROB2)							

**[500 Respondents]**

Q.95 (CAF SPLIT A) Which of the following best describes your feelings about the economy?

	Total
The economy has problems, but it is basically sound.....	13
The economy is in recession, but things will get better when the economy recovers .....	54
The economy has long-term problems that make it hard for things to get better .....	32
(Don't know/ refused) .....	1
(ref:ECOEVAL)	

**[500 Respondents]**

Q.96 (CAF SPLIT A) Which of the following best describes the way you are thinking about the new administration and the economy?

	Total
The new president should leave things pretty much alone and let the economy recover and make things better .....	15
The new president should introduce a short-term economic stimulus program to create jobs and get the economy moving .....	29
The new president should introduce an economic recovery program that addresses long-term economic problems.....	53
(Don't know/ refused) .....	3
(ref:ECONEXT)	

**[500 Respondents]**

Q.97 (CAF SPLIT B) Now I'm going to read you a list of proposals the new president will consider. I'd like to find out how high a priority you think each of these issues should be for the next president. For each proposal, tell me if you think it should be the SINGLE highest priority, one of the TOP FEW priorities, but not the highest, NEAR THE TOP of the list, in the MIDDLE OF THE LIST, or TOWARD THE BOTTOM of the list of priorities for the new president.

	Single High est	Top Few	Near the Top	In the Middle	Twd Bott	DK/ Ref	High Top Few	High Few Near
97 Make college affordable to all Americans with a tax credit of \$4,000 in exchange for community service. ....	6	20	22	34	17	1	26	48
98 Repeal the Bush tax cuts for those making over 250,000 dollars and cut taxes for middle class families and anyone making under 200,000 dollars.....	10	31	19	18	22	1	41	60
99 Make health insurance affordable and accessible to all Americans.....	15	33	25	19	7	1	48	72
100 End the war in Iraq responsibly and redeploy our troops from Iraq to Afghanistan.....	15	38	23	15	7	2	53	76
101 Repeal tax breaks that benefit companies that move jobs overseas.....	10	23	26	25	15	2	33	59
102 End dependence on foreign oil by 2025 by requiring one quarter of U.S. electric power to come from alternative energy where new investments will create new jobs.....	14	34	34	15	3	1	48	81
103 Make job-creating investments in America's aging roads and transportation systems and stimulate new economic activity. ....	9	25	26	32	7	1	34	59
104 Raise the minimum wage so full-time workers earn a living wage that can cover basic needs for their family.....	7	23	24	31	14	1	30	54
105 Expand opportunities for employees to organize in unions so full-time workers earn a living wage that can cover basic needs for their family.....	6	15	21	29	28	1	20	42

	<b>Single High est</b>	<b>Top Few</b>	<b>Near the Top</b>	<b>In the Middle</b>	<b>Two Bottom</b>	<b>DK/ Ref</b>	<b>High Top Few</b>	<b>High Few Near</b>
106 Enact a three-month moratorium on all foreclosures so that people don't lose their homes.....	10	19	22	27	21	1	<b>29</b>	<b>51</b>
107 Regulate the banking system to make sure a financial crisis like this one can never happen again. .... (ref:AGENDA)	14	35	26	18	6	2	<b>49</b>	<b>74</b>

Q.108 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.

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/ Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
108 (CAF SPLIT A)										
America's security depends on building strong ties with other nations.										
OR										
Bottom line, America's security depends on its own military strength. ....	47	10	9	28	3	1	2	57	37	20

<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
109 (CAF SPLIT B)										
Homosexuality is a way of life that should be accepted by society.										
OR										
Homosexuality is a way of life that should be discouraged by society. ....	38	16	10	28	-	2	5	54	39	16

<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
110 (CAF SPLIT A)										
Government regulation of businesses and corporations is necessary to protect the public.										
OR										
Government regulation of businesses and corporations frequently does more harm than good. ....	40	16	13	26	0	0	5	56	38	18

<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
111 (CAF SPLIT B)										
America needs more community and helping one another.										
OR										
America needs more self-reliance and personal responsibility. ....	41	5	10	39	3	0	1	46	48	-2

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
112 (CAF SPLIT B) I'm more worried that we will fail to make the investments we need to create jobs and strengthen the economy.										
OR										
I'm more worried that we will go too far in increasing government spending and will end up raising taxes to pay for it. ....	31	17	8	40	1	2	1	48	49	-1

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
113 (CAF SPLIT A) I'm more worried that we will do too little to get the financial community under control and allow for another era of speculative booms and busts.										
OR										
I'm more worried that we will go too far in regulating the financial community which will ultimately harm our economy. ....	29	17	16	33	-	2	4	45	49	-4

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
114 (CAF SPLIT B) I'm more worried that we will give more tax breaks to the rich and corporations.										
OR										
I'm more worried that we will go too far taxing the rich and corporations. ....	43	18	9	24	1	3	2	61	34	27

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
115 (CAF SPLIT A) I'm more worried that we will do too little to require fair trade and enforce worker and consumer protections.										
OR										
I'm more worried that we will go too far burdening free trade accords with protections for consumers and labor.	29	24	20	14	0	4	9	53	34	19

<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
116 (CAF SPLIT B) We need to reform Social Security and protect it to ensure that it's a safety net the American people can count on.										
OR										
We need to reform Social Security and establish personal savings accounts so individuals have more options.	53	10	10	25	-	1	2	63	35	28

<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
117 (CAF SPLIT A) Our health care system needs fundamental reform, we should regulate insurance companies and give everyone a choice between a public plan or what they have right now.										
OR										
Our health care system needs fundamental reform; we should give American families more choice by giving individuals a tax credit to choose their own coverage.	44	14	11	27	-	2	2	58	38	20

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
118 (CAF SPLIT B) On health care, we need to act boldly to address the problems.										
OR										
On health care, we need to act step-by-step to address the problems .....	35	11	18	32	0	2	1	46	50	-4

<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
119 (CAF SPLIT B) We should crack down on insurance companies, require coverage of pre-existing conditions and regulate prices.										
OR										
We should deregulate health care, and let insurance companies compete. ....	49	16	11	20	-	2	3	65	31	34

<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
120 (DCOR SPLIT B) America has been a middle class country but now the middle class is financially squeezed and in decline.										
OR										
America is a country where there is still broad opportunity to become middle class. ....	46	10	10	31	0	1	2	56	41	14

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
121 (DCOR SPLIT B) The middle class now is more threatened by global trade, CEOs who care more about their companies than their own country and politicians who support free trade agreements backed by corporate special interests.										
OR										
The middle class today is more threatened by affirmative action for minorities who don't take responsibility for their own lives and by illegal immigrants getting free government benefits. ....	47	13	9	24	3	3	1	60	34	26

<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
122 (DCOR SPLIT A)										
When I voted, I was more concerned that Obama will put minorities first.										
OR										
When I voted, I was more concerned that McCain will put the rich and big corporations first. ....	21	13	12	37	0	15	2	34	49	-15

<b>[500 Respondents]</b>										
123 (DCOR SPLIT A)										
When I voted, I was more concerned that Obama will raise taxes and increase government spending.										
OR										
When I voted, I was more concerned that McCain will continue the economic policies that have cost us jobs and caused higher prices. ....	40	5	7	43	1	4	0	45	49	-4

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Nei- ther	DK/ Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
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**[500 Respondents]**

124 (CAF SPLIT A) We need to reform our public schools and invest properly so that we can give our children a world class education.

OR

We need to reform our schools by giving parents vouchers so they have more choice and can send their children to private schools when public schools are failing. ....

(ref:VALUES04)

59	9	5	23	0	1	3	<b>68</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>40</b>
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**[500 Respondents]**

125 (CAF SPLIT A) 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. ....

54	4	6	35	1	0	0	<b>58</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>17</b>
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126 In order to win in the future the Republican Party must move more to the center in order to win over moderate and independent voters.

OR

In order to win in the future the Republican Party needs to move more to the right and back to its conservative principles. ....

43	17	9	23	0	3	5	<b>60</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>27</b>
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	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
127 The Republicans lost in 2006 and in 2008 because they are too conservative. OR The Republicans lost in 2006 and in 2008 because they are not conservative enough. ....	33	20	13	21	0	6	7	53	33	20

**[500 Respondents]**

128 (DCOR SPLIT A) Republicans should give Barack Obama the benefit of the doubt and help him achieve his plans. OR Barack Obama will lead the country down the wrong path and Republicans should oppose his plans. ....	62	9	4	20	0	1	3	71	24	46
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**[500 Respondents]**

129 (DCOR SPLIT B) Obama should work to enlist Republicans to support his reform plans. OR Obama should change his reform plans to enlist Republican support. .... (ref:REPPAIRS)	41	13	11	28	1	2	3	54	39	15
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Q.133 Finally, I would like to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes. What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

	<b>Total</b>
1 - 11th grade .....	3
High School graduate.....	21
Non-college post H.S. ....	1
Some college.....	30
College graduate.....	30
Post-graduate school .....	15
(Don't know/refused) .....	0
(ref:EDUC)	

Q.134 Are you a member of a labor union? (IF NO) Is any member of your household a union member?

	<b>Total</b>
Yes: Respondent belongs .....	12
Household member .....	9
No member belongs .....	77
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
(ref:UNION)	

Q.135 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	<b>Total</b>
Married .....	66
Single .....	19
Separated/Divorced.....	9
Widowed.....	6
(Don't know/refused) .....	0
<b>Sep/Div/Wid.....</b>	<b>15</b>
(ref:MARITAL)	

Q.136 Do you have any children 18 years of age or younger living at home?

	<b>Total</b>
Yes .....	39
No.....	60
(Don't know/Refused).....	0
(ref:KIDS)	

Q.137 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	<b>Total</b>
Strong Democrat .....	30
Weak Democrat.....	12
Independent-lean Democrat.....	9
Independent .....	4
Independent-lean Republican .....	10
Weak Republican .....	12
Strong Republican.....	23
(Don't know/refused) .....	1
(ref:PTYID1)	

Q.140 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	<b>Total</b>
Liberal.....	19
Moderate .....	39
Conservative .....	40
(Don't know/refused) .....	2
(ref:IDEO1)	

**[1012 Respondents]**

Q.141 (ASK IF DEMOCRAT) In the Democratic presidential primaries did you support Senator Barack Obama, Senator Hillary Clinton, or someone else?

	<b>Total</b>
Supported Obama .....	53
Supported Clinton.....	35
Supported someone else .....	6
(None) .....	4
(DK/Refused).....	2
(ref:CLINTSUP)	

Q.142 What is your religion?

	<b>Total</b>
Protestant .....	54
Catholic .....	27
Jewish .....	2
Muslim .....	0
(Don't know/refused) .....	17
(ref:RELIG1)	

**[1074 Respondents]**

Q.143 (ASK IF PROTESTANT) Which one of these words best describes your kind of Christianity -- fundamentalist, evangelical, charismatic, Pentecostal or moderate to liberal?

	<b>Total</b>
Fundamentalist.....	11
Evangelical .....	22
Charismatic/Pentecostal.....	11
Moderate to liberal.....	41
(Something else) .....	6
(Don't know/Refused).....	9
(ref:RELIG3)	

Q.144 How often do you attend religious services -- more than once a week, every week, once or twice a month, several times a year, or hardly ever?

	<b>Total</b>
More than once a week .....	13
Once a week .....	32
Once or twice a month .....	14
Several times a year.....	14
Hardly ever .....	21
(Never) .....	5
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
<b>More than/once a week .....</b>	<b>44</b>
(ref:RELIG2)	

Q.145 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?

	<b>Total</b>
Voted .....	86
Not registered in 2004/Ineligible/too young .....	7
Did not vote .....	6
(Can't remember/Don't know).....	0
(Refused).....	1
(ref:VOTE00)	

### [1713 Respondents]

Q.146 (ASK IF VOTED) In the 2004 election for president, did you vote for Democrat John Kerry or Republican George Bush?

	<b>Total</b>
Democrat John Kerry .....	45
Republican George Bush .....	52
(Ralph Nader).....	0
(Other candidate) .....	1
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
(ref:VOTE2004)	

Q.147 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?

	<b>Total</b>
Voted .....	74
Did not vote .....	23
(Can't remember/Don't know).....	3
(Refused).....	1
(ref:VOTE06)	

**[1473 Respondents]**

Q.148 (ASK IF VOTED) In the 2006 election for Congress, did you vote for (Democratic incumbent/candidate) or (Republican incumbent/candidate)?

	<b>Total</b>
House Democrat .....	46
House Republican .....	45
(Other candidate) .....	3
(Don't know/Refused) .....	6
(ref:VOTE2006)	

Q.149 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	<b>Total</b>
White .....	74
African-American or Black.....	13
Hispanic or Latino.....	9
Native American .....	2
Asian .....	1
(Other) .....	1
(Don't know/Refused) .....	2
(ref:RACETHN)	

Q.2 Record respondent's gender

	<b>Total</b>
Male.....	47
Female .....	53
(ref:GENDER)	

Q.4 In what year were you born?

	<b>Total</b>
18 - 24 .....	10
25 - 29 .....	8
30 - 34 .....	10
35 - 39 .....	8
40 - 44 .....	10
45 - 49 .....	11
50 - 54 .....	8
55 - 59 .....	10
60 - 64 .....	7
Over 64.....	16
(No answer) .....	3
(ref:AGE)	