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Interviews: 1,006 registered voters
Dates: October 13-16, 2006

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48 Male
52 Female
[109]

Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.

**The margin of error for 1,006 interviews is ± 3.1%.
The margin of error for subset question #6 is +/- 4.4%**

Unless otherwise noted by a "+", all previous data shown reflects responses among all adults.

A. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing as president?

	10/13- 16/06+	9/30- 10/2/06+	9/8- 11/06+	7/06		High	Low	
				All Adults	Reg. Voters+	11/01	4/06	
Approve	38	39	42	39	40	88	36	[144]
Disapprove	57	56	53	56	55	7	57	
Not sure	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	

6/06								
All Adults	Reg. Voters+	4/06	3/06	1/06	12/05	11/05		
37	38	36	37	39	39	38		
58	57	57	58	54	55	57		
5	5	7	5	7	6	5		

10/05	9/05	7/05	5/05	4/05	2/05	1/05
39	40	46	47	48	50	50
54	55	49	47	46	45	44
7	5	5	6	6	5	6

12/04	10/04+	9/04+	8/04+	7/04+	6/04+	5/04+
49	49	47	47	48	45	47
44	47	48	48	46	49	46
7	4	5	5	6	6	7

3/04	1/04	12/14/03	12/13/03	11/03	9/03	7/03
50	54	58	52	51	49	56
46	41	34	41	44	45	38
5	6	9	7	5	6	6

5/03+	4/03	3/29- 30/03	3/23/03	3/17/03	2/03 ¹	1/03
62	71	66	67	62	61	54
31	23	29	28	33	31	40
7	6	5	5	5	8	6

10/02+	9/02	7/02	6/02	5/02	4/02	4/01
63	64	67	69	75	74	57
31	30	27	23	18	20	22
6	6	6	8	7	6	21

¹ Overnight poll conducted after Colin Powell's speech to the United Nations.
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B. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that Congress is doing?

	10/13-16/06+*	9/8-11/06+	7/06		6/06		High	Low	
			All Adults	Reg. Voters+	All Adults	Reg. Voters+	9/98	4/92+	
Approve.....	16	20	25	24	23	22	61	15	[147]
Disapprove.....	75	65	60	62	64	67	28	78	
Not sure	9	15	15	14	13	11	11	7	
	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	
	22	33	29	25	28	29	28	33	
	65	53	56	60	57	53	55	51	
	13	14	15	15	15	18	17	16	
	<u>4/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	
	39	41	40	39	46	39	43	39	
	46	40	42	43	41	47	45	45	
	15	19	18	18	13	14	11	16	
	<u>7/03</u>	<u>5/03+</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	
	42	43	42	44	44	40	34	43	
	45	43	39	39	40	44	48	41	
	13	14	19	17	16	16	18	16	
	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>6/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>	<u>3/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>12/00</u>	<u>10/00+</u>	
	54	57	47	43	45	48	55	49	
	29	29	34	33	32	35	30	35	
	17	14	19	24	23	17	15	16	
	<u>9/00+</u>	<u>7/00+</u>	<u>6/00+</u>	<u>4/00+</u>	<u>3/00+</u>	<u>1/00</u>	<u>12/99</u>	<u>10/99</u>	
	46	46	43	42	43	48	45	42	
	41	42	46	44	40	36	42	45	
	13	12	11	14	17	16	13	13	
	<u>9/99</u>	<u>7/99</u>	<u>6/99</u>	<u>4/99</u>	<u>1/99</u>	<u>12/98</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>10/94+</u>	<u>9/94</u>
	40	43	40	49	50	44	48	24	23
	49	41	42	38	40	42	39	67	67
	11	16	18	13	10	14	13	9	10

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A/C).
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C. Now I'm going to read you the names of several public figures and organizations, and I'd like you to rate your feelings toward each one as either very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative. If you don't know the name, please just say so.

	Very Positive	Somewhat Positive	Neutral	Somewhat Negative	Very Negative	Don't Know Name/Not Sure	
George W. Bush							[149]
October 13-16, 2006+	19	20	9	15	37	-	
September 30-October 2, 2006+	22	18	10	14	35	1	
September 8-11, 2006+	23	19	9	13	36	-	
July 2006							

All Adults	21	18	10	15	36	-
Registered voters+.....	21	19	10	14	36	-
June 2006						
All Adults	18	21	9	15	37	-
Registered voters+.....	18	22	7	16	37	-
April 2006.....	19	20	9	15	37	-
March 2006.....	20	19	11	14	36	-
January 2006.....	24	17	12	13	33	1
December 2005.....	23	19	10	13	35	-
November 2005.....	20	18	12	15	35	-
October 2005.....	21	20	11	17	31	-
September 2005.....	24	18	10	14	34	-
July 2005.....	27	20	10	15	28	-
May 2005.....	27	22	10	12	29	-
April 2005.....	28	20	11	16	25	-
February 2005.....	31	20	9	13	27	-
January 2005.....	32	19	9	15	25	-
October 2004+.....	36	14	6	13	31	-
June 2004+.....	33	15	8	14	30	-
January 2004.....	38	17	8	13	24	-
September 2003.....	35	17	9	15	23	1
July 2003.....	38	21	9	14	17	-
January 2003.....	36	20	12	16	16	-
October 2002+.....	37	24	11	12	15	1
July 2002.....	40	26	11	11	12	-
June 2001.....	30	23	16	15	15	1
January 2001.....	25	25	18	13	17	2
<i>High</i>						
December 2001.....	54	26	9	6	5	-
<i>Low</i>						
November 2005.....	20	18	12	15	35	-

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Q.8 (cont'd)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
The Democratic Party							[150]
October 13-16, 2006+	11	26	26	19	16	2	
September 30-October 2, 2006+	9	29	26	17	17	2	
September 8-11, 2006+	11	23	24	21	19	2	
July 2006							
All Adults	7	25	27	22	17	2	
Registered voters+	7	23	26	24	18	2	
June 2006							
All Adults	10	25	25	22	17	1	
Registered voters+	9	24	25	23	18	1	
April 2006	9	24	27	23	16	1	
March 2006	8	24	30	22	15	1	
January 2006	11	25	28	20	15	1	
November 2005	8	25	29	20	16	2	
October 2005	10	24	32	19	13	2	
September 2005	11	26	29	18	14	2	
July 2005	9	25	28	22	14	2	
May 2005	12	26	26	20	14	2	
February 2005	14	28	28	16	13	1	
December 2004	18	26	22	19	14	1	
October 2004+	17	25	22	16	19	1	
September 2004+	16	26	20	18	19	1	
August 2004+	17	24	23	16	19	1	
July 2004+	16	25	24	19	14	2	
September 2003	11	29	22	19	16	3	
July 2003	11	25	25	20	16	3	
December 2002	13	27	27	16	15	2	
July 2002	10	29	25	21	13	2	
July 2000+	19	27	24	15	14	1	
<i>High</i>							
January 2000	20	30	23	15	10	2	
<i>Low</i>							
July 2006	7	25	27	22	17	2	

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The Republican Party							[151]
October 13-16, 2006+	11	21	18	19	30	1	
September 30-October 2, 2006+	11	26	18	17	27	1	
September 8-11, 2006+	13	24	17	20	25	1	
July 2006							
All Adults	11	22	18	21	25	3	
Registered voters+	11	23	17	21	26	2	
June 2006							
All Adults	10	24	18	21	26	1	
Registered voters+	10	25	17	21	26	1	
April 2006	9	26	20	21	22	2	
March 2006	10	24	21	22	21	2	
January 2006	13	24	20	20	22	1	
November 2005	9	23	23	19	24	2	
October 2005	13	23	23	20	19	2	
September 2005	14	23	20	19	22	2	
July 2005	12	26	20	21	20	1	
May 2005	13	27	17	19	22	2	
February 2005	17	27	19	18	18	1	
December 2004	19	27	18	16	18	2	
October 2004+	20	24	18	15	22	1	
September 2004+	21	22	16	18	22	1	
August 2004+	18	26	17	16	22	1	
July 2004+	18	25	20	18	18	1	
September 2003	17	26	17	19	18	3	
July 2003	18	30	16	16	16	3	
December 2002	21	26	22	15	14	2	
July 2002	18	25	22	17	14	4	
July 2000+	15	28	24	16	15	2	
<i>High</i>							
December 2001	21	36	18	13	9	3	
<i>Low</i>							
July 2006	11	22	18	21	25	3	

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Q.8 (cont'd)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
Mark Foley							[152]
October 13-16, 2006+	-	4	10	11	58	17	
Dennis Hastert							[153]
October 13-16, 2006+	4	11	15	16	16	40	
September 8-11, 2006+	3	10	17	7	8	55	
December 2002	4	8	19	5	2	62	
January 1999	1	5	16	2	2	74	
Nancy Pelosi							[154]
October 13-16, 2006+	4	10	18	8	17	43	
September 8-11, 2006+	4	11	12	7	16	50	
December 2005	3	10	20	6	12	49	
February 2005.....	5	10	17	6	10	52	
December 2002	3	8	16	4	8	61	

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10. What is your preference for the outcome of this year's congressional elections—a Congress controlled by Republicans or a Congress controlled by Democrats?

	<u>10/13-16/06+</u>	<u>9/30-10/2/06+</u>	<u>9/8-11/06+</u>	<u>7/06+</u>	<u>6/06+</u>	<u>4/06+</u>	<u>3/06+</u>	
Republican-controlled Congress	37	39	39	38	38	39	37	[158]
Democrat-controlled Congress	52	48	48	48	49	45	50	
Not sure	11	13	13	14	13	16	13	
		<u>1/06+</u>	<u>12/05+</u>	<u>11/05+</u>	<u>10/05+</u>	<u>7/05+</u>	<u>5/05+</u>	
		38	38	37	39	40	40	
		47	46	48	48	45	47	
		15	16	15	13	15	13	
		<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>3/04+</u>	<u>1/04</u>	
		43	42	42	41	42	42	
		44	46	44	44	45	43	
		13	12	14	15	13	15	
		<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	
		42	43	42	43	42	44	
		42	42	42	41	41	40	
		16	15	16	16	17	16	
		<u>12/01</u>	<u>12/99</u>	<u>10/99</u>	<u>7/99</u>	<u>6/99</u>	<u>4/99</u>	
		42	40	39	39	42	41	
		40	44	41	43	41	40	
		18	16	20	18	17	19	
		<u>3/99</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>9/98</u>	<u>7/98</u>	<u>6/98</u>	<u>4/98</u>	
		37	41	40	41	39	37	
		43	43	39	40	40	41	
		20	16	21	19	21	22	
		<u>2/98</u>	<u>1/98</u>	<u>12/97</u>	<u>9/97</u>	<u>7/97</u>	<u>4/97</u>	
		41	40	41	41	45	44	
		37	42	37	39	39	38	

	22	18	22	20	16	18
	<u>1/96</u>	<u>12/95</u>	<u>10/94</u>			
	41	42	44			
	38	41	38			
	21	17	18			

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D. Has what you have seen and heard over the past few weeks made you feel more favorable, less favorable, or had no effect on your feelings about possibly having the Republicans maintain the majority in Congress?

	10/13- 16/06+	9/30- 10/2/06+	
More favorable	14	18	[173]
Less favorable	47	41	
No effect	35	35	
Have not seen/heard enough to say (VOL)	2	4	
Not sure	2	2	

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E. If North Korea continues with its weapons development program and continues to launch test missiles, do you believe that the United States should or should not initiate military action to destroy North Korea's ability to make weapons? If you have not been following this situation, please just say so. (IF "SHOULD" OR "SHOULD NOT," ASK:) And do you feel strongly about that, or not?

	10/13- 16/06+	7/06		
		All Adults	Reg. Voters+	
Should Initiate Military Action				
Feel strongly	24	30	31	[250]
Do not feel strongly	8	12	11	
Should Not Initiate Military Action				
Do not feel strongly	15	12	12	
Feel strongly	42	34	35	
Have not been following situation	3	4	3	
Not sure	8	8	8	

F. Based on what you have seen happening in Iraq over the course of the past month, do you feel more optimistic or more pessimistic about the way things are going in Iraq?

	10/13- 16/06+	6/06		
		All Adults	Reg. Voters+	
More optimistic	20	46	45	[252]
Less optimistic	68	44	44	
No difference (VOL)	9	6	7	
Not sure	3	4	4	

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