## Consumer Choice Survey

Data for August 3 - September 5, 2007

Princeton Survey Research Associates International for the Pew Internet \& American Life Project

Sample: $n=2,400$ adults 18 and older, oversample of 129 cell phone users
Interviewing dates: 08.03.07-09.05.07
Margin of error is plus or minus 2 percentage points for results based on total sample [ $n=2,400$ ]
Margin of error is plus or minus 3 percentage points for results based on all internet users [ $n=1,684$ ]
Margin of error is plus or minus 4 percentage points for results based on cell phone module [ $n=630$ ]
Margin of error is plus or minus 4 percentage points for results based on music module [ $n=638$ ]
Margin of error is plus or minus 6 percentage points for results based on place-to-live module [ $\mathrm{n}=314$ ]

Q1 Overall, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?

|  | SATISFIED | DISSATISFIED | Don't KNOW/ REFUSED |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current | 29 | 61 | 10 |
| February $2007^{\text {i }}$ | 31 | 59 | 10 |
| December 2006 ${ }^{\text {ii }}$ | 30 | 62 | 8 |
| November 2006 ${ }^{\text {iii }}$ | 32 | 60 | 8 |
| August 2006iv | 30 | 60 | 10 |
| J an/Feb 2006 ${ }^{\text {V }}$ | 36 | 55 | 8 |
| Nov/Dec 2005 ${ }^{\text {vi }}$ | 35 | 56 | 9 |
| September $2005^{\text {vii }}$ | 32 | 61 | 8 |
| May/June $2005^{\text {viii }}$ | 36 | 54 | 10 |
| February 2005 ${ }^{\text {ix }}$ | 41 | 49 | 10 |
| January 2005* | 41 | 48 | 11 |
| November 2004 ${ }^{\text {xi }}$ | 46 | 46 | 8 |
| May/June 2004xii | 33 | 56 | 11 |
| February 2004xiil | 40 | 50 | 10 |
| November $2003^{\text {xiv }}$ | 43 | 49 | 9 |
| June 2003 ${ }^{\text {xV }}$ | 49 | 42 | 9 |
| April/May 2003 ${ }^{\text {xvi }}$ | 54 | 37 | 8 |
| February 2003 ${ }^{\text {xvii }}$ | 38 | 54 | 9 |
| December $2002^{\text {xvii }}$ | 41 | 47 | 11 |
| November $2002^{\text {xix }}$ | 43 | 48 | 10 |
| September 2002 ${ }^{\text {xx }}$ | 44 | 45 | 10 |
| July 2002xxi | 45 | 43 | 11 |
| March/May 2002xxii | 52 | 37 | 11 |
| J anuary 2002 ${ }^{\text {xxii }}$ | 58 | 33 | 9 |

## Q1 continued...

|  | SATISFIED | DISSATISFIED | DON'T KNOW/ REFUSED |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| December $2001{ }^{\text {xxiv }}$ | 61 | 29 | 10 |
| November $2001 \times{ }^{\text {xxv }}$ | 62 | 28 | 9 |
| September $2001 \times$ xxvi | 46 | 44 | 11 |
| August 2001 ${ }^{\text {xxvii }}$ | 44 | 46 | 10 |
| February 2001 *xviii | 53 | 38 | 10 |
| December 2000xxix | 50 | 42 | 8 |
| November 2000xxx | 50 | 41 | 9 |
| September $2000{ }^{\text {xxx }}$ | 51 | 40 | 9 |
| May/J une 2000xxxii | 51 | 41 | 8 |
| March/April $2000{ }^{\text {xxxiii }}$ | 50 | 41 | 9 |

Q2 Some people say they feel overwhelmed with all the choices of products to buy these days and all the information about products. Others say they like having so many products to choose from and so much information. How about you... do you feel overwhelmed with all the choices of products or do you like having so many choices?

|  | CURRENT19  <br> 72  | Feel overwhelmed <br>  <br> 9 |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  | Like having so many choices |  |
|  | Don't know/Refused |  |

Q3 Do you use a computer at your workplace, at school, at home, or anywhere else on at least an occasional basis?

|  | YES | NO | DON'T KNOW/ REFUSED |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current | 74 | 26 | * |
| February 2007 | 73 | 27 | * |
| December 2006 | 73 | 27 | * |
| November 2006 | 67 | 33 | 0 |
| August 2006 | 71 | 29 | * |
| Feb-April 2006xxxiv | 75 | 25 | * |
| Jan/Feb 2006 | 74 | 25 | * |
| Nov/Dec 2005 | 68 | 31 | * |
| September 2005 | 74 | 26 | 0 |
| May/J une 2005 | 72 | 28 | * |
| February 2005 | 70 | 30 | * |
| J anuary 2005 | 69 | 31 | * |
| November 2004 | 68 | 32 | 0 |
| May/J une 2004 | 71 | 29 | * |
| February 2004 | 73 | 27 | * |
| November 2003 | 72 | 27 | * |
| July $2003{ }^{\text {xxxv }}$ | 71 | 29 | * |
| J une 2003 | 71 | 29 | * |
| April/May 2003 | 69 | 31 | * |
| March 3-11, 2003 xxvvi | 71 | 29 | * |
| February 2003 | 70 | 30 | 0 |
| December 2002 | 68 | 32 | 0 |
| November 2002 | 70 | 30 | * |
| October 2002 ${ }^{\text {xxxvii }}$ | 69 | 31 | * |
| September 2002 | 68 | 32 | * |
| July 2002 | 69 | 31 | * |
| March/May 2002 | 69 | 31 | * |
| J anuary 2002 | 67 | 33 | 0 |
| December 2001 | 64 | 36 | * |
| November 2001 | 65 | 35 | * |
| October $2001{ }^{\text {xxxviii }}$ | 62 | 38 | * |
| September 2001 | 63 | 37 | * |
| August 2001 | 66 | 34 | 0 |
| February 2001 | 65 | 35 | 0 |
| December 2000 | 69 | 31 | * |
| November 2000 | 65 | 35 | * |
| October 2000xxxix | 64 | 36 | * |
| September 2000 | 62 | 38 | * |
| July/August 2000 ${ }^{\text {xl }}$ | 63 | 37 | * |
| May/J une 2000 | 60 | 40 | * |
| March/April 2000 | 63 | 37 | * |

Q4a Do you use the internet, at least occasionally?
Q4b Do you send or receive email, at least occasionally? ${ }^{1}$

|  | USES INTERNET | DOES NOT USE INTERNET |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current | 73 | 27 |
| February 2007 | 71 | 29 |
| December 2006 | 70 | 30 |
| November 2006 | 68 | 32 |
| August 2006 | 70 | 30 |
| Feb-April 2006 | 73 | 27 |
| Jan/Feb 2006 | 73 | 27 |
| Nov/Dec 2005 | 66 | 34 |
| September 2005 | 72 | 28 |
| May/J une 2005 | 68 | 32 |
| February 2005 | 67 | 33 |
| January 2005 | 66 | 34 |
| November 2004 | 61 | 39 |
| May/J une 2004 | 63 | 37 |
| February 2004 | 63 | 37 |
| November 2003 | 64 | 36 |
| July 2003 | 63 | 37 |
| June 2003 | 62 | 38 |
| April/May 2003 | 63 | 37 |
| March 3-11, 2003 | 62 | 38 |
| February 2003 | 64 | 36 |
| December 2002 | 57 | 43 |
| November 2002 | 61 | 39 |
| October 2002 | 59 | 41 |
| September 2002 | 61 | 39 |
| July 2002 | 59 | 41 |
| March/May 2002 | 58 | 42 |
| January 2002 | 61 | 39 |
| December 2001 | 58 | 42 |
| November 2001 | 58 | 42 |
| October 2001 | 56 | 44 |
| September 2001 | 55 | 45 |
| August 2001 | 59 | 41 |
| February 2001 | 53 | 47 |
| December 2000 | 59 | 41 |
| November 2000 | 53 | 47 |
| October 2000 | 52 | 48 |
| September 2000 | 50 | 50 |
| July/August 2000 | 49 | 51 |
| May/June 2000xi | 47 | 53 |
| March/April 2000 | 48 | 52 |

[^0]Q5 Did you happen to use the internet YESTERDAY? ${ }^{2}$
Based on all internet users [ $\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{1 , 6 8 4}$ ]

| dren all internet | YES, USED INTERNET YESTERDAY | NO, DID NOT uSE internet YESTERDAY | Don't know/ REFUSED |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Current | 68 | 32 | * |
| February 2007 | 69 | 31 | * |
| December 2006 | 65 | 34 | * |
| November 2006 | 64 | 36 | * |
| August 2006 | 66 | 34 | * |
| Feb-April 2006 | 66 | 33 | * |
| Nov/Dec 2005 | 63 | 36 | * |
| September 2005 | 65 | 34 | * |
| February 2005 | 60 | 40 | * |
| J anuary 2005 | 58 | 42 | * |
| November 2004 | 61 | 39 | * |
| May/June 2004 | 53 | 46 | 1 |
| February 2004 | 55 | 44 | * |
| November 2003 | 54 | 45 | * |
| July 2003 | 52 | 47 | 1 |
| J une 2003 | 55 | 44 | * |
| April/May 2003 | 58 | 42 | * |
| March 3-11, 2003 | 60 | 40 | 0 |
| February 2003 | 60 | 40 | * |
| December 2002 | 56 | 44 | * |
| November 2002 | 57 | 43 | * |
| October 2002 | 57 | 43 | 0 |
| September 2002 | 58 | 42 | * |
| J une 26-July 26, 2002 | 53 | 47 | * |
| March/May 2002 | 57 | 43 | * |
| January $2002{ }^{3}$ | 59 | 41 | * |
| Dec. 17-23, 2001 | 58 | 42 | * |
| Nov. 19-Dec. 162001 | 60 | 40 | * |
| Oct. 19-Nov. 182001 | 61 | 39 | * |
| Oct. 8-18 2001 | 51 | 49 | 1 |
| October 2-7 2001 | 56 | 43 | 1 |
| Sept 20-Oct 12001 | 57 | 42 | 1 |
| Sept 12-19 2001 | 51 | 49 | * |
| August 2001 | 56 | 44 | * |
| February $2001{ }^{4}$ | 59 | 41 | * |
| Fall $2000^{\text {xii }}$ | 56 | 44 | * |
| July/August 2000 | 50 | 50 | * |
| May/J une 2000 | 52 | 48 | * |
| April 2000 ${ }^{\text {xliii }}$ | 55 | 45 | 0 |
| March 2000xiv | 60 | 40 | * |

[^1]Q6 About how often do you use the internet or email from...?
Based on all internet users [ $\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{1 , 6 8 4}$ ]
a. Home


| Current | 34 | 21 | 15 | 12 | 5 | 6 | 6 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| February 2007 | 31 | 24 | 15 | 12 | 6 | 7 | 5 |
| November 2006 | 30 | 24 | 16 | 13 | 5 | 5 | 7 |
| Jan/Feb 2006 | 29 | 25 | 17 | 12 | 5 | 6 | 6 |
| May/June 2005 | 27 | 22 | 15 | 13 | 6 | 7 | 10 |
| June/July 2004 ${ }^{\text {xiv }}$ | 27 | 27 | 17 | 13 | 5 | 5 | 7 |
| March 2004 ${ }^{\text {xvi }}$ | 29 | 24 | 15 | 13 | 6 | 5 | 8 |
| rk |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Current | 35 | 9 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 4 | 42 |
| February 2007 | 38 | 9 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 38 |
| November 2006 | 31 | 9 | 5 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 43 |
| Jan/Feb 2006 | 35 | 8 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 40 |
| May/June 2005 | 35 | 9 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 6 | 39 |
| June/J uly 2004 | 28 | 12 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 44 |
| March 2004 | 28 | 10 | 5 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 44 |

c. Someplace other than home or work

| Current | 4 | 2 | 4 | 7 | 8 | 21 | 52 | 1 |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| February 2007 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 10 | 22 | 52 | $*$ |
| Jan/Feb 2006 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 9 | 21 | 56 | $*$ |
| March 2004 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 6 | 15 | 64 | 1 |

Q6.2 In the past year, have you EVER accessed the internet from someplace other than home or from your computer at work?

Based on Internet users who do not use the internet from someplace other than home or work on a regular basis [ $\mathrm{N}=1,310$ ]

| $\%$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  | CURRENT |  |
| 46 | Yes |  |
|  | 53 | No |
|  | 1 | Don't know/Refused |

Q7 When you accessed the internet from someplace other than your home or work, about how often did you access the internet... [INSERT ITEM] - several times a day, about once a day, 3-5 days a week, 1-2 days a week, every few weeks, or less often?

## Based on those who accessed the internet from someplace other than home or work in the past year [ $\mathrm{N}=950$ ]

a. Using a laptop computer

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | EVERY |  |  |  |
| $\underset{\text { DAY }}{\text { TIMES A }}$ | ONCE A | 3-5 DAYS A WEEK | $\begin{gathered} \text { 1-2 DAYS } \\ \text { A WEEK } \end{gathered}$ | FEW WEEKS | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LESS } \\ & \text { OFTEN } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { (VOL) } \\ & \text { NEVER } \end{aligned}$ | KNOW/ REFUSED |
| 8 | 7 | 5 | 6 | 10 | 25 | 36 | 2 | through a WIRELESS broadband connection

$\begin{array}{llllllllll}\text { b. Using a laptop computer } & 7 & 5 & 4 & 4 & 6 & 20 & 52 & 2\end{array}$ through a WIRED connection
c. Using a DESKTOP computer

| 23 | 8 | 11 | 7 | 9 | 19 | 21 | 3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 44 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 34 | $*$ |
| 8 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 80 | 1 |

e. Using a Blackberry, Palm or other handheld device with a wireless connection

Q6 About how often do you use the internet or email from...?
Q6.2 In the past year, have you EVER accessed the internet from someplace other than home or from your computer at work?
Q7 When you accessed the internet from someplace other than your home or work, about how often did you access the internet... [INSERT ITEM] - several times a day, about once a day, 3-5 days a week, 1-2 days a week, every few weeks, or less often?

## Based on all Internet users [ $\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{1 , 6 8 4}$ ]

| \% | CURRENT |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Summary table of Internet use |
|  | 19 | Use only at home |
|  | 3 | Use only at work |
|  | 15 | Use only at home and at work |
|  | 60 | Total use on-the-go |
|  | 21 | At home and on-the-go |
|  | 3 | At work and on-the-go |
|  | 32 | At home, work and on-the-go |
|  | 4 | On-the-go, not specified |
|  | 3 | Don't know |

webr Please tell me if you ever use the internet to do any of the following things. Do you ever use the internet to.../Did you happen to do this yesterday, or not? ${ }^{5}$

Based on all internet users [ $\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{1 , 6 8 4}$ ]

| TOTAL | --------- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| HAVE EVER | DID | HAVE NOT | DON'T KNOW/ |
| DONE THIS | YESTERDAY | DONE THIS | REFUSED |

Send or read e-mail

| Current | 90 | 56 | 10 | $*$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| February 2007 | 91 | 56 | 9 | $*$ |
| December 2006 | 91 | 54 | 8 | $*$ |
| November 2006 | 91 | 52 | 9 | $*$ |
| August 2006 |  |  |  |  |
| Nov/Dec 2005 | 90 | 53 | 10 | $*$ |
| September 2005 | 91 | 53 | 9 | $*$ |
| February 2005 | 91 | 54 | 9 | $*$ |
| January 2005 | 91 | 52 | 9 | $*$ |
| November 23-30, 2004 ${ }^{\text {xlvii }}$ | 90 | 49 | 9 | $*$ |
| November 2004 | 92 | 48 | 8 | $*$ |
| May/June 2004 | 93 | 54 | 7 | $*$ |
| February 2004 | 93 | 45 | 7 | $*$ |
| Nov 2003 | 91 | 48 | 8 | $*$ |
| June 2003 | 91 | 48 | 8 | $*$ |
| April/May 2003 | 91 | 49 | 9 | $*$ |
| March 20-25, 2003 | 93 | 52 | 7 | $*$ |
| March 12-19, 2003xviii | 94 | 50 | 6 | $*$ |
| March 3-11, 2003 | 91 | 52 | 9 | 0 |
| February 2003 | 94 | 54 | 6 | $*$ |
| Dec 2002 | 91 | 50 | 9 | $*$ |
| Nov 2002 | 93 | 49 | 7 | 0 |
| Oct 2002 | 94 | 51 | 6 | $*$ |
| Sept 2002 | 93 | 50 | 7 | 0 |
| July, 2002 | 93 | 51 | 7 | $*$ |
| March/May 2002 | 93 | 46 | 7 | $*$ |
| Jan 2002 | 93 | 50 | 7 | $*$ |
| Dec 17-23, 2001 | 95 | 52 | 5 | 0 |
| Nov 19-Dec 16, 2001 | 95 | 54 | 5 | $*$ |
| Oct 19-Nov 18, 2001 | 95 | 53 | 5 | $*$ |
| Oct 8-18, 2001 | 94 | 52 | 6 | $*$ |
| Oct 2-7, 2001 | 95 | 44 | 5 | $*$ |
| Sept 20-Oct 1, 2001 | 92 | 46 | 7 | $*$ |
| Sept 12-19, 2001 | 94 | 49 | 6 | 0 |
| Aug 2001 | 93 | 42 | 7 | $*$ |
| Feb 2001 | 93 | 52 | 7 | $*$ |
| Fall 2000 | 93 | 53 | 7 | $*$ |
| July-August 2000 | 92 | 49 | 8 | $*$ |
|  | 93 | 43 | 7 | $*$ |

WEB1 continued...

[^2]
## WEB1 continued...

| TOTAL HAVE <br> EVER DONE <br> THIS | …........ <br> DESID <br> YESTERDAY | HAVE NOT <br> DONE THIS |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

Get financial information online, such as stock quotes or mortgage interest rates

| Current | 36 | 10 | 64 | $*$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| August 2006 | 41 | 9 | 59 | $*$ |
| November 23-30, 2004 | 44 | 8 | 56 | 0 |
| April/May 2003 |  |  |  |  |
| March 20-25, 2003 | 44 | 12 | 56 | $*$ |
| March 12-19, 2003 | 45 | 12 | 55 | $*$ |
| Sept 9-Oct 9, 2002 | 44 | 13 | 55 | $*$ |
| Jan 2002 | 42 | 10 | 58 | $*$ |
| Dec 17-23, 2001 | 47 | 13 | 53 | $*$ |
| Nov 19-Dec 16, 2001 | 44 | 13 | 56 | $*$ |
| Oct 19-Nov 18, 2001 | 47 | 15 | 53 | $*$ |
| Oct 8-18, 2001 | 44 | 13 | 56 | $*$ |
| Feb 2001 | 47 | 13 | 53 | $*$ |
| Fall 2000 | 44 | 13 | 56 | $*$ |
| July-August 2000 | 44 | 13 | 56 | $*$ |
| May-June 2000 | 45 | 11 | 55 | $*$ |
| April 2000 | 43 | 12 | 57 | $*$ |
| March 2000 | 47 | 14 | 53 | $*$ |

Look for information online about a service or product you are thinking of buying ${ }^{9}$

| Current | 81 | 20 | 19 | $*$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| February 2005 | 78 | 19 | 21 | $*$ |
| February 2004 | 78 | 15 | 22 | $*$ |
| Dec 2002 | 83 | 19 | 17 | 0 |
| May-June 2000 | 73 | 13 | 27 | $*$ |
| April 2000 | 72 | 11 | 28 | $*$ |
| March 2000 | 74 | 14 | 26 | $*$ |
| y a product online, such as |  |  |  |  |
| oks, music, toys or clothing | 66 | 6 | 34 | $*$ |
| Current | 71 | 6 | 29 | 0 |
| August 2006 | 67 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 33 | $*$ |
| May/June 2005 | 67 | 6 | 33 | 0 |
| November 23-30, 2004 | 65 | 3 | 35 | 0 |
| Feb 2004 |  |  |  |  |

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## WEB1 continued..

April/May 2003
March 20-25, 2003
March 12-19, 2003
March 3-11, 2003
February 2003
Dec 2002
Nov 2002
Oct 2002
Sept 2002
March/May 2002
Jan 2002
Dec 17-23, 2001
Nov 19-Dec 16, 2001
Oct 19-Nov 18, 2001
Oct 8-18, 2001
Oct 2-7, 2001
Sept 20-Oct 1, 2001
Sept 12-19, 2001
Aug 2001
Feb 2001
Fall 2000
July-August 2000
May-J une 2000
April 2000
March 2000
Buy or make a reservation online for a travel service, like an airline ticket, hotel room, or rental car
Current

August 2006
September 2005
Nov 23-30, 2004
May/June 2004
April/May 2003
March 12-19, 2003
December 2002
July, 2002
May-J une 2000
April 2000
March 2000

| total have EVER DONE THIS | $\begin{gathered} \text { DID } \\ \text { YESTERDAY } \end{gathered}$ | have not DONE THIS | DON'T KNOW/ REFUSED |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 62 | 5 | 38 | 0 |
| 61 | 4 | 39 | * |
| 60 | 3 | 40 | 0 |
| 57 | 5 | 43 | 0 |
| 61 | 3 | 39 | * |
| 61 | 5 | 39 | 0 |
| 60 | 4 | 40 | 0 |
| 61 | 3 | 39 | 0 |
| 62 | 4 | 38 | * |
| 55 | 3 | 45 | 0 |
| 57 | 4 | 43 | 0 |
| 56 | 4 | 44 | * |
| 59 | 6 | 41 | * |
| 57 | 4 | 43 | 0 |
| 55 | 5 | 44 | * |
| 57 | 2 | 43 | 0 |
| 50 | 2 | 50 | * |
| 55 | 2 | 45 | * |
| 55 | 4 | 45 | 0 |
| 51 | 3 | 49 | * |
| 49 | 4 | 51 | * |
| 48 | 3 | 52 | 0 |
| 46 | 4 | 54 | * |
| 47 | 3 | 53 | * |
| 48 | 4 | 52 | * |


| 64 | 4 | 36 | $*$ |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 63 | 3 | 37 | $*$ |
| 63 | 3 | 37 | 0 |
| 62 | 3 | 38 | $*$ |
| 55 | 3 | 44 | $*$ |
| 56 | 4 | 43 | $*$ |
| 57 | 3 | 43 | 0 |
| 53 | 1 | 47 | 0 |
| 50 | 1 | 50 | 0 |
| 38 | 3 | 62 | $*$ |
| 35 | 2 | 65 | 0 |
| 36 | 1 | 64 | $*$ |
|  |  |  | WEB1 continued... |

WEB1 continued...


Buy or sell stocks, mutual funds, or bonds online ${ }^{10}$
Current 11

November 23-30, 2004
11

Feb 2004
13

Sept 2002
March/May 2002
Feb 2001
Fall 2000
May-June 2000
April 2000
March 2000
12
12
13
12

Do any banking online
Current 53
February 2005
anuary 2005
November 23-30, 2004
October 2002
Sept 2002
June 26-July 26, 2002
March/May 2002
May-June 2000
53
41
44
44
30
32
32
30
18
$26 \quad 3$

| 3 | 74 | $*$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 | 73 | 0 |
| 2 | 76 | $*$ |
| 3 | 76 | $*$ |
| 4 | 78 | 0 |
| 2 | 80 | $*$ |
| 2 | 85 | $*$ |
| 2 | 85 | 0 |
| 3 | 85 | $*$ |

Rate a product, service or person
using an online rating system

| Current | 32 | 4 | 67 | $*$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| December 2006 | 32 | 3 | 67 | 1 |
| August 2006 | 28 | 3 | 71 | 1 |
| September 2005 | 30 | 3 | 69 | 1 |
| May/June 2004 | 26 | 2 | 74 | $*$ |

WEB1 continued...

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## WEB1 continued. .

| TOTAL HAVE EVER DONE THIS | DID YESTERDAY | HAVE NOT DONE THIS | DON'T KNOW/ REFUSED |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

Pay to access or download digital content online, such as a newscast, sporting event, or radio show ${ }^{11}$

| Current | 17 | 4 | 83 | $*$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| August 2006 | 17 | 4 | 83 | 1 |
| Feb-April 2006 | 21 | 4 | 78 | $*$ |
| May/June 2004 | 11 | 1 | 89 | $*$ |

Use online classified ads or sites like Craig's list

| Current | 32 | 6 | 67 | $*$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| August 2006 | 30 | 4 | 69 | 1 |
| September 2005 | 22 | 4 | 77 | 1 |
| February $2005^{12}$ <br> ost a comment or review online <br> about a product you bought or a <br> service you received <br> Current | 36 | 6 | 64 | $*$ |

Now, on another topic...
Q8 Do you enjoy going shopping or is it just something you have to do?

|  | CURRENT |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% | 42 | Enjoy shopping |
|  | 48 | J ust something I have to do |
|  | 7 | Depends on the kind of shopping (VOL) |
|  | 3 | Don't know/Refused |

Q9 In an average week, how often would you say you go to a store to buy something, including everyday items such as groceries, as well as bigger items such as electronics and gifts...?

| current |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% 41 Once a week or less often |  |  |
|  | 40 | Two or three times a week |
|  | 10 | Four or five times a week |
|  | 8 | Six or more times a week |
|  | 1 | Don't know/Refused |

[^5]Q10 Would you shop more often if [INSERT ITEM] or wouldn't that make any difference?
a. You had more time to do so
b. You had more money to spend
c. There were more stores that you like...near where you live

| YES, WOULD SHOP MORE OFTEN | wouldn't make A DIfFERENCE | DON'T KNOW/ REFUSED |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 22 | 77 | 1 |
| 49 | 50 | 1 |
| 29 | 70 | 1 |

Q11 Thinking now about buying a product that is different from the things you buy regularly ... Would you say you are more likely to research the product before buying or are you more likely to make a purchase on an impulse?

|  | CURREN |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% | 69 | More likely to do research first |
|  | 25 | More likely to impulse buy |
|  | 6 | Don't know/Refused |

Q12 As I read the following list of items, please tell me if you happen to have each one, or not. Do you have...?


[^6]Q13 Do you ever use your cell phone to send or receive text messages?
Based on those who have a cell phone [ $N=1,845$ ]

```
% CURRENT
    5 1 ~ N o
    * Don't know/Refused
```

Q14 Now I'd like to ask you about some things you may or may not have done recently. In the LAST YEAR, have you...?

|  | YES | No | DON'T KNOW/ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. Gotten a new cell phone | 39 | 61 | * |
| b. Bought music in any format, whether on a CD or in a digital file such as an MP3 | 53 | 46 | * |
| c. Found a new place to live | 17 | 83 |  |

Based on the answers to Q14, respondents were assigned to a module for the next set of questions. If a respondent answered 'yes' to only one item in Q14, the respondent was assigned to that module. If the respondent answered 'yes' to more than one question, the respondent was assigned to one of those modules in a roughly random manner. If the respondent answered 'no' to all items in Q14, the respondent was skipped out of all modules.
module Module assignment

|  | current |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% | 26 | Cell phone module |
|  | 26 | Music module |
|  | 16 | Place-to-live module |
|  | 31 | No module assigned |

## CELL PHONE MODULE

For my next few questions, please think about the most recent time you got a new cell phone...

PH01 Why did you decide to get a new cell phone? (PRECODED OPEN-END)
Based on those in the cell phone module
$\frac{\text { current }}{27}$

My old cell phone failed/broke
\% 14 I just wanted a NEW cell phone to replace the one I had
13 I wanted a better phone/phone with more features/More recent model
13 I was offered a good deal/I got a free or low-cost upgrade/It came with a new service plan
6 I needed a better phone
4 It was my first cell phone/l just wanted a cell phone
$4 \quad$ I lost my old cell phone
3 It was a gift
2 My company/business provided it
2 My old contract expired
2 I switched phone companies
$1 \quad$ I bought a phone for my child or other family member
1 My old phone was stolen
1 I bought it for work-related reasons

* The price finally dropped low enough that I could get one

8 Other
1 Don't know/Refused
Note: Total may exceed $\mathbf{1 0 0 \%}$ due to multiple responses.

PH01b Did you have any role in deciding which cell phone you received or did someone else make that decision?

Based on those who did not personally buy their own cell phone [ $\mathrm{N}=38$ ]


PH02 Before you decided on your new cell phone, how did you find the information and assistance to make your choice? Did you [INSERT ITEM] when you were looking for information or help?

Based on those who made the decision to buy a new cell phone [ $\mathrm{N}=603$ ]

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { YES, I USED THAT } \\ & \text { SOURCE } \end{aligned}$ | NO, I DID NOT USE THAT SOURCE | DON'T KNOW/ REFUSED |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. Ask friends, family members or co-workers | 37 | 62 | 1 |
| b. Ask an expert or a salesperson for advice | 59 | 40 | 2 |
| c. Use the internet | 39 | 60 | 1 |
| d. Use newspapers, magazines and books | 19 | 80 | 1 |
| e. Use television and radio | 19 | 80 | 1 |
| f. Go to one or more cell phone stores | 46 | 53 | 1 |
| g. Use another source not mentioned already | 10 | 89 | 1 |

PH03 You mentioned that you used the Internet as you were deciding on a new cell phone. As you thought about buying the new cell phone, did you happen to...?

Based on those who used the Internet before buying their phone [ $\mathrm{N}=216$ ]

|  |  | YES | No | DON'T KNOW/ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. | Read reviews of cell phones on web sites or blogs | 50 | 49 | 1 |
| b. | Use web sites that compare cell phone features and prices | 59 | 41 | 1 |
|  | Go to web sites of cell phone manufacturers or phone companies | 76 | 23 | 1 |
| d. | Post queries in chat rooms, listservs or other online forums asking for information | 7 | 93 | * |

PH04 Because of the information you found online, did you spend MORE money for the phone and phone service, spend LESS money, or did the information you found online not make any difference?

## Based on those who used the Internet before buying their phone [ $\mathrm{N}=216$ ]

| $\%$ | CURRENT |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  | Spent more |  |
|  | 41 | Spent less |
|  | 53 | No difference |
|  | 4 | Don't know/Refused |

PH05 Because of the information you found online, did you get a phone with MORE features than you had originally planned, FEWER features, or did the information you found online not make any difference?

## Based on those who used the Internet before buying their phone [ $\mathrm{N}=216$ ]

|  | CURRENT |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% | 43 | More features |
|  | 8 | Fewer features |
|  | 48 | No difference |
|  | 1 | Don't know/Refused |

PH06 In which of the following ways, if any, did the information you found online affect your decision to purchase a cell phone? Did the information you found online...?

Based on those who used the Internet before buying their phone [ $\mathrm{N}=216$ ]

|  | YES | No | don't know/ REFUSED |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. Change the phone company you planned to use | 14 | 85 | * |
| b. Change the cell phone service plan you had intended to use | 31 | 68 | 1 |
| c. Change the model or brand of cell phone you planned to buy | 48 | 50 | 2 |
| d. Lead you to ask others for help | 24 | 75 | 1 |

PH07 Did the information you found ONLINE have a MAJ OR impact on your purchase of a cell phone, a MINOR impact, or no impact at all?

Based on those who used the Internet before buying their phone [ $\mathrm{N}=216$ ]

|  | CURRENT |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  | 27 | Major impact |
|  | 46 | Minor impact |
|  | 27 | No impact at all |
|  | 1 | Don't know/Refused |

PH08 Did you buy the cell phone online or did you go to a store and make the purchase in person?

Based on those in the cell phone module

|  | current |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% | 12 | Online |
|  | 78 | At a store |
|  | 9 | Other (VOL) |
|  | 2 | Don't know/Refused |

PH09 If you had chosen to do so, was there a store conveniently located where you could have purchased the cell phone in person, rather than online?

Based on those who bought their cell phone online [ $\mathrm{N}=72$ ]

| \% | current |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 74 | Yes |
|  | 25 | No |
|  | 1 | Don |

PH10 Did you happen to visit any stores to look at cell phones or ask for help before you bought it online?

Based on those who bought their cell phone online and did not go to a cell phone store prior to purchasing it [ $\mathrm{N}=54$ ]

|  | current |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% | 18 | Yes |
|  | 82 | No |
|  | 0 | Don't know/Refused |

PH11 If you had wanted to do so, could you have purchased the cell phone online, rather than in a store?

## Based on those who bought their cell phone in a store [ $\mathrm{N}=480$ ]

|  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  | current |  |
|  | Yes |  |
| 30 | No |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  | Don't know/Refused |

PH12 Thinking about all of the different sources of information you used as you went through this process, was the most important source something you found ON THE INTERNET or something you found OFFLINE?

## Based on those who used the I nternet before buying their new cell phone



PH13 During the process of getting a new cell phone, would you say you had TOO MUCH information ...TOO LITTLE information ... or just the right amount of information?

## Based on those in the cell phone module

|  | CURRENT |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  |  | Too much information |
|  | 11 | Too little information |
| 78 |  | Right amount |
|  | 4 |  |
|  | Don't know/Refused |  |

PH14 And during the process of getting a new cell phone, would you say you had too many choices ...NOT ENOUGH choices... or just the right number of choices?

## Based on those in the cell phone module

|  | curren |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% | 20 | Too many choices |
|  | 15 | Not enough choices |
|  | 61 | Right amount |
|  | 4 | Don't know/Refused |

PH15 How satisfied are you with the cell phone and the phone service...?
Based on those in the cell phone module

| $\%$ | CURRENT |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 52 |  |  |
|  | 35 | Sory satisfied |
| 6 |  | Somewhat satisfied |
| 4 |  | Very unsatisfied |
|  | 3 | Don't know/Refused |

[^7]PH16 Have you had any problems with the cell phone that caused you to...?
Based on those in the cell phone module
a. Call the cell phone manufacturer
b. Visit a cell phone store
c. Call the phone company

| YES, DID THIS | NO, DID NOT | DON'T KNOW/ REFUSED |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9 | 90 | 1 |
| 23 | 76 | 1 |
| 18 | 81 | 1 |

ITEMS d \& e ARE BASED ON I NTERNET USERS IN THE CELL PHONE MODULE [ $\mathrm{N}=522$ ]
d. Go online to get help or information
$7 \quad 92$
$92 \quad 1$
e. Discuss the cell phone in an online forum or
4
96
1 community

PH17 Since you got the cell phone, have you...?
Based on those in the cell phone module
a. Talked with friends, family or co-workers about

| YES | NO | 40 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 60 | $\frac{\substack{\text { DON'T KNOW/ } \\ \text { REFUSED }}}{*}$ |  |
| 68 | 32 | 1 |

b. Read the User's Manual for the phone

32
ITEMS c thru e ARE BASED ON INTERNET USERS IN THE CELL PHONE MODULE [ $N=522$ ]
c. Posted a rating or review of the cell phone on a 4

96 web site or blog
d. Looked online for information about how to use

11
89 92
e. Looked online for other people's experiences

7 with the same phone

PH18 Based on your experience, have you recommended that other people should buy this phone or recommended that they should NOT buy this phone?

## Based on those in the cell phone module

|  | current |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% | 46 | Recommended buying the phone |
|  | 8 | Recommended others NOT buy the phone |
|  | 44 | Have not offered advice (VOL) |
|  | 2 | Don't know/Refused |

PH19 Did you recommend this phone to others in person or did you do it online, via email or a posting on a website?

Based on internet users who recommended their cell phone to others [ $\mathbf{N}=231$ ]

|  | current |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% | 93 | In person |
|  | 2 | Online |
|  | 4 | Don't know/Refused |

PH20 When you recommended others NOT buy this phone, did you tell them in person or did you do it online, via email or a posting on a website?

Based on internet users who did not recommend their cell phone to others [ $\mathrm{N}=31$ ]

$\begin{array}{ccl}\% &$|  CURRENT  |
| :---: |
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|  | \& <br>

\& In person <br>
\& Donline <br>
\& \& \end{array}

## MUSIC MODULE

mu01 There are many different ways that people learn about music that they might want to listen to or buy. In the past year, have you learned about music you might want to listen to or buy from...?

Based on those in the music module
a. Hearing a song on the radio, TV or in a movie
b. Going to a concert

| YES | NO | DON'T KNOW/ <br> REFUSED |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 83 | 16 | $*$ |
| 34 | 66 | $*$ |
| 64 | 36 | $*$ |
| 36 | 64 | 0 |
| 35 | 64 | $*$ |

MU02 There are also ways to learn about music online. In the past year, have you learned about music you might want to listen to or buy from...?

Based on internet users in the music module [ $\mathrm{N}=510$ ]

| Based on internet users in the music mod | YES | NO | DON'T KNOW/ REFUSED |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. Receiving an email from a band, artist or record company | 11 | 89 | * |
| b. Reading online reviews or blogs about songs and artists | 24 | 76 | 0 |
| c. Going to the website of an artist, band or record label | 37 | 63 | 0 |
| d. Going to a MySpace profile of an artist, band or record label | 18 | 82 | * |
| e. Listening to free streaming samples of songs online | 34 | 66 | * |
| f. Downloading music files to your computer | 27 | 71 | 1 |
| g. Watching music videos online | 23 | 77 | 0 |
| h. Listening to an internet radio station | 25 | 74 | * |
| i. Visiting an online store that sells music | 34 | 66 | * |

Mu03 In which of the following ways, if any, has the information you found online had an impact on your decisions to buy music? Has the information you found online...?

Based on internet users in the music module [ $\mathrm{N}=510$ ]
a. Helped you save money buying music
b. Led you to buy more music than you would have otherwise
c. Changed the specific songs or album you were

| YES | NO | NO <br> 32 <br> 26 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | DON'T KNOW/ <br> REFUSED |  |
| 21 | 74 | $*$ |
| 41 | 78 | $*$ |
| 49 | 59 | $*$ |
| 49 | 51 | $*$ |

Mu04 Thinking about all of the different sources of information you use when you are thinking about buying music, are the most important sources usually something you find ON THE INTERNET or something you find OFFLINE?

## Based on internet users in the music module [ $\mathrm{N}=510$ ]

|  | current |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% | 23 | Something found on the internet |
|  | 72 | Something found offline |
|  | 6 | Don't know/Refused |

MU05 Thinking about all the music YOU bought in the past year, would you say all of the music you bought has been CDs, most of the music you bought has been CDs...has most of the music been in individual digital files such as MP3s or all of the music in digital files?

## Based on those in the music module

|  | current |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% | 62 | All are CDs |
|  | 20 | Most are CDs |
|  | 3 | About half and half (VOL) |
|  | 7 | Most are individual digital files |
|  | 5 | All are digital files |
|  | 3 | Don't know/Refused |

Mu06 Now I would like you to think about the MOST RECENT TIME you bought music. Did you happen to buy the music online or did you go to a store and make the purchase in person?

## Based on those in the music module

| $\%$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  | CURRENT |  |
|  | Online |  |
|  | 74 | At a store |
|  | 5 | Don't know/Refused |

Mu07 Was the music you bought online a CD you ordered FROM AN ONLINE STORE or was it in a digital format that you downloaded?

## Based on those who bought their music online [ $\mathrm{N}=131$ ]

|  | CURRENT |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  | Bought CD |  |
|  | 58 | Downloaded digital music |
|  | 1 | Don't know/Refused |

Mu08 If you had chosen to do so, was there a store conveniently located where you could have purchased the music in person, rather than online?

## Based on those who bought their music online [ $\mathrm{N}=131$ ]

| $\%$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  | CURRENT |  |
|  | Yes |  |
|  | 35 | No |
|  | 4 | Don't know/Refused |

MU09 Did you happen to visit any stores to listen to music or ask for help before you bought it online?

Based on those who bought their music online [ $\mathrm{N}=131$ ]

| $\%$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  | current |  |
|  |  | Yes |
|  | 93 | No |
|  | 0 | Don't know/Refused |

MU10 If you had chosen to do so, could you have purchased the music online, rather than at a store?

Based on those who bought their music in a store [ $\mathrm{N}=469$ ]
$\begin{array}{ccl} & & \\ & \text { CURRENT } & \\ & 56 & \text { Yes } \\ & 37 & \text { No } \\ & 7 & \text { Don't know/Refused }\end{array}$

MU11 Did the information you found online have a MAJ OR impact on your purchase of music, a MINOR impact, or no impact at all?

## Based on internet users in the music module [ $\mathrm{N}=510$ ]

|  | CURRENT |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  |  | Major impact |
|  | 27 | Minor impact |
|  | 63 | No impact at all |
|  | 1 | Don't know/Refused |

MU12 In deciding to make your most recent music purchase, would you say you had TOO MUCH information ...TOO LITTLE information ... or just the right amount of information?

## Based on those in the music module

|  | current |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% | 3 | Too much information |
|  | 4 | Too little information |
|  | 88 | Right amount |
|  | 4 | Don't know/Refused |

MU13 Thinking about what you do after you have purchased music, do you ever do any of the following? Do you ever...?

## Based on those in the music module

a. Transfer the music to a CD, computer or MP3 player
b. Watch a music video of the song or artist
c. Talk with friends or family about the music

$\frac{\text { YES }}{44} \frac{\text { NO }}{56} \frac{$|  DON'T KNOW/  |
| :---: |
|  REFUSED  |}{1}

d. Go to see the artist or band perform at a concert
e. Buy other merchandise, such as $t$-shirts from the same artist
f. Remix the music into your own creation 9
g. Share the music with others

62
90
37

11
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*

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1

MU14 Did you share the music with others online or by giving someone a CD?
Based on internet users in the music module who share music with others [ $\mathrm{N}=303$ ]

|  | Rre |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| \% | 2 | Online |
|  | 73 | By giving someone a CD |
|  | 7 | Both (VOL) |
|  | 18 | Don't know/Don't remember/Refused |

MU15 Thinking about what you do after you have purchased music, do you ever do any of the following? Do you ever...?

Based on internet users in the music module [ $\mathrm{N}=510$ ]

|  | Post your own reviews, ratings or comments online | 6 | 93 | $*$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| about the music |  |  | $*$ |  |
| b. Go to the artist's or band's website | 39 | 61 | $*$ |  |
| c. Post the music to your page on MySpace, | 8 | 91 | 1 |  |
| $\quad$ Facebook or another web site |  |  | $*$ |  |
| d. Read websites or blogs about the music | 26 | 74 | $*$ |  |
| e. Look online for live performances by that artist | 28 | 72 | $*$ |  |

## PLACE TO LIVE MODULE

Lio1 You said you had found a new place to live in the past year. Did you BUY your new place to live, such as a house, condo or co-op, or did you move into a rented place such as an apartment or house?

## Based on those in the place-to-live module

|  | CURRENT |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  |  |  |
|  | Bought a house, condo or co-op |  |
| 61 |  | Moved into rental unit |
|  | 6 | Other (VOL) |
|  | $*$ | Don't know/Refused |

LI02 Did you move to a NEW city or town?
Based on those in the place-to-live module

|  | CURRENT |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  |  | Yes, moved to new city or town |
| 45 |  | No, did NOT move to a new city or town |
| 1 | Other (VOL) |  |
| 1 | Don't know/Refused |  |

LIO3 When you started to look for a new place to live, where did you look for information? Did you [INSERT ITEM] when you were looking for information or help?

Based on those in the place-to-live module
a. Ask friends, family members or co-workers
b. Ask a real estate agent for advice

| YES, I USED | NO, I DID NOT USE | DON'T KNOW |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| THAT SOURCE | THAT SOURCE | REFUSED |

c. Use the internet
d. Look through newspapers for ads and articles

49
50 1
e. Use television and radio

15
84
f. Use another source not mentioned already

17
82
1

LI04 You mentioned that you used the Internet to look for a new place to live. As you thought about finding a new place to live, did you happen to do any of the following? Did you...?

Based on those who used the Internet to find a new place to live [ $\mathrm{N}=152$ ]

|  | res | No | REUSED |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. Search online ad sites such as Craig's-List | 32 | 65 | 3 |
| b. Search newspaper ads online | 42 | 58 | 0 |
| c. Find information online about the quality of life in a community | 51 | 49 | 0 |
| d. Post or read messages in chat rooms, listservs or other online forums | 19 | 80 | 1 |
| e. Read blogs about the community | 24 | 75 | 1 |
| f. Search websites of real estate companies and agents | 50 | 49 | 1 |
| g. Take a video tour or virtual tour of a house, apartment or neighborhood | 54 | 46 | 0 |

LI05 Did the information you found online allow you to get a better deal on a place to live than you expected, or did the information you found online not make any difference?

## Based on those who used the Internet to find a new place to live [ $\mathrm{N}=152$ ]

| $\%$ | CURRENT |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  |  |  |
|  | Better price |  |
|  | 1 | No difference |
|  | 1 | Don't know/Refused |

Lio6 In which of the following ways, if any, has the information you have found online had an impact on your decision about where to live? Has the information you found online...?

## Based on those who used the Internet to find a new place to live [ $\mathrm{N}=152$ ]

a. Changed the neighborhood where you were


No planning to live in
b. Given you a good introduction to your new community
c. Reduced the number of apartments or houses you felt you actually should see in your search

LI07 Did the information you found online have a MAJ OR impact on where you decided to live, a MINOR impact, or no impact at all?

Based on those who used the Internet to find a new place to live [ $\mathrm{N}=152$ ]

| $\%$ | CURRENT |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  |  | Major impact |
|  | 36 | Minor impact |
|  | 42 | No impact at all |
|  | 0 | Don't know/Refused |

LIo8 Thinking about the information you found online before you decided where to live, was any of the information POOR or MISLEADING, or wasn't this a problem for you?

## Based on those who used the I nternet to find a new place to live [ $\mathrm{N}=152$ ]

|  | current  <br>   <br>  Got poor or misleading information <br>  82 | Was not a problem |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 3 | Don't know/Refused |  |

Llo9 In deciding where to live, would you say you had TOO MUCH information ...TOO LITTLE information ...or just the right amount of information?

## Based on those in the place-to-live module

|  | CURRENT |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  |  |  |
|  | 14 |  |
|  | Too much information |  |
|  | 79 | Right amount |
|  | 1 |  |
|  | Don't know/Refused |  |

Li10 How satisfied are you with where you decided to live...?

## Based on those in the place-to-live module

$\% \quad \begin{aligned} & \text { current } \\ & 60\end{aligned}$ Very satisfied
28 Somewhat satisfied
5 Somewhat unsatisfied
5 Very unsatisfied
2 Don't know/Refused

Ll 11 Since you found a new place to live, have you...?
Based on internet users in the place-to-live module [ $\mathrm{N}=254$ ]
a. Posted your comments about your housing or

| YES | NO | DON'T KNOW/ <br> REFUSED |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4 | 06 |  |
| 4 | 95 | 1 |

b. Posted your comments or ratings online about the real estate agents and others you dealt with in finding a place to live
c. Discussed your housing or neighborhood in an online forum or community
d. Joined a neighborhood or online listserv

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96
1

## Questions Q15 and Q16 are based on all internet users in the survey.

Q15 Here are some statements about shopping online. For each, please tell me how much you agree or disagree with the statement. [INSERT ITEM]...Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree?

Based on all internet users [ $\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{6 8 4}$ ]

$\frac{$|  STRONGLY  |
| :---: |
|  AGREE  |}{26}$\frac{\text { AGREE }}{51} \frac{\text { DISAGREE }}{14} \frac{$|  STRONGLY  |
| :---: |
|  DISAGREE  |}{5}$\frac{$|  DON'T KNOW/  |
| :---: |
|  REFUSED  |}{6}

a. The internet is the best place to buy

26
51
14
3
6 items that are hard to find
b. Shopping online is complicated 4
c. Shopping online is convenient

25
22
54
13
7
d. I don't like giving my credit card number

36
53
13
3
6 or personal information online
e. The internet is the best place to find

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39
37
4
10 bargains
f. Shopping online saves me time

21
47
54
22
3
7
g. I prefer to see the things I buy before I

30 buy them

Q16 When you go online to look for information or assistance before buying a product, at any point in your going online do you feel any of the following things? At any point, do you feel...?

## Based on all internet users [ $\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{1 , 6 8 4}$ ]

a. OVERWHELMED by the amount of information

$\frac{\text { YES }}{30} \frac{\text { NO }}{68} \frac{$|  DON'T KNOW/  |
| :---: |
|  REFUSED  |}{2} you find online

b. EAGER to share your new knowledge with

53
45
3 others
c. CONFUSED by the information you found online 32 66
d. RELIEVED by the information you found online
e. FRUSTRATED by a lack of information or an $63 \quad 32$ 5 inability to find what you are looking for online
f. CONFIDENT that you will make the right 79 17

4 purchase decision

MODEM I have a few questions about your internet access...Does the computer you use at home connect to the Internet through a dial-up telephone line, or do you have some other type of connection, such as a DSL-enabled phone line, a cable TV modem, a wireless connection, or a T-1 or fiber optic connection?

Based on those who use the Internet at home [ $\mathrm{N}=1,575$ ]

| \% | 20 | Dial-up telephone line |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 73 | High-speed |
|  | 34 | DSL-enabled phone line |
|  | 30 | Cable modem |
|  | 8 | Wireless connection (either land-based or satellite) |
|  | 2 | T-1 or fiber optic connection |
|  | 1 | Other |
|  | 6 | Don't know/Refused |

THANK RESPONDENT: That concludes our interview. The results of this survey are going to be used by a non-profit research organization called the Pew Internet \& American Life Project, which is looking at the impact of the Internet on people's lives. A report on this survey will be issued by the project in a few months and you can find the results at its web site, which is www. pewinternet.org [w-w-w dot pew internet dot org]. Thanks again for your time. Have a nice day/evening.

## Methodology

The results in this report are based on data from telephone interviews conducted by Princeton Survey Research Associates International between August 3 to September 5, 2007, among a sample of 2,400 adults, 18 and older. For results based on the total sample, one can say with $95 \%$ confidence that the error attributable to sampling is plus or minus 2.3 percentage points. For results based Internet users ( $n=1,684$ ), the margin of sampling error is plus or minus 2.7 percentage points. In addition to sampling error, question wording and practical difficulties in conducting telephone surveys may introduce some error or bias into the findings of opinion polls.

Interviews were conducted using a dual-frame sample design. Both landline and cellular random-digit dial (RDD) samples were used. A total of 2,271 interviews were conducted from RDD landline sample and the remaining 129 interviews were conducted by calling RDD cellular sample.

The landline sample for this survey is a list-assisted random digit sample of telephone numbers selected from landline telephone exchanges in the continental United States. The random digit aspect of the sample is used to avoid "listing" bias and provides representation of both listed and unlisted numbers (including not-yet-listed numbers). The design of the sample achieves this representation by random generation of the last two digits of telephone numbers selected on the basis of their area code, telephone exchange, and bank number.

The cell phone sample is also RDD and is drawn from dedicated cellular exchanges based on the most recently available Telcordia TPM (Terminating Point Master) Data file. Since there is no source or list of assigned cellular telephone numbers, the cell phone sample is not list assisted.

In each contacted landline household, interviewers asked to speak with the youngest male currently at home. If no male was available, interviewers asked to speak with the youngest female at home. This systematic respondent selection technique has been shown to produce samples that closely mirror the population in terms of age and gender.

For the cell phone sample, interviews were conducted with whoever answered the cell phone as long as they were an adult. Voicemail messages were left only one time giving some information about the study and providing a toll-free number that people could call to conduct an interview at their convenience.

Sample was released for interviewing in replicates, which are representative subsamples of the larger sample. Using replicates to control the release of sample ensures that complete call procedures are followed for the entire sample. At least 10 attempts were made to complete an interview for each sampled phone number. Calls were staggered over times of day and days of the week to maximize the chance of making contact with potential respondents. Each sampled phone number received at least one daytime call in an attempt to make contact with a respondent.

The data was weighted to help correct for potential bias that might be introduced due to non-response and to account for the dual-frame sample design. The demographic weighting parameters are derived from a special analysis of the Census Bureau's March 2006 Annual Social and Economic Supplement Survey. This analysis produces population parameters for the demographic characteristics of adults age 18 or older living in the continental United States. One weighting parameter - phone use was taken from the 2005 U.S. Consumer Expenditure Survey. The weights are derived using an iterative technique that simultaneously balances the distribution of all weighting parameters. Table 1 compares unweighted and weighted sample distributions to population parameters.

Table 1: Sample Demographics

| Parameter |  | Unweighted | Weighted |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gender |  |  |  |
| Male | 48.2 | 45.6 | 48.1 |
| Female | 51.8 | 54.4 | 51.9 |
| Age |  |  |  |
| 18-24 | 12.4 | 8.6 | 12.4 |
| 25-34 | 17.6 | 12.1 | 17.3 |
| 35-44 | 19.7 | 14.4 | 19.5 |
| 45-54 | 19.7 | 19.5 | 19.7 |
| 55-64 | 14.3 | 18.0 | 14.4 |
| 65+ | 16.3 | 27.4 | 16.7 |
| Education |  |  |  |
| Less than HS Grad. | 14.5 | 9.4 | 13.8 |
| HS Grad. | 35.7 | 34.7 | 35.8 |
| Some College | 23.6 | 23.9 | 23.8 |
| College Grad. | 26.2 | 32.0 | 26.6 |
| Region |  |  |  |
| Northeast | 18.6 | 17.9 | 18.6 |
| Midwest | 23.3 | 27.4 | 23.3 |
| South | 36.2 | 36.4 | 36.3 |
| West | 21.9 | 18.3 | 21.8 |
| Race/Ethnicity |  |  |  |
| White/not Hispanic | 70.8 | 79.9 | 71.4 |
| Black/not Hispanic | 10.9 | 8.7 | 11.0 |
| Hispanic | 12.4 | 6.5 | 11.7 |
| Other/not Hispanic | 5.9 | 4.9 | 5.9 |
| Population Density |  |  |  |
| 1 - Lowest | 20.1 | 24.3 | 20.4 |
| 2 | 20.0 | 22.6 | 20.2 |
| 3 | 20.1 | 22.2 | 20.2 |
| 4 | 20.2 | 17.8 | 20.1 |
| 5 - Highest | 19.6 | 13.1 | 19.1 |
| Telephone Usage |  |  |  |
| Not Cell Phone only | 92.2 | 97.2 | 92.9 |
| Cell Phone only | 7.8 | 2.8 | 7.1 |

Following is the full disposition of all sampled telephone numbers:

Table 2: Sample Disposition

| Landline Sample | Cell Phone Sample | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 29191 | 2500 | 31691 | Total Numbers Dialed |
| 2018 | 47 | 2065 | Business/Government |
| 1771 | 9 | 1780 | Fax/Modem |
| 33 | 13 | 46 | Not landline/ not cell phone |
| 10333 | 852 | 11185 | Other Not-Working |
| 1721 | 84 | 1805 | Additional projected Not-Working |
| 13315 | 1495 | 14810 | Working numbers |
| 45.6\% | 59.8\% | 46.7\% | Working Rate |
| 502 | 21 | 522 | No Answer |
| 72 | 8 | 80 | Busy |
| 2024 | 344 | 2368 | Answering Machine |
| 10 | 0 | 10 | Non-Contacts after determined eligible |
| 179 | 28 | 207 | Other Non-Contacts |
| 10528 | 1095 | 11623 | Contacted numbers |
| 79.1\% | 73.2\% | 78.5\% | Contact Rate |
| 656 | 159 | 815 | Callbacks |
| 6863 | 678 | 7541 | Refusal before eligibility status is known |
| 3009 | 258 | 3267 | Cooperating numbers |
| 28.6\% | 23.6\% | 28.1\% | Cooperation Rate |
| 534 | 57 | 591 | Language Barrier |
| 2475 | 201 | 2676 | Eligible numbers |
| 82.3\% | 77.9\% | 81.9\% | Eligibility Rate |
| 204 | 72 | 276 | Interrupted |
| 2271 | 129 | 2400 | Completes |
| 91.8\% | 64.2\% | 89.7\% | Completion Rate |
| 20.7\% | 11.1\% | 19.8\% | Response Rate |

PSRAI calculates a response rate as the product of three individual rates: the contact rate, the cooperation rate, and the completion rate. Of the working phone numbers in the combined sample (landline plus cell phone), 78 percent were contacted by an interviewer and 28 percent agreed to participate in the survey. Eighty-two percent were found eligible for the interview. Furthermore, 90 percent of eligible respondents completed the interview. Therefore, the final response rate is 20 percent.

## Endnotes

${ }^{i}$ February 2007 trends based on daily tracking survey conducted February 15-March 7, 2007 [ $N=2,200$ ].
${ }^{\text {ii }}$ December 2006 trends based on daily tracking survey, conducted November 30 - December 30, 2006 [ $N=2,373$ ].
${ }^{\text {iii }}$ November 2006 trends based on Post-Election tracking survey, conducted Nov. 8-Dec. 4, 2006 [ $N=2,562$ ]. This includes an RDD sample [ $N=2,362$ ] and a cell phone only sample [ $N=200$ ]. Results reflect combined samples, where applicable.
${ }^{\text {iv }}$ August 2006 trends based on daily tracking survey, conducted August 1-31, 2006 [ $\mathrm{N}=2,928$ ].
${ }^{\vee}$ Jan/Feb 2006 trends based on the Exploratorium Survey, conducted Jan. 9-Feb. 6, 2006 [ $N=2,000$ ].
${ }^{\text {vi }}$ Nov/Dec 2005 trends based on daily tracking survey conducted Nov. 29-Dec. 31, 2005 [ $N=3,011$ ].
vii September 2005 trends based on daily tracking survey conducted Sept. 14-Oct.13, 2005 [ $N=2,251$ ].
viii May/J une 2005 trends based on the Spyware Survey, conducted May 4-J une 7, 2005 [ $\mathrm{N}=2,001$ ].
${ }^{\text {ix }}$ February 2005 trends based on daily tracking survey conducted Feb. 21-March 21, 2005 [ $\mathrm{N}=2,201$ ].
${ }^{x}$ January 2005 trends based on daily tracking survey conducted J an. 13-Feb.9, 2005 [ $N=2,201$ ].
${ }^{\text {xi }}$ November 2004 trends based on the November Post-Election Tracking Survey, conducted Nov 4-Nov 22, 2004 [ $N=2,200$ ].
${ }^{\text {xii }}$ May/June 2004 trends based on daily tracking survey conducted May 14-J une 17, 2004 [ $N=2,200$ ].
${ }^{\text {xiii }}$ February 2004 trends based on daily tracking survey conducted February 3-March 1, 2004 [ $\mathrm{N}=2,204$ ].
${ }^{\text {xiv }}$ November 2003 trends based on daily tracking survey conducted November 18-December 14, 2003 [ $N=2,013]$.
${ }^{x v}$ J une 2003 trends based on 'Internet Spam' survey conducted June 10-24, 2003 [ $\mathrm{N}=2,200$ ].
${ }^{\text {xvi }}$ April/May 2003 trends based on daily tracking survey conducted April 29-May 20, 2003 [ $N=1,632$ ].
xvii February 2003 trends based on daily tracking survey conducted February 12-March 2, 2003 [ $\mathrm{N}=1,611$ ].
xviii December 2002 trends based on daily tracking survey conducted Nov. 25-Dec. 22, 2002 [ $N=2,038$ ].
${ }^{\text {xix }}$ November 2002 trends based on daily tracking survey conducted October 28-November 24, 2002 [ $N=2,745$ ].
${ }^{x x}$ September 2002 trends based on daily tracking survey conducted September 9-October 6, 2002 [ $N=2,092$ ].
${ }^{\text {xxi }}$ July 2002 trends based on 'Sept. $11^{\text {th }}$-The Impact Online' survey conducted J une 26-J uly 26, 2002 [ $N=2,501]$.
xxii March/May 2002 trends based on daily tracking surveys conducted March 1-31, 2002 and May 2-19, 2002.
xxiii J anuary 2002 trends based on a daily tracking survey conducted January 3-31, 2002.
${ }^{x x i v}$ December 2001 trends represent a total tracking period of December 1-23, 2001 [ $\left.N=3,214\right]$. This tracking period based on daily tracking surveys conducted December 17-23, 2001 and November 19December 16, 2001.
${ }^{x x v}$ November 2001 trends represent a total tracking period of November 1-30, 2001 [ $\left.N=2,119\right]$. This tracking period based on daily tracking surveys conducted October 19 - November 18, 2001 and November 19 - December 16, 2001.
${ }^{\text {xxvi }}$ September 2001 trends represent a total tracking period of September 1-30, 2001 [ $N=742$ ]. This tracking period based on daily tracking surveys conducted August 13-September 10, 2001, September 1219, 2001 and September 20 - October 1, 2001.
xxvii August 2001 trends represent a total tracking period of August 13-31, 2001 [ $N=1,505$ ]. This tracking period based on a daily tracking survey conducted August 13-September 10, 2001.
xxviii February 2001 trends based on a daily tracking survey conducted February 1, 2001-March 1, 2001 [ $N=2,096$ ].
${ }^{x x i x}$ December 2000 trends based on a daily tracking survey conducted December 2-22, 2000 [ $\mathrm{N}=2,383$ ].
${ }^{x x x}$ November 2000 trends based on a daily tracking survey conducted November 2, 2000-December 1 [ $N=6,322$ ].
${ }^{x x x i}$ September 2000 trends based on a daily tracking survey conducted September 15 - October 1, 2000 [ $N=1,302]$.
${ }^{x x x i i}$ May/June 2000 trends based on a daily tracking survey conducted May 2 - June 30, 2000 [ $\mathrm{N}=4,606$ ].
xxxiii March/April 2000 trends based on a daily tracking survey conducted March 1 - May 1, 2000 [ $\mathrm{N}=6,036$ ].
${ }^{x x x i v}$ Feb-April 2006 trends based on the Annual Gadgets survey, conducted Feb. 15-Apr. 6, 2006 [ $\mathrm{N}=4,001$ ].
xxxv July 2003 trends based on 'E-Government' survey conducted June 25-August 3, 2003 [ $\mathrm{N}=2,925$ ].
xxxvi March 3-11, 2003 trends based on daily tracking survey conducted March 3-11, 2003 [ $\mathrm{N}=745$ ].
xxxvii October 2002 trends based on daily tracking survey conducted October 7-27, 2002 [ $\mathrm{N}=1,677$ ].
xxxviii October 2001 trends represent a total tracking period of October 1-31, 2001 [ $N=1,924]$. This tracking period based on daily tracking surveys conducted September 20 - October 1, 2001, October 2-7, 2001, October 8-18, 2001, and October 19 - November 18, 2001.
xxxix October 2000 trends based on a daily tracking survey conducted October 2 - November 1, 2000 [ $N=3,336]$.
${ }^{x l}$ J uly/August 2000 trends based on a daily tracking survey conducted July 24 - August 20, 2000 [ $N=2,109$ ].
xii In March through J une 2000, Q6 asked only of computer users (Q5=1).
${ }^{\text {xlii }}$ Fall 2000 figures based on a daily tracking survey conducted September 15 - December 22, 2000 [ $N=13,342$ ].
xliii April 2000 figures based on a daily tracking survey conducted April 1 - May 1, 2000 [ $N=2,503$ ].
${ }^{x l i v}$ March 2000 figures based on a daily tracking survey conducted March 1 - March 31, 2000 [ $\left.N=3,533\right]$.
${ }^{\text {xiv }}$ June/July 2004 trend figures based on the "Selective Exposure" survey, conducted June 14-July 3, 2004 [ $N=1,510$
xvi March 2004 trends based on "Weak Ties" survey conducted February 17-March 17, 2004 [ $\mathrm{N}=2,200$ ].
xlvii November 23-30, 2004 trends based on the November Activity Tracking Survey, conducted Nov 23-Nov 30, 2004 [ $N=914$ ].
xviii March 12-19, 2003 trends based on daily tracking survey conducted March 12-19, 2003 [ $\mathrm{N}=883$ ].


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Prior to J anuary 2005, question wording was "Do you ever go online to access the Internet or World Wide Web or to send and receive email?"

[^1]:    ${ }^{2}$ Prior to January 2005, question wording was "Did you happen to go online or check your email yesterday?"
    ${ }^{3}$ Internet user defined as Q5=1 and Q6=1 from Aug. 2001 until Jan 2002.
    ${ }^{4}$ Internet user for Feb. 2001 defined as $\mathrm{Q} 5=1$ and ( $\mathrm{Q} 6=1$ or $\mathrm{Q} 6 \mathrm{~A}=1-7$ ).

[^2]:    ${ }^{5}$ Prior to January 2005, question wording was "Please tell me if you ever do any of the following when you go online. Do you ever..../Did you happen to do this yesterday, or not?"
    ${ }^{6}$ August 2006 WEB1 trends were asked of internet users based on split form. Results shown for "Send or read eemail" reflect combined responses for total internet users.

[^3]:    ${ }^{7}$ In April/May 2003, this item read "Get financial information, such as the value of your stocks, mutual funds, or mortgage rates."
    ${ }^{8}$ This item based on those interviewed starting 10/9/01.
    ${ }^{9}$ Through Dec 2002, item wording matched the current wording ("Look for information about a service or product you are thinking about buying"); For February 2004, item was "Research a product or service"; For February 2005, item was "Research a product or service online"

[^4]:    ${ }^{10}$ Through the November 23-30, 2004 trend, item wording was "Buy or sell stocks, mutual funds, or bonds"

[^5]:    ${ }^{11}$ Prior to August 2006, item wording was "PAY to access or download digital content online, such as music, video, or newspaper articles"
    ${ }^{12}$ In February 2005, item wording as follows: "Use online classified ads or sites like Craig's list to sell or buy items, find a job, or meet other people online."

[^6]:    ${ }^{13}$ Item was not asked of the cell phone sample, but results shown here reflect Total combined RDD and cell phone sample.
    ${ }^{14}$ Through January 2005, question was not asked as part of a series. Question wording as follows: "Do you happen to have a cell phone, or not?"
    ${ }^{15}$ Through February 2005, question was not asked as part of a series. Question wording as follows: "Do you have an iPod or other MP3 player that stores and plays music files, or do you not have one of these?"

[^7]:    ${ }^{16}$ February 2005 trend was "Based on those for whom internet played 'crucial' or 'important' role in major moment in past two years"

