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Q.1 All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?

	Satis- <u>fied</u>	Dis- <u>satisfied</u>	No <u>Opinion</u>		Satis- <u>fied</u>	Dis <u>satisfied</u>	No <u>Opinion</u>
January, 2007	32	61	7=100	Late August, 1998	55	41	4=100
December, 2006	28	65	7=100	Early August, 1998	50	44	6=100
Mid-November, 2006	28	64	8=100	February, 1998	59	37	4=100
Early October, 2006	30	63	7=100	January, 1998	46	50	4=100
July, 2006	30	65	5=100	September, 1997	45	49	6=100
May, 2006	29	65	6=100	August, 1997	49	46	5=100
March, 2006	32	63	5=100	January, 1997	38	58	4=100
January, 2006	34	61	5=100	July, 1996	29	67	4=100
Late November, 2005	34	59	7=100	March, 1996	28	70	2=100
Early October, 2005	29	65	6=100	October, 1995	23	73	4=100
July, 2005	35	58	7=100	June, 1995	25	73	2=100
Late May, 2005	39	57	4=100	April, 1995	23	74	3=100
February, 2005	38	56	6=100	July, 1994	24	73	3=100
January, 2005	40	54	6=100	March, 1994	24	71	5=100
December, 2004	39	54	7=100	October, 1993	22	73	5=100
Mid-October, 2004	36	58	6=100	September, 1993	20	75	5=100
July, 2004	38	55	7=100	May, 1993	22	71	7=100
May, 2004	33	61	6=100	January, 1993	39	50	11=100
Late February, 2004	39	55	6=100	January, 1992	28	68	4=100
Early January, 2004	45	48	7=100	November, 1991	34	61	5=100
December, 2003	44	47	9=100	Late February, 1991 (<i>Gallup</i>)	66	31	3=100
October, 2003	38	56	6=100	August, 1990	47	48	5=100
August, 2003	40	53	7=100	May, 1990	41	54	5=100
<i>April 8, 2003</i>	<i>50</i>	<i>41</i>	<i>9=100</i>	January, 1989	45	50	5=100
January, 2003	44	50	6=100	September, 1988 (<i>RVs</i>)	50	45	5=100
November, 2002	41	48	11=100	May, 1988	41	54	5=100
September, 2002	41	55	4=100	January, 1988	39	55	6=100
Late August, 2002	47	44	9=100				
May, 2002	44	44	12=100				
March, 2002	50	40	10=100				
Late September, 2001	57	34	9=100				
Early September, 2001	41	53	6=100				
June, 2001	43	52	5=100				
March, 2001	47	45	8=100				
February, 2001	46	43	11=100				
January, 2001	55	41	4=100				
October, 2000 (<i>RVs</i>)	54	39	7=100				
September, 2000	51	41	8=100				
June, 2000	47	45	8=100				
April, 2000	48	43	9=100				
August, 1999	56	39	5=100				
January, 1999	53	41	6=100				
November, 1998	46	44	10=100				
Early September, 1998	54	42	4=100				

Q.2 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president? [**IF DK ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH:** Overall do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president? **IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK**]

	<u>App-rove</u>	<u>Dis-approve</u>	<u>Don't know</u>		<u>App-rove</u>	<u>Dis-approve</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
January, 2007	33	59	8=100	June, 2003	62	27	11=100
December, 2006	32	57	11=100	May, 2003	65	27	8=100
Mid-November, 2006	32	58	10=100	<i>April 10-16, 2003</i>	72	22	6=100
Early October, 2006	37	53	10=100	<i>April 9, 2003</i>	74	20	6=100
September, 2006	37	53	10=100	<i>April 2-7, 2003</i>	69	25	6=100
August, 2006	37	54	9=100	<i>March 28-April 1, 2003</i>	71	23	6=100
July, 2006	36	57	7=100	<i>March 25-27, 2003</i>	70	24	6=100
June, 2006	36	54	10=100	<i>March 20-24, 2003</i>	67	26	7=100
April, 2006	33	56	11=100	March 13-16, 2003	55	34	11=100
Early April, 2006	35	55	10=100	February, 2003	54	36	10=100
March, 2006	33	57	10=100	January, 2003	58	32	10=100
February, 2006	40	52	8=100	December, 2002	61	28	11=100
January, 2006	38	54	8=100	Late October, 2002	59	29	12=100
December, 2005	38	54	8=100	Early October, 2002	61	30	9=100
Early November, 2005	36	55	9=100	Mid-September, 2002	67	22	11=100
Late October, 2005	40	52	8=100	Early September, 2002	63	26	11=100
Early October, 2005	38	56	6=100	Late August, 2002	60	27	13=100
September 8-11, 2005	40	52	8=100	August, 2002	67	21	12=100
September 6-7, 2005	40	52	8=100	Late July, 2002	65	25	10=100
July, 2005	44	48	8=100	July, 2002	67	21	12=100
June, 2005	42	49	9=100	June, 2002	70	20	10=100
Late May, 2005	42	48	10=100	April, 2002	69	18	13=100
Mid-May, 2005	43	50	7=100	Early April, 2002	74	16	10=100
Late March, 2005	49	46	5=100	February, 2002	78	13	9=100
Mid-March, 2005	45	46	9=100	January, 2002	80	11	9=100
February, 2005	46	47	7=100	Mid-November, 2001	84	9	7=100
January, 2005	50	43	7=100	Early October, 2001	84	8	8=100
December, 2004	48	44	8=100	Late September, 2001	86	7	7=100
Mid-October, 2004	44	48	8=100	Mid-September, 2001	80	9	11=100
August, 2004	46	45	9=100	Early September, 2001	51	34	15=100
July, 2004	46	46	8=100	August, 2001	50	32	18=100
June, 2004	48	43	9=100	July, 2001	51	32	17=100
May, 2004	44	48	8=100	June, 2001	50	33	17=100
Late April, 2004	48	43	9=100	May, 2001	53	32	15=100
Early April, 2004	43	47	10=100	April, 2001	56	27	17=100
Late March, 2004	47	44	9=100	March, 2001	55	25	20=100
Mid-March, 2004	46	47	7=100	February, 2001	53	21	26=100
February, 2004	48	44	8=100				
Mid-January, 2004	56	34	10=100				
Early January, 2004	58	35	7=100				
December, 2003	57	34	9=100				
November, 2003	50	40	10=100				
October, 2003	50	42	8=100				
September, 2003	55	36	9=100				
Mid-August, 2003	56	32	12=100				
Early August, 2003	53	37	10=100				
Mid-July, 2003	58	32	10=100				
Early July, 2003	60	29	11=100				

From what you've seen and read so far,

Q.3 Do you approve or disapprove of the job the Democratic leaders in Congress are doing? **[IF DK ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH: Overall do you approve or disapprove of the job the Democratic leaders in Congress are doing? IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]**

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>Don't know</u>
January, 2007	39	34	27=100
Early October, 2006	35	53	12=100
June, 2006	32	50	18=100
March, 2006	34	46	20=100
January, 2006	34	48	18=100
Early November, 2005	36	44	20=100
Early October, 2005	32	48	20=100
Mid-September, 2005	36	45	19=100
Mid-May, 2005	39	41	20=100
Mid-March, 2005	37	44	19=100
Early February, 2004	38	42	20=100
June, 2002	47	36	17=100
May, 2002	42	37	21=100
February, 2002	49	30	21=100
Early September, 2001	49	30	21=100
June, 2001	50	28	22=100

Q.4 What do you think is the most important problem facing the country today? [RECORD VERBATIM RESPONSE. PROBE FOR CLARITY – DO NOT PROBE FOR ADDITIONAL MENTIONS. IF MORE THAN ONE MENTION, RECORD ALL IN ORDER OF MENTION]

		Early Mid-					Mid-								
		Sept	May	March	Jan	Nov	May	Jan	July	Jan	Apr	Feb	Mar	May	Feb
		2006	2006	2006	2006	2005	2005	2005	2004	2004	2003	2003	2002	2001	2001
42	War/War in Iraq	25	18	20	23	29	24	32	25	16	14	34	10 [▲]	--	--
8	Health care/costs	4	4	6	6	5	7	5	5	5	3	2	2	6	7
8	Dissatisfaction with govt/politics	6	13	10	5	7	6	5	7	5	3	5	4	2	5
5	Economy (general)	9	7	7	11	11	15	12	14	20	28	21	8	7	7
5	Immigration	6	10	4	3	2	4	1	1	3	1	--	1	1	2
5	Terrorism	14	5	8	6	6	8	10	8	14	9	16	24	1	*
5	Unemployment/Lack of jobs	4	3	6	7	4	7	7	8	13	10	6	4	5	6
4	Education	4	2	4	3	1	2	3	4	3	4	1	4	8	11
3	Morality/Ethics/Family values	2	4	6	4	3	3	5	4	3	4	5	8	6	12
3	Poverty/Hunger/Starvation	3	1	3	7	4	2	3	2	3	3	1	2	3	3
2	Crime/Gangs/Justice system	2	1	3	2	--	2	2	1	1	1	1	4	4	8
2	Homelessness	--	1	--	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	--	1	1	2
	Energy crisis/Rising gas/heating prices	7	14	5	5	4	6	--	2	--	--	1	1	22	4
	Deficit/National debt/Balanced budget	1	2	2	2	3	2	3	1	2	2	--	1	1	1
	Environment/pollution/Global warming	--	1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	*	*	1	3	1
	Drugs/Alcohol	1	--	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	4	4	6
	Defense issues/Military spending/National & homeland security	4	1	4	3	2	2	3	3	3	2	2	5	1	1
	Youth Problems/Teen Violence	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	--	--	--	--	2	8	3
	Issues relating to the elderly	--	--	--	1	--	--	1	1	2	1	--	1	2	2
	Abortion	--	--	--	--	--	--	1	1	--	--	--	--	1	1
15	Other														
*	None	1	0	4	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	*	2
7	Don't know/No answer	7	5	6	7	6	5	5	6	4	9	4	8	8	7
	(NET) FOREIGN ISSUES/														
50	INTERNATIONAL	47	29	34	37	42	36	49	41	37	29	54	39	3	5
15	(NET) ECONOMIC	23	27	22	26	24	31	24	26	35	41	29	16	40	26

▲ War in Afghanistan in March 2002

IF ANSWER GIVEN IN Q.4 ASK [N=1630]:

Q.5 Which political party do you think can do a better job of handling the problem you just mentioned – the Republican Party or the Democratic Party?

		Mid				--- Gallup ---					(RV's)					
		Jan	Jan	Jan	Mar	Jan	April	July	April	July	June	Jan	May	May	Jan	May
		2006	2005	2004	2002	1999 ¹	1998	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1990	1988	1988	1987
24	Republican Party	27	36	35	38	33	40	36	42	36	28	32	29	26	30	28
42	Democratic Party	41	35	35	27	43	42	35	32	33	35	41	30	38	35	38
21	No difference (VOL)	19	18	14	21	n/a	10	18	17	16	23	12	31	22	24	24
<u>13</u>	Don't know	<u>13</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>10</u>
100		100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

IF 'REPUBLICAN PARTY' (1 IN Q.5) ASK [N=406]:

Q.6 Should Republican political leaders be willing to compromise with the Democrats on this issue, or should they stick to their position without compromising?

63	Should be willing to compromise
30	Should stick to their position
<u>7</u>	Don't know/Refused
100	

IF 'DEMOCRATIC PARTY' (2 IN Q.5) ASK [N=661]:

Q.7 Should Democratic political leaders be willing to compromise with the Republicans on this issue, or should they stick to their position without compromising?

60	Should be willing to compromise
34	Should stick to their position
<u>6</u>	Don't know/Refused
100	

1 In January 1999, the "no difference" and "don't know" categories are combined.

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=863]:

Q.8F1 In the long run, do you think George W. Bush will be a successful or unsuccessful president, or do you think it is too early to tell?

		Early						-----Clinton-----								
		Early		Early		Early		Early		Early		Early		Early		
		Jan	Oct	Jan	Dec	Oct	Jan	Jan	Sep	Feb	Oct	May	Jan	Oct	Sept	Aug
		2006	2005	2005	2003	2002	2001	1999	1998	1995	1994	1994	1994	1993	1993	1993
24	Successful	27	26	36	39	40	26	44	38	18	14	21	21	18	22	13
45	Unsuccessful	37	41	27	20	15	15	24	24	34	35	26	19	25	22	25
27	Too early to tell	32	30	35	38	44	58	29	35	43	48	52	57	56	54	60
<u>4</u>	Don't know/Ref.	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
100		100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=845]:

Q.9F2 In the long run, do you think the accomplishments of the Bush Administration will outweigh its failures, or will the failures outweigh the accomplishments?

		----- Clinton -----						-- Reagan --	
		Early		Early		Early		Newsweek	
		Jan	Jan	Jan	Aug	Jan	Sept	May	Feb
		2004	2001	2000	1999	1999	1998	1987	1987
31	Accomplishments will outweigh failures	49	60	51	56	50	52	46	52
53	Failures will outweigh accomplishments	36	27	37	38	34	35	41	38
<u>16</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>15</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>10</u>
100		100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=863]:

Q.10aF1 Now thinking about George W. Bush's upcoming State of the Union address... Do you consider this year's State of the Union address to be MORE important than past years', LESS important, or about as important as past years'?

		Mid					-- Clinton ---	
		Jan	Jan	Jan	Jan	Jan	Jan	Jan
		2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2000	1999
32	More important	30	34	34	52	54	16	27
16	Less important	14	9	9	6	4	22	16
43	Same	47	47	49	35	36	53	51
<u>9</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>6</u>
100		100	100	100	100	100	100	100

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=845]:

Q.10bF2 Now thinking about George W. Bush's upcoming State of the Union address... Do you plan to watch the President's State of the Union Address, which will be in a few weeks, or not?

59	Yes
37	No
<u>4</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=863]:

Q.11F1 Right now, which is more important for President Bush to focus on... domestic policy or foreign policy?

		----- Clinton -----									
		Early					Early				
		Aug	Jan	Oct	Jan	Jan	Sept	Jan	Dec	Oct	
		<u>2006</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1993</u>	
39	Domestic policy	50	57	64	53	52	56	86	85	76	
40	Foreign policy	32	25	20	27	34	30	7	7	13	
1	Neither (VOL)	1	1	1	1	*	0	*	2	*	
15	Both (VOL)	12	13	12	16	11	11	5	4	7	
<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	
100		100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=845]:

And thinking about Congress...

Q.12F2 Right now, which is more important for Democratic leaders in Congress to focus on... domestic policy or foreign policy?

51	Domestic policy
32	Foreign policy
1	Neither (VOL)
11	Both (VOL)
<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused
100	

ASK ALL:

Q.13 Thinking about the Democratic and Republican parties, would you say there is a great deal of difference in what they stand for, a fair amount of difference, or hardly any difference at all?

		Early										
		Oct	April	June	Feb	March	June	Oct	July	May	May	
		<u>2006</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>1999</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>1995</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1987</u>	
35	A great deal	38	33	29	33	28	25	34	23	24	25	
40	A fair amount	39	42	49	46	45	48	46	51	45	45	
20	Hardly any	18	21	20	18	23	25	18	24	27	25	
<u>5</u>	DK/Ref (VOL)	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	
100		100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	

Q.14 Now, as I read a list of some stories covered by news organizations this past month, tell me if you happened to follow each news story very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely. First, **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE WITH ITEM b ALWAYS FOLLOWING ITEM a] [IF NECESSARY "Did you follow [ITEM] very closely, fairly closely, not too closely or not at all closely?"]**

		Very	Fairly	Not too	Not at all	DK/
		<u>closely</u>	<u>closely</u>	<u>closely</u>	<u>closely</u>	<u>Ref</u>
a.	News about the current situation in Iraq	46	40	8	5	1=100
	December, 2006	42	39	12	7	*=100
	Mid-November, 2006	44	38	12	6	*=100
	September, 2006	33	43	14	8	2=100
	August, 2006	41	39	12	7	1=100
	June, 2006	37	43	13	6	1=100
	May, 2006	42	35	15	7	1=100

Q.14 CONTINUED...

	<u>Very</u> <u>closely</u>	<u>Fairly</u> <u>closely</u>	<u>Not too</u> <u>closely</u>	<u>Not at all</u> <u>closely</u>	<u>DK/</u> <u>Ref</u>
April, 2006	43	36	13	7	1=100
March, 2006	43	38	12	6	1=100
February, 2006	39	42	12	6	1=100
January, 2006	40	40	12	7	1=100
December, 2005	45	38	11	5	1=100
Early November, 2005	41	40	13	6	*=100
Early October, 2005	43	36	15	6	*=100
Early September, 2005	32	40	20	7	1=100
July, 2005	43	37	13	6	1=100
June, 2005	41	39	12	7	1=100
Mid-May, 2005	42	42	11	5	*=100
Mid-March, 2005	40	39	14	5	2=100
February, 2005	38	45	13	4	*=100
January, 2005	48	37	11	4	*=100
December, 2004	34	44	15	6	1=100
Mid-October, 2004	42	38	11	8	1=100
Early September, 2004	47	37	9	6	1=100
August, 2004	39	42	12	6	1=100
July, 2004	43	40	11	6	*=100
June, 2004	39	42	12	6	1=100
April, 2004	54	33	8	5	*=100
Mid-March, 2004	47	36	12	4	1=100
Early February, 2004	47	38	10	4	1=100
Mid-January, 2004	48	39	9	4	*=100
December, 2003	44	38	11	6	1=100
November, 2003	52	33	9	5	1=100
October, 2003	38	40	14	7	1=100
September, 2003	50	33	10	6	1=100
Mid-August, 2003	45	39	10	5	1=100
Early July, 2003	37	41	13	8	1=100
June, 2003	46	35	13	6	*=100
May, 2003	63	29	6	2	*=100
April 11-16, 2003 ²	47	40	10	2	1=100
April 2-7, 2003	54	34	9	2	1=100
March 20-24, 2003	57	33	7	2	1=100
March 13-16, 2003 ³	62	27	6	4	1=100
February, 2003	62	25	8	4	1=100
January, 2003	55	29	10	4	2=100
December, 2002	51	32	10	6	1=100
Late October, 2002	53	33	8	5	1=100
Early October, 2002	60	28	6	5	1=100
Early September, 2002	48	29	15	6	2=100

2 From March 20 to April 16, 2003 the story was listed as “News about the war in Iraq.”

3 From October 2002 to March 13-16, 2003 the story was listed as “Debate over the possibility that the U.S. will take military action in Iraq.” In Early September 2002 the story was listed as “Debate over the possibility that the U.S. will invade Iraq.”

Q.14 CONTINUED...

		Very <u>closely</u>	Fairly <u>closely</u>	Not too <u>closely</u>	Not at all <u>closely</u>	DK/ <u>Ref</u>
b.	The execution of Saddam Hussein	31	33	21	14	1=100
	December, 2003, <i>Capture of Saddam Hussein</i>	44	37	14	5	*=100
	August, 2003 <i>Killing of Hussein's two sons</i>	45	35	13	6	1=100
c.	The death and memorial services of Gerald Ford	25	37	24	13	1=100
	June, 2004 <i>Death and services of Ronald Reagan</i>	40	30	17	11	2=100
	May, 1994 <i>Death and funeral of Richard Nixon</i>	36	37	17	10	*=100
d.	The U.S. air strikes on suspected terrorist sites in Somalia	17	31	27	23	2=100
	August, 1998 <i>U.S. strikes/Afghanistan & Sudan</i> ⁴	44	35	13	8	*=100
e.	News about the incoming Democratic leaders in Congress	25	38	20	16	1=100
	December, 2006	29	36	19	15	1=100
	February, 1995 <i>New Republican leaders</i>	19	32	23	26	*=100
f.	Unusual winter weather	39	35	15	10	1=100
	December, 1998 <i>Unseasonable weather patterns</i>	39	35	13	12	1=100

Q.15 As you may know, the Democrats now hold a majority in Congress. From what you've seen and heard, can you name any issues or policies that Democratic leaders have put forward as priorities? **[IF "YES" PROBE: What issues?]** **[OPEN END; ACCEPT UP TO FIVE ISSUES, PROBE ONCE FOR ADDITIONAL]**

- 27 War in Iraq/Bringing troops home
- 18 Raising the minimum wage
- 7 Health care/Medicare/Prescription drug costs
- 4 Stem cell research
- 3 Education/Making student loans more affordable
- 2 Immigration
- 2 Ethics/lobbying reform
- 2 Repealing tax cuts/Raising taxes
- 1 Energy policy/Ending tax breaks for oil companies/Reducing gas prices
- 1 Homeland security/Implementing 9/11 Commission recommendations
- 1 Social Security
- 1 Global warming
- 1 Balancing the budget/Reducing the deficit
- 4 Other
- 54 No answer/Not sure/Don't know/Refused

NO QUESTION 16

4 In August 1998, the item was worded: "U.S. military strikes against sites linked to terrorists in Afghanistan and Sudan."

Looking ahead...

Q.17 In the 2008 presidential election, who would you MOST like to vote for... a conservative Republican candidate, a moderate Republican candidate, a moderate Democratic candidate or a liberal Democratic candidate? [INTERVIEWER: IF R SAYS "OTHER" OR "SOMEONE ELSE," PROBE ONCE: "If you had to choose..."]

- 15 Conservative Republican candidate
- 16 Moderate Republican candidate
- 32 Moderate Democratic candidate
- 17 Liberal Democratic candidate
- 3 Other (VOL.)
- 7 Depends on candidates (VOL.)
- 10 Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
- 100

Q.18 I'd like to ask you some questions about priorities for President Bush and Congress this year. As I read from a list, tell me if you think the item that I read should be a top priority, important but lower priority, not too important or should it not be done? (First,) should (INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE; OBSERVE FORM DIFFERENCES) be a top priority, important but lower priority, not too important, or should it not be done? (What about (INSERT ITEM)?)

		Top	Important	Not too	Should not	
		priority	but lower	important	be done	DK/Ref
	<u>SUMMARY TABLE</u>					
i.F1	Defending the country from future terrorist attacks	80	16	2	1	1=100
l.F2	Improving the educational system	69	25	4	1	1=100
f.F1	Reducing health care costs	68	24	4	3	1=100
s.F2	Strengthening the nation's economy	68	25	4	2	1=100
m.F2	Taking steps to make the Social Security system financially sound	64	28	5	2	1=100
n.F2	Taking steps to make the Medicare system financially sound	63	31	3	1	2=100
c.F1	Reducing crime	62	31	5	1	1=100
e.F1	Protecting the environment	57	32	9	1	1=100
a.F1	Improving the job situation	57	30	10	1	2=100
t.F2	Dealing with the nation's energy problem	57	35	6	1	1=100
q.F2	Providing health insurance to the uninsured	56	31	7	4	2=100
k.F1	Dealing with the issue of illegal immigration	55	29	11	3	2=100
o.F2	Dealing with the problems of poor and needy people	55	36	6	2	1=100
g.F1	Increasing the minimum wage	53	29	12	4	2=100
b.F1	Reducing the budget deficit	53	33	7	2	4=100
u.F2	Making it tougher for illegal immigrants to enter U.S.	51	31	10	6	2=100
d.F1	Reducing federal income taxes for the middle class	48	35	10	4	3=100
p.F2	Dealing with the moral breakdown in the country	47	30	12	8	3=100
r.F2	Strengthening the U.S. military	46	35	10	5	4=100
w.F2	Dealing with global warming	38	34	16	8	4=100
h.F1	Making recent federal income tax cuts permanent	36	32	12	12	8=100
v.F2	Reducing the influence of lobbyists and special interest groups in Washington	35	30	23	4	8=100
j.F1	Dealing with global trade issues	34	46	12	2	6=100

Q.18 CONTINUED...

<u>FULL TREND</u>		Top	Important	Not too	Should not	
ASK ITEMS a THRU k OF FORM 1 ONLY [N=863]:		<u>priority</u>	<u>but lower</u>	<u>important</u>	<u>be done</u>	<u>DK/Ref</u>
a.F1	Improving the job situation	57	30	10	1	2=100
	January, 2006	65	28	4	1	2=100
	January, 2005	68	28	2	1	1=100
	Mid-January, 2004	67	28	3	1	1=100
	January, 2003	62	32	4	1	1=100
	January, 2002	67	27	4	1	1=100
	January, 2001	60	30	6	2	2=100
	January, 2000	41	35	16	4	4=100
	July, 1999	54	30	10	3	3=100
	January, 1999	50	34	10	2	4=100
	January, 1998	54	32	10	3	1=100
	January, 1997	66	26	5	2	1=100
	December, 1994	64	27	5	2	2=100
b.F1	Reducing the budget deficit	53	34	7	2	4=100
	January, 2006	55	35	5	1	4=100
	January, 2005	56	34	5	2	3=100
	Mid-January, 2004	51	38	6	3	2=100
	January, 2003	40	44	11	2	3=100
	January, 2002	35	44	13	3	5=100
	January, 1997	60	30	5	2	3=100
	December, 1994	65	26	5	1	3=100
c.F1	Reducing crime	62	31	5	1	1=100
	January, 2006	62	29	6	1	2=100
	January, 2005	53	39	5	2	1=100
	Mid-January, 2004	53	34	9	2	2=100
	January, 2003	47	42	8	2	2=100
	January, 2002	53	39	6	*	2=100
	January, 2001	76	19	3	2	*=100
	January, 2000	69	24	4	1	2=100
	July, 1999	76	20	2	1	1=100
	January, 1999	70	24	3	1	2=100
	January, 1998	71	25	2	1	1=100
	January, 1997	70	25	3	2	*=100
	December, 1994	78	17	2	1	2=100
d.F1	Reducing federal income taxes for the middle class	48	35	10	4	3=100
	January, 2006	51	32	8	5	4=100
	January, 2005	48	35	8	6	3=100
	Mid-January, 2004	44	37	12	6	1=100
	January, 2002	43	37	11	6	3=100
	January, 2001	66	26	4	3	1=100
	January, 2000	54	34	7	3	2=100
	July, 1999	57	30	8	4	1=100
	January, 1999	52	33	8	3	4=100
	January, 1998	54	33	8	3	2=100
	January, 1997	42	38	10	8	2=100
	December, 1994	53	32	9	3	3=100

Q.18 CONTINUED...

		Top priority	Important but lower priority	Not too important	Should not be done	DK/Ref
e.F1	Protecting the environment	57	32	9	1	1=100
	January, 2006	57	35	6	1	1=100
	January, 2005	49	42	8	1	*=100
	Mid-January, 2004	49	40	10	1	*=100
	January, 2003	39	50	9	1	1=100
	January, 2002	44	42	12	1	1=100
	January, 2001	63	30	3	3	1=100
	January, 2000	54	37	6	2	1=100
	July, 1999	59	32	7	1	1=100
	January, 1999	52	39	7	1	1=100
	January, 1998	53	37	8	1	1=100
	January, 1997	54	35	8	2	1=100
f.F1	Reducing health care costs	68	24	4	3	1=100
	TREND FOR COMPARISON:					
	Regulating health maintenance organizations (HMOs) and managed health care plans					
	January, 2006	60	28	6	3	3=100
	January, 2005	54	33	7	4	2=100
	Mid-January, 2004	50	35	8	4	3=100
	January, 2003	48	38	7	3	4=100
	January, 2002	50	37	7	4	2=100
	Early September, 2001	54	34	5	5	2=100
	January, 2001	66	22	4	5	3=100
	January, 2000	56	30	7	3	4=100
	July, 1999	57	29	7	4	3=100
g.F1	Increasing the minimum wage	53	29	12	4	2=100
	January, 2006	47	34	10	6	3=100
	January, 2005	43	39	11	6	1=100
	Mid-January, 2004	38	39	17	5	1=100
	Early September, 2001	40	40	13	6	1=100
	January, 2000	34	41	16	6	3=100
h.F1	Making the recent federal income tax cuts permanent	36	32	12	12	8=100
	January, 2005	34	34	12	14	6=100
	January, 2003 ⁵	30	39	15	9	7=100
i.F1	Defending the country from future terrorist attacks	80	16	2	1	1=100
	January, 2006	80	18	1	*	1=100
	January, 2005	75	21	2	1	1=100
	Mid-January, 2004	78	18	2	1	1=100
	January, 2003	81	16	2	1	0=100
	January, 2002	83	15	1	*	1=100

Q.18 CONTINUED...

		Top priority	Important but lower priority	Not too important	Should not be done	DK/Ref
j.F1	Dealing with global trade issues	34	46	12	2	6=100
	January, 2006	30	46	11	5	8=100
	January, 2005	32	47	13	2	6=100
	Mid-January, 2004	32	47	14	3	4=100
	January, 2002	25	55	13	2	5=100
	January, 2001	37	46	8	3	6=100
	January, 2000	30	48	14	1	7=100
k.F1	Dealing with the issue of illegal immigration	55	29	11	3	2=100
ASK ITEMS 1 THRU w OF FORM 2 ONLY [N=845]:						
l.F2	Improving the educational system	69	25	4	1	1=100
	January, 2006	67	26	4	2	1=100
	January, 2005	70	25	2	2	1=100
	Mid-January, 2004	71	23	4	1	1=100
	January, 2003	62	31	4	1	2=100
	January, 2002	66	27	4	1	2=100
	Early September, 2001	76	19	3	1	1=100
	January, 2001	78	17	1	3	1=100
	January, 2000	77	18	3	1	1=100
	July, 1999	74	19	4	1	2=100
	January, 1999	74	22	2	1	1=100
	January, 1998	78	17	3	2	*=100
	January, 1997	75	20	3	2	*=100
m.F2	Taking steps to make the Social Security system financially sound	64	28	5	2	1=100
	January, 2006	64	28	4	2	2=100
	January, 2005	70	25	2	2	1=100
	Mid-January, 2004	65	28	4	2	1=100
	January, 2003	59	34	4	1	2=100
	January, 2002	62	32	3	1	2=100
	Early September, 2001	74	22	2	1	1=100
	January, 2001	74	21	1	2	2=100
	January, 2000	69	27	2	1	1=100
	July, 1999	73	23	3	*	1=100
	January, 1999	71	24	3	1	1=100
	January, 1998	71	24	4	1	*=100
	January, 1997	75	20	2	2	1=100

Q.18 CONTINUED...

		<u>Top</u>	<u>Important</u>	<u>Not too</u>	<u>Should not</u>	<u>DK/Ref</u>
		<u>priority</u>	<u>but lower</u>	<u>important</u>	<u>be done</u>	
			<u>priority</u>			
n.F2	Taking steps to make the Medicare system financially sound	63	31	3	1	2=100
	January, 2006	62	30	4	2	2=100
	January, 2005	67	29	3	1	*=100
	Mid-January, 2004	62	32	4	1	1=100
	January, 2003	56	39	4	*	1=100
	January, 2002	55	38	5	1	1=100
	January, 2001	71	24	2	1	2=100
	January, 2000	64	30	3	1	2=100
	July, 1999	71	24	3	1	1=100
	January, 1999	62	33	2	1	2=100
	January, 1998	64	31	3	1	1=100
	January, 1997	64	31	3	1	1=100
o.F2	Dealing with the problems of poor and needy people	55	36	6	2	1=100
	January, 2006	55	36	6	1	2=100
	January, 2005	59	34	5	1	1=100
	Mid-January, 2004	50	42	6	1	1=100
	January, 2003	48	45	5	1	1=100
	January, 2002	44	46	7	2	1=100
	January, 2001	63	28	6	1	2=100
	January, 2000	55	38	4	1	2=100
	July, 1999	60	33	5	1	1=100
	January, 1999	57	37	4	1	1=100
	January, 1998	57	34	6	2	1=100
	January, 1997	57	35	6	2	*=100
p.F2	Dealing with the moral breakdown in the country	47	30	12	8	3=100
	January, 2006	47	26	14	9	4=100
	January, 2005	41	32	14	10	3=100
	Mid-January, 2004	45	31	13	9	2=100
	January, 2003	39	34	16	7	4=100
	January, 2002	45	32	12	7	4=100
	January, 2001	51	27	10	7	5=100
	January, 2000	48	34	9	6	3=100
	July, 1999	55	28	8	5	4=100
	January, 1999	50	31	10	5	4=100
	January, 1998	48	31	13	6	2=100
	January, 1997	52	29	10	6	3=100
q.F2	Providing health insurance to the uninsured	56	31	7	4	2=100
	January, 2006	59	30	6	2	3=100
	January, 2005	60	30	7	2	1=100
	Mid-January, 2004	54	34	8	3	1=100
	January, 2003	45	41	10	2	2=100
	January, 2002	43	45	7	3	2=100
	January, 2001	61	31	4	2	2=100
	January, 2000	55	32	8	2	3=100

Q.18 CONTINUED...

		Top priority	Important but lower priority	Not too important	Should not be done	DK/Ref
r.F2	Strengthening the U.S. military	46	35	10	5	4=100
	January, 2006	42	36	13	6	3=100
	January, 2005	52	35	8	3	2=100
	Mid-January, 2004	48	31	15	5	1=100
	January, 2003	48	34	11	4	3=100
	January, 2002	52	37	7	2	2=100
	January, 2001	48	37	8	5	2=100
s.F2	Strengthening the nation's economy	68	25	4	2	1=100
	January, 2006	66	26	5	1	2=100
	January, 2005	75	22	2	*	1=100
	Mid-January, 2004	79	16	2	1	2=100
	January, 2003	73	23	2	1	1=100
	January, 2002	71	26	2	*	1=100
	Early September, 2001 ⁶	80	18	1	*	1=100
	January, 2001	81	15	2	1	1=100
	January, 2000	70	25	3	1	1=100
t.F2	Dealing with the nation's energy problem	57	35	6	1	1=100
	January, 2006	58	33	6	1	2=100
	January, 2005	47	42	7	1	3=100
	Mid-January, 2004	46	41	10	1	2=100
	January, 2003	40	46	10	1	3=100
	January, 2002	42	46	7	2	3=100
	Early September, 2001 ⁷	46	41	6	2	5=100
u.F2	Making it tougher for illegal immigrants to enter the U.S.	51	31	10	6	2=100
	January, 2006	51	26	14	6	3=100
v.F2	Reducing the influence of lobbyists and special interest groups in Washington	35	30	23	4	8=100
w.F2	Dealing with global warming	38	34	16	8	4=100

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=863]:

Q.19F1 What's your view... Do you think the country is more politically divided these days than in the past, or not?

		Sept <u>2006</u>	Dec <u>2004</u>
66	More politically divided	70	66
28	Not more divided	24	26
<u>6</u>	Don't know/Refused	<u>6</u>	<u>8</u>
100		100	100

6 In Early September 2001, January 2001 and January 2000 the item was worded: "Keeping the economy strong."

7 In Early September 2001 the item was worded: "Passing a comprehensive energy plan."

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=845]:

Q.20F2 Thinking about the people you know, are they more divided over politics these days than in the past, or not?

		Dec
		<u>2004</u>
51	More divided over politics	53
41	Not more divided	40
<u>8</u>	Don't know/Refused	<u>7</u>
100		100

ASK ALL:

ROTATE Q.21 AND Q.22

Q.21 Are Democratic leaders in Congress making an effort to reach out to Republicans to work out solutions to policy problems, or don't you think so?

39	Yes, making an effort
41	No, not making an effort
<u>20</u>	Don't know/Refused
100	

Q.22 Is the Bush administration making an effort to reach out to the Democratic leaders in Congress to work out solutions to policy problems, or don't you think so?

33	Yes, making an effort
53	No, not making an effort
<u>14</u>	Don't know/Refused
100	

ROTATE Q.23 AND Q.24

Q.23 In general, do the Democratic leaders in Congress right now take positions that are more liberal than yours, more conservative than yours, or similar to yours?

35	More liberal
12	More conservative
39	Similar positions
2	Mixed/Depends (VOL.)
<u>12</u>	Don't know/Refused
100	

Q.24 Do you think President Bush generally takes positions that are more liberal than yours, more conservative than yours, or similar to yours?

19	More liberal
39	More conservative
31	Similar positions
2	Mixed/Depends (VOL.)
<u>9</u>	Don't know/Refused
100	

Q.25 As I read some characteristics associated with political leaders in Washington, please tell me how much you like or dislike each. We'll use a scale from 4 to 1 where "4" represents something you like a lot and "1" represents something you dislike a lot. On this scale, how would you rate political leaders who **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE ITEMS a. THRU c. FOLLOWED BY RANDOMIZED ITEMS d. THRU f.]**? How about political leaders who **[INSERT ITEM]**?

		Like		Dislike		<u>DK/Ref.</u>
		Lot	3	2	1	
a.	Take conservative positions on nearly all issues	14	24	28	29	5=100
b.	Take liberal positions on nearly all issues	11	21	27	35	6=100
c.	Take a mix of liberal and conservative positions	28	32	25	9	6=100
d.	Are willing to compromise	49	26	13	8	4=100
e.	Stick to their positions, even if unpopular	44	23	15	13	5=100
f.	Often side with members of the other party	16	28	31	17	8=100

Q.26 All things considered, which do you admire most? **[READ AND ROTATE]**:

51 Political leaders who make compromises
 OR
 40 Political leaders who stick to their positions
9 Don't know/Refused (**VOL.**)
 100

QUESTIONS 27-30a HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK ALL:

Thinking again about Congress...

Q.31 Generally, do you think Democratic leaders in Congress will be successful or unsuccessful in getting their programs passed into law?

		Mid-		
		Nov <u>2006</u>	Sept <u>1995</u> ⁸	Dec <u>1994</u>
57	Successful	59	54	62
25	Unsuccessful	22	31	24
5	Mixed/get some passed (VOL.)	6	n/a	4
<u>13</u>	Don't know/Refused	<u>13</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>10</u>
100		100	100	100

8 In September 1995 and December 1994, the question asked about "Republican leaders in Congress." In September 1995, the question was worded "In general, would you say the Republican leaders in Congress have been successful or unsuccessful so far this year in getting their programs passed into law?"

ROTATE Q.32 AND Q.33

Q.32 This year should the Democratic leaders in Washington... **(READ)**

		Mid- Nov <u>2006</u>	Dec <u>1994</u> ⁹
55	Try as best they can to work with George W. Bush to accomplish things, even if it means disappointing some groups of Democratic supporters	55	69
	OR		
40	Should they stand up to George W. Bush on issues that are important to Democratic supporters, even if it means less gets done in Washington?	36	23
<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>
100		100	100

Q.33 This year should the Republican leaders in Washington... **(READ)**

		Mid- Nov <u>2006</u>
69	Try as best they can to work with Democratic leaders to accomplish things, even if it means disappointing some groups of Republican supporters?	71
	OR	
24	Should they stand up to the Democrats on issues that are important to Republican supporters, even if it means less gets done in Washington?	20
<u>7</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>9</u>
100		100

Q.34 Do you think relations between Republicans and Democrats in Washington will get better in the coming year, get worse, or stay about the same as they are now?

		Mid- Nov <u>2006</u>
28	Get better	29
19	Get worse	20
49	Stay about the same	46
<u>4</u>	Don't know/Refused	<u>5</u>
100		100

9 In December 1994, the answer categories referred to "Republican leaders" rather than "George W. Bush." Results also exist for November 2004 and November 1996, but questions were not asked of general public.

Q.35 Please tell me which political party, the Republicans or the Democrats, comes closer to your view on each issue I name. First, which party's position comes closer to your views on... **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]?** **[IF RESPONDENT CHOOSES EITHER PARTY FOR ANY ITEM, FOLLOW UP WITH Q.36, THEN MOVE ON TO THE NEXT ITEM IN Q.36]** And which party comes closer to your view on **[NEXT ITEM]**?

		<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democratic</u>	<u>(VOL) Neither</u>	<u>(VOL) No Diff.</u>	<u>DK/ Ref</u>
a.	Abortion policy	34	42	3	2	19=100
	February, 1997	31	40	4	2	23=100
b.	The environment	24	50	3	2	21=100
	February, 1997	27	44	3	2	24=100
c.	Iraq	35	49	5	1	10=100
d.	Illegal immigration	34	35	7	3	21=100
e.	Federal taxes	34	44	5	1	16=100
	February, 1997 <i>Federal budget</i>	39	39	4	1	17=100

Q.36 Do you think that the **[INSERT PARTY IN Q.35: Republican/Democratic]** party should compromise on this issue, so that the two parties could reach some agreement, or do you think the **[INSERT PARTY]** party should stick to its position on this issue even if it means no progress is made?

BASED ON THOSE WHO CHOSE EITHER PARTY IN Q.35:

		<u>Yes Compromise</u>	<u>Stick to Position</u>	<u>(VOL) Depends</u>	<u>DK/ Ref</u>
a.	Abortion policy (N=1312)	25	72	1	2=100
	February, 1997	30	64	1	5=100
b.	The environment (N=1294)	54	43	1	2=100
	February, 1997	54	42	2	2=100
c.	Iraq (N=1419)	45	51	1	3=100
d.	Illegal immigration (N=1150)	50	47	1	2=100
e.	Federal taxes (N=1356)	50	46	1	3=100
	February, 1997 <i>Federal budget</i>	64	33	1	2=100

QUESTIONS 37 THROUGH 44 AND 46 THROUGH 51 IN PREVIOUS RELEASE

NO QUESTION 45

ASK ALL:

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or Independent?

	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	(VOL.) No Preference	(VOL.) Other Party	DK/ Ref
January, 2007	24	35	34	3	*	4=100
December, 2006	25	35	32	5	*	3=100
Mid-November, 2006	25	36	32	4	*	3=100
Late October, 2006	26	32	33	5	1	3=100
Early October, 2006	27	34	33	3	*	3=100
Early September, 2006	30	34	30	3	*	3=100
August, 2006	30	33	30	4	*	3=100
July, 2006	29	33	31	4	1	2=100
June, 2006	29	34	31	4	*	2=100
April, 2006	29	32	33	3	*	3=100
March, 2006	28	34	30	4	*	4=100
February, 2006	30	33	31	3	*	3=100
January, 2006	28	32	32	5	*	3=100
December, 2005	29	34	31	4	*	2=100
Late November, 2005	27	34	29	5	1	4=100
Early November, 2005	28	34	31	5	*	2=100
Late October, 2005	29	33	31	5	*	2=100
Early October, 2005	26	34	34	4	*	2=100
September 8-11, 2005	31	32	33	3	*	1=100
September 6-7, 2005	27	33	33	4	1	3=100
July, 2005	31	34	29	4	*	2=100
June, 2005	30	32	32	4	*	2=100
Yearly Totals						
2005	30	33	31	4	*	2=100
2004	30	33	30	4	*	3=100
2003	30	31	31	5	*	3=100
2002	30	31	30	5	1	3=100
2001	29	34	29	5	*	3=100
2001 Post-Sept 11	31	32	28	5	1	3=100
2001 Pre-Sept 11	28	35	30	5	*	2=100
2000	28	33	29	6	*	4=100
1999	27	33	34	4	*	2=100
1998	28	33	32	5	*	2=100
1997	28	33	32	4	1	2=100
1996	29	33	33	5=100		
1995	32	30	34	4=100		
1994	30	32	34	4=100		
1993	27	34	34	5=100		
1992	28	33	35	4=100		
1991	31	32	33	4=100		
1990	31	33	30	6=100		
1989	33	33	34=100			
1987	26	35	39=100			

IF ANSWERED 3, 4, 5 OR 9 IN PARTY, ASK:

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Refused to lean</u>
January, 2007	12	17	12=41%
December, 2006	11	17	12=40%
Mid-November, 2006	9	18	12= 39%
Late October, 2006	10	17	15=42%
Early October, 2006	12	15	12=39%
September, 2006	10	15	11=36%
August, 2006	12	14	11=37%
July, 2006	11	14	13=38%
June, 2006	10	16	11=37%
April, 2006	12	17	10=39%
March, 2006	11	14	13=38%
February, 2006	11	16	10=37%
January, 2006	10	16	14=40%
December, 2005	10	16	11=37%
Late November, 2005	9	13	17=39%
Early November, 2005	11	14	13=38%
Late October, 2005	11	15	12=38%
Early October, 2005	11	18	11=40%
September 8-11, 2005	10	18	9=37%
September 8-11, 2005	10	18	9=37%
September 6-7, 2005	10	15	15=40%
July, 2005	9	15	11=35%
June, 2005	10	16	12=38%
Mid-May, 2005	9	13	14=36%
Late March, 2005	13	17	9=39%
December, 2004	14	12	9=35%
August, 2003	12	16	14=42%
August, 2002	12	13	13=38%
September, 2000	11	13	15=39%
Late September, 1999	14	15	16=45%
August, 1999	15	15	12=42%

CVOTE06A In the 2006 elections for CONGRESS, did things come up which kept you from voting, or did you happen to vote?

IF RESPONDENT ANSWERED "1" YES, ASK:

CVOTE06B Did you happen to vote for a Republican candidate or a Democratic candidate for U.S. Congress in your district?

64	Yes, voted
23	Republican
34	Democrat
1	Other/Independent Candidate
1	Didn't vote for Congress
5	Don't know/Refused
35	No, didn't vote (includes too young to vote)
<u>1</u>	DK/Refused
100	

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ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=982]:

Q.20F1 Now I am going to read you another series of statements on some different topics. For each statement, please tell me if you completely agree with it, mostly agree with it, mostly DISagree with it or completely disagree with it. The first one is... **[READ ITEMS, IN ORDER. DO NOT ROTATE. OBSERVE FORM SPLIT ON ITEMS aa AND bb (¼ SAMPLE EACH)]**

		-----AGREE-----			----DISAGREE----			
		Comp-			Comp-			Don't
		<u>Net</u>	<u>letely</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>Net</u>	<u>letely</u>	<u>Mostly</u>	<u>Know</u>
h.F1	I like political leaders who are willing to make compromises in order to get the job done	79	29	50	16	5	11	5=100
	August, 2003	77	28	49	19	6	13	4=100
	August, 2002	78	30	48	18	6	12	4=100
	Late September, 1999	77	32	45	19	4	15	4=100
	November, 1997	78	32	46	19	5	14	3=100
	May, 1990	71	23	48	23	6	17	6=100
	May, 1988	72	23	49	22	5	17	6=100
	May, 1987	72	16	56	20	4	16	8=100