## NEW MODELS HOUSE NATIONAL BRAND SURVEY October 30-31, 2006 $\mathrm{N}=1000 \mathrm{RV}$

1. In thinking about this year's election for Congress, based on scale of 1 to 9 , where 1 is that you will not be voting and 9 is that you will absolutely be voting, how likely are you to vote in the election?

MEAN: 8.45
2. On a scale of $1-9$ with 1 being not excited at all, 5 being neutral, and 9 being very excited, how excited are you about this year's election for Congress?

MEAN: 6.05
3. Generally speaking, would you say things in the country are headed in the right direction, or are things seriously headed off on the wrong track?

1. Right Direction 32
2. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) 9
3. Wrong Track 59
4. Overall would you say that you approve or disapprove of the job George Bush is doing as President?
5. Approve 41
6. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) 4
7. Disapprove 56

Please tell me for each of the following whether you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of that group or person. (IF CHOICE IS MADE, ASK) Would you say you have a strongly (FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE) impression or just a somewhat (FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE) impression? (ROTATE)
5. Republicans in Congress
6. Democrats in Congress
7. Nancy Pelosi

## Favorable

40

48
26Unfavorable

53
46
35

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8. Which of the following issues would you say is the most important to you in deciding how to vote for Congress? (ROTATE)

1. Education
2. Social Security 6
3. Retirement and Investments 1
4. Terrorism 8
5. Health Care/Prescription Drugs 9
6. The Economy 14
7. Jobs 3
8. Taxes ..... 3
9. Crime and Safety ..... 1
10. Environment ..... 3
11. National Defense/Foreign Affairs/Iraq ..... 28
12. National Deficit ..... 2
13. Energy ..... 1
14. Gas prices ..... 1
15. Immigration ..... 7
16. Other (SPECIFY) ..... 2
17. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 4
Which party do you have more confidence in to handle the issue of (ROTATE LIST BELOW),
(ROTATE) the Republican Party or the Democratic Party?

|  | REP | DEM |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 9. Education |  |  |
| 10. Social Security | 36 | 52 |
| 11. Health Care/Prescription Drugs | 36 | 53 |
| 12. The economy | 33 | 54 |
| 13. Jobs | 43 | 48 |
| 14. War in Iraq | 42 | 50 |
| 15. Energy and Gas Prices | 41 | 48 |
| 16. Fiscal Responsibility | 34 | 52 |
| 17. Immigration | 41 | 46 |
| 18. War on Terror | 41 | 44 |

(ROTATE 19-21 WITH 22-24)
19. In the last couple of weeks, have you seen, read or heard anything that Congressional Republicans were doing?

1. Yes (GO TO Q20) ..... 56
2. No (GO TO Q22) ..... 43
3. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) (GO TO Q22) ..... 1
4. What was it?
5. Iraq War/Soldiers in Iraq/Issues Entering War ..... 23
6. Immigration/Border Control ..... 18
7. Upcoming Election ..... 13
8. Foley Mention ..... 12
9. Democrats Are Obstructionists/Politics as Usual ..... 7
10. The Economy/Trade ..... 6
11. Political Scandals ..... 6
12. Taxes ..... 4
13. General Republican Negative ..... 4
14. Terrorism ..... 4
15. Supports President Bush ..... 3
16. National Defense/Security/Foreign Affairs ..... 3
17. Social Security/Private Investment Accounts ..... 3
18. Health Care/Prescription Drugs ..... 3
19. High Gas Prices/Energy Problems/Oil ..... 2
20. Jobs/Minimum Wage ..... 2
21. Gay Marriage/Marriage Amendment ..... 2
22. National Deficit/Budget ..... 2
23. Education/No Child Left Behind ..... 1
24. Abortion ..... 1
25. Stem Cell Research ..... 1
26. Environment/Energy Exploration/ANWR ..... 1
27. Lobbyists/Bribery Issues ..... 1
28. Issues with North Korea ..... 1
29. John McCain Mention ..... 1
30. Civil Rights ..... --
31. Tom DeLay Mention ..... --
32. NSA Wiretapping ..... --
33. Geneva Convention/Interrogation/Handling Prisoners/Torture Detainees ..... --
34. Crime/Safety--
35. Hurricane Issue ..... --
36. Retirement/Investments ..... --
37. Gun Control--
38. Issues Between Israel and Lebanon ..... --
39. Corporate Accountability/Big Business ..... --
40. Bill Frist Mention ..... --
41. Nothing ..... 3
42. Other ..... 3
43. Don't Know/Don't Remember/Refused ..... 13
44. Did it make you more favorable or less favorable to Congressional Republicans?
45. More Favorable ..... 35
46. Less Favorable ..... 52
47. No Difference (DO NOT READ) ..... 13
48. In the last couple of weeks have you seen, read or heard anything that Congressional Democrats were doing?
49. Yes (GO TO Q23) 47
50. No (GO TO Q25) 50
51. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)(GO TO Q25) 2
52. What was it?
53. Iraq War/Soldiers at War/Issues Entering War 25
54. Democrats Are Obstructionists/Infighting 17
55. Upcoming Election 16
56. Immigration/Border Control 6
57. Health Care/Prescription Drugs 6
58. Jobs/Minimum Wage 5
59. Social Security/Private Investment Accounts 5
60. General Democrat Negative 5
61. Education/No Child Left Behind 4
62. The Economy/Trade 4
63. Taxes 4
64. Foley Mention 4
65. High Gas Prices/Energy Problems/Oil 3
66. Pelosi Mention 3
67. National Deficit/Budget 2
68. Gay Marriage/Marriage Amendment 1
69. Environment/Drilling in ANWR/Exploration ..... 1
70. Terrorism ..... 1
71. Scandals (General) ..... 1
72. Hillary Clinton Mention ..... 1
73. Stem Cell Research ..... 1
74. Abortion Issues ..... 1
75. Retirement/Investments ..... 1
76. National Defense/Foreign Affairs/Security ..... --
77. John Kerry Mention ..... --
78. NSA Wiretapping ..... --
79. Issues With North Korea ..... --
80. Civil Rights ..... --
81. Reid Mention ..... --
82. Hurricane Issue ..... --
83. Geneva Convention/Interrogation/Handling Prisoners/Torture Detainees ..... --
84. Ted Kennedy Mention ..... --
85. Issues Between Israel and Lebanon ..... --
86. Lobbyist Control/Bribery Issues ..... --
87. Gun Control ..... --
88. Crime and Safety ..... --
89. Corporate Accountability/Big Business ..... --
90. Nothing ..... 6
91. Other ..... 4
92. Don't Know/Don't Remember/Refused ..... 12
93. Did it make you more favorable or less favorable to Congressional Democrats?
94. More Favorable ..... 48
95. Less Favorable ..... 42
96. No Difference (DO NOT READ) ..... 10
97. If the elections were held today for US Congress in your state, would you be more likely to vote for (ROTATE) the Republican candidate or the Democrat candidate? (IF UNDECIDED ASK:) would you be leaning toward (ROTATE) the Republican candidate or the Democratic candidate?
98. Republican 41
99. Lean Republican 1
100. Undecided 3
101. Lean Democrat 1
102. Democrat 51
103. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 2

TOTAL REPUBLICAN: 43
TOTAL DEMOCRAT: 52

## IF CHOICE MADE IN Q25:

26. On a scale of $1-9$, with 1 being you are absolutely certain of who you are going to vote for Congress and 9 being that you may change your vote, how likely would you say you are to change your vote before the election?

MEAN: 2.83

## Economy/Jobs/Spending

27. Generally speaking, would you say the economy is headed in the right direction, or is it seriously headed off on the wrong track?
28. Right Direction
29. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) 6
30. Wrong Track47

## Belief Statements

I am going to read a series of statements. For each, please tell me if you believe or do not believe the statement. (ROTATE STATEMENTS 28-31)
28. Democrats have a plan to put America back on the right track.

| 1. | Believe | 45 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2. | Do Not Believe | 51 |
| 3. | DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) | 4 |

29. If the Democrats take control of Congress in November, your family and you will be safer in the War on Terror.
30. Believe 37
31. Do Not Believe 57
32. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 6
33. While the War in Iraq has been more difficult than anticipated, it is essential for us to win in order to succeed in the overall War on Terror.
34. Believe 52
35. Do Not Believe 44
36. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 4

Now just a few demographic questions for statistical purposes only --
33. What are the two main sources of your news about national issues such as politics, Iraq, the economy, education, and health care? (DO NOT READ - ALLOW THEM TO VOLUNTEER A RESPONSE AND CODE AS FOLLOWS)

1. ABC News 8
2. NBC News 8
3. CBS News 4
4. Local TV news 28
5. CNN News 19
6. MSNBC/CNBC News 4
7. Fox News 15
8. CSpan 1
9. Daily newspaper 50
10. News magazines such as Time, US News, and Newsweek 6
11. Opinion magazines like Weekly Standard --
12. Websites of news organizations such as cnn.com, msnbc.com, 8 nytimes.com, and TV station websites
13. News Pages of Internet Service Providers such as Yahoo! News and 5 MSN News
14. Opinion websites like Drudge Report or slate.com --
15. National Public Radio 8
16. Religious radio shows --
17. Talk radio like Rush Limbaugh 3
18. General radio news station 4
19. Public television news shows like McNeil Lehrer 1
20. Comedy Shows like the Daily Show with Jon Stewart --
21. Late Night TV Shows like Jay Leno --
22. Morning TV shows like Today, Good Morning America 1
23. Political Talk Shows on cable, such as CNN's Crossfire and MSNBC's -Hardball
24. Sunday News Shows such as NBC's Meet the Press and ABC's This Week --
25. Other 14
26. DK/Refused 3
27. In what year were you born?
28. 18-34 12
29. $35-44$ 13
30. 45-54 22
31. 55-64 24
32. 65+ 28
33. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself (ROTATE) a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or something else?
34. Republican 36
35. Democrat 36
36. Independent 25
37. Other 2
38. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 1
39. If you had to classify yourself, would you say you are (ROTATE) liberal, moderate, or conservative in your political beliefs?
40. Liberal 19
41. Moderate 46
42. Conservative 34
43. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 1
44. Are there children in your household under the age of 18 years old?
45. Yes 29
46. No 71
47. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) --
48. In thinking back to 2002 , did you vote in the general election?
49. Yes, at a polling place 81
50. Yes, through absentee ballot 11
51. No 6
52. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 1
53. What is your current marital status?
54. Single, never married 13
55. Married 65
56. Separated --
57. Divorced 9
58. Widowed 11
59. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 1
60. What is the annual income of your household before taxes? Is it...
61. Less than 15K 8
62. 15K-30K 12
63. 30K-50K 18
64. 50K-75K 19
65. $75 \mathrm{~K}-100 \mathrm{~K} \quad 11$
66. Over 100K 16
67. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 15
68. What is your religion?
69. Evangelical/Fundamentalist Protestant 14
70. Mainline Protestant 19
71. Catholic 23
72. Jewish 2
73. Mormon 2
74. Atheist/ Agnostic 5
75. Other 27
76. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 8
77. How often do you attend church?
78. More than once a week 14
79. Once a week 30
80. Once or twice a month 13
81. Several times a year 12
82. Hardly ever 16
83. Never 11
84. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 4
85. What is your race?
86. Hispanic 6
87. African-American 7
88. Asiatic 1
89. White 84
90. Other (SPECIFY) 1
91. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 2
92. Do you own an iPod or other type of portable mp3 player?
93. Yes 19
94. No 79
95. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 2

Gender: (BY OBSERVATION)

1. Male 47
2. Female 53

What type of area do you live in? (TAKEN FROM SAMPLE)

1. Urban 25
2. Suburban 54
3. Rural 20

Region: (TAKEN FROM SAMPLE)

1. Northeast 19
2. South 30
3. Midwest 19
4. Plains/Mountains 14
5. West Coast 15
