## NEW MODELS NATIONAL BRAND SURVEY <br> May 31-June 1, 2008 <br> N=1000 Registered Voters

1. 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?
2. Right Direction 18
3. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) 8
4. Wrong Track 73
5. Overall would you say that you approve or disapprove of the job George Bush is doing as President?
6. Approve 32
7. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) 5
8. Disapprove 63
9. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Congress is doing?
10. Approve 16
11. Disapprove 75
12. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 9

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)

|  | Total Favorable | Total Unfavorable |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| 4. Republicans in Congress | 36 | 59 |
| 5. | Democrats in Congress | 40 |
| 55 |  |  |
| 6. Conservatives | 45 | 46 |
| 7. Liberals | 36 | 53 |

8. Which of the following issues would you say is the most important to you in deciding how to vote for Congress? (ROTATE)
9. Education
10. Social Security 4
11. Retirement and Investments 1
12. Terrorism 3
13. Health Care/Prescription Drugs 8
14. The Economy 29
15. Jobs 3
16. Taxes ..... 3
17. Crime and Safety ..... -
18. Environment ..... 2
19. National Defense/Foreign Affairs/Iraq ..... 15
20. National Deficit/Spending ..... 4
21. Energy ..... 4
22. Gas prices ..... 8
23. Immigration ..... 4
24. Other (SPECIFY) ..... 5
25. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 3
26. 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?
27. Republican 40
28. Lean Republican 3
29. Undecided 5
30. Lean Democrat 3
31. Democrat 47
32. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 3

TOTAL REPUBLICAN 43
TOTAL DEMOCRAT 50

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10. What group of issues concerns you the most? (ROTATE)
11. Economic - like taxes, budget, and jobs 44
12. Social - like education, health care, and the environment 23
13. Moral - like prayer in school, abortion, and gay rights 13
14. Foreign Affairs - like defense, terrorism and international relations 18
15. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 2

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)
11. The free market is a better way to solve problems than government.

1. Believe 56
2. Do not believe 34
3. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 11
4. Lowering taxes will benefit the economy.
5. Believe 60
6. Do not believe 36
7. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 4
8. Increasing taxes on the rich would hurt the economy.
9. Believe 32
10. Do not believe 66
11. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 3
12. Government should help people.
13. Believe 79
14. Do not believe 16
15. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 5
16. I prefer a free market solution, but I would consider a government solution if there isn't a free market solution.
17. Believe 66
18. Do not believe 24
19. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 10
20. On the issue of health care, we should let the free market solve that problem rather than getting government involved.
21. Believe 47
22. Do not believe 48
23. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 5
24. Cutting government spending is the most important thing that we could do to get the economy back on track.
25. Believe 66
26. Do not believe 31
27. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 3
28. The most important issue facing our economy is dealing with entitlements.
29. Believe 32
30. Do not believe 52
31. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 16
32. America should have universal health care coverage.
33. Believe 58
34. Do not believe 38
35. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 4
36. The only way to ensure equal opportunities based on class, race and gender is through government; the private sector cannot be entrusted to do that.
37. Believe 32
38. Do not believe 65
39. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 4
40. We need a national education policy to ensure we remain competitive with the rest of the world.
41. Believe 68
42. Do not believe 29
43. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 3
44. Illegal immigration is significantly hurting the country.
45. Believe 62
46. Do not believe 34
47. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 3
48. Even if it hurts the economy, we need to protect the environment, such as not drilling for oil off the coast.
49. Believe 43
50. Do not believe 53
51. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 4
52. We should sit down and negotiate with any country or group with no pre-conditions.
53. Believe 37
54. Do not believe 59
55. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 4
56. The war in Afghanistan is more important to America's security than the war in Iraq.
57. Believe 37
58. Do not believe 50
59. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 13
60. America has the right to act unilaterally to protect our interests.
61. Believe 65
62. Do not believe 28
63. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 7
64. America has been arrogant in dealing with the rest of the world.
65. Believe 55
66. Do not believe 42
67. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 2
68. Terrorism is the most important security threat facing the country.
69. Believe 60
70. Do not believe 37
71. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 3
72. We should withdraw troops from Iraq immediately.
73. Believe
74. Do not believe ..... 58
75. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 4
76. Who do you have more confidence in to provide/offer solutions to America's problems? (ROTATE)
77. Conservatives 49
78. Liberals 33
79. Neither (DO NOT READ) 12
80. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 6

Now just a few demographic questions for statistical purposes only --
31. 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. Daily newspaper 45
2. Local TV news 23
3. CNN News 19
4. Fox News 13
5. Websites of news organizations such as cnn.com, msnbc.com, 13
6. nytimes.com, and TV station websites
7. NBC News 8
8. ABC News 6
9. News magazines such as Time, US News, 6
10. and Newsweek
11. National Public Radio 6
12. News Pages of Internet Service Providers such as 5
13. Yahoo News and MSN News
14. CBS News 4
15. MSNBC/CNBC News 4
16. Talk radio like Rush Limbaugh 4
17. General radio news station 3
18. Public television news shows like McNeil Lehrer 1
19. CSpan -
20. Opinion magazines like Weekly Standard -
21. Opinion websites like Drudge Report or slate.com
22. Religious radio shows
23. Comedy Shows like the Daily Show with Jon Stewart
24. Late Night TV Shows like Jay Leno
25. Morning TV shows like Today, Good Morning America
26. Political Talk Shows on cable, such as CNN's Crossfire and MSNBC's Hardball
27. Sunday News Shows such as NBC's Meet the Press and ABC's This Week
28. Other 16
29. DK/Refused 6
30. In what year were you born?
31. 18-34 9
32. $35-44$ 15
33. $45-54$ 20
34. $55-64$ 23
35. $65+\quad 31$
36. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself (ROTATE) a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or something else?
37. Republican 35
38. Democrat 37
39. Independent 25
40. Other 2
41. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 1
42. If you had to classify yourself, would you say you are (ROTATE) liberal, moderate, or conservative in your political beliefs?
43. Liberal 20
44. Moderate 46
45. Conservative 32
46. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 2
47. Are there children in your household under the age of 18 years old?
48. Yes 30
49. No 69
50. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 1
51. What is your current marital status?
52. Single, never married 13
53. Married 65
54. Separated 1
55. Divorced 8
56. Widowed 11
57. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 1
58. What is the annual income of your household before taxes? Is it...
59. Less than $15 \mathrm{~K} \quad 7$
60. 15 K -30K 10
61. $30 \mathrm{~K}-50 \mathrm{~K} \quad 14$
62. 50K-75K 18
63. $75 \mathrm{~K}-100 \mathrm{~K}$ (14
64. Over 100K 20
65. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) 16
66. What is your religion?
67. Evangelical/Fundamentalist Protestant 9
68. Mainline Protestant 16
69. Catholic ..... 24
70. Jewish ..... 3
71. Mormon ..... 2
72. Atheist/ Agnostic ..... 5
73. Other ..... 35
74. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 7
75. What is your race?
76. Hispanic ..... 5
77. African-American ..... 7
78. Asiatic ..... 1
79. White ..... 84
80. Other (SPECIFY) ..... 1
81. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 2
Gender: (BY OBSERVATION)
82. Male ..... 48
83. Female ..... 52
What type of area do you live in? (TAKEN FROM SAMPLE)
84. Urban ..... 26
85. Suburban ..... 55
86. Rural ..... 18
Region: (Region taken from sample information)

- Northeast ..... 18
- South ..... 28
- Midwest ..... 22
- Plains/Mountains ..... 17
- West Coast ..... 16

