



THE WINSTON GROUP

**2006 NEW MODELS POST-ELECTION SURVEY
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N=1000 RV**

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?

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| 1. Right Direction | 36 |
| 2. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) | 9 |
| 3. Wrong Track | 55 |

2. Overall would you say that you approve or disapprove of the job George Bush is doing as President?

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| 1. Approve | 41 |
| 2. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) | 3 |
| 3. 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)**

	Favorable	Unfavorable
3. Republicans in the US Senate	40	54
4. Democrats in the US Senate	50	44

5. Which of the following issues was most important to you in deciding who to vote for in the election for Congress? **(ROTATE)**

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| 1. Education | 5 |
| 2. Social Security | 5 |
| 3. Retirement and Investments | 1 |
| 4. Terrorism | 12 |
| 5. Health Care/Prescription Drugs | 8 |
| 6. The Economy | 13 |
| 7. Jobs | 3 |
| 8. Taxes | 4 |
| 9. Crime and Safety | 1 |
| 10. Environment | 3 |
| 11. National Defense/Foreign Affairs/Iraq | 24 |
| 12. National Deficit | 3 |
| 13. Energy | 1 |
| 14. Gas prices | 2 |
| 15. Immigration | 8 |
| 16. Other (SPECIFY) | 7 |

17. Don't Know/Refused (**DO NOT READ**)

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I am going to read a list of specific issues. On a scale of 1-9, please tell me how important each issue was in determining how you voted for Congress, with 1 being not important at all and 9 being extremely important. (**ROTATE LIST**)

6. The war in Iraq and war on terror	7.71 (mean)
7. Stem cell research	6.16 (mean)
8. Immigration and border security	6.67 (mean)
9. Job creation and the economy	7.18 (mean)
10. Taxes	6.79 (mean)
11. Gas prices and energy	6.41 (mean)
12. Republicans' handling of recent allegations against former Congressman Mark Foley	4.90 (mean)
13. Cost of health care and prescription drugs	6.77 (mean)
14. Gay marriage	4.63 (mean)
15. The situation involving Terri Schiavo	3.90 (mean)
16. The Bush administration's response to Hurricane Katrina	5.48 (mean)
17. Allegations of Congressional corruption involving Jack Abramoff	5.26 (mean)
18. The death sentence for Saddam Hussein	4.78 (mean)

19. What was the theme or issue that you heard Republican campaigns and candidates talking about most?

1. War in Iraq	24
2. National Security/Terrorism	22
3. Negative Campaigning	17
4. Taxes	13
5. Economy	12
6. Immigration/Border Control	7
7. Stay the Course	4
8. Social Issues	3
9. Health Care	2
10. Campaign/Re-election	1
11. Education	1
12. Nothing	2
13. Other	6
14. Don't Know/Don't Remember/Refused	10

20. Did this make you more favorable or less favorable to vote for Republican candidates?

1. More Favorable	36
2. Less Favorable	53
3. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)	11

21. What was the theme or issue that you heard Democratic campaigns and candidates talking about most?

1. War in Iraq	38
2. Negative Campaigning/Corruption/Hate Bush	25
3. Economy	8
4. Need for Change	6
5. Taxes	6
6. Health Care	4

7. Education	4
8. National Security/Terrorism	3
9. Social Issues	3
10. Immigration/Border Control	2
11. Environment	1
12. Campaign/Re-election	1
13. Nothing	3
14. Other	7
15. Don't Know/Don't Remember/Refused	9

22. Did this make you more favorable or less favorable to vote for Democratic candidates?

1. More Favorable	46
2. Less Favorable	43
3. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)	11

23. Which is more important to you when deciding to vote for a candidate for Congress?
(**ROTATE**)

1. His or her ability to do things that help people in your Congressional district	34
2. You agree with his or her positions on major national issues	60
3. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)	6

24. For which candidate did you vote for US Congress from your district? (**ROTATE**)

1. Republican candidate	39
2. Democratic candidate	48
3. Independent or third party candidate	5

(SENATE BALLOT ASKED IN SENATE STATES ONLY)

25. For which candidate did you vote for US Senate from your state? (**ROTATE**)

1. Republican candidate	42
2. Democratic candidate	52
3. Independent or third party candidate	6

26. Generally speaking, would you say the economy is headed in the right direction, or is it seriously headed off on the wrong track?

1. Right Direction	50
2. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ)	7
3. Wrong Track	42

27. Do you support or oppose the war in Iraq?

1. Support	42
2. Oppose	53
3. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)	5

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. Democrats want to cut and run in Iraq.

1. Believe	48
2. Do Not Believe	49
3. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)	3

29. Democrats will raise taxes.

1. Believe	55
2. Do Not Believe	42
3. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)	4

30. This is a do-nothing Congress.

1. Believe	57
2. Do Not Believe	39
3. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)	4

Now just a few demographic questions for statistical purposes only - -

31. In what year were you born?

1. 18-34	8
2. 35-44	21
3. 45-54	22
4. 55-64	27
5. 65+	23

32. 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	9
2. NBC News	8
3. CBS News	5
4. Local TV news	27
5. CNN News	15
6. MSNBC/CNBC News	4
7. Fox News	19
8. CSpan	1
9. Daily newspaper	44
10. News magazines such as Time, US News, and Newsweek	6
11. Opinion magazines like Weekly Standard	1
12. Websites of news organizations such as cnn.com, msnbc.com, nytimes.com, and TV station websites	10
13. News Pages of Internet Service Providers such as Yahoo News and MSN News	4
14. Opinion websites like Drudge Report or slate.com	1
15. National Public Radio	10
16. Religious radio shows	1
17. Talk radio like Rush Limbaugh	5
18. General radio news station	3
19. Public television news shows like McNeil Lehrer	--

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	1
24. Sunday News Shows such as NBC's Meet the Press and ABC's This Week	--
25. Other	12
26. DK/Refused	--
33. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself (ROTATE) a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or something else?	
1. Republican	35
2. Democrat	37
3. Independent	25
4. Other (DO NOT READ)	2
5. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)	1
34. If you had to classify yourself, would you say you are (ROTATE) liberal, moderate, or conservative in your political beliefs?	
1. Liberal	20
2. Moderate	46
3. Conservative	32
4. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)	2
35. Are there children in your household under the age of 18 years old?	
1. Yes	31
2. No	68
3. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)	--
36. What is your current marital status?	
1. Single, never married	13
2. Married	68
3. Separated	1
4. Divorced	9
5. Widowed	8
6. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)	1
37. What is the annual income of your household before taxes? Is it	
1. Less than 15K	5
2. 15K-30K	11
3. 30-50K	16
4. 50-75K	19
5. 75-100K	14
6. Over 100K	16
7. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)	19
38. What is your religion?	
1. Evangelical/Fundamentalist Protestant	9
2. Mainline Protestant	15

3. Catholic	25
4. Jewish	3
5. Mormon	2
6. Atheist/ Agnostic	5
7. Other	34
8. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)	8

39. What is your race?

1. Hispanic	7
2. African-American	7
3. Asiatic	2
4. White	79
5. Other (SPECIFY)	3
6. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)	4

Gender: (**BY OBSERVATION**)

1. Male	48
2. Female	52

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

1. Urban	29
2. Suburban	52
3. Rural	18

Region: (**Region taken from sample information**)

Northeast	19
South	28
Midwest	19
Plains/Mountains	18
West Coast	16