

TIME MAGAZINE/SRBI ELECTION 2004

Hello, I am _____ calling from the SRBI Public Affairs Research Center. We are conducting an opinion survey which will be in Time Magazine and we'd like to get the opinions of someone in your household about major issues. I'd like to ask a few questions of the YOUNGEST MALE, 18 years of age or older. [IF NO MALE, ASK: May I please speak with the OLDEST FEMALE, 18 years of age or older?]

(TUESDAY/WEDNESDAY:) MAKE CALLBACK APPOINTMENT for LATER TUESDAY/ WEDNESDAY NIGHT OR THURSDAY NIGHT IF NECESSARY.

(IF NECESSARY:) This is for research purposes only. Let me assure you that this is not a sales call. The results of the poll will be published in Time magazine next week.

(IF NECESSARY:) Your answers are strictly confidential and will be analyzed in statistical form only.

BASE

	REGISTERED VOTERS	LIKELY VOTERS
Sep 1-2*	813 (ALL CONTACTS)	n/a
Aug 31-Sep 2*	1128	926
Aug24-26	1026	835
Aug3-5	1001	795
Jul20-22	1059	882

*Aug31-Sep2 data & Sep1-2 overlap. 6a & Q30-Q58 asked of all respondents Sep1-2. Other questions besides demographics are only asked of registered voters.

A. Gender (DO NOT ASK)

(A MINIMUM 44/56 SPLIT BETWEEN GENDERS IN EACH REGION)

REGISTERED VOTERS	Male	Female
Aug31-Sep2	13%	16%
Aug24-26	48%	52%
Aug3-5	46%	54%
Jul20-22	48%	52%

1. To begin with, there's going to be an election for President and other offices in November. How much thought have you given to the presidential election race thus far – quite a lot, some, not much, or none at all?

REGISTERED VOTERS	Quite a lot	Some	Not much	None at all	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	65%	21%	7%	7%	1%	
Aug24-26	65%	22%	8%	5%	0%	
Aug3-5	62%	24%	8%	6%	0%	0%
Jul20-22	63%	23%	8%	5%	0%	0%

2. These days, many people are so busy they can't find time to register to vote. Are you NOW registered to vote in your precinct or election district, or haven't you been able to register so far?

REGISTERED VOTERS	Yes, registered
Aug31-Sep2	100%
Aug24-26	100%
Aug3-5	100%
Jul20-22	100%

3a. Suppose the 2004 election for President were being held today, and you had to choose between John Kerry and John Edwards, the Democrats, and George W. Bush and Dick Cheney (CHAY'nee) , the Republicans. For whom would you vote, Kerry and Edwards, or Bush and Cheney? **(ROTATE KERRY AND BUSH)**

LIKELY VOTERS	John Kerry and John Edwards, the Democrats	George W. Bush and Dick Cheney, the Republicans	(VOL) Ralph Nader	(VOL) Other independent / third party candidates	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	41%	51%	0%	0%	6%	2%
Aug24-26	46%	46%	0%	0%	5%	2%
Aug3-5	50%	43%	0%	0%	5%	2%
Jul20-22	47%	45%	0%	1%	6%	1%

REGISTERED VOTERS	John Kerry and John Edwards, the Democrats	George W. Bush and Dick Cheney, the Republicans	(VOL) Ralph Nader	(VOL) Other independent / third party candidates	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	39%	48%	1%	0%	10%	2%
Aug24-26	44%	45%	0%	2%	7%	2%
Aug3-5	49%	41%	1%	1%	7%	2%
Jul20-22	47%	43%	0%	1%	8%	1%

ASK 3B IF DON'T KNOW IN Q.3A. ROTATE KERRY AND BUSH SAME AS IN Q.3a

3b. Even though you haven't made up your mind yet, do you lean more toward supporting Kerry or Bush?

LIKELY VOTERS	Kerry	Bush	(VOL) Ralph Nader	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	25%	37%		34%	4%
Aug24-26	24%	31%		1%	44%
Aug3-5	23%	33%		37%	6%
Jul20-22	40%	25%	1%	33%	

REGISTERED VOTERS	Kerry	Bush	(VOL) Ralph Nader	(VOL) Other independent / third party candidates	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	30%	25%	1%	2%	41%	3%
Aug24-26	21%	27%	1%	1%	48%	3%
Aug3-5	30%	33%		1%	32%	5%
Jul20-22	31%	29%	1%		39%	

ROTATE KERRY AND BUSH SAME AS IN Q.3A. NADER ALWAYS LAST

4a. Now suppose the 2004 election for President were being held today, and you had to choose between George W. Bush, the Republican; John Kerry, the Democrat; or Ralph Nader, running as an independent. For whom would you vote, Bush, Kerry, or Nader?

LIKELY VOTERS	Kerry	Bush	Nader	(VOL) Other independent candidate	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	41%	52%	3%	0%	3%	2%
Aug24-26	44%	46%	5%	0%	3%	2%
Aug3-5	48%	43%	4%	0%	3%	2%
Jul20-22	46%	44%	5%	0%	4%	1%

REGISTERED VOTERS	Kerry	Bush	Nader	(VOL) Other independent candidate	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	39%	49%	5%	0%	4%	2%
Aug24-26	42%	46%	6%	0%	5%	2%
Aug3-5	45%	41%	6%	1%	4%	2%
Jul20-22	46%	43%	5%	0%	5%	1%

ASK IF DON'T KNOW IN Q.4A. ROTATE KERRY AND BUSH AS IN 4A. NADER ALWAYS LAST

4b. Even though you haven't made up your mind yet, do you lean more toward supporting Bush, Kerry, or Nader?

LIKELY VOTERS	Kerry	Bush	Nader	(VOL) Other	(VOL) Don't Know
Aug31-Sep2	33%	19%	2%	4%	42%
Aug24-26	25%	21%		2%	44%
Aug3-5	18%	21%	10%	7%	45%
Jul20-22	9%	39%	2%		50%

REGISTERED VOTERS	Kerry	Bush	Nader	(VOL) Other	(VOL) Don't Know
Aug31-Sep2	27%	12%	1%	2%	55%
Aug24-26	22%	14%		1%	59%
Aug3-5	34%	15%	5%	4%	41%
Jul20-22	12%	35%	1%		51%

4c. (IF VOTE FOR BUSH/KERRY/OR NADER IN Q.4A, ASK Q.4C. OTHERS SKIP TO Q.5.)

Is there any chance that you might change your mind about voting for (NAME IN Q.4A,) or not?

LIKELY VOTERS	Chance	No Chance	(VOL) Don't know/Not Sure
Aug31-Sep2	15%	83%	2%
Aug24-26	16%	83%	1%
Aug3-5	17%	82%	1%
Jul20-22	18%	81%	1%

REGISTERED VOTERS	Chance	No Chance	(VOL) Don't know/Not Sure
Aug31-Sep2	17%	81%	2%
Aug24-26	18%	81%	2%
Aug3-5	19%	79%	1%
Jul20-22	20%	78%	2%

5. Which is more important in deciding who you will vote for President in November – your opinion of George Bush or your opinion of John Kerry?
(RECORD ONE ANSWER ONLY. ROTATE BUSH/KERRY)

REGISTERED VOTERS	Your opinion of John Kerry	Your opinion of George Bush	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	27%	60%	11%	2%
Aug3-5	32%	56%	10%	2%
Jul20-22	31%	57%	11%	1%

6a. Which of the following issues is most important to you in deciding how you might vote for President in November – the economy, moral values issues, such as gay marriage and abortion, health care costs, the situation in Iraq, or the war on terrorism? (PROBE:) If you had to choose one? (ACCEPT ONLY ONE RESPONSE) (RANDOM ORDER)

REGISTERED VOTERS* (ALL CONTACTS Sep1-2)	The Economy	Moral Values issues, such as gay marriage and abortion	Health care	The Situation in Iraq	The War on Terrorism	(VOL) Other issue	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	26%	15%	11%	16%	23%	3%	5%	0%
Aug3-5	27%	18%	11%	19%	18%	3%	4%	0%
Jul20-22	27%	16%	12%	21%	18%	2%	3%	

(SAME ORDER AS IN Q.6a)

6b. Which candidate, Bush or Kerry (ROTATE NAMES), do you trust more to handle each of the following areas? (RANDOMIZE AND READ EACH ITEM)

REGISTERED VOTERS	Q6B. Which candidate, Bush or Kerry, do you trust more to handle each of the following areas? THE ECONOMY					
	Kerry	Bush	(VOL) Neither candidate	(VOL) Both candidates	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	45%	47%	4%	0%	3%	0%
Aug24-26	46%	43%	4%	0%	7%	0%
Aug3-5	51%	42%	2%	1%	4%	0%
Jul20-22	50%	42%	2%	0%	5%	

REGISTERED VOTERS	Q6B. Which candidate, Bush or Kerry, do you trust more to handle each of the following areas? MORAL VALUES ISSUES					
	Kerry	Bush	(VOL) Neither candidate	(VOL) Both candidates	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	39%	48%	4%	0%	7%	1%
Aug24-26	39%	47%	5%	1%	8%	0%
Aug3-5	44%	44%	4%	0%	7%	1%
Jul20-22	40%	47%	4%	1%	7%	0%

REGISTERED VOTERS	Q6B. Which candidate, Bush or Kerry, do you trust more to handle each of the following areas? HEALTH CARE					
	Kerry	Bush	(VOL) Neither candidate	(VOL) Both candidates	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	48%	42%	5%	0%	5%	0%
Aug24-26	47%	39%	4%	0%	10%	0%
Aug3-5	54%	36%	4%	1%	5%	0%
Jul20-22	52%	36%	4%	0%	8%	

REGISTERED VOTERS	Q6B. Which candidate, Bush or Kerry, do you trust more to handle each of the following areas? THE SITUATION IN IRAQ					
	Kerry	Bush	(VOL) Neither candidate	(VOL) Both candidates	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	41%	53%	3%	1%	2%	0%
Aug24-26	41%	49%	4%	0%	5%	1%
Aug3-5	44%	46%	4%	1%	5%	0%
Jul20-22	44%	48%	3%	0%	4%	0%

REGISTERED VOTERS	Q6B. Which candidate, Bush or Kerry, do you trust more to handle each of the following areas? THE WAR ON TERRORISM					
	Kerry	Bush	(VOL) Neither candidate	(VOL) Both candidates	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	36%	57%	3%	1%	3%	0%
Aug24-26	41%	51%	3%	1%	4%	
Aug3-5	41%	49%	4%	1%	5%	0%
Jul20-22	42%	50%	2%	1%	5%	

REGISTERED VOTERS	Q6B. Which candidate, Bush or Kerry, do you trust more to handle each of the following areas? UNDERSTANDING THE NEEDS OF PEOPLE LIKE YOURSELF					
	Kerry	Bush	(VOL) Neither candidate	(VOL) Both candidates	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	47%	44%	5%	0%	4%	1%
Aug24-26	45%	42%	7%	1%	5%	0%
Aug3-5	53%	38%	5%	1%	3%	0%
Jul20-22	52%	40%	5%	0%	3%	0%

REGISTERED VOTERS	Q6B. Which candidate, Bush or Kerry, do you trust more to handle each of the following areas? PROVIDING STRONG LEADERSHIP IN DIFFICULT TIMES					
	Kerry	Bush	(VOL) Neither candidate	(VOL) Both candidates	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	37%	56%	3%	1%	3%	0%
Aug24-26	41%	52%	2%	0%	4%	0%
Aug3-5	43%	48%	3%	1%	4%	1%
Jul20-22	42%	49%	3%	1%	6%	0%

REGISTERED VOTERS	Q6B. Which candidate, Bush or Kerry, do you trust more to handle each of the following areas? TAX POLICY					
	Kerry	Bush	(VOL) Neither candidate	(VOL) Both candidates	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	40%	49%	3%	0%	6%	1%
Aug24-26	45%	44%	3%	0%	7%	0%
Aug3-5	47%	43%	4%	0%	5%	0%

REGISTERED VOTERS	Q6B. Which candidate, Bush or Kerry, do you trust more to handle each of the following areas? BEING COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE ARMED FORCES					
	Kerry	Bush	(VOL) Neither candidate	(VOL) Both candidates	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	39%	54%	3%	0%	3%	0%
Aug24-26	42%	50%	1%	0%	6%	0%
Aug3-5	47%	45%	2%	1%	4%	0%

7. Please tell me if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of (READ EACH NAME) . If you don't have an opinion of this candidate, just let me know. (ROTATE BUSH/CHENEY WITH KERRY/EDWARDS)

REGISTERED VOTERS	Q7. Please tell me if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of John Kerry . If you don't have an opinion of this candidate, just let me know.			
	Favorable	Unfavorable	(VOL) Don't know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	43%	36%	19%	1%
Aug24-26	44%	33%	22%	1%
Aug3-5	53%	29%	18%	1%
Jul20-22	47%	29%	24%	0%

REGISTERED VOTERS	Q7. Please tell me if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of John Edwards . If you don't have an opinion of this candidate, just let me know.			
	Favorable	Unfavorable	(VOL) Don't know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	42%	24%	34%	1%
Aug3-5	48%	20%	31%	1%
Jul20-22	45%	16%	39%	0%

REGISTERED VOTERS	Q7. Please tell me if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of George W. Bush . If you don't have an opinion of this candidate, just let me know.			
	Favorable	Unfavorable	(VOL) Don't know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	52%	40%	8%	0%
Aug24-26	46%	39%	15%	1%
Aug3-5	45%	45%	10%	1%
Jul20-22	45%	45%	9%	0%

REGISTERED VOTERS	Q7. Please tell me if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Dick Cheney . If you don't have an opinion of this candidate, just let me know.			
	Favorable	Unfavorable	(VOL) Don't know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	42%	37%	20%	1%
Aug3-5	37%	43%	20%	0%
Jul20-22	34%	40%	25%	0%

8a. Regardless of how you plan to vote, if (ROTATE: John Kerry/George Bush) were elected, would you trust him to lead the war against terrorism, or not?

REGISTERED VOTERS	Q8A. Regardless of how you plan to vote, if John Kerry were elected, would you trust him to lead the war against terrorism, or not?			
	Trust	Not Trust	(VOL) Don't know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	54%	38%	8%	0%
Aug24-26	58%	33%	9%	0%
Aug3-5	62%	32%	6%	0%

REGISTERED VOTERS	Q8A. Regardless of how you plan to vote, if George Bush were elected, would you trust him to lead the war against terrorism, or not?			
	Trust	Not Trust	(VOL) Don't know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	64%	33%	2%	1%
Aug24-26	62%	34%	4%	0%
Aug3-5	61%	35%	4%	0%

Turning to some other issues...

9a. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way President Bush is handling his job as President? (ACCEPT ONE RESPONSE) (TREND: Last Poll).

REGISTERED VOTERS	Approve	Disapprove	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	55%	42%	3%	0%
Aug24-26	51%	45%	3%	1%
Aug3-5	50%	46%	3%	0%
Jul20-22	50%	47%	4%	0%

10. Generally speaking, would you say things in this country are heading in the right direction, or are they off on the wrong track?

REGISTERED VOTERS	Right direction	Wrong track	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	45%	50%	4%	0%
Aug3-5	44%	51%	5%	0%
Jul20-22	42%	52%	6%	0%

11. In your opinion, do you think President Bush deserves to be re-elected to a second term, or do you think it is time for someone else to be president?

REGISTERED VOTERS	Deserves to be re-elected	Time for someone else	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	49%	48%	2%	1%
Aug24-26	46%	49%	4%	1%
Aug3-5	42%	54%	3%	0%
Jul20-22	43%	53%	4%	0%

12. Do you approve or disapprove of the job President Bush is doing in each of these areas? (READ AND RECORD ONE ANSWER FOR EACH. RANDOMIZE)

REGISTERED VOTERS	(Q12. Do you approve or disapprove of the job President Bush is doing in each of these areas?) A) HANDLING THE ECONOMY			
	Approve	Disapprove	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	48%	48%	4%	0%
Aug24-26	46%	49%	5%	0%
Aug3-5	43%	54%	3%	0%
Jul20-22	44%	52%	4%	0%

REGISTERED VOTERS	(Q12. Do you approve or disapprove of the job President Bush is doing in each of these areas?) B) HIS EMPHASIS ON MORAL VALUES AND RELIGION			
	Approve	Disapprove	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	57%	35%	7%	1%
Aug24-26	60%	32%	7%	1%
Aug3-5	56%	37%	7%	0%
Jul20-22	55%	38%	7%	0%

REGISTERED VOTERS	(Q12. Do you approve or disapprove of the job President Bush is doing in each of these areas?) C) HANDLING THE SITUATION IN IRAQ			
	Approve	Disapprove	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	50%	46%	3%	0%
Aug24-26	48%	48%	3%	1%
Aug3-5	45%	52%	3%	0%
Jul20-22	41%	55%	5%	0%

REGISTERED VOTERS	(Q12. Do you approve or disapprove of the job President Bush is doing in each of these areas?) D) HANDLING THE WAR ON TERRORISM			
	Approve	Disapprove	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	59%	38%	3%	1%
Aug24-26	55%	40%	4%	1%
Aug3-5	56%	41%	3%	0%
Jul20-22	51%	46%	3%	0%

13. Do you think the United States was right or wrong in going to war with Iraq?
(TREND)

REGISTERED VOTERS	Right	Wrong	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	52%	41%	6%	0%
Aug24-26	50%	43%	6%	1%
Aug3-5	47%	47%	5%	0%
Jul20-22	46%	49%	5%	0%

13a. Do you think that the United States actions in Iraq have made the world safer or more dangerous?

REGISTERED VOTERS	Safer	More dangerous	(VOL) Both	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	45%	45%	2%	6%	1%
Aug3-5	38%	52%	3%	7%	1%
Jul20-22	37%	55%	3%	5%	0%

30. Turning to the economy, how would you rate economic conditions in the country today – excellent, good, only fair or poor?

All Contacts	Excellent	Good	Only fair	Poor	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	5%	32%	39%	23%	1%	1%

31. A year from now, do you expect that economic conditions will be better than they are now, worse than they are now, or be about the same?

All Contacts	Better	Worse	About the same	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	44%	9%	36%	10%	1%

32. Would you say that you personally are better today off than you were four years ago when George Bush took office, worse off, or about the same?

All Contacts	Better off	Worse off	About the same	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	31%	27%	41%	1%	0%

33. What about your friends and family? In general, would you say that they are better off than they were four years ago, worse off, or about the same?

All Contacts	Q33. What about your friends and family? In general, would you say that they are better off than they were four years ago, worse off, or about the same?				
	Better off	Worse off	About the same	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1- Sep2	28%	25%	44%	3%	0%

34. If you were looking for a job right now, would this be a good time to be looking for a new job or a bad time?

All Contacts	Q34. If you were looking for a job right now, would this be a good time to be looking for a new job or a bad time?			
	Good time	Bad time	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1- Sep2	35%	56%	9%	0%

35. Thinking back over the past 12 months or so, would you say that you have been able to (READ EACH ITEM), or not? (PROBE:) Your best estimate is fine. (RANDOMIZE)

All Contacts	Q35. Thinking back over the past 12 months or so, would you say that you have been able to A) SAVE AND INVEST ENOUGH MONEY FOR RETIREMENT AND OTHER NEEDS? , or not?			
	Have been able to	Have not been able to	(VOL) Don't know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1- Sep2	48%	47%	4%	1%

All Contacts	Q35. Thinking back over the past 12 months or so, would you say that you have been able to B) KEEP UP WITH YOUR CREDIT CARD PAYMENTS AND NOT FALL BEHIND? , or not?			
	Have been able to	Have not been able to	(VOL) Don't know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1- Sep2	71%	16%	9%	4%

All Contacts	Q35. Thinking back over the past 12 months or so, would you say that you have been able to C) KEEP UP WITH YOUR OTHER PAYMENTS , or not?			
	Have been able to	Have not been able to	(VOL) Don't know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1- Sep2	83%	13%	2%	1%

36. Are your credit card or other debts today higher than they were 12 months ago, about the same, or less? (PROBE:) Your best estimate is fine.

	Q36. Are your credit card or other debts today higher than they were 12 months ago, about the same, or less?				
	Higher	Same	Less	(VOL) Don't know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	20%	42%	27%	9%	2%

37. Are you working full-time, working part-time, currently unemployed, a homemaker, a student, retired, or something else? (IF UNEMPLOYED, ASK:) Are you currently looking for a job, or not?

All Contacts	Working full time	Working part time	Unemployed, looking for a job	Unemployed, not looking for job	Retired	Permanently disabled	Homemaker	Student	Other	(VOL) Don't Know
Sep1-Sep2	48%	11%	6%	2%	17%	3%	7%	4%	2%	0%

(IF EMPLOYED FULL TIME/PART-TIME IN Q.37, ASK:)

38. Thinking back over the past 12 months or so, has the number of jobs at your employer increased, decreased, or remained about the same?

All Contacts	Increased	Decreased	Remained About the Same	(VOL) Don't Know
Sep1-Sep2	32%	20%	42%	6%

38a. What about in the next 12 months or so, do you expect the number of jobs at your employer to increase, decrease, or remain about the same?

All Contacts	Increase	Decrease	Remain About the Same	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	37%	10%	48%	5%	1%

39. Do you get health care benefits through your employer, or not?

All Contacts	Yes	No	(VOL) Don't Know
Sep1-Sep2	67%	32%	1%

39a. (IF NO IN Q.39, ASK:) Did your employer ever provide you with health care benefits in the past, even if they do not provide these benefits now?

All Contacts	Yes	No	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	27%	65%	8%	0%

40. In the next 12 months or so, are you worried or not about (READ EACH ITEM). (FOR EACH WORRIED, ASK:) Would you say that you are very worried or just somewhat worried? (RANDOMIZE)

All Contacts	Q40. In the next 12 months or so, are you worried or not about 1) LOSING YOUR JOB?				
	Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not worried	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	6%	12%	82%	0%	0%

All Contacts	Q40. In the next 12 months or so, are you worried or not about 2) HAVING TO CUT BACK ON THE NUMBER OF HOURS THAT YOU WORK?			
	Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not worried	(VOL) Don't Know
Sep1-Sep2	5%	10%	84%	1%

All Contacts	Q40. In the next 12 months or so, are you worried or not about 3) LOSING JOB BENEFITS THAT YOU RECEIVE NOW?				
	Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not worried	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	8%	14%	75%	3%	0%

All Contacts	Q40. In the next 12 months or so, are you worried or not about 4) HAVING TO PAY MORE OUT-OF-POCKET FOR BENEFITS			
	Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not worried	(VOL) Don't Know
Sep1-Sep2	26%	27%	46%	1%

(ASK ALL:)

41.. Do you personally know someone who has been laid off or lost their job in the past six months?

All Contacts	Yes, know someone	No, do not	(VOL) Don't Know
Sep1-Sep2	52%	48%	0%

41a. For people losing jobs today, are they most likely to find jobs that pay as much as the job they lost, pay more, or not pay as much as the job they lost? (PROBE:) Your best estimate is fine.

All Contacts	Pay as much	Pay more	Not as much	(VOL) Would not find another job	(VOL) Don't know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	21%	5%	63%	1%	10%	0%

On another topic...

42. Do you feel that your family income over the past 12 months has kept up with the cost of living, or have you slipped behind?

All Contacts	Has kept up	Slipped behind	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	56%	42%	2%	0%

43. In the past 12 months, have you been cutting back on your spending, spending about the same as before, or spending more than before?

All Contacts	Cutting back	Same	More	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	42%	43%	14%	1%	0%

44. In the next 12 months, do you think that prices in general will go up a lot, just a little, or will remain about where they are now?

All Contacts	Up a lot	Up a little	About where they are now	(VOL) Go down	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	24%	47%	23%	1%	4%	0%

44a. Are you worried about any of the following? (IF WORRIED, ASK:) Are you very worried or just somewhat worried?

All Contacts	Q44A. Are you worried about any of the following? A) BEING ABLE TO AFFORD THE HEALTH CARE THAT YOU AND YOUR FAMILY NEED			
	Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not worried	(VOL) Don't Know
Sep1-Sep2	26%	21%	52%	0%

All Contacts	Q44A. Are you worried about any of the following? B) BEING ABLE TO AFFORD HOUSING				
	Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not worried	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	14%	14%	71%	0%	0%

All Contacts	Q44A. Are you worried about any of the following? C) SAVING FOR YOUR RETIREMENT				
	Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not worried	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	22%	24%	52%	1%	1%

45. How much impact do the policies of each of the following have on how the economy performs – a great deal, some, not much, or none at all?
(RANDOMIZE)

All Contacts	Q45. How much impact do the policies of each of the following have on how the economy performs - a great deal, some, not much, or none at all? THE PRESIDENT					
	A great deal,	some,	not much,	or none at all	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	45%	37%	9%	5%	4%	0%

All Contacts	Q45. How much impact do the policies of each of the following have on how the economy performs - a great deal, some, not much, or none at all? THE CONGRESS					
	A great deal,	some,	not much,	or none at all	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	42%	40%	10%	3%	6%	0%

All Contacts	Q45. How much impact do the policies of each of the following have on how the economy performs - a great deal, some, not much, or none at all? THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM					
	A great deal,	some,	not much,	or none at all	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	43%	35%	7%	4%	11%	0%

46. Do you approve or disapprove of the job President Bush is doing in handling the economy?

All Contacts	Approve	Disapprove	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	49%	48%	2%	0%

47. Which candidate for President do you trust more to handle the economy (ROTATE NAMES) George W. Bush or John Kerry?

All Contacts	George W. Bush	John Kerry	(VOL) Neither	(VOL) Both	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	47%	42%	6%	0%	4%	0%

48. In general, which political party do you trust more to handle the economy, the Republicans or the Democrats?

All Contacts	Republicans	Democrats	(VOL) Neither	(VOL) Both	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	44%	43%	6%	1%	6%	0%

49. Are you worried or not about the impact of each of the following on the nation's economy? (READ EACH ITEM) (IF WORRIED, ASK:) Are you very worried or just somewhat worried? (RANDOMIZE)

All Contacts	Q49. Are you worried or not about the impact of each of the following on the nation's economy? 1) THE INCREASE IN THE NATIONAL DEBT			
	Very Worried	Somewhat Worried	Not Worried	(VOL) Don't Know
Sep1-Sep2	44%	31%	23%	3%

All Contacts	Q49. Are you worried or not about the impact of each of the following on the nation's economy? 2) HIGHER PRICES AT THE GAS PUMP				
	Very Worried	Somewhat Worried	Not Worried	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	52%	31%	17%	0%	0%

All Contacts	Q49. Are you worried or not about the impact of each of the following on the nation's economy? 3) HIGHER INTEREST RATES ON BORROWING MONEY				
	Very Worried	Somewhat Worried	Not Worried	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	28%	36%	34%	1%	0%

All Contacts	Q49. Are you worried or not about the impact of each of the following on the nation's economy? 4) THE UNITED STATES BUYING MORE FROM OTHER COUNTRIES THAN THEY BUY FROM US				
	Very Worried	Somewhat Worried	Not Worried	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	41%	35%	22%	2%	0%

All Contacts	Q49. Are you worried or not about the impact of each of the following on the nation's economy? 5) HIGHER PRICES FOR THE THINGS YOU BUY				
	Very Worried	Somewhat Worried	Not Worried	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	34%	40%	25%	0%	0%

All Contacts	Q49. Are you worried or not about the impact of each of the following on the nation's economy? 6) THE LOSS OF MANUFACTURING JOBS IN THE UNITED STATES				
	Very Worried	Somewhat Worried	Not Worried	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	48%	32%	18%	2%	0%

All Contacts	Q49. Are you worried or not about the impact of each of the following on the nation's economy? 7) HAVING ENOUGH AFFORDABLE ENERGY TO KEEP THE COUNTRY RUNNING				
	Very Worried	Somewhat Worried	Not Worried	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	39%	34%	24%	3%	0%

All Contacts	Q49. Are you worried or not about the impact of each of the following on the nation's economy? 8) COMPANIES SENDING JOBS TO COUNTRIES WHERE PEOPLE GET PAID LESS THAN HERE				
	Very Worried	Somewhat Worried	Not Worried	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	48%	29%	21%	2%	0%

49a. Which candidate, (ROTATE:) George Bush or John Kerry, do you think would do a better job of keeping energy prices down?

All Contacts	George Bush	John Kerry	(VOL) Other	(VOL) Neither	(VOL) Both	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	42%	42%	1%	6%	0%	10%	0%

50. Turning to taxes, do you consider the amount of federal income taxes that you pay now as too high, about right, or too low?

All Contacts	Too high	About right	Too low	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	49%	45%	3%	3%	0%

51. George Bush and Congress have cut taxes several times in the past four years. Have these tax cuts been fair to the average taxpayer, or have they favored the wealthy over everyone else?

All Contacts	Fair to most taxpayers	Favored the wealthy	(VOL) Don't Know/Not sure	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	36%	52%	12%	0%

52. Do you feel that you have personally benefited from George Bush's tax cuts, or not?

All Contacts	Have benefited	Have not	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	40%	57%	3%	0%

53. Overall, have Bush's tax cuts helped the economy, hurt the economy, or not had much impact?

All Contacts	Helped the economy	Hurt the economy	Not much impact	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	34%	23%	36%	6%	0%

54. If you had to choose, would you prefer balancing the federal budget or cutting taxes?

All Contacts	Balance the budget	Cut taxes	(VOL) Neither	(VOL) Both	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	52%	40%	1%	2%	5%	0%

55. If you had to choose, would you prefer spending more money in areas such as education and health care, or would you prefer to cut taxes?

All Contacts	More money on education and health care	Prefer cutting taxes	(VOL) Neither	(VOL) Both	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	70%	24%	1%	2%	3%	0%

55a. And, if you had to choose, would you prefer spending more money in areas such as defense and the war on terrorism, or would you prefer to cut taxes?

All Contacts	More money on defense and war on terrorism	Prefer cutting taxes	(VOL) Neither	(VOL) Both	(VOL) Don't know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	60%	32%	1%	2%	6%	0%

56. How good a job are you doing to save money for your own retirement or for later years? Are you doing an excellent job, a good job, only fair or poor job?

All Contacts	Excellent	Good	Only Fair	Poor	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	12%	31%	30%	22%	4%	1%

57. Some people say that people should be allowed to invest part of their Social Security taxes in stocks. Others say it's too risky for people to invest part of their Social Security taxes in stocks. What's your opinion? Should you be allowed to invest your Social Security taxes in stocks, or is it too risky?

All Contacts	Allow to invest in stocks	Too risky	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	41%	50%	8%	0%

58. Many economists say that the Social Security system may run out of money unless Social Security taxes are raised or the age to qualify for full benefits increases. If you had to choose, would you prefer higher Social Security taxes or increasing the age to qualify for full benefits?

All Contacts	Raise Social Security taxes	Increase age to qualify for full benefits	(VOL) Neither	(VOL) Both	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Sep1-Sep2	40%	42%	7%	1%	9%	0%

Demographics

Next, just a few questions to help us classify your responses...

F1. What is your age? (READ LIST ONLY IF NECESSARY)

REGISTERED VOTERS	18-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-54	55-64	65 or older	(VOL) Ref
Aug31-Sep2	12%	7%	8%	9%	11%	21%	15%	16%	1%
Aug24-26	12%	7%	9%	9%	10%	21%	15%	17%	1%
Aug3-5	9%	9%	9%	8%	11%	20%	15%	18%	1%
Jul20-22	9%	7%	10%	9%	10%	21%	15%	19%	0%

F2. What is the highest grade of schooling that you completed? (READ LIST ONLY IF NECESSARY)

REGISTERED VOTERS	8th grade or less	Some high school	High school graduate	Some college	College graduate	Postgraduate study /law or medical school	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	2%	8%	35%	25%	20%	9%	1%
Aug24-26	3%	8%	34%	25%	19%	10%	1%
Aug3-5	2%	8%	31%	25%	22%	10%	1%
Jul20-22	1%	6%	33%	26%	21%	12%	1%

F3. Are you of Hispanic origin or descent?

REGISTERED VOTERS	Yes	No	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	9%	90%	1%
Aug24-26	8%	91%	1%
Aug3-5	8%	91%	1%
Jul20-22	8%	92%	1%

F4. What is your race? Are you White, Black, Asian, or something else?

REGISTERED VOTERS	White	Black	Asian	(VOL) Hispanic	(VOL) Other	(VOL) Refused/No Answer
Aug31-Sep2	76%	11%	1%	5%	5%	2%
Aug24-26	78%	10%	2%	5%	4%	1%
Aug3-5	81%	8%	1%	4%	5%	2%
Jul20-22	78%	11%	1%	4%	6%	1%

F5. Could you please tell me how many adults age 18 or over currently live in your house or apartment?

REGISTERED VOTERS	1.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	6.00	7.00	9.00	10.00	Refused
Aug31-Sep2	15%	59%	16%	6%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
Aug24-26	16%	58%	16%	6%	2%	0%	0%		0%	0%
Aug3-5	14%	60%	16%	7%	2%	1%		0%	0%	1%
Jul20-22	16%	58%	17%	6%	1%	0%	0%	0%		0%

F6. Aside from cell phones, how many telephone numbers does your house or apartment have that you receive calls on? Please include only numbers that you use for phone calls, not ones you use for computers or fax machines.

REGISTERED VOTERS	1.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	6.00	7.00	8.00	9.00	Don't know	Refused
Aug31-Sep2	73%	22%	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%		0%	0%	1%
Aug24-26	73%	23%	3%	1%		0%			0%		1%
Aug3-5	70%	26%	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%		0%		1%
Jul20-22	67%	28%	3%	1%	0%		0%	0%		0%	1%

(TERMINATE HERE IF Q.2 is “2” or “9” (NOT REGISTERED TO VOTE, DON’T KNOW/REFUSED: That concludes our survey. Thank you very much for your participation))

F7. What is your marital status? (READ LIST)

REGISTERED VOTERS	Married	Single, never married	Divorced/Separated	Widowed	(VOL) Refused	
Aug31-Sep2	63%	22%		8%	6%	1%
Aug24-26	62%	20%		10%	7%	0%
Aug3-5	65%	21%		7%	6%	1%
Jul20-22	63%	20%		9%	8%	0%

F7b- Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as (READ)

REGISTERED VOTERS	a Republican,	a Democrat,	an Independent	or something else?	(VOL) Don't know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	36%	32%	21%	7%	3%	1%
Aug24-26	33%	32%	24%	8%	3%	1%
Aug3-5	28%	36%	26%	7%	2%	1%
Jul20-22	33%	35%	23%	7%	2%	0%

F8. Do you consider yourself to be very liberal, liberal, a moderate, conservative, or very conservative?

REGISTERED VOTERS	Very liberal	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	Very conservative	(VOL) Other	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	4%	20%	33%	29%	9%	0%	4%	1%
Aug24-26	6%	21%	33%	27%	8%	1%	5%	0%
Aug3-5	5%	23%	35%	26%	6%	2%	2%	1%
Jul20-22	5%	19%	39%	27%	7%	1%	2%	0%

F10. Thinking about the election for President this November, many people tell us they're **not** planning to vote, would you say that you'll definitely vote in the November election, probably vote, probably not vote, definitely not vote, or aren't you really sure at this time whether you'll vote or not?

REGISTERED VOTERS	Definitely vote	Probably vote	Probably not vote	Definitely not vote	(VOL) Not sure at this time/Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	87%	9%	2%	1%	3%	0%
Aug24-26	88%	7%	1%	1%	3%	0%
Aug3-5	85%	10%	1%	0%	2%	1%
Jul20-22	88%	8%	1%	1%	2%	0%

F11. Did you vote in the Presidential election four years ago, between George W. Bush and Al Gore?

REGISTERED VOTERS	Yes, voted	No, did not vote	(VOL) Don't Know/Don't remember	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	80%	20%	0%	0%
Aug24-26	81%	18%	0%	0%
Aug3-5	82%	17%	0%	1%
Jul20-22	86%	13%	0%	0%

F12. Regardless of how you feel today, did you vote for Bush or Gore four years ago?

REGISTERED VOTERS	Gore	Bush	(VOL) Nader	Other candidate	(VOL) Don't Know/Don't remember	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	41%	54%	1%	1%	2%	2%
Aug24-26	41%	53%	2%	1%	2%	2%
Aug3-5	44%	50%	1%	0%	1%	2%
Jul20-22	44%	51%	1%	1%	1%	1%

F13. (IF VOTED FOR BUSH, GORE, NADER, OTHER, ASK) Looking back, do you think you made the right choice, nor not?

REGISTERED VOTERS	Right choice	Not right choice	(VOL) Don't Know/Not sure
Jul20-22	92%	5%	3%

F13a. Have you, or has any member of your household served in the United States military or is serving in the military now? (IF YES, ASK:) Is that you or someone else in your household?

REGISTERED VOTERS	Yes, respondent served	Yes, someone else served	No	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	19%	20%	61%	
Aug24-26	15%	20%	64%	1%

F14. Do you consider yourself an evangelical (ee-van-gel-ical) or born-again Christian?

REGISTERED VOTERS	Yes	No	(VOL) Don't Know	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	45%	51%	2%	1%
Aug24-26	44%	51%	4%	1%
Aug3-5	41%	55%	2%	2%
Jul20-22	40%	56%	3%	2%

F15. Finally, just for classification purposes, was your total family income before taxes last year: (READ LIST) PROBE: Your best estimate is fine.

REGISTERED VOTERS	Less than \$20,000	\$20,000 to just under \$35,000	\$35,000 to just under \$50,000	\$50,000 to just under \$75,000	\$75,000 to just under \$100,000	or, \$100,000 or more	(VOL) Refused
Aug31-Sep2	13%	16%	18%	17%	11%	14%	10%
Aug24-26	11%	15%	18%	18%	14%	13%	10%
Aug3-5	11%	17%	18%	17%	13%	14%	10%
Jul20-22	10%	16%	20%	18%	13%	15%	8%

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!