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		Total	DEMOCRAT	REPUBLICAN	Rep2000
Number of Interviews - 1,620	Vote Estimate Not for On-Air Use	100	60	38	-
Are you: (n=1,613)	Male	46	56	41	-13
	Female	54	62	36	-9
Sex by race (n=1,594)	White male	36	49	48	-
	White female	42	57	41	-
	Non-white male	11	81	17	-
	Non-white female	11	82	18	-
Are you: (n=1,601)	White	78	53	44	-11
	Black	11	93	5	-6
	Hispanic/Latino	6	76	22	-13
	Asian	4	63	35	-5
	Other	1	-	-	-36
AGE (60 and over) (n=1,616)	18-29	14	68	29	-19
	30-44	27	58	40	-10
	45-59	32	62	36	-13
	60 or over	27	53	45	-2
Age 65 & over (n=1,616)	18-64	81	61	37	-12
	65 or over	19	52	46	-2
2003 total family income: (n=1,459)	Under \$15,000	7	78	21	-
	\$15,000-\$29,999	12	66	30	-
	\$30,000-\$49,999	21	61	38	-
	\$50,000-\$74,999	21	56	41	-
	\$75,000-\$99,999	15	58	40	-
	\$100,000-\$149,999	13	57	42	-



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2003 total family income: (n=1,459)	\$150,000-\$199,999	4	52	48	-
	\$200,000 or more	6	46	53	-
Total family income: (n=1,459)	Less than \$50,000	41	66	32	-
	\$50,000 or more	59	55	43	-
Total family income: (n=1,459)	Less than \$100,000	77	62	36	-
	\$100,000 or more	23	53	46	-
Do you or does someone in your household belong to a labor union? (n=1,150)	Yes, I do	17	70	28	-5
	Yes, someone else does	14	60	38	-6
	Yes, I do and someone else does	3	64	36	-13
	No one does	66	55	43	-10
UNION HOUSEHOLD (n=1,150)	Yes (Vote is union member, union member in household, or	34	65	33	-
	No (No union voter in household	66	55	43	-
Voter is union member: (n=1,150)	Yes	20	69	29	-
	No	80	56	42	-
Do you work full-time for pay? (n=369)	Yes	59	58	41	-7
	No	41	52	46	-4
Working women: (n=401)	Working women	30	66	33	-
	All others	70	52	45	-
What was the last grade of school you completed? (n=1,157)	Did not complete high school	4	74	18	-23
	High school graduate	19	54	45	-4
	Some college or associate degree	27	60	39	-12
	College graduate	27	55	43	-10
	Postgraduate study	23	61	35	-10
College Education (n=1,157)	No college degree	51	59	39	-



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College Education (n=1,157)	College graduate	49	58	39	-
No matter how you voted today, do you usually think of yourself as a: (n=1,521)	Democrat	45	89	9	-2
	Republican	28	13	87	-4
	Independent or something else	28	57	38	-11
On most political matters, do you consider yourself: (n=1,503)	Liberal	26	84	12	-4
	Moderate	49	64	34	-11
	Conservative	26	22	77	-3
Is this the first time you have ever voted? (n=775)	Yes	10	59	39	-9
	No	90	60	37	-12
Religion, combined Protestant and other Christian. (n=1,141)	Protestant/Other Christian	38	59	39	-17
	Catholic	40	52	47	-1
	Jewish	5	78	20	-4
	Something else	8	84	12	-17
	None	8	70	23	-9
Religion among whites (n=1,156)	White Protestant/Other Christian	28	51	46	-
	White Catholic	33	47	53	-
	White Jewish	5	77	21	-
	White something else	4	82	11	-
	White none	6	63	27	-
	Non-white	24	83	16	-
White Protestant Conservatives (n=1,217)	White Protestant conservatives	9	14	84	-
	All others	91	65	32	-
White Evangelical/Born-again Christians (n=1,215)	White Evangelical/Born-again Christians	10	37	63	-
	All others	90	63	34	-



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White/Protestant/Conservative/Evangelical/Attend church at least weekly (n=1,217)	White religious conservatives	3	7	92	-
	All others	97	62	35	-
How often do you attend religious services? (n=1,164)	More than once a week	10	64	33	-28
	Once a week	26	51	48	-8
	A few times a month	13	54	43	-4
	A few times a year	34	64	34	-10
	Never	15	69	27	-11
How often do you attend religious services? (n=1,218)	Weekly	34	54	44	-
	Occasionally	45	62	36	-
	Never	14	69	27	-
Church attendance by Religion (n=1,218)	Protestant/Attend weekly	8	50	45	-
	Protestant/Do not attend weekly	15	57	41	-
	Catholic/Attend weekly	17	46	52	-
	Catholic/Do not attend weekly	21	57	43	-
	All Others	34	73	23	-
Have you ever served in the U.S. military? (n=791)	Yes	17	50	49	-
	No	83	62	35	-
Are you currently married? (n=1,529)	Yes	61	55	43	-11
	No	39	66	32	-8
Married women (n=1,619)	Married women	29	57	41	-
	Others	71	60	37	-
Married with children: (n=1,168)	Married with children	27	56	43	-
	All others	73	60	38	-
Do you have any children under 18 living in your household? (n=1,163)	Yes	35	59	40	-13



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Do you have any children under 18 living in your household? (n=1,163)	No	65	59	39	-8
Women with children (n=1,235)	Women with children	17	64	34	-
	All others	83	58	40	-
Are you gay, lesbian or bisexual? (n=729)	Yes	2	-	-	-31
	No	98	57	41	-10
Do you or does someone else in your household own a gun? (n=384)	Yes	26	52	47	-13
	No	74	64	33	-7
When did you finally decide for whom to vote in the presidential election? (n=1,236)	Just today	6	54	43	-
	In the last three days	3	50	49	-
	Sometime last week	2	-	-	-
	During the last month	10	62	35	-
	Before that	79	60	39	-
Time: Last three days/Earlier than that (n=1,236)	Today/Within the last three days	9	52	46	-
	Within the last week or earlier	91	60	38	-
Time: Last week/Earlier than that (n=1,236)	Today through within the last three days	10	54	44	-
	Within the last week or earlier	89	60	38	-
Which ONE issue mattered most in deciding how you voted for president? (Check only one) (n=834)	Taxes	5	73	24	-
	Education	4	80	14	-
	Iraq	20	76	20	-
	Terrorism	19	31	69	-
	Economy/Jobs	21	78	20	-
	Moral values	15	36	62	-
	Health care	9	81	16	-
Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job	Strongly approve	24	20	79	-



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Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president? (n=834)	Somewhat approve	17	33	66	-
	Somewhat disapprove	12	63	36	-
	Strongly disapprove	46	90	6	-
Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president? (n=834)	Approve	41	26	74	-
	Disapprove	58	84	12	-
Which ONE candidate quality mattered most in deciding how you voted for president? (Check only one) (n=834)	He cares about people like me	11	80	18	-
	He has strong religious faith	5	28	71	-
	He is honest and trustworthy	9	36	63	-
	He is a strong leader	12	25	74	-
	He is intelligent	9	78	16	-
	He will bring about needed change	32	88	10	-
	He has clear stands on the issues	16	39	60	-
Compared to four years ago, is the country: (n=797)	Safer from terrorism	42	31	68	-
	Less safe from terrorism	55	82	15	-
How do you feel about the U.S. decision to go to war with Iraq? (n=797)	Strongly approve	19	13	86	-
	Somewhat approve	22	43	56	-
	Somewhat disapprove	14	68	29	-
	Strongly disapprove	44	87	10	-
How do you feel about the U.S. decision to go to war with Iraq? (n=834)	Approve	39	29	70	-
	Disapprove	56	82	14	-
How do you think things are going for the U.S. in Iraq now? (n=797)	Very well	8	23	73	-
	Somewhat well	25	19	81	-
	Somewhat badly	19	69	30	-
	Very badly	46	86	10	-



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How do you think things are going for the U.S. in Iraq now? (n=834)	Very/Somewhat well	32	20	79	-
	Very/Somewhat badly	62	81	16	-
Compared to four years ago, is your family's financial situation: (n=797)	Better today	26	32	65	25
	Worse today	30	82	15	-48
	About the same	43	61	37	-21
If these were the only two presidential candidates on the ballot today, for whom would you have voted? (n=1,534)	John Kerry (Dem)	58	89	8	-
	George W. Bush (Rep)	40	16	83	-
	Would not have voted for president	2	56	40	-
Was your vote for president mainly: (n=384)	For your candidate	68	55	44	-
	Against his opponent	26	74	22	-
Which comes closest to your feelings about the Bush administration: (n=384)	Angry	33	90	7	-
	Dissatisfied, but not angry	29	79	18	-
	Satisfied, but not enthusiastic	20	32	68	-
	Enthusiastic	17	8	91	-
Did either of these candidates for president attack the other unfairly? (n=384)	Only John Kerry did	18	14	85	-
	Only George W. Bush did	19	90	8	-
	Both did	47	65	32	-
	Neither did	13	68	31	-
Did either of these candidates for president attack the other unfairly? (n=384)	Only Kerry/Both did	65	51	46	-
	Only Bush/Neither did	33	81	17	-
Did either of these candidates for president attack the other unfairly? (n=384)	Only Bush/Both did	67	72	25	-
	Only Kerry/Neither did	31	37	62	-
Do you consider the war in Iraq: (n=384)	Part of the war on terrorism	47	33	66	-
	Separate from the war on terrorism	51	88	10	-



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Did anyone call you or talk to you in person on behalf of either major presidential campaign about coming out to vote? (n=362)	Yes, for John Kerry	17	88	8	-
	Yes, for George W. Bush	6	-	-	-
	Yes, for both Kerry and Bush	9	46	51	-
	No, I was not contacted	69	58	40	-
Did anyone call you or talk to you in person on behalf of either major presidential campaign about coming out to vote? (n=362)	For Kerry/Both	26	74	23	-
	For Bush/Neither	74	56	42	-
Did anyone call you or talk to you in person on behalf of either major presidential campaign about coming out to vote? (n=362)	For Bush/Both	14	39	58	-
	For Kerry/Neither	86	64	34	-
In general, does John Kerry mostly: (n=367)	Say what he believes	48	90	7	-
	Say what he thinks people want to hear	47	27	71	-
Does George W. Bush pay more attention to the interests of: (n=367)	Ordinary Americans	31	21	77	-
	Large corporations	64	80	17	-
How concerned are you about the availability and cost of health care? (n=367)	Very concerned	74	65	33	-
	Somewhat concerned	21	45	51	-
	Not very concerned	3	-	-	-
	Not at all concerned	0	-	-	-
Which comes closest to your position? Abortion should be: (n=367)	Legal in all cases	31	79	20	-9
	Legal in most cases	37	64	32	-9
	Illegal in most cases	20	37	60	-7
	Illegal in all cases	8	35	65	-5
How confident are you that votes in your state will be counted accurately? (n=364)	Very confident	55	54	44	-
	Somewhat confident	40	70	28	-
	Not very confident	3	-	-	-
	Not at all confident	1	-	-	-



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How confident are you that votes in your state will be counted accurately? (n=384)	Very/Somewhat confident	90	60	37	-
	Not very/Not at all confident	4	-	-	-
Which comes closest to your view of gay and lesbian couples: (n=367)	They should be allowed to legally marry	37	78	18	-
	They should be allowed to legally form civil unions, but	38	51	47	-
	There should be no legal recognition of their	21	50	50	-
Did you vote in the presidential election in 2000? (n=359)	No, I did not vote	13	72	24	-
	Yes, for Al Gore	47	89	9	-
	Yes, for George W. Bush	35	14	85	-
	Yes, for another candidate	4	-	-	-
Do you think the condition of the nation's economy is: (n=402)	Excellent	4	-	-	-31
	Good	36	21	79	27
	Not so good	42	79	19	-44
	Poor	17	85	11	-48
State of the national economy: 2 way (n=402)	Excellent/Good	40	20	79	-
	Not so good/Poor	59	81	16	-
Who would you trust to handle the economy? (n=402)	Only John Kerry	47	89	8	-
	Only George W. Bush	33	13	87	-
	Both of them	4	-	-	-
	Neither of them	15	52	46	-
Who would you trust to handle the economy? (n=402)	Only Kerry/Both	51	86	12	-
	Only Bush/Neither	48	26	74	-
Who would you trust to handle the economy? (n=397)	Only Bush/Both	37	16	84	-
	Only Kerry/Neither	63	80	17	-
Who would you trust to handle terrorism? (n=402)	Only John Kerry	37	89	9	-



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Who would you trust to handle terrorism? (n=402)	Only George W. Bush	39	13	87	-
	Both of them	9	79	21	-
	Neither of them	12	79	15	-
Who would you trust to handle terrorism? (n=402)	Only Kerry/Both	46	87	11	-
	Only Bush/Neither	51	29	70	-
Who would you trust to handle terrorism? (n=402)	Only Bush/Both	49	26	74	-
	Only Kerry/Neither	49	86	10	-
Do you think things in this country today are: (n=402)	Generally going in the right direction	40	20	79	41
	Seriously off on the wrong track	55	82	15	-58
In your vote for president today, how would you rate the importance of _____? (n=402)	Very important	31	61	37	13
	Somewhat important	20	66	33	9
	Not too important	20	40	59	16
	Not at all important	22	54	42	-24
In your vote for president today, how would you rate the importance of _____? (n=402)	Very/Somewhat important	51	63	36	-
	Not too/Not at all important	42	48	50	-
Is your opinion of George W. Bush: (n=375)	Favorable	42	16	84	-
	Unfavorable	58	84	13	-
Is your opinion of John Kerry: (n=375)	Favorable	54	87	10	-
	Unfavorable	43	15	84	-
Which comes closer to your view: (n=375)	Government should do more to solve problems	57	72	26	0
	Government is doing too many things better left to	39	33	65	-4
How worried are you that there will be another major terrorist attack in the U.S.? (n=375)	Very worried	26	58	39	-
	Somewhat worried	54	54	45	-
	Not too worried	18	52	46	-



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How worried are you that there will be another major terrorist attack in the United States? (n=402)	Not at all worried	2	-	-	-
	Very/Somewhat worried	74	55	43	-
	Not too/Not at all worried	19	54	44	-
Compared to four years ago, is the job situation in your area: (n=371)	Better today	17	13	87	-
	Worse today	51	79	18	-
	About the same	32	40	58	-
Do you think the Bush administration's tax cuts have been: (n=375)	Good for the nation's economy	32	11	89	-
	Bad for the nation's economy	37	86	10	-
	Made no difference	28	61	37	-
Do you think the war with Iraq has improved the long-term security of the United States? (n=375)	Yes	35	15	84	-
	No	63	78	20	-
Have you or has someone in your household lost a job in the last four years? (n=371)	Yes, I have	15	55	39	-
	Yes, someone else has	19	71	28	-
	Yes, I have and someone else has	3	-	-	-
	No one has	63	50	49	-
Have you or has someone in your household lost a job in the last four years? (n=371)	Someone in household lost a job	37	64	33	-
	No one in household lost a job	63	50	49	-
Have you or has someone in your household lost a job in the last four years? (n=371)	Voter has lost a job	19	56	39	-
	Voter has NOT lost a job	81	55	44	-
National Region (n=1,620)	East	100	60	38	-2
	Midwest	-	-	-	-50
	South	-	-	-	-55
	West	-	-	-	-49
Population of area, five categories (n=1,620)	Over 500 thousand	22	71	28	2



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Population of area, five categories (n=1,620)	50 to 500 thousand	-	-	-	-41
	Suburbs	65	55	44	-6
	10 to 50 thousand	5	51	23	-40
	Rural	9	69	30	-29
Population of area, three categories (n=1,620)	City over 50 thousand	22	71	28	-8
	Suburbs	65	55	44	-6
	Small city and Rural	13	63	28	-31
In today's election for president, did you just vote for: (n=1,605)	John Kerry	59	89	8	-
	George W. Bush	40	17	82	-
	Ralph Nader	1	-	-	-