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		Total	DEMOCRAT	REPUBLICAN
Number of Interviews - 1,943	Vote Estimate Not for On-Air Use	100	50	49
Are you: (n=1,937)	Male	45	40	51
	Female	55	60	49
Sex by race (n=1,916)	White male	39	32	47
	White female	45	45	45
	Non-white male	6	9	4
	Non-white female	9	14	4
Are you: (n=1,921)	White	85	77	92
	Black	8	15	2
	Hispanic/Latino	6	7	4
	Asian	1	1	1
	Other	1	1	1
AGE (60 and over) (n=1,939)	18-29	16	18	15
	30-44	27	25	29
	45-59	30	31	28
	60 or over	27	26	29
Age 65 & over (n=1,939)	18-64	83	83	82
	65 or over	17	17	18
2003 total family income: (n=1,768)	Under \$15,000	9	13	5
	\$15,000-\$29,999	15	17	13
	\$30,000-\$49,999	23	24	22
	\$50,000-\$74,999	23	21	26
	\$75,000-\$99,999	14	12	16
	\$100,000-\$149,999	9	9	11



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2003 total family income: (n=1,768)	\$150,000-\$199,999	3	2	5
	\$200,000 or more	2	1	3
Total family income: (n=1,768)	Less than \$50,000	48	55	40
	\$50,000 or more	52	45	60
Total family income: (n=1,768)	Less than \$100,000	85	88	82
	\$100,000 or more	15	12	18
Do you or does someone in your household belong to a labor union? (n=1,439)	Yes, I do	16	22	10
	Yes, someone else does	14	16	13
	Yes, I do and someone else does	2	2	2
	No one does	68	61	75
UNION HOUSEHOLD (n=1,439)	Yes (Vote is union member, union member in household, or	32	39	25
	No (No union voter in household	68	61	75
Voter is union member: (n=1,439)	Yes	18	23	12
	No	82	77	88
Do you work full-time for pay? (n=434)	Yes	55	55	54
	No	45	45	46
Working women: (n=453)	Working women	26	29	23
	All others	74	71	77
What was the last grade of school you completed? (n=1,429)	Did not complete high school	4	4	4
	High school graduate	26	28	23
	Some college or associate degree	30	31	29
	College graduate	23	19	27
	Postgraduate study	16	17	16
College Education (n=1,429)	No college degree	61	64	57



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College Education (n=1,429)	College graduate	39	36	43
No matter how you voted today, do you usually think of yourself as a: (n=1,882)	Democrat	39	72	6
	Republican	39	6	73
	Independent or something else	22	22	21
On most political matters, do you consider yourself: (n=1,852)	Liberal	20	36	4
	Moderate	46	53	39
	Conservative	34	11	56
Is this the first time you have ever voted? (n=998)	Yes	9	10	8
	No	91	90	92
Religion, combined Protestant and other Christian. (n=1,443)	Protestant/Other Christian	55	48	62
	Catholic	30	31	29
	Jewish	1	2	0
	Something else	5	6	4
	None	9	13	4
Religion among whites (n=1,457)	White Protestant/Other Christian	45	35	56
	White Catholic	25	25	25
	White Jewish	1	1	0
	White something else	4	3	4
	White none	8	11	4
	Non-white	18	24	10
White Protestant Conservatives (n=1,489)	White Protestant conservatives	19	5	34
	All others	81	95	66
White Evangelical/Born-again Christians (n=1,485)	White Evangelical/Born-again Christians	25	15	36
	All others	75	85	64



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White/Protestant/Conservative/Evangelical/Attend church at least weekly (n=1,489)	White religious conservatives	8	1	16
	All others	92	99	84
How often do you attend religious services? (n=1,464)	More than once a week	13	9	17
	Once a week	31	28	35
	A few times a month	14	16	11
	A few times a year	28	29	27
	Never	13	16	8
How often do you attend religious services? (n=1,489)	Weekly	43	37	50
	Occasionally	41	44	37
	Never	12	16	8
Church attendance by Religion (n=1,489)	Protestant/Attend weekly	18	15	22
	Protestant/Do not attend weekly	15	14	17
	Catholic/Attend weekly	14	14	15
	Catholic/Do not attend weekly	15	16	14
	All Others	35	39	29
Have you ever served in the U.S. military? (n=1,006)	Yes	17	13	22
	No	83	87	78
Are you currently married? (n=1,887)	Yes	67	58	76
	No	33	42	24
Married women (n=1,942)	Married women	34	32	37
	Others	66	68	63
Married with children: (n=1,445)	Married with children	29	22	35
	All others	71	78	65
Do you have any children under 18 living in your household? (n=1,439)	Yes	35	31	40



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Do you have any children under 18 living in your household? (n=1,439)	No	65	69	60
Women with children (n=1,484)	Women with children	19	18	19
	All others	81	82	81
Are you gay, lesbian or bisexual? (n=874)	Yes	3	5	0
	No	97	95	100
Do you or does someone else in your household own a gun? (n=456)	Yes	46	38	55
	No	54	62	45
When did you finally decide for whom to vote in the presidential election? (n=1,485)	Just today	4	5	4
	In the last three days	3	3	3
	Sometime last week	2	2	2
	During the last month	8	8	8
	Before that	77	77	78
Time: Last three days/Earlier than that (n=1,485)	Today/Within the last three days	7	8	7
	Within the last week or earlier	87	87	88
Time: Last week/Earlier than that (n=1,485)	Today through within the last three days	10	10	9
	Within the last week or earlier	85	84	86
Which ONE issue mattered most in deciding how you voted for president? (Check only one) (n=1,031)	Taxes	6	6	7
	Education	5	7	4
	Iraq	12	17	7
	Terrorism	16	5	28
	Economy/Jobs	21	34	8
	Moral values	24	10	37
	Health care	8	13	4
Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job	Strongly approve	34	8	61



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Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president? (n=1,031)	Somewhat approve	19	10	29
	Somewhat disapprove	10	15	5
	Strongly disapprove	37	67	5
Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president? (n=1,031)	Approve	53	17	90
	Disapprove	46	82	10
Which ONE candidate quality mattered most in deciding how you voted for president? (Check only one) (n=1,031)	He cares about people like me	11	15	8
	He has strong religious faith	8	2	15
	He is honest and trustworthy	11	8	14
	He is a strong leader	18	6	29
	He is intelligent	7	13	1
	He will bring about needed change	23	42	5
	He has clear stands on the issues	17	9	25
Compared to four years ago, is the country: (n=1,014)	Safer from terrorism	53	23	83
	Less safe from terrorism	43	73	14
How do you feel about the U.S. decision to go to war with Iraq? (n=1,014)	Strongly approve	28	5	50
	Somewhat approve	24	15	34
	Somewhat disapprove	16	22	8
	Strongly disapprove	31	57	6
How do you feel about the U.S. decision to go to war with Iraq? (n=1,031)	Approve	51	19	83
	Disapprove	46	77	14
How do you think things are going for the U.S. in Iraq now? (n=1,014)	Very well	11	2	20
	Somewhat well	34	11	58
	Somewhat badly	20	27	12
	Very badly	34	59	8



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How do you think things are going for the U.S. in Iraq now? (n=1,031)	Very/Somewhat well	44	12	76
	Very/Somewhat badly	52	84	20
Compared to four years ago, is your family's financial situation: (n=1,014)	Better today	28	13	42
	Worse today	32	51	13
	About the same	39	35	44
If these were the only two presidential candidates on the ballot today, for whom would you have voted? (n=1,899)	John Kerry (Dem)	49	89	9
	George W. Bush (Rep)	49	10	90
	Would not have voted for president	2	2	1
Was your vote for president mainly: (n=458)	For your candidate	66	53	82
	Against his opponent	30	43	15
Which comes closest to your feelings about the Bush administration: (n=458)	Angry	27	46	5
	Dissatisfied, but not angry	25	41	8
	Satisfied, but not enthusiastic	21	9	34
	Enthusiastic	25	2	52
Did either of these candidates for president attack the other unfairly? (n=458)	Only John Kerry did	21	3	43
	Only George W. Bush did	19	31	6
	Both did	45	49	39
	Neither did	10	11	9
Did either of these candidates for president attack the other unfairly? (n=458)	Only Kerry/Both did	66	52	81
	Only Bush/Neither did	30	43	15
Did either of these candidates for president attack the other unfairly? (n=458)	Only Bush/Both did	64	80	45
	Only Kerry/Neither did	32	15	52
Do you consider the war in Iraq: (n=458)	Part of the war on terrorism	54	27	85
	Separate from the war on terrorism	43	69	14



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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=438)	Yes, for John Kerry	12	19	4
	Yes, for George W. Bush	16	4	32
	Yes, for both Kerry and Bush	23	25	21
	No, I was not contacted	49	53	43
Did anyone call you or talk to you in person on behalf of either major presidential campaign about coming out to vote? (n=438)	For Kerry/Both	35	43	25
	For Bush/Neither	65	57	75
Did anyone call you or talk to you in person on behalf of either major presidential campaign about coming out to vote? (n=438)	For Bush/Both	40	29	53
	For Kerry/Neither	60	71	47
In general, does John Kerry mostly: (n=450)	Say what he believes	47	77	12
	Say what he thinks people want to hear	53	22	88
Does George W. Bush pay more attention to the interests of: (n=450)	Ordinary Americans	40	10	74
	Large corporations	58	88	24
How concerned are you about the availability and cost of health care? (n=450)	Very concerned	72	87	55
	Somewhat concerned	22	12	34
	Not very concerned	4	1	9
	Not at all concerned	1	0	3
Which comes closest to your position? Abortion should be: (n=450)	Legal in all cases	17	27	5
	Legal in most cases	33	42	23
	Illegal in most cases	30	18	44
	Illegal in all cases	18	11	26
How confident are you that votes in your state will be counted accurately? (n=449)	Very confident	53	44	65
	Somewhat confident	40	45	34
	Not very confident	5	9	1
	Not at all confident	1	3	-



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How confident are you that votes in your state will be counted accurately? (n=458)	Very/Somewhat confident	91	87	97
	Not very/Not at all confident	7	11	1
Which comes closest to your view of gay and lesbian couples: (n=450)	They should be allowed to legally marry	24	36	9
	They should be allowed to legally form civil unions, but	35	37	34
	There should be no legal recognition of their	39	25	55
Did you vote in the presidential election in 2000? (n=448)	No, I did not vote	15	17	13
	Yes, for Al Gore	40	65	9
	Yes, for George W. Bush	43	14	77
	Yes, for another candidate	2	4	1
Do you think the condition of the nation's economy is: (n=454)	Excellent	4	2	6
	Good	39	8	69
	Not so good	37	52	22
	Poor	19	38	2
State of the national economy: 2 way (n=454)	Excellent/Good	43	10	75
	Not so good/Poor	56	90	24
Who would you trust to handle the economy? (n=454)	Only John Kerry	41	79	7
	Only George W. Bush	38	5	69
	Both of them	8	6	11
	Neither of them	11	10	11
Who would you trust to handle the economy? (n=454)	Only Kerry/Both	50	85	17
	Only Bush/Neither	49	15	80
Who would you trust to handle the economy? (n=448)	Only Bush/Both	47	10	82
	Only Kerry/Neither	53	90	18
Who would you trust to handle terrorism? (n=454)	Only John Kerry	35	69	3



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Who would you trust to handle terrorism? (n=454)	Only George W. Bush	46	7	82
	Both of them	9	11	8
	Neither of them	9	13	6
Who would you trust to handle terrorism? (n=454)	Only Kerry/Both	44	79	11
	Only Bush/Neither	55	20	87
Who would you trust to handle terrorism? (n=454)	Only Bush/Both	55	18	90
	Only Kerry/Neither	44	82	9
Do you think things in this country today are: (n=454)	Generally going in the right direction	51	16	83
	Seriously off on the wrong track	48	83	15
In your vote for president today, how would you rate the importance of _____? (n=454)	Very important	27	31	24
	Somewhat important	21	23	20
	Not too important	21	17	25
	Not at all important	21	18	24
In your vote for president today, how would you rate the importance of _____? (n=454)	Very/Somewhat important	49	55	43
	Not too/Not at all important	42	35	49
Is your opinion of George W. Bush: (n=438)	Favorable	52	11	89
	Unfavorable	48	89	10
Is your opinion of John Kerry: (n=438)	Favorable	52	90	18
	Unfavorable	46	8	80
Which comes closer to your view: (n=438)	Government should do more to solve problems	48	68	30
	Government is doing too many things better left to	48	28	67
How worried are you that there will be another major terrorist attack in the U.S.? (n=438)	Very worried	15	18	13
	Somewhat worried	58	51	65
	Not too worried	20	22	17



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How worried are you that there will be another major terrorist attack in the United States? (n=454)	Not at all worried	7	8	5
	Very/Somewhat worried	70	66	76
	Not too/Not at all worried	26	29	21
Compared to four years ago, is the job situation in your area: (n=434)	Better today	20	6	33
	Worse today	52	80	26
	About the same	28	14	41
Do you think the Bush administration's tax cuts have been: (n=438)	Good for the nation's economy	41	8	73
	Bad for the nation's economy	35	65	8
	Made no difference	21	24	18
Do you think the war with Iraq has improved the long-term security of the United States? (n=438)	Yes	43	13	69
	No	56	86	28
Have you or has someone in your household lost a job in the last four years? (n=431)	Yes, I have	13	18	8
	Yes, someone else has	19	31	10
	Yes, I have and someone else has	1	1	2
	No one has	66	50	81
Have you or has someone in your household lost a job in the last four years? (n=431)	Someone in household lost a job	34	50	19
	No one in household lost a job	66	50	81
Have you or has someone in your household lost a job in the last four years? (n=431)	Voter has lost a job	14	19	10
	Voter has NOT lost a job	86	81	90
National Region (n=1,943)	East	-	-	-
	Midwest	100	100	100
	South	-	-	-
	West	-	-	-
Population of area, five categories (n=1,943)	Over 500 thousand	6	10	3



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Population of area, five categories (n=1,943)	50 to 500 thousand	20	25	15
	Suburbs	44	41	47
	10 to 50 thousand	7	6	8
	Rural	23	19	27
Population of area, three categories (n=1,795)	City over 50 thousand	26	35	18
	Suburbs	44	41	46
	Small city and Rural	30	24	36
In today's election for president, did you just vote for: (n=1,939)	John Kerry	50	91	9
	George W. Bush	49	8	90
	Ralph Nader	0	0	1