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		Total	DEMOCRAT	REPUBLICAN
Number of Interviews - 2,612	Vote Estimate Not for On-Air Use	100	50	48
Are you: (n=2,605)	Male	48	44	52
	Female	52	56	48
Sex by race (n=2,571)	White male	41	35	48
	White female	43	42	44
	Non-white male	7	9	4
	Non-white female	9	14	4
Are you: (n=2,577)	White	84	76	92
	Black	9	16	3
	Hispanic/Latino	5	7	4
	Asian	1	1	1
	Other	1	1	1
AGE (60 and over) (n=2,607)	18-29	18	19	16
	30-44	28	26	29
	45-59	29	31	27
	60 or over	25	24	27
Age 65 & over (n=2,607)	18-64	84	85	82
	65 or over	16	15	18
2003 total family income: (n=2,395)	Under \$15,000	9	12	5
	\$15,000-\$29,999	16	18	14
	\$30,000-\$49,999	23	24	22
	\$50,000-\$74,999	24	21	27
	\$75,000-\$99,999	14	12	15
	\$100,000-\$149,999	9	9	9



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2003 total family income: (n=2,395)	\$150,000-\$199,999	3	2	4
	\$200,000 or more	2	1	3
Total family income: (n=2,395)	Less than \$50,000	48	54	41
	\$50,000 or more	52	46	59
Total family income: (n=2,395)	Less than \$100,000	85	87	83
	\$100,000 or more	15	13	17
Do you or does someone in your household belong to a labor union? (n=1,931)	Yes, I do	17	23	10
	Yes, someone else does	14	16	12
	Yes, I do and someone else does	2	2	2
	No one does	67	59	76
UNION HOUSEHOLD (n=1,931)	Yes (Vote is union member, union member in household, or	33	41	24
	No (No union voter in household	67	59	76
Voter is union member: (n=1,931)	Yes	18	25	12
	No	82	75	88
Do you work full-time for pay? (n=599)	Yes	55	53	56
	No	45	47	44
Working women: (n=622)	Working women	25	26	24
	All others	75	74	76
What was the last grade of school you completed? (n=1,923)	Did not complete high school	5	4	5
	High school graduate	26	28	23
	Some college or associate degree	31	32	31
	College graduate	23	21	26
	Postgraduate study	15	15	14
College Education (n=1,923)	No college degree	62	64	59



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College Education (n=1,923)	College graduate	38	36	41
No matter how you voted today, do you usually think of yourself as a: (n=2,533)	Democrat	39	71	5
	Republican	39	6	74
	Independent or something else	22	23	21
On most political matters, do you consider yourself: (n=2,495)	Liberal	21	36	5
	Moderate	46	53	39
	Conservative	33	12	56
Is this the first time you have ever voted? (n=1,329)	Yes	10	10	10
	No	90	90	90
Religion, combined Protestant and other Christian. (n=1,927)	Protestant/Other Christian	56	49	64
	Catholic	29	30	27
	Jewish	1	1	1
	Something else	5	7	4
	None	9	13	5
Religion among whites (n=1,942)	White Protestant/Other Christian	46	36	57
	White Catholic	24	24	23
	White Jewish	1	1	1
	White something else	4	4	4
	White none	8	11	5
	Non-white	18	25	11
White Protestant Conservatives (n=1,989)	White Protestant conservatives	19	5	33
	All others	81	95	67
White Evangelical/Born-again Christians (n=1,984)	White Evangelical/Born-again Christians	24	14	35
	All others	76	86	65



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White/Protestant/Conservative/Evangelical/Attend church at least weekly (n=1,989)	White religious conservatives	8	1	16
	All others	92	99	84
How often do you attend religious services? (n=1,958)	More than once a week	13	10	17
	Once a week	30	27	34
	A few times a month	14	15	12
	A few times a year	29	31	27
	Never	13	16	9
How often do you attend religious services? (n=1,989)	Weekly	42	36	49
	Occasionally	42	45	38
	Never	13	16	9
Church attendance by Religion (n=1,989)	Protestant/Attend weekly	18	14	23
	Protestant/Do not attend weekly	16	14	19
	Catholic/Attend weekly	14	14	14
	Catholic/Do not attend weekly	14	15	13
	All Others	35	41	29
Have you ever served in the U.S. military? (n=1,338)	Yes	17	13	22
	No	83	87	78
Are you currently married? (n=2,542)	Yes	65	57	74
	No	35	43	26
Married women (n=2,611)	Married women	33	31	35
	Others	67	69	65
Married with children: (n=1,942)	Married with children	29	24	35
	All others	71	76	65
Do you have any children under 18 living in your household? (n=1,935)	Yes	37	33	41



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Do you have any children under 18 living in your household? (n=1,935)	No	63	67	59
Women with children (n=1,991)	Women with children	19	19	20
	All others	81	81	80
Are you gay, lesbian or bisexual? (n=1,194)	Yes	3	5	1
	No	97	95	99
Do you or does someone else in your household own a gun? (n=618)	Yes	45	39	52
	No	55	61	48
When did you finally decide for whom to vote in the presidential election? (n=1,878)	Just today	6	6	5
	In the last three days	3	3	3
	Sometime last week	3	3	2
	During the last month	9	9	9
	Before that	79	78	81
Time: Last three days/Earlier than that (n=1,878)	Today/Within the last three days	9	10	8
	Within the last week or earlier	91	90	92
Time: Last week/Earlier than that (n=1,878)	Today through within the last three days	12	12	10
	Within the last week or earlier	88	88	90
Which ONE issue mattered most in deciding how you voted for president? (Check only one) (n=1,369)	Taxes	7	6	7
	Education	5	7	3
	Iraq	12	16	7
	Terrorism	15	5	26
	Economy/Jobs	22	35	8
	Moral values	24	10	38
	Health care	8	12	4
Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job	Strongly approve	33	8	59



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Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president? (n=1,369)	Somewhat approve	20	10	30
	Somewhat disapprove	11	17	5
	Strongly disapprove	35	65	5
Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president? (n=1,369)	Approve	53	18	89
	Disapprove	47	82	10
Which ONE candidate quality mattered most in deciding how you voted for president? (Check only one) (n=1,369)	He cares about people like me	11	14	7
	He has strong religious faith	8	3	14
	He is honest and trustworthy	11	8	14
	He is a strong leader	17	6	29
	He is intelligent	7	13	1
	He will bring about needed change	24	43	5
	He has clear stands on the issues	17	8	25
Compared to four years ago, is the country: (n=1,347)	Safer from terrorism	51	22	82
	Less safe from terrorism	45	74	15
How do you feel about the U.S. decision to go to war with Iraq? (n=1,347)	Strongly approve	28	6	50
	Somewhat approve	24	14	34
	Somewhat disapprove	17	24	9
	Strongly disapprove	31	55	6
How do you feel about the U.S. decision to go to war with Iraq? (n=1,369)	Approve	50	19	82
	Disapprove	47	78	15
How do you think things are going for the U.S. in Iraq now? (n=1,347)	Very well	11	2	20
	Somewhat well	34	9	59
	Somewhat badly	22	30	13
	Very badly	33	57	7



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How do you think things are going for the U.S. in Iraq now? (n=1,369)	Very/Somewhat well	43	11	77
	Very/Somewhat badly	53	86	20
Compared to four years ago, is your family's financial situation: (n=1,347)	Better today	27	13	42
	Worse today	33	50	14
	About the same	39	35	43
If these were the only two presidential candidates on the ballot today, for whom would you have voted? (n=2,550)	John Kerry (Dem)	49	89	8
	George W. Bush (Rep)	49	9	90
	Would not have voted for president	2	2	1
Was your vote for president mainly: (n=620)	For your candidate	67	54	81
	Against his opponent	29	41	15
Which comes closest to your feelings about the Bush administration: (n=620)	Angry	25	45	4
	Dissatisfied, but not angry	26	42	9
	Satisfied, but not enthusiastic	20	8	33
	Enthusiastic	26	3	51
Did either of these candidates for president attack the other unfairly? (n=620)	Only John Kerry did	22	4	42
	Only George W. Bush did	17	30	4
	Both did	46	49	41
	Neither did	12	13	10
Did either of these candidates for president attack the other unfairly? (n=620)	Only Kerry/Both did	67	53	82
	Only Bush/Neither did	29	43	14
Did either of these candidates for president attack the other unfairly? (n=620)	Only Bush/Both did	63	79	45
	Only Kerry/Neither did	33	17	52
Do you consider the war in Iraq: (n=620)	Part of the war on terrorism	54	26	85
	Separate from the war on terrorism	43	70	13



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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=592)	Yes, for John Kerry	11	16	5
	Yes, for George W. Bush	17	5	30
	Yes, for both Kerry and Bush	22	25	18
	No, I was not contacted	51	54	47
Did anyone call you or talk to you in person on behalf of either major presidential campaign about coming out to vote? (n=592)	For Kerry/Both	32	41	23
	For Bush/Neither	68	59	77
Did anyone call you or talk to you in person on behalf of either major presidential campaign about coming out to vote? (n=592)	For Bush/Both	39	30	48
	For Kerry/Neither	61	70	52
In general, does John Kerry mostly: (n=611)	Say what he believes	45	76	10
	Say what he thinks people want to hear	54	22	89
Does George W. Bush pay more attention to the interests of: (n=611)	Ordinary Americans	41	11	74
	Large corporations	56	87	22
How concerned are you about the availability and cost of health care? (n=611)	Very concerned	71	86	55
	Somewhat concerned	24	12	36
	Not very concerned	4	1	6
	Not at all concerned	1	0	3
Which comes closest to your position? Abortion should be: (n=611)	Legal in all cases	18	28	6
	Legal in most cases	32	41	23
	Illegal in most cases	30	19	42
	Illegal in all cases	17	10	26
How confident are you that votes in your state will be counted accurately? (n=607)	Very confident	53	41	67
	Somewhat confident	40	48	32
	Not very confident	5	9	1
	Not at all confident	1	2	1



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How confident are you that votes in your state will be counted accurately? (n=620)	Very/Somewhat confident	91	86	96
	Not very/Not at all confident	7	11	1
Which comes closest to your view of gay and lesbian couples: (n=611)	They should be allowed to legally marry	23	35	10
	They should be allowed to legally form civil unions, but	35	35	36
	There should be no legal recognition of their	39	27	52
Did you vote in the presidential election in 2000? (n=609)	No, I did not vote	17	19	15
	Yes, for Al Gore	39	65	10
	Yes, for George W. Bush	42	13	75
	Yes, for another candidate	2	3	1
Do you think the condition of the nation's economy is: (n=623)	Excellent	4	2	6
	Good	39	10	70
	Not so good	36	49	21
	Poor	20	39	2
State of the national economy: 2 way (n=623)	Excellent/Good	43	12	76
	Not so good/Poor	56	88	23
Who would you trust to handle the economy? (n=623)	Only John Kerry	42	78	6
	Only George W. Bush	36	4	70
	Both of them	8	6	11
	Neither of them	12	12	12
Who would you trust to handle the economy? (n=623)	Only Kerry/Both	50	83	17
	Only Bush/Neither	49	16	81
Who would you trust to handle the economy? (n=616)	Only Bush/Both	45	10	82
	Only Kerry/Neither	55	90	18
Who would you trust to handle terrorism? (n=623)	Only John Kerry	34	66	2



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Who would you trust to handle terrorism? (n=623)	Only George W. Bush	45	7	83
	Both of them	10	12	9
	Neither of them	10	14	5
Who would you trust to handle terrorism? (n=623)	Only Kerry/Both	45	78	11
	Only Bush/Neither	54	21	88
Who would you trust to handle terrorism? (n=623)	Only Bush/Both	55	19	92
	Only Kerry/Neither	44	80	7
Do you think things in this country today are: (n=623)	Generally going in the right direction	49	16	83
	Seriously off on the wrong track	50	83	15
In your vote for president today, how would you rate the importance of _____? (n=561)	Very important	33	39	26
	Somewhat important	24	23	23
	Not too important	20	16	25
	Not at all important	23	21	26
In your vote for president today, how would you rate the importance of _____? (n=561)	Very/Somewhat important	56	63	50
	Not too/Not at all important	44	37	50
Is your opinion of George W. Bush: (n=604)	Favorable	51	11	90
	Unfavorable	49	89	10
Is your opinion of John Kerry: (n=604)	Favorable	52	88	16
	Unfavorable	47	11	82
Which comes closer to your view: (n=604)	Government should do more to solve problems	45	63	27
	Government is doing too many things better left to	51	33	70
How worried are you that there will be another major terrorist attack in the U.S.? (n=604)	Very worried	16	20	12
	Somewhat worried	56	50	62
	Not too worried	21	22	20



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How worried are you that there will be another major terrorist attack in the United States? (n=623)	Not at all worried	6	8	5
	Very/Somewhat worried	69	67	72
Compared to four years ago, is the job situation in your area: (n=598)	Not too/Not at all worried	27	29	25
	Better today	20	6	34
	Worse today	52	81	22
Do you think the Bush administration's tax cuts have been: (n=604)	About the same	29	13	44
	Good for the nation's economy	41	7	74
	Bad for the nation's economy	37	66	8
Do you think the war with Iraq has improved the long-term security of the United States? (n=604)	Made no difference	21	24	17
	Yes	42	11	72
	No	56	88	25
Have you or has someone in your household lost a job in the last four years? (n=596)	Yes, I have	14	19	10
	Yes, someone else has	19	28	11
	Yes, I have and someone else has	2	2	2
	No one has	64	51	77
Have you or has someone in your household lost a job in the last four years? (n=596)	Someone in household lost a job	36	49	23
	No one in household lost a job	64	51	77
Have you or has someone in your household lost a job in the last four years? (n=596)	Voter has lost a job	17	21	12
	Voter has NOT lost a job	83	79	88
National Region (n=2,612)	East	-	-	-
	Midwest	100	100	100
	South	-	-	-
	West	-	-	-
Population of area, five categories (n=2,612)	Over 500 thousand	6	10	3



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	Suburbs	44	40	48
	10 to 50 thousand	7	5	8
	Rural	23	20	26
Population of area, three categories (n=2,464)	City over 50 thousand	27	35	19
	Suburbs	43	40	46
	Small city and Rural	30	25	35
In today's election for president, did you just vote for: (n=2,608)	John Kerry	51	91	9
	George W. Bush	49	8	91
	Ralph Nader	1	0	1