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		Total	DEMOCRAT	REPUBLICAN	Rep2000
Number of Interviews - 2,381	Vote Estimate Not for On-Air Use	100	48	50	-
Are you: (n=2,374)	Male	44	43	54	0
	Female	56	52	46	1
Sex by race (n=2,328)	White male	34	38	59	-
	White female	44	46	52	-
	Non-white male	10	59	41	-
	Non-white female	13	70	28	-
Are you: (n=2,334)	White	77	43	55	0
	Black	5	88	12	1
	Hispanic/Latino	13	59	40	5
	Asian	2	53	39	-1
	Other	2	53	47	11
AGE (60 and over) (n=2,368)	18-29	14	50	49	1
	30-44	27	47	52	2
	45-59	29	52	45	-4
	60 or over	30	45	53	6
Age 65 & over (n=2,368)	18-64	78	48	50	1
	65 or over	22	47	50	2
2003 total family income: (n=2,105)	Under \$15,000	7	65	30	-
	\$15,000-\$29,999	15	56	43	-
	\$30,000-\$49,999	21	43	53	-
	\$50,000-\$74,999	24	42	56	-
	\$75,000-\$99,999	14	47	53	-
	\$100,000-\$149,999	11	48	51	-



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2003 total family income: (n=2,105)	\$150,000-\$199,999	4	53	47	-
	\$200,000 or more	3	46	54	-
Total family income: (n=2,105)	Less than \$50,000	43	51	45	-
	\$50,000 or more	57	45	53	-
Total family income: (n=2,105)	Less than \$100,000	82	48	50	-
	\$100,000 or more	18	49	51	-
Do you or does someone in your household belong to a labor union? (n=1,756)	Yes, I do	13	57	42	9
	Yes, someone else does	7	53	47	3
	Yes, I do and someone else does	2	77	23	-26
	No one does	78	44	53	0
UNION HOUSEHOLD (n=1,756)	Yes (Vote is union member, union member in household, or	22	58	41	-
	No (No union voter in household	78	44	53	-
Voter is union member: (n=1,756)	Yes	15	60	39	-
	No	85	45	53	-
Do you work full-time for pay? (n=579)	Yes	54	47	52	4
	No	46	45	53	3
Working women: (n=599)	Working women	26	54	44	-
	All others	74	45	54	-
What was the last grade of school you completed? (n=1,752)	Did not complete high school	4	45	54	13
	High school graduate	17	39	59	10
	Some college or associate degree	35	43	56	5
	College graduate	28	52	46	-7
	Postgraduate study	17	57	39	-6
College Education (n=1,752)	No college degree	55	42	57	-



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College Education (n=1,752)	College graduate	45	54	43	-
No matter how you voted today, do you usually think of yourself as a: (n=2,312)	Democrat	35	92	7	-4
	Republican	37	6	93	2
	Independent or something else	28	49	46	-3
On most political matters, do you consider yourself: (n=2,306)	Liberal	23	89	9	-7
	Moderate	45	51	47	2
	Conservative	32	14	84	4
Is this the first time you have ever voted? (n=1,173)	Yes	9	55	45	-3
	No	91	47	50	1
Religion, combined Protestant and other Christian. (n=1,726)	Protestant/Other Christian	50	37	61	5
	Catholic	22	56	43	-5
	Jewish	2	77	15	-9
	Something else	8	67	28	-1
	None	17	56	39	7
Religion among whites (n=1,742)	White Protestant/Other Christian	40	33	65	-
	White Catholic	13	52	46	-
	White Jewish	2	77	15	-
	White something else	5	60	32	-
	White none	13	52	43	-
	Non-white	27	62	37	-
White Protestant Conservatives (n=1,780)	White Protestant conservatives	14	11	87	-
	All others	86	54	43	-
White Evangelical/Born-again Christians (n=1,778)	White Evangelical/Born-again Christians	19	20	76	-
	All others	81	55	43	-



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White/Protestant/Conservative/Evangelical/Attend church at least weekly (n=1,780)	White religious conservatives	6	11	88	-
	All others	94	51	47	-
How often do you attend religious services? (n=1,758)	More than once a week	14	28	72	11
	Once a week	22	35	62	6
	A few times a month	10	51	48	1
	A few times a year	30	58	40	-4
	Never	23	58	37	-1
How often do you attend religious services? (n=1,782)	Weekly	35	33	66	-
	Occasionally	39	56	42	-
	Never	22	58	37	-
Church attendance by Religion (n=1,782)	Protestant/Attend weekly	16	22	76	-
	Protestant/Do not attend weekly	15	46	53	-
	Catholic/Attend weekly	9	47	50	-
	Catholic/Do not attend weekly	12	62	37	-
	All Others	45	55	42	-
Have you ever served in the U.S. military? (n=1,182)	Yes	20	37	58	-
	No	80	50	48	-
Are you currently married? (n=2,344)	Yes	60	42	56	2
	No	40	57	40	0
Married women (n=2,381)	Married women	31	44	55	-
	Others	69	50	47	-
Married with children: (n=1,764)	Married with children	25	41	58	-
	All others	75	49	48	-
Do you have any children under 18 living in your household? (n=1,755)	Yes	33	44	55	2



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Do you have any children under 18 living in your household? (n=1,755)	No	67	48	49	2
Women with children (n=1,798)	Women with children	18	48	51	-
	All others	82	47	50	-
Are you gay, lesbian or bisexual? (n=1,134)	Yes	5	70	30	-1
	No	95	47	51	0
Do you or does someone else in your household own a gun? (n=576)	Yes	41	39	60	0
	No	59	58	39	-1
When did you finally decide for whom to vote in the presidential election? (n=1,055)	Just today	5	54	41	-
	In the last three days	4	40	58	-
	Sometime last week	2	86	14	-
	During the last month	11	45	53	-
	Before that	78	42	56	-
Time: Last three days/Earlier than that (n=1,055)	Today/Within the last three days	8	48	48	-
	Within the last week or earlier	92	44	55	-
Time: Last week/Earlier than that (n=1,055)	Today through within the last three days	11	57	41	-
	Within the last week or earlier	89	43	56	-
Which ONE issue mattered most in deciding how you voted for president? (Check only one) (n=1,199)	Taxes	5	29	64	-
	Education	3	64	36	-
	Iraq	21	69	28	-
	Terrorism	19	20	77	-
	Economy/Jobs	17	69	28	-
	Moral values	23	28	71	-
	Health care	7	63	28	-
Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job	Strongly approve	30	6	93	-



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Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president? (n=1,199)	Somewhat approve	20	21	78	-
	Somewhat disapprove	12	71	23	-
	Strongly disapprove	37	88	8	-
Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president? (n=1,199)	Approve	51	12	87	-
	Disapprove	49	84	11	-
Which ONE candidate quality mattered most in deciding how you voted for president? (Check only one) (n=1,199)	He cares about people like me	7	71	27	-
	He has strong religious faith	7	22	75	-
	He is honest and trustworthy	14	33	65	-
	He is a strong leader	18	17	83	-
	He is intelligent	9	83	11	-
	He will bring about needed change	25	80	17	-
	He has clear stands on the issues	15	27	70	-
Compared to four years ago, is the country: (n=1,183)	Safer from terrorism	53	23	75	-
	Less safe from terrorism	42	77	19	-
How do you feel about the U.S. decision to go to war with Iraq? (n=1,183)	Strongly approve	29	9	89	-
	Somewhat approve	22	24	74	-
	Somewhat disapprove	14	68	31	-
	Strongly disapprove	35	86	9	-
How do you feel about the U.S. decision to go to war with Iraq? (n=1,199)	Approve	50	15	83	-
	Disapprove	47	81	15	-
How do you think things are going for the U.S. in Iraq now? (n=1,183)	Very well	12	6	91	-
	Somewhat well	30	13	84	-
	Somewhat badly	20	60	40	-
	Very badly	36	84	12	-



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How do you think things are going for the U.S. in Iraq now? (n=1,199)	Very/Somewhat well	42	11	86	-
	Very/Somewhat badly	55	75	22	-
Compared to four years ago, is your family's financial situation: (n=1,183)	Better today	33	23	75	35
	Worse today	24	71	26	-37
	About the same	42	55	43	-15
If these were the only two presidential candidates on the ballot today, for whom would you have voted? (n=2,338)	John Kerry (Dem)	49	87	10	-
	George W. Bush (Rep)	50	9	90	-
	Would not have voted for president	1	49	35	-
Was your vote for president mainly: (n=583)	For your candidate	67	42	57	-
	Against his opponent	27	71	26	-
Which comes closest to your feelings about the Bush administration: (n=583)	Angry	26	92	5	-
	Dissatisfied, but not angry	25	78	19	-
	Satisfied, but not enthusiastic	29	18	80	-
	Enthusiastic	18	2	97	-
Did either of these candidates for president attack the other unfairly? (n=583)	Only John Kerry did	22	5	95	-
	Only George W. Bush did	16	85	13	-
	Both did	49	59	38	-
	Neither did	10	53	42	-
Did either of these candidates for president attack the other unfairly? (n=583)	Only Kerry/Both did	71	42	56	-
	Only Bush/Neither did	26	73	24	-
Did either of these candidates for president attack the other unfairly? (n=583)	Only Bush/Both did	64	66	32	-
	Only Kerry/Neither did	32	20	78	-
Do you consider the war in Iraq: (n=583)	Part of the war on terrorism	52	23	75	-
	Separate from the war on terrorism	46	81	16	-



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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=559)	Yes, for John Kerry	12	84	15	-
	Yes, for George W. Bush	6	12	88	-
	Yes, for both Kerry and Bush	12	53	45	-
	No, I was not contacted	70	48	49	-
Did anyone call you or talk to you in person on behalf of either major presidential campaign about coming out to vote? (n=559)	For Kerry/Both	24	68	30	-
	For Bush/Neither	76	45	53	-
Did anyone call you or talk to you in person on behalf of either major presidential campaign about coming out to vote? (n=559)	For Bush/Both	18	39	59	-
	For Kerry/Neither	82	54	44	-
In general, does John Kerry mostly: (n=575)	Say what he believes	41	84	13	-
	Say what he thinks people want to hear	55	24	75	-
Does George W. Bush pay more attention to the interests of: (n=575)	Ordinary Americans	38	9	90	-
	Large corporations	56	79	19	-
How concerned are you about the availability and cost of health care? (n=575)	Very concerned	65	62	36	-
	Somewhat concerned	26	32	67	-
	Not very concerned	6	15	81	-
	Not at all concerned	3	-	-	-
Which comes closest to your position? Abortion should be: (n=575)	Legal in all cases	24	71	26	-3
	Legal in most cases	38	56	42	1
	Illegal in most cases	25	26	73	6
	Illegal in all cases	9	34	65	-5
How confident are you that votes in your state will be counted accurately? (n=570)	Very confident	49	39	58	-
	Somewhat confident	43	63	36	-
	Not very confident	6	53	44	-
	Not at all confident	2	-	-	-



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How confident are you that votes in your state will be counted accurately? (n=583)	Very/Somewhat confident	89	50	48	-
	Not very/Not at all confident	8	60	38	-
Which comes closest to your view of gay and lesbian couples: (n=575)	They should be allowed to legally marry	31	75	22	-
	They should be allowed to legally form civil unions, but	36	43	54	-
	There should be no legal recognition of their	30	32	68	-
Did you vote in the presidential election in 2000? (n=572)	No, I did not vote	15	64	35	-
	Yes, for Al Gore	38	88	10	-
	Yes, for George W. Bush	43	11	89	-
	Yes, for another candidate	4	59	16	-
Do you think the condition of the nation's economy is: (n=599)	Excellent	4	7	89	58
	Good	44	17	83	31
	Not so good	34	72	26	-37
	Poor	17	85	11	-48
State of the national economy: 2 way (n=599)	Excellent/Good	49	16	83	-
	Not so good/Poor	51	76	21	-
Who would you trust to handle the economy? (n=599)	Only John Kerry	34	92	6	-
	Only George W. Bush	43	6	93	-
	Both of them	9	61	39	-
	Neither of them	14	54	43	-
Who would you trust to handle the economy? (n=599)	Only Kerry/Both	42	85	13	-
	Only Bush/Neither	57	18	81	-
Who would you trust to handle the economy? (n=593)	Only Bush/Both	52	15	84	-
	Only Kerry/Neither	48	81	17	-
Who would you trust to handle terrorism? (n=599)	Only John Kerry	28	95	4	-



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Who would you trust to handle terrorism? (n=599)	Only George W. Bush	50	10	89	-
	Both of them	11	68	31	-
	Neither of them	10	73	24	-
Who would you trust to handle terrorism? (n=599)	Only Kerry/Both	39	87	12	-
	Only Bush/Neither	60	21	78	-
Who would you trust to handle terrorism? (n=599)	Only Bush/Both	61	21	78	-
	Only Kerry/Neither	38	89	9	-
Do you think things in this country today are: (n=599)	Generally going in the right direction	50	18	81	43
	Seriously off on the wrong track	45	81	17	-56
In your vote for president today, how would you rate the importance of _____? (n=346)	Very important	26	45	54	30
	Somewhat important	25	36	64	40
	Not too important	21	42	58	15
	Not at all important	28	51	48	-18
In your vote for president today, how would you rate the importance of _____? (n=346)	Very/Somewhat important	52	41	59	-
	Not too/Not at all important	48	47	52	-
Is your opinion of George W. Bush: (n=583)	Favorable	54	12	87	-
	Unfavorable	44	87	10	-
Is your opinion of John Kerry: (n=583)	Favorable	47	83	15	-
	Unfavorable	50	10	89	-
Which comes closer to your view: (n=583)	Government should do more to solve problems	41	65	33	7
	Government is doing too many things better left to	52	30	69	0
How worried are you that there will be another major terrorist attack in the U.S.? (n=583)	Very worried	20	51	46	-
	Somewhat worried	53	44	55	-
	Not too worried	21	50	48	-



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How worried are you that there will be another major terrorist attack in the United States? (n=599)	Not at all worried	5	36	64	-
	Very/Somewhat worried	71	46	53	-
Compared to four years ago, is the job situation in your area: (n=570)	Not too/Not at all worried	26	47	51	-
	Better today	27	8	91	-
	Worse today	38	78	21	-
Do you think the Bush administration's tax cuts have been: (n=583)	About the same	35	42	57	-
	Good for the nation's economy	43	11	89	-
	Bad for the nation's economy	31	88	11	-
Do you think the war with Iraq has improved the long-term security of the United States? (n=583)	Made no difference	24	56	40	-
	Yes	46	9	90	-
	No	51	79	19	-
Have you or has someone in your household lost a job in the last four years? (n=582)	Yes, I have	13	58	40	-
	Yes, someone else has	14	59	40	-
	Yes, I have and someone else has	2	-	-	-
	No one has	71	41	58	-
Have you or has someone in your household lost a job in the last four years? (n=582)	Someone in household lost a job	29	60	38	-
	No one in household lost a job	71	41	58	-
Have you or has someone in your household lost a job in the last four years? (n=582)	Voter has lost a job	15	61	37	-
	Voter has NOT lost a job	85	44	55	-
National Region (n=2,381)	East	-	-	-	-40
	Midwest	-	-	-	-50
	South	-	-	-	-55
	West	100	48	50	1
Population of area, five categories (n=2,373)	Over 500 thousand	18	63	35	9



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Population of area, five categories (n=2,373)	50 to 500 thousand	21	49	49	8
	Suburbs	42	46	52	2
	10 to 50 thousand	7	38	58	-5
	Rural	12	38	62	3
Population of area, three categories (n=1,393)	City over 50 thousand	37	53	45	9
	Suburbs	43	46	52	2
	Small city and Rural	21	31	68	9
In today's election for president, did you just vote for: (n=2,373)	John Kerry	50	87	10	-
	George W. Bush	49	9	90	-
	Ralph Nader	0	-	-	-