

Center for Rural Strategies

Frequency Questionnaire

September 17-19, 2006
529 Likely Voters

Q.3 First of all, are you registered to vote at this address?

	Total
Yes	100
No.....	-
(ref:SCREEN1)	

Q.4 Many people weren't able to vote in the 2004 election for President between George Bush and John Kerry. How about you? Were you able to vote, or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	Total
Voted	99
Ineligible/too young	0
Did not vote	1
(Can't remember/Don't know/Refused)	-
(ref:VOTE00)	

Q.5 As you know, there was an election for Congress and other offices in 2002. Many people weren't able to vote. How about you? Were you able to vote or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	Total
Voted	89
Did not vote	7
(Can't remember/Don't know).....	4
(Refused).....	-
(ref:VOTE02)	

Q.6 I know it's a long way off, but what are the chances of your voting in the election for Congress this November: are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or don't you think you will vote?

	Total
Almost certain.....	84
Probably	16
50-50	-
Will not vote.....	-
(Don't know/refused)	-
(ref:CP3)	

Q.7 Generally speaking, do you think that things in this country are going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

	Total
Right direction	35
Wrong track.....	56
(Don't know/refused)	9
Right - Wrong.....	-21
(ref:DIRECT)	

Q.8 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George Bush is handling his job as President?

	Total
Strongly approve	27
Somewhat approve	20
Somewhat disapprove.....	12
Strongly disapprove.....	37
(Don't know/Refused).....	5
Total approve.....	47
Total disapprove.....	48
Approve - disapprove	-2
(ref:CANDAPP2)	

[334 Respondents]

Q.9 (SWING SENATE STATES) And thinking about the election for U.S. Senate this November, if the election for U.S. Senate were held today, would you be voting for (Democratic incumbent/candidate) or (Republican incumbent/ candidate)?¹

	Total
Democratic candidate.....	37
Lean Democratic candidate.....	6
Republican candidate.....	43
Lean Republican candidate.....	4
(Other candidate)	1
Lean (Other candidate)	2
(Undecided).....	5
(Refused).....	2
Total Democratic candidate	43
Total Republican candidate.....	47
Total (Other candidate).....	3
Democratic candidate - Republican candidate.....	-4
(ref:SEN06)	

¹ For each state, the actual name of each party's most likely candidate was inserted. For cases in which a party's most likely candidate could not be determined, a generic candidate ("the Democratic candidate" or "the Republican candidate") was inserted.

[334 Respondents]

Q.11 (SWING SENATE STATES) Even though you are not supporting (Democratic incumbent/candidate) now, what are the chances that you might support (Democratic incumbent/candidate) in the election for Senate this year -- is there a fair chance that you might support that candidate, a small chance, just a very slight chance or no chance at all that you might support that candidate?

	Total
Fair chance.....	7
A small chance	8
Just a very slight chance	12
No chance at all.....	26
(Don't know/Refused).....	3
 Democratic candidate Supporter	 43
(ref:SEN06C)	

[334 Respondents]

Q.12 (SWING SENATE STATES) Even though you are not supporting (Republican incumbent/candidate) now, what are the chances that you might support (Republican incumbent/candidate) in the election for Senate this year -- is there a fair chance that you might support that candidate, a small chance, just a very slight chance or no chance at all that you might support that candidate?

	Total
Fair chance.....	9
A small chance	8
Just a very slight chance	8
No chance at all.....	26
(Don't know/Refused).....	3
 Republican candidate Supporter	 47
(ref:SEN06D)	

[299 Respondents]

Q.13 (SWING CONGRESSIONAL DISRICTS) Now thinking about the election for Congress this November, if the election for U.S. Congress were held today, would you be voting for (Democratic incumbent/candidate) or (Republican incumbent/ candidate)?²

	Total
Democratic incumbent/candidate	42
Lean Democratic incumbent/candidate	3
Republican incumbent/candidate	41
Lean Republican incumbent/candidate	4
(Other candidate)	1
Lean (Other candidate)	-
(Undecided)	8
(Refused).....	1
Total Democratic incumbent/candidate	45
Total Republican incumbent/candidate	45
Total (Other candidate).....	1
 Democratic candidate - Republican candidate.....	 0
(ref:CONG06)	

[299 Respondents]

Q.15 (SWING CONGRESSIONAL DISRICTS) Even though you are not supporting (Democratic incumbent/candidate) now, what are the chances that you might support (Democratic incumbent/candidate) in the election for Congress this year -- is there a fair chance that you might support that candidate, a small chance, just a very slight chance or no chance at all that you might support that candidate?

	Total
Fair chance.....	10
A small chance	7
Just a very slight chance	12
No chance at all.....	24
(Don't know/Refused).....	3
 Democratic candidate Supporter	 45
(ref:CONG06C)	

² For each district in which the incumbent is expected to run for reelection in 2006, the incumbent's actual name was inserted, and the actual name of the most likely candidate was inserted for the opposition. A generic candidate (the Democratic candidate or the Republican candidate) was inserted if a likely candidate could not be determined. For districts in which the incumbent is not expected to run for reelection, the actual name of each party's most likely candidate was inserted if one could be determined, and a generic candidate was inserted if a most likely candidate could not be determined.

[299 Respondents]

Q.16 (SWING CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS) Even though you are not supporting (Republican incumbent/candidate) now, what are the chances that you might support (Republican incumbent/candidate) in the election for Congress this year -- is there a fair chance that you might support that candidate, a small chance, just a very slight chance or no chance at all that you might support that candidate?

	Total
Fair chance.....	7
A small chance.....	9
Just a very slight chance.....	7
No chance at all.....	29
(Don't know/Refused).....	3
Republican candidate Supporter	45
(ref:CONG06D)	

Q.17 In deciding how to vote for Congress, which ONE of the following issues is MOST important to you? Is it....

	Comb	1st	2nd
The war in Iraq.....	28	17	12
Jobs and economy.....	27	14	14
Terrorism and national security.....	26	13	13
Medicare and Soc Sec.....	19	9	11
Health care.....	19	9	11
Energy and gas prices.....	18	7	1
Taxes and spending.....	17	7	10
Moral values.....	15	10	6
Illegal immigration.....	15	7	8
(None of these).....	3	2	1
(DK/Ref).....	6	5	13
(ref:CONC06/CONC062)			

Q.19 Which party do you believe cares more about issues of concern to rural Americans the Democrats or the Republicans?

	Total
Democrats, strongly.....	36
Democrats, not so strongly.....	7
Republicans, not so strongly.....	7
Republicans, strongly.....	29
(Neither).....	10
(Both).....	3
(Don't know/refused).....	9
Total Democrats	42
Total Republicans	36
Democrats - Republicans	6
(ref:RURCARE)	

Q.20 Now I'm going to read you some pairs of statements. As I read each pair, please tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own views, even if neither is exactly right.

	1 st Strng	1 st Not Strng	2 nd Not Strng	2 nd Strng	Both	Nthr	Dk/ Ref	Total 1 st Stmt	Total 2 nd Stmt	1 st - 2 nd
[419 Respondents]										
20 (IF CONGRESSIONAL INCUMBENT RUNNING) I am so angry at the way things are going in this country, I will vote for change and new leadership beginning by voting against (incumbent). OR Things in the country could be going better, but (incumbent) is different than most and deserves reelection.	26	8	17	35	0	4	9	34	52	-18
21 We have done as much as we can to stabilize Iraq and need to have a responsible plan that tries to get our troops home by next year. OR We can win the war in Iraq and need to stay the course until we do.	49	6	5	36	0	2	2	55	41	15
22 The economy has improved for most people in this country. OR The economy has improved mostly for the wealthy.	24	9	6	56	-	2	3	34	62	-28
23 The most important thing to me is to elect leaders who will work to improve the economy. OR The most important thing to me is to elect leaders who share my values.	45	7	5	39	2	1	1	52	45	7

	1 st Strng	1 st Not Strng	2 nd Not Strng	2 nd Strng	Both	Nthr	Dk/ Ref	Total 1 st Stmt	Total 2 nd Stmt	1 st - 2 nd
24 Illegal immigrants should be given the opportunity to eventually become citizens.										
OR										
Illegal immigrants should not be given the opportunity to become citizens.	36	12	8	37	1	3	4	47	46	2

(ref:VALUES04)

[522 Respondents]

Q.25 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE00) In the 2004 election for President, did you vote for Democrat John Kerry or Republican George Bush?

	Total
Democrat John Kerry	37
Republican George Bush	54
(Ralph Nader)	0
(Other candidate)	1
(Don't know/refused)	7

Democrat John Kerry - Republican George Bush.....-17
(ref:VOTE2004)

[476 Respondents]

Q.26 (IF KERRY OR BUSH IN VOTE2004) And thinking back over the last two years, how satisfied are you with the decision you made in the election for President? Would you say you are very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat unsatisfied or very unsatisfied? -

	Total
Very satisfied	52
Somewhat satisfied	30
Somewhat unsatisfied	7
Very unsatisfied	10
(Don't know/refused)	1

Total satisfied 82
Total unsatisfied..... 17

Satisfied - Unsatisfied..... 64
(ref:REGRET04)

Q.27 Finally, I would like to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes. What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

	Total
1 - 11th grade	6
High School graduate.....	31
Non-college post H.S.	1
Some college.....	29
College graduate.....	22
Post-graduate school	10
(Don't know/refused)	1
(ref:EDUC)	

Q.28 Are you a member of a labor union? (IF NO) Is any member of your household a union member?

	Total
Yes: Respondent belongs	16
Household member	8
No member belongs	76
(Don't know/refused)	1
(ref:UNION)	

Q.29 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total
Married	72
Single	9
Separated/divorced	10
Widowed.....	9
(Don't know/refused)	1
(ref:MARITAL)	

Q.30 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat or what?

	Total
Strong Democrat	21
Weak Democrat.....	11
Independent-lean Democrat.....	11
Independent	8
Independent-lean Republican	8
Weak Republican	13
Strong Republican.....	27
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
(ref:PTYID1)	

Q.33 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Total
Liberal.....	15
Moderate	36
Conservative	44
(Don't know/refused)	5
(ref:IDEO1)	

Q.34 What is your religion?

	Total
Protestant.....	54
Catholic	21
Jewish	0
(Other/none/refused)	25
Muslim	-
(ref:RELIG1)	

[284 Respondents]

Q.35 (ASK IF PROTESTANT IN RELIG1) Which one of these words best describes your kind of Christianity -- fundamentalist, evangelical, charismatic, Pentecostal or moderate to liberal?

	Total
Fundamentalist.....	16
Evangelical	23
Charismatic/Pentecostal.....	13
Moderate to liberal.....	33
(Something else)	4
(Don't know/refused)	11
(ref:RELIG3)	

Q.36 How often do you attend church -- every week, once or twice a month, several times a year, or hardly ever?

	Total
Every week.....	42
Once or twice a month	14
Several times a year.....	13
Hardly ever	22
(Never)	3
(Don't know/Refused).....	5
(ref:RELIG2)	

Q.37 In what year were you born?

	Total
18 - 24	2
25 - 29	8
30 - 34	5
35 - 39	8
40 - 44	8
45 - 49	12
50 - 54	10
55 - 59	12
60 - 64	8
Over 64.....	24
(No answer).....	3
(ref:AGE)	

Q.38 How many guns or rifles do you own?

	Total
None.....	45
1-2	13
3-9	20
10 or more	9
(Don't know/Refused).....	13
(ref:GUNS)	

Q.39 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Total
White	90
African-American or Black.....	0
Hispanic or Latino.....	3
Native American	2
Asian	0
(Other)	1
(Don't know/refused)	3
(ref:RACETHN)	

Q.41 Do you know someone who is currently serving, or has recently served the military in Iraq or Afghanistan?

	Total
Yes - Respondent.....	1
Yes - Family member	26
Yes - A friend.....	28
Yes - Someone you know	18
No - Do not know anyone serving	25
(Don't Know/Refused)	2
(ref:IRQSERV)	

Q.42 Last year, that is in 2005, what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category.

	Total
Less than \$10K	4
\$10K to under \$20K	9
\$20K to under \$30K	13
\$30K to under \$50K	19
\$50K to under \$75K	19
\$75K to under \$100K	10
\$100K or more.....	6
(Refused).....	17
(Don't know)	3
(ref:INCOME)	

Q.2 Respondent's gender

	Total
Male.....	48
Female	52
(ref:GENDER)	