

Democracy Corps National/Presidential Battleground Frequency Questionnaire

September 22-24, 2008

1007 Likely Voters Nationally

1128 Likely Voters in Presidential Battleground States

Presidential Battleground: CO, IA, IN, FL, MI, MN, MO, MT, NC, NH , NM, NV, OH, PA, VA , WI

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

	Total	Battle-ground
Yes	100	100
No	-	-
(Refused)	-	-
(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	Battle-ground
Voted	91	92
Not registered in 2004/Ineligible/too young	4	4
Did not vote	4	3
(Can't remember/Don't know)	0	1
(Refused)	-	-
(ref:VOTE00)		

Q.6 What are the chances of you voting in the election for president in 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	Battle-ground
Almost certain	96	97
Probably	4	3
50-50	-	-
Will not vote	-	-
(Don't know)	-	-
(Already voted)	0	-
(Refused)	-	-
(ref:CP3)		

[1 Respondent]

Q.7 (IF ALREADY VOTED IN CP3) When you voted by absentee ballot or through early voting, did you vote by mail or in person?

	Total	Battle-ground
By mail.....	-	-
In person.....	100	-
(Don't know/ Refused)	-	-
(ref:ABSENT4)		

Q.8 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	Battle-ground
Right direction.....	14	13
Wrong track	80	79
(Don't know/refused).....	6	7
Right - Wrong	-65	-66
(ref:DIRECT)		

Q.9 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George Bush is handling his job as president?

	Total	Battle-ground
Strongly approve	15	16
Somewhat approve.....	18	16
Somewhat disapprove	11	11
Strongly disapprove	52	51
(Don't know/refused).....	6	5
Total approve	32	33
Total disapprove	62	62
Approve - disapprove	-30	-30
(ref:CANDAPP2)		

Q.10 Now thinking about the presidential election in November. If the election for president were held today and the candidates Democrat Barack Obama, Republican John McCain, Libertarian Party candidate Bob Barr, Independent candidate Ralph Nader and Louisiana Taxpayer Party candidate Ron Paul, for whom would you vote?

	Total	Battle-ground
Democrat Barack Obama	46	45
Lean Democrat Barack Obama	2	3
Republican John McCain.....	41	43
Lean Republican John McCain.....	3	3
Independent Ralph Nader.....	2	1
Lean Independent Ralph Nader.....	0	0
Libertarian Bob Barr.....	2	2
Lean Libertarian Bob Barr.....	0	0
Constitution Party/ Louisiana Taxpayer Party candidate Ron Paul	0	0
Lean Constitution Party/ Louisiana Taxpayer Party candidate Ron Paul	-	-
(Other candidate).....	0	0
Lean (Other candidate).....	0	-
(Undecided)	2	2
(Refused).....	2	2
Total Democrat Barack Obama	47	47
Total Republican John McCain	44	46
Total Independent Ralph Nader.....	2	1
Total Libertarian Bob Barr	2	2
Total Constitution Party/Louisiana Taxpayer Party candidate Ron Paul	0	0
Total (Other candidate)	0	0

(ref:PRESEV/PRES083)

Q.11 Thinking about the November election for Congress, if the election for U.S. Congress were held today, would you be voting for (Democratic incumbent/candidate) or (Republican incumbent/candidate)¹?

	Total	Battle-ground
Democratic House candidate.....	47	46
Lean Democratic House candidate.....	5	3
Republican House candidate.....	38	42
Lean Republican House candidate.....	4	3
(Other candidate).....	1	1
Lean (Other candidate).....	0	0
(Undecided)	3	3
(Refused)	2	1
Total Democratic House candidate.....	52	49
Total Republican House candidate.....	42	45
Total (Other candidate)	1	1

(ref:CONGEV/CONG06)

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Q. 11 (DEMOCRATIC INCUMBENT)

	Total	Battle-ground
Democratic House candidate.....	61	59
Lean Democratic House candidate.....	6	3
Republican House candidate.....	26	31
Lean Republican House candidate.....	2	3
(Other candidate).....	1	1
Lean (Other candidate).....	0	0
(Undecided)	3	2
(Refused)	1	1
Total Democratic House candidate.....	67	62
Total Republican House candidate.....	29	34
Total (Other candidate)	1	1

(ref:CONG06)

¹ For each district, the candidates' names were inserted where they are known and otherwise a generic candidate ("the Democratic candidate" or "the Republican candidate") was inserted

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Q. 11 (REPUBLICAN INCUMBENT)

	Total	Battle-ground
Democratic House candidate.....	34	36
Lean Democratic House candidate.....	3	3
Republican House candidate.....	49	51
Lean Republican House candidate.....	5	3
(Other candidate).....	2	1
Lean (Other candidate).....	0	-
(Undecided)	4	4
(Refused).....	2	1
Total Democratic House candidate.....	38	39
Total Republican House candidate.....	55	55
Total (Other candidate)	2	1

(ref:CONG06)

Q.12 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	Battle-ground
1 - 11th grade	3	3
High School graduate	24	26
Non-college post H.S.....	1	1
Some college	28	26
College graduate	26	27
Post-graduate school.....	17	16
(Don't know/refused).....	1	1

(ref:EDUC)

Q.13 Are you a member of a labor union?

	Total	Battle-ground
Yes: Respondent belongs	11	9
Household member	9	8
No member belongs	80	81
(Don't know/Refused)	1	1

(ref:UNION)

Q.14 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total	Battle-ground
Married	66	65
Single.....	15	16
Separated/Divorced	11	11
Widowed.....	6	8
(Don't know/refused).....	1	1
Sep/Div/Wid	18	18
(ref:MARITAL)		

Q.15 Do you have any children 18 years of age or younger living at home?

	Total	Battle-ground
Yes	37	36
No	62	63
(Don't know/Refused)	1	1
(ref:KIDS)		

Q.16 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	Total	Battle-ground
Strong Democrat	28	28
Weak Democrat.....	11	10
Independent-lean Democrat	10	10
Independent.....	5	5
Independent-lean Republican.....	9	9
Weak Republican	13	11
Strong Republican	21	25
(Don't know/refused).....	2	2
(ref:PTYID1)		

Q.17 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Total	Battle-ground
Liberal.....	23	19
Moderate	33	32
Conservative.....	40	45
(Don't know/refused).....	3	3
(ref:IDEO1)		

Q.18 What is your religion?

	Total	Battle-ground
Protestant	53	56
Catholic.....	21	23
Jewish.....	1	1
Muslim	1	1
(Don't know/refused).....	23	19
(ref:RELIG1)		

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Q.19 (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	Battle-ground
Fundamentalist	10	10
Evangelical	20	21
Charismatic/Pentecostal.....	14	10
Moderate to liberal.....	38	40
(Something else).....	6	6
(Don't know/Refused)	12	13
(ref:RELIG3)		

Q.20 How often do you attend religious services -- more than once a week, every week, once or twice a month, several times a year, or hardly ever?

	Total	Battle-ground
Once or twice a month.....	16	16
Several times a year	12	14
Hardly ever	19	20
(Never).....	4	4
(Don't know/Refused)	5	3
More than once a week	14	12
Once a week.....	30	31
More than/once a week	43	43
(ref:RELIG2)		

[917 Respondents]

Q.21 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE00) In the 2004 election for president, did you vote for Democrat John Kerry or Republican George Bush?

	Total	Battle-ground
Democrat John Kerry.....	43	44
Republican George Bush.....	49	49
(Ralph Nader)	0	1
(Other candidate).....	2	2
(Don't know/Refused)	5	5
(ref:VOTE2004)		

Q.22 As you know, there was an election for Congress and other offices in November 2006. 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	Battle-ground
Voted	75	78
Did not vote	21	19
(Can't remember/Don't know)	3	2
(Refused)	1	1
(ref:VOTE06)		

[759 Respondents]

Q.23 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE06) In the 2006 election for Congress, did you vote for (Democratic incumbent/candidate) or (Republican incumbent/candidate)?

	Total	Battle-ground
House Democrat	46	43
House Republican	42	47
(Other candidate)	4	3
(Don't know/Refused)	8	6
(ref:VOTE2006)		

[502 Respondents]

Q.24 (ASK IF DEMOCRAT IN PTYID1 OR PTYID3) In the Democratic presidential primaries did you support Senator Barack Obama, Senator Hillary Clinton, or someone else?

	Total	Battle-ground
Supported Obama	51	49
Supported Clinton	35	36
Supported someone else	6	7
(None)	6	5
(DK/Refused)	2	3
(ref:CLINTSUP)		

Q.25 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Total	Battle-ground
White	76	80
African-American or Black	11	9
Hispanic or Latino	7	5
Native American	1	1
Asian	1	1
(Other)	2	2
(Don't know/Refused)	2	3
(ref:RACETHN)		

Q.2 Record respondent's gender

	Total	Battle-ground
Male.....	47	47
Female.....	53	53
(ref:GENDER)		

Q.5 In what year were you born?

	Total	Battle-ground
18 - 24	6	6
25 - 29	8	5
30 - 34	8	10
35 - 39	8	8
40 - 44	9	8
45 - 49	10	10
50 - 54	10	9
55 - 59	11	10
60 - 64	9	10
Over 64.....	19	21
(No answer)	2	3
(ref:AGE)		