

Democracy Corps – Congressional Battleground Frequency Questionnaire

September 29 - October 2, 2008
1600 Likely Voters in 50 GOP Districts

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

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Yes	100	100	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	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Voted.....	91	91	92	91
Not registered in 2004/Ineligible/too young	5	4	5	6
Did not vote	3	4	3	3
(Can't remember/Don't know).....	0	0	0	1
(Refused).....	-	-	-	-
(ref:VOTE00)				

Q.6 What are the chances of you voting in the election for president in 2008: are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or don't you think you will vote?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Almost certain.....	95	95	95	94
Probably	5	5	5	6
50-50	-	-	-	-
Will not vote.....	-	-	-	-
(Don't know)	-	-	-	-
(Already voted)	0	-	0	0
(Refused).....	-	-	-	-
(ref:CP3)				

[2 Respondents]

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	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
By mail.....	100	-	100	100
In person	-	-	-	-
(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	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Right direction	13	13	13	10
Wrong track.....	81	81	79	86
(Don't know/refused)	6	6	7	4
Right - Wrong.....	-69	-68	-66	-76
(ref:DIRECT)				

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

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Strongly approve	15	16	15	15
Somewhat approve	17	17	19	16
Somewhat disapprove.....	13	13	12	15
Strongly disapprove.....	50	50	49	49
(Don't know/refused)	5	5	6	4
Total approve.....	33	33	33	31
Total disapprove.....	62	62	61	65
Approve - disapprove	-30	-30	-28	-33
(ref:CANDAPP2)				

Q.10 Do you approve or disapprove of the way (House Incumbent)¹ is handling his/her job as a member of the U.S. Congress?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Strongly approve	19	15	20	24
Somewhat approve	23	22	24	21
Somewhat disapprove	14	14	14	12
Strongly disapprove.....	19	23	17	16
(Don't know/refused)	26	26	24	26
Total approve.....	42	37	45	45
Total disapprove.....	33	36	31	29
Approve - disapprove	9	1	14	16
(ref:CONGAPP)				

¹ For each district, the incumbent's name was inserted without a partisan label.

Q.11 Now, I'd like to rate your feelings toward some people and organizations, with 100 meaning a VERY WARM, FAVORABLE feeling; zero meaning a VERY COLD, UNFAVORABLE feeling; and 50 meaning not particularly warm or cold. You can use any number from zero to one hundred, the higher the number, the more favorable your feelings are toward that person or organization. If you have no opinion or never heard of that person or organization, please say so.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% ID
11 The Republican Party	45.5	39	44	99
Tier 1	45.1	40	46	99
Tier 2	45.5	39	45	99
Tier 3	46.3	39	41	98
12 The Democratic Party	47.2	40	43	98
Tier 1	46.6	40	43	98
Tier 2	47.6	40	42	99
Tier 3	47.7	41	44	98
13 George W. Bush	37.7	34	55	99
Tier 1	38.0	34	56	99
Tier 2	37.4	34	56	99
Tier 3	37.7	31	54	99
[800 Respondents]				
14 (SPLIT A) The Congress.....	39.4	22	47	96
Tier 1	38.2	23	53	96
Tier 2	41.0	23	43	95
Tier 3	38.5	18	46	95
[800 Respondents]				
15 (SPLIT B) The Democratic Congress	42.3	34	45	97
Tier 1	43.2	35	42	97
Tier 2	40.8	32	48	98
Tier 3	43.5	34	44	96
16 Barack Obama	50.6	46	42	98
Tier 1	51.8	49	41	99
Tier 2	50.4	45	43	97
Tier 3	48.6	43	45	98
17 John McCain	52.0	49	36	98
Tier 1	51.9	48	38	99
Tier 2	52.1	50	36	98
Tier 3	52.0	49	34	98
18 The Republicans in Congress.....	42.8	32	46	97
Tier 1	42.6	33	46	97
Tier 2	42.3	29	48	97
Tier 3	44.3	34	44	96

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% ID
19 Sarah Palin	47.5	42	43	93
Tier 1	47.2	42	44	94
Tier 2	47.5	42	42	93
Tier 3	48.4	41	40	93
20 Joe Biden	46.6	36	38	89
Tier 1	47.8	37	37	89
Tier 2	46.0	36	39	88
Tier 3	45.4	36	41	89
[1566 Respondents – Not Asked in Louisiana 04]				
21 (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) ²	47.7	22	21	57
Tier 1	48.1	23	21	60
Tier 2	48.8	22	21	58
Tier 3	44.4	17	20	49
[1566 Respondents – Not Asked in Louisiana 04]				
22 (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE)	47.9	29	29	72
Tier 1	43.6	24	30	68
Tier 2	49.0	30	30	75
Tier 3	52.9	35	24	75
23 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association	53.4	45	34	95
Tier 1	51.6	43	36	95
Tier 2	53.6	45	35	96
Tier 3	56.6	51	29	95
24 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups.....	49.9	39	39	96
Tier 1	47.8	37	41	96
Tier 2	50.4	40	38	97
Tier 3	53.0	43	38	96
25 NAFTA and international trade agreements	42.1	23	41	89
Tier 1	41.8	25	41	91
Tier 2	42.4	22	41	88
Tier 3	42.0	23	41	89
26 The Iraq War	37.1	31	55	98
Tier 1	36.9	30	55	98
Tier 2	37.2	32	55	98
Tier 3	37.1	31	54	99

² For questions 21 and 22, the applicable candidate names were inserted without party identification. Data for this question does not include LA-4, where the candidates are not yet official.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% ID
27 Gay marriage	38.1	29	51	96
Tier 1	39.5	31	49	96
Tier 2	37.8	30	50	96
Tier 3	35.5	26	54	96
28 Immigration into the country.....	40.4	23	45	95
Tier 1	39.5	21	45	94
Tier 2	40.1	22	46	96
Tier 3	42.8	25	43	95
[800 Respondents]				
29 (SPLIT A) Big corporations	38.8	24	52	96
Tier 1	37.9	23	52	96
Tier 2	38.0	22	52	95
Tier 3	41.8	28	50	97
30 The state of the economy	26.1	12	76	99
Tier 1	25.4	12	77	99
Tier 2	25.7	11	76	100
Tier 3	28.1	12	73	98
[800 Respondents]				
31 (SPLIT B) Wall Street.....	31.8	14	62	95
Tier 1	30.7	12	64	95
Tier 2	31.4	14	63	96
Tier 3	35.3	17	56	94

(ref:THERM204)

Q.32 As you know, there will be elections in November for President and other offices. On a scale of one to ten, with one meaning NOT AT ALL interested and ten meaning VERY INTERESTED, please tell me how interested you are in this year's elections?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
10	82	82	80	83
9	7	8	7	6
8	5	4	7	5
7	2	2	2	2
6	1	0	1	1
5	2	2	1	1
4	0	0	0	0
3	0	0	-	1
2	0	0	-	0
1	0	0	0	0
(Don't know/refused)	0	0	0	0
10	82	82	80	83
8-10	94	94	95	94
6-10	97	97	98	97
1-5	3	3	2	3
(ref:INTEREST)				

Q.35 Thinking about the election in November, if the election for president were held today and the candidates were Democrat Barack Obama, Republican John McCain, Libertarian Party candidate Bob Barr, Independent candidate Ralph Nader and Louisiana Taxpayer Party candidate Ron Paul?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Democrat Barack Obama	44	45	45	42
Lean Democrat Barack Obama	2	2	2	2
Republican John McCain	44	44	43	47
Lean Republican John McCain	2	2	3	2
(Other candidate)	0	-	1	-
Lean (Other candidate)	0	0	-	-
Ralph Nader	2	2	2	3
Lean Ralph Nader	0	0	0	-
Bob Barr	1	2	1	2
Lean Bob Barr		-	0	-
Ron Paul.....	0	0	-	-
Lean Ron Paul.....		0	-	-
(Undecided).....	2	2	2	1
(Refused).....	1	1	1	2
Total Democrat Barack Obama	46	47	46	44
Total Republican John McCain	47	46	46	49
Total Ralph Nader.....	2	2	3	3
Total Bob Barr	1	2	1	2
Total Ron Paul	0	0	-	-
Total (Other candidate)	0	0	1	-

(ref:PRES086)

[69 Respondents]

Q.37 (ASK ONLY IF NADER, BARR,PAUL OR OTHER IN PRES086 OR PRES08B6) Well, if the election for President were held today and the candidates were Democrat Barack Obama and Republican John McCain, for whom would you vote?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Barack Obama	23	23	22	26
John McCain	29	21	27	48
(Undecided/Refused)	48	56	51	27

(ref:PRE2WAY)

TWO-WAY VOTE

Thinking about the election in November, if the election for president were held today and the candidates were Democrat Barack Obama or Republican John McCain?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Democrat Barack Obama.....	47	48	47	45
Republican John McCain.....	48	47	47	51

Q.40 Thinking about the election for Congress in November, if the election for U.S. Congress were held today, would you be voting for -- (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) or (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE)?³

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Democratic candidate.....	44	47	44	38
Lean Democratic candidate.....	3	4	3	3
Republican candidate.....	44	41	44	52
Lean Republican candidate.....	3	4	3	4
(Other candidate)	1	1	1	1
Lean (Other candidate)	0	0	0	0
(Undecided).....	3	2	4	3
(Refused).....	1	1	2	1
Total Democratic candidate	47	51	47	40
Total Republican candidate.....	48	44	47	56
Total (Other candidate)	1	1	1	1

(ref:CONG06)

Q.42 Even though you are not supporting (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) now, what are the chances that you might support (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) in the election for Congress in November -- 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	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Fair chance.....	7	7	7	9
A small chance	8	7	8	9
Just a very slight chance	9	9	9	8
No chance at all.....	26	24	26	32
(Don't know/Refused).....	2	3	3	2
Democratic candidate Supporter	47	51	47	41

(ref:CONG06C)

³ For each district, the candidates' names were inserted, preceded by their party identification. In LA-4, where the candidates are not yet official, generic candidates ("the Democratic candidate" and "the Republican candidate") were inserted.

Q.43 Even though you are not supporting (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE) now, what are the chances that you might support (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE) in the election for Congress in November -- 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	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Fair chance.....	7	7	8	6
A small chance	8	7	9	6
Just a very slight chance	8	8	9	6
No chance at all.....	28	32	26	24
(Don't know/Refused)	2	2	2	3
Republican candidate Supporter	48	44	47	56
(ref:CONG06D)				

Q.44 (SKIP IF OPEN SEAT) Now, I am going to read you a list of words and phrases which people use to describe political figures. For each word or phrase, please tell me whether it describes (HOUSE INCUMBENT)⁴ very well, well, not too well or not well at all.

	Very Well	Well	Not Too Well	Not Well At All	DK/Ref	Total Well	Total Not Well	Well - Not
[442 Respondents]								
44 (SPLIT A) Will bring the right kind of change	12	26	26	25	12	37	50	-13
Tier 1	16	25	27	23	9	41	50	-9
Tier 2	9	25	23	27	16	34	49	-15
Tier 3	11	28	30	22	8	39	53	-14
[891 Respondents]								
45 Follows Bush's direction too much.....	26	22	24	12	17	48	36	12
Tier 1	26	21	27	11	15	47	38	9
Tier 2	27	20	24	12	18	46	35	11
Tier 3	24	26	20	14	16	50	34	16
[891 Respondents]								
46 Out of touch	17	14	27	28	14	31	55	-24
Tier 1	17	15	26	31	10	32	57	-25
Tier 2	19	12	30	24	15	31	54	-23
Tier 3	14	15	24	30	17	29	54	-25
[891 Respondents]								
47 Fights for people here	21	30	18	16	15	52	34	18
Tier 1	22	29	17	18	14	51	35	16
Tier 2	20	32	17	14	16	52	31	21
Tier 3	21	29	20	16	13	51	36	14
[891 Respondents]								
48 On your side.....	18	28	21	20	13	46	42	4
Tier 1	18	25	24	21	11	43	45	-2
Tier 2	16	31	19	20	14	47	38	9
Tier 3	21	24	22	21	12	46	42	3
[449 Respondents]								
49 (SPLIT B) Is effective in Congress.....	17	31	25	13	14	48	38	9
Tier 1	11	34	32	11	11	45	43	2
Tier 2	16	33	23	15	13	49	38	11
Tier 3	25	24	19	13	19	48	32	16

(ref:ATRIB)

⁴ For each district, the candidate's name was inserted. Party identification did not precede the candidate's name.

Q.50 Now I am going to ask you something different. I am going to read a list of issues and I want you to tell me whether, overall, you think (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) or (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE)⁵ would do a better job with this issue. If you do not know, just tell me and we will move on to the next item.

	Dem Much More	Dem Smwt More	Rep Smwt More	Rep Much More	Both	Nei ther	DK Ref	Total Dem	Total Rep	Dem - Rep
50 The economy	22	16	18	20	0	2	22	38	38	0
Tier 1	25	15	18	18	0	2	21	40	37	4
Tier 2	21	16	15	20	0	3	24	37	36	1
Tier 3	21	15	21	23	1	1	19	36	44	-7
51 Taxes	19	17	16	25	0	1	21	35	41	-6
Tier 1	22	18	15	22	0	1	21	40	37	2
Tier 2	17	18	15	26	0	1	22	35	42	-7
Tier 3	17	12	20	29	0	1	20	28	49	-21
52 Handling illegal immigration	15	13	17	23	0	2	29	28	40	-12
Tier 1	17	13	16	23	1	3	28	30	39	-9
Tier 2	14	13	17	22	0	2	32	27	39	-12
Tier 3	14	11	20	25	1	2	28	25	44	-20
53 Bringing the right kind of change	25	16	17	19	0	2	21	41	36	5
Tier 1	27	15	15	18	0	2	21	42	34	9
Tier 2	24	16	17	18	-	2	23	40	36	4
Tier 3	23	16	18	22	0	2	20	38	40	-1
54 Breaking the gridlock in Washington	19	17	17	16	1	4	26	36	33	3
Tier 1	21	16	18	16	1	5	23	37	34	4
Tier 2	18	18	15	15	1	4	30	36	30	5
Tier 3	18	15	19	19	1	4	24	34	38	-4
55 Sharing your values	24	15	13	25	1	1	20	39	39	1
Tier 1	28	16	12	25	1	1	18	43	37	7
Tier 2	22	15	14	24	0	1	23	37	38	-1
Tier 3	22	14	15	29	1	1	18	36	44	-7
56 Being effective in Congress.....	20	17	18	23	1	1	20	37	41	-4
Tier 1	24	17	16	21	1	1	20	40	38	3
Tier 2	19	18	17	23	0	2	22	36	39	-3
Tier 3	16	16	23	26	1	2	17	32	49	-17

⁵ For each district, the candidate's name was inserted. Party identification preceded the candidate's name.

	Dem Much More	Dem Smwt More	Rep Smwt More	Rep Much More	Both	Nei ther	DK Ref	Total Dem	Total Rep	Dem - Rep
57 Fighting for people here ...	23	17	15	22	1	1	20	40	37	4
Tier 1	27	17	14	20	1	2	19	44	35	9
Tier 2	21	18	14	21	2	1	23	40	35	5
Tier 3	21	14	18	26	2	0	19	35	44	-9
58 The financial crisis in the country	20	17	16	21	1	3	23	36	36	.
Tier 1	21	16	16	20	-	4	24	37	35	2
Tier 2	18	18	14	22	1	3	25	36	36	0
Tier 3	19	17	19	22	1	3	20	36	40	-4

(ref:BETJOB3)

Q.60 As you may know, President Bush sent Congress a proposal to spend 700 billion dollars to purchase troubled mortgage assets and contain the financial crisis. Congress modified the bill to include more oversight, limit CEO pay and provide that taxpayers are repaid in the long run. They are voting on the proposal this week.

Do you want your representative in Congress to vote in favor of this proposal, or would you prefer that your representative vote against this proposal?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Strongly prefer representative vote in favor of this proposal	24	24	22	29
Somewhat prefer representative vote in favor of this proposal	23	25	21	19
Somewhat prefer representative vote against this proposal	12	13	13	11
Strongly prefer representative vote against this proposal	30	26	31	33
(Don't know/Refused)	12	12	13	8
Total Favor	47	49	43	48
Total Oppose	42	39	44	43
Favor - Oppose	5	11	-1	5

(ref:SUPPDEAL)

[533 Respondents]

Q.61 (SPLIT C) Now I'm going to read you a pair of statements that describe what (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) and (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE)⁶ might say about this proposal. After I read these statements, please tell me which one you agree with more.

(DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) says, "Congress must pass this bill to get our economy back on track with a plan that protects taxpayers. I opposed Bush's financial bailout proposal because it put taxpayers on the hook and didn't place limits on CEO's salaries. But I support the new plan because it restricts compensations for CEOs and ensures that taxpayers get paid back when the economy rebounds. This bill isn't a bailout of Wall Street; it's a buy-in, so that we can turn our economy around and protect the middle class."

OR

(REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE) says, "Congress should not pass a bill that would be the largest corporate bail out in American history and pass the cost along to American taxpayers. This plan will continue the big government policies and greed that created this financial mess and encourage other companies to behave recklessly. President Bush and the Republican leadership may support this bill, but I oppose it because the American taxpayers need to come first."

Which statement do you agree with more?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
The Democrat's Statement Strongly.....	25	22	25	31
The Democrat's Statement Somewhat.....	22	24	24	13
The Republican's Statement Somewhat	14	16	13	12
The Republican's Statement Strongly	28	25	27	35
(Both).....	1	2	1	1
(Neither)	3	2	4	4
(Don't know/Refused)	6	7	6	4
Total Democratic statement	47	47	49	44
Total Republican statement	42	42	40	47
Democrat - Republican	5	5	9	-2

(ref:FINCRISC)

⁶ For each district, the candidate's name was inserted. Party identification preceded the candidate's name.

[533 Respondents]

Q.62 (SPLIT D) Now I'm going to read you a pair of statements that describe what (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) and (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE) might say about this proposal. After I read these statements, please tell me which one you agree with more.

(DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) says, "Congress should not pass this bailout bill that hands 700 billion taxpayer dollars to the failed Bush administration with no guarantee it will rescue the economy. This bill will make taxpayers foot the bill to bail out the financial institutions whose greed allowed them to prosper but now want a government bailout. This bill does nothing to help ordinary homeowners. Congress should not pass a bill that puts Wall Street ahead of Main Street."

OR

(REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE) says, "Congress should not pass a bill that would be the largest corporate bail out in American history and pass the cost along to American taxpayers. This plan will continue the big government policies and greed that created this financial mess and encourage other companies to behave recklessly. President Bush and the Republican leadership may support this bill, but I oppose it because the American taxpayers need to come first."

Which statement do you agree with more?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
The Democrat's statement strongly.....	21	18	24	19
The Democrat's statement somewhat.....	19	24	17	15
The Republican's statement somewhat.....	21	19	22	22
The Republican's statement strongly.....	23	24	21	25
(Both).....	5	3	6	5
(Neither).....	6	7	5	8
(Don't know/Refused).....	5	5	4	5
Total Democratic statement.....	40	43	41	34
Total Republican statement.....	44	43	44	48
Democrat - Republican.....	-4	-1	-3	-14

(ref:FINCRISD)

[533 Respondents]

Q.63 (SPLIT E) Now I'm going to read you a pair of statements that describe what (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) and (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE) might say about this proposal. After I read these statements, please tell me which one you agree with more.

(DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) says, "The consequences of inaction would be devastating to our economy. Congress needs to pass this bill immediately to make sure that middle class Americans' home values, stock market investments and retirement accounts don't lose their value and to restore confidence in the financial markets so we can get our economy back on track and start creating good jobs again in America. Congress needs to get this done for the American middle class."

OR

(REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE) says, "Congress should not pass a bill that would be the largest corporate bail out in American history and pass the cost along to American taxpayers. This plan will continue the big government policies and greed that created this financial mess and encourage other companies to behave recklessly. President Bush and the Republican leadership may support this bill, but I oppose it because the American taxpayers need to come first."

Which statement do you agree with more?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
The Democrat's statement strongly	27	30	27	22
The Democrat's statement somewhat	18	16	19	17
The Republican's statement somewhat.....	15	15	16	15
The Republican's statement strongly	33	30	32	39
(Both).....	2	2	2	2
(Neither)	2	2	1	4
(Don't know/Refused)	3	4	2	1
Total Democratic statement	45	46	47	39
Total Republican statement	48	45	48	54
Democrat - Republican	-3	1	-1	-15

(ref:FINCRISE)

Q.64 Now let me ask you something different about the financial crisis. Whom would you say is most responsible for the current financial crisis? (ACCEPT TWO RESPONSES)

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Banks that gave risky loans to make big profits.....	45	43	48	45
People who took out loans they couldn't afford to repay	29	28	30	28
George Bush and his Administration.....	26	25	25	27
Wall Street speculators	20	21	20	16
Democrats in Congress.....	15	16	15	14
Republicans in Congress	9	11	8	8
(All).....	4	4	4	4
(Other).....	1	1	0	0
(None).....	1	1	0	1
(Don't know/refused)	2	2	2	2

(ref:ECOBLAME)

Q.65 Now I'm going to read you a pair of statements. After I read the pair, please tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own view, 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
[800 Respondents]										
65 (SPLIT A) When I saw that Congress voted down the bailout plan I was anxious and worried that the economy would get worse.										
OR										
When I saw that Congress voted down the bailout plan I was relieved and pleased that the proposal lost.	30	15	15	32	1	4	3	46	47	-1
Tier 1	34	14	16	30	1	4	2	48	46	2
Tier 2	28	16	15	33	1	3	4	44	48	-4
Tier 3	29	16	13	33	0	4	3	46	46	-1

	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
[800 Respondents]										
66 (SPLIT B) John McCain and the Republicans in Congress are to blame for the failure of the financial rescue plan.										
OR Barack Obama and the Democrats in Congress are to blame for the failure of the financial rescue plan.	24	13	11	19	3	20	9	37	30	7
Tier 1	26	14	11	20	2	16	11	40	31	9
Tier 2	22	12	12	17	3	26	8	34	29	5
Tier 3	23	16	10	22	3	18	8	39	32	7
(ref:VALUES06)										

Q.67 Now I am going to read you several changes and additions that Congress might make to the financial assistance plan. For each one of these changes or additions, please tell me whether Congress making that change would make you much more likely, somewhat more likely, a little more likely, no more likely or less likely to support the proposed legislation.

	Much More Likly	Smwt More Likly	Lttle More Likly	No More Likly	Less Likly	Dk/ Ref	Much Smwt/ Lttle	Much Smwt/ Lttle
[800 Respondents]								
67 (SPLIT A) Divide the 700 billion dollar bailout package into increments so that only 250 billion is immediately available with the rest provided only if needed and approved by Congress.	25	28	14	15	15	4	52	66
Tier 1	27	29	13	12	15	4	57	69
Tier 2	25	25	13	17	16	4	51	64
Tier 3	19	30	16	17	15	3	49	65

	Much More Likly	Smwt More Likly	Lttle More Likly	No More Likly	Less Likly	Dk/ Ref	Much Smwt/ Lttle	Much Smwt/ Lttle
[800 Respondents]								
68 (SPLIT B) Place limits on how much money the CEO's of companies receiving Federal funding through the program can make and forbid the companies from rewarding failed executives with golden parachutes.	49	16	8	11	12	4	65	73
Tier 1	44	20	10	9	11	6	63	73
Tier 2	53	14	8	11	12	3	66	74
Tier 3	52	12	6	14	14	2	64	70

	Much More Likly	Smwt More Likly	Ltle More Likly	No More Likly	Less Likly	DK/ Ref	Much/ Smwt/ Ltle	Much Smwt Ltle
69 Reward taxpayers with equity interest in the companies that benefit from the program so that the Treasury can recoup this money when the economy improves and taxpayers will be repaid.	32	30	13	12	10	3	62	75
Tier 1	33	30	13	12	10	2	63	76
Tier 2	32	31	13	10	11	4	63	75
Tier 3	32	27	16	14	8	3	59	75

[800 Respondents]

70 (SPLIT A) Create a bipartisan oversight board to ensure the program protects taxpayers and is in the economic interests of the country and that all of its actions are transparent and open to the public.....

.....	42	28	11	8	9	3	69	81
Tier 1	43	28	12	6	9	3	71	82
Tier 2	43	27	11	10	7	3	69	80
Tier 3	37	30	11	8	11	3	67	78

[800 Respondents]

71 (SPLIT B) Allow borrowers who are struggling with their mortgage payments to refinance into more affordable, fixed-rate loans if they prove they are credit-worthy and can afford their new mortgage payments.

.....	39	30	12	10	7	3	69	80
Tier 1	36	30	14	10	7	3	66	80
Tier 2	42	30	8	9	8	3	72	80
Tier 3	38	30	13	10	8	1	68	81

(ref:AMDEND)

Q.72 Now I'm going to read you some reasons that some members of Congress have given for why they are supporting the proposal to alleviate the financial crisis. For each one, please tell me if the reason given makes you much more likely to support the proposal, somewhat more likely, just a little more likely, no more likely or less likely to support the proposal.

	Much More Likely	Smwt More Likely	Lttle More Likely	No More Likely	Less Likely	DK/Ref	Much/Smwt/Lttle	Much Smwt Lttle
[800 Respondents]								
72 (SLPIT A) We must pass this bill so we can stabilize our financial system and get the economy working for middle class Americans again. For the last 8 years under George Bush and Republican rule the economy has only worked for the wealthiest and big corporations and this is where it got us.....	24	19	9	17	27	4	43	52
Tier 1	24	18	9	15	29	5	42	51
Tier 2	25	20	9	19	23	4	45	54
Tier 3	22	19	7	17	30	4	41	48

[800 Respondents]								
73 (SPLIT B) Congress has added important protections for taxpayers to this proposal. In fact, budget experts now predict that much, if not all, of the 700 billion dollars will be made back and repaid to the taxpayers over time and that taxpayers could actually turn a profit if the economy rebounds.....	31	29	11	14	12	3	59	70
Tier 1	29	29	13	14	10	5	58	71
Tier 2	31	29	9	14	13	4	60	69
Tier 3	31	29	9	15	15	1	60	69

[800 Respondents]								
74 (SPLIT A) The greed on Wall St and lax oversight from Washington has led to a meltdown of our financial markets. But regardless of how we got here, a failure to deal with this crisis would have devastating consequences and cost millions of Americans their jobs or retirement security.	28	26	13	15	14	3	55	68
Tier 1	30	24	12	15	15	4	54	67
Tier 2	25	29	14	15	14	3	54	68
Tier 3	30	26	15	15	13	3	55	70

Much Smwt Ltle No
 More More More More Less DK/ Much/Smwt/
 Likly Likly Likly Likly Likly Ref Smwt Ltle

[800 Respondents]

75 (SPLIT B) If we fail to pass this legislation it will be very bad for the American economy. The people who will feel the greatest pain are not the top bankers and Wall Street corporate executives, but the average Americans who already can barely afford to buy groceries or fill their gas tanks.34 23 9 13 19 3 **56 65**

Tier 131 27 10 11 18 4 **58 68**

Tier 236 19 7 15 21 2 **55 61**

Tier 335 21 12 14 17 2 **56 68**

[800 Respondents]

76 (SPLIT A) The initial proposal from the Bush Administration was nothing more than a blank check with no oversight to ensure that this crisis never repeats itself. But after negotiations, the bill now caps CEO pay and requires greater oversight and regulation to protect American taxpayers in the future.24 30 14 16 14 2 **54 68**

Tier 128 28 13 15 14 3 **56 69**

Tier 222 33 15 15 14 2 **55 70**

Tier 322 27 14 19 15 3 **49 63**

[800 Respondents]

77 (SPLIT B) The initial proposal from the Bush Administration was nothing more than a blank check with no oversight. But after negotiations the bill now requires the Treasury to ask for anything beyond 250 billion so that we can be sure not a penny more than is absolutely necessary is spent.24 28 14 16 14 4 **52 66**

Tier 122 28 14 17 13 5 **51 65**

Tier 224 29 13 15 15 4 **53 66**

Tier 327 25 15 14 16 3 **52 67**

(ref:SUPPROP)

Q.78 Now I'm going to read you some reasons that some members of Congress have given for why they are opposing the proposal to alleviate the financial crisis. For each one, please tell me if the reason given raises very serious doubts, serious doubts, minor doubts or no real doubts in your mind about the proposal. .

	Very Ser Dbts	Ser Dbts	Minor Dbts	No Real Dbts	DK/ Ref	Total Ser	Total Not Ser
[800 Respondents]							
79 (SPLIT B) We cannot pass the proposal being debated right now because it asks American taxpayers to give Wall Street a 700 billion dollar reward for their greed and will only encourage them to continue making reckless decisions in the future.....	33	31	14	17	5	64	31
Tier 1	34	31	14	16	6	65	30
Tier 2	32	32	11	19	5	64	31
Tier 3	35	28	18	16	3	63	34

	Very Ser Dbts	Ser Dbts	Minor Dbts	No Real Dbts	DK/ Ref	Total Ser	Total Not Ser
[800 Respondents]							
80 (SPLIT A) This bill is filled with unintended consequences that will force future generations to pick up the tab for Wall Street losses. It fundamentally changes the role of government in the American free enterprise system by socializing the losses of private Wall Street financial institutions and companies.....	31	34	16	16	4	64	32
Tier 1	30	36	17	13	4	66	30
Tier 2	33	32	16	15	3	66	31
Tier 3	28	31	17	20	4	59	37

	Very Ser Dbts	Ser Dbts	Minor Dbts	No Real Dbts	DK/ Ref	Total Ser	Total Not Ser
[800 Respondents]							
82 (SPLIT A) Our economy and government is founded on individualism in both risk and reward. By passing this bill to bail out the banks and Wall Street executives Congress is saying that whenever you and your private company is in financial trouble, the American taxpayer will be there to bail you out.....	38	27	14	17	4	65	31
Tier 1	40	27	14	15	3	68	29
Tier 2	39	26	14	16	4	66	30
Tier 3	32	28	15	22	4	60	36

	Very Ser Dbts	Ser Dbts	Minor Dbts	No Real Dbts	DK/ Ref	Total Ser	Total Not Ser
[800 Respondents]							
83 (SPLIT B) This proposal is a bailout for Wall Street banks and executives that includes almost nothing to help struggling middle class Americans. Any bill we pass must put Main Street ahead of Wall Street by helping the middle class stay in their homes and weather this storm.....	25	31	19	19	5	56	38
Tier 1	25	31	21	17	5	57	38
Tier 2	25	31	17	20	6	56	38
Tier 3	27	30	19	19	5	56	38

(ref:ANTIPROP)

Q.84 Now let me ask you again, Do you want your representative in Congress to vote in favor of the proposal to spend 700 billion dollars to purchase troubled mortgage assets and contain the financial crisis, or would you prefer that your representative vote against this proposal?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Strongly prefer representative vote in favor of this proposal	25	24	23	29
Somewhat prefer representative vote in favor of this proposal	19	21	20	15
Somewhat prefer representative vote against this proposal	14	13	15	13
Strongly prefer representative vote against this proposal	34	33	34	38
(Don't know/Refused)	8	9	8	5
Final Total Favor	44	45	43	44
Final Total Oppose	48	46	49	51
Final Favor - Oppose	-4	-1	-6	-7
Initial Total Favor	47	49	43	48
Initial Total Oppose	42	39	44	43
Initial Favor - Oppose	5	11	-1	5

(ref:RESUPDEL)

Q.85 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	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
1 - 11th grade	3	2	4	4
High School graduate	22	23	21	24
Non-college post H.S.	1	2	1	1
Some college.....	27	27	27	25
College graduate	28	29	28	26
Post-graduate school	17	16	18	17
(Don't know/refused)	1	1	2	2
(ref:EDUC)				

Q.86 Are you a member of a labor union?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Yes: Respondent belongs	13	12	13	13
Household member	8	12	5	9
No member belongs	78	75	81	76
(Don't know/Refused)	1	1	1	2
Union Household.....	21	24	18	22
Non College Non Union	42	41	44	43
(ref:UNION)				

Q.87 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Married	67	66	69	69
Single	15	16	14	14
Separated/Divorced.....	9	11	9	9
Widowed.....	7	7	8	6
(Don't know/refused)	1	1	1	2
Sep/Div/Wid.....	17	17	17	15
(ref:MARITAL)				

Q.88 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Strong Democrat	26	26	25	28
Weak Democrat.....	13	15	13	9
Independent-lean Democrat.....	9	9	7	10
Independent	5	4	7	4
Independent-lean Republican	10	10	10	10
Weak Republican	12	11	14	11
Strong Republican.....	24	23	24	26
(Don't know/refused)	2	2	1	2
(ref:PTYID1)				

Q.91 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Liberal.....	19	23	15	21
Moderate	37	36	41	34
Conservative	40	38	42	41
(Don't know/refused)	3	3	3	4
(ref:IDEO1)				

Q.92 What is your religion?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Protestant	51	49	50	57
Catholic	22	22	24	21
Jewish	1	2	1	1
Muslim	0	0	1	-
(Don't know/refused)	25	27	24	20
(ref:RELIG1)				

[816 Respondents]

Q.93 (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	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Fundamentalist.....	12	12	11	14
Evangelical	23	23	22	26
Charismatic/Pentecostal.....	10	11	10	10
Moderate to liberal.....	39	36	41	41
(Something else)	6	7	4	4
(Don't know/Refused)	10	11	12	4
(ref:RELIG3)				

Q.94 How often do you attend religious services -- every week, once or twice a month, several times a year, or hardly ever?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Every week.....	38	38	37	41
Once or twice a month	14	13	14	14
Several times a year.....	16	17	18	11
Hardly ever	22	21	22	24
(Never)	5	6	5	5
(Don't know/Refused)	4	3	4	6
(ref:RELIG2)				

[1462 Respondents]

Q.95 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE00) In the 2004 election for President, did you vote for Democrat John Kerry or Republican George Bush?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Democrat John Kerry	43	45	42	40
Republican George Bush	51	48	51	53
(Ralph Nader).....	0	1	0	-
(Other candidate)	1	1	2	2
(Don't know/Refused).....	5	5	5	5
(ref:VOTE2004)				

Q.96 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	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Voted.....	76	78	76	72
Did not vote	20	19	19	23
(Can't remember/Don't know).....	3	2	3	3
(Refused).....	1	1	1	2
(ref:VOTE06)				

[1217 Respondents]

Q.97 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE06) In the 2006 election for Congress, did you vote for (2006 HOUSE DEMOCRAT) or (2006 HOUSE REPUBLICAN)?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
(2006 HOUSE DEMOCRAT).....	32	35	31	30
(2006 HOUSE REPUBLICAN)	55	52	56	61
(Other candidate)	4	5	3	6
(Don't know/Refused)	8	8	10	3
(ref:VOTE2006)				

Q.98 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
White	78	75	79	82
African-American or Black.....	7	9	6	6
Hispanic or Latino.....	9	10	10	3
Native American	1	1	0	1
Asian	1	1	0	1
(Other)	1	1	1	3
(Don't know/Refused)	3	3	2	4
(ref:RACETHN)				

[138 Respondents]

Q.100 (ASK IF HISPANIC OR LATINO IN RACETHN OR IF YES IN RACETHN2) Would you describe your Hispanic origin as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Dominican, Salvadoran or are you and your ancestors from another country?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Mexican.....	37	39	32	56
Puerto Rican.....	8	10	4	15
Cuban.....	5	-	12	-
Dominican.....	4	3	6	-
Salvadoran.....	2	4	-	-
Other: Central America.....	4	4	3	17
Other: South America.....	11	10	14	-
Other.....	22	23	21	13
(Don't know/Refused).....	7	6	9	-

(ref:ORIGIN08)

Q.2 Respondent's gender

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
Male.....	47	47	47	47
Female.....	53	53	53	53

(ref:GENDER)

Q.5 In what year were you born?

	Total	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3
18 - 24.....	4	5	3	5
25 - 29.....	7	5	8	8
30 - 34.....	9	8	10	11
35 - 39.....	8	7	10	7
40 - 44.....	8	8	8	7
45 - 49.....	12	13	11	12
50 - 54.....	10	11	9	10
55 - 59.....	10	11	9	12
60 - 64.....	10	10	10	9
Over 64.....	20	20	20	18
(No answer).....	2	2	2	2

(ref:AGE)