

National Public Radio Frequency Questionnaire

January 29-31, 2008
1000 Likely Voters

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

	Total
Yes	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
Voted	99
Not registered in 2004/Ineligible/too young	1
Did not vote	-
(Can't remember/Don't know).....	-
(Refused).....	-
(ref:VOTE00)	

Q.6 I know it's a long way off, but 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
Almost certain.....	93
Probably	7
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	23
Wrong track	68
(Don't know/refused)	9
Right - Wrong	-45
(ref:DIRECT)	

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

	Total
Strongly approve	21
Somewhat approve	17
Somewhat disapprove.....	12
Strongly disapprove.....	43
(Don't know/refused)	6
Total approve	38
Total disapprove	56
Approve - disapprove	-18
(ref:CANDAPP2)	

Q.9 And do you approve or disapprove of the job Congress is doing?

	Total
Strongly approve	5
Somewhat approve	23
Somewhat disapprove.....	30
Strongly disapprove.....	36
(Don't know/refused)	7
Total approve	28
Total disapprove	65
Approve - disapprove	-37
(ref:CONGAPRO)	

Q.10 Now, I am going to read you a list of concerns that people have. Please tell me which ONE of these you think the President and Congress should be paying the most attention to.

The economy and jobs	29
The war in Iraq	15
Health care	11
Terrorism and national security	11
Illegal immigration	9
Social Security and Medicare	6
Taxes and spending	7
Energy and gas prices.....	5
Moral values	3
(Other)	1
(None)	1
(Don't know/Refused).....	4
(ref:CONC1)	

Q.31 I know it is a long way off, but thinking about the election for President in November, if the election were held today, for whom would you vote -- the Democratic candidate or the Republican candidate?

	Total
Democratic candidate.....	47
Lean Democratic candidate.....	2
Republican candidate.....	41
Lean Republican candidate.....	4
(Other candidate)	1
Lean (Other candidate)	0
(Undecided).....	4
(Refused).....	2
Total Democratic candidate	49
Total Republican candidate.....	44
Total (Other candidate).....	1
Democratic candidate - Republican candidate.....	5
(ref:PRES08)	

[500 Respondents]

Q.33 (SPLIT A) Now let me ask you again about your vote for President but with the candidate names. I know it is a long way off, but if the election for president were held today and the candidates were -- Democrat Hillary Clinton and Republican Mitt Romney, for whom would you vote?

	Total
Democrat Hillary Clinton.....	48
Lean Democrat Hillary Clinton.....	1
Republican Mitt Romney	43
Lean Republican Mitt Romney	1
(Other candidate)	2
Lean (Other candidate)	0
(Undecided).....	4
(Refused).....	1
Total Democrat Hillary Clinton.....	49
Total Republican Mitt Romney.....	44
Total (Other candidate).....	2
 Democrat Hillary Clinton - Republican Mitt Romney	 5
(ref:PRES089)	

[500 Respondents]

Q.35 (SPLIT A) Even though you are not supporting Democrat Hillary Clinton now, what are the chances that you might support Democrat Hillary Clinton in the election for President 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
Fair chance.....	4
A small chance	4
Very slight chance	5
No chance at all.....	36
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
 Clinton Supporter.....	 49
(ref:HVCS5)	

[500 Respondents]

Q.36 (SPLIT A) Even though you are not supporting Republican Mitt Romney now, what are the chances that you might support Republican Mitt Romney in the election for President 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
Fair chance.....	4
A small chance.....	8
Very slight chance.....	10
No chance at all.....	32
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
Romney Supporter.....	44
(ref:HVCS6)	

[500 Respondents]

Q.37 (SPLIT A) I know it is a long way off, but if the election for president were held today and the candidates were -- Democrat Hillary Clinton and Republican John McCain, for whom would you vote?

	Total
Democrat Hillary Clinton.....	44
Lean Democrat Hillary Clinton.....	2
Republican John McCain.....	46
Lean Republican John McCain.....	2
(Other candidate).....	3
Lean (Other candidate).....	0
(Undecided).....	3
(Refused).....	0
Total Democrat Hillary Clinton.....	45
Total Republican John McCain.....	48
Total (Other candidate).....	3
Democrat Hillary Clinton - Republican John McCain.....	-3
(ref:PRES08N)	

[500 Respondents]

Q.39 (SPLIT A) Even though you are not supporting Democrat Hillary Clinton now, what are the chances that you might support Democrat Hillary Clinton in the election for President 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
Fair chance.....	5
A small chance.....	6
Very slight chance.....	7
No chance at all.....	35
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
Clinton Supporter.....	45
(ref:VCSCM1)	

[500 Respondents]

Q.40 (SPLIT A) Even though you are not supporting Republican John McCain now, what are the chances that you might support Republican John McCain in the election for President 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
Fair chance.....	6
A small chance	9
Very slight chance	11
No chance at all.....	24
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
 Mccain Supporter	 48
(ref:VCSCM2)	

[500 Respondents]

Q.41 (SPLIT B) Now let me ask you again about your vote for President, but with candidate names. I know it is a long way off, but if the election for president were held today and the candidates were -- Democrat Barack Obama and Republican Mitt Romney, for whom would you vote?

	Total
Democrat Barack Obama.....	51
Lean Democrat Barack Obama.....	2
Republican Mitt Romney	40
Lean Republican Mitt Romney	1
(Other candidate)	3
Lean (Other candidate)	0
(Undecided).....	2
(Refused).....	1
 Total Democrat Barack Obama	 53
Total Republican Mitt Romney.....	41
Total (Other candidate)	3
 Democrat Barack Obama - Republican Mitt Romney	 12
(ref:PRES086)	

[500 Respondents]

Q.43 (SPLIT B) Even though you are not supporting Democrat Barack Obama now, what are the chances that you might support Democrat Barack Obama in the election for President 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
Fair chance.....	5
A small chance	6
Very slight chance	8
No chance at all.....	28
(Don't know/Refused).....	-
 Obama Supporter	 53
(ref:VCSOR1)	

[500 Respondents]

Q.44 (SPLIT B) Even though you are not supporting Republican Mitt Romney now, what are the chances that you might support Republican Mitt Romney in the election for President 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
Fair chance.....	3
A small chance	10
Very slight chance	10
No chance at all.....	34
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
 Romney Supporter	 41
(ref:VCSOR2)	

[500 Respondents]

Q.45 (SPLIT B) Now let me ask you again about your vote for President, but with candidate names. I know it is a long way off, but 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
Democrat Barack Obama.....	46
Lean Democrat Barack Obama.....	1
Republican John McCain	46
Lean Republican John McCain	2
(Other candidate)	3
Lean (Other candidate)	0
(Undecided).....	1
(Refused).....	1
Total Democrat Barack Obama.....	47
Total Republican John McCain	48
Total (Other candidate).....	3

Democrat Barack Obama - Republican John McCain.....-1
(ref:PRES083)

Q.47 (SPLIT B) Even though you are not supporting Democrat Barack Obama now, what are the chances that you might support Democrat Barack Obama in the election for President 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
Fair chance.....	8
A small chance	6
Very slight chance	12
No chance at all.....	27
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
Obama Supporter	47
(ref:VCSOM1)	

[500 Respondents]

Q.48 (SPLIT B) Even though you are not supporting Republican John McCain now, what are the chances that you might support Republican John McCain in the election for President 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
Fair chance.....	7
A small chance	12
Very slight chance	10
No chance at all.....	22
(Don't know/Refused).....	0
Mccain Supporter	48
(ref:VCSOM2)	

Q.51 And now let me ask you about some of the Democratic presidential candidates by name. After watching and reading about (THE CANDIDATE) over the past couple of months, do you find yourself more willing or less willing to consider supporting (THE CANDIDATE) for president?

	Much More Will	Smwt More Will	Smwt Less Will	Much Less Will	DK/ Ref	Total More	Total Less	More - Less
[500 Respondents]								
51 (SPLIT C) Hillary Clinton.....	22	17	22	37	3	38	59	-21

[500 Respondents]

52 (SPLIT D) Barack Obama.....	24	28	19	23	6	52	42	10
(ref:DCANDWIL)								

Q.53 And now let me ask you about some of the Republican presidential candidates by name. After watching and reading about (THE CANDIDATE) over the past couple of months, do you find yourself more willing or less willing to consider supporting (THE CANDIDATE) for president?

	Much More Will	Smwt More Will	Smwt Less Will	Much Less Will	DK/ Ref	Total More	Total Less	More - Less
[500 Respondents]								
53 (SPLIT C) John McCain.....	15	35	21	23	7	49	43	6

[500 Respondents]

54 (SPLIT D) Mitt Romney.....	12	23	30	27	7	35	57	-22
(ref:RCANDWIL)								

Q.55 Now let me read you a list of issues. For each one, based on what you have heard and read, please tell me how important an issue and priority it has been for the Democratic candidates for President?

	Single High est	Top 2 or 3	Near the Top	In the Middle	Two the Bottom	DK/ Ref	High/ Top 2/3	High/ 2/3 Top
55 The Iraq war	11	34	27	17	10	1	45	72
56 Health insurance for all	12	31	28	17	9	2	43	72
57 The economy	12	37	32	14	4	1	49	80
58 National security and terrorism	9	21	30	26	13	2	29	60
59 Change from Bush	25	23	19	16	14	3	48	67
60 Washington corruption and special interests	5	13	24	31	22	4	18	42
61 Abortion and the right to choose	5	11	18	34	29	3	16	34
62 Individual rights and the Constitution	8	17	23	28	21	3	24	48
63 Gas prices and energy independence	8	22	32	26	11	2	29	61
(ref:DEMISSUE)								

Q.64 Now let me read you a list of issues. For each one, based on what you have heard and read, please tell me how important an issue and priority it has been for the Republican candidates for President?

	Single High est	Top 2 or 3	Near the Top	In the Middle	Two the Bottom	DK/ Ref	High/ Top 2/3	High/ 2/3 Top
64 The Iraq war.....	11	37	27	16	8	2	47	74
65 Health care costs	7	19	24	29	17	4	26	50
66 The economy	12	33	32	16	5	2	45	77
67 Out of control government spending.....	9	20	29	24	15	3	29	57
68 Illegal immigration	7	24	26	28	13	2	31	57
69 The war on terrorism.....	12	36	29	15	7	2	48	77
70 Cutting taxes	6	26	25	27	12	3	33	58
71 Abortion and right to life	5	12	18	34	27	3	18	36
72 Liberalism of Democratic candidates..... (ref:REPISSUE)	3	10	15	35	28	9	13	28

Q.73 Based on what you have heard and read, do you find yourself agreeing more with the issue priorities of the Democratic or the Republican candidates for president?

	Total
Democratic strongly.....	36
Democratic somewhat.....	14
Republican somewhat	17
Republican strongly.....	26
(Both).....	1
(Neither)	2
(Don't know/ refused)	4
Total Democratic	50
Total Republican	43
Democratic - Republican	7
(ref:ISSAGREE)	

Q.74 Now, which TWO of the following personal qualities of the leading Democratic candidates are emerging as most important in the Democratic primaries?

	Total
Ability to work together	37
Experience and effectiveness	33
Optimism and hopefulness.....	28
Trustworthiness.....	28
Strong convictions and authenticity.....	20
Strength.....	13
Religious faith and good values	10
(All of the above)	1
(None)	5
(Other)	1
(Don't know/ refused)	4
(ref:DEMCHAR)	

Q.75 Now, which TWO of the following personal qualities of the leading Republican candidates are emerging as most important in the Republican primaries?

	Total
Experience and effectiveness	38
Trustworthiness.....	30
Ability to work together	25
Strong convictions and authenticity.....	24
Religious faith and good values	23
Strength.....	14
Optimism and hopefulness.....	14
(All of the above)	1
(None)	3
(Other)	1
(Don't know/ refused)	6
(ref:REPCHAR)	

Q.76 Based on what you have heard and read, do you find yourself more comfortable with the qualities of the Democratic or the Republican candidates for president?

	Total
Democratic Very.....	35
Democratic somewhat.....	15
Republican somewhat.....	17
Republican Very	27
(Both).....	1
(Neither)	2
(Don't know/ refused)	3
Total Democratic	50
Total Republican	44
Democratic - Republican	6
(ref:QUAAGREE)	

[500 Respondents]

Q.77 (SPLIT C) Now I'm going to read you a pair of statements that describe what the Democratic and Republican candidates for president have been saying. After I read these statements, please tell me which one you agree with more.

The Democratic candidates have been saying they will bring nearly all American troops home in a year - and pressure the Iraqi leaders to settle their differences and take responsibility for their own security. The funds spent in Iraq are needed at home.

OR

The Republican candidates have been saying the situation is getting better in Iraq and withdrawing will be a victory for the terrorists. If we cut off funding now for the troops we would show the terrorists that we don't have the courage to continue the fight against those who attacked us.

Which statement do you agree with more?

	Total
Democratic statement STRONGLY	40
Democratic statement SOMEWHAT	12
Republican statement SOMEWHAT	9
Republican statement STRONGLY	35
(Both).....	1
(Neither)	2
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
 Total Democratic	 53
Total Republican	44
 Democratic - Republican	 9
(ref:IRQPAIR)	

[500 Respondents]

Q.78 (SPLIT D) Now I'm going to read you a pair of statements that describe what the Democratic and Republican candidates for president have been saying. After I read these statements, please tell me which one you agree with more.

The Democratic candidates say, the Bush economy has worked only for the wealthiest and CEOs, while average Americans struggle with high costs for health care, gas and food. Now with the economy falling into recession, we must cut middle class taxes and expand the child tax credit, invest in job-creating transportation projects and alternative energy, extend unemployment benefits for those recently laid off and reform the mortgage market to revive the housing industry.

OR

The Republican candidates say that the plans the Democrats have for increasing government spending will force Democrats to raise taxes on the middle class. Republicans say that their middle class tax cuts have brought us years of growth and new jobs, and the answer to the problems in housing and financial markets is to encourage business investment to create jobs. They also support making the tax cuts permanent and new tax cuts to put money in people's pockets.

Which statement do you agree with more?

	Total
Democratic statement STRONGLY	43
Democratic statement SOMEWHAT	12
Republican statement SOMEWHAT	12
Republican statement STRONGLY	29
(Both).....	0
(Neither)	1
(Don't know/Refused).....	3
Total Democratic	55
Total Republican	41
Democratic - Republican	14
(ref:ECOPAIR)	

Q.103 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	3
High School graduate.....	25
Non-college post H.S.	2
Some college.....	27
College graduate	26
Post-graduate school	17
(Don't know/refused)	1
(ref:EDUC)	

Q.104 Are you a member of a labor union? (IF NO) Is any member of your household a union member?

	Total
Yes: Respondent belongs	12
Household member	6
No member belongs.....	81
(Don't know/Refused).....	0
Union Household.....	19
Non College Non Union	47
Non union worker.....	31
(ref:UNION)	

Q.105 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total
Married	66
Single	15
Separated/Divorced.....	9
Widowed.....	9
(Don't know/refused)	1
Sep/Div/Wid.....	18
(ref:MARITAL)	

Q.106 Do you have any children 18 years of age or younger living at home?

	Total
Yes	36
No.....	63
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
(ref:KIDS)	

Q.107 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	Total
Strong Democrat	30
Weak Democrat.....	13
Independent-lean Democrat.....	8
Independent	4
Independent-lean Republican	7
Weak Republican	14
Strong Republican.....	23
(Don't know/refused)	1
(ref:PTYID1)	

Q.110 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Total
Liberal.....	19
Moderate	39
Conservative	40
(Don't know/refused)	2
(ref:IDEO1)	

Q.111 What is your religion?

	Total
Protestant.....	53
Catholic	24
Jewish	1
(Other/none/refused)	22
Muslim.....	0
(ref:RELIG1)	

[530 Respondents]

Q.112 (IF PROTESTANT) Which one of these words best describes your kind of Christianity -- fundamentalist, evangelical, charismatic, Pentecostal or moderate to liberal?

	Total
Fundamentalist.....	14
Evangelical	22
Charismatic/Pentecostal.....	14
Moderate to liberal.....	38
(Something else)	5
(Don't know/Refused).....	7
(ref:RELIG3)	

Q.113 How often do you attend religious services -- every week, once or twice a month, several times a year, or hardly ever?

	Total
Every week.....	43
Once or twice a month	15
Several times a year.....	14
Hardly ever	22
(Never)	4
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
(ref:RELIG2)	

[987 Respondents]

Q.114 (IF VOTED) In the 2004 election for President, did you vote for Democrat John Kerry or Republican George Bush?

	Total
Democrat John Kerry	45
Republican George Bush	49
(Ralph Nader)	0
(Other candidate)	2
(Don't know/Refused)	4

Democrat John Kerry - Republican George Bush.....-4
(ref:VOTE2004)

Q.115 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
Voted	81
Did not vote	16
(Can't remember/Don't know)	2
(Refused)	1

(ref:VOTE06)

[811 Respondents]

Q.116 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE06) In the 2006 election for Congress, did you vote for (Democratic incumbent/candidate) or (Republican incumbent/candidate)?¹

	Total
Democratic Candidate	50
Republican Candidate	42
(Other candidate)	2
(Don't know/Refused)	5

Democratic Candidate - Republican Candidate 8
(ref:VOTE2006)

Q.117 How many guns or rifles do you own?

	Total
None	59
1-2	12
3-9	15
10 or more	4
(Don't know/Refused)	10

(ref:GUNS)

¹ For each district, the candidates' actual names on the ballot were inserted. In Florida's 16th district, Republican Joe Negron's name was inserted though Republican Mark Foley appeared on the ballot. In Texas' 22nd district, Republican Shelley Sekula-Gibbs' name was inserted though she ran as a write-in and there was no Republican on the ballot.

Q.118 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Total
White	77
African-American or Black.....	11
Hispanic or Latino.....	8
Native American	1
Asian	1
(Other)	1
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
(ref:RACETHN)	

[85 Respondents]

Q.120 (IF HISPANIC OR LATINO) Would you describe your Hispanic origin as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Dominican, Salvadoran or are you and your ancestors from another country? (IF ANOTHER COUNTRY) Are you and your ancestors from Central America, South America or somewhere else?

	Total
Mexican	40
Puerto Rican.....	12
Cuban.....	3
Dominican	2
Salvadoran	3
Other: Central America.....	-
Other: South America.....	5
Other	32
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
(ref:ORIGIN08)	

Q.122 Last year, that is in 2007, 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	3
\$10K to under \$20K	5
\$20K to under \$30K	10
\$30K to under \$50K	18
\$50K to under \$75K	18
\$75K to under \$100K	17
\$100K or more.....	17
(Refused).....	10
(Don't know)	2
(ref:INCOME)	

Q.124 It is possible that a reporter for National Public Radio may do a news story based on some of these topics and may want to ask a few follow-up questions of some of the people we spoke to tonight. Would you be willing to allow a reporter to have your responses on the questions and then possibly call you for a brief interview?

	Total
Yes	55
No.....	45
(ref:NPRFLW)	

Q.2 Record respondent's gender

	Total
Male.....	47
Female	53
(ref:GENDER)	

Q.5 In what year were you born?

	Total
18 - 24	3
25 - 29	7
30 - 34	10
35 - 39	8
40 - 44	8
45 - 49	13
50 - 54	11
55 - 59	10
60 - 64	8
Over 64.....	20
(No answer).....	2
(ref:AGE)	