

# Democracy Corps Frequency Questionnaire

July 21-24, 2008

**1004 Likely Voters**

**735 Likely Voters in presidential battleground states**

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

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
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?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Voted .....	89	89
Not registered in 2004/Ineligible/too young .....	5	5
Did not vote .....	5	5
(Can't remember/Don't know) .....	0	0
(Refused) .....	0	-
(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?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Almost certain .....	95	93
Probably .....	5	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?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Right direction.....	16	16
Wrong track .....	78	76
(Don't know/refused).....	6	8
(ref:DIRECT)		

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

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Strongly approve .....	14	14
Somewhat approve.....	16	17
Somewhat disapprove .....	13	13
Strongly disapprove .....	52	49
(Don't know/refused).....	5	6
<b>Total approve .....</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>32</b>
<b>Total disapprove.....</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>63</b>
(ref:CANDAPP2)		

Q.9 Now, I'd like to rate your feelings toward some people and organizations, with one hundred meaning a VERY WARM, FAVORABLE feeling; zero meaning a VERY COLD, UNFAVORABLE feeling; and fifty 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
9 The Republican Party .....	43.0	32	46	97
<b>Battleground</b> .....	43.2	33	46	97
10 The Democratic Party .....	49.2	42	39	98
<b>Battleground</b> .....	49.3	41	39	97
11 George W. Bush .....	36.5	32	57	99
<b>Battleground</b> .....	37.9	35	55	99
12 The Democratic Congress .....	45.7	37	43	96
<b>Battleground</b> .....	44.8	36	43	95
13 Barack Obama .....	52.1	47	37	97
<b>Battleground</b> .....	50.7	44	38	97
14 John McCain .....	50.8	43	33	98
<b>Battleground</b> .....	51.6	44	33	97
<b>[480 Respondents; 324 Battleground Respondents]</b>				
15 Democratic Incumbent Member of Congress .....	58.1	39	19	73
<b>Battleground</b> .....	54.1	34	21	72
<b>[524 Respondents; 411 Battleground Respondents]</b>				
15 Republican Incumbent Member of Congress.....	55.5	36	19	70
<b>Battleground</b> .....	54.6	37	22	73
16 Republicans in Congress .....	41.5	28	47	96
<b>Battleground</b> .....	41.2	29	46	95
17 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association .....	54.7	43	30	93
<b>Battleground</b> .....	55.6	43	31	95
18 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups.....	49.9	39	38	95
<b>Battleground</b> .....	50.5	39	38	96
19 NAFTA and international trade agreements .....	37.7	19	48	87
<b>Battleground</b> .....	38.3	20	45	89
20 The Iraq War .....	34.8	27	57	98
<b>Battleground</b> .....	36.0	29	55	97
21 Big corporations .....	40.4	23	46	94
<b>Battleground</b> .....	40.4	23	47	94

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% ID
22 Gay marriage .....	36.8	27	51	94
<b>Battleground</b> .....	35.4	25	52	94
23 Immigration into the country.....	39.3	24	49	95
<b>Battleground</b> .....	38.4	22	51	95
24 The state of the economy .....	29.8	14	72	99
<b>Battleground</b> .....	29.7	15	70	99

(ref:THERM04/THERM204)

Q.25 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	Battle-ground
Democratic candidate .....	47	46
Lean Democratic candidate .....	4	3
Republican candidate .....	40	40
Lean Republican candidate .....	3	4
(Other candidate).....	3	2
Lean (Other candidate).....	0	0
(Undecided) .....	3	3
(Refused).....	1	1
<b>Total Democratic candidate</b> .....	<b>50</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>Total Republican candidate</b> .....	<b>43</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>Total (Other candidate)</b> .....	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>

(ref:PRES08)

Q.27 Now thinking about the presidential 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 and Independent candidate Ralph Nader -- for whom would you vote?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Democrat Barack Obama .....	48	46
Lean Democrat Barack Obama .....	1	1
Republican John McCain.....	42	45
Lean Republican John McCain.....	1	1
Independent Ralph Nader.....	1	1
Lean Independent Ralph Nader.....	0	-
Libertarian Bob Barr.....	2	2
Lean Libertarian Bob Barr.....	0	0
(Other candidate).....	1	1
Lean (Other candidate).....	0	0
(Undecided) .....	1	2
(Refused).....	1	1
<b>Total Democrat Barack Obama .....</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>47</b>
<b>Total Republican John McCain .....</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>46</b>
<b>Total Independent Ralph Nader.....</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Total Libertarian Bob Barr .....</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Total (Other candidate) .....</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

(ref:PRES083)

**Allocated Presidential Vote**

Q. 29 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?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Democrat Barack Obama .....	50	48
Republican John McCain.....	45	47
(Undecided/Refused).....	5	5

(ref:PRE2WAY)

Q.30 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?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Fair chance .....	4	5
A small chance .....	6	6
Very slight chance .....	7	8
No chance at all .....	32	33
(Don't know/Refused) .....	1	1
<b>Obama Supporter .....</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>48</b>

(ref:VCSOM1)

Q.31 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?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Fair chance .....	5	6
A small chance .....	8	7
Very slight chance .....	11	8
No chance at all .....	30	30
(Don't know/Refused) .....	1	1
<b>McCain Supporter</b> .....	<b>45</b>	<b>47</b>
(ref:VCSOM2)		

Q.32 Thinking about the 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)?<sup>1</sup>

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Democratic House candidate.....	47	47
Lean Democratic House candidate.....	3	2
Republican House candidate.....	39	40
Lean Republican House candidate.....	4	4
(Other candidate).....	1	1
Lean (Other candidate).....	0	0
(Undecided) .....	5	4
(Refused) .....	1	1
<b>Total Democratic House candidate</b> .....	<b>50</b>	<b>49</b>
<b>Total Republican House candidate</b> .....	<b>42</b>	<b>44</b>
<b>Total (Other candidate)</b> .....	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

<sup>1</sup> For each district, the candidates' names were inserted; in districts that do not yet have two named candidates, the incumbent was used with a generic candidate ("the Democratic candidate" or "the Republican candidate") inserted for the opposition.

**[480 Respondents; 324 Battleground Respondents]**

Q.32 (DEMOCRATIC INCUMBENT)

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Democratic House candidate.....	64	61
Lean Democratic House candidate.....	2	3
Republican House candidate.....	22	27
Lean Republican House candidate.....	3	3
(Other candidate).....	1	1
Lean (Other candidate).....	0	0
(Undecided) .....	5	4
(Refused).....	1	2
<b>Total Democratic House candidate.....</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>64</b>
<b>Total Republican House candidate.....</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>Total (Other candidate) .....</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>

**[524 Respondents; 411 Battleground Respondents]**

Q.32 (REPUBLICAN INCUMBENT)

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Democratic House candidate.....	32	35
Lean Democratic House candidate.....	3	2
Republican House candidate.....	53	51
Lean Republican House candidate.....	5	5
(Other candidate).....	1	0
Lean (Other candidate).....	1	0
(Undecided) .....	5	5
(Refused).....	1	1
<b>Total Democratic House candidate.....</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>37</b>
<b>Total Republican House candidate.....</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>56</b>
<b>Total (Other candidate) .....</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

(ref:CONG06)

Q.34 Finally, I would like to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes. What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
1 - 11th grade .....	4	3
High School graduate .....	23	26
Non-college post H.S.....	2	2
Some college .....	27	26
College graduate .....	29	28
Post-graduate school.....	15	14
(Don't know/refused).....	0	0

(ref:EDUC)

Q.35 Are you a member of a labor union? (IF NO) Is any member of your household a union member?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Yes: Respondent belongs .....	11	10
Household member .....	9	8
No member belongs .....	79	82
(Don't know/Refused) .....	0	0
<b>Union household .....</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>18</b>
(ref:UNION)		

Q.36 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Married .....	65	65
Single.....	17	15
Separated/Divorced.....	10	11
Widowed.....	8	8
(Don't know/refused).....	0	0
<b>Separated/Divorced/Widowed .....</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
(ref:MARITAL)		

Q.37 Do you have any children 18 years of age or younger living at home?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Yes .....	37	35
No .....	63	65
(Don't know/Refused) .....	0	0
(ref:KIDS)		

Q.38 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Strong Democrat .....	25	27
Weak Democrat.....	15	13
Independent-lean Democrat .....	11	10
Independent.....	6	6
Independent-lean Republican.....	11	10
Weak Republican .....	14	14
Strong Republican .....	18	19
(Don't know/refused).....	0	1
(ref:PTYID1)		

Q.41 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Liberal.....	18	17
Moderate .....	41	40
Conservative.....	38	39
(Don't know/refused).....	3	4
(ref:IDEO1)		

Q.42 What is your religion?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Protestant .....	53	54
Catholic.....	22	24
Jewish.....	1	0
Muslim .....	0	0
(Other/none/refused) .....	24	21
(ref:RELIG1)		

**[534 Respondents; 394 Battleground Respondents]**

Q.43 (IF PROTESTANT) Which one of these words best describes your kind of Christianity -- fundamentalist, evangelical, charismatic, Pentecostal or moderate to liberal?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Fundamentalist .....	10	9
Evangelical .....	20	19
Charismatic/Pentecostal.....	15	12
Moderate to liberal .....	41	41
(Something else).....	7	8
(Don't know/Refused) .....	7	11
(ref:RELIG3)		

Q.44 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?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Once or twice a month.....	13	16
Several times a year .....	13	15
Hardly ever .....	22	21
(Never).....	5	5
(Don't know/Refused) .....	3	2
More than once a week .....	14	10
Once a week.....	28	31
(ref:RELIG2)		

**[896 Respondents; 658 Battleground Respondents]**

Q.45 (IF VOTED IN 2004) In the 2004 election for president, did you vote for Democrat John Kerry or Republican George Bush?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Democrat John Kerry.....	44	43
Republican George Bush.....	50	50
(Ralph Nader) .....	1	1
(Other candidate).....	1	1
(Don't know/Refused) .....	4	5
(ref:VOTE2004)		

Q.46 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?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Voted .....	76	75
Did not vote .....	19	19
(Can't remember/Don't know) .....	4	5
(Refused).....	0	1
(ref:VOTE06)		

**[763 Respondents; 551 Battleground Respondents]**

Q.47 (IF VOTED IN 2006) In the 2006 election for Congress, did you vote for (Democratic incumbent/candidate) or (Republican incumbent/candidate)?<sup>2</sup>

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
House Democrat.....	45	42
House Republican .....	42	45
(Other candidate).....	4	6
(Don't know/Refused) .....	8	7
(ref:VOTE2006)		

Q.48 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
White .....	76	81
African-American or Black .....	11	7
Hispanic or Latino .....	9	6
Native American .....	1	1
Asian.....	0	1
(Other) .....	1	2
(Don't know/Refused) .....	2	2
(ref:RACETHN)		

<sup>2</sup> For each district, the candidates' actual names on the ballot were inserted. In Florida's 16<sup>th</sup> district, Republican Joe Negron's name was inserted though Republican Mark Foley appeared on the ballot. In Texas' 22<sup>nd</sup> district, Republican Shelley Sekula-Gibbs' name was inserted though she ran as a write-in and there was no Republican on the ballot.

**[90 Respondents; 44 Battleground Respondents]**

Q.49 (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 FROM ANOTHER COUNTRY) Are you and your ancestors from Central America, South America or somewhere else?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
Mexican .....	36	7
Puerto Rican .....	13	8
Cuban .....	9	29
Dominican.....	2	3
Salvadoran .....	-	-
Other: Central America .....	6	3
Other: South America .....	8	14
Other.....	23	33
(Don't know/Refused) .....	4	2
(ref:ORIGIN08)		

Q.2 Respondent's gender

	<b>Total</b>	<b>BG</b>
Male.....	47	47
Female.....	53	53
(ref:GENDER)		

Q.5 In what year were you born?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Battle-ground</b>
18 - 24 .....	6	6
25 - 29 .....	8	8
30 - 34 .....	5	6
35 - 39 .....	10	9
40 - 44 .....	8	7
45 - 49 .....	12	13
50 - 54 .....	9	9
55 - 59 .....	10	10
60 - 64 .....	10	9
Over 64.....	20	23
(No answer) .....	2	1
(ref:AGE)		