

**FINAL**

Study #6072  
NBC News/Wall Street Journal  
April 2007

48 Male  
52 Female  
**[109]**

*Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.*  
Interviews: 1,004 adults  
Dates: April 20-23, 2007

**HART / NEWHOUSE**

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**Overall margin of error: +/- 3.1 percentage points**

Margins of Error for Subsample Questions		
Question	Subsample	Margin Of Error (+/-)
B	Democrats and Democratic-leaning independents (Q15a/b)	4.4
C	Republicans and Republican-leaning independents (Q15a/b)	5.3
E	Form B	4.4

*Unless otherwise noted by a "+", all previous data shown reflects responses among all adults.*

A. All in all, do you think that things in the nation are generally headed in the right direction, or do you feel that things are off on the wrong track?

	<u>4/07</u>	<u>3/07</u>	<u>1/07</u>	<u>12/06</u>	<u>10/28-30/06+</u>	<u>10/13-16/06+</u>	<i>High</i> <u>9/01</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>7/92+</u>	
Headed in the right direction ...	22	25	28	28	29	26	72	14	<b>[138]</b>
Off on the wrong track .....	66	58	57	58	56	61	11	71	
Mixed (VOL) .....	12	14	13	11	13	11	11	9	
Not sure .....	-	3	2	3	2	2	6	6	
		<u>9/30-10/2/06+</u>	<u>9/8-11/06+</u>	<u>7/06</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	
		29	31	27	27	24	26	31	
		58	54	60	61	67	62	57	
		11	12	11	10	7	9	10	
		2	3	2	2	2	3	2	
		<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>10/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>4/05</u>	
		30	26	28	32	34	35	34	
		59	63	59	57	52	52	51	

	8	8	10	8	12	10	12	
	3	3	3	3	2	3	3	
	<u>2/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>12/04</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>8/04+</u>	<u>7/04+</u>	
	42	40	41	39	39	36	36	
	48	47	46	48	49	50	48	
	8	10	11	10	10	12	14	
	2	3	2	3	2	2	2	
	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>3/04</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/14/03</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>
Headed in the right direction.....	36	33	41	47	56	41	43	38
Off on the wrong track.....	48	50	49	43	30	48	47	50
Mixed (VOL).....	14	14	5	6	9	8	6	8
Not sure.....	2	3	5	4	5	3	3	4
	<u>7/03</u>	<u>5/03+</u>	<u>4/03</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>
	42	49	62	36	43	44	42	40
	44	38	22	47	42	42	43	42
	9	8	13	14	13	14	12	14
	4	5	3	3	2	-	3	4
	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>9/01</u>	<u>6/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>10/00</u>
	52	53	62	70	72	43	45	48
	31	28	20	15	11	39	36	32
	14	15	14	12	11	14	15	18
	3	4	4	3	6	4	4	2

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

**(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A DEMOCRAT IN A PREVIOUS QUESTION OR THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY IN A PREVIOUS QUESTION.)**

B. Let me mention some people who might seek the Democratic nomination for president in 2008. If the next Democratic primary for president were being held today, for which one of the following candidates would you vote? **(IF "NOT SURE," ASK:)** Well, which way do you lean?

*THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE*

	<u>4/07</u>	<u>3/07</u>	<u>12/06</u>	
Hillary Clinton .....	36	40	37	<b>[208-209]</b>
Barack Obama.....	31	28	18	
John Edwards .....	20	15	14	
Joe Biden.....	3	2	4	
Bill Richardson.....	2	5	2	
Dennis Kucinich .....	1	1	NA	
Chris Dodd.....	-	1	NA	
Mike Gravel.....	-	NA	NA	
Other (VOL) .....	1	1	17	
None (VOL).....	1	1	3	
Not sure.....	5	5	5	

**(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THEY ARE A REPUBLICAN IN A PREVIOUS QUESTION OR THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY IN A PREVIOUS QUESTION.)**

C. Now I will mention a somewhat different group of people who might seek the Republican nomination for president in 2008. If the next Republican primary for president were being held today, for which one of the following candidates would you vote? **(IF "NOT SURE," ASK:)** Well, which way do you lean?

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	<u>4/07</u>	<u>3/07</u>	<u>12/06</u>	
Rudy Giuliani .....	33	38	34	<b>[215-216]</b>
John McCain.....	22	24	29	
Fred Thompson.....	17	NA	NA	
Mitt Romney .....	12	8	8	
Mike Huckabee .....	2	2	2	
Duncan Hunter.....	1	1	NA	
Sam Brownback.....	1	2	2	
Other (VOL) .....	1	1	3	
None (VOL).....	2	3	3	
Not sure.....	9	9	8	

D. Thinking of the situation in Iraq over the past three months, do you think the situation there has gotten better, gotten worse, or stayed about the same?

Gotten better .....	12	<b>[240]</b>
Gotten worse.....	49	
Stayed about the same.....	37	
Not sure .....	2	

E. Do you think the U.S. goal of achieving victory in Iraq is still possible, or not? \*\*

Yes, victory in Iraq is still possible .....	36	<b>[244]</b>
No, victory in Iraq is not still possible .....	55	
Not sure .....	9	

\*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

F. When it comes to the debate on Iraq who do you agree with more?

The Democrats in Congress, who say we should set a deadline for troop withdrawal from Iraq; OR

President Bush, who says we should NOT set a deadline for troop withdrawal from Iraq?

<b>Democrats in Congress</b> /should set deadline ....	56	<b>[245]</b>
<b>President Bush</b> /should NOT set deadline.....	37	
Some of both (VOL).....	3	
Not sure.....	4	