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Polling was conducted by telephone March 18-19, 2008, in the evenings. The total sample is 900 registered voters nationwide with a margin of error of ± 3 percentage points. Results are of registered voters, unless otherwise noted. LV = likely voters

Democrats n=388, ± 5 percentage points; Republicans n=274, ± 6 percentage points

1. Do you approve or disapprove of the job George W. Bush is doing as president?

*** Bush Job Ratings Summary ***

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
Most recent (18-19 Mar 08)	30%	60	10
Highest (14-15 Nov 01)	88%	7	5
Lowest (18-19 Mar 08)	30%	60	10
First-Term Average	61%	29	

	Approve	Disapprove (DK)		Approve	Disapprove (DK)
18-19 Mar 08	30%	60 10	4-5 Nov 06 LV	38%	54 8
Democrats	9%	84 6	24-25 Oct 06 LV	40%	53 6
Republicans	65%	26 9	10-11 Oct 06 LV	40%	56 4
Independents	23%	62 15	26-27 Sep 06 LV	42%	54 4
RECENT TREND			12-13 Sep 06 LV	40%	49 10
19-20 Feb 08	32%	59 9	29-30 Aug 06	38%	56 6
30-31 Jan 08	33%	60 7	8-9 Aug 06	36%	56 8
18-19 Dec 07	36%	57 6	11-12 Jul 06	36%	53 11
13-14 Nov 07	36%	56 8	27-28 Jun 06	41%	50 9
23-24 Oct 07	35%	55 9	13-14 Jun 06	40%	52 8
9-10 Oct 07	35%	56 9	16-18 May 06	35%	56 8
25-26 Sep 07	34%	58 8	2-3 May 06	38%	53 9
11-12 Sep 07	37%	58 6	18-19 Apr 06	33%	57 10
21-22 Aug 07	33%	56 11	4-5 Apr 06	36%	53 10
17-18 Jul 07	32%	61 7	14-15 Mar 06	39%	51 11
26-27 Jun 07	31%	60 9	28 Feb-1 Mar 06	39%	54 7
5-6 Jun 07	34%	57 9	7-8 Feb 06	44%	47 9
15-16 May 07	34%	56 10	24-25 Jan 06	41%	51 8
17-18 Apr 07	38%	54 8	10-11 Jan 06	42%	49 9
27-28 Mar 07	33%	61 6	13-14 Dec 05	42%	51 7
27-28 Feb 07	34%	57 8	29-30 Nov 05	42%	48 10
13-14 Feb 07	35%	56 9	8-9 Nov 05	36%	53 11
30-31 Jan 07	38%	54 8	25-26 Oct 05	41%	51 8
16-17 Jan 07	35%	58 7	11-12 Oct 05	40%	51 9
5-6 Dec 06	38%	54 9	27-28 Sep 05	45%	47 8

2. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Congress is doing?

	Dis				Dis		
	Approve	approve	(DK)		Approve	approve	(DK)
18-19 Mar 08	20%	67	12	30-31 Jan 07	33%	44	22
Democrats	22%	67	11	16-17 Jan 07	32%	47	21
Republicans	24%	66	11	4-5 Nov 06 LV	29%	57	13
Independents	11%	74	15	10-11 Oct 06 LV	31%	63	6
RECENT TREND				12-13 Sep 06 LV	29%	53	18
19-20 Feb 08	22%	68	10	29-30 Aug 06	24%	61	15
30-31 Jan 08	22%	66	12	8-9 Aug 06	24%	58	17
18-19 Dec 07	25%	60	15	11-12 Jul 06	25%	61	14
13-14 Nov 07	26%	61	14	13-14 Jun 06	29%	59	12
23-24 Oct 07	25%	54	22	16-18 May 06	27%	56	17
9-10 Oct 07	24%	63	12	18-19 Apr 06	25%	52	23
25-26 Sep 07	24%	63	13	14-15 Mar 06	29%	55	16
11-12 Sep 07	32%	56	11	24-25 Jan 06	34%	51	16
21-22 Aug 07	24%	60	17	13-14 Dec 05	30%	52	18
5-6 Jun 07	29%	55	15	13-14 Sep 05	34%	49	17
15-16 May 07	32%	53	15	30-31 Aug 05	28%	53	18
17-18 Apr 07	35%	49	16	29-30 Mar 05	40%	36	24
27-28 Mar 07	30%	54	16	21-22 Apr 04	38%	42	20
27-28 Feb 07	32%	49	20	20-21 May 03	33%	47	20

3. Right now, how interested are you in the 2008 presidential election? Are you:

	Extremely interested	Very interested	Somewhat interested	Not at all interested	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	34%	40	20	5	1
Democrats	40%	41	17	3	-
Republicans	31%	44	18	6	1
Independents	28%	38	28	5	-
30-31 Jan 08	36%	40	20	4	1
Democrats	35%	41	19	4	-
Republicans	36%	39	21	3	-
Independents	33%	44	17	3	2
23-24 Oct 07	30%	37	26	6	1
15-16 May 07	27%	35	29	8	1

4. Who do you WANT to win the Democratic nomination for president -- Hillary Clinton or Barack Obama? ROTATE

	Clinton	Obama	(Other/ Neither)	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	30%	31	24	14
Democrats	40%	38	8	13
Republicans	24%	22	42	11
Independents	21%	30	30	19

For reference: If the 2008 Democratic presidential primary were held today, for whom would you vote if the candidates were: (ROTATE)

--- Democrats ---

	Hillary Clinton	Barack Obama	(Other)	(Don't know)	(Would not vote in Dem primary)
19-20 Feb 08	44%	44	2	8	1
30-31 Jan 08	47%	37	2	11	3

5. Just imagine for a moment that Bill Clinton could run for another term. If the Democratic race were between Bill Clinton and Hillary Clinton - who would you vote for?

	Bill Clinton	Hillary Clinton	(Other/Neither)	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	36%	25	31	8
Democrats	52%	30	11	8
Republicans	20%	19	55	5
Independents	28%	26	37	9

6. What if the candidates were Bill Clinton and Barack Obama?

	Bill Clinton	Barack Obama	(Other/Neither)	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	38%	35	19	8
Democrats	49%	36	5	9
Republicans	28%	30	38	4
Independents	33%	40	20	7

7. - 8. Thinking ahead to the next presidential election, if the 2008 general election were held today for whom would you vote if the candidates were...?
(ROTATE QUESTIONS AND ROTATE ORDER OF NAMES WITHIN QUESTIONS)

	Hillary Clinton	John McCain	(Other/Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	46%	43	11
Democrats	75%	15	10
Republicans	13%	82	5
Independents	31%	47	21
19-20 Feb 08	44%	47	9
30-31 Jan 08	44%	45	10
18-19 Dec 07	42%	47	12
13-14 Nov 07	46%	45	9
9-10 Oct 07	47%	44	9
25-26 Sep 07	46%	39	15
17-18 Jul 07	45%	42	12
5-6 Jun 07	43%	43	14
27-28 Mar 07	43%	47	9
5-6 Dec 06	40%	48	12
24-25 Oct 06 LV	39%	45	15
29-30 Aug 06	39%	47	13
16-18 May 06	42%	46	13
14-15 Mar 06	39%	50	11
7-8 Feb 06	38%	51	11
27-28 Sep 05	38%	49	12
16-17 Nov 04	37%	53	10

	Barack Obama	John McCain	(Other/Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	43%	44	13
Democrats	70%	18	12
Republicans	11%	82	8
Independents	37%	45	18
19-20 Feb 08	47%	43	10
30-31 Jan 08	44%	43	13
18-19 Dec 07	40%	44	17
25-26 Sep 07	40%	38	22
17-18 Jul 07	47%	37	16
5-6 Dec 06	30%	49	21
24-25 Oct 06 LV	38%	41	21

9. Do you think you would seriously consider voting for third-party candidate Ralph Nader over one of the major party candidates in November?

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	14%	77	9
Democrats	10%	81	9
Republicans	14%	79	8
Independents	21%	69	10

10. Let's imagine the Constitution allowed former President Bill Clinton to run for a third term. For whom would you vote if the candidates were: (ROTATE)

	Bill Clinton	John McCain	(Other/Neither)	(Don't know/Refused)
18-19 Mar 08	46%	43	6	5
Democrats	77%	14	5	4
Republicans	10%	83	5	2
Independents	37%	45	10	9

11. Regardless of how you plan to vote, who do you believe will be the next president of the United States? (DO NOT READ RESPONSES)

	18-19 Mar 08	18-19 Dec 07	9-10 Oct 07
1. (John McCain)	35%	5%	2%
2. (Barack Obama)	26	13	6
3. (Hillary Clinton)	18	33	44
4. (Rudy Giuliani)	na	7	12
5. (John Edwards)	na	4	3
6. (Mike Huckabee)	na	4	-
7. (Mitt Romney)	na	3	2
8. (Fred Thompson)	na	1	3
9. (Al Gore)	na	-	2
10. (Chris Dodd)	na	-	1
11. (Other)	2	2	2
12. (Don't know)	19	29	23

12. Which is more important for the next president to focus on -- the economy and jobs or terrorism and homeland security? (ROTATE)

SCALE: 1. Economy and jobs 2. Terrorism and homeland security 3. (Both equal) 4. (Neither/Other) 5. (Don't know)

	Economy and jobs	Terrorism and homeland security	(Both equal)	(Neither/Other)	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	51%	17	30	1	1
Democrats	66%	10	23	1	1
Republicans	31%	31	36	1	1
Independents	45%	13	37	2	2

13. If a national security emergency took place on January 21, 2009, the day after the inauguration of the new president, which candidate would you trust the most to deal with that crisis: (ROTATE)

	Hillary Clinton	Barack Obama	John McCain	(None of the three)	(All equally)	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	23%	19	42	4	3	9
Democrats	39%	30	15	2	4	11
Republicans	6%	6	84	2	-	3
Independents	14%	13	42	12	6	13

14. If an economic crisis took place on January 21, 2009, the day after the inauguration of the new president, which candidate would you feel the most comfortable with dealing with that crisis: (ROTATE)

	Hillary Clinton	Barack Obama	John McCain	(None of the three)	(All equally)	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	30%	22	32	7	2	8
Democrats	46%	35	8	3	1	7
Republicans	10%	9	69	7	-	5
Independents	23%	18	26	16	5	12

15. Who do you think would be most dedicated to capturing Usama bin Laden? (ROTATE)

	Hillary Clinton	Barack Obama	John McCain	(None of the three)	(All equally)	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	14%	10	48	11	5	12
Democrats	24%	19	26	9	8	14
Republicans	4%	5	78	4	1	8
Independents	8%	2	50	23	4	13

16. Which one of the following factors do you think should be most important in deciding which candidate is going to be the Democratic Party's presidential nominee?

SCALE: 1. Who has won more votes and delegates in the state primaries and caucuses 2. Who has the best chance of winning the general election in November 3. Who would do a better job as president 4. (All equally) 5. (Don't know)

	Votes and Delegates	Best chance	Better job	(All equally)	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	17%	9	54	9	11
Democrats	17%	14	49	11	9
Republicans	17%	5	58	9	11
Independents	19%	4	58	7	12

(ROTATE NEXT THREE QUESTIONS)

17. - 19. Regardless of how you would vote, how comfortable would you be with [name] as president?

SCALE: 1. Extremely comfortable 2. Very comfortable 3. Somewhat comfortable 4. Not very comfortable 5. Not at all comfortable 6. (Don't know)

	--- Comfortable ---				- Not comfortable -			
	Total	Extmly	Very	Smwht	Total	Notvry	Not	(DK)
John McCain	69%	12	25	32	30	15	15	2
Democrats	50%	5	14	31	49	24	25	2
Republicans	93%	26	38	29	7	4	3	-
Independents	74%	8	28	38	23	12	11	4
30-31 Jan 07*	58%	6	20	32	41	12	15	14
Barack Obama	62%	11	26	25	35	14	21	3
Democrats	79%	19	38	22	20	10	10	2
Republicans	41%	3	10	28	57	19	38	2
Independents	63%	9	27	27	33	13	20	3
30-31 Jan 07*	48%	6	18	24	52	13	19	20
Hillary Clinton	62%	13	26	23	37	14	23	2
Democrats	84%	21	41	22	15	7	8	-
Republicans	32%	2	8	22	67	21	46	2
Independents	58%	11	18	29	39	18	21	4
30-31 Jan 07*	53%	12	23	18	47	12	33	2

*Slight wording difference: Now I am going to read a list of possible candidates for the next presidential race. For each one, please tell me how comfortable you would be having that person as president.

20. Which Democratic presidential candidate do you think can do a better job unifying the country? (ROTATE)

	Hillary Clinton	Barack Obama	(Both can)	(Neither can)	(Don't know/Refused)
18-19 Mar 08	30%	42	6	14	7
Democrats	37%	46	9	3	5
Republicans	29%	34	2	28	7
Independents	17%	46	8	18	11

21. Regardless of how you would vote, which Democratic candidate do you think has a better chance of beating John McCain in the general election in November - Hillary Clinton or Barack Obama? (ROTATE)

	Hillary Clinton	Barack Obama	(Both can)	(Neither can)	(Don't know/Refused)
18-19 Mar 08	33%	43	7	7	10
Democrats	40%	44	10	-	5
Republicans	27%	44	3	15	10
Independents	26%	43	9	7	15

For reference: Regardless of how you plan to vote, which Democratic candidate do you think has the best chance of beating the Republican in the general election? (ROTATE)

	Hillary Clinton	Barack Obama	(Other)	(Don't know)
30-31 Jan 08	34%	41%	5	20
Democrats	49	37%	2	12
Republicans	18	43%	9	30
Independents	28	48%	5	18

(ROTATE NEXT TWO QUESTIONS)

22. Do you think Hillary Clinton would accept an offer to be Barack Obama's vice president or would she decline the second spot?

	Accept	Decline	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	35%	51	14
Democrats	39%	48	13
Republicans	27%	60	13
Independents	37%	47	16

23. Do you think Barack Obama would accept an offer to be Hillary Clinton's vice president or would he decline the second spot?

	Accept	Decline	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	27%	60	13
Democrats	30%	58	12
Republicans	21%	63	15
Independents	27%	60	13

24. Hillary Clinton says she has 35 years of public policy experience -- do you believe Hillary Clinton has the amount and depth of experience she is claiming?

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	42%	49	9
Democrats	56%	35	9
Republicans	24%	69	7
Independents	40%	53	7

25. Hillary Clinton says she is the only candidate qualified to be president on day one. If Clinton doesn't think Barack Obama is qualified to serve as president on day one, does it make sense for her to consider him as her vice presidential running mate?

	Yes, makes sense	No, does not make sense	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	27%	64	9
Democrats	36%	53	11
Republicans	17%	77	6
Independents	27%	66	7

26. At the end of former President Bill Clinton's eight years in office, who do you think had gained more experience that is relevant to being president -- Hillary Clinton or Al Gore? (ROTATE)

	Clinton	Gore	(Both)	(Neither)	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	32%	46	5	10	7
Democrats	39%	45	6	4	6
Republicans	27%	49	2	16	6
Independents	26%	50	5	12	7

27. Do you think George W. Bush's endorsement will do more to help or to hurt John McCain's chances of winning the election in November?

	Help	Hurt	No difference	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	27%	47	19	8
Democrats	17%	62	16	5
Republicans	42%	31	20	7
Independents	25%	38	23	14

28. Which presidential candidate do you think has received the most favorable coverage from the press? (ROTATE)

	Hillary Clinton	Barack Obama	John McCain	(All the same)	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	16%	43	15	17	10
Democrats	16%	44	15	16	9
Republicans	16%	46	18	14	6
Independents	14%	35	14	21	15

29. Regardless of whether you would vote for him or not, do you think John McCain's age would interfere with his ability to serve effectively as president?

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	23%	72	5
Democrats	33%	62	5
Republicans	11%	86	4
Independents	20%	75	5
5-6 Dec 06	13%	78	10

30. Which of the following do you think is the bigger challenge to becoming president of the United States? (ROTATE)

	Being a woman	Being African-American	(Both)	(Neither)	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	28%	26	23	15	8
Democrats	27%	28	28	10	6
Republicans	34%	23	15	21	8
Independents	22%	25	25	17	10
Men	25%	28	20	19	8
Women	30%	24	25	12	9
Whites	30%	24	21	16	8
Blacks	8%	38	38	7	8

ROTATE NEXT TWO QUESTIONS

31. Do you think Hillary Clinton has gotten as far as she has in the presidential race mainly because: (ROTATE)

SCALE: 1. She is a qualified candidate 2. She is a woman 3. She is the wife of a former president 4. (Combination) 5. (Other/Something else) 6. (Don't know)

	Qualified candidate	Woman	Wife of former pres.	(Comb.)	(Other)	(DK)
18-19 Mar 08	28%	9	37	20	2	3
Democrats	39%	9	30	19	1	1
Republicans	15%	12	51	15	3	4
Independents	26%	6	33	26	3	6
Men	23%	8	42	22	2	4
Women	33%	10	33	18	2	3
Whites	30%	9	36	20	2	3
Blacks	22%	8	43	22	2	3

32. Do you think Barack Obama has gotten as far as he has in the presidential race mainly because: (ROTATE)

SCALE: 1. He is a qualified candidate 2. He is African-American 3. He is an inspirational speaker 4. (Combination) 5. (Other/Something else) 6. (Don't know)

	Qualified candidate	African- American	Inspirational speaker	(Comb.)	(Other)	(DK)
18-19 Mar 08	22%	14	38	19	1	6
Democrats	29%	12	32	20	1	7
Republicans	15%	18	47	14	2	3
Independents	19%	12	41	24	1	3
Men	22%	10	44	19	1	3
Women	23%	17	33	19	1	8
Whites	19%	15	40	19	1	5
Blacks	43%	3	27	20	-	7

33. How much do the people you choose to be your friends reflect on you and your values?

	A lot	Some, but not a lot	Not much	Not at all	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	39%	30	15	13	4
Democrats	38%	32	17	11	3
Republicans	46%	26	14	11	4
Independents	28%	34	15	19	4
13-14 Nov 07	43%	29	12	13	3

34. Do you think more parents or fewer parents will give their child the name Hillary in the next few years?

	More	Fewer	(Same)	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	21%	37	14	28
Democrats	23%	35	14	28
Republicans	20%	43	13	24
Independents	21%	31	17	31

35. Do you think more parents or fewer parents will give their child the name Barack in the next few years?

	More	Fewer	(Same)	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	27%	38	12	23
Democrats	26%	40	9	26
Republicans	29%	39	13	19
Independents	26%	32	17	25

36. Have you heard about the comments made by Barack Obama's pastor, Jeremiah Wright?

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	72%	26	1
Democrats	70%	29	2
Republicans	76%	22	2
Independents	72%	28	-

37. Reverend Wright has made some controversial and unpatriotic comments about America -- do you believe Barack Obama shares his views, or not?

	Yes, shares views	No, does not	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	24%	57	19
Democrats	17%	63	20
Republicans	36%	46	18
Independents	20%	62	18
Whites	25%	55	20
Blacks	15%	72	13

38. Has Barack Obama's relationship with Reverend Wright made you have doubts about Obama, or not?

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	35%	54	11
Democrats	26%	66	9
Republicans	56%	33	11
Independents	27%	61	12
Whites	40%	49	11
Blacks	2%	90	8

POLITICAL IDENTIFICATION: When you think about politics, do you think of yourself as a Democrat or a Republican?

	Democrat	Republican	(Independent)	(Other)	(Refused/Don't know)
18-19 Mar 08	43%	30	21	3	3
19-20 Feb 08	43%	33	17	4	3
30-31 Jan 08	42%	33	20	2	3
18-19 Dec 07	42%	35	19	1	3
13-14 Nov 07	44%	33	18	1	4
23-24 Oct 07	37%	34	24	2	4
9-10 Oct 07	42%	35	17	2	4
25-26 Sep 07	39%	34	20	3	3
11-12 Sep 07	44%	33	19	1	2
21-22 Aug 07	37%	35	20	3	5
17-18 Jul 07	40%	33	21	3	4
26-27 Jun 07	44%	35	16	2	4
5-6 Jun 07	38%	36	20	3	4
15-16 May 07	38%	32	24	3	3
17-18 Apr 07	40%	34	19	3	3
27-28 Mar 07	43%	35	16	3	3
27-28 Feb 07	43%	32	17	3	5
13-14 Feb 07	37%	36	19	4	3
30-31 Jan 07	40%	31	22	2	4
16-17 Jan 07	40%	33	22	3	2