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**MCCAIN, BUSH, THE NOMINATION PROCESS  
AND THE REPUBLICAN DELEGATES**

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John McCain's campaign faces a balancing act that could be on display at the convention: the delegates who will nominate McCain, and the rank-and-file Republicans in the party's base, approve of President Bush's job performance and want McCain to be even *more* conservative, if elected.

Yet Americans overall express strong *disapproval* of the President (whose job ratings are near historic lows for a President) and are looking to McCain to pursue a *less* conservative agenda.

If McCain does distance himself from the President for this campaign, though, many Republican delegates will understand: about half of them confess that they think the Bush Presidency has *weakened* their party's standing.

**THE REPUBLICAN PRESIDENT'S LEGACY**

47% of Republican delegates say the Bush Presidency has weakened the party and left the G.O.P. in a tough spot. Few, 15%, say it has *strengthened* the party.

**HAS BUSH PRESIDENCY LEFT THE REPUBLICAN PARTY...**

(Among Republican Delegates)

Stronger	15%
Weaker	47
Unchanged	25

And more than four in ten delegates do not think it would be of help to John McCain if George W. Bush campaigned for him in their state.

Delegates from the South, where Bush enjoys some of his better favorable ratings, are the most likely to think he would help McCain at least some. Delegates from the Northeast are the least likely.

**WOULD BUSH CAMPAIGNING IN YOUR STATE HELP MCCAIN...?**

(Among Republican delegates)

	All	NE	Midwest	South	West
A lot	14%	2%	12%	25%	12%
Some	35	25	35	45	30
Not much/none	44	66	43	26	56

Still, delegates themselves generally like what they've seen from the Bush administration for the last eight years. Even more delegates approve of the job Bush has done than do Republican voters nationwide.

**GEORGE W. BUSH JOB PERFORMANCE**

	Republican delegates	Republican voters	All Americans
Approve	79%	63%	28%
Disapprove	14	30	65

However just 40% *strongly* approve of the job he's done while 39% say they *somewhat* approve.

There are a few months left in his term, but this President's approval ratings from the American public are a far cry from those of the last two-term Republican to leave the Oval Office, Ronald Reagan: in January 1989 he had a 68% approval rating. Even George H.W. Bush, who was defeated for a second term, left office with a 54% approval rating.

Today's biggest Bush backers among the delegates are evangelicals and conservatives, two groups that have been stalwart supporters throughout his presidency. By comparison, moderates (who comprise one-quarter of delegates) are more disapproving.

**GEORGE W. BUSH JOB PERFORMANCE**

(Among Republican Delegates)

	All	White Evang.	Conserv.	Moderates
Strongly approve	40%	50%	47%	21%
Somewhat approve	39	38	38	43
Disapprove	14	5	9	26

Delegates today also think President Bush is handling the economy well (70% approve) and overwhelmingly think he is handling Iraq well (85%). Americans overall do not: only 22% think Bush is handling the economy well and only 30% laud him for his handling of Iraq.

Four years ago, the Republican delegates gathering in New York City were wildly enthusiastic about George W. Bush as their candidate, with nine in ten expressing that feeling.

Looking back on the Bush presidency, delegates say it has gone about as they expected it would. Few, however, think it has exceeded expectations.

**BUSH PRESIDENCY HAS BEEN...**

(Among Republican Delegates)

Better than you expected	13%
Same as you expected	60
Worse than you expected	21

**MCCAIN AND BUSH: HOPES AND EXPECTATIONS**

Delegates want a McCain administration to be *more conservative* than the current one, though many (three in ten) aren't sure what would be best. Republican voters are even more certain: they want a conservative.

**COMPARED TO BUSH, WOULD YOU PREFER JOHN MCCAIN...**

	Republican delegates	Republican voters	All voters
Be more conservative	38%	45%	32%
Be less conservative	14	28	49
Continue same policies	13	15	9
Not sure	35	12	10

Expectations are more mixed. Many delegates aren't sure what a McCain presidency would bring. As many think McCain would be less conservative (22%) as think McCain would be more conservative (24%) and four in ten aren't certain at all.

**COMPARED TO BUSH, WILL JOHN MCCAIN BE...**

	Republican delegates	Republican voters	All voters
More conservative	24%	25%	20%
Less conservative	22	36	24
Continue same policies	11	29	47
Not sure	43	10	9

About half of Republican delegates describe McCain's ideology as moderate; fewer (42%) say he is conservative. Moderate delegates are more likely to view McCain as a moderate, while conservative delegates are more divided on whether the Arizona Senator is a conservative or moderate. At this convention, 72% are self-identified conservatives; while 26% are moderates.

**MCCAIN'S IDEOLOGY**

	All Rep. Delegates	Moderate Delegates	Conservative Delegates	Rep. Voters
Moderate	51%	71%	44%	49%
Conservative	42	21	50	43
Liberal	2	1	2	5

**VIEWS OF MCCAIN**

Far and away, McCain's experience is seen by these delegates as his greatest strength - 36% volunteer it. The opposite -- inexperience - was cited most by Democratic delegates as Barack Obama's weakness.

National security and foreign policy (18%), honesty (11%), and leadership (10%) are also offered by delegates as McCain's strengths.

McCain's age tops the list of weaknesses - volunteered by 19% of Republican delegates. Being too moderate or not conservative enough is a distant second (8%), followed by not being a good speaker or communicator (6%). 17% say McCain doesn't have any weaknesses as a candidate.

**JOHN MCCAIN - STRENGTHS AND WEANESSES**

(Among Republican Delegates)

*** STRENGTHS ***		*** WEAKNESSES ***	
Experienced	36%	Too old	19%
Nat'l security/For. policy	18	Too moderate	8
Honesty/integrity	11	Not a good speaker	6
Leadership	10	Not charismatic	5
Veteran/POW	7	Illegal Immigration	5
Straight talker	3	Nothing	17

Nearly all Republican delegates say McCain shares the values of most Republicans, including delegates who are evangelical or born again.

**DOES MCCAIN SHARE THE VALUES OF MOST REPUBLICANS?**

	All Rep. Delegates	White Evang. Delegates
Yes	93%	92%
No	4	6

When it comes to McCain's positions on the issues, three in four delegates say his positions are about right. But about one in five conservative delegates think the presumptive nominee's positions are not conservative enough.

**MCCAIN'S POSITIONS ON THE ISSUES**

	All Delegates	Moderate Delegates	Conservative Delegates	White. Evan. Delegates
Not conserve. enough	19%	3%	25%	33%
About right	74	89	68	61
Too conservative	1	3	0	0

48% of Republican delegates say that government should do more to promote traditional values, while almost as many - 43% - say government should not promote one set of values of another. In 2004, 55% of Republican delegates thought government should promote traditional values.

**GOVERNMENT SHOULD ...**

(Among Republican Delegates)

	2008	2004
Promote traditional values	48%	55%
Not favor one set of values	43	34

When delegates were asked what they thought McCain's view was on this matter, they were similarly divided.

## THE NOMINATION PROCESS

Nearly all delegates attending this year's conventions (Republican and Democratic) think political conventions are still necessary, to show the public who the members of the parties are and what they stand for. As for the voting public, a significant majority of Democrats - 66% - think conventions are still needed, but Republican voters are divided on the question, with 47% saying conventions are no longer necessary.

### ARE POLITICAL CONVENTIONS STILL NEEDED?

	<u>Delegates</u>		<u>Voters</u>	
	Rep	Dem	Rep	Dem
Yes	89%	88%	48%	66%
No	8	9	47	30

In 2008, Iowa and New Hampshire continued their "first in the nation" status and held their nominating events before the other states. 48% of Republican delegates now say they would like to see other states hold their events first. Even more Democratic delegates (57%) agree.

### SHOULD IOWA AND NEW HAMPSHIRE CONTINUE TO HOLD THEIR EVENTS FIRST?

	Republican	Democratic
	Delegates	Delegates
Yes	35%	29%
No	48	57
Don't know	17	14

Most Republican delegates think the current system of primaries and caucuses generally nominates the best candidates, but one in three - 31% thinks it does not.

### DOES CURRENT SYSTEM NOMINATION SYSTEM PRODUCE THE BEST CANDIDATES?

(Among Republican Delegates)

Yes	59%
No	31

Delegates are confident McCain will get the chance to enact his policies. Three-quarters are confident he will win.

### DO YOU THINK MCCAIN WILL WIN?

Confident he will win	74%
Chance he could lose	16
Not sure	10

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The CBS News/New York Times Republican Delegate Poll was conducted July 23 -August 26, 2008 with a random sample of 854 Republican delegates from every state except Indiana. The error due to sampling could be plus or minus three percentage points for results based on the entire sample. Interviews were conducted via phone; if a delegate preferred, he or she could complete the survey online. Online interviewing was conducted by CfMC, a San Francisco-based research software company.

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**Republican Delegate Survey**  
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q5 And who will you vote for on the floor of the convention?

	2008 Republican Delegates
	%
McCain	95
Romney	1
Huckabee	1
Paul	1
DK/NA	2

q6 How would you describe your feelings about John McCain as the Republican nominee? Would you say you enthusiastically support him; support him but have reservations about him; support him only because he is the likely party nominee; or do you not support him yet?

	2008 Republican Delegates	2008 Democratic* Delegates
	%	%
Enthusiastic	86	82
With reservations	8	6
Party nominee	4	8
Don't support him	1	2
DK/NA	1	2

\*Asked about Barack Obama

q7 How many years have you been active in Republican (Democratic) party politics?

Average # of years:      22 yrs.                      23 yrs.

q8 Have you ever attended a Republican (Democratic) national convention as a delegate or as an alternate before?

Yes	42	43
No	58	57
DK/NA	0	0

q9 Which one(s) did you attend?^

2004	31%	29%
2000	22	23
1996	14	18
1992	10	16
1988	9	11
1984	7	7
1980	3	5
1976	2	3
1972	1	2
Before 1972	1	2
Have not attended before	58	57

^Percentages may not add to 100% due to multiple answers.

q10 Are you very confident that John McCain will win the presidential election in November, or do you think there is a real chance he could lose?

	2008 Republican Delegates %	2008 Democratic* Delegates %
Confident he will win	74	79
Real chance he could lose	16	15
DK/NA	10	6

\*Asked about Barack Obama

q11 How would you describe John McCain's chances of carrying your state against Barack Obama? Would you say McCain is the favorite, or Obama is the favorite, or would you call it a toss-up? IF McCAIN OR OBAMA: Would you say he has a big edge, or only a narrow one?

McCain favorite, big edge	38	42*
McCain favorite, narrow edge	20	18
Obama favorite, big edge	10	5
Obama favorite, narrow edge	10	9
Toss-up	20	24
DK/NA	2	2

\*Asked about Barack Obama

q12 What do you think will be the most important campaign issue in your state?

	2008 Republican Delegates	2008 Rep Voters	2008 Democratic Delegates	2008 Dem Voters
Economy / jobs	42	32	70	39
Energy	15	6	4	5
Defense/nat'l security	13	4	0	0
Gas/Heating Oil Crisis	8	5	3	6
War in Iraq	3	7	6	7
Immigration	3	9	1	0
Taxes/IRS	3	7	1	3
Other	11	17	13	23
DK/NA	2	11	2	17

Q13 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

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q15 What would you say is John McCain's main STRENGTH as a presidential candidate?

	2008
	Republican
	Delegates
	%
Experienced	36
Honesty/Integrity	11
Nat'l Security	10
Leadership	10
Foreign policy	8
Veteran	7
Straight talker	3
Would bring change	2
Conservative	2
Bipartisan/will work with	2
Maverick	2
Other	6
DK/NA	1

q16 What would you say is John McCain's main WEAKNESS as a presidential candidate?

Too old	19
Too moderate	8
Not a good speaker	6
Everything	5
Not charismatic	5
Illegal immigration	5
Economic Policy	4
LIKE George W. Bush	2
More of the same	2
Compromises with Dems	2
Inexperienced	2
Other	16
Nothing	17
DK/NA	7

q17 Do you think of John McCain as more of a liberal, a moderate, or a conservative?

	2008 Republican Delegates %	2008 Rep Voters %
Liberal	2	5
Moderate	51	49
Conservative	42	43
DK/NA	5	3

q18 Do you think John McCain shares the values of most Republicans, or not?

Yes	93
No	4
Don't know/No answer	3

q19 If he is elected president, would you rather see John McCain generally continue George W. Bush's policies, change to more conservative policies, or change to less conservative policies?

Continue Bush policies	13	15
Change to more conservative	38	45
Change to less conservative	14	28
Don't know/No answer	35	12

q20 What do you think John McCain WILL DO if he is elected president: do you think he will generally continue George W. Bush's policies, change to more conservative policies, or change to less conservative policies?

Continue Bush policies	11	29
Change to more conservative	24	25
Change to less conservative	22	36
Don't know/No answer	43	10

q21 When it comes to his positions on the issues, do you think John McCain is too conservative, not conservative enough, or are his positions on issues about right?

Too conservative	1
Not conservative enough	19
About right	74
DK/NA	6

q22 Do you agree with John McCain on most issues, or not?

Yes, agree	93
No, disagree	4
Don't know/No answer	3

q23 Do you agree with John McCain's decision to participate in public financing during the general election, or do you think he should have opted out of public financing?

Agree with decision	72
Should have opted out	9
DK/NA	19

q24 Is your opinion of George W. Bush favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about George W. Bush yet to have an opinion?

	2008 Republican Delegates %	2008 Rep Voters %
Favorable	77	67
Not favorable	11	23
Undecided	9	9
Haven't heard enough	0	2
Refused	3	0

q25 Is your opinion of Dick Cheney favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Dick Cheney yet to have an opinion?

Favorable	71
Not favorable	13
Undecided	12
Haven't heard enough	2
Refused	2

q26 Is your opinion of Cindy McCain favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Cindy McCain yet to have an opinion?

	2008 Republican Delegates %	2008 Rep Voters %	<u>Michelle Obama</u>	
			2008 Democratic Delegates %	2008 Dem Voters %
Favorable	86	36	81	45
Not favorable	1	3	3	6
Undecided	4	15	8	16
Haven't heard enough	9	45	7	33
Refused	0	1	1	0

q27 Is your opinion of Mike Huckabee favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Mike Huckabee yet to have an opinion?

Favorable	66
Not favorable	13
Undecided	15
Haven't heard enough	3
Refused	3

q28 Is your opinion of Mitt Romney favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Mitt Romney yet to have an opinion?

Favorable	81
Not favorable	10
Undecided	7
Haven't heard enough	1
Refused	2

q29 Is your opinion of Joe Lieberman favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Joe Lieberman yet to have an opinion?

	2008 Republican Delegates %	2008 Rep Voters %	2008 Democratic Delegates %	2008 Dem Voters %
Favorable	64	27	12	12
Not favorable	14	18	69	36
Undecided	16	30	16	22
Haven't heard enough	4	23	2	29
Refused	2	2	1	1

q30 Thinking about the current system of presidential primaries and caucuses, do you think this method of nominating presidential candidates has generally - not just this year - produced the best candidates for president, or not?

Yes, best candidates	59
Not best	31
DK/NA	10

q31 Thinking about the order in which states hold their presidential primaries and caucuses, do you think Iowa and New Hampshire should continue to hold the first two contests, or do you think other states should be allowed to go first?

IA and NH always first	35	29
Other states allowed first	48	57
DK/NA	17	14

q32 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as President? IF APPROVE: Do you approve strongly or somewhat?  
IF DISAPPROVE: Do you disapprove strongly or somewhat?

Approve strongly	40
Approve somewhat	39
Disapprove somewhat	9
Disapprove strongly	5
DK/NA	7

q33 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling the economy?

Approve	70	49
Disapprove	18	43
DK/NA	12	8

q34 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling the situation with Iraq?

Approve	85	66
Disapprove	9	29
DK/NA	6	5

q35 Has George W. Bush turned out to be a better president than you expected, a worse president, or what you expected?

Better than expected	13
Worse than expected	21
About as expected	60
Don't know/no answer	6

q36 Overall, do you think George W. Bush's presidency made the Republican Party stronger, made it weaker, or didn't it have any effect on the Republican Party?

	2008 Republican Delegates %
Stronger	15
Weaker	47
No effect	25
Don't know/no answer	13

q37 Which comes closer to your view: Government should do more to solve national problems; or Government is doing too many things better left to businesses and individuals?

	2008 Republican Delegates %	2008 Democratic Delegates
Government should do more	3	83
Government is doing too much	91	9
DK/NA	6	8

q38 Which comes closer to your view: Government should do more to promote traditional values; or Government should not favor one set of values over another?

Do more	48	12
Should not favor	43	79
DK/NA	9	9

q39 Which do you think comes closer to John McCain's view - Government should do more to promote traditional values; or Government should not favor one set of values over another?

Do more	42
Should not favor	39
DK/NA	19

q40 How would you rate the condition of the national economy these days? Is it very good, fairly good, fairly bad, or very bad?

	2008 Republican Delegates %	2008 Rep Voters %	2008 Democratic Delegates %	2008 Dem Voters %
Very good	2	1	0	0
Fairly good	55	39	2	7
Fairly bad	33	41	34	41
Very bad	6	18	63	51
DK/NA	4	1	1	1

q41 Right now, do you think the United States is in an economic recession, or not?

Yes	24	90
No	72	8
DK/NA	4	2

q42 Looking back, do you think the United States did the right thing in taking military action against Iraq, or should the U.S. have stayed out?

	2008 Republican Delegates %	2008 Rep Voters %	2008 Democratic Delegates %	2008 Dem Voters %
Did the right thing	80	71	2	14
Should have stayed out	13	25	95	84
DK/NA	7	4	3	2

q43 How would you say things are going for the U.S. in its efforts to bring stability and order to Iraq? Would you say things are going very well, somewhat well, somewhat badly, or very badly?

	2008	2008	2008	2008
Very well	48	19	0	2
Somewhat well	47	63	22	26
Somewhat badly	2	12	44	38
Very badly	1	5	29	32
DK/NA	2	1	5	2

q44 As you may know, the United States has sent a troop surge to Iraq. From what you have heard or read, would you say the troop surge is making the situation in Iraq better, making it worse, or is it having no impact on the situation in Iraq so far?

	2008	2008	2008	2008
Making it better	96	67	36	28
Making worse	1	5	8	18
No impact	1	19	45	43
Don't know/No answer	2	9	11	11

q45 From what you have seen or heard about the situation in Iraq, what should the United States do now - should the US increase the number of U.S. troops in Iraq, keep the same number of U.S. troops in Iraq as there are now, decrease the number of troops in Iraq, or remove all its troops from Iraq?

	2008	2008	2008	2008
Increase	4		1	
Keep the same	44		3	
Decrease	25		57	
Remove all troops	3		34	
Don't know/No answer	24		5	

q46 Which of these do you think is more important - providing health care coverage for all Americans, even if it means raising taxes for some Americans, OR holding down taxes, even if it means some Americans do not have health care coverage?

	2008	2008	2008	2008
Providing healthcare for all	7	40	94	90
Holding down taxes	77	52	3	7
Don't know/No answer	16	8	3	3

q47 If you had to say, which do you think is a more serious problem right now - keeping health care costs down for average Americans, OR providing health insurance for Americans who do not have any insurance?

	2008	2008	2008	2008
Keeping costs down	74		13	
Providing for the uninsured	15		77	
DK/NA	11		10	

q48 How serious a problem do you think the issue of illegal immigration is for the country right now--very serious, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not at all serious?

	2008 Republican Delegates %	2008 Rep Voters %	2008 Democratic Delegates %	2008 Dem Voters %
Very serious	58	63	15	36
Somewhat serious	31	25	39	32
Not too serious	8	10	34	21
Not at all serious	2	1	10	8
Don't know/No answer	1	0	2	3

q49 Which comes closest to your view about illegal immigrants who are currently working in the U.S.: 1. They should be allowed to stay in their jobs, and to eventually apply for U.S. citizenship; OR 2. They should be allowed to stay in their jobs only as temporary guest workers, but NOT to apply for U.S. citizenship; OR 3. They should be required to leave their jobs and leave the U.S.

Allowed to stay and apply	22	26	68	50
Stay as guest worker	38	29	18	24
Leave jobs & U.S.	29	43	6	23
Don't know/No answer	11	2	8	3

q50 Right now, which do you think should be a higher priority for the government -- protecting the environment, or developing new sources of energy?

Protecting the environment	3	9	25	30
Develop new sources of energy	75	81	37	53
Both (vol.)	20	9	36	14
DK/NA	2	1	2	3

q51 Many of the tax cuts passed in 2001 were temporary and are set to expire in a few years. Should those tax cuts be made permanent or should they be allowed to expire?

Made permanent	91	62	7	34
Allowed to expire	4	23	80	47
Depends (vol.)	3	3	8	3
Don't know/No answer	2	12	5	16

q52 What is your personal feeling about abortion: 1. It should be permitted in all cases; 2. It should be permitted, but subject to greater restrictions than it is now; 3. It should be permitted only in cases such as rape, incest and to save the woman's life; OR 4. It should ONLY be permitted to save the woman's life?

Permitted in all cases	5	12	58	33
Permitted with restrictions	13	17	18	20
Only rape/incest/woman's life	36	34	10	32
Only to save woman's life	31	27	2	11
Not permitted at all (vol.)	6	6	0	2
DK/NA	9	3	12	2

q53 Which of these comes closest to your view?...1. Abortion should be generally available to those who want it. 2. Abortion should be available but under stricter limits than it is now. 3. Abortion should not be permitted?

	2008 Republican Delegates %	2008 Rep Voters %	2008 Democratic Delegates %	2008 Dem Voters %
Generally available	9	19	70	43
Available but under strict	38	41	20	40
Not permitted	43	37	3	16
DK/NA	10	3	7	1

q54 Which comes closest to your view? 1. Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry OR 2. Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not legally marry OR 3. There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship?

Should be allowed to marry	6	11	55	49
Allowed to form civil unions	43	28	35	19
No legal recognition	46	57	5	29
DK/NA	5	4	5	3

q55 Which concerns you more right now -- that the government is failing to enact strong anti-terrorism laws, or that the government is enacting new anti-terrorism laws which excessively restrict the average person's civil liberties?

Fail to enact	60		11	
Enact laws that are excess	17		79	
Neither	14		3	
DK/NA	9		7	

q56 Should presidential candidates discuss the role of religion in their lives or is this something that should not be part of a presidential campaign?

Should discuss	74	53	50	36
Not part of campaign	21	44	43	59
DK/NA	5	7	7	5

q57 In general, do you think gun control laws should be made more strict, less strict, or kept as they are now?

More strict	8	32	62	71
Less strict	38	17	4	3
Kept as they are now	49	49	29	24
Don't know/No answer	5	2	5	2

q58 BLANK

q59 Some people say that political conventions are outdated and no longer needed since the presidential nominees are now selected before the conventions. Other people say political conventions are needed to show the public who members of the parties are and what they stand for. Which do you think? Are political conventions still needed or not?

Still needed	89	48	88	66
Not needed	8	47	9	30
DK/NA	3	5	3	4

q60 What do you think the chances are that the Republicans will regain control of the Senate this November -- excellent, pretty good, fair, or poor?

	2008 Republican Delegates %
Excellent	3
Pretty good	15
Fair	37
Poor	41
DK/NA	4

q61 How much do you think it would help John McCain in your state if George W. Bush actively campaigns for him? Would it help him a lot, some, not much, or not at all?

A lot	14
Some	35
Not much	22
Not at all	22
DK/NA	7

q62 BLANK

q63 How much do you think it would help Republican candidates in your state if John McCain actively campaigns for them -- would it help them a lot, some, not much, or not at all?

A lot	57
Some	34
Not much	5
Not at all	2
DK/NA	2

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q65 Have you personally made a donation to John McCain's campaign, or not?

	2008 Republican Delegates %	2008 Democratic* Delegates %
Yes	64	58
No	33	39
DK/NA	3	3

\*Asked about Barack Obama

q66 Besides being a delegate to the 2008 Republican convention, do you now hold a party position?

Yes	57	51
No	43	48
DK/NA	0	1

q67 What position is that?

	* THOSE WITH REP PARTY POSITION *	* THOSE WITH DEM PARTY POSITION *
	%	%
Local	54	43
State/Regional	22	23
Nat'l Party position	4	14
State Legislature/Senate/A	5	6
Nat'l Committeeman/woman	5	4
Other	8	6
DK/NA	2	4

q68 BLANK

q69 Do you now hold a publicly elected office?

	2008 Republican Delegates	2008 Democratic Delegates
Yes	25	30
No	75	70
DK/NA	0	0

q70 What office is that?

	* HOLD REP ELECTED OFFICE *	* HOLD DEM ELECTED OFFICE *
State Legislature	43	29
Local	32	32
State/Regional	7	15
U.S. Congress/House of Rep.	3	5
Mayor	2	4
U.S. Senator	1	1
Governor	1	2
Lt Governor	1	1
State Sec'y of State	1	1
State Att'y General	1	0
Other	7	8
DK/NA	1	2

q71 Have you ever held an elected office?

Yes	19	20
No	81	80
DK/NA	0	0

q72 Are you a member of a labor union?

	2008 Republican Delegates %	2008 Rep Voters %	2008 Democratic Delegates %	2008 Dem Voters %
Yes	5	6	24	10
No	95	94	76	89
DK/NA	0	0	0	1

q73 Have you yourself ever served in the U.S. armed forces or in the U.S. reserves?

Yes	23	16	14	7
No	77	84	86	93
DK/NA	0	0	0	0

q74 Are you a member of the National Rifle Association, or not?

Yes	26	3
No	73	97
DK/NA	1	0

q75 Was there any time when you thought of yourself as a Democrat?

Yes	24	12	18
No	75	88	82
DK/NA	1	0	0

q78 Would you say you attend religious services every week, almost every week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, or never?

Every week	43	38	23	24
Almost every week	19	14	13	10
Once or twice a month	15	9	19	13
A few times a year	16	25	30	33
Never	4	14	13	20
DK/NA	3	0	2	0

q80 How important is religion in your daily life? Is it extremely important, very important, somewhat important, or not at all important?

Extremely important	37	37	22	26
Very important	38	32	32	24
Somewhat important	18	22	27	34
Not at all important	4	9	15	15
DK/NA	3	0	4	1

q81 Other than politician or office holder, what is your occupation?

	2008 Republican Delegates %
Law profession	16
Retired	12
Business owner/self-employ	8
Real Estate	5
Other executive positions	5
Everything	5
Banking/Finance	4
Professor/Education	4
Medical Profession	4
Consultant	4
Nothing	3
Accounting	2
Administrative/Manager/Sec	2
Sales/Marketing	2
Insurance	2
Engineer/Architect	2
Other white collar position	2
CEO/President	2
Public office holder/worker	2
Farmer/Rancher	2
Homemaker	2
Other	9
DK/NA	1

q82 Do you or does any other member of your household own a handgun, rifle, shotgun, or any other kind of firearm?

	2008 Republican Delegates	2008 Rep Voters	2008 Democratic Delegates	2008 Dem Voters
Yes, self	49	35	23	16
Yes, other	11	24	10	17
No	36	40	65	66
DK/NA	4	1	2	1

q84 Would you say that your total net worth is under \$500,000, between \$500,000 and \$1 million, or over \$1 million?

	2008 Republican Delegates %	2008 Democratic Delegates %
Under \$500,000	32	45
\$500,000-\$1 million	17	21
Over \$1 million	34	22
DK/NA	17	12

Total Republican Delegates: 854  
Total Democratic Delegates: 970

Total Republican Voters: 343  
Total Democratic Voters: 370