

FINAL

1500 15-25 year olds Nationwide

(1200 base sample; 150 African American oversample and 150 Hispanic oversample)

Gender of respondent

male.....	51
female.....	49

Hello. My name is _____. I'm calling for National Opinion Surveys. We are conducting a public opinion survey among nearly 1,500 Americans between the ages of 15-25 and I would like to ask you some questions. We are not selling anything, and I will not ask you for a contribution or donation.

1. Does someone live at this address that is between the ages of 15 and 25?

YES: Repeat introduction for respondent and continue.

NOT HOME: Schedule call-back.

AWAY AT SCHOOL: Ask for forwarding number: "We're doing a survey for a non-profit organization on attitudes of young adults. Would you be willing to provide the phone number of the young adult who lives here, so we can include him/her in the survey?"

NO: TERMINATE

INTRODUCTION FOR 15-18 YEAR OLDS WHO LIVE AT HOME: To Parent: We are conducting a poll for a non-profit organization. We will be asking the opinion of nearly 1,500 15 to 25 year olds nationwide. The responses are confidential. We would like to ask your child to answer a few questions about citizenship, politics, voting, and government. You are more than welcome to listen in to the poll as we go through it with your child if that will make you more comfortable.

2. In what month and year were you born?

Feb. 1984-Jan. 1987 – Age 15-17.....	27
Feb. 1981-Jan. 1984 – Age 18-20.....	27
Feb. 1979-Jan. 1981 – Age 21-22.....	18
Feb. 1976-Jan. 1979 – Age 23-25.....	27

3. Thinking about the next few years, what is the number one problem facing the country that you would like to see addressed? **(DO NOT READ RESPONSES, JUST RECORD)**

WRITE IN RESPONSE VERBATIM; USE PRE-CODED ANSWERS AFTER INTERVIEW IS COMPLETE

_ crime and violence	12
_ drug use	8
_ the quality of public schools	9
_ having a clean environment	5
_ balancing the federal budget	3
_ having secure health care	5
_ jobs and the economy	17
_ the cost of a college education	6
_ preserving Social Security and Medicare	1
_ paying too much in taxes	6
_ terrorism and national security	14
(Don't know)	4
(Other)	10

4. [T-WHP-4/00]Thinking about the problems you see in your community, how much difference do you believe YOU can personally make in working to solve problems you see – a great deal of difference, some difference, a little difference, almost no difference, or no difference at all?

A great deal of difference	11	46
Some difference	35	
A little difference	31	
Almost no difference	14	
No difference at all	7	52
(don't know)	1	

5. [T-WHP-4/00]Some people find time to volunteer with community organizations and groups, while many do not. How often do you personally participate in volunteer activities with an organization or community group?

More than once a week	5
About once a week	6
A couple of times a month	9
About once a month	7
Every two or three months	8
At least once a year	12
Less often than once a year, but sometimes	10
Never	38
(have done in the past but not now)	4
(don't know)	0

IF VOLUNTEERED IN Q5

6. Why do you personally participate in volunteer activities with an organization or community group?

_ Required to by school.....	6
_ Asked by church.....	17
_ It makes a difference.....	21
_ It is better for getting a job/ getting into college	8
_ It makes me feel good.....	24
_ Someone asked me to	13
_ Parents are involved	4
_ Someone I know is affected by the issue	6
(don't know).....	2
(other).....	0

7. [T-NASS-11/98]When you were growing up, how often did you talk about politics, government or current events with your parents – often, sometimes, not very often, or never?

Often.....	15	50
Sometimes	35	
Not very often	31	
Never.....	19	50
(don't know).....	0	

8. How important is voting to you personally – extremely important, very important, somewhat important, a little important, or not important at all? **[FOR 15-17 YEAR OLDS: Though you cannot vote right now, looking ahead to when you can, how important is voting to you personally—extremely important, very important, somewhat important, or not important at all?]**

Extremely important	19	50
Very important.....	32	
Somewhat important	28	
A little important.....	12	
Not important at all	8	49
(don't know).....	1	

9. In your mind, which word best describes how you feel about voting?

_ A Right.....	31
_ A Responsibility.....	20
_ A Choice.....	34
_ A Duty.....	9
(all, but if you had to choose)	2
(neither)	1
(don't know).....	2

10. In your opinion, which of the following is the most important kind of activity a citizen can engage in?

Getting involved in politics and government	12
Participating in national organizations trying to change our society	23
Volunteering in local community activities to address local problems	49
(not sure).....	11
(don't know/refused)	5

11. When you were growing up, did either of your parents take you with them when they went to vote?

Yes	37
No	60
(don't know)	2

12. Generally speaking, would you say that most people can be trusted, or that you can't be too careful in dealing with people?

Most people can be trusted	41
You can't be too careful	54
(neither)	2
(don't know/refused)	3

Now we are going to focus on the government.

13. How much do you trust the government to do what is right for the country – a lot, some, a little, or not at all?

A lot	16	62
Some	46	
A little	25	
Not at all	12	37
(don't know)	1	

**END ASKING ALL, SPLIT SAMPLE A, GO TO Q14,
SPLIT SAMPLE B, GO TO Q15**

SPLIT SAMPLE A

14. Do you agree or disagree that the government addresses the needs and concerns of young people like you? (If agree/disagree, Ask: Is that strongly/not so strongly?)

Strongly agree	13	53
Not so strongly agree	40	
Not so strongly disagree	26	
Strongly disagree	17	44
(don't know)	3	

END SPLIT SAMPLE A, GO TO Q16

SPLIT SAMPLE B

15. Do you agree or disagree that politics and elections address the needs and concerns of young people like you? (If agree/disagree, Ask: Is that strongly/not so strongly?)

Strongly agree	15	52
Not so strongly agree	37	
Not so strongly disagree	25	
Strongly disagree	19	45
(don't know)	4	

END SPLIT SAMPLE B, GO TO Q16

ASK ONLY THOSE 18 AND OVER

16. [T-NASS-11/98] Now I want to talk to you about voting. Often things come up and people are not able to register to vote. Would state or local records show that you are currently registered to vote or are you not registered to vote at this time?

Yes	66
No	30
(ineligible)	2
(don't know)	2

17. [T-H-7/96] How difficult is it for people like you to register to vote – is it very difficult, somewhat difficult, a little difficult, or not difficult at all?

Very difficult	3	16
Somewhat difficult	13	
A little difficult	17	
Not difficult at all	59	76
(don't know)	7	

18. [T-H-7/96] How difficult is it for people like you to actually vote – is it very difficult, somewhat difficult, a little difficult, or not difficult at all?

Very difficult	3	15
Somewhat difficult	12	
A little difficult	18	
Not difficult at all	58	77
(don't know)	8	

RESUME ASKING ALL

19. What is the first thing that comes to mind when you hear the word “politics”?

Generally good: making things better	1
Generally bad: waste of time/red tape/confusion/boring	6
Debate	4
Corruption/Lying/Cheating/Lack of trust	11
Politicians/Candidates	6
Government/Laws	19
Problems/Trouble/Arguments	1
War	1
Money	2
Voting/Elections/Campaigns	14
The President	8
Political parties	3
Issues/Policy	4
Bureaucracy	1
The people voicing their opinions/being heard	1
Leadership/Leaders	1
Arguments/Disagreements	2
None	1
Other	7
Don't Know/refused	8

**END ASKING ALL: SPLIT SAMPLE C GO TO Q20
SPLIT SAMPLE D GO TO Q24**

SPLIT SAMPLE C

Now let me read you what some people have said politics means to them. For each one, please tell me if you agree or disagree with that characterization. (If agree/disagree, Ask: Is that strongly/not so strongly?)

	Str agree	Not str agree	Not str disagree	Str disagree	(don't know)	Agree	Dis agree
20. _Politics is about politicians competing to get elected	45	37	10	7	2	82	17
21. _Politics is about debating laws and issues.....	42	41	10	4	3	83	14
22. _Politics is about a democratic community's efforts to solve its problems. Do you agree or disagree with that characterization?	30	36	18	9	6	66	27
23. _Politics is the way that average people get their say in government.....	29	38	17	12	4	67	29

END SPLIT SAMPLE C, GO TO Q28

SPLIT SAMPLE D

Now let me read you what some people have said elections means to them. For each one, please tell me if you agree or disagree with that characterization. (If agree/disagree, Ask: Is that strongly/not so strongly?)

	Str agree	Not str agree	Not str disagree	Str disagree	(don't know)	Agree	Dis agree
24. _Elections are about politicians competing to get elected.....	52	34	7	5	2	86	12
25. _Elections are about debating laws and issues.....	40	35	14	7	3	75	22
26. _Elections are about a democratic community's efforts to solve its problems. Do you agree or disagree with that characterization?	30	34	21	9	6	64	30
27. _Elections are the way that average people get their say in government.....	35	37	15	10	3	72	25

END SPLIT SAMPLE D, GO TO 28

RESUME ASKING ALL

28. When you think about who you will vote for in an election, what is the most important thing in deciding who to vote for? **FOR 15-17 YEAR OLDS:** Looking forward to when you will be able to vote, what do you think will be the most important thing in deciding who to vote for?

Stand on issues/views/platform.....	30
Character/personality	9
Party ID	5
Record/experience/candidate's background	13
Trustworthiness/Honesty/Sincerity	11
Doing what they say they will do/keeping promises	2
Making the community better/people getting the job done	6
Good listener/listen to people.....	1
Specific issue: environment, abortion, economy	7
None.....	1
Other	4
Don't Know/refused.....	11

29. Now let me read you a list that other people have given and tell me which of the following is the most important consideration in your vote when you think about who you will vote for in an election: **[FOR 15-17 YEAR OLDS:** Now let me read you a list that other people have given and, again, thinking ahead to when you will vote, tell me which of the following will be the most important consideration in your vote when you think about who you will vote for in an election:]

_The candidate's stand on the issues	44
_The character of the candidate.....	16
_The personality and manner of the candidate	11
_The party affiliation of the candidate	6
_The experience or the record of the candidate.....	18
(all of the above, but if you had to choose one)	2
(none of the above, but if you had to choose one)	1
(don't know).....	4

IF CHOICE GIVEN IN Q29, ASK:

30. And which would be the next most important consideration:

_The candidate's stand on the issues	23
_The character of the candidate.....	22
_The personality and manner of the candidate	16
_The party affiliation of the candidate	10
_The experience or the record of the candidate.....	24
(all of the above, but if you had to choose one)	2
(none of the above, but if you had to choose one)	0
(don't know).....	3

RESUME ASKING ALL

31. [T-H-7/96]In general, how much attention do you think our political leaders pay to the concerns of young people like yourself – a lot, some, a little, or none at all?

A lot	9	48
Some	39	
A little.....	36	
None at all	14	50
(don't know).....	2	

Now let me read you some statements. For each one, please tell me if you agree or disagree with that statement. (If agree/disagree, Ask: Is that strongly/not so strongly?)

	Str agree	Not str agree	Not str disagree	Str disagree	(don't know)	Agree	Dis agree
32. _My vote counts as much as anyone else's [For 15-17 year olds: I expect my vote will count as much as anyone else's]	53	32	9	5	1	85	14
33. _Candidates take young voters seriously	16	31	28	22	3	47	50
34. _I never see people like me voting. [For 15-17 year olds: I never see young people voting] Do you agree or disagree with that statement?.....	15	29	27	20	9	44	47
35. _Candidates never come to my community.....	19	31	28	16	6	50	44
36. _Candidates would rather talk to older and wealthier people than talk to me	42	29	17	10	2	71	27

SPLIT SAMPLE A

37. _Candidates want my vote. [For 15-17 year olds: I expect candidates will want my vote] Do you agree or disagree with that statement?.....	44	41	8	5	3	85	13
38. _It would be difficult for someone like me to make a real difference in my community	15	29	33	19	3	44	53

END SPLIT SAMPLE A, GO TO Q41

SPLIT SAMPLE B

39. _Candidates ask for my vote. [For 15-17 year olds: I expect candidates will ask for my vote] Do you agree or disagree with that statement?	28	39	16	12	5	68	28
40. _It would be difficult for someone like me to make a real difference in politics or government	19	32	28	17	5	50	45

END SPLIT SAMPLE B, GO TO Q50

SPLIT SAMPLE A

Please tell me if the following events have made you more or less likely to participate in politics and voting.
 [If more/less likely, Ask: Is that much/somewhat more or less likely?]

	Much more	Smwht more	Smwht less	Much less	(No diff)	(don't know)	More likely	Less likely
41. _The attacks of September 11.....	29	38	7	2	22	2	67	9
42. _The events surrounding the Presidential election in Florida	17	24	17	13	24	4	41	31
43. _Did the campaign of John McCain make you more or less likely to participate in politics and voting?	4	21	11	7	45	13	25	18
44. _The campaign of Ralph Nader.....	8	18	8	8	46	13	26	16
45. _George W. Bush's Presidency and his administration	18	32	11	9	29	2	50	20
46. _Did Bill Clinton's Presidency and his administration make you more or less likely to participate in politics and voting?	18	27	12	12	29	2	45	24
47. _The protests against globalization	7	22	13	6	39	13	28	19
48. _The war on terrorism.....	34	36	5	3	20	2	70	8
49. _Did the recession make you more or less likely to participate in politics and voting?	13	30	9	6	33	10	43	15

END SPLIT SAMPLE A, GO TO Q59

SPLIT SAMPLE B

Please tell me if the following events have made you more or less favorable toward government. [If more/less favorable, Ask: Is that much/somewhat more or less favorable?]

	Much more	Smwht more	Smwht less	Much less	(No diff)	(don't know)	More favor	Less favor
50. _The attacks of September 11.....	30	39	10	5	14	1	69	16
51. _The events surrounding the Presidential election in Florida.....	10	16	28	22	19	5	25	51
52. _Did the campaign of John McCain make you more or less favorable toward government?	6	18	13	7	40	16	23	20
53. _The campaign of Ralph Nader.....	8	19	12	7	39	15	27	19
54. _George W. Bush's Presidency and his administration	19	31	14	11	24	2	49	25
55. _Did Bill Clinton's Presidency and his administration make you more or less favorable toward government?	14	25	20	15	24	3	39	35
56. _The protests against globalization	7	20	14	6	35	17	28	20
57. _The war on terrorism.....	33	39	8	4	14	2	72	12
58. _Did the recession make you more or less favorable toward government?	10	22	20	9	29	10	32	29

END SPLIT SAMPLE B, GO TO Q59

RESUME ASKING ALL

Now I am going to read you some things people have suggested to focus more on citizenship and do more for their community and country. For each suggestion, please tell me whether you favor or oppose it. [If favor or oppose, Is that strongly favor/oppose or not so strongly favor/oppose?]

	strgly favor	not strng favor	not strng oppose	strgly oppose	(don't know)	Favor	Oppose
59. _Requiring all graduating high school students to complete a certain amount of community service to receive their diploma.....	16	27	19	36	2	43	55
60. _Instituting a new kind of draft that gives people the choice between civilian or military service	30	32	13	17	9	61	30
61. _Making classes on civics and government a requirement for high school graduation?	35	31	13	17	4	66	31
62. _Offering every young person a chance to do a full year of national or community service and earn money toward college or advanced training?	46	35	7	9	3	81	17

**END SPLIT SAMPLE A, SPLIT SAMPLE C, GO TO Q65
SPLIT SAMPLE D, GO TO Q74**

	strgly favor	not strng favor	not strng oppose	strgly oppose	(don't know)	Favor	Oppose
SPLIT SAMPLE B							
63. _Making classes on civics and government a requirement for middle school?.....	30	34	16	17	3	64	33
64. _Making a year of national or community service a condition for receiving government student loans and grants	21	32	16	27	5	53	43
END SPLIT SAMPLE B, SPLIT SAMPLE C, GO TO Q65 SPLIT SAMPLE D, GO TO Q74							

SPLIT SAMPLE C

Now let me read you some descriptions about different candidates. Using a scale between zero and one hundred tell me how favorable each description makes you feel toward wanting to go vote for that candidate. A zero means you have a very cold, unfavorable feeling about voting for the candidate and 100 means you have a very warm, favorable feeling about voting for the candidate. 50 is neutral and you can be anywhere in between. Be sure to use the full scale from 0 to 100 and remember that you can be anywhere in between.

FOR 15-17 YEAR OLDS: Thinking ahead to when you will be old enough to vote, let me read you some descriptions about different candidates. Using a scale between zero and one hundred tell me how favorable each description makes you feel toward wanting to go vote for that candidate. A zero means you have a very cold, unfavorable feeling about voting for that candidate and 100 means you have a very warm, favorable feeling about voting for that candidate. 50 is neutral and you can be anywhere in between. Be sure to use the full scale from 0 to 100 and remember that you can be anywhere in between.

Give that a rating, where 100 means you have a warm, favorable feeling and zero means you have a cold, unfavorable feeling.

	Mean	100	75-99	51-74	50	0-49	Don't know
65. _A candidate who admits he does not have all the answers	70	15	38	20	14	12	1
66. _A candidate who regularly publishes a report to voters on how he has voted on issues.....	72	15	40	21	13	10	1
67. _A candidate who speaks to issues of particular concern to young people like affordable college.....	78	21	46	18	8	5	1
68. _A candidate who calls for a debate at a local high school or college to take issues to the students and to young people.....	79	23	45	18	8	6	1
69. _A candidate who has been active volunteering in his community	75	18	45	17	12	8	1
70. _A candidate who has a website with detailed information about his positions on issues	70	17	33	21	16	12	1
71. _A candidate who is relatively new to politics and brings a fresh perspective.....	68	11	35	23	18	12	2
72. _A candidate who has young people holding some major positions in his campaign.....	72	14	38	23	15	8	1
73. _A candidate who can face powerful interests and stand up for what he believes is right	83	32	46	12	5	4	1
END SPLIT SAMPLE C, SPLIT SAMPLE A, GO TO Q83 SPLIT SAMPLE B, GO TO Q95							

SPLIT SAMPLE D

Now let me read you some descriptions about different candidates. Using a scale between zero and one hundred tell me how favorable each description makes you feel toward wanting to go vote for that candidate. A zero means you have a very cold, unfavorable feeling about voting for the candidate and 100 means you have a very warm, favorable feeling about voting for the candidate. 50 is neutral and you can be anywhere in between. Be sure to use the full scale from 0 to 100 and remember that you can be anywhere in between.

FOR 15-17 YEAR OLDS: Thinking ahead to when you will be old enough to vote, let me read you some descriptions about different candidates. Using a scale between zero and one hundred tell me how favorable each description makes you feel toward wanting to go vote for that candidate. A zero means you have a very cold, unfavorable feeling about voting for the candidate and 100 means you have a very warm, favorable feeling about voting for the candidate. 50 is neutral and you can be anywhere in between. Be sure to use the full scale from 0 to 100 and remember that you can be anywhere in between.

Give that a rating, where 100 means you have a warm, favorable feeling and zero means you have a cold, unfavorable feeling.

	Mean	100	75-99	51-74	50	0-49	Don't know
74. _A candidate who has a written plan on the major issues facing the voters	69	14	34	22	16	12	2
75. _A candidate who positions you may not always agree with but who explains the reasons for his positions	65	9	32	27	16	15	2
76. _A candidate who says he understands first hand the importance of affordable education because he needed grants and loans to go to college himself ..	75	21	41	17	12	9	1
77. _A candidate who seeks out opportunities to meet with young people on their turf such as regular visits to schools, campuses, and work places	77	23	42	20	9	6	1
78. _A candidate who has been successful in business or a profession	65	8	32	22	22	14	2
79. _A candidate who has a website which invites you to tell the candidate what you think about the issues	67	14	32	20	19	14	1
80. _A candidate who is experienced in politics and can get things done	78	19	48	17	8	7	1
81. _A candidate who usually dresses informally or casually	60	8	25	18	26	19	4
82. _A candidate who has worked with people from the opposing party to try to reach consensus on issues	73	17	38	21	13	9	3

**END SPLIT SAMPLE D, SPLIT SAMPLE A, GO TO Q83
SPLIT SAMPLE B, GO TO Q95**

SPLIT SAMPLE A

Now I am going to read you a list of activities or experiences in which some young people have participated in the past. For each one, please tell me whether you have done this in the past couple of years or not. Please respond with a Yes or No.

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	Yes	No	(don't know)
83. <input type="checkbox"/> [T] Donated money, clothes, or food to a community or church organization	72	28	0
84. <input type="checkbox"/> [T] Volunteered in a political campaign	13	86	1
85. <input type="checkbox"/> [T] Run for an elected leadership type position, including student government.....	20	79	1
86. <input type="checkbox"/> [T] Have you volunteered for a homeless shelter or other community organization in the past couple of years or not?	38	61	1
87. <input type="checkbox"/> [T] Joined a club or organization that deals with government or politics.....	13	86	1
88. <input type="checkbox"/> [T] Joined a club or organization that does NOT deal with politics or government	47	52	2
89. <input type="checkbox"/> [T] Participated in a march or demonstration for a political cause	12	86	1
90. <input type="checkbox"/> Have you chosen to take a class on government, politics, or civic education in the past couple of years or not?	36	64	1
91. <input type="checkbox"/> Worked on a student publication	18	80	2
92. <input type="checkbox"/> Worked for a political party.....	8	90	1
93. <input type="checkbox"/> Participated in online political discussions or visited a politically oriented website	18	81	1
94. <input type="checkbox"/> Have you held a leadership position in a group, club or organization that was not student government in the past couple of years or not?.....	22	77	1

**END SPLIT SAMPLE A, SPLIT SAMPLE C, GO TO Q107
SPLIT SAMPLE D, GO TO Q115**

SPLIT SAMPLE B

Now I am going to read a list of activities or experiences in which some young people have participated in the past and I want you to tell me how likely it is that you will perform that action in the next couple of years – extremely likely, very likely, somewhat likely, a little likely, or not likely at all.

	Ext likely	Very likely	Smwht likely	Little likely	Not at all	(don't know)	Likely	Unlikely
95. _Donate money, clothes, or food to a community or church organization.....	24	34	27	9	6	0	58	41
96. _Volunteer in a political campaign	4	6	18	24	46	2	10	88
97. _Run for an elected leadership type position, including student government. Are you extremely likely, somewhat likely, a little likely, or not likely at all to do that?	5	6	14	16	57	1	12	88
98. _Volunteer for a homeless shelter or other community organization.....	11	21	26	20	20	1	33	66
99. _Join a club or organization that deals with government or politics	3	10	15	20	50	1	13	85
100. _Join a club or organization that does NOT deal with politics or government.....	9	20	26	18	24	3	29	68
101. _Participate in a march or demonstration for a political cause. Are you extremely likely, somewhat likely, a little likely, or not likely at all to do that?	3	10	17	22	44	3	14	84
102. _Choose to take a class on government, politics, or civic education	9	17	19	14	38	1	26	72
103. _Work on a student publication.....	5	12	16	18	46	2	18	80
104. _Work for a political party.....	3	7	15	19	53	2	11	87
105. _Participate in online political discussions or visit a politically oriented website. Are you extremely likely, somewhat likely, a little likely, or not likely at all to do that?.....	5	11	20	19	43	2	16	82
106. _Hold a leadership position in a group, club or organization that was not student government.....	6	13	20	16	41	3	19	77

**END SPLIT SAMPLE B, SPLIT SAMPLE C, GO TO Q107
SPLIT SAMPLE D, GO TO Q115**

SPLIT SAMPLE C

Now let me read you some different occupations and for each tell me how likely it is that you would consider that occupation – extremely likely, very likely, somewhat likely, a little likely, or not likely at all.

	Ext likely	Very likely	Smwht likely	Little likely	Not at all	(don't know)	Likely	Unlikely
107. _Be a teacher.....	8	16	25	17	34	1	24	76
108. _Work in law enforcement or firefighting..	10	12	21	19	38	0	22	77
109. _Work for local government	7	12	22	21	37	1	19	80
110. _Work for federal government. Are you extremely likely, very likely, somewhat likely, a little likely, or not likely at all to consider that occupation?	8	16	19	19	37	1	23	75
111. _Join the military	7	13	16	17	46	1	20	79
112. _Run for political office.....	4	9	12	16	57	2	12	86
113. _Work for a community service organization	8	22	26	18	25	2	30	68
114. _Work for an organization that focuses on a particular current issue. Are you extremely likely, very likely, somewhat likely, a little likely, or not likely at all to consider that occupation?.....	5	20	24	19	29	3	25	72

**END SPLIT SAMPLE C, SPLIT SAMPLE A, GO TO Q123
SPLIT SAMPLE B, GO TO Q125**

SPLIT SAMPLE D

Now let me read you some different occupations and for each I want you to tell me if you are more or less likely to choose that occupation since September 11th, or if there is no difference. (If more/less likely: Is that much more/less likely or somewhat more/less likely?)

	much more likely	smwht more likely	smwht less likely	much less likely	No diff.	(don't Know)	More Likely	Less Likely
115. _Be a teacher.....	6	20	10	7	55	0	27	17
116. _Work in law enforcement or firefighting....	8	26	14	11	39	1	34	25
117. _Work for local government	6	21	13	14	46	0	27	27
118. _Work for federal government. Are you more or less likely to choose that occupation since September 11 th , or is there no difference?	9	20	10	14	45	1	30	25
119. _Join the military	9	19	11	20	38	2	28	31
120. _Run for political office.....	3	14	11	17	53	2	17	28
121. _Work for a community service organization	9	35	9	8	38	1	44	17
122. _Work for an organization that focuses on a particular current issue. Are you more or less likely to choose that occupation since September 11 th , or is there no difference?	7	29	9	7	45	2	36	16

**END SPLIT SAMPLE D, SPLIT SAMPLE A, GO TO Q123
SPLIT SAMPLE B, GO TO Q125**

Tell me how often you get information about public affairs, politics, candidates and campaigns from the following sources – very often, somewhat often, a little often, or not often at all.

	Very often	Smwht often	A little often	Not at all	(don't know)	Often	Not Often
SPLIT SAMPLE A							
123. _Newspapers and magazines	30	37	22	11	0	68	32
124. _Talk radio programs.....	12	22	24	41	1	34	65

END SPLIT SAMPLE A, GO TO Q127

	Very often	Smwht often	A little often	Not at all	(don't know)	Often	Not Often
SPLIT SAMPLE B							
125. _Internet	20	24	26	29	1	44	55
126. _Television news	42	38	15	5	0	80	19

END SPLIT SAMPLE B, GO TO Q129

Now I am going to read to you a set of questions concerning various public figures and public institutions. We want to see how much information about them gets out to the public from television, newspapers, and the like.

SPLIT SAMPLE A

127. Do you happen to know what job or political office is now held by Dick Cheney? [If yes, which job or office does he hold?]

No.....	23
Yes, vice president.....	74
Yes, other answer	2
(refused).....	1

128. How much of a majority is required for the U.S. Senate and House to override a Presidential veto?

Two-thirds.....	55
(other answer)	17
(don't know).....	27
(refused).....	1

END SPLIT SAMPLE A, GO TO Q131

SPLIT SAMPLE B

129. Whose responsibility is it to finally decide whether a law is constitutional or not—is it the president, the Congress, or the Supreme Court?

The President.....	20
Congress	25
Supreme Court.....	40
(all of the above).....	6
(none of the above)	1
(don't know).....	7
(refused).....	0

130. Would you say that one of the parties is more conservative than the other at the national level? (If Yes, Ask: Which party is more conservative?)

Yes, Republican	57
Yes, Democrat.....	11
No.....	15
(other).....	1
(don't know).....	15
(refused).....	1

END SPLIT SAMPLE B, GO TO Q131

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Thank you. The few remaining questions are for classification purposes only.

131. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an independent, or something else?

[IF REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT ASK:] Do you consider yourself a strong (Republican/Democrat) or a not so strong (Republican/Democrat)?

[IF INDEPENDENT ASK:] Would you say that you lean more toward the Republicans or more toward the Democrats?

strong Republican	10	28
not so strong Republican.....	11	
independent, leans Republican	7	
independent.....	27	
independent, leans Democrat	8	
not so strong Democrat	13	
strong Democrat.....	9	30
(Don't Know)	15	
(Other).....	0	

132. On political issues do you consider yourself a liberal, a conservative, or a moderate?

(IF LIBERAL OR CONSERVATIVE:) Would you call yourself a strong (liberal/conservative), or somewhat (liberal/conservative)?

(IF MODERATE:) Do you think of yourself as closer to being liberal or being conservative?

Strong liberal	9	32
Not strong liberal	15	
Moderate - lean liberal.....	8	
Moderate	30	
Moderate – lean conservative	8	
Not strong conservative.....	9	
Strong conservative.....	6	23
(other).....	1	
(don't know/refused).....	14	

ASK ONLY OF THOSE 18 AND OLDER

133. What is the last year of schooling you have completed?

1 - 11th grade	8
High school graduate	37
Non-college post H.S.(e.g. tech)	4
Some college	35
Associate's degree (2 year college)	7
College graduate	7
Post-graduate school	1
(don't know)	0

134. Are you currently a student? **IF YES:** Do you go to school full-time or part-time?

Full-time student	26
Part-time student	11
Not a student	62
(don't know)	0

GO TO Q136

ASK OF 15-17 YEAR OLDS

135. What is the highest level of schooling you expect to complete?

[CIRCLE ONE- DO NOT READ]

11 th grade or less	22
high school degree or equivalent.....	11
a non-college post h.s. degree (e.g., tech)	3
some college.....	7
an associate's degree (2-year college).....	5
a bachelor's degree (4-year college)	37
a post-graduate degree.....	11
(don't know)	4

RESUME ASKING ALL

136. Do you currently have one or more paid jobs? **IF YES:** How many paid jobs do you have – one, two, or more than that?

One	66
Two	8
More.....	2
No paid job.....	24
(don't know)	0

137. Are you married, unmarried with a partner, single, separated, divorced or widowed?

Married.....	13
Unmarried with partner	15
Single.....	70
Separated/divorced.....	1
Widowed	0
(don't know)	0

138. Do you have any children?

Yes	16
No	83
(don't know)	1

139. How often do you attend church or other place of worship?

More than once a week	6
Once a week.....	24
Once or twice a month.....	18
Several times a year	12
Only on holidays	10
Almost never	29
(don't know)	1

140. Do you consider yourself to be a born-again or evangelical Christian?

Born again/evangelical	21
Not born-again	69
(don't know)	10

141. [T-NASS-11/98] From what you remember while you were growing up, would you say that your parents voted during every election, most elections, only in important elections, rarely, or not at all?

Every election	29
Most elections	35
Only in important elections	14
Rarely.....	9
Not at all.....	8
(don't know)	5

142/143. Just to make sure we have a representative sample, what is your race?

White.....	68
Black	12
Hispanic (Puerto Rican, Mexican-American, etc.) (SKIP TO Q144)	13
Asian	2
(other)	5
(don't know/refused)	0

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143. Are you or your parents originally natives of another country?

Yes.....	15
No	85
(don't know)	0

That completes our public opinion survey. Thank you very much for your time and cooperation, and have a pleasant (day/evening).