Topline Report

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Total=787

N=113 Bush Presidential Appointees

N=152 Clinton Presidential Appointees

N=444 Senior Executive Service (SES)

N=33 Bush Executive Office of the President (EOP) Career

N=8 Bush Executive Office of the President (EOP) Appointees

N=37 Clinton Executive Office of the President (EOP) Appointees

Field Dates: 8.3.2004 - 1.17. 2005

Q1a. To make sure our information is correct: You [are serving in the Bush/served in the Clinton] administration as a political appointee?

Based on Bush presidential appointees AND Clinton presidential appointees

Base 265 Yes 100% No -Refused -

Q1b. Are you currently a member of the Senior Executive Service or not?

Based on SES respondents only

Base 444
Yes 100%
No Refused -

Q1c. Are you currently a member of the Senior Executive Service, or other career civil servant, or neither?

Based on Bush EOP Career respondents only

Base 33
SES 94%
Other career civil servant 6%
Neither Refused -

Q1d. [Are you currently a political appointee in the Executive Office of the President/were you a political appointee in the Executive Office of the President during the Clinton administration]?

Based on Bush EOP Appointees AND Clinton EOP Appointees

Base 45 Yes 100% No -Refused - Q2a. Did your appointment require Senate confirmation?

Based on Bush presidential appointees AND Clinton presidential appointees

Base 265 Yes 94% No 6% Refused -

Q2b. In what year did you receive your [current] appointment?

Based on Bush presidential appointees AND Clinton presidential appointees

Base	265
1992 or below	3%
1993-2000	57%
2001-2004	39%
Don't Know	2%
Refused	-

Q3a. About how many years, in total, have you served in the Federal Government? Please include all positions and all time periods even if it [has not been/was not] continuous.

Base	787
Less than 5	9%
5 to less than 10	13%
10 to less than 15	11%
15 to less than 20	10%
20 or more	57%
Don't Know	*
Refused	-

Q3b. [Now thinking about the last department you served in], about how many years, in total, [have you served in your/did you serve in that] department or agency?

Based on Bush presidential appointees, Clinton presidential appointees AND SES respondents

Base	709
Less than 5	28%
5 to less than 10	16%
10 to less than 15	8%
15 to less than 20	9%
20 or more	38%
Don't Know	*
Refused	*

Q3c. About how many years, in total, [have you served/did you serve] the EOP?

Based on Bush EOP Career, Bush EOP Appointees, AND Clinton EOP Appointees

Base	78
Less than 5	31%
5 to less than 10	36%
10 to less than 15	14%
15 to less than 20	8%
20 or more	12%

Don't Know Refused

Q3d. Have you served in any other departments or agencies?

787 Base 51% Yes No 49% Don't know Refused

Q3e. What other departments or agencies have you served in?

Based on those who served in other departments or agencies

399 Base Gave answer 100% Don't know Refused

Q3erec1 (First Mention) What other departments or agencies have you served in?

Verbatim responses of Q3e

Base	399
Department of Agriculture	2%
Department of Commerce	4%
Department of Defense	11%
Department of Defense-Air Force	2%
Department of Defense-Army	3%
Department of Defense-Navy	19%
Department of Education	1%
Department of Energy	2%
Department of Health and Human Services	4%
Department of Homeland Security	1%
Department of Housing and Urban Development	2%
Department of Justice	6%
Department of Labor	3%
Department of the Interior	3%
Department of State	3%
Department of the Treasury	3%
Department of Transportation	2%
Department of Veterans Affairs	*
Central Intelligence Agency (CIA)	1%
Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC)	*
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)	1%
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC)	1%
Export-Import Bank of the United States	*
Federal Communications Commission (FCC)	*
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC)	*
Federal Reserve System	*
Federal Trade Commission (FTC)	*
General Services Administration (GSA)	1%
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)	1%
National Labor Relations Board (NLRB)	*
National Science Foundation (NSF)	*
National Transportation Safety Board	_
Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC)	*
Office of Personnel Management	1%
Peace Corps	*
Small Business Administration (SBA)	1%
Social Security Administration (SSA)	*
United States Agency for International Development	2%
United States International Trade Commission	*
Since States international frade commission	

United States Postal Service (USPS)	*
Congress	6%
DC Government	*
EOP	4%
GAO	1%
Judiciary	3%
OMB	1%
Office of Independent Counsel	*
Library of Congress	*
Office of Inspector General	*
Food and Drug Administration (FDA)	1%
United States Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA)	-
Other	6%

Q3f. In what year did you become part of the Senior Executive Service?

Bush EOP Career respondents AND current members of SES

Base	474
1992 or below	25%
1993-2000	41%
2001-2004	29%
Don't Know	3%
Refused	2%

Q4. What one area of policy or government would you say you [spend/spent] most of your time working on or supporting? Please give me a word or phrase that describes it.

D	707
Base	787
Acquisitions	2%
Administration and general management	7% *
Aging	
Agriculture	1%
Aviation/Space	2%
Banking and finance	5%
Budget/Appropriations	4% *
Children and families	
Civil law	2%
Civil rights	1%
Commerce/trade	3%
Communications/Information Technology	2%
Compliance	*
Contracting	
Criminal Justice/Law enforcement	3% *
Debt management	
Defense/Armed forces	7%
Domestic policy	3%
Economic policy	1%
Education	3%
Emergency preparedness	*
Energy and natural resources	5%
Environment	5%
Fish and wildlife	1%
Foreign aid/Foreign development	1%
Foreign relations/international relations	8%
Forestry	-
Government affairs	2%
Health	4%
Homeland security	1%
Housing	1%
Human rights	*
Immigration	1%
Indian affairs	1%
Intellectual property law	1%
Intelligence	1%

Judiciary	1%
Labor	2%
Nutrition	-
Pensions	*
Public works	*
Recreation	*
Science/Research	5%
Small business	1%
Social policy	1%
Tax policy	1%
Technology/Engineering	2%
Transportation	4%
Urban Affairs	-
Veterans Affairs	2%
Weather forecasting	-
Work forces/jobs	1%
Other	5%
Don't know	1%
Refused	1%

Q5 (a-g) were randomized

Q5a. In general, how much influence [do/did] you think the Republicans in Congress [have/had] over policy decisions in [FORM A: this area] [FORM B: your department or agency in this area/the EOP in this area]? [Do/Did] Republicans in Congress [have/had] a great deal of influence, a good bit, some, or little or none?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
A great deal	36%
A good bit	28%
Some	23%
Little or none	7%
Don't know	5%
Refused	2%

Q5b. In general, how much influence [do/did] you think the Democrats in Congress [have/had] over policy decisions in [FORM A: this area] [FORM B: your department or agency in this area/the EOP in this area]? [Do/Did] Democrats in Congress [have/had] a great deal of influence, a good bit, some, or little or none?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
A great deal	19%
A good bit	26%
Some	35%
Little or none	14%
Don't know	4%
Refused	2%

Q5c. In general, how much influence [do/did] you think Congressional committees [have/had] over policy decisions in [FORM A: this area] [FORM B: your department or agency in this area/the EOP in this area]? [Do/Did] Congressional committees [have/had] a great deal of influence, a good bit, some, or little or none?

Base	777
A great deal	45%
A good bit	28%
Some	22%
Little or none	4%
Don't know	1%
Refused	1%

Q5d. In general, how much influence [do/did] you think the White House and Executive Office Officials [have/had] over policy decisions in [FORM A: this area] [FORM B: your department or agency in this area/the EOP in this area]? [Do/Did] the White House and Executive Office Officials [have/had] a great deal of influence, a good bit, some, or little or none?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
A great deal	49%
A good bit	25%
Some	17%
Little or none	6%
Don't know	2%
Refused	1%

Q5e. In general, how much influence [do/did] you think the secretary of your department or agency/department secretaries [have/had] over policy decisions in [FORM A: this area] [FORM B: your department or agency in this area/the EOP in this area]? [Do/Did] the secretary of your department or agency/department secretaries [have/had] a great deal of influence, a good bit, some, or little or none?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
A great deal	53%
A good bit	25%
Some	15%
Little or none	5%
Don't know	1%
Refused	1%

Q5f. In general, how much influence [do/did] you think political appointees [have/had] over policy decisions in [FORM A: this area] [FORM B: your department or agency in this area/the EOP in this area]? [Do/Did] political appointees [have/had] a great deal of influence, a good bit, some, or little or none?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
A great deal	48%
A good bit	29%
Some	16%
Little or none	5%
Don't know	1%
Refused	1%

Q5g. In general, how much influence [do/did] you think senior civil servants [have/had] over policy decisions in [FORM A: this area] [FORM B: your department or agency in this area/the EOP in this area]? [Do/Did] senior civil servants [have/had] a great deal of influence, a good bit, some, or little or none?

Base	777
A great deal	32%
A good bit	35%
Some	26%
Little or none	6%
Don't know	1%
Refused	1%

Q6 (a-f) were randomized

Q6a. In general, how much influence [do/did] liberal groups have over policy decisions in [FORM A: the area of] [FORM B: your department or agency in the area of/the EOP in the area of] (Insert area mentioned in Q4)? [Do/did] liberal groups have great deal of influence, a good bit, some, or little or none?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
A great deal	2%
A good bit	7%
Some	39%
Little or none	44%
Don't know	6%
Refused	2%

O6b. In general, how much influence [do/did] conservative groups have over policy decisions in [FORM A: the area of] [FORM B: your department or agency in the area of/the EOP in the area of] (Insert area mentioned in Q4)? [Do/did] conservative groups have great deal of influence, a good bit, some, or little or none?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
A great deal	4%
A good bit	11%
Some	40%
Little or none	37%
Don't know	6%
Refused	2%

Q6c. In general, how much influence [do/did] the public at large have over policy decisions in [FORM A: the area of] [FORM B: your department or agency in the area of/the EOP in the area of] (Insert area mentioned in Q4)? [Do/did] the public at large have great deal of influence, a good bit, some, or little or none?

Base	777
A great deal	9%
A good bit	14%
Some	45%
Little or none	30%
Don't know	1%
Refused	1%

Q6d. In general, how much influence [do/did] interest group representatives have over policy decisions in [FORM A: the area of] [FORM B: your department or agency in the area of/the EOP in the area of] (Insert area mentioned in Q4)? [Do/did] interest group representatives have great deal of influence, a good bit, some, or little or none?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

777
13%
23%
42%
20%
2%
1%

Q6e. In general, how much influence [do/did] religious groups have over policy decisions in [FORM A: the area of] [FORM B: your department or agency in the area of/the EOP in the area of] (Insert area mentioned in Q4)? [Do/did] religious groups have great deal of influence, a good bit, some, or little or none?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
A great deal	2%
A good bit	2%
Some	18%
Little or none	73%
Don't know	3%
Refused	2%

Q6f. In general, how much influence [do/did] experts from universities or think tanks have over policy decisions in [FORM A: the area of] [FORM B: your department or agency in the area of/the EOP in the area of] (Insert area mentioned in Q4)? [Do/did] experts from universities or think tanks have great deal of influence, a good bit, some, or little or none?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
A great deal	6%
A good bit	14%
Some	53%
Little or none	24%
Don't know	1%
Refused	1%

Q7. How would you rate the overall performance of [your department or agency/the EOP] in making policy decisions in the area of (Insert area mentioned in Q4)? [Is/Was] it very good, good, fair, or poor?

Base	777
Very good	46%
Good	38%
Fair	13%
Poor	2%
Don't know	1%
Refused	*

Q8 (a-e) were randomized

Q8a. Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, strongly disagree, or have no opinion one way or the other with the following statement about how policy decisions [are/were] made in the EOP?--The political appointees [make/made] these decisions, regardless of civil servants' views.

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
Strongly agree	5%
Agree	19%
Disagree	52%
Strongly disagree	19%
No opinion one way or the other	3%
Don't know	1%
Refused	1%

Q8b. Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, strongly disagree, or have no opinion one way or the other with the following statement about how policy decisions [are/were] made in the EOP?--The top political appointees give/gave specific instructions to the senior civil servants.

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
Strongly agree	25%
Agree	52%
Disagree	14%
Strongly disagree	3%
No opinion one way or the other	3%
Don't know	2%
Refused	2%

Q8c. Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, strongly disagree, or have no opinion one way or the other with the following statement about how policy decisions [are/were] made in the EOP?--Senior civil servants participate/participated extensively in these decisions.

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
Strongly agree	40%
Agree	48%
Disagree	8%
Strongly disagree	1%
No opinion one way or the other	1%
Don't know	1%
Refused	*

Q8d. Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, strongly disagree, or have no opinion one way or the other with the following statement about how policy decisions [are/were] made in the EOP?--Policy decisions in this area are/were the result of careful analysis, discussion, and deliberation.

Base	777
Strongly agree	44%
Agree	45%
Disagree	8%
Strongly disagree	1%
No opinion one way or the other	1%
Don't know	1%
Refused	1%

Q8e. Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, strongly disagree, or have no opinion one way or the other with the following statement about how policy decisions [are/were] made in the EOP?--The decision making process faithfully follows/followed established rules and procedures.

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
Strongly agree	26%
Agree	54%
Disagree	13%
Strongly disagree	2%
No opinion one way or the other	2%
Don't know	1%
Refused	1%

Q9 (a-d) were randomized

Q9a. Still thinking about policy making by [your department or agency/the EOP] in (Insert area mentioned in Q4), how true is the following statement: Significant policy change [is/was] extremely difficult. [Is/Was] this very true, somewhat true, not very true or not true at all?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
Very true	37%
Somewhat true	44%
Not very true	13%
Not at all true	5%
Don't know	1%
Refused	*

Q9b. Still thinking about policy making by [your department or agency/the EOP] in (Insert area mentioned in Q4), how true is the following statement: Policies [are/were] distorted by pressure from special interests. [Is/Was] this very true, somewhat true, not very true or not true at all?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
Very true	8%
Somewhat true	37%
Not very true	34%
Not at all true	19%
Don't know	1%
Refused	1%

Q9c. Still thinking about policy making by [your department or agency/the EOP] in (Insert area mentioned in Q4), how true is the following statement: Policies [are/were] distorted by pressure from poorly informed citizens. [Is/Was] this very true, somewhat true, not very true or not true at all?

Base	777
Very true	4%
Somewhat true	19%
Not very true	38%
Not at all true	38%
Don't know	1%
Refused	*

Q9d. Still thinking about policy making by [your department or agency/the EOP] in (Insert area mentioned in Q4), how true is the following statement: Policies [are/were] based on ideological beliefs rather than evidence. [Is/Was] this very true, somewhat true, not very true or not true at all?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
Very true	3%
Somewhat true	21%
Not very true	37%
Not at all true	36%
Don't know	2%
Refused	1%

Q10. More broadly, how often [do/did] Republicans and Democrats, in general, agree on important matters in the area of (Insert area mentioned in Q4)? [Do/Did] they often, occasionally or rarely agree?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
Often	50%
Occasionally	35%
Rarely	10%
Don't know	4%
Refused	2%

Q11. In your opinion, [does/did] the general public notice and care about policies in this area a great deal, a fair amount, not too much or not at all?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
A great deal	21%
A fair amount	42%
Not too much	33%
Not at all	3%
Don't know	*
Refused	1%

Q12. And [does/did] the general public understand the issues in this area very well, somewhat well, somewhat poorly or very poorly?

Base	777
Very well	2%
Somewhat well	34%
Somewhat poorly	48%
Very poorly	15%
Don't know	*
Refused	*

Q13a. Which of the following statements comes closer to your own view about how [your department or agency/the EOP] [uses/used] information in making policy decisions in the policy area we've been discussing:

Based on Form A respondents who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	369
It [looks/ looked] at the relevant information quite objectively	85%
It often [overlooks or distorts/overlooked and distorted	11%
relevant information	
Neither	3%
Don't know	1%
Refused	1%

Q13b. Which of the following statements comes closer to your own view about how [your department or agency/the EOP] [uses/used] information in making policy decisions in the policy area we've been discussing:

Based on Form B respondents who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	408
It often [overlooks or distorts/overlooked and distorted	8%
relevant information	
It [looks/looked] at the relevant information quite objectively	88%
Neither	3%
Don't know	1%
Refused	*

Q14. How often [does/did] [your department or agency/the EOP] have the information it should have [had] about the likely consequences of different policy options—almost always, often, sometimes, not too often or almost never?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
Almost always	34%
Often	45%
Sometimes	17%
Not too often	2%
Almost never	*
Don't know	1%
Refused	*

Q15 (a-c) were randomized

Q15a. How accurate do you think the Wall Street Journal's coverage [is/was] in the area of (Insert area mentioned in Q4)?

Base	777
Very accurate	18%
Somewhat accurate	54%
Not too accurate	8%
Not accurate at all	3%
Don't know	14%
Refused	3%

Q15b. How accurate do you think the New York Times' coverage [is/was] in the area of (Insert area mentioned in Q4)?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
Very accurate	20%
Somewhat accurate	48%
Not too accurate	12%
Not accurate at all	4%
Don't know	14%
Refused	3%

Q15c. How accurate do you think Network TV news broadcasts' coverage [is/was] in the area of (Insert area mentioned in Q4)?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q4

Base	777
Very accurate	5%
Somewhat accurate	47%
Not too accurate	30%
Not accurate at all	7%
Don't know	8%
Refused	3%

Q16 (a-c) were randomized

Q16a. Generally speaking, how much do you trust Congress to operate in the best interests of the American people—a great deal, a fair amount, not too much or not at all?

Base	787
Great deal	17%
Fair amount	52%
Not too much	25%
Not at all	3%
Don't know	2%
Refused	2%

Q16b. Generally speaking, how much do you trust the Executive Branch to operate in the best interests of the American people—a great deal, a fair amount, not too much or not at all?

Base	787
Great deal	36%
Fair amount	48%
Not too much	11%
Not at all	2%
Don't know	2%
Refused	1%

Q16c. Generally speaking, how much do you trust the Supreme Court to operate in the best interests of the American people—a great deal, a fair amount, not too much or not at all?

Base	787
Great deal	39%
Fair amount	43%
Not too much	11%
Not at all	2%
Don't know	3%
Refused	2%

Q16d. Generally speaking, how much do you trust the federal government to operate in the best interests of the American people—a great deal, a fair amount, not too much or not at all?

Base	787
Great deal	30%
Fair amount	61%
Not too much	5%
Not at all	*
Don't know	2%
Refused	2%

Q17 (a-f) were randomized

Q17a. In your opinion, how important is it for the federal government to do each of the following: Is conserving the country's natural resources a very important responsibility of the federal government, important or not important at all?

787
58%
39%
1%
*
*
1%

Q17b. In your opinion, how important is it for the federal government to do each of the following: Is keeping taxes low a very important responsibility of the federal government, important, not so important or not important at all?

Base	787
Very important	15%
Important	45%
Not so important	28%
Not important at all	5%
Don't know	2%
Refused	5%

Q17c. In your opinion, how important is it for the federal government to do each of the following: Is protecting the unborn a very important responsibility of the federal government, important, not so important or not important at all?

787
9%
26%
30%
22%
4%
9%

Q17d. In your opinion, how important is it for the federal government to do each of the following: Is promoting stronger morals a very important responsibility of the federal government, important, not so important or not important at all?

Base	787
Very important	8%
Important	32%
Not so important	36%
Not important at all	18%
Don't know	2%
Refused	4%

Q17e. In your opinion, how important is it for the federal government to do each of the following: Is promoting racial equality a very important responsibility of the federal government, important, not so important or not important at all?

787
54%
41%
3%
1%
*
1%

Q17f. In your opinion, how important is it for the federal government to do each of the following: Is reducing poverty a very important responsibility of the federal government, important, not so important or not important at all?

Base	787
Very important	44%
Important	50%
Not so important	4%
Not important at all	*
Don't know	*
Refused	1%

Q18a. Some people say that government should play a greater role in the nation's economic affairs. Others say that decisions in this area should be left to the private sector. On the whole, which of those positions comes closest to yours?

Base	787
Government should play a greater role	43%
Leave decisions to the private sector	39%
In the middle	13%
Don't know	2%
Refused	3%

Q18bnew. And do you feel that way strongly or not very strongly?

Based on those who gave a valid response to Q18

Base	746
Govt. should play a greater role-Strongly	31%
Govt. should play a greater role-Not very strongly	13%
Decisions left to the private sector-Strongly	25%
Decisions left to the private sector-Not very strongly	16%
In the middle	14%
Don't know	1%
Refused	*

Q19 (a-g) were randomized

Q19a. Thinking about the [past ten years/years you have served in the] [Bush/Clinton administration], how would you rate the following initiatives? Was the effort to measure government results very successful, somewhat successful, not too successful or not successful at all?

Base	787
Very successful	14%
Somewhat successful	53%
Not too successful	26%
Not successful at all	4%
Don't know	3%
Refused	1%

Q19b. Thinking about the [past ten years/years you have served in the] [Bush/Clinton administration], how would you rate the following initiatives? Was the effort to reduce internal rules very successful, somewhat successful, not too successful or not successful at all?

Base	787
Very successful	6%
Somewhat successful	43%
Not too successful	33%
Not successful at all	9%
Don't know	6%
Refused	3%

Q19c. Thinking about the [past ten years/years you have served in the] [Bush/Clinton administration], how would you rate the following initiatives? Was the effort to improve information technology very successful, somewhat successful, not too successful or not successful at all?

Base	787
Very successful	34%
Somewhat successful	54%
Not too successful	8%
Not successful at all	1%
Don't know	2%
Refused	1%

Q19d. Thinking about the [past ten years/years you have served in the] [Bush/Clinton administration], how would you rate the following initiatives? Was the effort to improve financial management very successful, somewhat successful, not too successful or not successful at all?

Base	787
Very successful	20%
Somewhat successful	57%
Not too successful	14%
Not successful at all	2%
Don't know	5%
Refused	1%

Q19e. Thinking about the [past ten years/years you have served in the] [Bush/Clinton administration], how would you rate the following initiatives? Was the effort to use competitive sourcing very successful, somewhat successful, not too successful or not successful at all?

Base	787
Very successful	10%
Somewhat successful	48%
Not too successful	27%
Not successful at all	6%
Don't know	7%
Refused	2%

Q19f. Thinking about the [past ten years/years you have served in the] [Bush/Clinton administration], how would you rate the following initiatives? Was the effort to manage human capital strategically very successful, somewhat successful, not too successful or not successful at all?

Base	787
Very successful	9%
Somewhat successful	48%
Not too successful	32%
Not successful at all	6%
Don't know	4%
Refused	1%

Q19g. Thinking about the [past ten years/years you have served in the] [Bush/Clinton administration], how would you rate the following initiatives? Was the effort to integrate performance and budget data very successful, somewhat successful, not too successful or not successful at all?

Base	787
Very successful	9%
Somewhat successful	55%
Not too successful	24%
Not successful at all	4%
Don't know	5%
Refused	2%

Q20a. Thinking about the senior career civil servants in [your department or agency/the EOP], in general how responsive [are/were] these career officials to policy decisions of the President and his political appointees? Would you say they [are/were] very responsive, somewhat responsive, not too responsive, or not responsive at all?

Base	787
Very responsive	66%
Somewhat responsive	30%
Not too responsive	3%
Not responsive at all	-
Don't know	1%
Refused	*

Q20b. And how responsive [are/were] senior career civil servants to your decisions and initiatives?

Based on Bush presidential appointees, Clinton presidential appointees, Bush EOP Appointees, AND Clinton EOP Appointees

Base	310
Very responsive	75%
Somewhat responsive	23%
Not too responsive	1%
Not responsive at all	-
Don't know	1%
Refused	*

Q20c. In general, how competent [are/were] these senior civil servants? Would you say they [are/were] very competent, somewhat competent, not too competent, or not competent at all?

Based on Bush presidential appointees, Clinton presidential appointees, Bush EOP Appointees, AND Clinton EOP Appointees

Base	310
Very competent	76%
Somewhat competent	22%
Not too competent	1%
Not competent at all	*
Don't know	-
Refused	*

Q21. What about high level political appointees in [your department or agency/the EOP], in general how competent are these political appointees? Would you say they are very competent, somewhat competent, not too competent, or not competent at all?

Bases on SES AND Bush EOP Career

Base	477
Very competent	53%
Somewhat competent	39%
Not too competent	4%
Not competent at all	1%
Don't know	1%
Refused	1%

Q22 (a-h) were randomized

Q22a. For each, please tell me whether you generally [have/had] contact with them daily, weekly, monthly, rarely, or never: the Republicans in Congress.

Base	787
Daily	4%
Weekly	18%
Monthly	29%
Rarely	37%
Never	10%
Don't know	1%
Refused	1%

Q22b. For each, please tell me whether you generally [have/had] contact with them daily, weekly, monthly, rarely, or never: the Democrats in Congress.

Base	787
Daily	4%
Weekly	17%
Monthly	29%
Rarely	36%
Never	11%
Don't know	1%
Refused	1%

Q22c. For each, please tell me whether you generally [have/had] contact with them daily, weekly, monthly, rarely, or never: the Members or staff of Congressional committees.

Base	787
Daily	5%
Weekly	25%
Monthly	36%
Rarely	29%
Never	3%
Don't know	1%
Refused	*

Q22d. For each, please tell me whether you generally [have/had] contact with them daily, weekly, monthly, rarely, or never: the White House.

Based on Bush presidential appointees, Clinton presidential appointees, AND SES

Base	709
Daily	11%
Weekly	17%
Monthly	17%
Rarely	39%
Never	15%
Don't know	*
Refused	*

Q22e. For each, please tell me whether you generally [have/had] contact with them daily, weekly, monthly, rarely, or never: officials in the White House Office.

Based on Bush EOP Career, Bush EOP Appointees, AND Clinton EOP Appointees

Base	78
Daily	73%
Weekly	15%
Monthly	4%
Rarely	5%
Never	1%
Don't know	1%
Refused	-

Q22f. For each, please tell me whether you generally [have/had] contact with them daily, weekly, monthly, rarely, or never: [other] political appointees [in the departments and agencies].

Base	787
Daily	61%
Weekly	26%
Monthly	9%
Rarely	4%
Never	1%
Don't know	*
Refused	*

Q22g. For each, please tell me whether you generally [have/had] contact with them daily, weekly, monthly, rarely, or never: [other] senior civil servants [in the departments and agencies].

Base	787
Daily	86%
Weekly	9%
Monthly	3%
Rarely	1%
Never	*
Don't know	*
Refused	*

Q22h. For each, please tell me whether you generally [have/had] contact with them daily, weekly, monthly, rarely, or never: interest group representatives.

Base	787
Daily	8%
Weekly	28%
Monthly	30%
Rarely	26%
Never	8%
Don't know	1%
Refused	*

Q23. Consider an agency that is running an established program. Should Congress have almost all the influence over such an agency, somewhat more influence than the president, about the same amount, less than the president, or almost no influence at all?

Base Almost all	787 1%
Somewhat more than the president	3%
About the same	30%
Less than the president	57%
Almost none	6%
Don't know	1%
Refused	2%

Q24.And what about an agency that is developing rules to implement a new statute? Should Congress have almost all the influence over such an agency, somewhat more influence than the president, about the same amount, less than the president, or almost no influence at all?

Base	787
Almost all	1%
Somewhat more than the president	10%
About the same	42%
Less than the president	38%
Almost none	6%
Don't know	2%
Refused	2%

Q25 (a-c) were randomized

Q25a. Do you believe the president should have the authority without the consent of Congress to take pre-emptive military action, even if an attack is not imminent?

Base	787
Yes	26%
No	59%
Depends	8%
Don't know	2%
Refused	5%

Q25b. Do you believe the president should have the authority without the consent of Congress to suspend constitutional protections for certain individuals?

Base	787
Yes	13%
No	75%
Depends	6%
Don't know	2%
Refused	5%

Q25c. Do you believe the president should have the authority without the consent of Congress to contravene international laws or treaties to which the US is a signatory?

Base	787
Yes	17%
No	68%
Depends	7%
Don't know	2%
Refused	5%

Q26a. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with the following statement: If the president believes something should be done about an important national issue, other policymakers should defer to him.

Base	787
Strongly agree	7%
Agree	40%
Disagree	37%
Strongly disagree	9%
Don't know	4%
Refused	4%

Q26b. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with the following statement: If the president and the majority party leadership in Congress agree on a policy matter, Congress should go along.

Base	/8/
Strongly agree	4%
Agree	32%
Disagree	48%
Strongly disagree	8%
Don't know	4%
Refused	4%

Q26c. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with the following statement: The president has a right to keep his communications with others on policy matters private, whether or not he invokes executive privilege.

Base	787
Strongly agree	11%
Agree	43%
Disagree	34%
Strongly disagree	4%
Don't know	4%
Refused	4%

Q26d. Please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree or strongly disagree with the following statement: Even though it may result in compromise, the president should accommodate a wide range of interests in making policy.

Base	787
Strongly agree	22%
Agree	64%
Disagree	8%
Strongly disagree	1%
Don't know	2%
Refused	3%

Q27 (a-e) were randomized

Q27a. How much influence, if any, do you believe a president gains when most of his proposed bills have been passed? Does he gain a great deal of influence over subsequent policy decisions, a good bit of influence, some influence, or little or none?

Base	787
A great deal	47%
A good bit	31%
Some	14%
Little or none	1%
Don't know	3%
Refused	3%

Q27b. How much influence, if any, do you believe a president gains when he has set the agenda of Congress, without so far getting his bills passed? Does he gain a great deal of influence over subsequent policy decisions, a good bit of influence, some influence, or little or none?

Base	787
A great deal	5%
A good bit	16%
Some	38%
Little or none	29%
Don't know	7%
Refused	5%

Q27c. How much influence, if any, do you believe a president gains when he has prevailed on recorded votes, without so far getting his bills passed? Does he gain a great deal of influence over subsequent policy decisions, a good bit of influence, some influence, or little or none?

Base	787
A great deal	7%
A good bit	20%
Some	42%
Little or none	15%
Don't know	9%
Refused	6%

Q27d. How much influence, if any, do you believe a president gains when he has had his vetoes sustained, without so far getting his bills passed? Does he gain a great deal of influence over subsequent policy decisions, a good bit of influence, some influence, or little or none?

Base	787
A great deal	12%
A good bit	27%
Some	40%
Little or none	10%
Don't know	6%
Refused	5%

Q27e. How much influence, if any, do you believe a president gains when actions he has taken by executive order have not been reversed by Congress? Does he gain a great deal of influence over subsequent policy decisions, a good bit of influence, some influence, or little or none?

Base	787
A great deal	16%
A good bit	29%
Some	36%
Little or none	11%
Don't know	4%
Refused	4%

Q28 (a-d) were randomized

Q28a. When President Bill Clinton had a Democratic Congress, would you say he was legislatively very successful, somewhat successful, not very successful, or not successful at all?

Based on SES AND Bush EOP Career respondents who have served more than 5 years in the Federal Government

Base	460
Very successful	18%
Somewhat successful	60%
Not very successful	9%
Not successful at all	1%
Don't know	6%
Refused	6%

Q28b. When President Bill Clinton had a Republican Congress, would you say he was legislatively very successful, somewhat successful, not very successful, or not successful at all?

Based on SES AND Bush EOP Career respondents who have served more than 5 years in the Federal Government

Base	460
Very successful	6%
Somewhat successful	56%
Not very successful	25%
Not successful at all	2%
Don't know	6%
Refused	5%

Q28c. When President George W. Bush had a Republican Congress, would you say he was legislatively very successful, somewhat successful, not very successful, or not successful at all?

Based on SES AND Bush EOP Career respondents who have served more than 5 years in the Federal Government

Base	460
Very successful	31%
Somewhat successful	51%
Not very successful	8%
Not successful at all	*
Don't know	5%
Refused	6%

Q28d. When President George W. Bush had a Republican House and Democratic Senate, would you say he was legislatively very successful, somewhat successful, not very successful, or not successful at all?

Based on SES AND Bush EOP Career respondents who have served more than 5 years in the Federal Government

Base	460
Very successful	10%
Somewhat successful	60%
Not very successful	16%
Not successful at all	*
Don't know	7%
Refused	6%

Q29a. On a scale from 1 to 5, ONE represents White House officials paying attention predominantly to the president's campaign themes and public opinion. Five represents White House officials paying attention predominantly to analytical work and recommendations of career officials and other experts. Generally speaking, where on the five-point scale would you place the ACTUAL approach of White House officials?

Base	787
1	18%
2	30%
3	28%
4	10%
5	3%
Don't know	5%
Refused	5%

Q29b. And where on the five-point scale would you place the approach you think is APPROPRIATE for White House officials? On a scale from 1 to 5, ONE represents White House officials paying attention predominantly to the president's campaign themes and public opinion. Five represents White House officials paying attention predominantly to analytical work and recommendations of career officials and other experts.

Base	787
1	2%
2	12%
3	44%
4	30%
5	5%
Don't know	3%
Refused	4%

Q30. The Executive Office of the President is often described as having three core functions: policy development and oversight, political outreach, and internal management and coordination. Which of the three functions comes closest to describing your duties?

Based on Bush EOP Career, Bush EOP Appointees, AND Clinton EOP Appointees

Base	78
Policy development and oversight	59%
Political outreach	5%
Internal management and coordination	32%
Don't know	-
Refused	4%

Q31 (a-i) were randomized

Q31a. When you are working on policy development for a particular issue, how often is the issue on the White House agenda because it is a commitment the President made in the campaign—always, often, sometimes, rarely, or never?

Based on those who describe their duties as policy development and oversight

Base	46
Always	9%
Often	43%
Sometimes	35%
Rarely	9%
Never	2%
Don't know	2%
Refused	-

Q31b. When you are working on policy development for a particular issue, how often is the issue on the White House agenda because it is something in which the President has a personal interest--always, often, sometimes, rarely, or never?

Based on those who describe their duties as policy development and oversight

Base	46
Always	15%
Often	28%
Sometimes	39%
Rarely	9%
Never	4%
Don't know	4%
Refused	-

Q31c. When you are working on policy development for a particular issue, how often is the issue on the White House agenda because it is a response to recent events-- always, often, sometimes, rarely, or never?

Based on those who describe their duties as policy development and oversight

Base	46
Always	2%
Often	39%
Sometimes	50%
Rarely	2%
Never	4%
Don't know	2%
Refused	_

Q31d. When you are working on policy development for a particular issue, how often is the issue on the White House agenda because it is getting a good deal of media attention-- always, often, sometimes, rarely, or never?

Based on those who describe their duties as policy development and oversight

Base	46
Always	4%
Often	28%
Sometimes	52%
Rarely	11%
Never	2%
Don't know	2%
Refused	-

Q31e. When you are working on policy development for a particular issue, how often is the issue on the White House agenda because it is viewed as a most important problem by the public-- always, often, sometimes, rarely, or never?

Based on those who describe their duties as policy development and oversight

Base	46
Always	4%
Often	39%
Sometimes	41%
Rarely	9%
Never	2%
Don't know	4%
Refused	-

Q31f. When you are working on policy development for a particular issue, how often is the issue on the White House agenda because it is being promoted by one or more members of Congress-- always, often, sometimes, rarely, or never?

Base	46
Always	2%
Often	13%
Sometimes	59%
Rarely	24%
Never	-
Don't know	2%
Refused	-

Q31g. When you are working on policy development for a particular issue, how often is the issue on the White House agenda because it is being promoted by an important interest group-- always, often, sometimes, rarely, or never?

Based on those who describe their duties as policy development and oversight

Base	46
Always	2%
Often	7%
Sometimes	61%
Rarely	22%
Never	4%
Don't know	4%
Refused	-

Q31h. When you are working on policy development for a particular issue, how often is the issue on the White House agenda because it is being promoted by politically appointed officials in the executive branch-- always, often, sometimes, rarely, or never?

Based on those who describe their duties as policy development and oversight

Base	46
Always	2%
Often	43%
Sometimes	46%
Rarely	4%
Never	-
Don't know	4%
Refused	-

Q31i. When you are working on policy development for a particular issue, how often is the issue on the White House agenda because it is being promoted by career officials in the executive branch-- always, often, sometimes, rarely, or never?

Based on those who describe their duties as policy development and oversight

Base	46
Always	-
Often	4%
Sometimes	57%
Rarely	35%
Never	-
Don't know	4%
Refused	-

Q32-Q34 were randomized

Q32 (a-c) were randomized

Q32a. When the President is selecting people for appointed positions that involve POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND OVERSIGHT, should policy expertise be the only attribute that matters, a top but not the only attribute, or not an important attribute?

787
3%
54%
39%
2%
1%
2%

Q32b. When the President is selecting people for appointed positions that involve POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND OVERSIGHT, should administrative expertise be the only attribute that matters, a top but not the only attribute, an important attribute, or not an important attribute?

Base	787
Only attribute	-
A top but not the only attribute	23%
An important attribute	63%
Not an important attribute	11%
Don't know	1%
Refused	2%

Q32c. When the President is selecting people for appointed positions that involve POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND OVERSIGHT, should proven loyalty be the only attribute that matters, a top but not the only attribute, an important attribute, or not an important attribute?

Base	787
Only attribute	*
A top but not the only attribute	18%
An important attribute	59%
Not an important attribute	20%
Don't know	1%
Refused	2%

Q33 (a-c) were randomized

Q33a. When the President is selecting people for appointed positions that involve POLITICAL OUTREACH, should policy expertise be the only attribute that matters, a top but not the only attribute, an important attribute, or not an important attribute?

Base	787
Only attribute	1%
A top but not the only attribute	29%
An important attribute	58%
Not an important attribute	8%
Don't know	2%
Refused	2%

Q33b. When the President is selecting people for appointed positions that involve POLITICAL OUTREACH, should administrative expertise be the only attribute that matters, a top but not the only attribute, an important attribute, or not an important attribute?

787
*
17%
55%
23%
2%
3%

Q33c. When the President is selecting people for appointed positions that involve POLITICAL OUTREACH, should proven loyalty be the only attribute that matters, a top but not the only attribute, an important attribute, or not an important attribute?

Base	787
Only attribute	2%
A top but not the only attribute	32%
An important attribute	53%
Not an important attribute	9%
Don't know	2%
Refused	3%

Q34 (a-c) were randomized

Q34a. When the President is selecting people for appointed positions that involve INTERNAL MANAGEMENT AND COORDINATION, should policy expertise be the only attribute that matters, a top but not the only attribute, an important attribute, or not an important attribute?

Base	787
Only attribute	1%
A top but not the only attribute	29%
An important attribute	59%
Not an important attribute	7%
Don't know	1%
Refused	2%

Q34b. When the President is selecting people for appointed positions that involve INTERNAL MANAGEMENT AND COANDDINATION, should administrative expertise be the only attribute that matters, a top but not the only attribute, an important attribute, or not an important attribute?

Base	787
Only attribute	1%
A top but not the only attribute	47%
An important attribute	45%
Not an important attribute	4%
Don't know	1%
Refused	2%

Q34c. When the President is selecting people for appointed positions that involve INTERNAL MANAGEMENT AND COANDDINATION, should proven loyalty be the only attribute that matters, a top but not the only attribute, an important attribute, or not an important attribute?

Base	787
Only attribute	*
A top but not the only attribute	16%
An important attribute	59%
Not an important attribute	22%
Don't know	1%
Refused	2%

Q35 (a-h) were randomized

Q35a. How important [is/was] the following in decision making in the [Bush/Clinton] administration: a comprehensive review of relevant information?

Based on Bush presidential appointees, Clinton presidential appointees, Bush EOP Appointees, AND Clinton EOP Appointees

Base	310
Very important	65%
Somewhat important	29%
Not too important	4%
Not at all important	-
Don't know	2%
Refused	*

Q35b. How important [is/was] the following in decision making in the [Bush/Clinton] administration: immediate political considerations?

Based on Bush presidential appointees, Clinton presidential appointees, Bush EOP Appointees, AND Clinton EOP Appointees

Base	310
Very important	14%
Somewhat important	54%
Not too important	24%
Not at all important	4%
Don't know	4%
Refused	1%

 ${\tt Q35c.}\ How\ important\ [is/was]\ the\ following\ in\ decision\ making\ in\ the\ [Bush/Clinton]\ administration:\ ideological\ principles?$

Based on Bush presidential appointees, Clinton presidential appointees, Bush EOP Appointees, AND Clinton EOP Appointees

Base	310
Very important	23%
Somewhat important	47%
Not too important	23%
Not at all important	4%
Don't know	3%
Refused	1%

Q35d. How important [is/was] the following in decision making in the [Bush/Clinton] administration: a hearing of competing perspectives from throughout the executive branch?

Based on Bush presidential appointees, Clinton presidential appointees, Bush EOP Appointees, AND Clinton EOP Appointees

Base	310
Very important	51%
Somewhat important	40%
Not too important	5%
Not at all important	1%
Don't know	4%
Refused	*

Q35e. How important [is/was] the following in decision making in the [Bush/Clinton] administration: particular constituencies in the President's reelection coalition?

Based on Bush presidential appointees, Clinton presidential appointees, Bush EOP Appointees, AND Clinton EOP Appointees

Base	310
Very important	21%
Somewhat important	55%
Not too important	13%
Not at all important	4%
Don't know	7%
Refused	1%

Q35f. How important [is/was] the following in decision making in the [Bush/Clinton] administration: public opinion polling?

Based on Bush presidential appointees, Clinton presidential appointees, Bush EOP Appointees, AND Clinton EOP Appointees

Base	310
Very important	14%
Somewhat important	47%
Not too important	25%
Not at all important	6%
Don't know	7%
Refused	1%

Q35g. How important [is/was] the following in decision making in the [Bush/Clinton] administration: 'doing the right thing' even if that [is/was] not politically beneficial?

Based on Bush presidential appointees, Clinton presidential appointees, Bush EOP Appointees, AND Clinton EOP Appointees

Base	310
Very important	51%
Somewhat important	40%
Not too important	6%
Not at all important	*
Don't know	3%
Refused	*

Q35h. How important [is/was] the following in decision making in the [Bush/Clinton] administration: management in the executive branch?

Based on Bush presidential appointees, Clinton presidential appointees, Bush EOP Appointees, AND Clinton EOP Appointees

Base	310
Very important	35%
Somewhat important	45%
Not too important	12%
Not at all important	2%
Don't know	4%
Refused	2%

Q36 (a-h) were randomized

Q36a. Thinking about the former Clinton administration and the current Bush administration which administration was more likely to make its decisions based on a comprehensive review of relevant information?

Based on Bush EOP Career AND SES who have served in both Clinton and GW Bush administrations

Base	
Clinton	52%
Bush	15%
Both	11%
Neither	3%
Did not serve in both administrations	1%
Don't know	9%
Refused	9%

Q36b. Thinking about the former Clinton administration and the current Bush administration which administration was more likely to make its decisions based on immediate political considerations?

Based on Bush EOP Career AND SES who have served in both Clinton and GW Bush administrations

Base	460
Clinton	30%
Bush	30%
Both	20%
Neither	1%
Did not serve in both administrations	1%
Don't know	8%
Refused	9%

Q36c. Thinking about the former Clinton administration and the current Bush administration which administration was more likely to make its decisions based on ideological principles?

Based on Bush EOP Career AND SES who have served in both Clinton and GW Bush administrations

Base	460
Clinton	6%
Bush	67%
Both	8%
Neither	1%
Did not serve in both administrations	1%
Don't know	7%
Refused	9%

Q36d. Thinking about the former Clinton administration and the current Bush administration which administration was more likely to make its decisions based on a hearing of competing perspectives from throughout the executive branch?

Based on Bush EOP Career AND SES who have served in both Clinton and GW Bush administrations

Base	460
Clinton	58%
Bush	11%
Both	7%
Neither	2%
Did not serve in both administrations	1%
Don't know	10%
Refused	10%

Q36e. Thinking about the former Clinton administration and the current Bush administration which administration was more likely to make its decisions based on particular constituencies in the President's re-election coalition?

Based on Bush EOP Career AND SES who have served in both Clinton and GW Bush administrations

Base	460
Clinton	16%
Bush	42%
Both	20%
Neither	1%
Did not serve in both administrations	1%
Don't know	10%
Refused	10%

Q36f. Thinking about the former Clinton administration and the current Bush administration which administration was more likely to make its decisions based on public opinion polling?

Based on Bush EOP Career AND SES who have served in both Clinton and GW Bush administrations

Base	460
Clinton	48%
Bush	9%
Both	19%
Neither	1%
Did not serve in both administrations	1%
Don't know	12%
Refused	10%

Q36g. Thinking about the former Clinton administration and the current Bush administration which administration was more likely to make its decisions based on 'doing the right thing' even if that is not politically beneficial?

Based on Bush EOP Career AND SES who have served in both Clinton and GW Bush administrations

Base	460
Clinton	30%
Bush	31%
Both	11%
Neither	9%
Did not serve in both administrations	1%
Don't know	9%
Refused	9%

Q36h. Thinking about the former Clinton administration and the current Bush administration which administration was more likely to make its decisions based on management in the executive branch?

Based on Bush EOP Career AND SES who have served in both Clinton and GW Bush administrations

Base	460
Clinton	28%
Bush	35%
Both	9%
Neither	3%
Did not serve in both administrations	1%
Don't know	14%
Refused	11%

Q37. [Does/Did] your own work in the EOP primarily involve domestic policy, foreign or national security policy, both domestic and foreign policy, or neither?

Based on Bush EOP Career, Bush EOP Appointees, AND Clinton EOP Appointees

Base	78
Domestic policy	47%
Foreign or national security policy	19%
Both domestic and foreign policy	22%
Neither	12%
Don't know	-
Refused	-

Q38. When you [are/were] involved in policy decision making in the EOP and the attitudes or characteristics of the public [are/were] being considered is attention focused on the general public and majority opinion, on particular demographic groups or voting constituencies, or equally on the general public and particular groups?

Based on Bush EOP Career, Bush EOP Appointees, AND Clinton EOP Appointees

Base	78
General public and majority opinion	13%
Particular demographic groups or voting constituencies	6%
Equally on general public and particular groups	67%
Respondent doesn't participate in policy decision making	1%
Don't know	6%
Refused	6%

D1. Overall, how satisfied [are/were] you with your job—very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, not too satisfied, or not satisfied at all?

Base	787
Very satisfied	78%
Somewhat satisfied	18%
Not too satisfied	4%
Not satisfied at all	*
Don't know	-
Refused	*

D2a. Is your position a career appointment or a noncareer appointment?

Based on SES and Bush EOP Career respondents

Base	477
Career	92%
Noncareer	7%
Don't know	1%
Refused	*

D2b. And is your position on the Career Reserved List or the General List?

Based on career appointments

Base	438
Career Reserved List	35%
General List	47%
Don't know	18%
Refused	*

D3. [Do/Did] you report to [the president,] a political appointee, including an SES political appointee, or to a career civil servant?

Based on SES respondents, Bush EOP Career, Bush EOP Appointees, AND Clinton EOP Appointees

Base	522
[The president]	3%
Political appointee	53%
Civil servant	39%
Don't know	3%
Refused	1%

D4. Record sex

Base	787
Male	73%
Female	27%

D5. What is your age?

Base	787
less than 30	-
30-49	23%
50+	75%
Refused	2%

D6a. Are you, yourself, of Hispanic origin or descent, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or some other Spanish background?

 Base
 787

 Yes
 4%

 No
 95%

 Don't know

 Refused
 1%

D6b. What is your race? Are you white, black, Asian or some other race? [Are you white Hispanic, black Hispanic, or some other race?]

Base	787
White	86%
Black	8%
Asian	1%
Other or mixed race	3%
Don't know	*
Refused	3%

D7a. What is your religious preference — Protestant, Roman Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, Mormon, or an orthodox church such as the Greek or Russian Orthodox Church or do you not have a preference?

Base	787
Protestant	46%
Roman Catholic	20%
Jewish	11%
Mormon	1%
Orthodox Church (Greek or Russian)	*
Islam/Muslim	-
Other religion	2%
No religion, not a believer	15%
Don't know/Refused	6%

D7b. Would you describe yourself as a 'born again' or evangelical Christian, or not?

Based on those whose religious preference is Protestant, Roman Catholic, Mormon, Orthodox Church, Other or Don't Know/Refused

Base 583
Yes, would 10%
No, would not 84%
Don't know/Refused 6%

D7c. [When you were serving in the Clinton administration], How much guidance in your work life do you feel that you [get/got] from your religion? [Do/Did] you get a great deal of guidance in your work life from your religion, a fair amount, not very much, or none at all?

Based on those who specified a religion

Base	622
A great deal	14%
A fair amount	33%
Not very much	31%
None	17%
Don't know	1%
Refused	3%

D8a. What is the highest degree you completed in school?

Base	787
High school degree or less	*
Some college	*
College graduate	13%
Graduate course work	21%
Graduate degree	65%
Don't know	-
Refused	1%

D8arec. What is the highest graduate degree you completed?

Based on those who did graduate work or higher

Base	509
Master's	30%
PhD	28%
JD	35%
MD	2%
MPP	1%
MPA	4%
Don't Know	-
Refused	-

D8b. Which college or university did you attend for your undergraduate degree?

Based on those who gave a valid response to D8a

Base 779
Gave answer 95%
Refused 5%

D8brec1. (First Mention) Which college or university did you attend for your undergraduate degree?

Based on those who gave a valid response to D8a

Base	779
Harvard, Yale, Princeton	6%
Other Ivy League	3%
Other prestigious private institutions	19%
Major state universities	12%
DC area Institutions	5%
All other institutions	47%
Don't know	2%
Refused	6%

D8c. What was your undergraduate major in college?

Based on those who gave a valid response to D8a

Base 779
Gave answer 97%
Refused 3%

D8crec1 (First Mention) Undergraduate major

Base	779
Agriculture	1%
Ethnic Studies	1%
Sciences	12%
Computer Sciences	12/0
Visual & Performing Arts	*
Mathematics	3%
Education	2%
Engineering/Engineering Related	13%
Engineering-Related	-
English & Literature	6%
General & Interdisciplinary Studies	2%
Military Science Services	
Foreign Languages/Foreign Literature	1%
Applied Sciences	1%
Humanities	2%
Public Affairs & Law	1%
Other Social Science Majors	2%
Sports Sciences	
Medicine/Nursing	*
Public Administration	1%
Public Policy	*
Political Science/Government	16%
Psychology	2%
Accounting	3%
Business	4%
Economics	8%
International/Foreign Affairs	3%
Sociology	2%
Law	-
Criminal Justice/Other legal studies	1%
History	9%
Religion & Theology	*
Refused	3%

D8d. Where did you do your graduate work?

Based on those who did graduate work or higher

Base 676 Gave answer 94% Refused 6%

D8drec1. (First Mention) Where did you do your graduate work?

Based on those who did graduate work or higher

Base	676
Harvard, Yale, Princeton	11%
Other Ivy League	5%
Other prestigious private institutions	19%
Major state universities	12%
DC area Institutions	12%
All other institutions	29%
Don't know	6%
Refused	6%

D8e. What was your field of study in graduate school?

Based on those who did graduate work or higher

Base 676 Gave answer 96% Refused 4%

D8erec1. (First Mention) Graduate major

Based on those who did graduate work or higher

Base	676
Agriculture	1%
Ethnic Studies	1%
Sciences	9%
Computer Sciences	1%
Visual & Performing Arts	-
Mathematics	1%
Education	2%
Engineering/Engineering Related	8%
Engineering-Related	-
English & Literature	1%
General & Interdisciplinary Studies	*
Military Science Services	1%
Foreign Languages/Foreign Literature	*
Applied Sciences	1%
Humanities	*
Public Affairs & Law	3%
Other Social Science Majors	-
Sports Sciences	-
Medicine/Nursing	1%
Public Administration	7%
Public Policy	3%
Political Science/Government	5%
Psychology	*
Accounting	*
Business	10%
Economics	7%
International/Foreign Affairs	3%
Sociology	1%
Law	27%
Criminal Justice/Other legal studies	1%
History	1%
Religion & Theology	*
Refused	4%

D9a. In politics today, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat or Independent?

Base	787
Republican	25%
Democrat	40%
Independent	29%
No Preference	*
Other	-
Don't know	1%
Refused	5%

D9b. As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

Based on those who self-define as Independent or have no party preference

Base	279
Republican	22%
Democrat	29%
Other	5%
Don't know	11%
Refused	33%

D9c. In general, would you describe your political views as...

Base	787
Very conservative	2%
Conservative	19%
Moderate	49%
Liberal	19%
Very liberal	4%
Don't know	1%
Refused	5%