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817 Jewish Respondents

**NATIONAL JEWISH DEMOCRATIC COUNCIL
FREQUENCY QUESTIONNAIRE**

Q.1 What is your religion?

	Total
Protestant.....	2
Catholic	1
Jewish.....	92
(Other/none/refused)	5
(ref:RELIG1)	

[63 Respondents]

Q.2 (IF NOT JEWISH) Some people have a Jewish parent or relative, do you consider yourself Jewish for any reason?

	Total
No.....	-
Yes, definitely	100
Yes, half/partially.....	-
Yes, other	-
Yes, Ancestors/family	-
Yes, culture/birth.....	-
Yes, study relig.....	-
(DK/Ref)	-
Total Yes	100
(ref:CONSIDER)	

Q.3 First of all, are you registered to vote at this address?

	Total
Yes	100
No.....	-
(ref:SCREEN1)	

Q.4 Many people weren't able to vote in the 2000 election for President between George Bush, Al Gore, and Ralph Nader. How about you? Were you able to vote, or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	Total
Voted.....	94
Ineligible/too young	2
Did not vote.....	4
(Can't remember/Don't know/Refused).....	-
(ref:VOTE00)	

Q.5 What are the chances of your voting in the election for President this year: are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or don't you think you will vote?

	Total
Almost certain	95
Probably	5
50-50	-
Will not vote.....	-
(ref:CP3)	

Q.6 Generally speaking, do you think that things in this country are going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

	Total
Right direction.....	23
Wrong track.....	77
Right - Wrong	-54
(ref:DIRECT)	

Q.7 Which TWO of the following issue areas would be MOST important to you in deciding how to vote for a candidate for President? Is it...

	Total
Terrorism/national security	42
The economy and jobs	42
Affordable health care	24
The situation in Iraq	24
Soc Sec and Medicare	19
Israel.....	15
Education	10
The Federal Deficit	8
Taxes	6
Moral values.....	6
Human/civil/women's rights.....	1
Domestic (general).....	1
Big business influence.....	0
(Other).....	1
(ref:PRESISS)	

Q.8 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George Bush is handling his job as president?

	Total
Strongly approve	11
Somewhat approve	14
Somewhat disapprove	21
Strongly disapprove	55
Total approve.....	25
Total disapprove.....	75
Approve - disapprove.....	-51
(ref:CANDAPP2)	

Q.9 Please rate your feelings toward some people and organizations, with one hundred meaning a VERY WARM, FAVORABLE feeling; zero meaning a VERY COLD, UNFAVORABLE feeling; and fifty meaning not particularly warm or cold. You can use any number from zero to one hundred, the higher the number the more favorable your feelings are toward that person or organization.

	Mean	Warm	Cool	ID
9 The Republican Party	27.7	16	71	100
10 The Democratic Party.....	61.4	61	22	100
11 George W. Bush	26.5	20	73	100
12 John Kerry	59.5	59	27	100
13 Dick Cheney	20.6	12	79	100
14 John Edwards	59.6	57	26	100
(ref:THERM04)				

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	Mean	Warm	Cool	ID
16 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association	20.6	12	76	100
17 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups	20.1	13	78	100
18 Evangelical Christians.....	23.8	10	71	100
19 Ariel Sharon	58.0	54	22	100
20 Shimon Peres.....	55.6	48	24	100
21 Israel.....	79.6	82	9	100
22 Muslims.....	31.2	14	59	100
23 The Palestinians.....	16.5	3	83	100
24 Bill Clinton.....	63.6	68	23	100
25 Joe Lieberman	60.0	58	22	100

(ref:THERM204)

Q.26 Thinking about the elections in November, if the election for president were held today and the candidates were Republican George Bush, Democrat John Kerry and Independent Ralph Nader, for whom would you vote?

	Total
John Kerry.....	75
George Bush.....	22
Ralph Nader	3

(ref:VOTE3WAY)

Q.27 Even though you are not supporting Democrat John Kerry now, what are the chances that you might support Kerry in the election for President this year -- is there a fair chance that you might support him, a small chance, just a very slight chance or no chance at all that you might support him?

	Total
Fair chance	4
A small chance	5
Just a very slight chance.....	5
No chance at all.....	12

Kerry Supporter..... 75
(ref:PCKR)

Q.28 Even though you are not supporting Republican George Bush now, what are the chances that you might support Bush in the election for President this year -- is there a fair chance that you might support him, a small chance, just a very slight chance or no chance at all that you might support him?

	Total
Fair chance	3
A small chance	7
Just a very slight chance.....	8
No chance at all.....	60

Bush Supporter..... 22
(ref:PCBSHKR)

Q.29 Thinking about a candidate for President, how important would you say a candidate's position is on each of the following issues. Please answer on a scale of zero to 10, with zero meaning the issue is "not at all important in influencing your vote" and 10 meaning the issue is "the most important issue influencing your vote."

	Mean	10	8-10	6-10	0-5
29 The economy and jobs.....	8.7	39	84	96	4
30 The war on terrorism.....	8.5	41	79	92	8
31 Health care.....	8.5	38	78	91	9
32 The abortion issue	6.8	21	51	68	32
33 The environment.....	7.2	20	55	78	22
34 Social Security and Medicare.....	8.1	30	68	89	11
35 Education.....	8.0	28	69	86	14
36 The situation in Iraq	8.3	32	74	90	10
37 Israel	7.7	28	62	81	19
38 Separation between church and state.....	7.0	29	54	68	32
39 Poverty and inequality..... (ref:RURALVT)	7.1	19	51	75	25

Q.40 Now I'd like you to compare two candidates for president this year - George Bush and John Kerry - based on a few issues that people might consider when voting for president. For each issue I mention, please tell me whether you think that George Bush or John Kerry would be better on that particular issue. The first/next issue is

	Kerry Much Bettr	Kerry Smwt Bettr	Bush Smwt Bettr	Bush Much Bettr	Total Kerry	Total Bush	Kerry - Bush
40 Encouraging higher moral standards and values.....	26	43	19	12	69	31	37
41 Representing the interests of Jewish Americans.....	23	49	17	11	71	29	43
42 Israel	22	44	18	15	66	34	33
43 Health care.....	41	42	11	7	82	18	65
44 War on terrorism	25	41	16	17	66	34	33
45 Role of religion in public life and politics.....	37	41	15	7	78	22	57
46 The economy and jobs.....	40	39	13	9	79	21	57
47 Taxes	31	41	16	12	72	28	44
48 Abortion	51	34	9	6	85	15	70
49 The war in Iraq	34	37	14	15	71	29	42
50 Making America stronger..... (ref:DEMREPIS)	31	40	14	15	71	29	42

Q.51 Now I'm going to read you some pairs of statements. As I read each pair, please tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own views, even if neither is exactly right.

	1 st Stmt	1 st Weak	2 nd Weak	2 nd Strng	Total 1 st Stmt	Total 2 nd Stmt	1 st - 2 nd
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[395 Respondents]

51 (SPLIT C) We should allow government to fund religious organizations that provide charity and social welfare in their communities

There should be a high wall of separation between church and state.....	10	21	19	50	31	69	-38
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52 (SPLIT D) We should allow homosexual couples to legally form civil unions, giving them the legal rights of married couples in areas such as health insurance, inheritance, pension coverage and hospital visiting privileges.

We need to protect the sanctity of the family and the institution of marriage and continue to recognize marriage as only the union of a man and a woman.....	60	17	9	15	76	24	53
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(ref:VALUES04)

Q.53 From what you know about the two presidential candidates, would you say that you are closer to George Bush or John Kerry when it comes to Israel?

	Total
Much closer Kerry.....	24
Somewhat closer Kerry.....	26
Equally close to Kerry and Bush.....	14
Somewhat closer Bush.....	11
Much closer Bush.....	13
Closer to neither.....	11

Total Kerry..... 51

Total Bush..... 24

Kerry - Bush..... 27

(ref:CLOSER)

Q.54 Finally, I would like to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes. What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

	Total
1 - 11th grade	0
High School graduate	6
Non-college post H.S.	0
Some college	24
College graduate.....	38
Post-graduate school	31
(Don't know/refused).....	-
(ref:EDUC)	

Q.55 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total
Married.....	59
Single	22
Separated/divorced.....	13
Widowed.....	5
(ref:MARITAL)	

Q.56 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	Total
Strong Democrat	35
Weak Democrat.....	25
Independent-lean Democrat	14
Independent.....	8
Independent-lean Republican.....	5
Weak Republican	6
Strong Republican.....	8
(Don't know/Refused)	-
(ref:PTYID1)	

Q.57 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Total
Liberal	27
Moderate	55
Conservative.....	18
(Don't know/refused).....	-
(ref:IDEO1)	

[765 Respondents]

Q.58 In the 2000 election for President, did you vote for Democrat Al Gore, Republican George Bush, or Green Party candidate Ralph Nader?

	Total
Democrat Al Gore	76
Republican George Bush.....	21
Green Party candidate Ralph Nader	3
Democrat Al Gore - Republican George Bush	55
(ref:VOTE2000)	

Q.59 In what year were you born?

	Total
18 - 24	5
25 - 29	5
30 - 34	5
35 - 39	8
40 - 44	9
45 - 49	12
50 - 54	10
55 - 59	11
60 - 64	10
Over 64.....	20
(No answer).....	5
(ref:AGE)	

Q.60 Now thinking about Judaism and your religion, please tell me which of the following best describes how you think of yourself. Orthodox, Conservative, Reconstructionist, Reform, or do you think of yourself as just Jewish?

	Total
Orthodox	8
Conservative.....	31
Reconstructionist.....	3
Reform	28
Just Jewish.....	30
(ref:JEWSECT)	

Q.61 Do you belong to a synagogue?

	Total
Yes	44
No.....	56
(ref:SYNAG)	

Q.62 How often do you attend synagogue -- every week, once or twice a month, several times a year, or hardly ever?

	Total
Every week.....	15
Once or twice a month	12
Several times a year	32
Hardly ever.....	41
(ref:RELIG2)	

Q.63 Do you belong to any Jewish organizations?

	Total
Yes	40
No.....	60
(ref:JEWORG)	

Q.64 During the last five years, have you contributed to a group in the United State that is dedicated to advancing the cause of Jews, Jewish Americans or the state of Israel?

	Total
Yes	59
No.....	41
(ref:CONTRIB)	

Q.65 Last year, that is in 2003, what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category.

	Total
Less than \$10K.....	2
\$10K to under \$20K.....	4
\$20K to under \$30K.....	6
\$30K to under \$50K.....	16
\$50K to under \$75K.....	24
\$75K to under \$100K.....	19
\$100K or more	25
(Don't know/Refused)	3
(ref:INCOME)	

Record respondent's gender

	Total
Male	47
Female.....	53
(ref:GENDER)	