



FOX News/Opinion Dynamics Poll

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Polling was conducted by telephone April 4-5, 2006, in the evenings. The total sample is 900 registered voters nationwide with a margin of error of ± 3 percentage points. Results are of registered voters, unless otherwise noted.

35. Which comes closest to your status for filing your 2005 income tax return -- have you:

SCALE: 1. Finished, already filed 2. Started, but not finished, or
3. Not started yet 4. (Don't know)

	Finished	Started	Not started	(DK)
4-5 Apr 06	65%	19	12	4
2-3 Apr 02	62%	20	13	5
5-6 Apr 00	64%	20	10	6
7-8 Apr 98	67%	19	10	4
2-3 Apr 97	58%	24	13	5

36. Who prepared your taxes this year? Did you do them yourself, did a friend or family member do them for you, or did you hire a professional?

	Self	Friend/ Family	Professional	(Don't know)
4-5 Apr 06	31%	11	52	6

37. In general, do you think taxes get done more accurately when taxpayers prepare them themselves, or when accountants or professional tax preparers are hired to do them?

SCALE: 1. Taxpayers do them 2. Accountant/Professional tax preparer
3. (Depends) 4. (No difference) 5. (Don't know)

	Taxpayers	Professional	(Dpnds)	(No diff)	(DK)
4-5 Apr 06	16%	56	13	7	8

38. Do you think the amount you have paid or will pay in taxes this year is more, less or about the same amount you paid last year?

	More	Less	Same	(Don't know)
4-5 Apr 06	32%	9	52	7
Democrats	27%	10	56	6
Republicans	37%	8	49	6
Independents	34%	5	51	10

39. If you receive a tax refund this year, what will you or did you do with most of the money you received?

SCALE: 1. Pay off bills, 2. Buy something new, 3. Save it, or 4. Invest it? 5. (Combination) 6. (Other/not sure) 7. (Never receive refund)

	Bills	Buy	Save	Invest	(Combo)	NS	(Othr/ (Never Receive)
4-5 Apr 06	32%	7	19	9	10	8	17
29-30 Mar 05	31%	7	22	8	9	6	18
6-7 Apr 04	29%	8	17	10	10	6	20

For reference: If you receive a tax refund, what do you do with the money?

SCALE: 1. Pay off bills, 2. Buy something new, or 3. Save it 4. (Other/not sure/Never receive refund)

	Bills	Buy	Save	(Not sure/Never receive)
2-3 Apr 02	35%	9	32	24
2-3 Apr 97	40%	11	26	23

40. How much of the money you pay in taxes do you think is spent on government programs that you personally favor and support?

SCALE: 1. Almost all of it 2. Some of it 3. Not much of it 4. None at all 5. (Don't know)

	Almost all	Some	Not much	None	(Don't know)
4-5 Apr 06	7%	36	34	11	12
Democrats	7%	34	31	12	15
Republicans	8%	38	37	6	10
Independents	4%	39	33	14	10

41. After federal taxes are collected from the American public, do you think Congress thinks of the money more as taxpayer money to spend carefully or as their money to spend as they wish?

	Taxpayer money	Their money	(Both)	(Neither)	(Don't Know)
4-5 Apr 06	10%	80	3	1	6
Democrats	10%	80	2	1	6
Republicans	13%	78	3	-	5
Independents	7%	84	2	3	5
20-21 May 03	14%	79	2	1	4

POLITICAL IDENTIFICATION

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

	Apr 4-5	Mar 14-15	Feb28 -Mar1	Feb 7-8	Jan 24-25	Jan 10-11
1. Democrat	39%	37%	43%	40%	43%	38%
2. Republican	34	36	33	36	36	33
3. (Independent)	23	20	18	19	17	22
4. (Other)	2	2	3	3	2	4
5. (Refused/Don't know)	2	4	3	2	2	2