



# FOX News/Opinion Dynamics Poll

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Polling was conducted by telephone August 29-30, 2006, in the evenings. The total sample is 900 registered voters nationwide with a margin of error of  $\pm 3$  percentage points. Results are of registered voters, unless otherwise noted. LV = likely voters

20. How safe do you believe air travel is in the United States today?  
 SCALE: 1. Very safe 2. Somewhat safe 3. Not very safe 4. Not safe at all  
 5. (Don't know)

	--- Safe ---			-- Unsafe --			
	TOTAL	Vry	Smwht	TOTAL	Ntvry	Not	(DK)
29-30 Aug 06	78%	30	48	18	12	6	3
Democrats	73%	24	49	23	14	9	4
Republicans	86%	36	50	13	9	4	1
Independents	78%	34	44	19	15	4	4
28 Feb-1 Mar 06	86%	40	46	11	6	5	3
13-14 Dec 05	84%	37	47	12	6	6	5
8-9 Sep 02	82%	33	49	13	9	4	5
26-27 Feb 02	80%	32	48	17	12	5	3
14-15 Nov 01	76%	30	46	21	14	7	3
17-18 Oct 01	78%	35	43	19	12	7	3

21. Do you think the current level of security at U.S. airports is too strict, not strict enough or about right?

	Too strict	Not strict enough	About right	(Don't know)
29-30 Aug 06	8%	34	52	6
Democrats	10%	34	52	4
Republicans	3%	36	56	4
Independents	12%	29	48	10

22. Do you think the current level of security at the country's borders is too strict, not strict enough or about right?

	Too strict	Not strict enough	About right	(Don't know)
29-30 Aug 06	4%	77	15	4
Democrats	5%	74	17	4
Republicans	1%	84	11	4
Independents	6%	74	16	4

23. Do you approve or disapprove of using racial profiling to screen airline passengers?

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
29-30 Aug 06	48%	45	7
Democrats	40%	54	6
Republicans	62%	31	7
Independents	43%	47	10

24. - 25. Do you agree or disagree with the following statements?  
 "If the United States doesn't absolutely control its borders soon, the country will be finished within 10 years."

	Agree	Disagree	(Don't know)
29-30 Aug 06	32%	62	6
Democrats	30%	63	7
Republicans	35%	62	3
Independents	33%	62	5

"The United States should have open borders and allow most immigrants to enter the country."

	Agree	Disagree	(Don't know)
29-30 Aug 06	10%	87	3
Democrats	16%	81	3
Republicans	4%	95	1
Independents	9%	87	4

26. When do you think Usama bin Laden and radical Muslim terrorists declared war on the United States? Did they declare war before the September 11 attacks or were the attacks on September 11 their declaration of war?

SCALE: 1. Before the September 11 attacks 2. With the September 11 attacks  
 3. (Don't know)

	Before 9-11	With 9-11	(DK)
29-30 Aug 06	72%	19	9
Democrats	70%	22	8
Republicans	80%	16	4
Independents	71%	17	12

27. How well prepared do you think your local authorities are to handle a terrorist attack in your area?

SCALE: 1. Very prepared 2. Somewhat prepared 3. Not very prepared 4. Not at all prepared 5. (Don't know)

	-- Prepared --			-- Not prepared --			(DK)
	TOTAL	Vry	Smwt	TOTAL	Ntvvy	Not	
29-30 Aug 06	47%	9	38	48	26	22	5
Democrats	48%	8	40	49	22	27	3
Republicans	53%	11	42	42	29	13	5
Independents	33%	6	27	60	30	30	7
8-9 Sep 02	58%	17	41	31	18	13	11
9-10 Jul 02	57%	16	41	35	20	15	8

28. How worried are you that terrorist attacks might take place where you live or work?

SCALE: 1. Very worried 2. Somewhat worried 3. Not very worried 4. Not worried at all 5. (Don't know)

	-- Worried --			-- Not worried --			(DK)
	TOTAL	Vry	Smwt	TOTAL	Ntvvy	Not	
29-30 Aug 06	34%	8	26	65	37	28	1
Democrats	37%	10	27	63	35	28	-
Republicans	31%	7	24	69	42	27	-
Independents	36%	8	28	63	34	29	1
30-31 Aug 05	38%	10	28	59	30	29	2
7-8 Sep 04 LV	39%	11	28	60	32	28	1
9-10 Sep 03	32%	7	25	66	36	30	2
25-26 Mar 03	36%	9	27	63	34	29	1
8-9 Sep 02	20%	6	14	78	21	57	2
9-10 Jul 02	35%	11	24	64	34	30	1
12-13 Dec 01	37%	11	26	62	31	31	1
17-18 Oct 01	43%	12	31	56	28	28	1
19-20 Sep 01	35%	11	24	64	31	33	1

29. - 32. If a major terrorist attack or natural disaster were to happen in your area, how much are you depending on [INSERT ITEM] to help you and keep you safe? [RANDOMIZE OPTIONS]

SCALE: 1. A lot 2. Some, but not a lot 3. A little 4. Not at all  
5. (Don't know)

	-- Depending --			- Not depending -			
	TOTAL	A lot	Some	TOTAL	Little	Not	(DK)
Your local government	59%	29	30	39	22	17	3
Democrats	61%	30	31	36	20	16	3
Republicans	60%	27	33	38	24	14	2
Independents	50%	25	25	48	23	25	1
Your state government	61%	27	34	38	22	16	1
Democrats	60%	29	31	38	22	16	2
Republicans	61%	21	40	38	25	13	-
Independents	57%	26	31	43	23	20	2
The federal government	56%	27	29	43	23	20	2
Democrats	56%	27	29	42	22	20	2
Republicans	60%	27	33	39	24	15	1
Independents	45%	23	22	52	21	31	2
Yourself, your family and friends	89%	70	19	10	6	4	2
Democrats	86%	66	20	12	7	5	2
Republicans	90%	71	19	10	7	3	-
Independents	91%	77	14	3	2	1	5

33. President George W. Bush took office just months before the 9-11 terrorist attacks in 2001. Do you think it would have been better or worse for the country if his challenger Al Gore had been president when the terrorist attacks happened?

	Better	Worse	(Same)	(Don't know)
29-30 Aug 06	34%	33	21	12
Democrats	56%	6	23	15
Republicans	6%	71	17	5
Independents	37%	27	22	14

34. Since September 11, has the United States made more progress or less progress in the war on terrorism than you would have expected, or has progress been about what you expected?

	More progress	Less progress	Same as expected	(Don't know)
29-30 Aug 06	28%	34	34	4
Democrats	19%	45	33	3
Republicans	42%	17	38	4
Independents	27%	40	28	5

35. Do you think the United States overreacted to the September 11 terrorist attacks, did not react strongly enough, or was the response about right?

	Overreacted	Not strongly enough	About right	(Don't know)
29-30 Aug 06	13%	32	51	4
Democrats	20%	32	43	6
Republicans	2%	29	67	2
Independents	18%	35	41	6

36. Which party do you trust to do a better job protecting the country from terrorism -- Democrats or Republicans? (ROTATE)

	Trust Democrats	Trust Republicans	Trust (Both the same)	(Neither)	(Don't know)
29-30 Aug 06	33%	37	10	12	8
Democrats	66%	4	12	9	8
Republicans	1%	84	7	6	1
Independents	23%	29	12	23	13
14-15 Mar 06	30%	39	10	13	7
28 Feb-1 Mar 06	33%	38	10	12	7
10-11 Jan 06	30%	43	11	9	7

37. Which one of the following are you most concerned about being the victim of?

SCALE: 1. A terrorist attack 2. A natural disaster, such as a hurricane, tornado or earthquake 3. Or a street crime 4. (All) 5. (None) 6. (Don't know)

	Terrorist attack	Natural disaster	Street crime	(All)	(None)	(DK)
29-30 Aug 06	12%	33	44	6	3	1
Democrats	8%	42	41	6	2	1
Republicans	15%	29	48	6	2	1
Independents	9%	23	52	8	5	2

38. Do you think the war against terrorism is more important, less important or equally as important today as it was just after September 11?

	More important	Less important	Equally important	(Don't know)
29-30 Aug 06	38%	7	53	2
Democrats	39%	8	51	2
Republicans	41%	3	56	-
Independents	35%	8	54	3
23-24 Mar 04	41%	7	49	3

39. Do you think the September 11 terrorist attacks on the United States symbolize the beginning of World War III or is that an exaggeration?

	Yes, start of WWII	No, an exaggeration	(Don't know)
29-30 Aug 06	26%	65	9
Democrats	23%	68	9
Republicans	28%	64	8
Independents	28%	63	9

40. How likely do you think it is that there are members of the Al Qaeda terrorist group living in your local area?

SCALE: 1. Very likely 2. Somewhat likely 3. Not very likely 4. Not at all likely 5 (Don't know)

	--- Likely ---			-- Not likely --			(DK)
	TOTAL	Vry	Smwt	TOTAL	Ntvty	Not	
29-30 Aug 06	54%	20	34	41	23	18	4
Democrats	51%	20	31	44	22	22	4
Republicans	59%	19	40	37	24	13	3
Independents	51%	23	28	42	25	17	7

For reference: How likely do you think it is that there are terrorists living in your city or hometown?

	--- Likely ---			-- Not likely --			(DK)
	TOTAL	Vry	Smwt	TOTAL	Ntvty	Not	
9-10 Sep 03	47%	20%	27	49	27	22	4
18-19 June 02	58%	27%	31	37	23	14	5

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

	Democrat	Republican	(Independent)	(Other)	(Refused/Don't know)
29-30 Aug 06	41%	33	20	3	3
8-9 Aug 06	42%	34	18	3	3