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Hello, this is _____, calling for The Gallup Poll. May I please speak with the YOUNGEST MALE, 18 years of age or older, who is now at home? (INTERVIEWER NOTE: Need youngest AVAILABLE male, not necessarily the youngest adult male member of the household) (If "No male" available, ask:) May I please speak with the OLDEST FEMALE, 18 years of age or older, who is now at home? (When qualified respondent is reached, continue:) Today, we are conducting a national study of people's opinions about government and politics in America.

1 Yes, male respondent available (Continue)
2 Yes, female respondent available (Continue)

4 No adult 18 or older in household -
(Thank, Terminate & Tally)

7 No adult 18 or older available -
(Set time to call back)

8 (Refused) - (Thank and Terminate)

_____ (1/44)

****STATE: (Code from "Fone" file)**

01	Alabama - SC	30	Montana - W
02	Alaska - W	31	Nebraska - NC
04	Arizona - W	32	Nevada - W
05	Arkansas - SC	33	New Hampshire - NE
06	California - W	34	New Jersey - NE
08	Colorado - W	35	New Mexico - W
09	Connecticut - NE	36	New York - NE
10	Delaware - SC	37	North Carolina - SC
11	Washington D.C. - SC	38	North Dakota - NC
12	Florida - SC	39	Ohio - NC
13	Georgia - SC	40	Oklahoma - SC
15	Hawaii - W	41	Oregon - W
16	Idaho - W	42	Pennsylvania - NE
17	Illinois - NC	44	Rhode Island - NE
18	Indiana - NC	45	South Carolina - SC
19	Iowa - NC	46	South Dakota - NC
20	Kansas - NC	47	Tennessee - SC
21	Kentucky - SC	48	Texas - SC
22	Louisiana - SC	49	Utah - W
23	Maine - NE	50	Vermont - NE
24	Maryland - SC	51	Virginia - SC
25	Massachusetts - NE	53	Washington - W
26	Michigan - NC	54	West Virginia - SC
27	Minnesota - NC	55	Wisconsin - NC
28	Mississippi - SC	56	Wyoming - W
29	Missouri - NC		

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S2. REGION: (Code from S1)

1	NE
2	SC
3	NC
4	W

(1/18)

S3. AGE: First, can you please tell me your age.
(Open ended and code actual age)

00 (Refused) - (Thank & Terminate)

17 17 and under - [Ask to speak to available
adult (youngest male/oldest female, and
Reset to Introduction)]

18-
99 99+ (Continue)

(1/45) (1/46)

(INTERVIEWER READ:) Now, I'd like to begin with some
general questions.

1. First, there are lots of programs on television,
like entertainment shows, sports, movies, and the
news. We are interested in whether you watch the
news. Some people don't and some do. Do you
ever watch the news?

1 Yes - (Continue)

2 No (Skip to #3)

3 (DK) (Skip to #3)

4 (Refused) (Skip to #3)

(5/12)

2. (If code "1" in #1, ask:) How often do you watch news
programs - every day, most days, once or twice a week
or only occasionally?

4 Every day

3 Most days

2 Once or twice a week

1 Only occasionally

5 (DK)

6 (Refused) _____ (5/13)
3. Some people read the news in the newspaper and others don't. Do you ever read the news in the newspaper?

1 Yes - (Continue)

2 No (Skip to #5)

3 (DK) (Skip to #5)

4 (Refused) (Skip to #5) _____ (5/14)

4. (If code "1" in #3, ask:) How often do you read the news in the newspaper - every day, most days, once or twice a week, or only occasionally?

4 Every day

3 Most days

2 Once or twice a week

1 Only occasionally

5 (DK)

6 (Refused) _____ (5/15)

5. How interested are you in politics and national affairs? Are you very interested, somewhat interested, slightly interested, or not at all interested?

4 Very interested

3 Somewhat interested

2 Slightly interested

1 Not at all interested

5 (DK)

6 (Refused) _____ (5/16)

6. What do you think is the biggest single problem facing this country today? (Open ended)

0001 Other (list)

0002 (DK) (Skip to #10)

0003 (Refused) (Skip to #10)

0004 HOLD

0005 HOLD

(5/17 - 5/20)

7. (If code "0001" in #6, ask:) How good of a job do you think the federal government is doing in dealing with this problem? Would you say they are doing a good job, a fair job or a poor job?

3 Good job

2 Fair job

1 Poor job

4 (DK)

5 (Refused)

(5/21)

8. Thinking about the American people, do you think most Americans, some Americans, or very few Americans think (response in #6) is the single biggest problem facing the country today?

3 Most Americans

2 Some Americans

1 Very few Americans

4 (DK)

5 (Refused)

(5/22)

9. And do you think most Americans, some Americans, or very few Americans agree on what needs to be done to solve this problem?

- 3 Most Americans
- 2 Some Americans
- 1 Very few Americans

- 4 (DK)
- 5 (Refused)

_____ (5/23)

10. Next I want you to think about how the government does its work. If you could change anything about the way political decisions are made, what would it be? **(Probe:)** Anything else? (Open ended)
(Probe for two responses)

- 0001 Other (list)
- 0002 (DK)
- 0003 (Refused)
- 0004 None/Nothing
- 0005 HOLD

_____ 1st
Resp: (5/24 - 5/27)

_____ 2nd
Resp: (5/28 - 5/31)

11. Now I am going to read some statements. As I do, tell me if you agree or disagree with each one. How about (read and rotate A-C)? Do you agree or disagree with that statement.

2 Agree
1 Disagree

3 (DK)
4 (Refused)

A. People like you have a say about what the government does _____ (5/32)

B. Sometimes politics and government seem so complicated that a person like you cannot understand what's going on _____ (5/33)

C. Public officials care a lot about what people like you think

12. We are interested in how people are getting along financially these days. Would you say that you are better off financially, worse off or just about the same as you were a year ago?

3 Better off
2 Same
1 Worse off

4 (DK)
5 (Refused)

_____ (5/35)

13. We would like to know your views about the nation's financial well-being. Is the nation better off, worse off, or about the same financially as it was a year ago?

3 Better off

- 2 Same
- 1 Worse off

- 4 (DK)
- 5 (Refused)

14. Now I would like you to rate some ideas about the workings of government. Some people say what we need in this country is for ordinary people like you and me to decide for ourselves what needs to be done and how. Others say ordinary people are too busy and should instead allow elected officials and bureaucrats to make all political decisions. Still others say a combination would be best. Imagine a seven-point scale, with "1" being ordinary people making all decisions on their own, and "7" being elected officials and bureaucrats making all the decisions on their own, while "2", "3", "4", "5", or "6" indicate in-between opinions on these two extremes. Which number from one to seven best represents (read A-F)? (NOTE TO INTERVIEWER: If necessary, point out to respondents that the lower points of the scale, starting with one, mean they primarily think "ordinary people should be making the decisions"; while the higher points on the scale, ending with seven, mean they primarily think "elected officials and bureaucrats should be making the decisions", and that they need to indicate what their opinion is from one to seven)

7 Elected officials and bureaucrats should be making all the decisions on their own

- 6
- 5
- 4
- 3
- 2

- 1 Ordinary people should be making all decisions on their own
- 8 (DK)
- 9 (Refused)
- 0 (Live in Washington DC/No state government)

14. (Continued:)

- A. How you think government SHOULD work _____ (5/37)
- B. How the American people as a whole think government SHOULD work _____ (5/38)
- C. How the Democratic party thinks government SHOULD work _____ (5/39)
- D. How the Republican Party thinks government SHOULD work _____ (5/40)
- E. How you think the national government in Washington ACTUALLY works _____ (5/41)
- F. How you think your state government ACTUALLY works _____ (5/42)

15. I am now going to read some statements about politics in America. As I do, tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with each one. How about **(read and rotate A-Q)? (Read twice, and then as needed:)** Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with that statement? **(NOTE TO INTERVIEWER: Keep checking to make sure respondent is considering the extremes of the scale, especially if you sense he or she is using agree or disagree in place of yes or no)**

- 4 Strongly Agree
- 3 Agree
- 2 Disagree
- 1 Strongly Disagree

5 (DK)
6 (Refused)

15. (Continued:)

- A. Elected officials would help the country more if they would stop talking and just take action on important problems _____ (5/43)
- B. What people call "compromise" in politics is really just selling out on one's principles _____ (5/44)
- C. There is not a dime's worth of differences between the Democratic and Republican parties _____ (5/45)
- D. Members of Congress should do what they think is best regardless of what the people in their district want _____ (5/46)
- E. Members of Congress should be allowed to stay in office as long and as often as they're elected _____ (5/47)
- F. The media should quit focusing on all the negative news because it makes things seem worse than they are _____ (5/48)
- G. People should obey the law even if it goes against what they think is right _____ (5/49)
- H. The current political system does a good job of representing the interests of all Americans, rich or poor, white or black, male or female _____ (5/50)
- I. If the American people were just given a chance, they could figure out how to solve this country's problems _____ (5/51)

- J. Special interest groups are really just groups of people with a common interest who join together to have more power _____ (5/52)
- K. If the American people decided political issues directly instead of relying on politicians, the country would be a lot better off _____ (5/53)
- L. Congress needs to have committees to get its work done _____ (5/54)
- M. People should be able to say what's on their mind no matter how repulsive their views might be to others _____ (5/55)
- N. Power should be shifted from the federal government to the state and local governments _____ (5/56)
- O. Our government would run better if decisions were left up to successful business people _____ (5/57)
- P. What we need is a new national party to run candidates for office _____ (5/58)
- Q. You sometimes break laws that the government shouldn't have passed in the first place _____ (5/59)

16. We hear a lot of talk these days about liberals and conservatives. Some people hold extremely liberal political views. Think of them as a "1" on a seven-point scale. Other people hold extremely conservative political views. Think of them as a "7" on a seven-point scale. And, of course, there are people in between at "2", "3", "4", "5", or "6". Using the one-to-seven scale, with "1" defined as extremely liberal and, "7" as extremely conservative, how do you rate (read A-

F)?

- 7 Extremely conservative
- 6
- 5
- 4
- 3
- 2
- 1 Extremely liberal

- 8 (DK) - **(do not probe)**
- 9 (Refused)
- 0 (Live in Washington DC/No state government)

- A. Yourself _____ (5/60)
- B. The Democratic Party _____ (5/61)
- C. The Republican Party _____ (5/62)
- D. The recent policies of the national government in Washington _____ (5/63)
- E. Your state government _____ (5/64)
- F. The American people as a whole _____ (5/65)

17. Some people say the best way to reduce crime is to address the social problems that cause crime, like bad schools, poverty and joblessness. Other people say the best way to reduce crime is to make sure that criminals are caught, convicted and punished. Which do you think is most important to do: address conditions that cause crime, or get tough with criminals?

- 1 Address conditions that cause crime (Continue)
- 2 Get tough with criminals (Continue)
- 3 (Combination of both) (Skip to #19)
- 4 (DK) (Skip to #19)
- 5 (Refused) (Skip to #19)

_____ (5/66)

18. (If code "1" or "2" in #17, ask:) Do you feel strongly or not so strongly that we should (response in #17)?

- 1 Strongly
- 2 Not so strongly
- 3 (DK)
- 4 (Refused)

_____ (5/67)

19. Some people say the government should make sure that everyone who needs welfare payments gets them, even if some people abuse the system. Others say the government should make sure there is no abuse of welfare, even if that means that some people who truly need help don't get it. Which is closer to your view - that the government should make sure that everyone who needs welfare payments gets them or that the government should make sure there is no abuse of welfare?

- 1 Everyone who needs welfare payments gets them (Continue)
- 2 There is no abuse of welfare (Continue)
- 3 (DK) (Skip to #21)
- 4 (Refused) (Skip to #21)

_____ (5/68)

20. (If code "1" or "2" in #19, ask:) Do you feel strongly or not so strongly that the government should make sure that (response in #19)?

- 1 Strongly

2 Not So Strongly

3 (DK)

4 (Refused)

_____ (5/69)

21. Some people believe that the protection of the environment should be a top priority, even if it means losing some jobs and businesses in an area. Other people believe that business concerns should come first, even if it sometimes means hurting the environment. Which is closer to your view - that the environment should be protected even if it hurts business or that business concerns should come first even if it hurts the environment?

1 Protecting the environment
should come first (Continue)

2 Business concerns should
come first (Continue)

3 (DK) - (Skip to "Interviewer Read"
before #23)

4 (Refused) (Skip to "Interviewer Read"
before #23)

_____ (5/70)

22. (If code "1" or "2" in #21, ask:) Do you feel strongly or not so strongly that (response in #21)?

1 Strongly

2 Not So Strongly

3 (DK)

4 (Refused)

_____ (5/71)

(INTERVIEWER READ:) I would now like to know how you feel about different parts of the American political system.

23. First, tell me if any of the following aspects of our political system have made you proud. How

about (read and rotate A-C)?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 (DK)
- 4 (Refused)
- 5 (Live in Washington DC/No state government)

- A. The American people _____ (5/72)
- B. The national government in Washington _____ (5/73)
- C. Your state government _____ (5/74)

24. Now, have any of them made you angry? How about (read and rotate A-C)?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 (DK)
- 4 (Refused)
- 5 (Live in Washington DC/No state government)

- A. The American people _____ (5/75)
- B. The national government in Washington _____ (5/76)
- C. Your state government _____ (5/77)

25. Next, I would like you to think about how you would characterize two groups—the American people and elected officials in Washington. First, let's think about being informed. If "1" is extremely uninformed, and "7" is extremely informed, with "2", "3", "4", "5" and "6" in between, where would you place **(read and rotate A-B)**?

7 Extremely informed
6
5
4
3
2
1 Extremely uninformed

8 (DK)
9 (Refused)

- A. The American people _____ (5/78)
B. The elected officials in Washington _____ (5/79)

26. Now, if "1" is extremely selfish, and "7" is extremely unselfish, where would you place **(read and rotate A-B)**?

7 Extremely unselfish
6
5
4
3
2
1 Extremely selfish

8 (DK)
9 (Refused)

- A. The American people _____ (6/12)

B. The elected officials in Washington _____ (6/13)
27. Next, if "1" is extremely divided among themselves
on political issues, and "7" is extremely united,
where would you place (read and rotate A-B)?

- 7 Extremely united
- 6
- 5
- 4
- 3
- 2
- 1 Extremely divided among themselves

- 8 (DK)
- 9 (Refused)

A. The American people _____ (6/14)

B. The elected officials in Washington _____ (6/15)

28. Finally, let's think about intelligence. If "1" is
extremely unintelligent, and "7" is extremely
intelligent, where would you place the
intelligence of (read and rotate A-B)?

- 7 Extremely intelligent
- 6
- 5
- 4
- 3
- 2
- 1 Extremely unintelligent

- 8 (DK)
- 9 (Refused)

A. The American people _____ (6/16)

B. The elected officials in Washington _____ (6/17)

29. I am now going to read some more statements about politics and government. As you did before, please tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with each one. How about (read and rotate A-S)? (Read twice, and then as needed:) Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with that statement? (NOTE TO INTERVIEWER: Keep checking to make sure respondent is considering the extremes of the scale, especially if you sense he or she is using agree or disagree in place of yes or no)

- 4 Strongly agree
- 3 Agree
- 2 Disagree
- 1 Strongly Disagree

- 5 (DK)
- 6 (Refused)

A. Our basic governmental structures are the best in the world and should not be changed in a major fashion _____ (6/18)

B. You are generally satisfied with the public policies the government has produced lately _____ (6/19)

C. The President needs a lot of staffers and assistants to get his work done _____ (6/20)

D. Government officials should debate more because they are too likely to rush into action without discussing all sides _____ (6/21)

E. Interest groups should be prohibited from contacting members of Congress _____ (6/22)

F. The American people disagree with each other

- so much that politicians need to compromise
in order to get anything done _____ (6/23)
- G. When the country is in danger we may have to
force people to testify against themselves
even if it violates their rights _____ (6/24)
- H. Political parties should be banned from
politics _____ (6/25)
- I. The media does a good job letting the
government know what the American people are
concerned about _____ (6/26)
- J. People just don't have enough time or
knowledge about politics to make decisions
about important political issues _____ (6/27)
- K. It is hard to blame people for breaking the
law if they can get away with it _____ (6/28)
- L. The American government used to be able to
get the job done, but it can't seem to any
more _____ (6/29)
- M. Our government would run better if decisions
were left up to non-elected, independent
experts rather than politicians or the people _____ (6/30)
- N. Limits should be placed on how much money can
be spent in political campaigns _____ (6/31)
- O. Our government would work best if it were run
like a business _____ (6/32)
- P. If someone is suspected of treason or other
serious crimes, he or she shouldn't be
entitled to be let out on bail _____ (6/33)
- Q. When you get right down to it, political
parties are doing a pretty good job for the

people of the United States _____ (6/34)

R. Special interest groups have too much control
over what the government does _____ (6/35)

S. People should be allowed to vote directly on
policies through ballot initiatives and the
like much more often than they do now _____ (6/36)

30. Now, please tell me if you strongly approve,
approve, disapprove or strongly disapprove of the
way different entities have been handling their
job lately. How about (read and rotate A-F)?
(Read twice, and then as needed:) Do you strongly
approve, approve, disapprove, or strongly
disapprove with the way they have been handling
their job lately? (NOTE TO INTERVIEWER: Keep
checking to make sure respondent is considering
the extremes of the scale, especially if you sense
he or she is using approve or disapprove in place
of yes or no)

- 4 Strongly approve
- 3 Approve
- 2 Disapprove
- 1 Strongly disapprove

- 5 (DK)
- 6 (Refused)
- 7 (Live in Washington DC/No state government)

A. The political system overall _____ (6/37)

B. The federal government _____ (6/38)

C. Your state government _____ (6/39)

D. The Supreme Court _____ (6/40)

E. President Bill Clinton _____ (6/41)

F. Congress

_____ (6/42)

31. Regardless of what you thought of Ross Perot as a person, did you strongly approve, approve, disapprove or strongly disapprove of what Ross Perot had to say when he ran for president?

- 4 Strongly approve
- 3 Approve
- 2 Disapprove
- 1 Strongly disapprove

- 5 (DK)
- 6 (Refused)

_____ (6/43)

32. Do you think most people would try to take advantage of you if they got a chance, or do you think they would try to be fair?

- 1 Try to take advantage if they got the chance
- 2 Try to be fair

- 3 (DK)
- 4 (Refused)

_____ (6/44)

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

- 1 Most people can be trusted
- 2 Can't be too careful in dealing with people

- 3 (DK)
- 4 (Refused)

_____ (6/45)

34. I am going to read some general statements. As before, tell me if you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with each one. How about (read and rotate A-E)? (Read twice, and then as needed:) Do you strongly agree, agree,

disagree, or strongly disagree with that statement? (NOTE TO INTERVIEWER: Keep checking to make sure respondent is considering the extremes of the scale, especially if you sense he or she is using agree or disagree in place of yes or no)

- 4 Strongly agree
- 3 Agree
- 2 Disagree
- 1 Strongly disagree

- 5 (DK)
- 6 (Refused)

34. (Continued:)

- A. The more people are faced with a lot of different opinions on a subject, the more likely they are to make good decisions _____ (6/46)
- B. When you get right down to it, it's best to seek the advice of people who share your own opinions and values _____ (6/47)
- C. When people argue about political issues, you feel uneasy and uncomfortable _____ (6/48)
- D. A conversation really starts to get fun when people start disagreeing with each other _____ (6/49)
- E. The real keys to the good life are obedience, discipline, and sticking to the straight and narrow _____ (6/50)

35. Groups in our political system differ in how much power they have. Please tell me if the group I mention has too much, about the right amount, or not enough power. How about (read and rotate A-E)?

- 3 Too much power
- 2 About the right amount

- 1 Not enough power
- 4 (DK)
- 5 (Refused)
- 6 (Live in Washington DC/No state government)

- A. Political parties _____ (6/51)
- B. Special interest groups _____ (6/52)
- C. The national government in Washington _____ (6/53)
- D. Your state government _____ (6/54)
- E. Ordinary people _____ (6/55)

36. Now, I would like to know how often you have done any of the following. Tell me if you have done it often, occasionally or never. How about **(read and rotate A-C)**? Have you done it often, occasionally, or never?

- 3 Often
- 2 Occasionally
- 1 Never
- 4 (DK)
- 5 (Refused)

- A. Criticized the political system or some aspect of it in a discussion with someone you know or in a newspaper or call-in radio show _____ (6/56)
- B. Heard people criticizing the political system and remained silent _____ (6/57)
- C. Defended the political system or some aspect

of it in a discussion with someone you know
or in a newspaper or call-in radio show

_____ (6/58)

(INTERVIEWER READ:) Now, I have a few questions concerning various public figures. We want to see how much information about them gets out to the public from television, newspapers and the like.

37. The first name is Al Gore. What job or political office does he now hold? **(NOTE TO INTERVIEWER: Respondents must make the correct identification before you can code his/her response a "1"; for example, for this question you need to hear Vice President, not something like "he's the one who works with Clinton and takes over if Clinton is no longer President")**

- 1 Correctly identifies Gore
as the VICE PRESIDENT
- 2 Identification is incomplete
or wrong
- 3 (DK)
- 4 (Refused)

_____ (6/59)

38. What about Tony Blair? What job or political office does he now hold? **(NOTE TO INTERVIEWER: Here saying he's leader/top man/head or something of that sort is acceptable as a correct answer, if they also indicated it is the United Kingdom/Great Britain/England; of course, they can also say Prime Minister)**

- 1 Correctly identifies Blair as Prime
Minister of the United Kingdom/
Great Britain/England; leader/

top man/head of the United Kingdom/
Great Britain/England
2 Identification is incomplete or wrong
3 (DK)
4 (Refused) _____ (6/60)

39. Who has the final responsibility to decide if a law is constitutional or not? Is it the President, the Congress, the Supreme Court, or don't you know?

1 President
2 Congress
3 Supreme Court
4 (DK)
5 (Refused) _____ (6/61)

40. Which party currently has the most members in the U. S. Senate? (Open ended and code)

1 Republicans
2 Democrats
3 (Other)
4 (DK)
5 (Refused) _____ (6/62)

(GO TO DEMOGRAPHICS)

DEMOGRAPHICS BEGIN HERE:

(INTERVIEWER READ:) I now have some final questions for classification purposes.

D1. Are you currently registered to vote?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 (Not applicable/Don't need to register)
- 4 (DK)
- 5 (Refused)

_____ (6/63)

D2. Did you vote back in the national election in November 1996, when the presidential candidates were Bill Clinton, Bob Dole, and Ross Perot?

- 1 Yes - **(Continue)**
- 2 No **(Skip to D4)**
- 3 (DK) **(Skip to D4)**
- 4 (Refused) **(Skip to D4)**

_____ (6/64)

D3. **(If code "1" in D2, ask:)** Did you vote for the Democrat Bill Clinton, the Republican Bob Dole, or the Independent Ross Perot?

- 1 Bill Clinton
- 2 Bob Dole
- 3 Ross Perot
- 4 (Other)
- 5 (Don't Remember/DK)
- 6 (Refused)

_____ (6/65)

(DEMOGRAPHICS CONTINUED)

D4. In the past few years, have you contributed money to an individual candidate, a political party, a political action committee, or any other organization that supported candidates?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 (DK)
- 4 (Refused)

_____ (6/66)

D5. In the past few years, have you initiated any contacts with an elected official or someone on the staff of an elected official?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 (DK)
- 4 (Refused)

_____ (6/67)

D6. In the past few years, have you taken part in a protest, march ,or demonstration on some national or local political issue?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 (DK)
- 4 (Refused)

_____ (6/68)

D7. Are you a member of at least one community-betterment organization, such as the PTA (Parent-Teacher Association) the Lions or Sertoma Club, or a charitable-activity group?

- 1 Yes - (Continue)

- 2 No (Skip to D9)
- 3 (DK) (Skip to D9)
- 4 (Refused) (Skip to D9) _____ (6/69)

(DEMOGRAPHICS CONTINUED)

D8. (If code "1" in D7, ask:) Are you very active, somewhat active, or not very active in this group?

- 3 Very active
- 2 Somewhat active
- 1 Not very active
- 4 (DK)
- 5 (Refused) _____ (6/70)

D9. Are you a member of at least one group involved in political or social affairs, such as a labor union or an organization such as the NRA (National Rifle Association) or AARP (American Association of Retired Persons)?

- 1 Yes - (Continue)
- 2 No (Skip to D11)
- 3 (DK) (Skip to D11)
- 4 (Refused) (Skip to D11) _____ (6/71)

D10. (If code "1" in D9, ask:) Are you very active, somewhat active, or not very active in this group?

- 3 Very active
- 2 Somewhat active
- 1 Not very active
- 4 (DK)
- 5 (Refused) _____ (6/72)

(DEMOGRAPHICS CONTINUED)

D11. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent, or something else?

- 1 Democrat - (Continue)
- 2 Republican - (Skip to D13)
- 3 Independent - (Skip to D14)
- 4 Other/minor party (Skip to D14)
- 5 (DK) (Skip to D14)
- 6 (Refused) (Skip to D14)

_____ (6/73)

D12. (If code "1" in D11, ask:) Would you call yourself a strong Democrat or not a very strong Democrat?

- 1 Strong
- 2 Not very strong
- 3 (DK)
- 4 (Refused)

_____ (6/74)

(All in D12, Skip to D15)

D13. (If code "2" in D11, ask:) Would you call yourself a strong Republican or not a very strong Republican?

- 1 Strong
- 2 Not very strong
- 3 (DK)

4 (Refused)

_____ (6/75)

(All in D13, Skip to D15)

(DEMOGRAPHICS CONTINUED)

D14. (If code "3-6" in D11, ask:) Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican or Democratic party?

- 1 Democratic
- 2 Republican
- 3 (Neither)
- 4 (Other)
- 5 (DK)
- 6 (Refused)

_____ (6/76)

D15. What is the highest level of education you have completed? (Open ended and code)

- 01 Less than high school
- 02 Some high school
- 03 High School Graduate
- 04 Some technical school
- 05 Technical School Graduate
- 06 Some college
- 07 College Graduate
- 08 Post Graduate or professional degree
- 09 Other
- 10 (DK)
- 11 (Refused)

_____ (6/77) (6/78)

D16. Are you, yourself, of Hispanic origin or descent, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or other Spanish background?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 (DK)
- 4 (Refused)

_____ (6/79)

(DEMOGRAPHICS CONTINUED)

D17. What is your race? Are you white, African-American, Asian or some other race?

- 01 Some other race (list)
- 02 (DK)
- 03 (Refused)
- 04 HOLD
- 05 HOLD

- 06 White
- 07 African-American/Black
- 08 Asian/Oriental
- 09 (Hispanic)

_____ (7/12) (7/13)

**(If code "09" in D17, Continue;
Otherwise, Skip to D19)**

D18. **(If code "09" in D17, ask:)** Do you consider yourself to be white-Hispanic or black-Hispanic?

- 01 Other (list)
- 02 (DK)
- 03 (Refused)
- 04 HOLD

- 05 HOLD
- 06 White Hispanic
- 07 Black Hispanic
- 08 (Hispanic/Respondent refuses to discriminate)

_____ (7/14) (7/15)

(DEMOGRAPHICS CONTINUED)

19. Was your total household income in 1997, before taxes, above or below \$35,000?

- 1 Above - (Continue)
- 2 Below - (Skip to D21)
- 3 (DK) (Skip to D22)
- 4 (Refused) (Skip to D22)

_____ (7/16)

D20. (If code "1" in D19, ask:) I am going to mention a number of income categories. When I come to the category that describes your total household income before taxes in 1997, please stop me. (Read 1-6)

- 1 \$35,000 to less than \$40,000
- 2 \$40,000 to less than \$50,000
- 3 \$50,000 to less than \$60,000
- 4 \$60,000 to less than \$70,000
- 5 \$70,000 to less than \$100,000, OR
- 6 \$100,000 and over
- 7 (DK)
- 8 (Refused)

_____ (7/17)

(All in D20, Skip to D22)

(DEMOGRAPHICS CONTINUED)

D21. (If code "2" in D19, ask:) I am going to mention a number of income categories. When I come to the category that describes your total household income before taxes in 1997, please stop me.
(Read 7-1)

- 7 \$30,000 to less than \$35,000
- 6 \$25,000 to less than \$30,000
- 5 \$20,000 to less than \$25,000
- 4 \$15,000 to less than \$20,000
- 3 \$10,000 to less than \$15,000
- 2 \$5,000 to less than \$10,000
- 1 Under \$5,000

8 (DK)

9 (Refused)

_____ (7/18)

D22. GENDER: (Do not ask; code only)

1 Male

2 Female

_____ (7/19)

(INTERVIEWER READ:) Again, this is _____, with The Gallup Organization of Lincoln, Nebraska. I'd like to thank you for your time. Our mission is to "help people be heard", and your opinions are important to Gallup in accomplishing this.

(VALIDATE PHONE NUMBER AND THANK RESPONDENT)

INTERVIEWER I.D.# _____ (2/41-
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