

**1:** **PROJECT**  
 Arkansas Poll 2006

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**2:** **QUEST**  
 Questionnaire ID

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**2:** **S\_LAN**  
 Language in which the survey was completed

English ..... 1  
 Spanish ..... 2

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**3:** **RESULT**  
 Result of the survey

Survey completed ..... 1  
 Partial survey, completed to the 80% mark ..... 2  
 Partial survey, 50% to 80% completed ..... 3

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**4:** **PLACE**  
 City in which phone number is located

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**5:** **STATE**  
 State in which phone number is located

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**6:** **REGION**  
 Region Respondent lives in

Northwest Arkansas ..... 1  
 Southwest Arkansas ..... 2  
 Central Arkansas ..... 3  
 Northeast Arkansas ..... 4  
 Southeast Arkansas ..... 5

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**56:** **Q5**  
 I would first like to ask you how many years you have lived in Arkansas, or have you lived here all of your life?

Enter number of years .....  
 Less than one year ..... 96  
 All my life ..... 97      => /Q7  
 Don't know ..... 98  
 Refused ..... 99

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**57:**

Where did you spend most of your life before coming to Arkansas?

Alabama.....	01	Missouri .....	36
Alaska .....	02	Montana .....	27
Arizona .....	03	Nebraska.....	28
Arkansas .....	04	Nevada .....	29
California.....	05	New Hampshire.....	30
Colorado .....	06	New Jersey .....	31
Connecticut.....	07	New Mexico.....	32
Delaware.....	08	New York.....	33
District of Columbia.....	09	North Carolina.....	34
Florida.....	10	North Dakota.....	35
Georgia .....	11	Ohio.....	36
Hawaii.....	12	Oklahoma .....	37
Idaho .....	13	Oregon.....	38
Illinois.....	14	Pennsylvania.....	39
Indiana .....	15	Rhode Island .....	40
Iowa .....	16	South Carolina.....	41
Kansas.....	17	South Dakota.....	42
Kentucky.....	18	Tennessee.....	43
Louisiana.....	19	Texas .....	44
Maine.....	20	Utah.....	45
Maryland.....	21	Vermont .....	46
Massachusetts.....	22	Virginia .....	47
Michigan.....	23	Washington .....	48
Minnesota.....	24	West Virginia .....	49
Mississippi.....	25	Wisconsin.....	50
		Wyoming.....	51
		Other.....	52
		Don't know .....	98
		Refused.....	99

**58:**

**Q7**

*Most Important Problem*

Okay. And which of the following is the most important problem or issue facing people in Arkansas today? The issues are: [READ LIST WITH ROTATION]. Which of these do you think is most important?

The economy .....	1
Education.....	2
Gas prices.....	3
Healthcare (including insurance).....	4
Crime (including drugs and violence).....	5
Taxes.....	6
Don't know.....	8
Refused .....	9

**59:**

**COM1**

*Public Figure Approval Ratings*

Thank you. Let's move on to your thoughts on some of the people who are involved in government and politics.

**60:**

**Q8**

*Public Figure Approval Ratings*

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mike Huckabee is handling his job as governor?

Approve ..... 1  
Disapprove ..... 2  
Don't know ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

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**61:**

**Q9**

*Public Figure Approval Ratings*

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Blanche Lincoln is handling her job as a U.S. Senator?

Approve ..... 1  
Disapprove ..... 2  
Don't know ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

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**62:**

**Q10**

*Public Figure Approval Ratings*

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mark Pryor is handling his job as a U.S. Senator?

Approve ..... 1  
Disapprove ..... 2  
Don't know ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

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**63:**

**Q11**

*Public Figure Approval Ratings*

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

Approve ..... 1  
Disapprove ..... 2  
Don't know ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

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**64:** **Q12**

*Public Figure Approval Ratings*

If the next governor's election were held today between Asa Hutchinson for the Republicans and Mike Beebe for the Democrats, for whom would you most likely vote?

Hutchinson .....	1	=> /COM2
Beebe .....	2	=> /COM2
Other (silent, only if volunteered) .....	7	O => /COM2
Don't know .....	8	
Refused .....	9	=> /COM2

**65:** **Q12A**

*Public Figure Approval Ratings*

Well, if you had to say would you lean toward Asa Hutchinson or Mike Beebe?

Hutchinson .....	1	
Beebe .....	2	
Other (silent, only if volunteered) .....	7	O
Don't know .....	8	
Refused .....	9	

**66:** **COM2**

*Ballot Measures*

Okay, moving from people to issues, you may be aware that in addition to voting on candidates this November, Arkansans will be asked to vote on two issues. Please listen carefully to a summary of each then tell me if you favor or oppose each one. Are you ready?

**68:** **Q13A**

*Ballot Measures*

Referred Question 1 deals with higher education. It allows the State of Arkansas to issue up to 250 million dollars in bonds to pay for improvements in technology and facilities at public colleges and universities. Given this description, do you favor or oppose this measure?

Favor .....	1
Oppose .....	2
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

**69:**

**Q13B**

*Ballot Measures*

Referred Question 1 is backed by Governor Huckabee and deals with higher education. It allows the State of Arkansas to issue up to 250 million dollars in bonds to pay for improvements in technology and facilities at public colleges and universities. Given this description, do you favor or oppose this measure?

Favor .....	1
Oppose .....	2
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

**70:**

**Q14A**

*Ballot Measures*

Referred Amendment 1 would make bingo and raffles legal in Arkansas if conducted by established nonprofit organizations for charitable purposes. Given this description, do you favor or oppose this measure?

Favor .....	1	=> /COM3
Oppose .....	2	=> /COM3
Don't know .....	8	=> /COM3
Refused .....	9	=> /COM3

**71:**

**Q14B**

*Ballot Measures*

Referred Amendment 1 is proposed to us by the legislature. It would make bingo and raffles legal in Arkansas if conducted by established nonprofit organizations for charitable purposes. Given this description, do you favor or oppose this measure?

Favor .....	1
Oppose .....	2
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

**72:**

**COM3**

*Current Issues*

Next, I have a couple of questions about some issues that are often in the news.

**73:** **Q15**

*Current Issues*  
 In general, would you say you favor stricter gun control, less strict gun control, or should no change be made to the existing gun control laws?

Stricter.....	1
Less strict.....	2
No change.....	3
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	9

**74:** **Q16**

*Current Issues*  
 Do you favor laws that would make it more difficult for a woman to get an abortion, favor laws that would make it easier to get an abortion or should no change be made to existing abortion laws?

More difficult.....	1
Easier.....	2
No change.....	3
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	9

**75:** **COM4**

*Gays and Lesbians*  
 Thank you. Also prominent in the news are issues related to gays and lesbians.

**76:** **Q17A**

*Gays and Lesbians*  
 Do you approve or disapprove of allowing a lesbian or gay man to adopt a child?  
 (Deactivated 10/10/2006 at 4pm)

Approve.....	1
Disapprove.....	2
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	9

**77:** **Q17B**

*Gays and Lesbians*  
 Do you approve or disapprove of a law that would allow a lesbian or gay man to adopt a child if the court found them fit in all other ways to become an adoptive parent? (Deactivated 10/10/2006 at 4pm)

Approve.....	1
Disapprove.....	2
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	9

**78:**

**Q18A**

*Gays and Lesbians*

Do you approve or disapprove of gays and lesbians serving as foster parents?

- Approve ..... 1
- Disapprove ..... 2
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**79:**

**Q18B**

*Gays and Lesbians*

Do you approve or disapprove of a law that would prevent gays and lesbians from serving as foster parents?

INTERVIEWER: The question is do they approve of the LAW. If "approve" then the respondent agrees that gays and lesbians should NOT serve as foster parents.

- Approve ..... 1
- Disapprove ..... 2
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**81:**

**Q19**

*Gays and Lesbians*

Which of the policy positions most closely resembles your own view regarding relationships between two people of the same sex:

- Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry ..... 1
- Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions or domestic partnerships, but not legally marry ..... 2
- There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship ..... 3
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**82:**

**COM5**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Emergency Response/Disaster Preparedness*

Okay, let's move on to a series of questions about emergency preparedness.

**83:**

**Q20**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Emergency Response/Disaster Preparedness*

Within the last 3 years, have you or a member of your household called 911 for emergency assistance for you or anyone else? Interviewer: Including for having witnessed an accident or any other reason.

Called 911 self .....	1	=> /COM5A
Family member called 911 .....	2	=> /COM5B
Both.....	3	=> /COM5A
Neither .....	4	=> /Q26
Don't know.....	8	=> /Q26
Refused .....	9	=> /Q26

**84:**

**COM5A**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Emergency Response/Disaster Preparedness*

Okay, please answer a few questions about that experience. Let's discuss the 911 call you made...

**85:**

**COM5B**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Emergency Response/Disaster Preparedness*

Okay, please answer a few questions about the experience. Let's discuss the 911 call your family member made...

**86:**

**Q21**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Emergency Response/Disaster Preparedness*

What was the location of the emergency?

[Interviewer: Prompt for city name first. Only enter county if city name unavailable.]

Respondent gives a city name.....	2	=> /Q21B
Respondent gives a county name.....	3	=> /Q21A
Other area.....	1 O	=> /Q22
Don't know.....	8	=> /Q22
Refused .....	9	=> /Q22



**87:**

What county was that in? (all responses skip to Q22)

Arkansas .....	01
Ashley .....	02
Baxter .....	03
Benton .....	04
Boone .....	05
Bradley .....	06
Calhoun .....	07
Carroll .....	08
Chicot .....	09
Clark .....	10
Clay .....	11
Cleburne .....	12
Cleveland .....	13
Columbia .....	14
Conway .....	15
Craighead .....	16
Crawford .....	17
Crittenden .....	18
Cross .....	19
Dallas .....	20
Desha .....	21
Drew .....	22
Faulkner .....	23
Franklin .....	24
Fulton .....	25
Garland .....	26
Grant .....	27
Greene .....	28
Hempstead .....	29
Hot Springs .....	30
Howard .....	31
Independent .....	32
Izard .....	33
Jackson .....	34
Jefferson .....	35
Johnson .....	36
Lafayette .....	37
Lawrence .....	38

Lee .....	39
Lincoln .....	40
Little River .....	41
Logan .....	42
Lonoke .....	43
Madison .....	44
Marion .....	45
Miller .....	46
Mississippi .....	47
Monroe .....	48
Montgomery .....	49
Nevada .....	50
Newton .....	51
Ouachita .....	52
Perry .....	53
Phillips .....	54
Pike .....	55
Poinsett .....	56
Polk .....	57
Pope .....	58
Prairie .....	59
Pulaski .....	60
Randolph .....	61
Saline .....	62
Scott .....	63
Searcy .....	64
Sebastian .....	65
Sevier .....	66
Sharp .....	67
St. Francis .....	68
Stone .....	69
Union .....	70
Van Buren .....	71
Washington .....	72
White .....	73
Woodruff .....	74
Yell .....	75
Other state .....	76
Don't know .....	98
Refused .....	99

**Q21A**

<b>88:</b>	North Little Rock .....	<b>Q21B</b> .....07
In what city was that?	Paragould .....	19
	Pine Bluff .....	20
	Rogers .....	08
Alma .....	Russellville .....	21
Bentonville .....	Searcy .....	22
Cabot .....	Sherwood .....	23
Conway .....	Springdale .....	09
El Dorado .....	Texarkana .....	10
Fayetteville .....	Van Buren .....	11
Fort Smith .....	West Memphis .....	12
Hot Springs .....	Other city .....	13
Jacksonville .....	Don't know .....	98
Jonesboro .....	Refused .....	99
Little Rock .....		

**89:** **Q22**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Emergency Response/Disaster Preparedness*

How serious or urgent was the emergency? Was it:

Not at all serious .....	1
Somewhat serious .....	2
Serious .....	3
Very serious .....	4
Extremely serious .....	5
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

**90:** **Q23**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Emergency Response/Disaster Preparedness*

What was the type of emergency? Was it medical, crime related, traffic-related, fire-related, animal-control related, or something else?

Medical .....	1
Police-crime .....	2
Police-traffic .....	3
Fire .....	4
Animal control .....	5
Other .....	6
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

**91:**

**Q24**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Emergency Response/Disaster Preparedness*

How satisfied or dissatisfied overall were you with the total set of emergency services provided- from the time you dialed 911 until the 'emergency' situation was over or 'under control'. Were you:

OR

How satisfied or dissatisfied overall was your family member with the total set of emergency services provided- from the time they dialed 911 until the 'emergency' situation was over or 'under control'. Were they:

Very satisfied .....	1
Satisfied .....	2
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied.....	3
Dissatisfied .....	4
Very dissatisfied .....	5
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

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**92:**

**Q25**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Emergency Response/Disaster Preparedness*

And, what was your overall satisfaction with how the 911 operator with whom you spoke handled the call? Were you:

Interviewer: If needed, "the operator to whom you spoke directly on the phone".

INTERVIEWER, DO NOT READ: Only the call, not delivery of emergency services

Very satisfied .....	1
Satisfied .....	2
Neither satisfied nor dissatisfied.....	3
Dissatisfied .....	4
Very dissatisfied .....	5
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

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**93:**

**COM5C**

Now I'd like to ask you a series of questions about emergency preparedness generally.

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**94:**

**Q26**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Emergency Response/Disaster Preparedness*

How important or unimportant is it to you that your local community improves its 911 emergency responses? Is it:

Very important.....	1
Important.....	2
Neither important nor unimportant.....	3
Unimportant.....	4
Not at all important.....	5
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	9

**95:**

**Q27**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Emergency Response/Disaster Preparedness*

How related or unrelated are 911 emergency services to disaster preparedness and response:

Very related.....	1
Related.....	2
Neither related nor unrelated.....	3
Somewhat unrelated.....	4
Not at all related.....	5
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	9

**96:**

**Q28**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Emergency Response/Disaster Preparedness*

If a major disaster were to hit your local community tomorrow, how prepared or unprepared are your local community officials to respond to this disaster:

Very well prepared.....	1
Prepared.....	2
Neither prepared nor unprepared.....	3
Somewhat unprepared.....	4
Not at all prepared.....	5
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	9

**97:** **Q29**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Emergency Response/Disaster Preparedness*  
 How important or unimportant is it that your local community officials increase the level of disaster preparedness in your local community:

- Very important..... 1
- Important..... 2
- Neither important nor unimportant..... 3
- Unimportant..... 4
- Not at all important..... 5
- Don't know..... 8
- Refused..... 9

**98:** **COM6**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Global Climate Change*  
 Thank you. Next, we're interested in your thoughts on some environmental issues.

**99:** **Q30**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Global Climate Change*  
 How convinced are you that global warming or the greenhouse effect is actually happening? Are you:

- Completely convinced..... 1
- Mostly convinced..... 2
- Not so convinced..... 3
- Not at all convinced..... 4
- Don't know..... 8
- Refused..... 9

**100:** **Q31**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Global Climate Change*  
 And, do you think global warming is an urgent problem requiring immediate attention or a longer-term problem that requires more study before government action is taken?

- Urgent problem..... 1
- Longer-term problem..... 2
- Not a problem (volunteered)..... 3
- Unsure (do not read)..... 4
- Don't know..... 8
- Refused..... 9

**101:** **Q32**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Global Climate Change*  
 Should President Bush develop a plan to reduce the emission of gases that may contribute to global warming?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**102:** **COM7**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Global Climate Change*  
 I am going to read you some programs being considered as a way for the federal government to try to reduce future global warming. As I read each statement, please tell me whether you favor or oppose the adoption of each program.

**103:** **Q33**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Global Climate Change*  
 Require that all gasoline be formulated to produce lower emissions even if it adds an additional cost of five cents to the price of gasoline.

- Favor ..... 1
- Oppose ..... 2
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**104:** **Q34**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Global Climate Change*  
 And, please tell me whether you favor or oppose increasing taxes on gasoline so people either drive less, or buy cars that use less gas [as a way for the federal government to try to reduce future global warming].

- Favor ..... 1
- Oppose ..... 2
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**105:** **Q35**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Global Climate Change*  
 Okay, please tell me whether you favor or oppose increasing taxes on electricity so people use less of it [as a way for the federal government to try to reduce future global warming].

- Favor ..... 1
- Oppose ..... 2
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**106:** **Q36**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Global Climate Change*

And do you favor or oppose giving companies tax breaks to produce more electricity from water, wind and solar power [as a way for the federal government to try to reduce future global warming]?

Favor .....	1
Oppose .....	2
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

**107:** **Q37**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Global Climate Change*

How interested would you be personally in joining a carpool for your commute - very interested, somewhat interested, not so interested or not interested at all?

Very interested .....	1
Somewhat interested .....	2
Not so interested .....	3
Not at all interested .....	4
Not applicable (silent) .....	5
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

**108:** **Q38**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Global Climate Change*

Do you think most Arkansans would be willing to join a carpool as a way to conserve gasoline?

Yes .....	1
No .....	2
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

**109:** **COM8**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Water Issues*

Thank you. The next questions relate to water issues here in Arkansas.

**110:**

**Q39**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Water Issues*

Considering the water quality of the river, stream or lake near you that you use for recreational activities, in the next ten to twenty years do you expect that the water quality will:

- Improve..... 1
- Diminish ..... 2
- Remain about the same ..... 3
- Don't recreate (volunteered) ..... 4
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**111:**

**Q40**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Water Issues*

Over the past 10 years do you believe that the quality of the water in the state of Arkansas in the rivers and lakes has:

- Improved..... 1
- Stayed the same ..... 2
- Gotten worse ..... 3
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**112:**

**Q41**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Water Issues*

Considering only the water in rivers and lakes within 30 miles of your home, what do you believe has happened to the quality of water during the past 10 years? Has it:

- Improved..... 1
- Stayed the same ..... 2
- Gotten worse ..... 3
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**113:**

**Q42**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Water Issues*

Do you think the quality of water that is delivered to your house or apartment by your local water delivery system is:

- Very good ..... 1
- Adequate ..... 2
- Poor ..... 3
- IF VOLUNTEERS HAS A WELL: Very good ..... 4      => /Q44
- IF VOLUNTEERS HAS A WELL: Adequate ..... 5      => /Q44
- IF VOLUNTEERS HAS A WELL: Poor ..... 6      => /Q44
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9



**114:**

**Q43**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Water Issues*

Do you believe that your monthly water bill is correctly characterized as:

- Expensive..... 1
- Acceptable ..... 2
- Inexpensive ..... 3
- IF VOLUNTEERS: Has a well..... 4
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**115:**

**Q44**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Water Issues*

Considering the amount of water in the river, stream or lake near you that you use for recreational activities, in the next ten to twenty years do you expect that quantity will:

- Increase ..... 1
- Decrease..... 2
- Remain about the same ..... 3
- Don't recreate (volunteered) ..... 4
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**116:**

**Q45**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Water Issues*

And what about the total cost of using that river or lake; do you think the cost will increase, decrease or remain about the same in the next 10 years?

- Increase ..... 1
- Decrease..... 2
- Remain about the same ..... 3
- Don't recreate (volunteered) ..... 4
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**117:**

**Q46**

*Collaborative Partner Questions - Water Issues*

Many municipal water supplies consist of surface water reservoirs and streams. How concerned are you that these water supplies could become targets for terrorist acts, such as poisoning:

Interviewer: If the R is concerned about why we're asking this question, tell them, "We're not suggesting that this is a likely or possible event. The question is included as part of a research project examining various hypothetical scenarios related to water."

- Very concerned ..... 1
- Moderately concerned ..... 2
- Unconcerned ..... 3
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**118:**

**Q47A**

Current Arkansas laws make it difficult for Arkansas water to be sold outside of the state. Do you believe this is good for the well-being of Arkansans?

Interviewer: This refers to bulk water sales such as "pipeline sales", not to bottled water.

- Yes ..... 1      => /Q47A1
- No ..... 2      => /Q47A1
- Don't know ..... 8      => /COM9
- Refused ..... 9      => /COM9

**119:**

**Q47A1**

Is that "definitely <Q47A>" or "generally <Q47A>"?

- Definitely yes ..... 1      => /COM9
- Generally yes ..... 2      => /COM9
- Generally no ..... 3      => /COM9
- Definitely no ..... 4      => /COM9
- Don't know ..... 8      => /COM9
- Refused ..... 9      => /COM9

**120:**

**Q47B**

Arkansas is a water-rich state and surface water is a renewable resource that some of our neighboring states might like to purchase. However, current Arkansas laws make it difficult for Arkansas water to be sold outside of the state. If these laws are changed to allow sale of water outside of Arkansas do you believe this is good for the well-being of Arkansans?

Interviewer: This refers to bulk water sales such as "pipeline sales", not to bottled water.

Yes .....	1	
No .....	2	
Don't know .....	8	=> /COM9
Refused .....	9	=> /COM9

**121:**

**Q47B1**

Is that "definitely <Q47B>" or "generally <Q47B>"?

Definitely yes .....	1
Generally yes .....	2
Generally no .....	3
Definitely no .....	4
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

**122:**

**COM9**

*Quality of Life in Arkansas*

The next questions are about your general evaluation of the quality of life in our state.

**123:**

**Q48**

*Quality of Life in Arkansas*

Overall, do you feel that Arkansas is generally headed in the right direction or the wrong direction?

Right .....	1
Wrong .....	2
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

**124:**

**Q49**

*Quality of Life in Arkansas*

How would you rate Arkansas as a place to live compared to other states - that is, do you feel Arkansas is a much better place, a slightly better place, a slightly worse place, or a much worse place in which to live? Or is it about the same? (Deactivated 10/10/2006 at 4pm)

Much better .....	1
Slightly better.....	2
Slightly worse .....	3
Much worse .....	4
About the same .....	5
Don't know.....	8
Refused .....	9

**125:**

**Q50**

*Quality of Life in Arkansas*

What about living in Arkansas now as compared to, say, five years ago? Is it a much better place, a slightly better place, a slightly worse place, or a much worse place in which to live? Or is it about the same? (Deactivated 10/10/2006 at 4pm)

Much better .....	1
Slightly better.....	2
Slightly worse .....	3
Much worse .....	4
About the same .....	5
Don't know.....	8
Refused .....	9

**126:**

**Q51**

*Quality of Life in Arkansas*

On a more individual level, would you say you are better off financially, worse off, or about the same compared to a year ago?

Better.....	1
Worse.....	2
About the same .....	3
Don't know.....	8
Refused .....	9

**127:** **Q52**

*Quality of Life in Arkansas*

And, looking ahead, do you think that a year from now, you will be better off financially, worse off, or about the same as now?

Better.....	1
Worse.....	2
About the same.....	3
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	9

**128:** **DEMO**

*Demographics*

Thank you. Finally, I'd like to ask you some questions about yourself so we can be sure we're hearing from a wide range of Arkansans.

**129:** **Q53**

*Demographics*

First, do you live in a city, a suburb, a small town or a rural area? Interviewer: If the respondent asks for a definition of one of these terms, tell them, "It's whatever it means to you."

City.....	1
Suburb.....	2
Small town.....	3
Rural area.....	4
Don't know.....	8
Refused.....	9

**130:** **Q54**

**Demographics**

In what county do you live? Interviewer: Only read if respondent does not know. There are 75 total Arkansas counties.

Don't know.....	98
Refused.....	99
Arkansas.....	01
Ashley.....	02
Baxter.....	03
Benton.....	04
Boone.....	05
Bradley.....	06
Calhoun.....	07
Carroll.....	08
Chicot.....	09
Clark.....	10
Clay.....	11
Cleburne.....	12
Cleveland.....	13
Columbia.....	14
Conway.....	15
Craighead.....	16
Crawford.....	17
Crittenden.....	18
Cross.....	19
Dallas.....	20
Desha.....	21
Drew.....	22
Faulkner.....	23
Franklin.....	24
Fulton.....	25
Garland.....	26
Grant.....	27
Greene.....	28
Hempstead.....	29
Hot Springs.....	30
Howard.....	31
Independent.....	32
Izard.....	33
Jackson.....	34

Jefferson.....	35
Johnson.....	36
Lafayette.....	37
Lawrence.....	38
Lee.....	39
Lincoln.....	40
Little River.....	41
Logan.....	42
Lonoke.....	43
Madison.....	44
Marion.....	45
Miller.....	46
Mississippi.....	47
Monroe.....	48
Montgomery.....	49
Nevada.....	50
Newton.....	51
Ouachita.....	52
Perry.....	53
Philips.....	54
Pike.....	55
Poinsett.....	56
Polk.....	57
Pope.....	58
Prairie.....	59
Pulaski.....	60
Randolph.....	61
Saline.....	62
Scott.....	63
Searcy.....	64
Sebastian.....	65
Sevier.....	66
Sharp.....	67
St. Francis.....	68
Stone.....	69
Union.....	70
Van Buren.....	71
Washington.....	72
White.....	73
Woodruff.....	74
Yell.....	75

**131:**

**Q55**

*Demographics*

Which of the following education categories best describes your highest level of schooling? I have a list here, so feel free to stop me at any time. Is it:

Interviewer: A.A. or A.S. or any Associate's Degree is coded as 4 - some college, including business and trade schools.

No high school .....	1
Some high school .....	2
High school graduate or equivalent .....	3
Some college including business and trade schools .....	4
College graduate .....	5
Some graduate school .....	6
Graduate or professional degree .....	7
Don't know .....	98
Refused .....	99

**132:**

**Q56**

*Demographics*

And, which of the following best describes your racial or ethnic group:

White (Caucasian) .....	1
Black or African-American .....	2
Hispanic .....	3
Asian .....	4
Native American .....	5
Multi-Ethnic .....	6
Something Else .....	7
Don't know .....	98
Refused .....	99

**133:**

**Q57**

*Demographics*

Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent or what?

Republican .....	1	=> /Q57A
Democrat .....	2	=> /Q57B
Independent .....	3	=> /Q57C
Other .....	4	O => /Q58
Don't know .....	8	=> /Q58
Refused .....	9	=> /Q58

**134:** **Q57A**

*Demographics*

Would you call yourself a strong Republican or a not very strong Republican?

Strong Republican .....	1	=> /Q58
Not very strong Republican .....	2	=> /Q58
Don't know .....	8	=> /Q58
Refused .....	9	=> /Q58

**135:** **Q57B**

*Demographics*

Would you call yourself a strong Democrat or a not very strong Democrat?

Strong Democrat .....	1	=> /Q58
Not very strong Democrat .....	2	=> /Q58
Don't know .....	8	=> /Q58
Refused .....	9	=> /Q58

**136:** **Q57C**

*Demographics*

Well, do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican or Democratic Party?

Closer to Republican .....	1	=> /Q58
Closer to Democratic .....	2	=> /Q58
Just Independent .....	3	=> /Q58
Don't know .....	8	=> /Q58
Refused .....	9	=> /Q58

**137:** **Q58**

*Demographics*

How would you describe your views on most political matters? Generally, do you think of yourself as Liberal, Moderate or Conservative?

Liberal .....	1	=> /Q58A
Moderate .....	2	=> /Q59
Conservative .....	3	=> /Q58B
Don't know .....	8	=> /Q59
Refused .....	9	=> /Q59

**138:** **Q58A**

*Demographics*

Would you say you are Strongly Liberal or Somewhat Liberal?

Strongly Liberal .....	1	=> /Q59
Somewhat Liberal .....	2	=> /Q59
Don't know .....	8	=> /Q59
Refused .....	9	=> /Q59



**139:**

**Q58B**

*Demographics, Part One*

Would you say you are Strongly Conservative or Somewhat Conservative?

Strongly Conservative .....	1	=> /Q59
Somewhat Conservative .....	2	=> /Q59
Don't know .....	8	=> /Q59
Refused .....	9	=> /Q59

**140:**

**Q59**

*Demographics, Part One*

Which of the following income categories best describes your total 2005 household income? I have a list here, again feel free to stop me at any time. Was it:

Interviewer: Do not read the "1" in the categories. For example, "\$7501-\$15,000" should be read as "\$7500-\$15,000".

\$7500 or less .....	01
\$7501 to \$15,000 .....	02
\$15,001 to \$25,000 .....	03
\$25,001 to \$35,000 .....	04
\$35,001 to \$50,000 .....	05
\$50,001 to \$75,000 .....	06
\$75,001 to \$100,000 .....	07
\$100,001 or over .....	08
Don't know .....	98
Refused .....	99

**141:**

**Q60**

*Demographics*

About how often do you attend religious services:

Never .....	01
Once a year .....	02
Several times a year .....	03
About once a month .....	04
2-3 times per month .....	05
Every week .....	06
More than once a week .....	07
Don't know .....	98
Refused .....	99

**142:**

**Q61**

*Demographics*

How important would you say religion is in your own life:

Extremely important .....	1
Very important .....	2
Fairly important .....	3
Not very important.....	4
Don't know .....	8
Refused .....	9

**143:**

**Q62**

*Demographics*

Which of the following best describes your current religious preference? Is it:

Interviewer: Protestant is pronounced Prah-test-ant. Protestant includes any Christian faith that is not Catholic or Greek Orthodox. Greek Orthodox is categorized as other.

Protestant .....	1	
Catholic.....	2	
Jewish .....	3	=> /Q63
Something else.....	4	=> /Q63
None.....	5	=> /Q63
Don't know.....	8	=> /Q63
Refused .....	9	=> /Q63

**144:**

**Q62A**

*Demographics*

Do you consider yourself a born-again or evangelical Christian or not?

Interviewer: If the respondent asks for a definition of either of these, tell them, "We want to know how you feel about yourself. Do you identify with either of these labels"?

Yes .....	1
No .....	2
Don't know.....	8
Refused .....	9

**145:** **Q63**

*Demographics*

Which of the following best describes your present marital status:

- Married ..... 1
- Not married but living together ..... 2
- Separated or divorced ..... 3
- Widowed..... 4
- Never married or single ..... 5
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**146:** **Q64**

*Demographics*

We're nearly done: How many people, including yourself, live in your household?

[Interviewer: Include children]

- Enter response below ..... 98
- Don't know ..... 98
- Refused ..... 99

**147:** **Q65**

*Demographics*

And, do you have school-aged children?

Interviewer: School-aged children is K through 12 only.

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**148:** **Q66**

*Demographics, Part Two*

And, how likely are you to vote in the next elections that will take place in November 2006? Are you:

- Very likely ..... 1
- Likely ..... 2
- Unlikely ..... 3
- Very unlikely ..... 4
- Don't know ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**149:** **AGE**

*Demographics*

Age of Respondent

Enter response below .....  
 Don't know ..... 9998  
 Refused ..... 9999

**150:** **Q68**

*Demographics*

And, I am required to ask you this, are you male or female?

Male ..... 1      => /INT99  
 Female..... 2      => /INT99  
 Don't know..... 8      => /INT99  
 Refused ..... 9      => /INT99

**159:** **o\_f6**

Additional information from respondents or interviewers about various questions or responses.

**159:** **INT99**

Thank you very much for helping us with the Arkansas Poll. We plan to release the results in late October. Have a nice day/afternoon/evening.

Complete..... CO      => /END