



2006 Mid-Term Election Survey

MARKING INSTRUCTIONS:

- *Fill in the circle completely, like this → ●
- *Mark only one answer per question
- *Please note that this survey may also be completed at <http://ps.ucdavis.edu/electionstudy> by entering the pin number <PIN>

First, we are going to ask you some questions about yourself and your U.S. House district.

1. What are the state and number of your U.S. House district?

State: _____

District Number: _____

2. If you would like to receive a report of the results of this survey, please provide your email address below:

3. What is your gender?

- ☐ Male
☐ Female

4. How would you describe your personal party affiliation?

- ☐ Strong Democrat
☐ Democrat, not so strong
☐ Independent, leaning Democrat
☐ Independent
☐ Independent, leaning Republican
☐ Republican, not so strong
☐ Strong Republican
☐ Other (please specify) _____

5. How would you describe the economic outlook in your U.S. House district:

- ☐ Very weak
☐ Weak
☐ Somewhat weak
☐ Fair
☐ Somewhat strong
☐ Strong
☐ Very strong

6. How would you describe the partisan distribution of voters in your U.S. House district:

- ☐ Strongly Democratic
☐ Less Strongly Democratic
☐ Leaning Democratic
☐ Balanced
☐ Leaning Republican
☐ Less Strongly Republican
☐ Strongly Republican
☐ Not sure

7. Regardless of your preferences, which candidate do you think will be elected to serve as your district's U.S. House representative in this election:

- ☐ The Democratic candidate
☐ The Republican candidate
☐ Someone else

8. How close do you think the election for the U.S. House of Representatives in your district will be:

- ☐ Very close
☐ Somewhat close
☐ Not close at all

9. Approximately what percentage of the vote do you think the winning candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives in your district will receive:

- ☐ 50% or less
☐ 51%-60%
☐ 61%-70%
☐ 71%-80%
☐ 81%-90%
☐ 91% or more

10. Please rate each of the following characteristics of the current U.S. House member in your district:

	Extremely Strong	Strong	Somewhat Strong	Fair	Somewhat Weak	Weak	Extremely Weak	Not Sure
a. Ability to stay in touch with district	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Legislative accomplishments in the U.S. House	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Ability to bring federal funds to the district	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Ability to provide constituent service	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Leadership on national issues	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

11. How often do the news media cover the candidates and campaigns for the 2006 U.S. House race in your district:

- ☐ Never
☐ Rarely
☐ Occasionally
☐ Frequently

The next section asks for your ratings of different individuals, groups, and issues.

12. How would you rate each of the following groups and individuals:

	Very Liberal	Liberal	Somewhat Liberal	Middle of the Road	Somewhat Conservative	Conservative	Very Conservative	Not Sure
a. Yourself	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Voters in your U.S. House district	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. The Democratic U.S. House candidate in your district	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. The Republican U.S. House candidate in your district	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Democratic primary voters in your U.S. House district	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Republican primary voters in your U.S. House district	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. The current U.S. House incumbent from your district if he/she is not running for reelection in 2006	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

13. Please tell us how much emphasis the U.S. House campaigns in your district are giving each of the following:

	No Emphasis at All	Little Emphasis	Some Emphasis	A Great Deal of Emphasis	Not Sure
a. The Patriot Act	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Gay Marriage	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. The war in Iraq	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Oil drilling in the Arctic	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Legalized abortion	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Tighter controls over illegal immigration	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Social security	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. President George W. Bush...	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
i. The Democratic Party in Congress	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
j. The Republican Party in Congress	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

14. Please place each of the following on the issue of federal funding for embryonic stem cell research:

	Strongly Oppose	Oppose	Neither favor nor oppose	Favor	Strongly Favor	Not Sure
a. Yourself	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. The Democratic U.S. House candidate in your district	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. The Republican U.S. House candidate in your district	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. The average voter in your U.S. House district	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

15. Please place each of the following on the issue of making gay marriage legal:

	Strongly Oppose	Oppose	Neither favor nor oppose	Favor	Strongly Favor	Not Sure
a. Yourself	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. The Democratic U.S. House candidate in your district	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. The Republican U.S. House candidate in your district	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. The average voter in your U.S. House district	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

16. Please place each of the following on current U.S. policy regarding the war in Iraq:

	Strongly Oppose	Oppose	Neither favor nor oppose	Favor	Strongly Favor	Not Sure
a. Yourself	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. The Democratic U.S. House candidate in your district	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. The Republican U.S. House candidate in your district	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. The average voter in your U.S. House district	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please answer the following about the **Democratic** candidate for the U.S. House in your district. If there is no Democratic candidate running in your district, please skip to question 21.

17. Please rate the following characteristics of the Democratic candidate for the U.S. House in your district:

	Extremely Strong	Strong	Somewhat Strong	Fair	Somewhat Weak	Weak	Extremely Weak	Not Sure
a. Ability to attract attention.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Personal integrity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Ability to fund own campaign	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Ability to raise funds from others	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Current name recognition	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Ability to be persuasive in public	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Ability to run a professional campaign ...	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. Ability to work well with other leaders	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
i. Competence	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
j. Grasp of the issues	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
k. Ability to find solutions to problems	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
l. Qualifications to hold office	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
m. Overall strength as a campaigner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
n. Overall strength as a public servant	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

18. How would you describe the visibility of the Democratic U.S. House candidate's campaign in your district?

- ☐ Very low – no ads or appearances
☐ Low – infrequent ads and appearances
☐ High – somewhat frequent ads and appearances
☐ Very high – very frequent ads and appearances

☐ Not sure

19. How frequently does the Democratic U.S. House candidate's campaign in your district use the following types of strategies:

	Never	Rarely	Occasionally	Frequently	Not Sure
a. Mass media advertising (TV, radio, newspaper).....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Direct advertising such as mass mail and phone bank strategies	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Personal appearances by the candidate	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. "Name only" advertising, such as yard signs and bumper stickers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Internet communication, such as email, blogs, and websites.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

20. How frequently is each of the following mentioned in the Democratic U.S. House candidate's campaign?

	Never	Rarely	Occasionally	Frequently	Not Sure
a. Opponent's qualifications for office	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Opponent's issue positions.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Opponent's character	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Opponent's campaign tactics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Local economic conditions....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. National economic conditions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Local policy issues	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. National policy issues.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please answer the following about the **Republican** candidate for the U.S. House in your district. If there is no Republican candidate running in your district, please skip to question 25.

21. Please rate the following characteristics of the Republican candidate for the U.S. House in your district:

	Extremely Strong	Strong	Somewhat Strong	Fair	Somewhat Weak	Weak	Extremely Weak	Not Sure
a. Ability to attract attention.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Personal integrity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Ability to fund own campaign	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Ability to raise funds from others	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Current name recognition	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Ability to be persuasive in public	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Ability to run a professional campaign ...	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. Ability to work well with other leaders	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
i. Competence	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
j. Grasp of the issues	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
k. Ability to find solutions to problems	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
l. Qualifications to hold office	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
m. Overall strength as a campaigner	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
n. Overall strength as a public servant	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

22. How would you describe the visibility of the Republican U.S. House candidate's campaign in your district?

- ☐ Very low – no ads or appearances
☐ Low – infrequent ads and appearances
☐ High – somewhat frequent ads and appearances
☐ Very high – very frequent ads and appearances

☐ Not sure

23. How frequently does the Republican U.S. House candidate's campaign in your district use the following types of strategies:

	Never	Rarely	Occasionally	Frequently	Not Sure
a. Mass media advertising (TV, radio, newspaper).....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Direct advertising such as mass mail and phone bank strategies	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Personal appearances by the candidate	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. "Name only" advertising, such as yard signs and bumper stickers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Internet communication, such as email, blogs, and websites.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

24. How frequently is each of the following mentioned in the Republican U.S. House candidate's campaign?

	Never	Rarely	Occasionally	Frequently	Not Sure
a. Opponent's qualifications for office	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Opponent's issue positions.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Opponent's character	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Opponent's campaign tactics	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Local economic conditions....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. National economic conditions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Local policy issues	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. National policy issues.....	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

25. Is there anyone else you know in your district who is especially knowledgeable about the 2006 election that you would recommend we contact?

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

You have now reached the end of the survey.
Please place your completed survey in the postage paid envelope and return it to us as soon as possible
OR submit your responses online at
<http://ps.ucdavis.edu/electionstudy>.
Thank you for your participation.