

Table 1. Congressional Vote by Religious Affiliation, 2002-2006

Religious Affiliation	% of Voters 2006	2006		2004		2002		Change in Democratic Vote	
		Dem	Rep	Dem	Rep	Dem	Rep	'04-'06	'02-'06
White Evangelical Protestant	22	27	72	24	75	25*	74*	+3	+2*
White Mainline Protestant	22	47	51	44	54	44*	55*	+3	+2*
White Catholic	20	50	49	45	54	48	49	+5	+2
White Other Faiths	3	66	29	57	36	52	41	+9	+14
White Unaffiliated	8	72	25	61	35	58	36	+11	+14
Non-white voters	23	75	24	72	26	76	22	+3	-1
White Jewish	2	87	11	77	21	67	32	+10	+20

Sources: 2006, 2004 and 2002 Exit Polls

*Estimates derived from 2002 Pew Research Center Election Weekend Survey

Table 2. Congressional Vote by Worship Attendance, 2002-2006

Worship Attendance	% of Voters 2006	2006		2004		2002		Change in Democratic Vote	
		Dem	Rep	Dem	Rep	Dem	Rep	'04-'06	'02-'06
Weekly or more	46	43	55	40	59	39	59	+3	+4
Less than weekly	54	60	36	56	42	52	45	+4	+8
<i>Attendance gap*</i>		17	-19	16	-17	13	-14	+1	+4

Sources: 2006, 2004 and 2002 Exit Polls

*Attendance gap calculated by subtracting the vote of top row from bottom row in each column

Table 3. Congressional Vote by Worship Attendance, 2002-2006

Worship Attendance	% of Voters 2006	2006		2004		2002		Change in Democratic Vote	
		Dem	Rep	Dem	Rep	Dem	Rep	'04-'06	'02-'06
More than weekly	17	38	60	37	61	37	61	+1	+1
Weekly	29	46	53	42	57	41	57	+4	+5
Monthly	13	57	41	50	49	52	46	+7	+5
A few times a year	25	60	38	55	43	50	47	+5	+10
Never	16	67	30	60	36	55	41	+7	+12
<i>Attendance gap*</i>		29	-30	23	-25	18	-20	+6	+11

Sources: 2006, 2004, and 2002 Exit polls

*Attendance gap calculated by subtracting the vote of top row from bottom row in each column

Table 4. Congressional Vote by Religious Affiliation and Worship Attendance, 2002-2006

Religious Affiliation	% of Voters 2006	2006		2004		2002		Change in Democratic Vote	
		Dem	Rep	Dem	Rep	Dem	Rep	'04-'06	'02-'06
White Evangelical Protestant	22	27	72	24	75	25*	74*	+3	+2*
<i>Attend weekly or more</i>	10	23	76	20	78	19*	80*	+3	+4*
<i>Attend less often</i>	12	38	61	31	67	38*	61*	+7	0*
White Mainline Protestant	22	47	51	44	54	44*	55*	+3	+2*
<i>Attend weekly or more</i>	7	38	59	36	63	37*	62*	+2	+1*
<i>Attend less often</i>	15	51	47	47	51	47*	52*	+4	+4*
White Catholic	20	50	49	45	54	48	49	+5	+2
<i>Attend weekly or more</i>	10	47	52	41	58	44	54	+6	+3
<i>Attend less often</i>	10	53	46	49	50	51	46	+4	+2

Sources: 2006, 2004, and 2002 Exit polls

*Estimates derived from 2002 Pew Research Center Election Weekend Survey

Table 5. Religious Affiliation and Issue Priorities, 2006

	All	White Evang Prot	White Mainline Prot	White Cath	White Other Faiths	White Unaf-filiated	Non-white	White Jewish
War in Iraq								
<i>One Issue that mattered most*</i>	29	17	33	20	35	39	40	100
<i>Issue was extremely important†</i>	36	34	33	36	42	40	36	40
The economy								
<i>One Issue that mattered most*</i>	21	10	17	31	30	18	28	0
<i>Issue was extremely important†</i>	40	40	35	39	39	33	49	42
Values issues such as same-sex marriage or abortion								
<i>One Issue that mattered most*</i>	19	45	9	12	16	9	11	0
<i>Issue was extremely important†</i>	36	59	27	29	21	17	33	21
Illegal immigration								
<i>One Issue that mattered most*</i>	6	12	8	3	7	3	2	0
<i>Issue was extremely important†</i>	30	37	27	29	27	19	34	29
Corruption and scandals in government								
<i>One Issue that mattered most*</i>	10	5	15	11	0	14	9	0
<i>Issue was extremely important†</i>	41	43	37	37	45	38	47	36
Terrorism								
<i>One Issue that mattered most*</i>	9	9	9	15	9	0	3	0
<i>Issue was extremely important†</i>	40	49	34	40	40	23	40	32

Sources: *2006 Pew Research Center Post Election Survey; †2006 Exit Poll

Table 6. Election-Related Contact by Religious Affiliation, 2006

	All	White Evang Prot	White Mainline Prot	White Cath	White Other Faiths	White Unaf- filiated	Non- white	White Jewish
Campaign contact by telephone*	51	55	60	51	51	54	32	58
Information at house of worship†	22	28	9	17	12	10	34	24
Campaign contact in person*	15	11	15	17	11	15	16	12
Campaign contact by email*	14	13	14	14	13	23	12	24
Campaign contact by clergy†	8	6	6	14	10	0	7	0

Sources: *2006 Pew Research Center Pre-Election Poll; †2006 Pew Research Center Post Election Survey

Table 7. 2006 Congressional Elections

share of electorate		D	R	Gap
(48%)	Men	51	47	9
(52%)	Women	56	43	
(79%)	White	47	51	83
(10%)	Black	89	10	
(68%)	Married	48	50	32
(32%)	Not Married	64	34	
(30%)	Urban	61	37	26
(23%)	Rural	48	50	
(36%)	Republicans	8	91	170
(38%)	Democrats	93	6	
(21%)	Liberals	87	11	134
(32%)	Conservatives	20	78	
(3%)	Not H.S. graduate	64	35	10
(18%)	Post-graduate	59	40	
	Family income is:			
(7%)	Under \$15,000	68	30	37
(60%)	Over \$50,000	50	49	
	Worship Attendance:			
(46%)	Weekly or more	43	55	36
(54%)	Less than weekly	60	36	

Source: National Election Pool Exit Poll

Table 8. Question: Do you happen to be a member of a church or synagogue?

		Member	Not a member
1937	Gallup	73	27
2006	Gallup	64	36

Table 9. Question: How often do you attend church or synagogue – at least once a week, almost every week, about once a month, seldom, or never?

		Once a week	Almost every week	About once a month	Seldom	Never
1992 Jan	Gallup	31	9	15	29	16
2006 Sep	Gallup	30	14	15	25	15

Table 10. Question: Do you happen to have a Bible at home?

		Yes
1954	Gallup	92
2000	Gallup	93

Table 11. Question: Do you think George W. Bush mentions his religious faith and prayer too much, too little, or about the right amount?

		Too much	Too little	Right amount
2003 Jul	PSRA/Pew	14	11	62
2004 Aug	PSRA/Pew	24	11	53
2005 Jul	PSRA/Pew	28	10	52
2006 Jul	SRB/Pew	24	14	52

Table 12. Question: Some people like the way George W. Bush talks about his strong religious beliefs in public. What about you?

		I like it	Bothers me somewhat
2003 Feb	CBS News	63	24
2004 May	CBS News	51	36

Table 13. Question: Do you think the [Religious Right/Big Business] has too much, the right amount, or too little influence in the Bush administration?

		Religious Right		
		Too much	Right amount	Too little
2001 Mar	CBS/NYT	22	31	19
2002 Nov	CBS/NYT	22	39	20
2003 Jan	CBS/NYT	21	44	21
2003 May	CBS/NYT	21	40	22
2005 Apr	Gallup	39	39	18
		Big Business		
2002 Jan	CBS/NYT	61	22	6
2003 Jan	CBS/NYT	64	24	4
2003 May	CBS/NYT	57	22	7
2004 Jan	CBS/NYT	64	23	5

Table 14. Question: Which of the following is closer to your view: religion is under attack in America today, religion has too much influence in America today or the current standing of religion in America is just about right?

	Under attack	Too much influence	Just about right
2005 Fox News/Opinion Dynamics			
National	49	17	22
Attends services weekly	61	10	18
Less than weekly	41	23	14

Table 15. Question: Do you think people who have strong religious beliefs are discriminated against in this country?

		Yes	No
2004 Nov	CBS News	36	55
2006 Apr	CBS News	48	43

Table 16. Question: Do you feel that the [Democratic party/Republican party] is generally friendly toward religion, neutral toward religion, or unfriendly toward religion?

		Democratic party		
		Friendly	Neutral	Unfriendly
2003 Jul	PSRA/Pew	42	36	12
2004 Aug	PSRA/Pew	40	34	13
2005 Jul	PSRA/Pew	29	38	20
2006 Jul	SRB/Pew	26	42	20
		Republican party		
2003 Jul	PSRA/Pew	52	27	10
2004 Aug	PSRA/Pew	52	24	10
2005 Jul	PSRA/Pew	55	23	9
2006 Jul	SRB/Pew	47	28	13

Table 17. Question: Between now and the 2000 political conventions, there will be discussion about the qualifications of presidential candidates – their education, age, religion, race, and so on. If your party nominated a generally well-qualified person for president who happened to be [INSERT] would you vote for that person? [Gallup data are the first and most recent asking.]

		Would vote for a Jew for president	
		Yes	No
1937 Feb	Gallup	46	47
1999 Feb	Gallup	92	6
		Would vote for a Catholic for president	
1937 Feb	Gallup	60	30
1999 Feb	Gallup	94	4
		Would vote for an atheist for president	
1958 Jul-Aug	Gallup	18	75
1999 Feb	Gallup	49	48
		Would vote for a Baptist for president	
1958 Jul-Aug	Gallup	92	2
1999 Feb	Gallup	94	4
		Would vote for a Mormon for president	
1967 Apr	Gallup	75	17
1999 Feb	Gallup	79	17
Question: Do you think you could vote for a Mormon candidate for President or not?			
2006 Jun	LAT/Bloomberg	51	37