

RegPARTY. Are you currently registered as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or as something else?

58% Republican
34% Democrat
6% Independent
1% Something else
1% Do not know

Vote_Nov. Many people will vote in the election for Governor and U.S. Senate in November 2006; however, many other people will not. What would you say are the chances of your voting in the November election? Are you...

85% Certain to vote
10% Will you probably vote
4% Are the chances fifty-fifty you will vote
1% Don't you think that you will vote in the Nov 2006 election

Pol_Int. Some people don't pay much attention to political campaigns. How about you? Would you say that you are...

50% Very much interested
44% Somewhat interested
6% Not very interested in the election

RightDir. All in all, do you think things in PENNSYLVANIA are generally headed in the RIGHT DIRECTION, or do you feel that things are off on the WRONG TRACK?

64% Headed in right direction
24% Off on the wrong track
12% Do not know

IntFavC. I'd like to ask you a few questions about some people involved in politics today. Please let me know if your opinion of the person is favorable, not favorable, undecided, or if you haven't heard enough about the person to have an opinion.

| | Favorable | Not Favorable | Undecided | Don't know |
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| CURT WELDON | 41% | 32% | 16% | 11% |
| JOE SESTAK | 29% | 8% | 13% | 50% |

Vote_CD. If the election for the US House of Representatives was being held today and the candidates were CURT WELDON, the Republican, and JOE SESTAK, the Democrat, would you vote for...

43% CURT WELDON
44% JOE SESTAK
13% Do not know

Cert_CD. Are you absolutely CERTAIN you will vote FOR [fill VCDName] in the election, or are you still making up your mind?

n=370

76% Certain
24% Still making up mind

Lean_CD. As of today, do you lean more to CURT WELDON, the Republican, or JOE SESTAK, the Democrat?

n=60

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| 7% | CURT WELDON |
| 13% | JOE SESTAK |
| 80% | Do not know |

Iss_CD. What will be the single MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE in your vote for US House of Representatives this year...

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|-----|-----------------------------------|
| 14% | The US campaign against terrorism |
| 31% | The war in Iraq |
| 17% | The economy |
| 8% | Immigration |
| 2% | Gas prices |
| 14% | Health care |
| 10% | Something else |
| 4% | Do Not Know |

Vote_Sen. If the election for US Senate was being held today and the candidates were Bob Casey, Jr., the Democrat, and Rick Santorum, the Republican, and Carl Romanelli, the Green Party candidate would you vote for...

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| 49% | Bob Casey, Jr. |
| 32% | Rick Santorum |
| 3% | Carl Romanelli |
| 16% | Do not know |

Cert_Sen. Are you absolutely CERTAIN you will vote FOR [fill Vote_Sen] in the election, or are you still making up your mind?

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| 82% | Certain |
| 18% | Still making up mind |

Lean_Sen. As of today, do you lean more to Bob Casey, Jr., the Democrat, and Rick Santorum, the Republican, or Carl Romanelli, the Green Party candidate?

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| 19% | Bob Casey, Jr. |
| 19% | Rick Santorum |
| 0% | Carl Romanelli |
| 62% | Do not know |

Iss_Sen. What will be the single MOST IMPORTANT ISSUE in your vote for US Senate this year...

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| 17% | The US campaign against terrorism |
| 28% | The war in Iraq |
| 18% | The economy |
| 6% | Immigration |
| 1% | Gas prices |
| 14% | Health care |
| 12% | Something else |
| 4% | Do Not Know |

Vote_Gov. If the election for Pennsylvania governor was being held today and the candidates were Ed Rendell, the Democrat, and Lynn Swann, the Republican, who would you vote for?

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| 70% | Ed Rendell |
| 21% | Lynn Swann |
| 9% | Do not know |

Cert_Gov. Are you absolutely CERTAIN you will vote FOR [fill Vote_Gov] in the election, or are you still making up your mind?

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| 87% | Certain |
| 13% | Still making up mind |

Lean_Gov. As of today, do you lean more to Ed Rendell, the Democrat, Lynn Swann, or the Republican candidate?

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| 20% | Ed Rendell |
| 31% | Lynn Swann |
| 49% | Do not know |

RatePres. How would you rate the way George Bush is handling his job as President? Would you say he is doing an...

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| 8% | Excellent |
| 22% | Good |
| 24% | Only fair |
| 45% | Poor |
| 1% | Do not know |

DesRECD. Do you believe that Curt Weldon has done a good enough job in the United States CONGRESS to DESERVE RE-ELECTION, or do you believe it is TIME FOR A CHANGE?

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| 37% | Deserves re-election |
| 49% | Time for change |
| 14% | Do not know |

CNTY. County

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| 21% | Chester |
| 68% | Delaware |
| 11% | Montgomery |

AGE. What was your age on your last birthday?

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| 3% | 18-24 |
| 3% | 25-34 |
| 14% | 35-44 |
| 23% | 45-54 |
| 20% | 55-64 |
| 37% | 65 and older |

EDUC. What was the last grade level of schooling you have completed?

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| 2% | Non high school graduate |
| 22% | High school graduate or GED |
| 12% | Some college |
| 10% | Two-year or tech degree |
| 29% | Four year college degree |
| 25% | Post graduate degree |

MAR. What is your current marital status?

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| 10% | Single, never married |
| 74% | Married |
| 1% | Separated |
| 5% | Divorced |
| 10% | Widow, widower |

IDEO. Politically speaking, do you consider yourself to be a liberal, a moderate, or a conservative?

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| 21% | Liberal |
| 44% | Moderate |
| 29% | Conservative |
| 6% | Do not know |

PRTY1. Regardless of how you are registered, in politics, as of today, do you think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, or an Independent?

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| 20% | Strong Republican |
| 14% | Republican |
| 10% | Lean Republican |
| 6% | Pure Independent |
| 14% | Lean Democrat |
| 8% | Democrat |
| 22% | Strong Democrat |
| 6% | Do not know |

ABORT. Do you think that abortion should be...

| | |
|-----|-----------------------------------|
| 31% | Legal under any circumstances |
| 51% | Legal under certain circumstances |
| 16% | Illegal in all circumstances |
| 2% | Do not know |

Hisp. Are you Hispanic or Latino?

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| 3% | Yes |
| 97% | No |

RACE. Which of the following categories best describes your racial background?

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| 96% | White |
| 4% | Non-white |

NumA. Including yourself, how many adults 18 years of age or OLDER CURRENTLY live in this household?

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| 16% | One |
| 56% | Two |
| 17% | Three |
| 9% | Four |
| 2% | Five or more |

REL. Do you consider yourself to be Catholic, Protestant, Jewish or something else?

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| 47% | Catholic |
| 32% | Protestant |
| 5% | Jewish |
| 16% | Something else |

BAC. Do you consider yourself to be a born-again Christian or fundamentalist, or not?

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| 14% | Yes |
| 84% | No |
| 2% | Do not know |

INC1. And, just for statistical purposes, we need to know if your total family income is above or below \$30,000 per year?

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| 6% | Under \$25,000 |
| 8% | \$25-\$35,000 |
| 12% | \$35-50,000 |
| 21% | \$50-75,000 |
| 18% | \$75-100,000 |
| 31% | Over \$100,000 |
| 4% | Do Not Know |

DONE. Sex of respondent:

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| 46% | Male |
| 54% | Female |

Methodology: This release summarizes the findings of a survey of 430 registered voters living in Pennsylvania's 7th Congressional District conducted by Franklin and Marshall College's Center for Opinion Research. The survey interviewing was conducted between September 22 and 27, 2006. The sample error for the entire sample is plus or minus 4.7 percent but is larger for subgroups. The sample error for the 363 likely voters in the survey is plus or minus 5.2 percent. Telephone numbers for the survey were randomly selected from state voter registration lists. The final sample includes 249 Republicans, 145 Democrats, and 30 Independent/other voters (6 voters would not provide their registration).

*This survey used a registration-based sampling (RBS) scheme to identify survey respondents. The sampling process uses voter lists and information about past voting history and date of registration to classify voters into separate strata based on historical turnout in similar, prior elections. Historical turnout information determines the selection probabilities within each stratum. The sample was generated by Voter Contact Services and a more detailed description of the RBS scheme can be found on their website (<http://www.vcsnet.com/rbshelp.html>). A detailed methodological study describing the merits of the RBS technique in comparison to traditional random-digit-dialing sampling methodologies can be found in Donald P. Green and Alan S. Gerber (2006) "Can Registration-Based Sampling Improve the Accuracy of Mid-Term Election Forecasts?" *Public Opinion Quarterly* 70 (2): 197 - 223.*