

PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE & THE PRESS
JUNE 2011 POLITICAL SURVEY
FINAL TOPLINE
June 15-19, 2011
N=1502

QUESTIONS 1-2, 30-35, 37-42, 72-75, 77, 82-83 PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

QUESTIONS 7-8, 16-18, 49-51, 53-57, 60-61, HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

NO QUESTIONS 3-6, 9-15, 19-29, 36, 43-48, 52, 59-59, 62-71, 76

ASK ALL:

RANDOMIZE Q.78 AND Q.79

Q.78 Do you think the American people give enough support to soldiers who have served in Iraq and Afghanistan, or not?

Jun 15-19 <u>2011</u>		Feb <u>2008</u>	Mar <u>2007</u>
47	Yes, the American people give enough support	50	51
49	No, the American people do not give enough support	46	44
5	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	4	5

ASK ALL:

RANDOMIZE Q.78 AND Q.79

Q.79 Do you think the U.S. government gives enough support to soldiers who have served in Iraq and Afghanistan, or not?

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32	Yes, the U.S. government gives enough support	22	21
62	No, the U.S. government does not give enough support	72	72
6	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	6	7

IF 'NO, THE U.S. GOVERNMENT DOES NOT GIVE ENOUGH SUPPORT' (Q.79=2), ASK [N=939]:

Q.80 From what you have read and heard, what kinds of problems are returning soldiers having that the government is not doing enough about? [**OPEN-END. PROBE ONCE IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS "DON'T KNOW." ACCEPT UP TO THREE RESPONSES. PROBE ONCE WITH "ANYTHING ELSE?"**]

Jun 15-19 <u>2011</u>		Feb 2008
42	MEDICAL ISSUES (NET)	50
19	Medical/Health care problems/Physical health (general mentions)	33
6	Medical bills/Insurance/Health-care benefits	4
5	Quality of care/adequate or enough medical care/facilities	7
4	Disabilities/Loss of limbs/Care related to disabilities	2
4	Injuries	2
2	Other medical issues	3
1	Head/Brain injuries	1
1	Rehabilitation	2
37	FINANCIAL ISSUES (NET)	27
19	No jobs/Preparing returning military personnel for the workforce	12
9	Money/Financial support/Financial issues (general mentions)	9
6	Housing/losing homes/homeless veterans	3
4	Benefits (generally)	3
4	Military personnel don't get paid enough/Compensation	3
1	Education	3
34	MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES (NET)	34
17	Mental health/Psychological health issues (general mentions)	22
11	Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)	5
5	Depression/Stress/Emotional problems, etc.	7
2	Counseling	2
1	Suicide	1
28	OTHER ISSUES (NET)	23
11	Other, various	6
6	Don't get enough/not enough care or support (generally) upon return	5
5	Needs of military families/Need to support military families	5
4	Transition to civilian life	5
2	Deployments are too long/frequent/tightly spaced/Bring them home	2
1	Once back, they are forgotten/not respected	1
10	Don't know/Refused	11

* Total adds to more than 100% because some respondents gave more than one answer. Individuals who list more than one item in a category are counted only once for the category's net calculation.

ASK ALL:

Q.81 How would you rate the job the government has been doing providing medical care to U.S. soldiers returning from Iraq and Afghanistan? [**READ IN ORDER**]

Jun 15-19 <u>2011</u>		Feb <u>2008</u>	Mar <u>2007</u>
7	Excellent	5	4
31	Good	24	22
36	Only fair	37	33
16	Poor	26	32
10	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	8	9

ASK ALL:

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or independent?

ASK IF INDEP/NO PREF/OTHER/DK/REF (PARTY=3,4,5,9):

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	(VOL.) No preference	(VOL.) Other party	(VOL.) DK/Ref	Lean <u>Rep</u>	Lean <u>Dem</u>
Jun 15-19, 2011	26	34	32	4	*	4	13	13
May 25-30, 2011	24	33	38	3	*	2	15	17
Mar 30-Apr 3, 2011	25	32	37	3	*	3	17	16
Mar 8-14, 2011	24	33	38	3	*	2	17	15
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	24	33	37	3	*	3	15	16
Feb 2-7, 2011	24	31	39	3	*	2	16	16
Jan 5-9, 2011	27	32	35	4	*	2	15	14
Dec 1-5, 2010	25	33	34	5	1	2	13	14
Nov 4-7, 2010	26	30	37	4	*	2	17	13
Oct 27-30, 2010	25	34	31	6	1	4	13	11
Oct 13-18, 2010	25	31	36	4	*	3	16	13
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	24	32	39	2	*	2	15	17
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	26	33	34	4	*	3	14	14
Jun 16-20, 2010	27	34	34	3	1	2	15	15
Yearly Totals								
2010	25.2	32.7	35.2	3.6	.4	2.8	14.5	14.1
2009	23.9	34.4	35.1	3.4	.4	2.8	13.1	15.7
2008	25.7	36.0	31.5	3.6	.3	3.0	10.6	15.2
2007	25.3	32.9	34.1	4.3	.4	2.9	10.9	17.0
2006	27.8	33.1	30.9	4.4	.3	3.4	10.5	15.1
2005	29.3	32.8	30.2	4.5	.3	2.8	10.3	14.9
2004	30.0	33.5	29.5	3.8	.4	3.0	11.7	13.4
2003	30.3	31.5	30.5	4.8	.5	2.5	12.0	12.6
2002	30.4	31.4	29.8	5.0	.7	2.7	12.4	11.6
2001	29.0	33.2	29.5	5.2	.6	2.6	11.9	11.6
2001 Post-Sept 11	30.9	31.8	27.9	5.2	.6	3.6	11.7	9.4
2001 Pre-Sept 11	27.3	34.4	30.9	5.1	.6	1.7	12.1	13.5
2000	28.0	33.4	29.1	5.5	.5	3.6	11.6	11.7
1999	26.6	33.5	33.7	3.9	.5	1.9	13.0	14.5
1998	27.9	33.7	31.1	4.6	.4	2.3	11.6	13.1
1997	28.0	33.4	32.0	4.0	.4	2.3	12.2	14.1
1996	28.9	33.9	31.8	3.0	.4	2.0	12.1	14.9
1995	31.6	30.0	33.7	2.4	.6	1.3	15.1	13.5
1994	30.1	31.5	33.5	1.3	--	3.6	13.7	12.2
1993	27.4	33.6	34.2	4.4	1.5	2.9	11.5	14.9
1992	27.6	33.7	34.7	1.5	0	2.5	12.6	16.5
1991	30.9	31.4	33.2	0	1.4	3.0	14.7	10.8
1990	30.9	33.2	29.3	1.2	1.9	3.4	12.4	11.3
1989	33	33	34	--	--	--	--	--
1987	26	35	39	--	--	--	--	--

ASK ALL:

VET1 Have you or has anyone in your household ever served in the U.S. military or the military reserves?
[IF YES: Is that you or someone else?]

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37	Yes [NET]
13	Self
23	Someone else in household
1	Both
63	No, nobody in household has served
*	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

ASK IF VET IN HOUSEHOLD (VET1=1,2,3):

VET2a Did **[IF VET1=1:you]** **[IF VET1=2:that person]** **[IF VET1=3:you or that person]** serve in the military or military reserves since September 11, 2001?

BASED ON VETERAN HOUSEHOLDS [N=586]:

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28	Yes [NET]
7	Self
21	Someone else in household
1	Both
72	No, nobody in household has served since September 11, 2001
*	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)