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Poll of Iranians and Americans

Questionnaire

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Q1. *To be released*

Q2-I32. Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of the following.

Q2a-I32a. The United States

	Iranians	
	2/08	12/06
Very favorable	7%	5%
Somewhat favorable.....	17	17
Somewhat unfavorable.....	18	11
Very unfavorable	51	65
Refused/Don't know	7	3

Q2b-I32b. The current US government

	Iranians	
	2/08	12/06
Very favorable	2%	2%
Somewhat favorable.....	6	3
Somewhat unfavorable.....	10	9
Very unfavorable	75	84
Refused/Don't know	8	3

Q2c-I32c. The American people

	Iranians	
	2/08	12/06
Very favorable	15%	9%
Somewhat favorable.....	36	36
Somewhat unfavorable.....	17	16
Very unfavorable	20	33
Refused/Don't know	12	6

Q3. *To be released*

Q4. Let me ask you a question about US military forces in the region, apart from those now in Iraq. Do you think that these US forces stationed in countries in the Persian Gulf increase or decrease stability in this region

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	1/08
Increase	8%	61%
Decrease	74	34
No effect.....	9	2
Refused/Don't know	9	3

Q5-US38. Do you think that these US forces stationed in countries in the Persian Gulf should be increased, kept at the same level, decreased, completely withdrawn?

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	1/08
Increased	1%	8%
Kept at same level.....	6	35
Decreased.....	19	35
Completely withdrawn.....	65	19
Refused/Don't know	9	3

Q6-US39. How do you think the publics in the Persian Gulf region feel about the US forces being in the Persian Gulf? Do you think:

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	1/08
Most favor having US forces there	9%	15%
Most oppose having US forces there	60	47
Views are evenly divided.....	15	36
Refused/Don't know	16	2

Q7-I39. How much, if at all, do you think US bases in the Middle East are a threat to Iran?

	Iranians	Americans	
	2/08	12/06	12/06
Not at all a threat.....	17%	11%	14%
A minor threat.....	19	10	30
Some threat	26	29	36
A major threat	29	44	14
Refused/Don't know	9	6	7

Q8. Which point of view is closer to yours?

	Iranians
	2/08
The US mostly shows respect to the Islamic world.....	5%
The US is mostly disrespectful to the Islamic world, but out of ignorance and insensitivity.....	21
The US purposely tries to humiliate the Islamic world.	64
Refused/Don't know	10

Q9-US40. How committed do you think the US is to the goal of creating an independent and viable Palestinian state?

	Iranians		Americans	
	2/08	12/06	1/08	12/06
Very committed	3%	2%	17%	12%
Somewhat committed.....	9	9	48	43
Not very committed	16	13	24	28
Not at all committed.....	62	62	7	9
Refused/Don't know	10	14	4	9

STATEMENT: Thinking now about U.S. actions around the world, please tell me if you think the following are or are not U.S. goals. Please say if you think it is:

Q10-S25c. To maintain control over the oil resources of the Middle East

	Iran
	2/08
Definitely a goal of the U.S.	71%
Probably a goal of the U.S.	13
Probably not a goal of the U.S.	3
Definitely not a goal of the U.S.	3
Refused/Don't Know	11

Q11a-S25g. To weaken and divide the Islamic world

	Iran
	2/08
Definitely a goal of the U.S.	69%
Probably a goal of the U.S.	15
Probably not a goal of the U.S.	4
Definitely not a goal of the U.S.	3
Refused/Don't Know	10

Q11b-US49: Do you think it is or is not a goal of the US government to weaken and divide the Islamic world?

	Americans
	1/08
Is a goal.....	32%
Is not a goal.....	62
Refused/Don't know	7

Q11c-US49a: Do you think it should be?

	Americans
	1/08
Yes	25%
No.....	66
Refused/Don't know	8

Q12-US41-S28. How much of what happens in the world today would you say is controlled by the US?

	Iran	US
	2/08	1/08
Very little	8%	12%
Some	19	56
Most	32	28
Nearly all.....	33	4
Refused/Don't Know	8	*

Read Statement: Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each of the following statements. Would you say that you agree/disagree strongly or somewhat?

Q13. Generally speaking, do you think things in Iran today are going in the right direction, or do you think they are going in the wrong direction?

	Iranians
	2/08
Right direction	65%
Wrong direction	24
Refused/Don't know	12

Q14. Please tell me if you are mostly satisfied or mostly dissatisfied with the following:

[Randomize Order]

Q14a. Iran's economy

	Iranians
	2/08
Mostly satisfied.....	36%
Mostly dissatisfied	49
Refused/Don't know	15

Q14b. Iran's relations with neighboring countries

	Iranians
	2/08
Mostly satisfied.....	74%
Mostly dissatisfied	18
Refused/Don't know	8

Q14c. Iran's relations with the world as a whole

	Iranians
	2/08
Mostly satisfied.....	64%
Mostly dissatisfied	28
Refused/Don't know	8

Q15. What role would you like to see Iran try to play in the Persian Gulf region:

	Iranians
	2/08
A. For Iran to be the dominant power that exerts the most influence	31%
B. For Iran to be part of a cooperative arrangement in which it is one of many countries.	48
C. For Iran to go its own way and not try to influence other countries.....	14
Refused/Don't know	8

Q16. Which is the more important principle for Iran’s foreign policy?

	Iranians
	2/08
Iran should use its power and influence in the way that best serves Iran’s interests and values.	42%
Iran should coordinate its power and influence together with other countries according to shared ideas of what is best for the world as a whole.....	45
Refused/Don’t know	13

Q17. Please tell me if you think each of the following are having a mainly positive or mainly negative influence in the world.

Q17a-I21a. Britain

	Iranians		Americans
	2/08	12/06	12/06
Mainly positive	11%	21%	82%
Mainly negative	67	60	10
Depends (vol.).....	9	7	n/a
Neither (vol.).....	2	1	n/a
Refused/Don’t know	12	10	9

Q17b-I21b. Russia

	Iranians		Americans
	2/08	12/06	12/06
Mainly positive	35%	44%	36%
Mainly negative	29	35	52
Depends (vol.).....	16	8	n/a
Neither (vol.).....	3	2	n/a
Refused/Don’t know	16	11	12

Q17c-I21c. France

	Iranians		Americans
	2/08	12/06	12/06
Mainly positive	21%	42%	47%
Mainly negative	38	36	42
Depends (vol.).....	13	9	n/a
Neither (vol.).....	5	2	n/a
Refused/Don’t know	22	11	11

Q17d-I21g: Iran

	Iranians		Americans
	2/08	12/06	12/06
Mainly positive	79%	83%	10%
Mainly negative	5	3	80
Depends (vol.).....	6	8	n/a
Neither (vol.).....	4	1	n/a
Refused/Don't know	6	5	10

Q17e-I21f: China

	Iranians
	2/08
Mainly positive	55%
Mainly negative	11
Depends (vol.).....	12
Neither (vol.).....	3
Refused/Don't know	18

Q17f-I21h: The United States

	Iranians
	2/08
Mainly positive	9%
Mainly negative	75
Depends (vol.).....	7
Neither (vol.).....	1
Refused/Don't know	7

Q17g-I26b: The United Nations

	Iranians		Americans
	2/08	12/06	12/06
Mainly positive	33%	58%	64%
Mainly negative	25	24	27
Depends (vol.).....	17	9	n/a
Neither (vol.).....	6	1	n/a
Refused/Don't know	19	8	9

Q17h-I26c: The International Atomic Energy Agency or IAEA

	Iranians		Americans
	2/08	12/06	12/06
Mainly positive	44%	54%	58%
Mainly negative	15	10	27
Depends (vol.).....	15	18	n/a
Neither (vol.).....	5	2	n/a

Only reduce US-led forces as the security situation improves in Iraq	15	23	32	38
Refused/Don't know	11	8	3	4

Q21. Do you approve or disapprove of [Iran/the US] having talks with [the US/Iran] on trying to stabilize the situation in Iraq?

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	1/08
Approve.....	69%	73%
Disapprove	21	22
Refused/Don't know	10	5

Q22. Do you think it would be a good idea or a bad idea for Iraq's neighbors to provide weapons to Iraqis fighting US forces in Iraq?

	Iranians
	2/08
Good idea	39%
Bad idea	51
Refused/Don't know	10

Q23. What role would you most like to see Iran try to play in Iraq:

	Iranians
	2/08
For Iran to have a very strong influence over Iraq.....	24%
For Iran, Iraq, and some neighboring countries to be part of a cooperative arrangement with Iran having no special influence over Iraq.....	47
For Iran to go its own way and not try to influence Iraq.	19
Refused/Don't know	10

Q24-US46. As you may know, in the US there was recently a new report from all of the major intelligence agencies. Is it your understanding that the report concluded that today Iran does or does not have a nuclear weapons program?

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	1/08
Does	19%	54%
Does not	55	35
Refused/Don't know	25	10

Q25-CC25: Thinking about specific steps that could be taken to strengthen the United Nations, here are some options that have been proposed. For each one, select if you would favor or oppose this step.

Q25a-CC25a: Giving the UN the power to regulate the international arms trade

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	7/06
Favor	59%	60%
Oppose	16	34
Refused/Don't know	26	6

Q25b-CC25b: Having a standing UN peacekeeping force selected, trained and commanded by the United Nations

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	7/06
Favor	62%	72%
Oppose	13	24
Refused/Don't know	25	5

Q25c-CC25c: Giving the UN the power to fund its activities by imposing a small tax on such things as the international sale of arms or oil

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	7/06
Favor	39%	45%
Oppose	31	50
Refused/Don't know	30	5

Q25d-CC25d: Giving the UN the authority to go into countries in order to investigate violations of human rights

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	7/06
Favor	54%	75%
Oppose	22	22
Refused/Don't know	25	3

Q26-CC126: Some people say that the UN Security Council has the responsibility to authorize the use of military force to protect people from severe human rights violations such as genocide, even against the will of their own government. Others say that the UN Security Council does not have such a responsibility. Do you think that the UN Security Council does or does not have this responsibility?

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	7/06
Has this responsibility.....	59%	74%
Does not have this responsibility	25	22
Refused/Don't know	16	4

Q27. As you may know, Iran's position is that it should have a full fuel cycle nuclear energy program, but should not develop nuclear weapons. Do you:

	Iranians
	2/08
A. Approve of this policy.....	66%
B. Think Iran should not pursue a full fuel cycle nuclear energy program	5
C. Think Iran should develop nuclear weapons.....	20
None of the above (vol.)	1
Refused/Don't know	8

Q28-I40a. How important do you think it is for Iran to have a full-fuel-cycle nuclear program?

	Iranians	
	2/08	12/06
Not at all important	2%	2%
Not very important.....	2	2
Somewhat important	9	7
Very important	81	84
Refused/Don't know	5	5

Q29-I42b. How likely do you think it is that the US will take military action against Iran’s nuclear facilities in the next year or two?

	Iranians		Americans	
	2/08	12/06	1/08	12/06
Not at all likely.....	36%	34%	5%	9%
Not very likely	18	11	34	36
Somewhat likely.....	25	37	36	36
Very likely	9	11	9	13
Refused/Don’t know	11	7	6	7

Read Statement: As you may know, Iran and most of the world’s countries have signed a treaty called the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty or NPT. According to this treaty, the countries that have nuclear weapons have agreed to actively work together toward eliminating their nuclear weapons. The countries that do not have nuclear weapons, including [COUNTRY], have agreed not to try to acquire them.

Q30-I46. Do you think it was a good idea or a bad idea for [COUNTRY] to agree to be part of the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty?

	Iranians		Americans
	2/08	12/06	11/06
Good idea.....	59%	66%	78%
Bad idea	13	10	15
Refused/Don’t know	27	24	7

Q31-I47. Do you approve of Iran continuing to be a member of the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT) or do you think Iran should withdraw from it?

	Iranians	
	2/08	12/06
Should continue to be a member.....	63%	60%
Should withdraw	10	15
Refused/Don’t know	27	25

Q32-I48. Do you favor or oppose the goal of eventually eliminating all nuclear weapons, which is stated in the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT)?

	Iranians		Americans
	2/08	12/06	11/06
Favor	72%	68%	82%
Oppose	13	18	14
Refused/Don’t know	15	14	5

Q33-I52. How many countries do you think have secret programs for developing the capacity to produce nuclear weapons?

	Iranians		Americans
	2/08	12/06	12/06
None.....	3%	1%	1%
A few.....	24	28	23
Some.....	28	26	36
Many.....	24	22	36
Refused/Don't know.....	21	22	4

Q34. Suppose the UN Security Council were to say that it would accept Iran having a full fuel cycle nuclear program limited to the enrichment levels necessary for nuclear energy, if Iran agrees to allow the IAEA permanent and full access throughout Iran to ensure that its nuclear program is limited to energy production. Do you think Iran should or should not be willing to agree to this?

	Iranians
	2/08
Should.....	58%
Should not.....	26
Refused/Don't know.....	15

Q35. Is it your opinion that producing nuclear weapons is or is not against the principles of Islam?

	Iranians
	2/08
Yes, producing nuclear weapons is against the principles of Islam.....	58%
No, Islam does not prohibit the production of nuclear weapons.....	23
Islam does not have a position on nuclear weapons (vol.).....	5
Islam requires Muslims to pursue nuclear weapons (vol.).....	1
Refused/Don't know.....	12

Q36. In the way Iran is governed, do you think that Shari'a should play a larger role, a smaller role, or about the same role as it plays today?

	Iranians
	2/08
Larger role.....	34%
Smaller role.....	14
About the same role as today	45
Refused/Don't know	8

[Ask those who say "larger role (01)" or "same role (03)" in QI40]

Q37. In applying Shari'a, how important is it for the government to do each of the following: *

[Alternately Reverse Order of Items]

Q37a. Providing welfare to the poor

	Iranians
	2/08
Very.....	48%
Somewhat.....	20
Not very	4
Not at all.....	3
Refused/Don't know	2

Q37b. Policing moral behavior such as gambling and prostitution

	Iranians
	2/08
Very.....	43%
Somewhat.....	22
Not very	6
Not at all.....	5
Refused/Don't know	2

Q37c. Applying severe physical punishments to people convicted of certain crimes

	Iranians
	2/08
Very.....	22%
Somewhat.....	28
Not very	13
Not at all.....	10
Refused/Don't know	5

* Percent of total.

Q37d. Making education and healthcare available to all

	Iranians
	2/08
Very.....	46%
Somewhat.....	22
Not very	6
Not at all.....	2
Refused/Don't know	2

Q37e. Punishing those who consume alcoholic beverages in public

	Iranians
	2/08
Very.....	45%
Somewhat.....	22
Not very	5
Not at all.....	3
Refused/Don't know	2

Q37f. Preventing usury

	Iranians
	2/08
Very.....	51%
Somewhat.....	16
Not very	6
Not at all.....	2
Refused/Don't know	3

Q38. Do you think that the government should or should not punish an Iranian citizen who converts from Islam to a non-Muslim religion?

	Iranians
	2/08
Should punish.....	32%
Should not punish	50
Depends (vol.).....	7
Refused/Don't know	10

Q39. Thinking about the following kinds of attacks on Americans, please tell me if you approve of them, disapprove of them, or have mixed feelings about them?

[Alternately Reverse Order of Items]

Q39a-S47. Attacks on US civilians working for US companies in Islamic countries

	Iran
	2/08
Strongly approve.....	8%
Somewhat approve.....	7
Mixed feelings	6
Somewhat disapprove	11
Strongly disapprove	53
Refused/Don't Know	15

Q39b-S49. Attacks on civilians in the United States

	Iran
	2/08
Strongly approve.....	4%
Somewhat approve.....	5
Mixed feelings	4
Somewhat disapprove	10
Strongly disapprove	63
Refused/Don't Know	15

Q40. Do you approve or disapprove of the way President Ahmadinejad is handling his job as president?

	Iranians
	2/08
Approve.....	66%
Disapprove	22
Refused/Don't know	13

Q41. Do you think the way President Ahmadinejad has been traveling abroad and speaking about Iran's foreign policy has made the following mostly better or mostly worse:

Q41a. The overall security of Iran

	Iranians
	2/08
Mostly better	63%
Mostly worse.....	14
No difference (vol.).....	14

Refused/Don't know9

Q41b. Other countries' views of Iran

	Iranians
	2/08
Mostly better	64%
Mostly worse.....	16
No difference (vol.).....	8
Refused/Don't know	13

Q42. Thinking about Muslim and Western cultures, do you think that violent conflict between them is inevitable, or that it is possible to find common ground?

	Iranians		Americans	
	2/08	12/06	12/06	
Conflict inevitable.....	12%	25%	47%	
Possible to find common ground	64	58	50	
Refused/Don't know	24	17	3	

Q43. Please tell me if you favor or oppose the US and Iran doing each of the following.*

[Randomize Order]

Q43a. Having greater cultural, educational, and sporting exchanges

	Iranians		Americans	
	2/08	12/06	1/08	12/06
Favor strongly	34%	21%	20%	27%
Favor somewhat	29	25	43	45
Oppose somewhat	9	6	24	12
Oppose strongly	15	25	10	9
Refused/Don't know	14	22	3	8

* In the December 2006 survey of Iranians, the introductory statement for this question series read:

“Here are a number of steps that that some people have proposed to improve relations between the United States and Iran. For each of the following please tell me if you favor or oppose each idea and if you feel that way somewhat or strongly.”

It is possible that some Iranian respondents understood this statement in Farsi as asking them to also evaluate whether they thought each step would be *effective* in improving relations between the United States and Iran. For this reason, these questions should not be seen as providing a pure trendline between December 2006 and February 2008. A part of the change toward more favorable responses may be due to the simpler introductory statement.

Q43b. Providing more access for each other's journalists

	Iranians		Americans	
	2/08	12/06	1/08	12/06
Favor strongly	37%	19%	21%	24%
Favor somewhat	33	32	49	44
Oppose somewhat	7	11	20	15
Oppose strongly	8	28	7	9
Refused/Don't know	15	10	3	8

Q43c. Having greater trade

	Iranians		Americans	
	2/08	12/06	1/08	12/06
Favor strongly	38%	24%	12%	19%
Favor somewhat	26	28	43	46
Oppose somewhat	8	7	29	18
Oppose strongly	14	19	13	9
Refused/Don't know	14	21	3	8

Q43d. For the governments to have direct talks on issues of mutual concern

	Iranians		Americans	
	2/08	12/06	1/08	12/06
Favor strongly	29%	17%	33%	37%
Favor somewhat	28	31	49	42
Oppose somewhat	13	24	11	7
Oppose strongly	13	18	5	7
Refused/Don't know	18	10	3	8

Q43e. To have more Americans and Iranian visit each other's countries as tourists

	Iranians		Americans	
	2/08	12/06	1/08	12/06
Favor strongly	45%	17%	12%	16%
Favor somewhat	26	31	31	35
Oppose somewhat	6	31	34	25
Oppose strongly	8	13	20	16
Refused/Don't know	14	8	3	8

Q44. How satisfied are you with the process by which members of [parliament/Congress] are elected in this country? Would you say you are very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, not very satisfied, not at all satisfied?

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	1/08
Very satisfied	18%	13%
Somewhat satisfied	40	52
Not very satisfied	21	24
Not at all satisfied	11	8
Refused/Don't know	10	2

Q45: In general how satisfied are you with the process by which the authorities are elected in this country?

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	1/08
Very satisfied	18%	12%
Somewhat satisfied	44	57
Not very satisfied	21	22
Not at all satisfied	7	9
Refused/Don't know	10	0

Q46-Q48. *To be released.*

Q49-EL1: I am going to read a list of political leaders from around the world. For each, tell me how much confidence you have in each leader to do the right thing regarding world affairs—a lot of confidence, some confidence, not too much confidence, or no confidence at all.

Q49a-EL1a: US President George W. Bush

	Iranians
	2/08
A lot of confidence.....	2%
Some confidence	4
Not too much confidence	8
No confidence at all	72
Depends (vol.).....	0
Refused/Don't know	14

Q49b-Q49d: *To be released*

Q49e-EL1e: United Nations' Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon

	Iranians
	2/08
A lot of confidence.....	5%
Some confidence.....	38
Not too much confidence.....	10
No confidence at all.....	8
Depends (vol.).....	0
Refused/Don't know.....	38

Q49f-Q49h: *To be released*

Q50-GP1: Please tell me if you agree or disagree with the following statement: The will of the people should be the basis of the authority of government?

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	1/08
Strongly agree.....	41%	44%
Somewhat agree.....	26	43
Somewhat disagree.....	7	10
Strongly disagree.....	2	3
Neither agree nor disagree (vol.).....	2	0
Refused/Don't know.....	23	0

Q51-GP2: As a general rule, do you think government leaders should be selected through elections in which all citizens can vote, or do you think they should be selected some other way?

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	1/08
Selected through elections in which citizens can vote.....	80%	96%
Selected some other way.....	6	4
Refused/Don't know.....	14	0

Q52-GP3: Do you think that: elections are the only time when the views of the people should have influence, or that also between elections leaders should consider the views of the people as they make decisions?

	Iranians 2/08	Americans 1/08
Elections are the only time when the views of the people should have influence.....	14%	5%
Leaders should pay attention to the views of the people as they make decisions.....	68	94
Refused/Don't know	18	1

Q53a-Q53d: *To be released.*

Statement: Now I would like to ask you about the government of Iran

Q54-GA1: How much of the time do you think you can trust the national government in Tehran to do what is right?

	Iranians 2/08	Americans 1/08
Just about always	48%*	3%
Most of the time	26	37
Only some of the time.....	11	60
Never (vol.).....	2	0
Refused/Don't know	12	0

Q55-GA3a: How much is this country governed according to the will of the people? Please answer on a scale of 0-10 with 0 meaning “not at all” and 10 meaning “completely.”

	Iranians 2/08	Americans 1/08
0 (Not at all).....	3%	9%
1.....	4	5
2.....	4	13
3.....	3	16
4.....	6	15
5.....	18	20
6.....	12	8
7.....	13	7
8.....	11	4
9.....	5	1
10 (Completely)	9	1
Refused/Don't know	13	2

* Iranians were offered “Most of the time”, “Some of the time”, “Rarely”, and “Never” as response options.
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Refused/Don't know16

Q58-W1: Thinking about the course of your lifetime, would you say, compared to the rights men have in this society, that women now have much more equality, a little more equality, a little less equality, much less equality, or that there has been no real change?

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	1/08
Much more equality	39%	37%
A little more equality	36	42
A little less equality	3	13
Much less equality	2	3
No real change	4	5
Women now have more rights than men (vol.).....	1	0
Refused/Don't know	14	0

Q59-W2: Do you think the government should make an effort to prevent discrimination against women, or do you think the government should not be involved in this kind of thing?

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	1/08
Should make an effort.....	70%	82%
Should not be involved [Skip to Q60-W3]	18	17
Refused/Don't know	12	1

[Ask if “Should make an effort” or (99) in Q59-W2]

Q59a-W2a: Do you think the government is doing enough to prevent discrimination against women or do you think it should do more?

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	1/08
Doing enough.....	24%*	35%*
Should do more	36	48
Government is doing too much (vol.).....	1	0
Refused/Don't know	22	*

* Percent of total sample. Iranian respondents who chose “Refused/Don't know” in Q59-W2 were not asked Q59a-W2a.
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Q60-W3: Do you think the UN should make efforts to further the rights of women or do you think this is improper interference in a country's internal affairs?

	Iranians	Americans
	2/08	1/08
Make efforts to further the rights of women.....	52%	59%
Improper interference in a country's internal affairs	36	38
Refused/Don't know	12	2

Q61-R1 through Q65a-R3a: *Previously released*

Read Statement: Now I would like to ask some questions about the role of the media.

Q66-P1: Which view is closer to yours? Do you think:

	Iranians
	2/08
The press should have the right to publish news and ideas without any government control.	31%
The government should have the right to prevent the media from publishing things that it thinks will be destabilizing.	45
Refused/Don't know	24

Q67-P2: How much freedom does the press have in your country?

	Iranians
	2/08
A lot	17%
Some	45
Not very much.....	16
None at all.....	5
Refused/Don't know	17

Q68-P3: Do you think that in Iran the press should have more freedom, less freedom, or the same amount of freedom?

	Iranians
	2/08
More freedom.....	34%
Less freedom.....	9
The same amount of freedom	43
Refused/Don't know	15

Q69-P4: Do you think people in your country should or should not have the right to read publications from all other countries?

	Iranians
	2/08
Should	79%
Should not.....	6
Refused/Don't know	16

Q70-P5: Do you think people in Iran should have the right to read whatever is on the Internet or do you think the government should have the right to prevent people from having access to some things on the internet?

	Iranians
	2/08
People should have the right to read whatever is on the internet	32%
Government should have the right to prevent people from having access to some things on the Internet.	44
Refused/Don't know	24

Q71-Q74. *To be released*

US DEMOGRAPHIC DATA:

[FULL SAMPLE]

D1. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a:

Republican	27%
Independent.....	19
Democrat.....	31
Other	2
No preference.....	21
Refused/Don't know	1

[IF "OTHER," "NO PREFERENCE" "INDEPENDENT" OR SKIP at D1]

D1a. Do you think of yourself as closer to the:

Republican Party	9%*
Democratic Party	10
Neither	23
Refused/Don't know	*

D2. What is your religious preference? Do you consider yourself:

Christian.....	72%
Jewish.....	1
Muslim.....	1
Buddhist.....	1
Hindu	1
Agnostic	2
Atheist.....	2
No religious preference.....	12
Other religion.....	7
Refused/Don't know	*

[IF "CHRISTIAN" at D2]

D2a. Would you describe yourself as a 'born- again' or evangelical?

Yes	25%†
No.....	32
No opinion	15
Refused/Don't know	*

* Percent of total.

† Percent of total.

D3. Would you say you are...

Very religious.....	21%
Somewhat religious.....	46
Not very religious	18
Not at all religious.....	13
Depends.....	*
Refused/Don't know	*

D4. Did you vote for a candidate for the House of Representatives or the Senate in the election in November 2006?

Yes	58%
No.....	40
Refused/Don't know	1

D5. Age

18-29	16%
30-44	28
45-59	29
60+	27

D6. Education level (categorical)

Less than High School	11%
High School Graduate.....	29
Some College.....	28
Bachelor's degree or higher	32

D7. Race/Ethnicity

White, Non-Hispanic	78%
Black, Non-Hispanic.....	8
Other, Non-Hispanic	3
Hispanic	8
2+ Races, Non-Hispanic	3

D8. Region

Northeast.....	17%
Midwest.....	26
South	35
West	22

D9. Gender

Male	50%
Female.....	50

IRAN DEMOGRAPHIC DATA

D1. Gender

Male	52%
Female.....	48

D2. Please tell me the highest class in school you have completed?

Illiterate – Less than primary	7%
Primary.....	17
Less than High School Diploma	17
High School Diploma	33
Some College/University	15
Bachelor Degree or Higher	10
Refused/Don't know	1

D4. Age

18-29	46%
30-44	28
45-59	15
60+	9
Refused/Don't know	2

D5. Total Household Income

Very low.....	16%
Low	37
Average/Median.....	26
High.....	5
Very high	6
Refused/Don't know	10

D6. Have you ever used the internet?

Yes	39%
No.....	59
Refused/Don't know	3

D6a. How often do you use the internet?

Few times a year	8%*
Once a month	8

* Percent of total

Once or a few times per week.....16
 One or more times per day.....6

D7. Does your household have a land-line telephone?

Yes 84%
 No.....11

 Refused/Don't know5

D9. When you follow the news these days, how interested are you in news about the relations of Iran with other countries?

Very interested..... 46%
 Somewhat interested.....32
 Hardly interested.....9
 Don't follow news.....7
 Depends.....1

 Refused/Don't know5

D11. Settlement Type

Urban..... 69%
 Rural.....31

D11. Region in Iran

Tehran 26%
 N.....10
 NE11
 SE.....6
 S8
 C.....9
 SW.....10
 W.....8
 NW13

D16. Community size

Less than 10,000 (rural) 31%
 100,000-500,00025
 500,000-900,000 (large city or urban area)8
 Greater than 900,000 (very large city or urban area).....36

IRAN METHODOLOGY

Fielded January 13 – February 9, 2008

Iranian Sample

A multistage stratified sample with random route of selecting households and the most recent birthday method of selecting respondents within households was utilized for this poll. The sample's universe included all residents of Iran aged 16 and over.

The sample design was province based.

- 1) Interviews were first allocated to each province proportional to that province's Urban and rural population.
- 2) Then cities with a population above 900,000 were selected with a probability of 1.
- 3) Discounting the cities that were selected with a probability of one, cities in each province were selected with a probability proportional to their population.
- 4) If the city selected in stage 3, included more than 50% of that province's population, another city was not selected in that province. But if it was not, another city is also selected in that province using stage 3 step.
- 5) Then interviews allocated to each province were distributed among the cities selected in that province proportional to their population.
- 6) All small cities and rural districts were assigned to regional categories according to the geographic location of their province. Then these cities and rural districts were selected randomly and independently within each category of cities and rural districts according to the number of PSUs allocated to each category.

Sample point selection: (SPs)

Once Primary Sample Units (PSUs) were selected through the indicated first stages, sampling points (SPs) were randomly selected from within each PSU. For urban areas, SP is defined as the streets within an Urban PSU. For rural areas, SP is defined as the village within a Rural PSU. No more than 5 interviews were conducted in each SP.

Household selection within SP

From the pre-selected starting point, the 1st residential unit on the left side of street and then every 3rd residential unit were contacted. If the residential unit was a single family house or a 2 level building in which 2 households reside, then the household residing on the first level was picked. If the residential unit was a 3+ level apartment building, the household residing on the middle level was picked. If multiple households reside within a particular level, then the first household on the left, closest to the elevator/staircase was picked.

Selecting a respondent within a household:

Our interviewers asked to speak with an eligible member of the household who has had the most recent birthday. If more than one household member qualified, our interviewers then asked to speak with the one who had most recently been out of the house. If no one was home, we tried two additional times. If someone was home but the randomly selected member was not, a time was arranged so that the interview could take place at a mutually agreeable time. If the selected member refused to willingly participate, if a mutually agreeable arrangement could not be made, or if a selected household could not be reached after three attempts, the interviewers abandoned the household and move to the next.

Interview allocation:

Interviews were allocated proportional to the population size of the selected PSUs and the areas those PSUs represented. Selected PSUs within each region were made to represent the population of similar settlements (population category) within that region.

Survey Execution

All interviewing was conducted by a major Iranian survey organization using their interviewers and supervisory staff.

D10 - Name of Province

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid 1 - Azerbaijan Sharghi	40	5.6	5.6	5.6
2 - Azerbaijan Gharbi	28	3.9	3.9	9.6
3 - Ardabil	12	1.7	1.7	11.3
4 - Esfahan	45	6.3	6.3	17.6
5 - Ilam	5	.7	.7	18.3
6 - Bushehr	9	1.3	1.3	19.6
7 - Tehran	142	20.0	20.0	39.6
8 - Chahar Mahal Bakhtiari	8	1.1	1.1	40.7
9 - Khorasan Jonoobi	6	.8	.8	41.5
10 - Khorasan Razavi	56	7.9	7.9	49.4
11 - Khorasan Shomali	13	1.8	1.8	51.3
12 - Khuzastan	44	6.2	6.2	57.5
13 - Zanjan	10	1.4	1.4	58.9
14 - Semnan	5	.7	.7	59.6
15 - Sistan and Baluchestan	19	2.7	2.7	62.3
16 - Fars	43	6.1	6.1	68.3
17 - Ghazvin	12	1.7	1.7	70.0
18 - Ghom	11	1.5	1.5	71.5
19 - Kordestan	15	2.1	2.1	73.7
20 - Kerman	26	3.7	3.7	77.3
21 - Kermanshah	18	2.5	2.5	79.9
22 - Kohkilooyeh and Boyerahmad	6	.8	.8	80.7
23 - Gilan	26	3.7	3.7	84.4
24 - Golestan	16	2.3	2.3	86.6
25 - Lorestan	17	2.4	2.4	89.0
26 - Mazandaran	29	4.1	4.1	93.1
27 - Markazi	12	1.7	1.7	94.8
28 - Hormozgan	11	1.5	1.5	96.3
29 - Hamedan	17	2.4	2.4	98.7
30 - Yazd	9	1.3	1.3	100.0
Total	710	100.0	100.0	

US METHODOLOGY

In the United States, the poll of 703 nationally representative respondents was conducted January 18 – 27, 2008 and has a margin of error of +/- 3.8 percentage points. The polls were fielded by Knowledge Networks, using its nationwide panel, which is randomly selected from the entire adult population and subsequently provided internet access. For more information about this methodology, go to www.knowledgenetworks.com/ganp.