

SEIU / Center for American Progress Action Fund Florida 16 Frequency Questionnaire

November 12-14, 2007
400 Likely Voters

Q.4 First of all, are you registered to vote at this address?

	Total
Yes	100
No.....	-
(Refused).....	-
(ref:SCREEN1)	

Q.5 Many people weren't able to vote in the 2004 election for president between George Bush and John Kerry. How about you? Were you able to vote, or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	Total
Voted	97
Not registered in 2004/Ineligible/too young	3
Did not vote	-
(Can't remember/Don't know).....	-
(Refused).....	-
(ref:VOTE00)	

Q.6 In what year were you born?

	Total
18 - 24	5
25 - 29	4
30 - 34	4
35 - 39	5
40 - 44	7
45 - 49	8
50 - 54	10
55 - 59	10
60 - 64	8
Over 64.....	39
(No answer).....	1
(ref:AGE)	

Q.7 I know it's a long way off, but what are the chances of you voting in the election for president in 2008: are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or don't you think you will vote?

	Total
Almost certain.....	94
Probably	6
50-50	-
Will not vote.....	-
(Don't know)	-
(Refused).....	-
(ref:CP3)	

Q.8 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George Bush is handling his job as president?

	Total
Strongly approve	21
Somewhat approve	16
Somewhat disapprove.....	11
Strongly disapprove.....	47
(Don't know/refused)	5
Total approve.....	37
Total disapprove.....	58
Approve - disapprove	-21
(ref:CANDAPP2)	

Q.9 Now, I'd like to rate your feelings toward some people and organizations, with one hundred meaning a VERY WARM, FAVORABLE feeling; zero meaning a VERY COLD, UNFAVORABLE feeling; and fifty meaning not particularly warm or cold. You can use any number from zero to one hundred, the higher the number the more favorable your feelings are toward that person or organization. If you have no opinion or never heard of that person or organization, please say so.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% ID
9 The Republican Party	46.3	39	44	97
10 The Democratic Party	47.9	37	40	96
11 George W. Bush	41.0	37	52	98
12 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association	50.7	39	36	94
13 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups.....	47.2	34	42	94
14 Gay marriage	30.3	21	57	95
[200 Respondents]				
15 (SPLIT A) Pharmaceutical companies	38.1	21	48	96
[200 Respondents]				
16 (SPLIT B) Health insurance companies.....	39.2	24	52	96
[200 Respondents]				
17 (SPLIT A) HMO's	36.3	16	45	87
[200 Respondents]				
18 (SPLIT B) State Children's Health Insurance Program, or S-CHIP	59.1	45	22	85
(ref:THERM204)				

Q.19 I know it is a long way off, but thinking about the election in 2008, if the election for president were held today, for whom would you vote -- the Democratic candidate or the Republican candidate?

	Total
Democratic candidate.....	42
Lean Democratic candidate.....	5
Republican candidate.....	40
Lean Republican candidate.....	5
(Other candidate)	1
Lean (Other candidate)	0
(Undecided).....	6
(Refused).....	1
Total Democratic candidate	47
Total Republican candidate.....	45
Total (Other candidate).....	2
Democratic candidate - Republican candidate.....	2
(ref:PRES08)	

Q.25 Do you support or oppose reforming our current health care system to provide affordable health coverage for all Americans?

	Total
Strongly support	58
Somewhat support	17
Somewhat oppose.....	7
Strongly oppose	12
(Don't know/refused)	6
Total support	75
Total oppose	19
Support - Oppose	57
(ref:HCSUPP)	

[302 Respondents]

Q.26 (IF SUPPORT IN HCSUPP) Would you support or oppose reforming our current health care system to provide affordable health coverage for all Americans if it meant government taking a much larger role in our health care system?

	Total
Strongly support	43
Somewhat support	25
Somewhat oppose.....	14
Strongly oppose	14
(Don't know/refused)	4
Total support	67
Total oppose	28
Support - Oppose	39

**Q.25/26 TOTAL INCORPORATING RESULTS OF Q.25 – POSITION ON REFORM
(INCLUDING LARGER GOVERNMENT ROLE)**

	Total
Combined: Firm Support	51
Conditional Support.....	25
Firm Opposition.....	19
Don't know/Refused.....	6

ref:HCSUPP2)

[204 Respondents]

Q.27 (IF SUPPORT IN HCSUPP2) Would you support or oppose reforming our current health care system to provide affordable health coverage for all Americans if it meant that you would have to pay more in taxes?

	Total
Strongly support	49
Somewhat support	25
Somewhat oppose.....	13
Strongly oppose	10
(Don't know/refused)	4
Total support	74
Total oppose	23
Support - Oppose	51

**Q.25/27 TOTAL INCORPORATING RESULTS OF Q.25 AND Q.26 – POSITION ON REFORM
(INCLUDING LARGER GOVERNMENT ROLE AND TAX INCREASE)**

	Total
Combined: Firm Support	37
Conditional Support.....	38
Firm Opposition.....	19
(Don't know/Refused).....	6

(ref:HCSUPP3)

[200 Respondents]

Q.28 (SPLIT A) Thinking again about the American health care system, which of the following is the ONE biggest problem with the current system.

	Comb	1st	2nd
Health care costs are too high for American families	53	31	24
Insurance companies have too much red tape and often deny necessary care	40	21	20
There are too many people without health coverage.....	31	18	13
Malpractice lawsuits are putting doctors out of business	25	12	14
There is too much government involvement in health care.....	17	9	8
It is too easy to lose your coverage at any time.....	11	2	9
(Other)	3	1	3
(None)	2	2	2
(Don't Know/Refuse)	4	4	6

(ref:HCCONC/HCCONC2)

[200 Respondents]

Q.29 (SPLIT B) Thinking about health care reform, which ONE of the following values is the most important in guiding health care reform.

	Comb	1st	2nd
Every American should have a choice of doctors and hospitals	56	19	38
Health care is a fundamental right -- every American should be guaranteed coverage that can never be taken away.....	43	33	10
Individuals, businesses and government have a shared responsibility for covering health care costs.....	38	16	23
America's health care system should be private and market-driven, not government run	31	23	8
American businesses should not be hurt by health care costs	14	3	11
(Other)	4	1	3
(None)	1	1	4
(Don't Know/Refuse)	3	3	5

(ref:HCVALUE/HCVALUE2)

Q.30 Now I'd like to read you some elements from a health care plan proposed by the Democrats in Congress. Please tell me if you support or oppose each of these elements.

	Strng Supp	Smwt Supp	Smwt Opp	Strng Opp	Dk/ Ref	Total Supp	Total Opp	Supp - Opp
[200 Respondents]								
30 (SPLIT C) Expand Medicaid and the State Children's Health Insurance Plan to cover all low-income Americans	45	27	10	14	4	72	24	48
[200 Respondents]								
31 (SPLIT D) Require insurance companies to offer coverage at a fair price, regardless of age, medical history, or pre-existing condition	65	18	7	6	4	83	13	70
[200 Respondents]								
32 (SPLIT C) Give all Americans a choice of keeping what they have now or joining a national insurance pool that offers a choice of private and public plans, including the same options that Members of Congress receive	46	29	9	10	5	76	19	57
[200 Respondents]								
33 (SPLIT D) Give all Americans a choice of keeping what they have now or joining a national insurance pool that offers a choice of private and public plans, including a plan like Medicare	40	27	8	18	7	67	26	41
[200 Respondents]								
34 (SPLIT C) Provide refundable tax credits to ensure that no one pays more than 5 to 7 percent of their income on health insurance	42	30	11	9	8	72	20	51
[200 Respondents]								
35 (SPLIT D) Require all businesses to provide health care for their employees or contribute to a fund to help pay for their coverage	43	27	12	16	2	70	28	42
[200 Respondents]								
36 (SPLIT C) Include an individual mandate that requires all Americans to have health insurance while providing financial assistance to those who cannot afford it	36	27	12	20	5	63	32	31

	Strng Supp	Smwt Supp	Smwt Opp	Strng Opp	Dk/ Ref	Total Supp	Total Opp	Supp - Opp
[200 Respondents]								
37 (SPLIT D) Invest in more preventative health care to help people lead healthy lifestyles and reduce diseases such as diabetes, cancer and heart disease.	68	18	4	7	3	86	11	75
(ref:DEMELEM)								

Q.38 Now I'd like to read you some elements from a health care plan proposed by the Republicans in Congress. Please tell me if you support or oppose each of these elements.

	Strng Supp	Smwt Supp	Smwt Opp	Strng Opp	Dk/ Ref	Total Supp	Total Opp	Supp - Opp
[200 Respondents]								
38 (SPLIT C) Reform malpractice laws to rein in frivolous lawsuits against doctors	50	25	11	8	6	75	20	55

[200 Respondents]								
39 (SPLIT D) Expand the use of Health Savings Accounts that allow families to set aside some money to pay health expenses tax-free	48	26	6	17	3	74	23	50

[200 Respondents]								
40 (SPLIT C) Provide families up to a 15,000 dollar tax deduction to help them afford coverage	38	28	13	14	7	66	27	40

[200 Respondents]								
41 (SPLIT D) Provide tax credits for lower income families to help them afford coverage	50	25	6	15	4	75	21	55

[200 Respondents]								
42 (SPLIT D) Deregulate insurance markets by allowing people to shop for insurance across state lines.....	48	26	7	11	8	74	18	56

[200 Respondents]								
43 (SPLIT C) Offer block grants to states to encourage them to develop their own innovative solutions	27	29	17	20	8	55	37	18
(ref:REPELEM)								

Q.44 After hearing elements of both plans, which health care plan do you support more:

A Democratic plan that would guarantee affordable health insurance for all Americans. This plan would lower costs throughout the system, and allow people to choose between their current coverage or several private and public insurance options. Critics say this plan will cost too much and lead to higher taxes and government-run health care.

Or

A Republican plan that would offer people tax credits and savings accounts to purchase private insurance and lower their costs in the private market. This plan would not require more government involvement in health care. Critics say this plan will leave millions of people without coverage or at risk of losing it and will only help wealthier Americans.

	Total
Support Democratic plan strongly	41
Support Democratic plan not so strongly	14
Support Republican plan not so strongly	13
Support Republican plan strongly	24
(Neither)	5
(Both).....	1
(Don't know/refused)	3
Total Democrat	55
Total Republican	36
Democrat - Republican	19
(ref:PREPAIR)	

Q.45 Let me read you some statements Democrats in Congress make in support of their health care plan. Please tell me if each statement would make you more or less likely to support the Democratic plan.

	Much More Likely	Smwt More Likely	Little More Likely	No More Likely	Less Likely	DK/ Ref	Much/ Smwt/ Little	Smwt Little
[200 Respondents]								
45 (SECURITY) (SPLIT E) In our current system, even if you have health insurance and a good job, it's too easy for you to lose your coverage at any time. Under our plan, families will have the security of knowing that if they become ill or lose their jobs, they will never lose their coverage.....	48	18	10	7	15	2	66	76

[200 Respondents]								
46 (UNIVERSAL COVERAGE) (SPLIT E) Even though we are the richest and most powerful country in the world, 47 million Americans lack health insurance. We have a moral obligation to change that and our plan does. We will make sure every man, woman and child has coverage they can afford.	46	13	8	8	23	2	59	67

[200 Respondents]								
47 (BUREAUCRACY / CHOICE) (SPLIT F) Our plan builds on the private system we now have. It keeps you in charge of your own health care by preserving full choice of your plan and your doctor, and it does it without creating any new government bureaucracy.	27	32	10	6	19	6	59	69

[200 Respondents]								
48 (COST) (SPLIT F) Our plan will drive down costs by modernizing the system, preventing disease, and squeezing out wasteful spending. And, it will make premiums affordable for families by limiting premium payments for basic health coverage to a fixed percent of family income.	25	27	9	10	25	4	52	61

	Much More Likly	Smwt More Likly	Lttle More Likly	No More Likly	Less Likly	DK/ Ref	Much/ Smwt/ Lttle	Lttle
[200 Respondents]								
49 (DISCRIMINATION) (SPLIT E)								
Under the current system, Americans are at the mercy of the insurance companies. In most states, they can deny you coverage or jack up your premiums if your needs threaten their high profits. Our plan gives the power back to the American people and prohibits insurance companies from discriminating and denying coverage.....								
	42	21	9	4	21	3	63	72

[200 Respondents]								
50 (BUSINESS) (SPLIT F) American businesses understand that our health care system is in need of fundamental reform because they are bearing much of the burden of the broken system. Our plan will help lift this burden and make American businesses more competitive. That's why many of the country's top businessmen are demanding reform.....								
	25	24	13	8	25	5	48	62
(ref:DEMMES)								

Q.51 Let me read you some statements Republicans in Congress make in support of the their health care plan. Please tell me if each statement would make you more or less likely to support the Republican plan.

	Much More Likly	Smwt More Likly	Ltle More Likly	No More Likly	Less Likly	DK/ Ref	Much/ Smwt/ Ltle	Much Smwt Ltle
[200 Respondents]								
51 (MARKETS) (SPLIT E) Our plan promotes the private health care system. By empowering millions of Americans to make their own decisions about health care, the free market will accomplish what the government cannot - lower costs and higher quality.....	23	26	10	9	32	1	49	59

[200 Respondents]								
52 (INDIVIDUAL CHOICE) (SPLIT F) It's your health, you should make your own health care decisions. Our plan empowers Americans to make their own choices so families can purchase as much or as little private insurance as they need.	28	23	10	9	27	1	52	62

[200 Respondents]								
53 (TORT REFORM) (SPLIT E) Because of the explosion of frivolous lawsuits by unscrupulous trial lawyers, many doctors have been forced to practice costly defensive medicine or leave the practice of medicine altogether. By ending lawsuit abuse, we will bring the cost of medicine down and allow doctors to get back to work.	37	25	7	7	22	2	62	69

[200 Respondents]								
54 (AFFORDABILITY) (SPLIT F) Under our plan, if your family buys its own healthcare you can deduct \$15,000 automatically from your taxes. That will mean real financial relief and make health insurance more affordable for American families struggling with high health care costs. (ref:REPMES)	25	32	9	7	25	1	58	67

Q.55 Let me read you some criticisms some people make about the Republicans' health care plan. Please tell me whether these statements raise very serious doubts, serious doubts, minor doubts or no real doubts in your own mind about the Republican candidate's plan.

	Very Ser Dbts	Ser Dbts	Minor Dbts	No Real Dbts	DK/ Ref	Total Ser	Total Not Ser
[200 Respondents]							
55 (BUSH) (SPLIT E) Republicans are just offering more of George Bush's failed policies. Rather than offer meaningful solutions, the Republican plan is to wait around for the health insurance industry to magically fix itself while millions of Americans continue to suffer.	25	28	19	25	3	53	44
[200 Respondents]							
56 (INDUSTRY) (SPLIT F) The Republicans have taken millions of dollars from the big insurance companies. When they were in charge of Congress and the White House they did nothing to fix the system and now they are trying to stop meaningful reform in order to protect insurance company profits.....	19	29	22	26	3	48	48
[200 Respondents]							
57 (RISK AND GREED) (SPLIT E) The Republican plan would create an every-man-for-himself system dominated by profit and greed. It will leave you at the mercy of big insurance companies, who will favor the wealthy and healthy over the middle-class and those most in need of care.....	29	27	17	23	4	57	40
[200 Respondents]							
58 (DOESNT FIX PROBLEM) (SPLIT E) The Republican plan doesn't actually fix the problem. It won't provide coverage for the 47 million Americans without insurance and it won't reduce costs for the average American. The only thing it does is give big tax shelters to the very wealthy.	28	26	17	28	2	53	45

	Very Ser Dbts	Ser Dbts	Minor Dbts	No Real Dbts	DK/ Ref	Total Ser	Total Not Ser
[200 Respondents]							
59 (BENEFITS DON'T HELP THOSE WHO NEED IT) (SPLIT F) The Republican plan will be great for the healthiest and wealthiest Americans, but it will leave most Americans in dire straits. Most Americans would see few benefits from the Republicans' tax incentives, and those who need the most help affording coverage could see the few option they have now disappear.....							
	27	32	15	23	3	59	38

[200 Respondents]							
60 (SCHIP VETO) (SPLIT F) The Republican plan will do nothing to cover the millions of American children without health insurance. In fact, most Republicans supported President Bush when he vetoed legislation that would have expanded the children's health care program to cover 10 million kids.							
	25	29	18	25	3	54	43
(ref:REPDOUBT)							

Q.61 Let me read you some criticisms some people have about the Democrats' health care plan. Please tell me whether these statements raise very serious doubts, serious doubts, minor doubts or no real doubts in your own mind about the Democratic candidate's plan.

	Very Ser Dbts	Ser Dbts	Minor Dbts	No Real Dbts	DK/ Ref	Total Ser	Total Not Ser
[200 Respondents]							
61 (SOCIALIZED MEDICINE) (SPLIT E) The Democrats don't believe in free markets or the American people. Instead, they believe in a government-run socialist system that promotes "one-size-fits all" health care, waiting lists like they have in France, and a destruction of private medicine.							
	19	34	16	26	4	53	42

[200 Respondents]							
62 (GOVERNMENT BUREAUCRACY) (SPLIT F) The Democrats want Washington bureaucrats to run our health care system. They'd put the people who managed Katrina and Walter Reed in charge of your health care.							
	24	39	15	17	4	63	33

	Very Ser Dbts	Ser Dbts	Minor Dbts	No Real Dbts	DK/ Ref	Total Ser	Total Not Ser
[200 Respondents]							
63 (STIFLE INNOVATION) (SPLIT F) Our country has the finest health care and best medical technology in the world because our market-based system encourages innovation. The Democrats' government-run plan will destroy this system and stifle the innovative research that could eventually yield the cure for cancer and Alzheimer's disease.	14	30	23	28	5	44	51
[200 Respondents]							
64 (HIGHER TAXES) (SPLIT F) The Democrats' plan will cost over 100 billion a year. They admit that, to pay for it, they will raise taxes. This means you will end up paying more, not less, for health care.	24	34	19	21	2	58	40
[200 Respondents]							
65 (HILLARYCARE) (SPLIT E) Everyone remembers what happened the last time Democrats tried to overhaul our health care system. Hillary Clinton came up with a complicated scheme to put the government in charge of our health care. Now Democrats want to revive Hillarycare, and bring back a complex, government-run system.	27	27	20	24	2	54	44
[200 Respondents]							
66 (ILLEGAL IMMIGRANTS) (SPLIT E) The Democrats want to expand government health insurance to everyone, including illegal immigrants and their families. Their plan would raise your taxes to help pay for a new benefit for those in this country illegally. (ref:DEMDOUBT)	46	23	11	18	3	69	28

Q.67 Now let me ask you again, which health care plan do you support more:

A Democratic plan that would guarantee affordable health insurance for all Americans. This plan would lower costs throughout the system, and allow people to choose between their current coverage or several private and public insurance options. Critics say this plan will cost too much and lead to higher taxes and government-run health care.

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	Total
Support the Democratic plan strongly	43
Support the Democratic plan not so strongly	10
Support the Republican plan not so strongly	10
Support the Republican plan strongly	28
(Neither)	5
(Both).....	0
(Don't know/refused)	4
Total Democrat	53
Total Republican	38
Democrat - Republican	16
(ref:REFAVOR)	

Q.68 Finally, I would like to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes. What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

	Total
1 - 11th grade	3
High School graduate	22
Non-college post H.S.	1
Some college.....	29
College graduate	28
Post-graduate school	16
(Don't know/refused)	1
(ref:EDUC)	

Q.69 Are you a member of a labor union? (IF NO) Is any member of your household a union member?

	Total
Yes: Respondent belongs	8
Household member	5
No member belongs.....	86
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
Union Household.....	14
Non College Non Union	47
Non union worker.....	33
(ref:UNION)	

Q.70 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total
Married	62
Single	16
Separated/Divorced.....	9
Widowed.....	12
(Don't know/refused)	1
Sep/Div/Wid.....	21
(ref:MARITAL)	

Q.71 Do you have health insurance at this time?

	Total
Yes	88
No.....	12
(Don't know/refused)	1
(ref:INSURANC)	

[355 Respondents]

Q.72 (IF YES IN INSURANC) Is your insurance provided by your employer, by the government, or do you buy your own?

	Total
Employer	42
Government.....	23
Individual	28
(Other)	6
(Don't know/refused)	1
(ref:INSUR2)	

Q.73 About how much do you pay each month on health care expenses? This would include the cost of insurance and out-of-pocket costs for things like doctor's visits, treatments and prescription drugs.

	Total
0	8
1 - 50	10
51 - 100	11
101 - 250	16
251 - 500	23
501 - 1000	9
1001 to 5000	3
More than 5000	1
(Don't know/Refused)	18
Mean	423.9
(ref:COST)	

Q.74 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	Total
Strong Democrat	25
Weak Democrat.....	13
Independent-lean Democrat.....	9
Independent	5
Independent-lean Republican	9
Weak Republican	11
Strong Republican.....	25
(Don't know/refused)	2
(ref:PTYID1)	

Q.77 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Total
Liberal.....	18
Moderate	40
Conservative	40
(Don't know/refused)	2
(ref:IDEO1)	

Q.78 What is your religion?

	Total
Protestant	46
Catholic	29
Jewish	1
(Other/none/refused)	24
Muslim	-
(ref:RELIG1)	

[394 Respondents]

Q.79 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE00) In the 2004 election for President, did you vote for Democrat John Kerry or Republican George Bush?

	Total
Democrat John Kerry	44
Republican George Bush	52
(Ralph Nader)	-
(Other candidate)	0
(Don't know/Refused)	4
Democrat John Kerry - Republican George Bush.....	-8
(ref:VOTE2004)	

Q.80 In the 2006 election for Congress, did you vote for the Democratic candidate or the Republican candidate?

	Total
Democratic candidate.....	50
Republican candidate.....	32
(Other candidate)	1
(Don't know/Refused).....	9
(Did not vote).....	7
Democratic candidate - Republican candidate.....	18
(ref:VOTE2006)	

Q.81 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Total
White	83
African-American or Black.....	4
Hispanic or Latino.....	6
Native American	0
Asian	0
(Other)	1
(Don't know/Refused).....	5
(ref:RACETHN)	

Q.83 Last year, that is in 2006, what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category.

	Total
Less than \$10K	2
\$10K to under \$20K	8
\$20K to under \$30K	7
\$30K to under \$50K	21
\$50K to under \$75K	19
\$75K to under \$100K	11
\$100K or more.....	15
(Refused).....	13
(Don't know)	4
(ref:INCOME)	

Q.3 Record respondent's gender

	Total
Male.....	47
Female	53
(ref:GENDER)	