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	%
Have you ever visited the United States?	
Yes, quite often	14
Yes, but only once or twice	31
No, never	55

How would you describe the way you feel about the US? On balance, are your feelings about the US...?

Very positive	8
Fairly positive	46
Fairly negative	30
Very negative	9
Don't know	7

Generally speaking, do you...?

Like Americans a lot	21
Like Americans a little	49
Not like Americans very much	19
Not like Americans at all	2
Don't know	8

Taking everything into account, do you think the policies and actions of the present American government make the world...?

A much better place to live in	2
A somewhat better place to live in	20
A somewhat worse place to live in	42
A much worse place to live in	23
Don't know	12

Again taking everything into account, do you think American culture – fast-food restaurants, popular music, Hollywood movies and so on – makes the world...?

A much better place to live in	3
A somewhat better place to live in	33
A somewhat worse place to live in	40
A much worse place to live in	12
Don't know	13

Also taking everything into account, would you say your overall opinion of the US has...? %

Gone up a lot in recent years	3
Gone up a little in recent years	17
Gone down a little in recent years	47
Gone down a lot in recent years	22
Don't know	11

How much confidence do you have in the ability of the United States to deal wisely with present world problems?

Very great confidence	1
Considerable confidence	11
Little confidence	39
Very little confidence	28
None at all	16
Don't know	6

Do you think American policies and actions are currently...?

Resulting in greater STABILITY in the Middle East and the Arab world	9
Resulting in greater INSTABILITY in the Middle East and the Arab world	74
Don't know	17

How would you rate George W. Bush as a world leader?

He is a great leader	1
He is reasonably satisfactory	15
He is a pretty poor leader	34
He is a terrible leader	43
Don't know	7

The United States is sometimes described as 'a beacon of hope for the world'.

Do you regard the US at the moment as a 'beacon of hope for the world' or not?

Yes, I do	11
No, I don't	77
Don't know	12

President Bush frequently says that he wants to create a more democratic world.

Do you think he genuinely wants to create a more democratic world, or is what he says merely a cover for pursuing American interests in the world? %

Bush genuinely wants to create a more democratic world	15
What Bush says is merely a cover for pursuing American	72
Don't know	12

If President Bush does want to use American power and influence to help create a more democratic world, do you think he is going about it in the right way or not?

Yes, he is going about it in the right way	9
No, he is not going about it in the right way	76
Don't know	15

From what you know, do you believe that the US government has, or has not, arranged to have terrorist suspects flown to other countries where they may be tortured?

Yes, it probably has	59
No, I doubt whether it has	14
Don't know	27

As you probably know, American troops – both soldiers and marines – are now deployed in large numbers in Iraq. Is it your impression that they are doing a good job or a bad job of 'winning hearts and minds' in Iraq?

Yes, they are doing a good job of winning hearts and minds	13
No, they are not doing a good job of winning hearts and minds	67
Don't know	20

Do you think the American forces are doing a good job or a bad job of helping to bring democracy to Iraq?

Yes, they are doing a good job of helping to bring democracy to	24
No, they are not doing a good job of helping to bring democracy	54
Don't know	23

Some people claim that the United States is essentially an imperial power, one that wants to dominate the world by one means or another. Do you think it is, or is not, fair to describe America as an imperial power? %

Yes, it is fair to describe America in that way	58
No, it is not fair to describe America in that way	28
Don't know	14

A lot of things American – from blue jeans and baseball caps to Budweiser beer – are fashionable at the moment. Are you ever tempted to buy anything because it looks or feels American?

Yes, often	1
Yes, occasionally	6
Yes, but very seldom	13
No, never	75
Don't know	4

Here is a list of Americans and things American. Please indicate for each whether your view of it is broadly favourable or broadly unfavourable.

(data ranked by net favourable)

	Favourable	Un-favourable	<i>Net favourable</i>
	%	%	%
Steven Spielberg	77	5	72
Microsoft	76	15	61
Tom Hanks	64	10	54
Disneyworld/ Disneyland theme parks	60	22	38
US TV comedy shows such as Friends, The Simpsons	58	22	36
Renee Zellweger	46	12	34
Brad Pitt	43	18	25
Venus Williams	39	19	20
Coca-Cola	47	33	14
Madonna	42	29	13
Starbucks	36	32	4
Condoleezza Rice	30	29	1
Barbie dolls	22	32	-10
McDonald's Restaurants	27	59	-32
4 x 4 recreation vehicles	24	58	-34
The Hilton sisters (Paris and Nicky)	6	58	-52
Michael Jackson	12	67	-55

Here is a list of paired words and phrases.

Which word or phrase in each pair do you think more accurately describes the United States today?

	%
Caring	19
Uncaring	60
Don't know	21
Divided by class	63
Relatively classless	26
Don't know	12
Has a lot of violent crime	90
Has little violent crime	4
Don't know	6
Equal	12
Unequal	72
Don't know	16
Forward-looking	46
Backward-looking	30
Don't know	24
Cares what the rest of the world thinks	11
Does not care what the rest of the world thinks	83
Don't know	6
Vulgar	65
Sophisticated	9
Don't know	26
Well led	10
Badly led	75
Don't know	14
Offers real equality of opportunity	26
Does not offer real equality of opportunity	52
Don't know	23
Preoccupied with money	84
Not preoccupied with money	4
Don't know	12

Democratic	40
Undemocratic	37
Don't know	24

	%
Ignorant of the outside world	73
Knowledgeable about the outside world	15
Don't know	11

Racially united	12
Racially divided	71
Don't know	17

Cultured	23
Uncultured	56
Don't know	22

Dominated by big business	90
Not dominated by big business	2
Don't know	8

Religious	61
Irreligious	14
Don't know	25

A reliable ally	40
Not a reliable ally	41
Don't know	19

If you could, would you like to go and live in the United States?

Yes, I would	19
No, I would not	67
Don't know	13