

International Trade (New Poll Results Since Last Revision of Online Analysis)
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International Trade in General...Support for Trade in Principle

UPDATES:

What do you think about the growing trade and business ties between...the United States...and other countries--do you think it is a very good thing, somewhat good, somewhat bad or a very bad thing for our country?

	4/08	4/07	8/02
Very good	15%	14%	21%
Somewhat good	38	45	57
Somewhat bad	26	21	14
Very bad	15	15	4
Don't know/Refused	6	5	4

Organization: Pew Research Center, Princeton Survey Research Associates.

Date: As noted

Now thinking about you and your family--do you think the growing trade and business ties between our country and other countries are very good, somewhat good, somewhat bad or very bad for you and your family?

	4/08	8/02
Very good	11%	20%
Somewhat good	44	59
Somewhat bad	27	11
Very bad	12	4
Don't know/Refused	6	7

Organization: Pew Research Center, Princeton Survey Research Associates

Date: As noted

On balance, do you think trade with other countries--both buying and selling products--is good for the U.S (United States) economy, or is it bad for the U.S. economy, or does it have no effect?

	3/08	12/07	2/07	1/06	10/96	11/93
Good	58%	64%	65%	67%	69%	67%

Bad	32	23	23	20	17	20
No effect	6	7	7	7	7	6
Don't know/No answer	4	6	5	6	7	7

Organization: CBS News/New York Times

Date: As noted

Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of international trade?

	9/06	10/05
Very favorable	24%	19%
Somewhat favorable	47	48
Somewhat unfavorable	14	18
Very unfavorable	8	8
Don't know/refused	6	8

Organization: German Marshall Fund

Date: As noted

Now I'm going to read you some statements about moving towards freer trade, which is to say making it easier to buy and sell products internationally by reducing tariffs and other barriers to trade. For each statement please tell me whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with it. ...Freer trade helps to increase prosperity, both in the US and in other parts of the world.

	9/06	10/05
Strongly agree	26%	28%
Somewhat agree	42	51
Somewhat disagree	15	12
Strongly disagree	13	5
Don't know/Refused	3	4
Neither agree nor disagree (Vol.) (2006)	3	

Organization: German Marshall Fund

Date: As noted

(Now I'm going to read you some statements about moving towards freer trade, which is to say making it easier to buy and sell products internationally by reducing tariffs and other barriers to trade. (Prompt if needed:) Barriers to trade include taxes on imports--called tariffs--and limits on imports. For each statement, please tell me whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with it.)...Freer trade makes the world more stable by

putting people from different countries in contact with each other. Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with this statement?

	9/06	10/05
Strongly agree	29%	30%
Somewhat agree	42	48
Somewhat disagree	16	12
Strongly disagree	9	4
Don't know/refused	4	4

Organization: German Marshall Fund

Date: As noted

Overall, do you think international trade is good or bad for:
The U.S. economy

	Good (%)	Bad (%)	Not sure/ Decline (%)	Total (%)
<u>Year</u>				
2004 (internet)	57	39	5	100
2006 (internet)	54	42	4	100
Change in % points 2004- 2006	-3	3	-1	

Organization: CCFR

Date: July 2006 / As noted

Overall, do you think international trade is good or bad for:
Consumers like you

	Good (%)	Bad (%)	Not sure/ Decline (%)	Total (%)
<u>Year</u>				
2004 (internet)	73	22	5	100
2006 (internet)	70	26	4	100
Change in % points 2004- 2006	-3	4	-1	

Organization: CCFR

Date: July 2006 / As noted

Overall, do you think international trade is good or bad for:
Your own standard of living

	Good (%)	Bad (%)	Not sure/ Decline (%)	Total (%)
<u>Year</u>				
2004 (internet)	65	29	6	100
2006 (internet)	64	31	5	100
Change in % points 2004- 2006	-1	2	-1	

Organization: CCFR
Date: July 2006 / As noted

In general, do you think that free trade with other countries is good or bad for the United States?

	3/06	2/00
Good	66%	64%
Bad	23	27
Don't know	11	9

Organization: Pew
Date: As noted

NEW:

(To start with, I am going to name some issues that are in the news these days. Please tell me how important this issue is to you personally in this years (2008) presidential election.) Is...trade with foreign nations extremely important, very important, somewhat important, or not at all important?

18% Extremely important
34 Very important
35 Somewhat important
7 Not too important
4 Not at all important
2 No answer/Don't know

Organization: Fortune /Abt SRBI
Date: January 14, 2008-January 16, 2008

Compared to most other issues in the news, how closely do you follow news about United States trade with foreign countries--very closely, somewhat closely, not very closely, or not at all?

Question Note: * = less than .5%.

19% Very closely
48 Somewhat closely
23 Not very closely
10 Not at all
* No answer/Don't know

Organization: Fortune /Abt SRBI
Date: January 14, 2008-January 16, 2008

(The European Union can take greater responsibility for dealing with international threats in a number of different ways. For each of the following, please tell me if you agree or disagree that it is something that the European Union should undertake.)...Increase the use of trade in order to influence other countries behavior

Subpopulation: Asked of those who said the European Union should take greater responsibility for dealing with these sorts of international threats (89%)

78% Agree
16 Disagree
6 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: June 4, 2007-June 23, 2007

I am now going to ask you about freer trade, that is to say making it easier to buy and sell products internationally by reducing tariffs and other barriers to trade. (Prompt only if needed:) 'Barriers to trade' include taxes on imports--called tariffs--and limits on imports. Which of the following two statements about freer trade comes closest to your view?...I am in favor of freer trade. I am not in favor of freer trade.

64% I am in favor of freer trade
31 I am not in favor of freer trade
5 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund

Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

Now I'm going to read you some statements about moving towards freer trade. For each statement, please tell me whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with it...Freer trade enables American business to open new markets for American products. (Prompt:) Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with this statement?

Question Note: Respondents were asked about their own country's businesses

33% Strongly agree
46 Somewhat agree
11 Somewhat disagree
7 Strongly disagree
1 Neither agree nor disagree (Vol.)
3 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

(Now I'm going to read you some statements about moving towards freer trade. For each statement, please tell me whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with it.)...Freer trade leads to lower prices and more product choices for consumers. (Prompt:) Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with this statement?

32% Strongly agree
46 Somewhat agree
12 Somewhat disagree
6 Strongly disagree
1 Neither agree nor disagree (Vol.)
3 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

Which of the following two statements about freer trade in food and agricultural products comes closest to your view?...Freer trade increases food quality and variety as producers from all over the world can sell their goods internationally. Freer trade reduces food quality and variety as small and specialist producers cannot compete with large multinational companies

50% Freer trade increases food quality and variety as

producers from all over the world can sell
their goods internationally

- 42 Freer trade reduces food quality and variety as
small and specialist producers cannot compete with large
multinational companies
- 2 Freer trade has no impact on food quality
and variety (Vol.)
- 6 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund

Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

(Are you positive or negative toward the following phrase?)...Fair trade...(If Positive/Negative,
ask:) (Is that very or somewhat positive/negative)

- 27% Very positive
- 46 Somewhat positive
- 18 Very/Somewhat negative
- 9 Don't know

Organization: Democratic Leadership Council / Penn, Schoen & Berland Associates

Date: August 29, 2006-August 30, 2006

(Are you positive or negative toward the following phrase?)...Free trade...(If Positive/Negative,
ask:) (Is that very or somewhat positive/negative)

- 24% Very positive
- 41 Somewhat positive
- 27 Very/Somewhat negative
- 8 Don't know

Organization: Democratic Leadership Council / Penn, Schoen & Berland Associates

Date: August 29, 2006-August 30, 2006

(Are you positive or negative toward the following phrase?)...Protectionism...(If
Positive/Negative, ask:) (Is that very or somewhat positive/negative)

- 20% Very positive
- 41 Somewhat positive
- 21 Very/Somewhat negative
- 18 Don't know

Organization: Democratic Leadership Council / Penn, Schoen & Berland Associates

Date: August 29, 2006-August 30, 2006

International Trade in General...Reservations About the Effects of Trade in Practice

UPDATES:

Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with this statement? Freer trade costs more American jobs than it creates.

	9/06	10/05
Strongly agree	30%	23%
Somewhat agree	29	28
Somewhat disagree	26	29
Strongly disagree	8	10
Neither agree nor disagree (Vol.)	2	4
Don't know/Refused	4	6

Organization: German Marshall Fund

Date: As noted

Do you think the United States will benefit a great deal, benefit somewhat, suffer somewhat or suffer a great deal from freer international trade?

	9/06	10/05
Benefit a great deal	12%	9%
Benefit somewhat	45	49
Suffer somewhat	26	23
Suffer a great deal	11	9
Neither benefit nor suffer/Stay the same (Vol.)	3	5
Don't know/Refused	3	4

Organization: German Marshall Fund

Date: As noted

Overall, do you think international trade is good or bad for:
American companies

	Good	Bad	Not sure/ Decline	Total
	(%)	(%)	(%)	(%)

Year

2004 (internet)	59	37	4	100
2006 (internet)	52	45	3	100
Change in % points 2004- 2006	-7	8	-1	

Organization: CCFR
Date: July 2006 / As noted

Overall, do you think international trade is good or bad for:
Job security for American workers

	Good (%)	Bad (%)	Not sure/ Decline (%)	Total (%)
<u>Year</u>				
2004 (internet)	31	64	5	100
2006 (internet)	30	67	3	100
Change in % points 2004- 2006	-1	3	-2	

Organization: CCFR
Date: July 2006 / As noted

Overall, do you think international trade is good or bad for...?
Creating jobs in the US

	Good (%)	Bad (%)	Not sure/ Decline (%)	Total (%)
<u>Year</u>				
2004 (internet)	38	56	5	100
2006 (internet)	37	60	3	100
Change in % points 2004- 2006	-1	4	-2	

Organization: CCFR
Date: July 2006 / As noted

Currently there is a debate about outsourcing US jobs, that is, moving jobs to countries where wages are lower. Which position is closer to yours:

	Outsourcing is mostly a good thing because it results in lower prices in the US which helps stimulate the economy and create new jobs (%)	Outsourcing is a mostly a bad thing because American workers lose their jobs to people in other countries (%)	Not sure/Decline (%)	Total (%)
<u>Year</u>				
2004	22	72	5	100
2006 (internet)	21	76	4	100
Change in % points 2004-2006	-1	4	-1	

Organization: CCFR
Date: July 2006 / As noted

Overall, do you think international trade is good or bad for...?
The environment

	Good (%)	Bad (%)	Not sure/Decline (%)	Total (%)
<u>Year</u>				
2004 (internet)	45	46	9	100
2006 (internet)	45	49	6	100
Change in % points 2004-2006	0	3	-3	

Organization: CCFR
Date: July 2006 / As noted

Do you believe increased trade between the United States and other countries mostly helps or mostly hurts:

American companies?

	4/06	11/99
Helps (2006: Mostly helps)	44%	56%
Hurt (2006: Mostly hurts)	50	39
No opinion	6	5

American workers?

	4/06	11/99
Helps (2006: Mostly helps)	30%	35%
Hurt (2006: Mostly hurts)	65	59
No opinion	6	6

Organization: Gallup Organization

Date: As noted

NEW:

As you may know, international trade has increased a great deal in recent years. Do you think that the growth in international trade has made things better or made things worse for...the country as a whole, or hasn't it made much difference?

18% Better
50 Worse
20 Hasn't made much difference
11 Don't know

Organization: Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, Washington Post, Harvard University / Abt Associates

Date: June 18, 2008-July 7, 2008 and based on telephone interviews with a national adult low-wage workers sample of 1350. Low-wage workers were defined as adults ages 18-64 working at least 30 hours per week, not self employed, and earning \$27,000 or less in 2007.

(As you may know, international trade has increased a great deal in recent years.) Do you think that the growth in international trade has made things better or made things worse for...you personally, or hasn't it made much difference?

13% Better
28 Worse
52 Hasn't made much difference
7 Don't know

Organization: Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, Washington Post, Harvard University / Abt Associates

Date: June 18, 2008-July 7, 2008 and based on telephone interviews with a national adult low-wage workers sample of 1350. Low-wage workers were defined as adults ages 18-64 working at least 30 hours per week, not self employed, and earning \$27,000 or less in 2007.

Data provided by The Roper Center for Public Opinion Research, University of Connecticut.

(Now I'm going to read you some pairs of statements. After I read each pair, please tell me whether the first statement or the second statement comes closer to your own view, even if neither is exactly right.)...First statement: Global trade is bad for our economy because it costs us jobs. Second statement: Global trade is good for our economy because it creates jobs in our export industries, lowers costs for consumer and makes us more competitive. (If First/Second statement, ask:) (Do you feel that way strongly or not so strongly?)

Subpopulation: Asked of Form A quarter sample

27% First statement strongly
13 First statement not strongly
23 Second statement not strongly
31 Second statement strongly
1 Both (Vol.)
1 Neither (Vol.)
4 Don't know/Refused

Organization: Democracy Corps / Greenberg Quinlan Rosner Research
Date: February 20, 2008-February 26, 2008

As you may know, international trade has increased a great deal in recent years. Do you think that the growth in international trade has made things better or made things worse for...**the United States as a whole?**

28% Made things better
63 Made things worse
4 Depends/Neither (Vol.)
5 No answer/Don't know

Organization: Fortune / Abt SRBI
Date: January 14, 2008-January 16, 2008

As you may know, international trade has increased a great deal in recent years. Do you think that the growth in international trade has made things better or made things worse for...**you personally?**

34% Made things better
38 Made things worse
19 Depends/Neither (Vol.)
8 No answer/Don't know

Organization: Fortune / Abt SRBI
Date: January 14, 2008-January 16, 2008

As you may know, international trade has increased a great deal in recent years. Do you think that the growth in international trade has made things better or made things worse for...**American workers?**

- 15% Made things better
- 78 Made things worse
- 3 Depends/Neither (Vol.)
- 4 No answer/Don't know

Organization: Fortune / Abt SRBI
Date: January 14, 2008-January 16, 2008

As you may know, international trade has increased a great deal in recent years. Do you think that the growth in international trade has made things better or made things worse for...**American business?**

- 37% Made things better
- 55 Made things worse
- 3 Depends/Neither (Vol.)
- 5 No answer/Don't know

Organization: Fortune / Abt SRBI
Date: January 14, 2008-January 16, 2008

As you may know, international trade has increased a great deal in recent years. Do you think that the growth in international trade has made things better or made things worse for...**consumers in the US (United States)?**

- 48% Made things better
- 44 Made things worse
- 4 Depends/Neither (Vol.)
- 4 No answer/Don't know

Organization: Fortune / Abt SRBI
Date: January 14, 2008-January 16, 2008

Which of the following two statements comes closest to your own position?...International trade is good for the US (United States) because it leads to lower prices for consumers. International trade is bad for the US because it results in the loss of jobs and lower wages.

- 30% International trade is good for the US because

- it leads to lower prices for consumers
- 63 International trade is bad for the US because it results in the loss of jobs and lower wages
 - 6 Both equally/Neither (Vol.)
 - 2 No answer/Don't know

Organization: Fortune / Abt SRBI
Date: January 14, 2008-January 16, 2008

(Next I would like to ask about some things that have been in the news. Not everyone will have heard about them.)...In the past few years, have people bought more foreign goods than we have sold to people overseas, or have we sold more to them than we have bought, or has it pretty much balanced out?

- 68% Bought more foreign goods than sold (correct)
- 7 Sold more overseas than bought
- 9 Balanced out
- 16 Don't know/No answer

Organization: Pew Research Center for the People & the Press / Princeton Survey Research Associates International
Date: February 1, 2007-February 13, 2007

And here are a few more statements....Freer trade leads to more economic and social inequality in the United States. Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with this statement?

Question Note: Respondent were asked about their own country

- 18% Strongly agree
- 30 Somewhat agree
- 29 Somewhat disagree
- 18 Strongly disagree
- 2 Neither agree nor disagree (Vol.)
- 4 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

(And here are a few more statements.)...Freer trade leads to lower quality jobs in the United States. Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with this statement?

Question Note: Respondent were asked about their own country

- 24% Strongly agree
- 24 Somewhat agree
- 31 Somewhat disagree
- 16 Strongly disagree
- 1 Neither agree nor disagree (Vol.)
- 3 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

Do you think...multinational companies will benefit a great deal, benefit somewhat, suffer somewhat, or suffer a great deal from freer international trade?

- 50% Benefit a great deal
- 31 Benefit somewhat
- 10 Suffer somewhat
- 2 Suffer a great deal
- 1 Neither benefit nor suffer/Stay the same (Vol.)
- 5 Don't know

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

International Trade in General...On Balance, Feelings About Trade Lukewarm

UPDATES:

Do you think the fact that the American economy has become increasingly global is good because it has opened up new markets for American products and resulted in more jobs, or bad because it has subjected American companies and employees to unfair competition and cheap labor?

	3/08	6/97
Globalization has been good	25%	42%
Globalization has been bad	58	48
Equally good and bad (vol.)	12	7
Not sure	5	3

Organization: Hart and Teeter Research Companies / NBC News, Wall Street Journal
Date: As noted

I am going to read you two statements about foreign trade, and I would like you to tell me which statement best reflects your views on the issue.

Statement A: Foreign trade has been good for the US (United States) economy, because demand for US products abroad has resulted in economic growth and jobs for Americans here at home.

Statement B: Foreign trade has been bad for the US economy, because cheap imports from abroad have hurt wages and cost jobs here at home.

	11/07	4/00
Statement A/foreign trade has been good for US economy.	30%	34%
Statement B/foreign trade has been bad for the US economy.	60	48
Some of both (vol.)	6	12
Neither (2007)	1	
Not sure	3	6

Organization: Hart and Teeter Research Companies / NBC News, Wall Street Journal

Date: As noted

Currently many people are debating which of two economic approaches makes the most sense for America to pursue. Let me read you each one, and please tell me which comes closer to your point of view. Viewpoint one: The best way to help Americans here at home is to restrict foreign imports to protect American jobs and products, and to limit the number of legal immigrants who come here to work. Viewpoint two: The best way to help Americans here at home is to expand our opportunities in the global marketplace by reducing trade barriers so that US (United States) products can compete fairly, and attract and retain immigrants who bring special skills to the US.

Subpopulation: Asked of Form B half sample

40% Viewpoint 1/Restrict foreign imports

49 Viewpoint 2/Expand our opportunities in global marketplace

8 Depends (Vol.)

3 Not sure

Organization: NBC News, Wall Street Journal / Hart and Newhouse Research Companies

Date: March 2, 2007-March 5, 2007

Do you think [PROMPT] will benefit a great deal, benefit somewhat, suffer somewhat or suffer a great deal from freer international trade?

You personally

	9/06	10/05
Benefit a great deal	8%	9%
Benefit somewhat	47	40

Suffer somewhat	19	17
Suffer a great deal	6	6
Neither benefit nor suffer (vol.)	14	22
Don't know/Refused	5	5

Organization: German Marshall Fund

Date: As noted

NEW:

What do you think foreign trade means for America? Do you see foreign trade more as an opportunity for economic growth through increased US (United States) exports or a threat to the economy from foreign imports?

	6/08	10/07
Opportunity	41%	46%
Threat	51	45
Both (Vol.)	4	5
Neither (Vol.)	2	2
No opinion	3	2

Organization: CNN / Opinion Research Corporation

Date: As noted

Generally speaking, do you believe that free international trade has helped or hurt the economy, or hasn't it made a difference to the economy one way or the other? (If Helped/Hurt, ask:) Do you believe it helped/hurt the economy a lot, or just some, or not too much?

	5/08	12/07	10/07	3/07	1/07
Helped a lot	6%	8%	7%	7%	5%
Helped some	17	14	16	17	19
Helped not too much	1	2	3	2	3
Helped not sure how much	2	4	3	1	1
Hurt not too much	3	2	3	2	2
Hurt some	19	14	17	17	15
Hurt a lot	26	24	25	20	22
Hurt not sure how much	2	3	2	1	2
No difference	10	16	12	19	17
Don't know	14	13	12	-	14
Not Sure	-	-	-	13	-
Refused	-	-	-	1	-

Organization: Los Angeles Times, Bloomberg

Date: As noted

Thinking about the benefits of international trade, do you think for the most part the United States benefits more than other countries, or that other countries benefit more than the United States or are you unsure who benefits?

	3/08	9/07	3/07
The United States benefits more than other countries	14%	15%	17%
Other countries benefit more than the United States	42	34	31
Unsure who benefits more	41	49	50
Don't know	3	2	1

Organization: Public Agenda Foundation

Date: as noted

Overall, who do you believe benefits more from international trade--the United States or countries that trade with the United States?

- 23% United States
- 68 Other countries that trade with the United States
- 4 Both benefit equally (Vol.)
- 5 No answer/Don't know

Organization: Fortune / Abt SRBI

Date: January 14, 2008-January 16, 2008

Do you believe that the United States is benefiting from the global economy, is being harmed by the global economy, or do you think the global economy has had no impact on the United States one way or the other? (If Benefiting from/Being harmed by, ask:) Do you strongly or not so strongly believe that is the case?

- 14% Benefiting from the global economy-strongly
- 11 Benefiting from the global economy-not so strongly
- 18 Harmed by the global economy-not so strongly
- 30 Harmed by the global economy-strongly
- 14 No impact
- 13 Not sure

Organization: NBC News, Wall Street Journal / Hart and Newhouse Research Companies

Date: March 2, 2007-March 5, 2007

I'm going to mention several groups of people. For each one, please tell me whether you believe that groups is benefiting from today's global economy or being harmed by today's global economy. If you think that the global economy has had no impact on that group one way or the

other, please just say so....You personally...(If Benefiting from/Being harmed by, ask:) Do you strongly or not so strongly believe that is the case?

- 15% Benefiting from the global economy-strongly
- 12 Benefiting from the global economy-not so strongly
- 13 Being harmed by the global economy-not so strongly
- 18 Being harmed by the global economy-strongly
- 36 No impact
- 6 Not sure

Organization: NBC News, Wall Street Journal / Hart and Newhouse Research Companies
Date: March 2, 2007-March 5, 2007

(I'm going to mention several groups of people. For each one, please tell me whether you believe that groups is benefiting from today's global economy or being harmed by today's global economy. If you think that the global economy has had no impact on that group one way or the other, please just say so.)...The people in your community...(If Benefiting from/Being harmed by, ask:) Do you strongly or not so strongly believe that is the case?

- 12% Benefiting from the global economy-strongly
- 13 Benefiting from the global economy-not so strongly
- 16 Being harmed by the global economy-not so strongly
- 24 Being harmed by the global economy-strongly
- 24 No impact
- 11 Not sure

Organization: NBC News, Wall Street Journal / Hart and Newhouse Research Companies
Date: March 2, 2007-March 5, 2007

(I'm going to mention several groups of people. For each one, please tell me whether you believe that groups is benefiting from today's global economy or being harmed by today's global economy. If you think that the global economy has had no impact on that group one way or the other, please just say so.)...Your children...(If Benefiting from/Being harmed by, ask:) Do you strongly or not so strongly believe that is the case?

- 11% Benefiting from the global economy-strongly
- 10 Benefiting from the global economy-not so strongly
- 11 Being harmed by the global economy-not so strongly
- 19 Being harmed by the global economy-strongly
- 34 No impact
- 15 Not sure

Organization: NBC News, Wall Street Journal / Hart and Newhouse Research Companies
Date: March 2, 2007-March 5, 2007

Globalization is the increase of trade, communication, travel and other things among countries around the world. In general, has the United States gained more or lost more because of globalization?

36% Gained
51 Lost
1 Both equal (Vol.)
12 Don't know/No answer

Organization: CBS News/New York Times
Date: February 23, 2007-February 27, 2007

Now, I'd like to read you two statements about trade and America's place in the world. After hearing the statements please tell me whether the first statement or the second statement comes closer to your own view, even if neither is exactly right....First statement: In today's world, technology has enabled individuals and businesses anywhere to network and compete with each other. This presents America with new challenges, but also with new opportunities. Failing to step up to the challenges will only cause us to fall behind the rest of the world. Rather than attempting to reverse globalization, we must move quickly to improve our education system and update our economic institutions to compete and maintain our leadership position in the world economy. Second statement: For too long, we have been told that free trade is good for us, but in reality it has resulted in record trade deficits, a weakening dollar and the loss of 3 million American manufacturing jobs over the past three years. Good US (United States) jobs, from manufacturing to software design, are outsourced to foreign countries every day and, if they are replaced at all, it is by jobs with lower pay and less benefits. We must stop subsidizing companies that take jobs abroad and start rewarding those that create them here at home. Which statement comes closer to your own view? (If First/Second statement, ask:) Is that the first/second statement strongly or not so strongly?

30% First statement strongly
11 First statement not strongly
14 Second statement not strongly
40 Second statement strongly
3 Both (Vol.)
2 Neither
2 Don't know/Refused

Organization: National Public Radio/Greenberg Quinlan Rosner Research/Public Opinon Strategies
Date: March 12, 2006-March 14, 2006

What do you think foreign trade means for America? Do you see foreign trade more as--an opportunity for economic growth through increased U.S. (United States) exports or a threat to the economy from foreign imports?

- 45% Opportunity for economic growth
- 46 Threat to the economy
- 5 Both (Vol.)
- 1 Neither (Vol.)
- 3 No opinion

Organizations: Gallup/CNN/USA Today
 Date: December 9, 2005-December 11, 2005

International Trade in General...Overwhelming Support for Trade when Workers Are Helped

UPDATES:

Which of the following three positions comes closest to your point of view about lowering trade barriers such as tariffs?

	I favor agreements to lower trade barriers provided the government has programs to help workers who lose their jobs (%)	I favor agreements to lower trade barriers, but I oppose government programs to help workers who lose their jobs (%)	I oppose agreements to lower trade barriers (%)	Not sure/Decline (%)	Total (%)
<u>Year</u>					
2004	48	10	34	8	100
2006 (internet)	43	15	36	5	100
Change in % points 2004-2006	-5	5	2	-3	

Organization: CCFR
 Date: July 2006/as noted

NEW:

US Trade Policy

UPDATES:

(I'd like to ask you some questions about priorities for President (George W.) Bush and Congress this year (2002, 2006, 2007, 2008). As I read from a list, tell me if you think the item that I read should be a priority.) Should...dealing with global trade issues be a top priority, important but lower priority, not too important, or should it not be done?

	1/08	1/07	1/06	1/02
Top priority	37%	34%	30%	25%
Important but lower priority	45	46	46	55
Not too important	11	12	11	13
Should not be done	2	2	5	2
Don't know	5	6	8	5

Subpopulation: Asked of Form 2 half sample (2002)

Subpopulation: Asked of Form 1 half sample (2006, 2007, 2008)

Organization: Pew Research Center, Princeton Survey Research Associates

Date: January 9, 2008-January 13, 2008 / as noted

Below is a list of possible foreign policy goals that the United States might have. For each one please select whether you think that it should be a very important foreign policy goal of the United States, a somewhat important foreign policy goal, or not an important goal at all?

Protecting the jobs of American workers

<u>Year</u>	Very important (%)	Somewhat important (%)	Not important (%)	Not sure/ Decline (%)	Total (%)
1974	74	17	5	4	100
1978	78	15	3	4	100
1982	77	17	3	3	100
1986	77	18	3	2	100
1990	84	13	1	2	100
1994	83	14	2	1	100
1998	80	15	2	3	100
2002 (telephone)	85	13	2	--	100
2002 (internet)	81	17	2	0	100

2004 (internet)	78	19	2	2	100
2006 (internet)	76	20	3	2	100
Change in % points 2004-2006	-2	1	1	0	

Organization: CCFR

Date: As noted

NEW:

(People talk about the importance of the next president bringing change to the country. I'm going to read you a number of items. For each one, please tell me whether this is a major element of the kind of change that is needed, an important element, a minor element, or not really an element of the kind of change that is needed.)...Having government take a more active role in oversight of medicines, food, and imports from other countries

Subpopulation: Asked of Form B half sample

- 38% Major element
- 29 Important element
- 18 Minor element
- 12 Not really an element
- 3 Not sure

Organization: NBC News, Wall Street Journal / Hart and McInturff Research Companies

Date: November 1, 2007-November 5, 2007

(Asked version A half sample) Do you think the United States should continue the trade embargo with Cuba or should the United States end the trade embargo and permit normal trade with Cuba?

(Asked version B half sample) Do you think the United States should end the trade embargo and permit normal trade with Cuba or should the United States continue the trade embargo with Cuba?

- 48% Continue trade the embargo
- 40 End the trade embargo
- 12 Don't know/Not sure

Organization: Ipsos-Public Affairs / Associated Press

Date: January 30, 2007-February 1, 2007

Governments negotiate international trade agreements which can lead to the creation and loss of American jobs. Do you think that the United States government does a good job or a bad job in helping workers adjust to new competition due to freer trade through education and retraining?

Question Note: Respondents were asked about their own country

27% Good job
62 Bad job
11 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

Lowering barriers to international trade can lead to both the creation and loss of jobs for American workers. When this happens, who should have the primary responsibility for helping workers who lose their job, for example, through retraining programs or financial assistance?...The government, the company that lays off the workers, labor unions and labor organizations, charities and non-governmental organizations, workers themselves

Question Note: Respondents were asked about workers in their country

25% The government
38 The company that lays off the workers
8 Labor unions and labor organizations
4 Charities and non-governmental organizations
17 Workers themselves
3 Other (Vol.)
5 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

Helping American Workers

NEW:

Which of the following statements comes closer to your opinion?...Trade restrictions are necessary to protect domestic industries. Free trade must be allowed, even if domestic industries are hurt by foreign competition.

	3/08	1/06
Restrictions necessary	68%	64%
Free trade must be allowed	24	29

Don't know/No answer 8 7

Organization: CBS News/New York Times

Date: As noted

How good a job has the US (United States) government done to help workers who have lost their jobs because of cheap foreign wages and increased competition? Would you say the government has done enough, too much, or not enough to help these workers?

15% Enough
3 Too much
79 Not enough
4 No answer/Don't know

Organization: Fortune / Abt SRBI

Date: January 14, 2008-January 16, 2008

(Here are some measures that have been proposed to help workers who have lost their jobs to foreign competition and outsourcing of jobs overseas. For each one, please tell me whether you strongly favor this measure, favor it somewhat, oppose it somewhat or oppose it strongly?)...Provide tax incentives for companies to relocate to areas where workers have lost their jobs because of foreign imports.

51% Favor strongly
33 Favor somewhat
8 Oppose somewhat
6 Oppose strongly
2 No answer/Don't know

Organization: Fortune / Abt SRBI

Date: January 14, 2008-January 16, 2008

(Here are some measures that have been proposed to help workers who have lost their jobs to foreign competition and outsourcing of jobs overseas. For each one, please tell me whether you strongly favor this measure, favor it somewhat, oppose it somewhat or oppose it strongly?)...Place high tariffs on goods coming from countries that produce low-priced goods so that American companies can compete with them.

29% Favor strongly
32 Favor somewhat
19 Oppose somewhat
15 Oppose strongly
5 No answer/Don't know

Organization: Fortune / Abt SRBI
Date: January 14, 2008-January 16, 2008

Which of the following two positions concerning trade barriers comes closest to your view?...Trade barriers should be kept because they protect American businesses even if this might result in slower economic growth. Trade barriers should be removed as this will ensure faster economic growth even if this might result in some risks for American businesses.

Question Note: Respondents were asked about their own country's businesses

- 56% Trade barriers should be kept because they protect businesses even if this might result in slower economic growth
- 35 Trade barriers should be removed as this will ensure faster economic growth even if this might result in some risks for American businesses
- 8 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

(Now I'm going to read you some pairs of statements. Please tell me whether the first statement or the second statement comes closer to your own views, even if neither is exactly right.)...First statement: We should place new limits on foreign imports in order to protect American jobs and workers. Second statement: New limits on foreign trade would raise prices here and hurt American consumers. (If First/Second statement, ask:) Do you feel strongly about that or not so strongly?

Subpopulation: Asked of Form B half sample

- 43% First statement strongly
- 17 First statement not so strongly
- 14 Second statement not so strongly
- 18 Second statement strongly
- 1 Both (Vol.)
- 1 Neither (Vol.)
- 7 Don't know/Refused

Organization: Greenberg Quinlan Rosner Research
Date: March 22, 2006-March 29, 2006

International Labor Standards

UPDATES:

Overall, do you think that countries that are part of international trade agreements should or should not be required to maintain minimum standards for working conditions?

<u>Year</u>	Should be required (%)	Should not be required (%)	Not sure/ Decline (%)	Total (%)
2002 (telephone)	93	5	2	100
2004 (internet)	93	4	3	100
2006 (internet)	93	5	2	100
Change in % points 2004-2006	0	1	-1	

Organization: Chicago Council on Foreign Relations

Date: As noted

NEW:

(Here are some measures that have been proposed to help workers who have lost their jobs to foreign competition and outsourcing of jobs overseas. For each one, please tell me whether you strongly favor this measure, favor it somewhat, oppose it somewhat or oppose it strongly?)...Allow imports only from countries that ban child labor.

67% Favor strongly
15 Favor somewhat
6 Oppose somewhat
10 Oppose strongly
2 No answer/Don't know

Organization: Fortune / Abt SRBI

Date: January 14, 2008-January 16, 2008

Now let me read you the list of proposals that Congress may take up this year (2007). From this list, which two do you think are the most important for the Congress to focus on?...Expand health coverage to every child in the US (United States) through the existing State Children's Health Insurance Program, pass an immigration reform bill to increase border patrol agents and penalize employers for hiring illegal immigrants, require all cars and light trucks to get 40 miles to the gallon by 2017, eliminate the Alternative Minimum Tax for those with joint incomes of less than \$250,000 and pay for it by increasing this tax for individuals with a joint income greater than \$500,000, make sure all future trade agreements with other countries require higher labor and

environmental standards, require members of Congress and top staffers to wait two years after leaving Congress, double the current time, before being allowed to perform any lobbying activities

Subpopulation: Asked of Form A half sample

Question Note: Adds to more than 100% due to multiple responses.

- 48% Expand health coverage to every child in the US through the existing State Children's Health Insurance Program
- 44 Pass an immigration reform bill to increase border patrol agents and penalize employers for hiring illegal immigrants
- 24 Require all cars and light trucks to get 40 miles to the gallon by 2017
- 21 Eliminate the Alternative Minimum Tax for those with joint incomes of less than \$250,000 and pay for it by increasing this tax for individuals with a joint income greater than \$500,000
- 16 Make sure all future trade agreements with other countries require higher labor and environmental standards
- 14 Require members of Congress and top staffers to wait two years after leaving Congress, double the current time, before being allowed to perform any lobbying activities
- 2 Other (Vol.)
- 1 None (Vol.)
- 1 All (Vol.)
- 4 Don't know/Refused

Organization: Democracy Corps. / Greenberg Quinlan Rosner Research

Date: June 10, 2007-June 14, 2007

Trading with Poor Countries (& Developing countries)

NEW:

Would you favor or oppose a law that would normalize trade relations between Vietnam and the United States?

- 61% Favor
- 31 Oppose
- 8 Don't know/Undecided/Refused

Organization: CNN / Opinion Research Corporation
Date: November 17, 2006-November 19, 2006

Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of...promoting international trade with poor countries?

27% Very favorable
47 Somewhat favorable
13 Somewhat unfavorable
6 Very unfavorable
6 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

Do you think...people in poor countries will benefit a great deal, benefit somewhat, suffer somewhat, or suffer a great deal from freer international trade?

27% Benefit a great deal
43 Benefit somewhat
16 Suffer somewhat
7 Suffer a great deal
3 Neither benefit nor suffer/Stay the same (Vol.)
4 Don't know

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

Do you think...people in rapidly developing countries like China and India will benefit a great deal, benefit somewhat, suffer somewhat, or suffer a great deal from freer international trade?

45% Benefit a great deal
37 Benefit somewhat
9 Suffer somewhat
4 Suffer a great deal
1 Neither benefit nor suffer/Stay the same (Vol.)
4 Don't know

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

When thinking about developing countries that have weak political and economic institutions, which of the following two positions comes closest to your view?...Freer trade strengthens support for democratic institutions in developing countries. Freer trade weakens support for democratic institutions in developing countries.

- 65% Freer trade strengthens support for democratic institutions in developing countries
- 21 Freer trade weakens support for democratic institutions in developing countries
- 4 Freer trade neither strengthens nor weakens institutions in developing countries (Vol.)
- 10 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund

Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

(I will now read some statements regarding aid to poor countries. For each statement, please tell me whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with it.)...The level of aid to poor countries should be linked to the efforts these countries make to open their markets to international trade.

- 27% Strongly agree
- 41 Somewhat agree
- 19 Somewhat disagree
- 8 Strongly disagree
- 2 Neither agree nor disagree (Vol.)
- 3 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund

Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

Which of the two following statements on the impact of providing aid to poor countries comes closest to your view?...Providing aid that helps poor countries trade will help American businesses as more people in these countries are able to buy our products. Providing aid that helps poor countries trade will hurt American businesses because these countries will become competitors in the global economy.

- 72% Providing aid that helps poor countries trade will help American businesses as more people in these countries are able to buy our products
- 20 Providing aid that helps poor countries trade will hurt American businesses because these countries will become competitors in the global economy
- 2 No impact on American businesses (Vol.)

6 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund

Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

Trade and the Environment

UPDATES:

Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with this statement? Freer trade puts the United States at a disadvantage because of a high labor and environmental standards.

	9/06	10/05
Strongly agree	27%	25%
Somewhat agree	36	34
Somewhat disagree	22	26
Strongly disagree	9	10
Neither agree nor disagree (Vol.)	1	2
Don't know/Refused	5	4

Organization: German Marshall Fund

Date: As noted

Overall, do you think that countries that are part of international trade agreements should or should not be required to maintain minimum standards for protection of the environment?

	CCFR	PIPA	CCFR	PIPA	CCFR
	7/06	6/05	7/04	1/04	6/02
Should be required	91	93%	91	93	94
Should not be required	5	4	4	4	4
(No answer)	4	3	4	3	2

Organization: As noted

Dates: As noted

NEW:

(Here are some measures that have been proposed to help workers who have lost their jobs to foreign competition and outsourcing of jobs overseas. For each one, please tell me whether you strongly favor this measure, favor it somewhat, oppose it somewhat or oppose it strongly?)...Allow imports only from countries that meet certain clean air and water standards.

46% Favor strongly
32 Favor somewhat

- 12 Oppose somewhat
- 7 Oppose strongly
- 3 No answer/Don't know

Organization: Fortune / Abt SRBI
Date: January 14, 2008-January 16, 2008

Now let me read you the list of proposals that Congress may take up this year (2007). From this list, which two do you think are the most important for the Congress to focus on?...Expand health coverage to every child in the US (United States) through the existing State Children's Health Insurance Program, pass an immigration reform bill to increase border patrol agents and penalize employers for hiring illegal immigrants, require all cars and light trucks to get 40 miles to the gallon by 2017, eliminate the Alternative Minimum Tax for those with joint incomes of less than \$250,000 and pay for it by increasing this tax for individuals with a joint income greater than \$500,000, make sure all future trade agreements with other countries require higher labor and environmental standards, require members of Congress and top staffers to wait two years after leaving Congress, double the current time, before being allowed to perform any lobbying activities

Subpopulation: Asked of Form A half sample
Question Note: Adds to more than 100% due to multiple responses.

- 48% Expand health coverage to every child in the US through the existing State Children's Health Insurance Program
- 44 Pass an immigration reform bill to increase border patrol agents and penalize employers for hiring illegal immigrants
- 24 Require all cars and light trucks to get 40 miles to the gallon by 2017
- 21 Eliminate the Alternative Minimum Tax for those with joint incomes of less than \$250,000 and pay for it by increasing this tax for individuals with a joint income greater than \$500 000
- 16 Make sure all future trade agreements with other countries require higher labor and environmental standards
- 14 Require members of Congress and top staffers to wait two years after leaving Congress, double the current time, before being allowed to perform any lobbying activities
- 2 Other (Vol.)
- 1 None (Vol.)
- 1 All (Vol.)
- 4 Don't know/Refused

Organization: Democracy Corps. / Greenberg Quinlan Rosner Research
Date: June 10, 2007-June 14, 2007

(Some people talk about reducing dependency on foreign imports. Please tell me to what extent you are worried or not about foreign dependence on each of the following imports.) Are you very worried, somewhat worried, not very worried or not worried at all about foreign dependence on...oil and gas?

54% Very worried
30 Somewhat worried
6 Not very worried
9 Not worried at all
1 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

With petroleum prices so high, there is a lot of talk about automobiles that run on biofuels derived from crops like sugar and corn, instead of petroleum. Which of the following two statements regarding biofuel trade comes closest to your view?...The government should limit imports of biofuels to help American farmers, even if this means higher prices for consumers. The government should allow unlimited imports of biofuels because this will lead to lower prices for consumers even if it puts American farmers at a disadvantage.

Question Note: Respondents were asked about their own country's farmers.

45% The government should limit imports of biofuels to help American farmers, even if this means higher prices for consumers
46 The government should allow unlimited imports of biofuels because this will lead to lower prices for consumers even if it puts American farmers at a disadvantage
9 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

The World Trade Organization (WTO)

UPDATES:

Please rate your feelings toward some international 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 those organizations. If you have no opinion or have never heard of that organization, leave the box blank and move on to the next question.

The World Trade Organization (WTO)

	Mean	Median	100-76 degrees	75-51 degrees	50 degrees	49-31 degrees	30-0 degrees	Not familiar / Decline
<u>Year</u>								
2002 (telephone)	55°	52°	15	25	27	8	13	1
2004 (internet)	48°	50°	12	17	25	6	21	19
2006 (internet)	50°	50°	12	20	25	7	19	18
Change in % points 2004- 2006	2°	0°	0	3	0	1	-2	-1

Organization: CCFR

Dates: July 2006/as noted

Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable or very unfavorable opinion of ...The WTO, the World Trade Organization.

	9/06	10/05
Very favorable	8%	8%
Somewhat favorable	40	36
Somewhat unfavorable	20	24
Very unfavorable	12	13
Don't know/refused	20	19

Organization: German Marshall Fund

Date: As noted

The World Trade Organization was established to rule on disputes over trade treaties. If another country files a complaint with the World Trade Organization and it rules against the US (United States), as a general rule, should the US comply with that decision?

	CCFR 7/06	PIPA 06/05	CCFR 07/04	CCFR 06/02	PIPA 10/99
Yes	73	67	69	64	65
No	22	26	24	24	24
Depends (vol)	3	4	-	3	6

(No answer) 1 3 6 9 6

Organization: as noted

Date: as noted

NEW:

NAFTA, CAFTA, and FTAA (+ other general trade agreement questions)

UPDATES:

(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.)...NAFTA--the North American Free Trade Agreement...Give...NAFTA--the North American Free Trade Agreement a rating, with 100 meaning a very warm, favorable feeling, zero meaning a very cold, unfavorable feeling, and 50 meaning not particularly warm or cold. (If Don't know, ask:) Would you say you are unable to give an opinion of...NAFTA--the North American Free Trade Agreement or have you never heard of...NAFTA--the North American Free Trade Agreement?

	Mean	51-100	0-49	50	DK/Ref Never Heard
June 2008	40.7	20	40	26	14
May 2008	39.8	22	45	23	10
March 2008	40.6	24	44	19	13
October 2007	39.6	20	41	24	15
July 2007	42.7	23	38	26	13
June 2007	40.8	22	41	25	12
May 2007	41.6	23	40	25	12
April 2007	41.4	23	41	26	10
March 2007	44.1	24	33	25	18
February 2007	43.2	24	37	26	13
August 2006	42.5	22	37	27	14
May 2006	52.4	34	23	24	19
April 2006	41.9	23	40	24	13
March 2006	42.2	20	34	25	21
January 2006	43.8	27	35	23	15
December 2005	42.2	22	38	26	14
November 2005	43.2	25	39	23	13
October 2005	42.6	24	38	25	13
September 2005	42.7	23	39	25	13

July 2005	44.3	30	37	23	10
June 2005	42.9	24	36	25	15
November 2004	42.5	24	36	26	14
August 2004	45.4	27	31	23	19
July 2004	44.9	25	31	26	18
June 2004	44.8	26	31	25	18
May 2004	44.0	25	33	25	17
April 2004	43.8	24	34	24	18
March 2004	42.0	23	38	25	14
February 2004	43.8	24	33	22	21
January 2004	42.9	23	35	25	17
May 2003	47.2	31	30	22	17
January 2003	46.3	27	30	24	19
November 2002	47.1	27	29	23	21

Organization: Greenberg Quinlan Rosner Research
Date: As noted

As you may know, Canada, the United States and Mexico entered into the North American Free Trade Agreement, NAFTA, in 1992 to reduce trade barriers and allow for a North American trading zone for the greater flow of goods and services between these countries. This agreement came into force in 1994. Thinking over the past few years, do you think that, on the whole, the United States has been a winner or a loser as a result of this trade agreement?

- 43% Winner
- 47 Loser
- 4 Neither (Vol.)
- 6 Don't know/Refused

Organization: Ipsos-Reid/Canada Institute of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars and the Canada Institute of North American Issues
Date: April 5-April 7, 2005

NEW:

In general, do you think that free trade agreements like NAFTA, and (2007: the policies of) the World Trade Organization, have been a good thing or a bad thing for the United States? (If Respondent asks what NAFTA is:) The North American Free Trade Agreement

	4/08	11/07 (Rep)	11/07 (Dem)	12/06
Good thing	35%	39%	36%	44%
Bad thing	48	45	45	35
Don't know/Refused	17	16	19	21

Organization: Pew Research Center for the People & the Press / Princeton Survey Research Associates International

Date: As noted

Thinking about the financial situation of you and your family...Do you think these free trade agreements like NAFTA (North American Free Trade Agreement) and the WTO (World Trade Organization) have definitely helped, probably helped, probably hurt, or definitely hurt the financial situation of you and your family?

	4/08	12/06
Definitely helped	3%	3%
Probably helped	24	32
Probably hurt	32	24
Definitely hurt	16	12
Neither (Vol.)	13	11
Don't know/Refused	12	18

Organization: Pew Research Center for the People & the Press / Princeton Survey Research Associates International

Date: As noted

As I read some of the possible ways free trade agreements affect America, tell me what your impression is....Do free trade agreements make the price of products sold in the US (United States) higher, lower or not make a difference?

	4/08	12/06
Higher	39%	30%
Lower	29	32
Not make a difference	18	23
Mixed/Depends (Vol.)	1	1
Don't know/Refused	13	14

Organization: Pew Research Center for the People & the Press / Princeton Survey Research Associates International

Date: As noted

(As I read some of the possible ways free trade agreements affect America, tell me what your impression is.)...Do free trade agreements make the wages of American workers higher, lower, or not make a difference?

	4/08	12/06
Higher	8%	11%
Lower	56	44
Not make a difference	22	30

Mixed/Depends (Vol.)	2	1
Don't know/Refused	12	14

Organization: Pew Research Center for the People & the Press / Princeton Survey Research Associates International
Date: As noted

(As I read some of the possible ways free trade agreements affect America, tell me what your impression is.)...Do free trade agreements create jobs in the US (United States), lead to job losses, or not make a difference?

	4/08	12/06
Create jobs	9%	12%
Lead to job losses	61	48
Not make a difference	18	25
Mixed/Depends (Vol.)	2	2
Don't know/Refused	10	13

Organization: Pew Research Center for the People & the Press / Princeton Survey Research Associates International
Date: As noted

(As I read some of the possible ways free trade agreements affect America, tell me what your impression is.)...Do free trade agreements make the American economy grow, slow the economy down, or not make a difference?

	4/08	12/06
Make the economy grow	19%	28%
Slow the economy down	50	34
Not make a difference	17	21
Mixed/Depends (Vol.)	2	2
Don't know/Refused	12	15

Organization: Pew Research Center for the People & the Press / Princeton Survey Research Associates International
Date: As noted

(As I read some of the possible ways free trade agreements affect America, tell me what your impression is.)...Are free trade agreements good for the people of developing countries, bad for the people of developing countries, or don't they make a difference?

	4/08	12/06
Good	58%	57%
Bad	12	9
Don't make a difference	19	19
Mixed/Depends (Vol.)	-	1

Don't know/Refused 11 14

Organization: Pew Research Center for the People & the Press / Princeton Survey Research Associates International

Date: As noted

(Let me read you a number of aspects dealing with the economy, for each please tell me whether this is currently affecting you a great deal, quite a bit, just some, or very little. If this does not apply to you, just say so.)...The impact trade agreements have had on American jobs

Subpopulation: Asked of Form A half sample

28% A great deal
13 Quite a bit
20 Just some
13 Very little
23 Does not apply
3 Not sure

Organization: NBC News, Wall Street Journal / Hart and McInturff Research Companies

Date: March 7, 2008-March 10, 2008

(What grade would you give the United States when it comes to achieving the following goals? Please give an A, B, C, D, or F for Fail. If you don't know, just say so.)...Avoiding trade agreements that harm the United States

	3/08	9/07	3/07
A	9%	7%	8%
B	19	16	18
C	28	31	28
D	16	16	15
F	13	13	11
Don't know	14	16	19

Organization: Public Agenda Foundation

Date: As noted

In recent years, the United States has created so-called free trade zones, such as NAFTA, The North American Free Trade Agreement with Canada and Mexico, which eliminated or is phasing out most tariffs on goods coming from countries involved in the agreement. Overall, do you think that these trade agreements generally help the US economy, hurt it, or don't have much impact overall?

24% Help
41 Hurt
27 Not much impact overall
9 No answer/Don't know

Organization: Fortune / Abt SRBI
Date: January 14, 2008-January 16, 2008

Do you think the Bush Administration has made a lot of progress, some progress, not much progress, or no progress at all in increasing trade and assistance to Mexico?

5% A lot
33 Some
26 Not much
19 No progress at all
17 Don't know/No answer

Organization: CBS News/New York Times
Date: May 18, 2007-May 23, 2007

In general, do you think that free trade agreements between the United States and foreign countries have helped the United States, have hurt the United States, or have not made much of a difference either way?

Subpopulation: Asked of Form A half sample

28% Have helped the US
46 Have hurt the US
16 Haven't made much of a difference
10 Not sure

Organization: NBC News, Wall Street Journal / Hart and Newhouse Research Companies
Date: March 2, 2007-March 5, 2007

Please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of...the free movement of goods and services among the US (United States), Canada, and Mexico?

24% Very favorable
46 Somewhat favorable
14 Somewhat unfavorable
9 Very unfavorable
7 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund
 Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

Do you think we should negotiate more new trade agreements, repeal existing trade agreements, or maintain the current trade agreements we have right now?

- 30% More new trade agreements
- 29 Repeal existing trade agreements
- 31 Maintain current trade agreements
- 10 Don't know

Organization: Democratic Leadership Council / Penn, Schoen & Berland Associates
 Date: August 29, 2006-August 30, 2006

(What grade would you give the United States when it comes to achieving the following goals? Please give an A, B, C, D, or F for Fail. If you don't know, just say so.)...Making international trade agreements that benefit the United States

	9/06	1/02
A	11%	11%
B	25	27
C	28	25
D	13	14
F	11	12
Don't know	12	12

Organization: Public Agenda Foundation
 Date: As noted

Question 210 (1-5): Do you think the U.S. should have a free trade agreement that would lower

210/1-5. Free trade agreement

	<u>(N=1,227)</u>			Total
	Yes (%)	No (%)	Not sure/ Decline (%)	(%)
210/2. Japan	47	43	10	100
210/3. China	34	56	10	100
210/4. India	36	54	10	100
210/5. South Korea	39	50	11	100

barriers such as tariffs with each of the following countries?

Organization: Chicago Council on Foreign Affairs
Date: July 2006

So far, do you think that NAFTA (North American Free Trade Agreement) has been a good thing or a bad thing from a U.S. (United States) point of view?

Subpopulation: Asked of Form 2 half sample

44% Good thing
34 Bad thing
22 Don't know/Refused

Organization: Pew Research Center for the People & the Press/CFR America's Place In The World Survey
Date: October 12, 2005-October 24, 2005

Product Safety

(The United States currently buys from foreign countries more than it sells to those countries. How concerned are you about each of the following--extremely concerned, very concerned, somewhat concerned, not very concerned, or not at all concerned?)...The US has often not been able to check the safety of products coming in from other countries.

45% Extremely concerned
32 Very concerned
19 Somewhat concerned
2 Not very concerned
1 Not at all concerned
1 No answer/Don't know

Organization: Fortune / Abt SRBI
Date: January 14, 2008-January 16, 2008

Miscellaneous

Do you think US (United States) ranchers should or should not be allowed to sell horse meat to food distributors in overseas markets, or don't you have an opinion?

Subpopulation: Asked of Form B half sample
Question Note: * = less than .5%.

- 25% Allowed
- 30 Not allowed
- 45 No opinion
- * No answer

Organization: USA Today / Gallup Organization
Date: March 14, 2008-March 16, 2008

(And now a question about the power of different groups in influencing government policy, politicians, and policy makers in Washington.) Do you think...trade associations have too much or too little power and influence in Washington?

- 52% Too much
- 28 Too little
- 9 About right
- 11 Not sure/Refused

Organization: Harris Interactive
Date: February 6, 2007-February 12, 2007

Some products from developing countries carry a label saying 'Fair Trade,' that means the product was produced under fair and safe working conditions, and that the workers who produced it received a living wage. Have you ever seen this type of label?

- 23% Yes, have seen
- 74 No, have not seen
- 2 Don't know

Organization: Lyle Scruggs and Shareen Hertel / Center for Survey Research & Analysis, University of Connecticut
Date: November 15, 2006-November 27, 2006

Given what you currently pay for coffee, how much more per pound, if anything, would you be willing to pay for coffee that carries the 'Fair Trade' label...fifty cents, one dollar, two dollars, more than two dollars, or nothing at all?

Subpopulation: Asked of those who purchase coffee or coffee beans from a grocery store or supermarket regularly/sometimes (60%)

- 21% Fifty cents
- 27 One dollar
- 15 Two dollars
- 10 More than two dollars

- 23 Nothing more
- 4 Don't know

Organization: Lyle Scruggs and Shareen Hertel / Center for Survey Research & Analysis,
University of Connecticut
Date: November 15, 2006-November 27, 2006

Some people talk about reducing dependency on foreign imports. Please tell me to what extent you are worried or not about foreign dependence on each of the following imports. Are you very worried, somewhat worried, not very worried or not worried at all about foreign dependence on...food imports?

- 12% Very worried
- 33 Somewhat worried
- 28 Not very worried
- 26 Not worried at all
- 1 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

(Some people talk about reducing dependency on foreign imports. Please tell me to what extent you are worried or not about foreign dependence on each of the following imports.) Are you very worried, somewhat worried, not very worried or not worried at all about foreign dependence on...clothing and textiles?

- 12% Very worried
- 29 Somewhat worried
- 26 Not very worried
- 31 Not worried at all
- 1 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

(Some people talk about reducing dependency on foreign imports. Please tell me to what extent you are worried or not about foreign dependence on each of the following imports.) Are you very worried, somewhat worried, not very worried or not worried at all about foreign dependence on...cars and other manufactured goods?

- 13% Very worried
- 33 Somewhat worried

- 22 Not very worried
- 31 Not worried at all
- 1 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

(Some people talk about reducing dependency on foreign imports. Please tell me to what extent you are worried or not about foreign dependence on each of the following imports.) Are you very worried, somewhat worried, not very worried or not worried at all about foreign dependence on...computers, electronics and other high technology goods?

- 12% Very worried
- 32 Somewhat worried
- 25 Not very worried
- 30 Not worried at all
- 1 Don't know/Refused

Organization: German Marshall Fund
Date: September 5, 2006-September 25, 2006

To what extent, if at all, do you think our country benefits from the greater influence of international business practices, trade, ideas, communication and products such as international foods and TV (television) programs from other countries? Would you say to a great extent, moderate extent, small extent, or not at all?

Question Note: * = less than .5%.

- 34% Great extent
- 36 Moderate extent
- 15 Small extent
- 9 Not at all
- * Harms our country (Vol.)
- 5 Don't know/Refused

Organization: Pew Forum on Religion & Public Life / Princeton Survey Research Associates International
Date: July 20, 2006-September 7, 2006