

**2007 Survey on Federal Spending Priorities:  
Iowa and New Hampshire**

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## Abstract

Our survey of the voting age populations in Iowa and New Hampshire found strong and growing support for reducing the Pentagon budget and increasing federal funds for healthcare, education, job training, energy independence, and deficit paydown.

This survey found that a significant 64% of New Hampshire respondents would vote for a hypothetical “Candidate A” running for federal office who says that defense spending should be reduced by 15% and the savings shifted to healthcare, education, job training, energy independence and reducing the federal budget deficit, over a hypothetical “Candidate B” who says that defense spending should not be reduced. Only 26% of those polled in New Hampshire would prefer Candidate B. In Iowa, it was 62% for Candidate A versus 29% for Candidate B.

The survey found that support was strongest for this so-called “mommy-issue” among women, Democrats, and the youngest and oldest voters, yet the poll found surprisingly broad-based support for such a candidate. In light of the disproportionately negative impact the Administration’s budget cuts have on women, children and poor families, we consider this an especially surprising result. In New Hampshire, 61% of men favored Candidate A versus 30% for Candidate B; in Iowa 59% of men were for Candidate A and 33% for the opponent.

In general, Democrats were overwhelmingly supportive of Candidate A while Republicans were opposed. Among Democratic voters, 91% in New Hampshire and 94% in Iowa supported Candidate A. Among Republicans, only 21% of New Hampshire Republicans and 17% of Iowa Republicans supported Candidate A.

Support for the candidate who favors sensible budget priorities rose in both states since a poll conducted at the same time in 2006, from 60% to 64% in New Hampshire and from 58% to 62% in Iowa. Unlike last year, pollsters also asked those sampled a question that more definitively identified the potential risks associated with reduced defense spending; this resulted in at most a 2% reduction in support for the Priorities message. The message: voters are well aware of the potential risks associated with reduced defense spending, but they are also critical of a federal budget that does not provide for their social and economic security.

Rising support for the candidate who favors sensible budget priorities rose across the board, among all age groups, for men and women, and for Democratic, Republican and Independent voters.

Respondents were also asked to name the single most important issue that they want the president and congress to address this year. In New Hampshire and Iowa the Iraq war dominated voters’ lists of concerns. In New Hampshire 36% were most concerned with Iraq, up from 20% at the same time in 2006.

In spite of increased concern with the Iraq war, there was an increase in the percentage who listed federal budget priorities first, up from 7% to 8% and still the fifth most important concern, while the percentage most concerned about economy/jobs, health care, and terrorism all decreased. In Iowa the percentage most concerned with the Iraq war rose from 16% to 31%.

## **IOWA SURVEY: GENERAL SUMMARY & ANALYSIS**

Iowa voters surveyed listed the Iraq war (31%), health care/HMO reform (14%), economy and jobs (13%), and terrorism (8%) and as the top four most important issues they want the President and Congress to address in 2007. In 2006 when voters were asked what the most important issue should be, 16% listed Iraq, economy/jobs (16%), health care/HMO reform (15%) and terrorism (12%) as the top four. Clearly, the Iraq war has had the most significant increase as the most important issue to address in 2007 from 2006. Iraq war showed an increase of fifteen points, while healthcare/HMO reform as an issue dropped one point, economy/jobs showed a decrease of three points and terrorism a four point drop from 2006. Overall, only 5% of those surveyed listed federal budget priorities as the single most important issue they want the President and Congress to address this year. This is a two point decrease from 2006. The greatest support for federal budget priorities as the single most important issue is in the Des Moines area (8%), Democrats over 60 years old (8%) and those in the 18-29 year old age group (7%).

When voters were asked what the second most important issue they want the President and Congress to address this year, Iowa voters still rated the Iraq war (28%), economy/jobs (14%) and health care/HMO reform (14%) as the three most important issues to address in 2007.

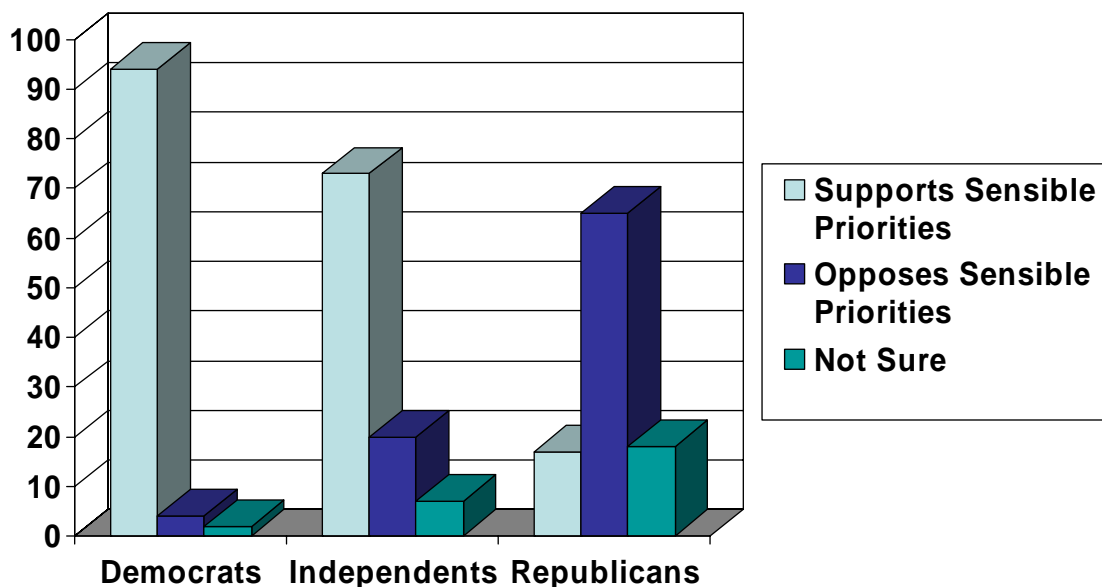
The Iraq war again had the most significant increase as the second most important issue to address in 2007 from 2006. Iraq war showed an increase of eleven points and economy/jobs showed a one point increase from 2006. Healthcare/HMO reform as an issue dropped three points in 2007. Overall, only 4% of those surveyed listed federal budget priorities as the second most important issue they want the President and Congress to address this year. This is a two point decrease from 2006. The greatest support for federal budget priorities as the second most important issue is with Democrats over 60 years old (9%) and Democrats (8%).

### **CANDIDATE A VERSE CANDIDATE B (HALF SAMPLE):**

A significant 62% of the Iowa voters surveyed would vote for a hypothetical Candidate "A" running for federal office who says that defense spending should be reduced by 15% and the money should be shifted to healthcare, education, job training, energy independence and reducing the federal budget deficit, over a hypothetical Candidate "B" who says that defense spending should not be reduced by 15% in order to shift those

monies to healthcare, education, job training, energy independence and reducing the federal budget deficit. This is a four point increase from 2006. A very significant 94% of Democrats and 73% of Independents prefer Candidate “A” to Candidate “B”. The vast majority of voters in all age ranges prefer Candidate “A” over Candidate “B” for federal office, especially Democratic women (94%) and Democrats between the ages of 18-29 (93%) prefer Candidate “A” and 92% of Democrats over the age 60.

## Iowa Support for Sensible Priorities Candidate by Party Affiliation



### CANDIDATE A VERSE CANDIDATE B NEW QUESTION (HALF SAMPLE):

There is only a four point drop in the hypothetical Candidate “A” support from 62% to 58% when voters were given additional information about Candidate “A” running for federal office who says that defense spending includes billions spent on nuclear weapons and other Cold War relics that are not useful to confront today’s threats, so the pentagon budget should be reduced by 15% and the money should be shifted to healthcare, education, job training, energy independence and reducing the federal budget deficit while hypothetical Candidate “B” support remains at 29% when additional information about Candidate B who says that defense spending should not be reduced because we live in a dangerous world and our troops need whatever it takes in terms of spending in order to defend us from our enemies is read. A very significant 90% of Democrats and 67% of Independents prefer Candidate “A” to Candidate “B”. The vast majority of voters in all age ranges prefer Candidate “A” over Candidate “B” for federal office, especially Democratic women (93%) and Democrats between the ages of 18-29 (93%) prefer Candidate “A” and 91% of Democrats over the age 60.

## NH SURVEY: GENERAL SUMMARY & ANALYSIS

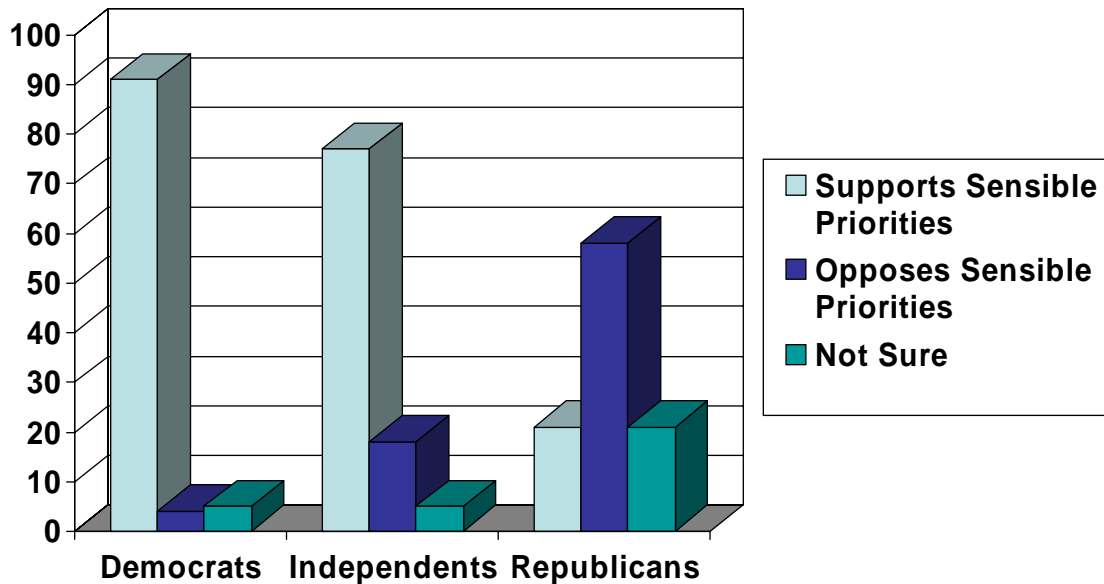
New Hampshire voters surveyed listed the Iraq war (36%), economy and jobs (14%), health care/HMO reform (11%) and terrorism (10%) and as the top four most important issues they want the President and Congress to address in 2007. In 2006 when voters were asked what the most important issue should be, 20% listed Iraq, economy/jobs (18%), health care/HMO reform (16%) and terrorism (16%) as the top four. Clearly, the Iraq war has had the most significant increase as the most important issue to address in 2007 from 2006. Iraq war showed an increase of sixteen points, while healthcare/HMO reform as an issue dropped five points, economy/jobs showed a decrease of four points and terrorism a six point drop from 2006. Overall, 8% of those surveyed listed federal budget priorities as the single most important issue they want the President and Congress to address this year. This is a one point increase from 2006. The greatest support for federal budget priorities as the single most important issue is among Democrats between the ages of 18-29 (13%), Democrats overall (11%), Democratic women (12%) and Democrats 60 years and older (11%).

When voters were asked what the second most important issue they want the President and Congress to address this year, New Hampshire voters still rated the Iraq war (27%), economy/jobs (15%), health care/HMO reform (14%), and terrorism (11%) as the four most important issues to address in 2007. Overall, only 7% of those surveyed listed federal budget priorities as the second most important issue they want the President and Congress to address this year. The greatest support for federal budget priorities as the single most important issue is among Democrats between the ages of 18-29 (11%), Democratic women (11%), Democrats 60 years and older (10%) and Democrats overall (9%).

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# New Hampshire Support for Sensible Priorities Candidate by Party Affiliation



## CANDIDATE A VERSE CANDIDATE B NEW QUESTION (HALF SAMPLE):

There is only a two point drop in the hypothetical Candidate “A” support from 64% to 62% when voters were given additional information about Candidate “A” running for federal office who says that defense spending includes billions spent on nuclear weapons and other Cold War relics that are not useful to confront today’s threats, so the pentagon budget should be reduced by 15% and the money should be shifted to healthcare, education, job training, energy independence and reducing the federal budget deficit while hypothetical Candidate “B” support increases only one point to 27% when additional information about Candidate B who says that defense spending should not be reduced because we live in a dangerous world and our troops need whatever it takes in terms of spending in order to defend us from our enemies is read. A very significant 90% of Democrats and 74% of Independents prefer Candidate “A” to Candidate “B”. The vast majority of voters in all age ranges prefer Candidate “A” over Candidate “B” for federal office, especially Democratic women (91%) and Democrats between the ages of 18-29 (93%) prefer Candidate “A” and 91% of Democrats over the age 60.

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SAMPLE FIGURES:

			Margin of Error
Men	288	(48%)	5.8%
Women	312	(52%)	5.5%
Democrats	192	(32%)	7.0%
Republicans	186	(31%)	7.2%
Independents/Other	222	(37%)	6.5%
		(Caucus voters)	
18-29	96	(16%)	10.2%
30-44	210	(35%)	6.8%
45-59	174	(29%)	7.2%
60+	120	(20%)	8.7%
Des Moines	156	(26%)	7.8%
Dem 18-29	34	(6%)	17.0%
Dem 60+	36	(6%)	16.0%
Dem Women	105	(18%)	9.6%

QUESTION: What is the single most important issue you want the President and Congress to address this year? (PROMPTED):

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOMEN</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>IND</u>
Iraq	31%	28%	34%	42%	19%	32%
Health care/HMO reform	14%	10%	18%	16%	6%	19%

Economy/jobs	13%	12%	14%	14%	11%	14%
Terrorism	8%	12%	4%	2%	18%	5%
Education	6%	5%	7%	5%	7%	6%
Immigration	6%	9%	3%	1%	13%	4%
Taxes	5%	8%	2%	1%	11%	4%
Federal budget priorities	5%	4%	6%	7%	3%	5%
Environment	3%	2%	4%	4%	1%	4%
Prescription drugs	3%	3%	3%	4%	2%	3%
Moral issues	2%	3%	1%	-	6%	-
Gas prices	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%
Social security	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Other/Not Sure	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%

	<u>18-29</u>	<u>30-44</u>	<u>45-59</u>	<u>60+</u>	<u>DES MOINES</u>
Iraq	34%	28%	31%	33%	36%
Health care/HMO reform	16%	12%	15%	14%	17%
Economy/jobs	14%	11%	13%	13%	13%
Terrorism	2%	15%	7%	7%	2%
Education	9%	4%	5%	5%	11%
Immigration	3%	9%	6%	6%	2%
Taxes	2%	8%	5%	4%	2%
Federal budget priorities	7%	3%	5%	6%	8%
Environment	4%	2%	2%	3%	3%
Prescription drugs	2%	2%	4%	4%	1%
Moral issues	2%	3%	2%	1%	1%
Gas prices	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%
Social security	-	1%	2%	1%	1%
Other/Not Sure	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%

	<u>DEM 18-29</u>	<u>DEM 60+</u>	<u>DEM WOMEN</u>
Iraq	45%	42%	45%
Health care/HMO reform	15%	16%	16%
Economy/jobs	18%	11%	12%
Terrorism	1%	3%	1%
Education	7%	4%	6%
Immigration	-	1%	1%

Taxes	-	1%	1%
Federal budget priorities	6%	8%	6%
Environment	5%	3%	3%
Prescription drugs	-	6%	4%
Moral issues	-	1%	1%
Gas prices	2%	1%	2%
Social security	-	2%	-
Other/Not Sure	1%	1%	2%

QUESTION: What is the second most important issue you want the President and Congress to address this year? (PROMPTED):

	<u>ALL</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOMEN</u>	<u>DEM</u>	<u>REP</u>	<u>IND</u>
Iraq	28%	25%	31%	37%	22%	26%
Economy/jobs	14%	11%	17%	15%	7%	19%
Health care/HMO reform	14%	10%	18%	17%	5%	18%
Terrorism	10%	14%	6%	3%	21%	7%
Education	6%	6%	6%	6%	7%	6%
Taxes	6%	9%	3%	2%	11%	5%
Immigration	6%	10%	2%	1%	13%	4%
Federal budget priorities	4%	3%	5%	8%	2%	3%
Environment	3%	2%	4%	3%	1%	5%
Moral issues	3%	4%	2%	1%	7%	1%
Prescription drugs	2%	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%
Gas prices	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%
Social security	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Other/Not Sure	1%	1%	1%	2%	-	1%

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Iraq	33%	23%	29%	28%	30%
Economy/jobs	17%	11%	14%	15%	13%
Health care/HMO reform	15%	13%	14%	15%	16%
Terrorism	3%	18%	11%	9%	8%
Education	9%	3%	5%	5%	8%
Taxes	2%	10%	5%	5%	5%
Immigration	3%	9%	6%	6%	4%
Federal budget priorities	7%	2%	4%	4%	5%
Environment	4%	2%	2%	3%	3%
Moral issues	2%	4%	3%	2%	2%
Prescription drugs	1%	2%	3%	3%	2%
Gas prices	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%
Social security	-	1%	1%	2%	1%
Other/Not Sure	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%

	<u>DEM 18-29</u>	<u>DEM 60+</u>	<u>DEM WOMEN</u>
Iraq	43%	39%	38%
Economy/jobs	18%	13%	15%
Health care/HMO reform	15%	16%	18%
Terrorism	2%	4%	3%
Education	7%	4%	7%
Taxes	1%	3%	2%
Immigration	-	2%	1%
Federal budget priorities	7%	9%	7%
Environment	4%	1%	2%
Moral issues	-	2%	1%
Prescription drugs	-	4%	3%
Gas prices	1%	-	1%
Social security	-	2%	1%
Other/Not Sure	2%	1%	1%

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QUESTION: Which of the following candidates running for federal office would you most likely vote for? (ROTATED):

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Not Sure (NOT READ)

	<u>CANDIDATE A</u>	<u>CANDIDATE B</u>	<u>NOT SURE</u>
ALL	62%	29%	9%
MEN	59%	33%	8%
WOMEN	65%	25%	10%
DEMOCRATS	94%	4%	2%
REPUBLICANS	17%	65%	18%
INDEPENDENTS	73%	20%	7%

18-29	68%	21%	11%
30-44	55%	34%	11%
45-59	62%	31%	7%
60+	62%	30%	8%
DES MOINES METRO	64%	26%	10%
DEM 18-29	93%	2%	5%
DEM 60+	92%	4%	4%
DEM WOMEN	94%	3%	3%

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Not Sure (NOT READ)

	<u>CANDIDATE A</u>	<u>CANDIDATE B</u>	<u>NOT SURE</u>
ALL	58%	29%	13%
MEN	55%	34%	11%
WOMEN	61%	24%	15%
DEMOCRATS	90%	4%	6%
REPUBLICANS	13%	66%	21%
INDEPENDENTS	67%	20%	13%
18-29	65%	20%	15%
30-44	50%	35%	15%
45-59	57%	31%	12%
60+	58%	30%	12%

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DEM 18-29	93%	2%	5%
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DEM WOMEN	93%	3%	4%

## NH POLL RESULTS – FEBRUARY 2007

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Independents/Other	234	(39%)	6.4%
18-29	90	(15%)	10.3%
30-44	211	(35%)	6.8%
45-59	173	(29%)	7.4%
60+	126	(21%)	8.7%
Dem 18-29	23	(4%)	20.0%
Dem 60+	31	(5%)	18.0%
Dem Women	93	(16%)	10.0%

QUESTION: What is the single most important issue you want the President and Congress to address this year? (PROMPTED):

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Iraq	36%	32%	40%	41%	26%	39%
Economy/jobs	14%	12%	16%	16%	11%	15%
Health care/HMO reform	11%	8%	14%	14%	8%	11%
Terrorism	10%	15%	5%	3%	19%	7%
Federal budget priorities	8%	7%	9%	11%	4%	9%
Taxes	6%	9%	3%	1%	13%	5%
Immigration	4%	6%	2%	1%	8%	3%
Education	3%	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%
Environment	3%	2%	4%	4%	1%	4%
Prescription drugs	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Moral issues	1%	2%	-	1%	3%	-
Gas prices	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Social security	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Other/Not Sure	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%

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Terrorism	4%	17%	11%	7%
Federal budget priorities	10%	4%	8%	9%
Taxes	2%	11%	5%	3%
Immigration	1%	7%	5%	3%
Education	6%	2%	3%	4%
Environment	4%	2%	2%	3%
Prescription drugs	-	1%	1%	2%
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QUESTION: What is the second most important issue you want the President and Congress to address this year? (PROMPTED):

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Terrorism	11%	16%	6%	3%	24%	6%
Federal budget priorities	7%	6%	8%	9%	4%	8%
Taxes	7%	10%	4%	3%	13%	6%
Education	6%	4%	8%	8%	4%	6%
Immigration	4%	6%	2%	1%	8%	4%
Environment	3%	2%	4%	4%	1%	5%
Moral issues	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%
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Immigration	1%	7%	4%	3%
Environment	5%	1%	3%	4%
Moral issues	-	4%	3%	1%

Gas prices	1%	1%	1%	1%
Prescription drugs	-	1%	1%	1%
Social security	-	1%	1%	1%
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Taxes	1%	4%	2%
Education	8%	7%	10%
Immigration	-	2%	-
Environment	5%	3%	4%
Moral issues	-	1%	1%
Gas prices	1%	1%	1%
Prescription drugs	-	1%	1%
Social security	-	2%	1%
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Not Sure (NOT READ)

	<u>CANDIDATE A</u>	<u>CANDIDATE B</u>	<u>NOT SURE</u>
ALL	64%	26%	10%
MEN	61%	30%	9%
WOMEN	67%	22%	11%
DEMOCRATS	91%	4%	5%

REPUBLICANS	21%	58%	21%
INDEPENDENTS	77%	18%	5%
18-29	70%	19%	11%
30-44	59%	31%	10%
45-59	63%	28%	9%
60+	63%	26%	11%
DEM 18-29	94%	3%	3%
DEM 60+	92%	4%	4%
DEM WOMEN	93%	3%	4%

NOTE: Only half the sample was asked the below question (Margin for error is 6%)

QUESTION: Which of the following candidates running for federal office would you most likely vote for? (ROTATED):

CANDIDATE A says that defense spending includes billions spent on nuclear weapons and other Cold War relics that are not useful to confront today's threats, so the pentagon budget SHOULD be reduced by 15% and the money should be shifted to healthcare, education, job training, energy independence and reducing the federal budget deficit, OR

CANDIDATE B says that defense spending SHOULD NOT be reduced because we live in a dangerous world and our troops need whatever it takes in terms of spending in order to defend us from our enemies.

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	<u>CANDIDATE A</u>	<u>CANDIDATE B</u>	<u>NOT SURE</u>
ALL	62%	27%	11%
MEN	58%	31%	11%
WOMEN	66%	23%	11%
DEMOCRATS	90%	4%	6%
REPUBLICANS	18%	62%	20%
INDEPENDENTS	74%	18%	8%
18-29	69%	19%	12%
30-44	57%	32%	11%
45-59	61%	29%	10%
60+	62%	27%	11%

DEM 18-29	93%	3%	4%
DEM 60+	91%	5%	4%
DEM WOMEN	91%	3%	6%