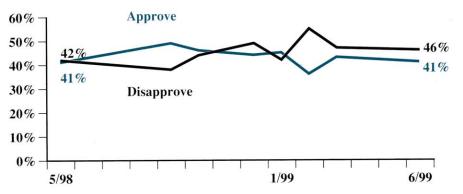
# **Spotlight on Congress**

**Question**: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the US Congress is handling its job?

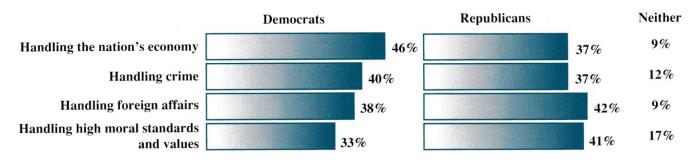


Positive Ratings			
1999		1998	
June 6	41%	December 17	44%
March 24	43	October 8	46
February 7	36	September 10	49
January 11	45	May 21	41
Highest recorded*	57%	Lowest recorded*	17%
		Average*	34%

\*Since 1977.

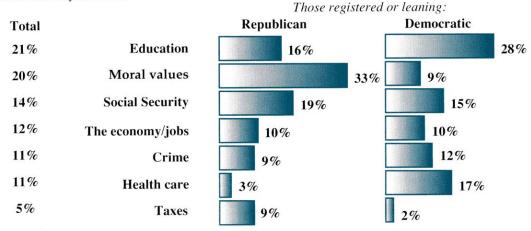
Source: Survey by CBS News/New York Times, latest that of June 5-6, 1999.

**Question**: Which political party, the Democrats or the Republicans, do you trust to do a better job...?



Source: Survey by ABC News/Washington Post, June 5-6, 1999.

**Question**: Now we'd like to know what you think is the most important issue facing the country as it heads into the year 2000....

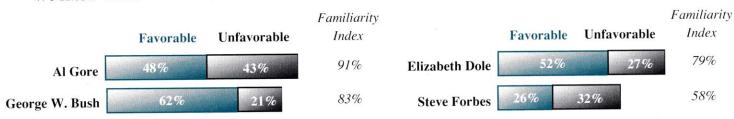


Source: Survey by Princeton Survey Research Associates for Newsweek, June 6-10, 1999.

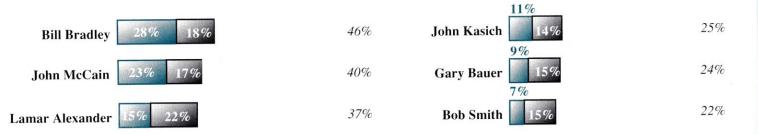
## **Election 2000 Contenders**

Question: I'm going to read you the names of some people running for president. Please tell me whether you have generally favorable or generally unfavorable impressions of each, or whether you are not familiar enough to say one way or another.... Vice President Al Gore/Texas Governor George W. Bush/former Red Cross president Elizabeth Dole/businessman Steve Forbes/former New Jersey Senator Bill Bradley/ Arizona Senator John McCain/former Tennessee Governor Lamar Alexander/Ohio Congressman John Kasich/Family Research Council Chairman Gary Bauer/New Hampshire Senator Bob Smith/former Vice President Dan Quayle/political commentator Pat Buchanan

#### We Know Them



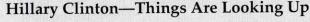
### We Don't Know Them Yet



#### We Know Them Too Well?



Note: Familiarity Index is calculated by combining those who at least have an impression of the candidate, favorable or unfavorable. Source: Survey by Yankelovich Partners for Time/CNN, June 9-10, 1999.



Question: I'm going to read you a few names. For each, please tell me if you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of that person, or

