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RE: Results from nationwide poll

Methodology

This is a telephone survey of likely voters nationwide conducted by Zogby International from February 22 through February 24, 2007. The target sample is 1078 interviews with approximately 47 questions asked. Samples are randomly drawn from telephone cd's of national listed sample. Zogby International surveys employ sampling strategies in which selection probabilities are proportional to population size within area codes and exchanges. Up to six calls are made to reach a sampled phone number. Cooperation rates are calculated using one of AAPOR's approved methodologies¹ and are comparable to other professional public-opinion surveys conducted using similar sampling strategies.² Weighting by region, party, age, race, religion, gender is used to adjust for non-response. The margin of error is +/- 3.0 percentage points. Margins of error are higher in sub-groups.

Zogby International's sampling and weighting procedures also have been validated through its political polling: more than 95% of the firm's polls have come within 1% of actual election-day outcomes.

¹ See COOP4 (p.38) in *Standard Definitions: Final Dispositions of Case Codes and Outcome Rates of Surveys*. The American Association for Public Opinion Research, (2000).

² *Cooperation Tracking Study: April 2003 Update*, Jane M. Sheppard and Shelly Haas. The Council for Marketing & Opinion Research (CMOR). Cincinnati, Ohio (2003).

Narrative Summary

101. Thirty-five years ago the National Commission on Marijuana and Drug Abuse recommended removing criminal penalties for the personal use of marijuana by adults. Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose a law in Congress that would eliminate federal penalties for the personal use of marijuana by adults and allow states to adopt their own policies on marijuana?

Strongly support	24%		
Somewhat support	25	Support	49%
Somewhat oppose	16		
Strongly oppose	32	Oppose	48
Not sure	3		

Voters are evenly divided on their support of a law eliminating federal penalties for the personal use of marijuana and allowing states to decide their own policies on marijuana – 49% support such a law and 48% are opposed. Three percent are not sure where they stand.

Voters in the central/Great Lakes region (46%) are the least likely to say they support eliminating federal penalties, while half of those in the south and the west are in support, and 51% of easterners support eliminating federal penalties.

Those between the ages of 30 and 64 are the most supportive of eliminating federal penalties and allowing states to decide (about 52%), while 43% of seniors and 45% of those under 30 are in support of such a move. Support for such a law increase as education increases from about 44% support for those with high school educations and some college to 53% of those with a college degree. Among the races and ethnic groups, support for eliminating federal penalties is strongest among whites (51%) and African Americans (49%), while support is very low among Hispanics (26%). Support for eliminating federal penalties is strongest among those living in the suburbs (55%) and lowest among those living in rural areas (46%).

There is little difference between parents (48%) and non-parents (50%) in levels of support, while equal percentages of Catholics and Protestants (45% each) are in support. A majority of both Catholics and Protestants are opposed to eliminating federal penalties. Sixty-three percent of those who have no religious affiliation or other affiliation are in support of eliminating federal penalties.

Men (57%) are notably more likely than women (41%) to support the elimination of federal penalties on marijuana use and a majority of both Democrats (51%) and independents (62%) are in support of such legislation compared to 37% of Republicans who are in support.

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	Total		Region								AgeGroup								Education							
			East		South		Central		West		18-29		30-49		50-64		65+		<HS		HSGrad		SomeCol		Col+	
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
Str support	261	24.2	58	23.4	69	24.7	70	20.9	64	29.7	22	17.2	88	23.8	108	29.8	39	19.2	2	8.5	46	26.0	73	21.9	140	25.9
Smwt support	267	24.7	69	27.7	72	25.5	83	24.9	43	20.1	35	27.3	103	27.6	82	22.8	46	22.7	5	17.9	30	17.1	84	25.3	147	27.2
Smwt oppose	177	16.4	42	17.0	35	12.6	52	15.4	48	22.1	40	31.1	65	17.4	44	12.2	25	12.4	2	8.1	21	11.9	62	18.9	91	16.8
Str oppose	340	31.6	72	29.1	96	34.1	117	34.9	56	25.9	26	20.3	109	29.2	119	32.8	82	40.5	18	65.5	73	41.8	105	31.9	143	26.4
NS	33	3.1	7	2.9	9	3.1	13	3.9	5	2.1	5	4.2	8	2.1	9	2.4	10	5.2			6	3.2	6	2.0	20	3.7
Total	1078	100.0	248	100.0	280	100.0	334	100.0	216	100.0	128	100.0	372	100.0	362	100.0	202	100.0	27	100.0	175	100.0	330	100.0	542	100.0

	AgeGroup-B										Race										Union			
	18-24		25-34		35-54		55-69		70+		White		Hisp		AfrAmer		Asian		Other		Yes		No/NS	
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
Str support	8	13.3	24	20.8	107	24.6	96	30.7	23	15.7	202	24.5	13	15.6	33	27.7	7	32.3	6	26.1	43	21.6	218	24.8
Smwt support	14	22.6	28	24.4	121	27.9	72	23.1	32	21.9	216	26.3	9	10.3	25	21.6	8	36.8	7	32.8	50	25.3	217	24.6
Smwt oppose	23	37.7	30	26.5	65	15.1	36	11.6	19	13.2	122	14.8	34	39.6	18	14.9			0	2.2	28	14.3	148	16.8
Str oppose	13	21.5	30	26.2	131	30.2	100	31.9	62	42.8	259	31.5	28	32.3	37	31.3	7	30.9	7	34.0	71	36.0	269	30.6
NS	3	5.0	2	2.1	9	2.2	8	2.7	9	6.3	24	2.9	2	2.2	5	4.6			1	4.9	6	2.8	28	3.2
Total	60	100.0	114	100.0	433	100.0	312	100.0	145	100.0	823	100.0	86	100.0	118	100.0	21	100.0	21	100.0	198	100.0	880	100.0

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	Total		~~~~~ Live ~~~~~								~~~~~ Ideology ~~~~~										~~ Child<17 ~~					
			Lge City		Sm City		Suburbs		Rural		Prog		Lib		Mod		Cons		VCons		Libert		Yes		No/NS	
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
Str support	261	24.4	67	26.7	80	26.2	60	25.4	54	19.3	49	54.5	43	27.5	90	25.9	44	13.2	8	9.8	11	40.0	82	24.7	179	24.0
Smwt support	266	24.8	59	23.2	65	21.2	69	29.3	74	26.4	22	24.2	50	31.9	116	33.5	54	16.5	8	9.9	9	32.6	76	23.0	191	25.5
Smwt oppose	175	16.3	44	17.3	59	19.3	34	14.7	38	13.5	10	11.4	28	17.6	52	15.1	67	20.3	14	17.7			52	15.8	124	16.6
Str oppose	337	31.4	76	30.2	90	29.5	66	28.0	105	37.5	7	8.1	31	19.5	81	23.2	154	46.7	46	57.4	7	27.4	109	32.9	231	31.0
NS	33	3.1	7	2.6	12	3.8	6	2.6	9	3.2	2	1.8	6	3.6	8	2.3	11	3.3	4	5.2			12	3.6	22	2.9
Total	1072	100.0	252	100.0	305	100.0	235	100.0	280	100.0	89	100.0	158	100.0	347	100.0	330	100.0	80	100.0	27	100.0	331	100.0	747	100.0

	~~~~~ Religion Recoded ~~~~~								~~~~~ BornAgain ~~~~~				~~~~~ Often attend church ~~~~~												
	Catholic		Protestant		Jewish		Other/None		Yes		No/NS		>Weekly		Weekly		1-2/mo		Holidays		Rarely		Never		
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f
Str support	58	20.1	107	19.9	16	48.9	78	36.1	44	15.1	63	25.8	33	20.4	56	15.9	39	25.2	17	19.6	64	31.2	47	43.6	
Smwt support	71	24.4	135	25.2	2	6.9	58	27.2	60	20.5	75	30.7	19	11.4	76	21.6	42	26.7	35	41.6	64	31.4	29	27.3	
Smwt oppose	73	25.1	84	15.7	5	15.3	14	6.7	45	15.4	39	16.2	34	21.2	70	19.7	13	8.6	20	23.1	27	13.2	11	10.1	
Str oppose	80	27.4	194	36.1	7	21.1	59	27.6	131	44.8	63	25.7	75	46.1	138	38.9	54	34.7	11	12.9	41	20.2	20	18.6	
NS	8	2.9	16	3.1	2	7.7	5	2.4	12	4.2	4	1.7	1	.9	14	3.9	8	4.8	2	2.8	8	4.0	0	.4	
Total	290	100.0	537	100.0	32	100.0	215	100.0	292	100.0	244	100.0	162	100.0	354	100.0	156	100.0	85	100.0	204	100.0	108	100.0	

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	Total		----- Status -----								-- Armed Forces --				--- NASCAR fan ---				---- Investor ----			
			Married		Single		D/W/S		Civil union		Yes		No/NS		Yes		No/NS		Yes		No/NS	
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
Str support	261	24.2	161	22.4	37	25.9	56	28.4	8	38.0	143	26.6	118	21.8	68	25.9	193	23.7	148	28.3	112	20.3
Smwt support	267	24.8	180	25.1	41	28.5	37	19.1	8	41.4	133	24.6	134	24.9	63	24.0	203	25.0	144	27.5	123	22.2
Smwt oppose	176	16.3	103	14.4	33	23.2	39	19.8	1	2.7	79	14.7	97	18.1	50	19.2	126	15.5	67	12.7	110	19.9
Str oppose	340	31.6	253	35.3	26	18.1	58	29.7	3	15.2	167	30.9	174	32.2	73	27.8	267	32.8	151	28.8	188	34.0
NS	33	3.1	21	2.9	6	4.4	6	3.1	1	2.7	17	3.2	16	3.0	8	3.1	25	3.1	14	2.6	20	3.6
Total	1077	100.0	718	100.0	144	100.0	196	100.0	20	100.0	539	100.0	539	100.0	264	100.0	814	100.0	523	100.0	553	100.0

	----- Shop Wal-Mart -----										----- Resident -----						----- Passport -----			
	Weekly		Few/mo		Couple/yr		Never		Other/NS		My city or town		America		The planet earth		Yes		No/NS	
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
Str support	58	21.8	63	18.1	72	31.0	61	34.4	6	12.8	74	20.8	91	18.7	96	41.0	124	26.4	137	22.5
Smwt support	51	19.1	91	26.1	62	26.6	46	25.7	17	33.9	88	24.5	119	24.6	60	25.5	126	26.9	141	23.1
Smwt oppose	38	14.4	73	20.8	34	14.8	27	15.2	4	8.3	52	14.6	103	21.2	22	9.2	72	15.3	105	17.2
Str oppose	108	40.6	114	32.6	57	24.4	40	22.5	20	39.8	125	34.9	163	33.6	52	22.3	128	27.3	212	34.9
NS	11	4.1	8	2.4	8	3.3	4	2.1	3	5.1	19	5.3	10	2.0	5	2.1	19	4.1	14	2.3
Total	266	100.0	350	100.0	233	100.0	178	100.0	49	100.0	359	100.0	486	100.0	234	100.0	469	100.0	609	100.0

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	~~~ Total ~~~		~~~~~ Gender ~~~~~				~~~~~ Outside wages ~~~~~				~~~~~ Party Recoded ~~~~~					
	f	%	Male		Female		Yes		No/NS		Democratic		Republican		Independent	
			f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
Str support	261	24.2	160	30.3	101	18.4	61	19.3	40	17.2	109	26.7	64	16.4	88	31.4
Smwt support	267	24.7	140	26.6	126	23.0	77	24.4	50	21.2	101	24.6	79	20.3	87	31.0
Smwt oppose	177	16.4	60	11.3	117	21.2	70	22.2	46	19.7	67	16.2	80	20.5	31	10.9
Str oppose	340	31.6	156	29.6	184	33.5	97	30.8	87	37.2	119	29.0	153	39.4	69	24.5
NS	33	3.1	12	2.3	21	3.9	10	3.3	11	4.7	14	3.4	13	3.4	6	2.2
Total	1078	100.0	528	100.0	550	100.0	315	100.0	235	100.0	410	100.0	388	100.0	280	100.0

	~~~~~ US Direction ~~~~~						~~~~~ Income ~~~~~											
	Right		Wrong		NS		< \$25K		\$25-35K		\$35-50K		\$50-75K		\$75-100K		\$100K+	
	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%	f	%
Str support	60	17.6	182	27.8	19	22.9	40	30.6	28	26.0	33	22.1	37	17.4	33	22.4	72	32.9
Smwt support	70	20.5	184	28.0	13	16.0	30	23.0	15	14.3	35	23.9	53	25.1	45	30.3	60	27.4
Smwt oppose	68	19.9	102	15.5	7	8.7	14	10.7	33	30.9	32	21.6	34	16.3	17	11.5	34	15.5
Str oppose	136	40.1	164	25.1	40	47.8	41	31.5	26	24.8	44	30.0	80	37.8	51	34.3	48	22.0
NS	6	1.9	23	3.6	4	4.5	5	4.2	4	4.0	4	2.4	7	3.4	2	1.6	5	2.1
Total	340	100.0	655	100.0	83	100.0	129	100.0	106	100.0	148	100.0	211	100.0	147	100.0	217	100.0