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Presidential race--con't

*ABC-Harris, 4/12/79

General Election

Carter vs. Reagan

3/79	49%	46%
12/78	55	38

Kennedy vs. Reagan

3/79	58%	38%
12/78	55	39

Republicans

Who do the Republicans prefer for President?

	<u>Public Opinion</u> <u>March/May 1979</u>	<u>Gallup</u> <u>4/79</u>	<u>Harris</u> <u>4/79</u>	<u>Yankelovich</u> <u>Time, 4/30/79</u>
Reagan	29%	31%	31%	28%
Ford	29	26	23	24
Baker	9	--	13	14
Connally	5	12	7	10
Dole	4	--	2	--
Bush	2	--	2	--
Weicker	1	--	4	--

*Roper, #/79

This survey found almost a 50/50 split in support/opposition for Carter's re-election. Only 10% identified themselves as strong supporters and 39% as moderate supporters. On the other hand, 17% claimed to be strong critics and 31% as moderate critics.

ECONOMY

*ABC-Harris, 4/17/79

The number of American families that say they are having "a harder time making ends meet" has risen 14% over the last six months (55% to 69%). A majority (61%) feel that we will be in a recession in the next 12 months.