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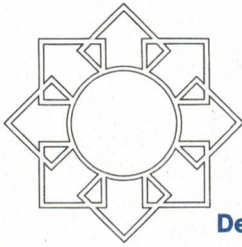
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FROM: Richard B. Wirthlin

DATE: July 7, 1983 (RNC83-7: June 25-27, 1983)

SUBJECT: Religiosity/Egalitarianism

Religiosity

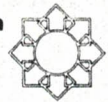
Seven out of ten people surveyed in this poll believe that this country would be better off if religion had a greater influence in daily life.

The breakdown by demographic subgroup seems to fall within expected norms (i.e., women 76% agreement as compared to 62% for men, 75% for conservatives against 60% for liberals, and 76% agreement for those with low incomes in comparison to those with high incomes 60%). Geographically, we find those living in the Pacific States with only 50% agreement and New England with 55%, while the Deep South shows a high of 82%.

Constituency groups fall into expected patterns with similar ratings with small business owners having the low of 61% agreement and white Baptists having the high of 85%.

Non-married working women have an agreement rate of 58% while married working women have a 79% agreement rate. Similarly non-married, non-working women have an agreement rate of 74%, a 16 percentage point difference from single working women.

Equal say. For this particular category, all demographic subgroups reflect high agreement with the statement (aggregate 85%) that "everyone should have an equal say in most things." Interestingly, Republicans are less committed (78%) than the Democrats (91%). As can be expected, women (88%) rank this value higher than men (81%). There is no significant difference between married and non-married women (both working and non-working), however, there is a 6



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percentage point difference between the single working woman (86% agree) and the single non-working woman (92% agree).

Things belong to all. Sixty percent (60%) of the respondents agree with the following statement and 35% disagree.

Everyone should have what he needs, the important things we have belong to all of us.

All subgroups fall in a range of from 48% (high-income respondents) to 66% (Hispanics). Other notable categories include the Farm Belt (52%), senior citizens (54%), blue-collar workers (64%) and people living in the Middle Atlantic states (54%). Fifty-nine percent (59%) of the women who are married (both working and non-working) agree, while 64% of non-married women (both working and non-working) agree. Men (59%) and women (61%) have similar attitudes toward the statement.

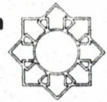
No Bosses/Ranks. When asked if a group of people that are nearly equal will work a lot better than one where people have bosses and ranks over one another, respondents indicated a 47% agreement and 50% disagreement with the statement.

Ethnic groups showed some disparity over this question with whites indicating a 46% agreement, while blacks and Hispanics indicated a 60% and 62% respectively.

Base Republicans (43%), independent leaners (43%) and Catholics (44%) cluster together in the agreement column, as do several geographic localities: Pacific (39%), New England (40%), and Farm Belt (43%) States. Groups that show a stronger agreement attitude are blue-collar workers (53%), senior citizens (52%), white Baptists (52%), the Outer South (53%) and the Middle Atlantic (52%) States.

Eighty-one percent (81%) of the men interviewed agreed with the statement as compared to 88% of the women interviewed.

Thirty-eight percent (38%) of the single working women polled agreed that people would work a lot better without bosses or ranks, while 52% of the single non-working women felt the same way. Single women have an aggregate of 45% and married women, an aggregate of 50% in the agree category.



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Egalitarianism

In considering the three previously cited questions as one area of "value" entitled Egalitarianism, men and women are essentially the same, with men demonstrating a slightly higher "egalitarian" nature.

	<u>Agree With All Three Statements</u>	<u>Agree With Two Of Three Statements</u>	<u>Agree With One Of Three Statements</u>	<u>Agree With None Of The Statements</u>
Men	33%	34%	23%	9%
Women	31	29	30	10



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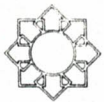
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	<u>Agree</u>	<u>Disagree</u>	<u>No Opinion</u>
	(%)	(%)	(%)
This country would be better off if religion had a greater influence in daily life.	70	28	2

"Do you personally believe in the inerrancy of the holy scripture?"

Yes	71%
No	29



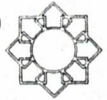
Religiosity

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"This country would be better off if religion had a greater influence in daily life."

	Agree (%)	Disagree (%)	No Opinion (%)
Aggregate	70	28	2
<u>Strength Constituencies</u>			
Base Republican	75	24	1
Small business	61	36	2
Farm Belt states	74	25	1
<u>Swing Constituencies</u>			
Blue-collar workers	68	31	1
Senior citizens	82	16	1
Women	76	21	2
Catholics	69	29	2
Independents/Leaners	63	34	3
White Baptists	85	14	2



Egalitarianism: Equal Say

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"Everyone should have an equal say in most things."

	<u>Agree</u> (%)	<u>Disagree</u> (%)	<u>No Opinion</u> (%)
Aggregate	85	14	1
<u>Strength Constituencies</u>			
Base Republican	78	21	1
Small business	84	14	1
Farm Belt states	79	18	3
<u>Swing Constituencies</u>			
Blue-collar workers	90	9	1
Senior citizens	78	20	3
Women	88	11	1
Catholics	90	9	1
Independents/Leaners	82	16	2
White Baptists	82	15	3



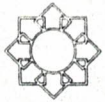
Egalitarianism: Things Belong to All

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"Everyone should have what he needs, the important things we have belong to all of us."

	<u>Agree</u> (%)	<u>Disagree</u> (%)	<u>No Opinion</u> (%)
Aggregate	60	35	5
<u>Strength Constituencies</u>			
Base Republican	53	41	7
Small business	63	32	5
Farm Belt states	52	45	3
<u>Swing Constituencies</u>			
Blue-collar workers	64	32	4
Senior citizens	54	38	8
Women	61	34	6
Catholics	61	35	4
Independents/Leaners	58	36	6
White Baptists	57	39	5



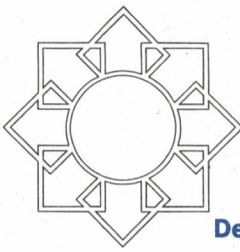
Egalitarianism: No Bosses/Ranks

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"A group of people that are nearly equal will work a lot better than one where people have bosses and ranks over one another."

	<u>Agree</u> (%)	<u>Disagree</u> (%)	<u>No Opinion</u> (%)
Aggregate	47	50	3
<u>Strength Constituencies</u>			
Base Republican	43	55	2
Small business	46	53	1
Farm Belt states	43	57	0
<u>Swing Constituencies</u>			
Blue-collar workers	53	45	3
Senior citizens	52	41	8
Women	48	49	3
Catholics	44	53	4
Independents/Leaners	43	54	3
White Baptists	52	48	0



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Although the public attitude regarding the helpfulness of Reagan's economic program improved 3 percentage points since May (59% to 61%), most other perceptions about the economy turned slightly more pessimistic since the May high.

The most severe erosion of optimism is seen in attitudes towards inflation.

Reagan's Economic Program: Help or Hurt?

The aggregate response to this question seems to indicate a slow but steady building of optimism towards President Reagan's economic program. Sixty-one percent (61%) of those polled indicated that they feel the President's program will help the economy, compared with 59% in May and 54% in April. The number of those who feel the program has hurt the economy has declined steadily from 39% in April to 32% in June.

College graduates, those with a high income, married men, and people between the ages of 25 and 34 are among those groups that seem most optimistic. It should be noted that the positive responses of senior citizens made a dramatic jump up from 46% in the last poll to the present 65%. Also rising from the last poll, though not as dramatically, were blue-collar workers from 59% to 60%, Catholics 57% to 60% and women 52% to 55%. Hispanics remained at a constant 62%

Among those groups that remained the most pessimistic about Reagan's economic program are those with less than a high school education, non-married women, those with low incomes and blacks. Although the white Baptists appear to be somewhat optimistic, they dropped from 65% in May to 60% in this poll.



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Fair or Unfair?

Opinions about the fairness of the Reagan economic program sustained a net loss of 9 percentage points since the last survey, with virtually all the strength constituencies and all but two of the swing constituencies.

	<u>May/83</u>	<u>June/83</u>	<u>Net Change</u>
Base Republicans	87%	82%	- 5
Small business owners	60	53	- 7
Farm Belt States	51	48	- 3
Blue-collar workers	58	51	- 7
Hispanics	54	42	-12
Women	51	45	- 6
Catholics	57	50	- 7
White Baptists	62	49	-13

Only senior citizens registered a gain on "fairness" from 56% to 58%.

Helpful or Not Helpful to You Personally?

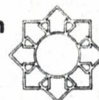
Only 43% of the electorate feel that the economic program is personally helpful, with 42% feeling that the program is not helpful to them. The aggregate numbers for this category have fluctuated from a high of 63% helpful in February 1981 to a low of 32% helpful in January 1983. Hence, the 43% helpful reflects some improvement since the first of the year.

Those demographic groups that feel the President's program is fair are college graduates, those with high incomes, married men, and white-collar workers.

Those groups who feel the programs are not helpful to them personally include blacks (only 14% helpful), those in the low-income bracket (31% helpful), non-married women (34% helpful), Hispanics (34% helpful), independents (38% helpful), senior citizens (37% helpful), and those people living in the Pacific States (40% helpful).

Will It Increase Employment?

Although not overly optimistic in about the economic program's impact on employment, attitudes seem to be stabilizing, as indicated by the 54% favorable response, a change of only 1 percentage



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point from the March survey, and the 41% unfavorable response, again fluctuating only 1 percentage point from March.

In addition to those groups normally exhibiting favorable responses (i.e., high income and college graduates), males (62%) and those living in the Mountain States (61%) and Farm Belt States (60%) also respond favorably.

Groups showing increases in positive responses are Hispanics (from 41% to 57%), senior citizens (50% to 59%), and white Baptists (54% to 57%). Groups that continue to register low ratings include blacks, non-married women, and the poor.

Inflation

Favorable attitudes towards the economic program's reducing inflation have dropped to the same level as last year at this time (52%). With the exception of senior citizens, all constituencies sustained a loss in the belief that the Reagan program would moderate inflation rates. This occurred among Catholics (59% to 49%), white Baptists (62% to 54%), women (54% to 47%), base Republicans (83% to 76%) and small business owners (58% to 53%).



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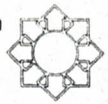
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"From what you've heard and read, do you feel that, on the whole, Reagan's economic program will help or hurt the economy?"

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Help	78	60	71	59	51	56
Hurt	13	29	21	32	41	37
No opinion	8	11	8	9	8	7

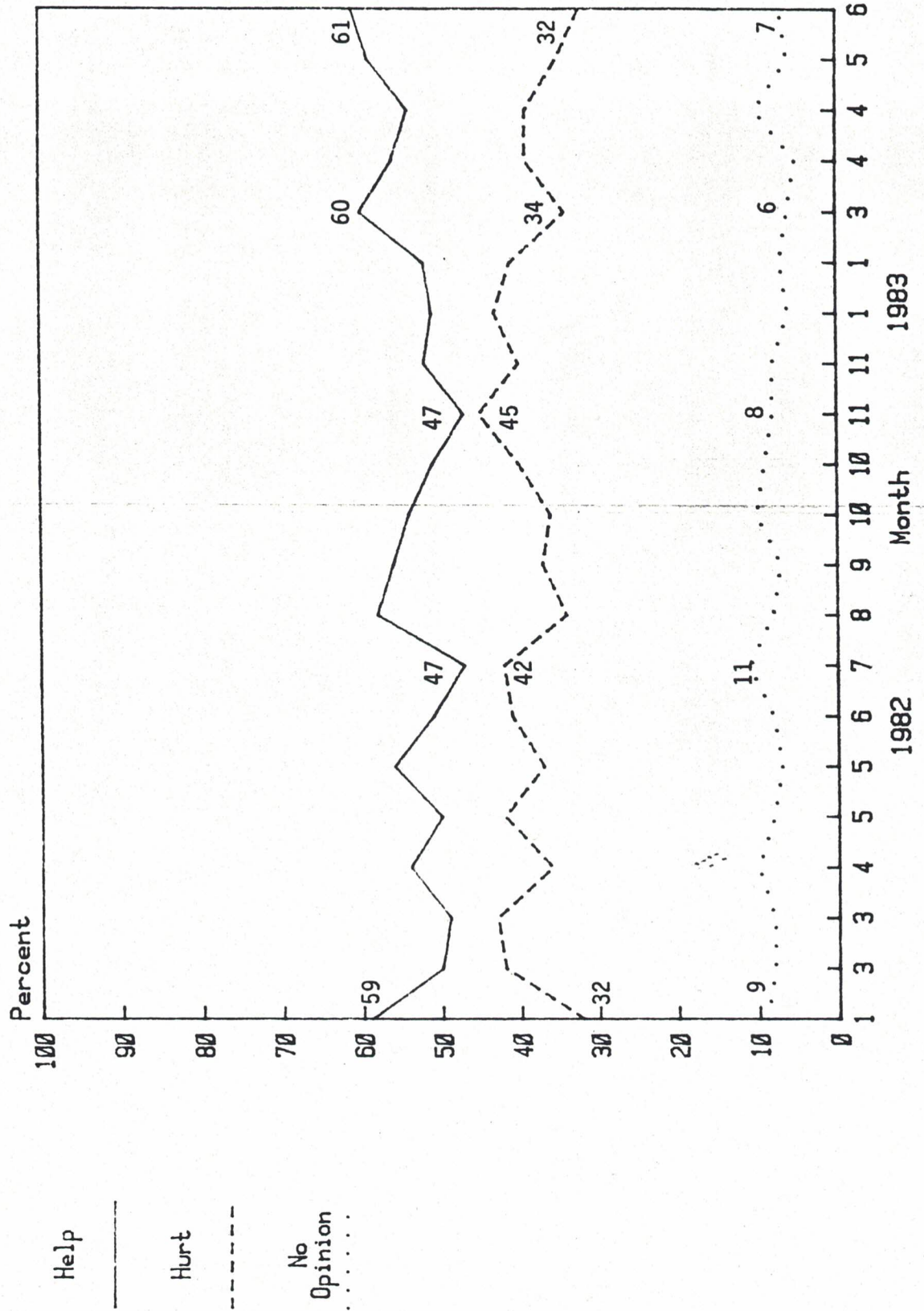
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Help	51	52	60	56	54	59
Hurt	43	41	34	39	36	35
No opinion	6	7	6	5	10	6

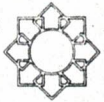
	<u>Jun 25-27 1983</u>
Help	61
Hurt	32
No opinion	7



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Help or hurt the nat'l economy?



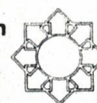


Reagan Economic Program: Help or Hurt

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"From what you've heard and read, do you feel that, on the whole, Reagan's economic program will help or hurt the economy?"

	<u>Help</u> (%)	<u>Hurt</u> (%)	<u>No Opinion</u> (%)
Aggregate	61	32	7
<u>Strength Constituencies</u>			
Base Republican	89	8	3
Small Business	63	30	8
Farm Belt states	57	34	10
<u>Swing Constituencies</u>			
Blue-collar workers	60	32	8
Senior citizens	65	24	10
Women	55	38	7
Catholics	60	34	6
Independents/Leaners	63	29	8
White Baptists	60	32	9



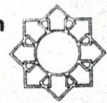
Rating Reagan's Economic Program -- Fair or Unfair?

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 "How would you rate Reagan's proposed economic program? For instance, do you feel the program is ...?"

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Fair	74	71	63	60	45	54
Unfair	17	25	33	35	48	41
No opinion	10	4	4	5	7	5

	<u>Jan 7-10 1983</u>	<u>Jan 27-29 1983</u>	<u>Mar 17-21 1983</u>	<u>Apr 7-10 1983</u>	<u>Apr 27-28 1983</u>	<u>May 27-30 1983</u>
Fair	48	49	52	50	*	56
Unfair	46	44	43	45	*	39
No opinion	6	6	5	5	*	5

	<u>Jun 25-27 1983</u>
Fair	51
Unfair	43
No opinion	6

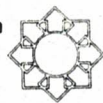


Reagan Economic Program: Fair or Unfair

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"How would you rate Reagan's economic program? For instance, do you feel the program is ... fair or unfair?"

	<u>Fair</u> (%)	<u>Unfair</u> (%)	<u>No Opinion</u> (%)
Aggregate	51	43	6
<u>Strength Constituencies</u>			
Base Republican	82	13	5
Small Business	53	41	6
Farm Belt states	48	46	6
<u>Swing Constituencies</u>			
Blue-collar workers	51	43	5
Senior citizens	58	34	7
Women	45	49	7
Catholics	50	44	6
Independents/Leaners	54	37	9
White Baptists	49	42	8



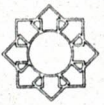
Rating Reagan's Economic Program -- Helpful/Not Helpful?

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Helpful to people like you	63	61	52	45	40	39
Not helpful to people like you	28	35	44	50	56	57
No opinion	9	4	4	5	4	4

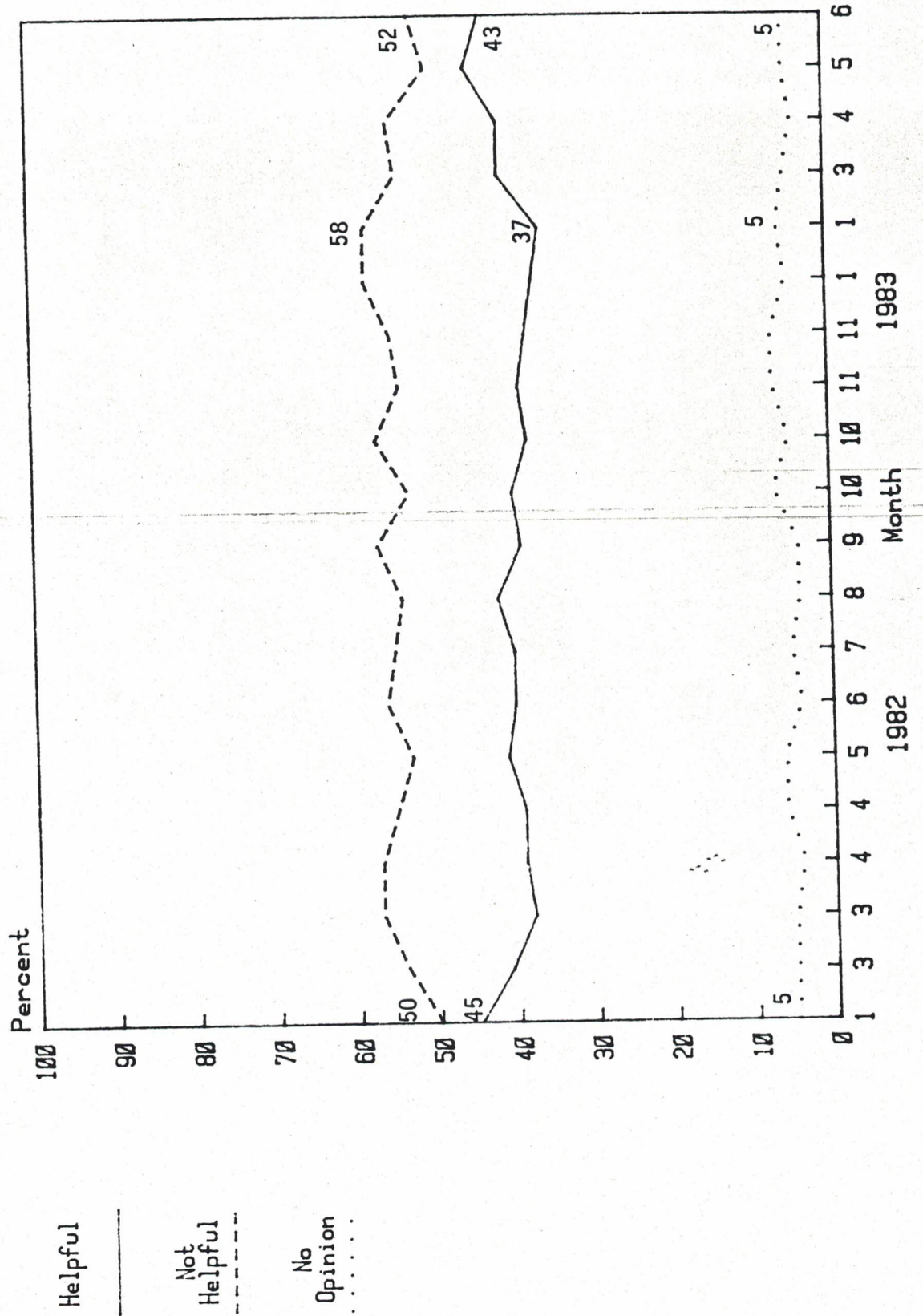
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Helpful to people like you	32	36	41	41	*	45
Not helpful to people like you	58	58	54	55	*	50
No opinion	5	6	5	4	*	5

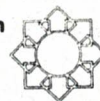
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Helpful to people like you	43
Not helpful to people like you	52
No opinion	5



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Helpful to you?





Reagan Economic Program: Helpful to People Like You

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 "How would you rate Reagan's economic program? For instance, do you feel the program is ... helpful to people like you, or not helpful to people like you?"

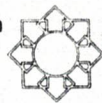
	<u>Helpful</u> (%)	<u>Not Helpful</u> (%)	<u>No Opinion</u> (%)
Aggregate	43	52	5
<u>Strength Constituencies</u>			
Base Republican	67	27	7
Small Business	49	47	4
Farm Belt states	41	57	2
<u>Swing Constituencies</u>			
Blue-collar workers	46	51	3
Senior citizens	37	52	12
Women	38	57	5
Catholics	41	56	4
Independents/Leaners	45	50	5
White Baptists	45	49	6



Rating Reagan's Economic Program -- Increase Employment?

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 "How would you rate Reagan's proposed economic program? For instance, do you feel the program will ...?"

	<u>Feb</u> <u>20-22</u> <u>1981</u>	<u>Sep</u> <u>9-13</u> <u>1981</u>	<u>Jan</u> <u>11-19</u> <u>1982</u>	<u>Jun</u> <u>15-22</u> <u>1982</u>	<u>Sep</u> <u>23-27</u> <u>1982</u>	<u>Jan</u> <u>7-10</u> <u>1983</u>
Will increase	56	53	48	43	43	44
Will not increase	33	41	47	52	53	52
No opinion	11	6	5	5	4	4
	<u>Jan</u> <u>27-29</u> <u>1983</u>	<u>Mar</u> <u>17-21</u> <u>1983</u>	<u>Apr</u> <u>7-10</u> <u>1983</u>	<u>Apr</u> <u>27-28</u> <u>1983</u>	<u>May</u> <u>27-30</u> <u>1983</u>	<u>Jun</u> <u>25-27</u> <u>1983</u>
Will increase	47	53	51	*	55	54
Will not increase	47	42	45	*	40	41
No opinion	6	5	4	*	5	5

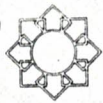


Reagan Economic Program: Increase Employment

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"How would you rate Reagan's economic program? For instance, do you feel the program ... will increase employment, or will not increase employment?"

	<u>Increase Employment</u> (%)	<u>Not Increase Employment</u> (%)	<u>No Opinion</u> (%)
Aggregate	55	41	5
<u>Strength Constituencies</u>			
Base Republican	78	18	4
Small Business	56	41	3
Farm Belt states	60	33	8
<u>Swing Constituencies</u>			
Blue-collar workers	57	40	3
Senior citizens	59	36	6
Women	48	47	5
Catholics	52	43	5
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White Baptists	57	38	5



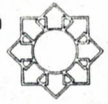
Rating Reagan's Economic Program -- Reduce Inflation?

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 "How would you rate Reagan's proposed economic program? For instance, do you feel the program will ...?"

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Will reduce	70	69	65	59	52	55
Will not reduce	20	26	30	36	42	40
No opinion	10	6	5	5	6	5

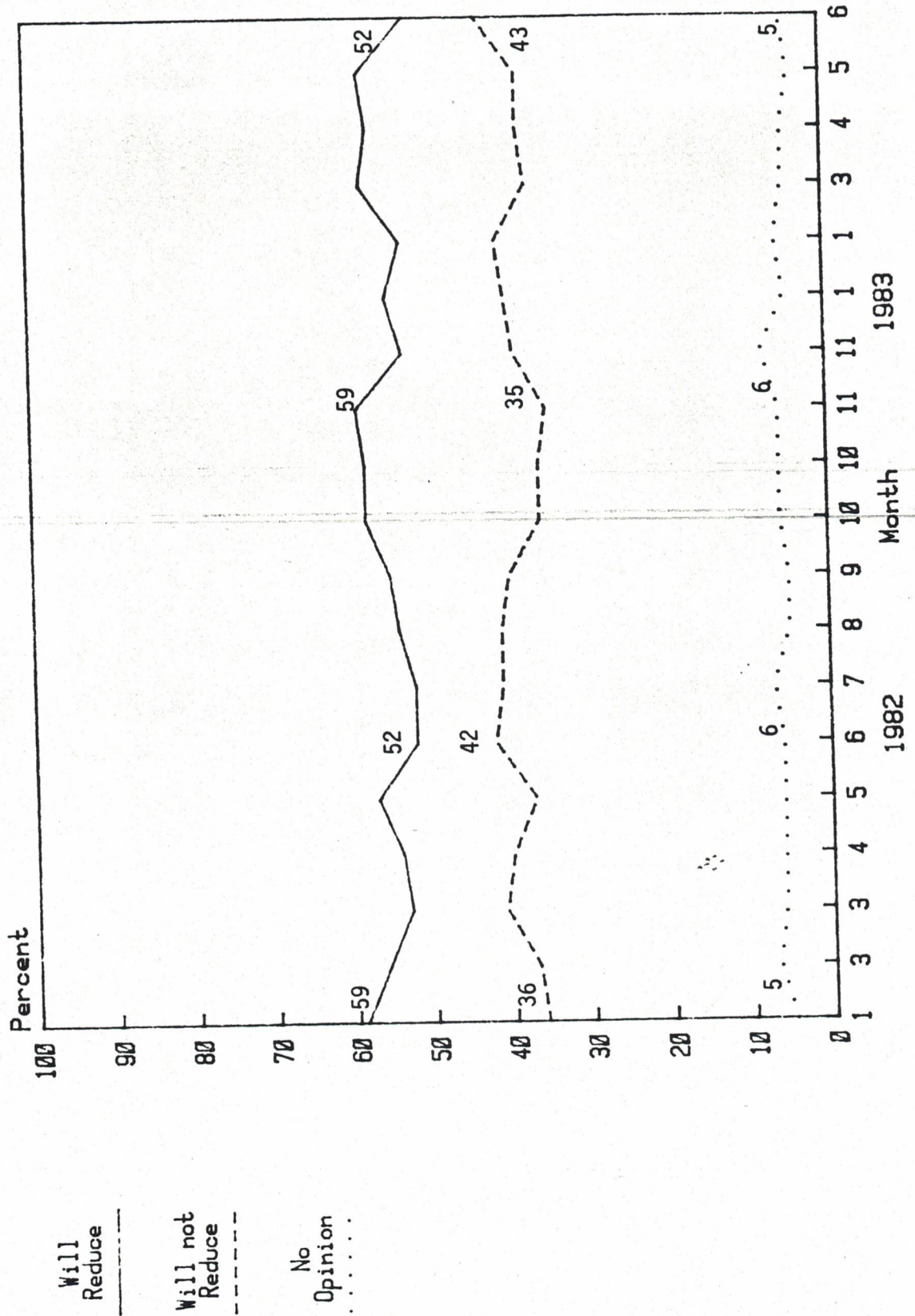
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Will reduce	55	53	58	57	*	58
Will not reduce	40	41	37	38	*	38
No opinion	5	6	5	5	*	4

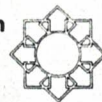
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Will reduce	52
Will not reduce	43
No opinion	5



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Will it reduce inflation?

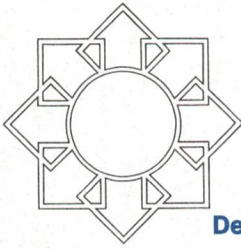




Reagan Economic Program: Reduce Inflation

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 "How would you rate Reagan's economic program? For instance, do you feel the program ... will reduce inflation, or will not reduce inflation?"

	Reduce Inflation (%)	Not Reduce Inflation (%)	No Opinion (%)
Aggregate	52	43	5
<u>Strength Constituencies</u>			
Base Republican	76	20	4
Small Business	53	44	3
Farm Belt states	50	49	1
<u>Swing Constituencies</u>			
Blue-collar workers	51	47	3
Senior citizens	60	33	7
Women	47	47	6
Catholics	49	46	4
Independents/Leaners	55	41	5
White Baptists	54	40	6



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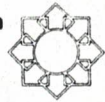
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DATE: July 7, 1983 (RNC83-7: June 25-27, 1983)

SUBJECT: Partisanship

The thermometer ratings for both political parties dropped slightly since the May 1983 survey: the Democrats from 61 to 59, and the Republicans from 54 to 53. Republican losses come mostly from blue-collar workers and respondents from Farm Belt, Mountain, and Pacific States. The Democratic party rating has declined most among senior citizens, blue-collar workers, and residents of the Mountain States.

Comparing the key constituent group ratings of the two parties, we find that small businessmen, senior citizens, independents/leaners, and white Baptists rate the Republicans and Democrats similarly. Respondents from the Farm Belt States, blue-collar workers, women, and Catholics rate the Democrats significantly higher than Republicans.

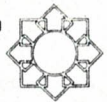

 Thermometer Ratings -- Party

	<u>Jan 30-3 1981</u>	<u>Jul 16-18 1981</u>	<u>Sep 18-28 1981</u>	<u>Jan 11-19 1982</u>	<u>Jun 15-22 1982</u>	<u>Sep 23-27 1982</u>
Republicans	64	62	55	56	54	52
Democrats	57	56	58	59	60	60
	<u>Jan 7-10 1983</u>	<u>Jan 27-29 1983</u>	<u>Mar 17-21 1983</u>	<u>Apr 7-10 1983</u>	<u>Apr 27-28 1983</u>	<u>May 27-30 1983</u>
Republicans	49	52	50	50	*	54
Democrats	61	63	63	61	*	61
	<u>Jun 25-27 1983</u>					
Republicans	53					
Democrats	59					



Comparative Party Thermometer Ratings

	<u>Republicans</u> (%)	<u>Democrats</u> (%)
Aggregate	53	59
<u>Strength Constituencies</u>		
Base Republican	76	41
Small business	56	57
Farm Belt states	46	61
<u>Swing Constituencies</u>		
Blue-collar workers	52	58
Senior citizens	57	59
Women	52	62
Catholics	53	63
Independents/Leaners	54	53
White Baptists	57	58



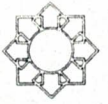
Party Identification With Lean

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 "Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or something else? (IF REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT, ASK:) Would you call yourself a strong (Republican/Democrat) or a not-so-strong (Republican/Democrat)? (IF INDEPENDENT/OTHER/NO PREFERENCE, ASK:) Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican or the Democratic party?"

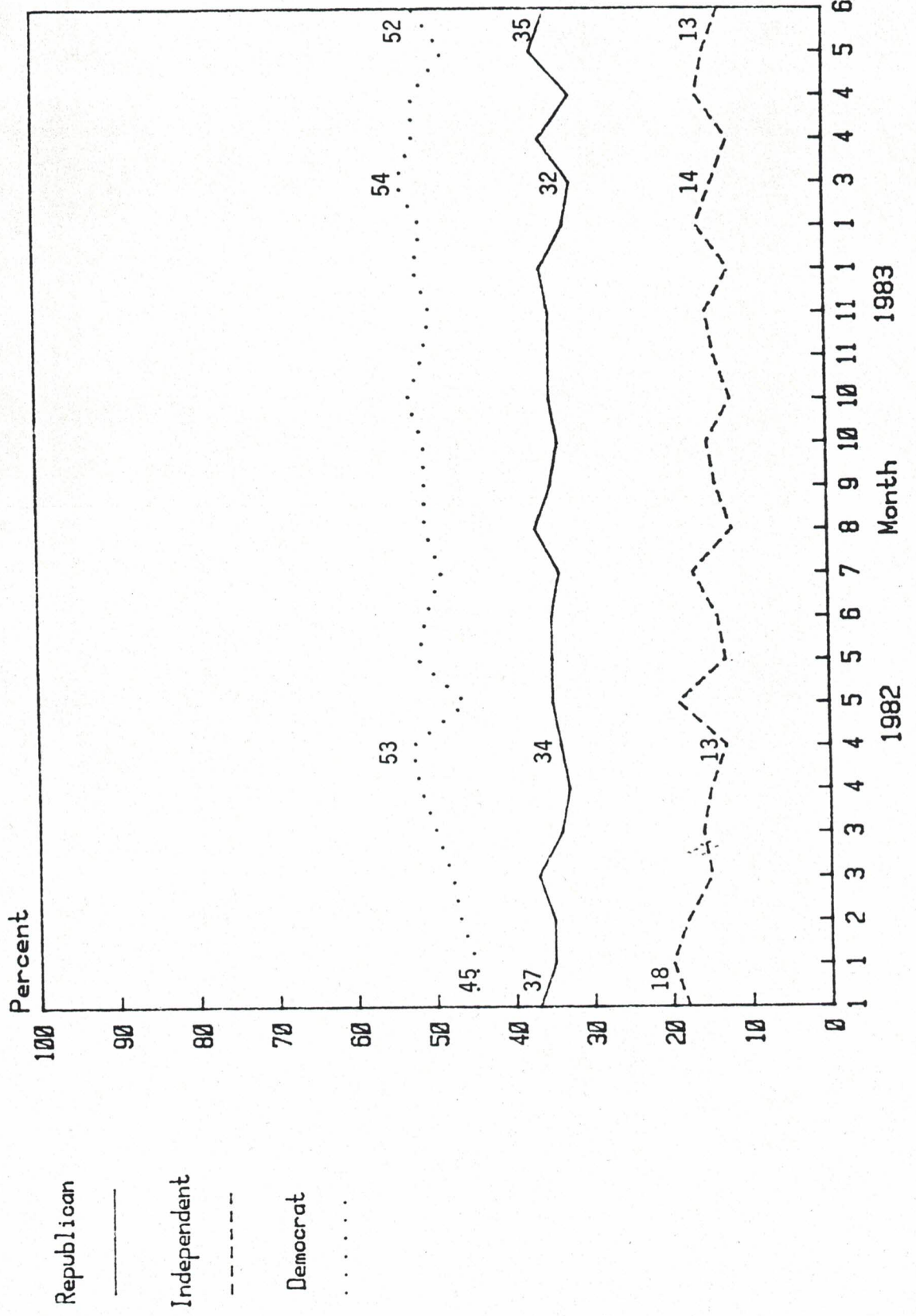
	<u>Feb 20-22 1981</u>	<u>Jun 12-14 1981</u>	<u>Sep 18-28 1981</u>	<u>Jan 11-19 1982</u>	<u>Jun 15-22 1982</u>	<u>Sep 23-27 1982</u>
Republican	37	38	34	37	35	35
Independent	27	19	16	18	14	14
Democrat	37	43	49	45	51	51

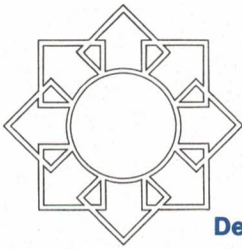
	<u>Jan 7-10 1983</u>	<u>Jan 27-29 1983</u>	<u>Mar 17-21 1983</u>	<u>Apr 7-10 1983</u>	<u>Apr 27-28 1983</u>	<u>May 27-30 1983</u>
Republican	36	33	32	36	*	37
Independent	12	16	14	12	*	15
Democrat	52	51	54	52	*	48

	<u>Jun 25-27 1983</u>
Republican	35
Independent	13
Democrat	52



PARTY IDENTIFICATION (with lean)





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Government Inefficient

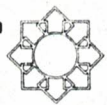
Aggregate results indicate that 63% of the population believe that when something is run by the government, it is apt to be inefficient and wasteful. The gender gap is evident in several areas:

	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>	<u>Gap</u>
Aggregate	70%	58%	12%
12 - 15 years of education	66	56	10
16+ years of education	77	61	16
Ages 18 to 44	66	52	14
Ages 45+	75	64	11
Married	73	57	16
Republicans	78	61	17
Democrats	65	55	10

It would appear that women generally have more confidence in the efficiency of government programs than do men, although the results of the survey indicate widespread feelings of government inadequacy for both men and women.

Senior citizens are most prone to believe that the federal government is inefficient (81%). The rest of the constituency groups fall between 56% (blue-collar workers) and 67% (base Republicans and independent leaners).

There is no significant difference in the aggregate in the opinions of married women and non-married women. There is, however, a 6 percentage point difference between working women (55%) and non-working women (61%).



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Blacks and those between the ages of 18 and 24 were the least critical of government efficiency, the former registering 43% and the latter a 46% rating of government waste.

Too Much Power

Seven out of ten respondents believe that the federal government has too much power over citizens and local government. White Baptists (82%), those between the ages of 45 and 54 (78%) and those with less than a high school education (77%) rank highest in that belief. This could likely become our key "populistic" theme in 1984. College graduates (55%) and 18 to 24 year olds (56%) feel the least strongly about the power of the federal government.

There are no significant fluctuations when comparing marital and employment status among women and also nothing that stands out when looking at the gender gap.

It is obvious that the majority of the respondents, regardless of demographic grouping, feel that the federal government wields excessive power.

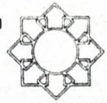
Control Over Business

Do you agree or disagree that a greater degree of government control over business would result in a breaking of this country's economy?

Aggregate results show that 67% of the populace agree with this statement and 27% disagree.

Fifty-seven percent (57%) of those with an income under \$5,000 responded in agreement, while conversely 76% of those earning \$40,000 or more respond in that manner. Among voter types, moderate Republicans (53%) and the black/Hispanic group (52%) feel less emphatically that greater government control would weaken the economy than do other groups in that category, all of which are in the low 70's with the exception of liberal white Democrats, who poll a 60%.

The Farm Belt States (58%) were 9 percentage points below the agree aggregate, with others of the constituency grouping fielding scores of from 64% (senior citizens) to 71% (base Republicans and white Baptists).



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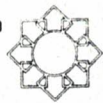
Gender does not seem to play an important role in this variable, with men and women rankings being virtually identical in all areas.

Weak Federal Government

Again, the three quotations relating to the federal government were combined to form a "value" scale similar to the one developed to measure egalitarian attitudes.

	<u>Agree With All Three Statements</u>	<u>Agree With Two Of Three Statements</u>	<u>Agree With One Of Three Statements</u>	<u>Agree With None Of The Statements</u>
Men	24%	44%	27%	5%
Women	20	49	26	4

Again, the difference between men and owmen is not very great. Men are slightly more likely to agree with all the statements -- meaning a desire for a weaker federal government. Women are less intense in their desire for a weak federal government.



Federal Government: Government Inefficient

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Now I'm going to read you a list of statements that other people have made. Each statement represents a commonly-held opinion, and there are no right or wrong answers. You will probably disagree with some items and agree with others. Would you please tell me, for each statement, whether you ... agree ... or ... disagree?

"When something is run by the government, it is apt to be inefficient and wasteful."

	<u>Agree</u> (%)	<u>Disagree</u> (%)	<u>No Opinion</u> (%)
Aggregate	63	34	3
<u>Strength Constituencies</u>			
Base Republican	67	31	2
Small business	65	32	3
Farm Belt states	63	36	1
<u>Swing Constituencies</u>			
Blue-collar workers	56	40	3
Senior citizens	81	17	2
Women	58	38	4
Catholics	61	36	3
Independents/Leaners	67	29	4
White Baptists	61	35	4



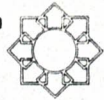
Federal Government: Too Much Power

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"The federal government has too much power over citizens and local government."

	<u>Agree</u> (%)	<u>Disagree</u> (%)	<u>No Opinion</u> (%)
Aggregate	70	28	3
<u>Strength Constituencies</u>			
Base Republican	70	28	1
Small business	70	29	1
Farm Belt states	70	30	0
<u>Swing Constituencies</u>			
Blue-collar workers	73	26	2
Senior citizens	53	40	7
Women	70	26	4
Catholics	65	32	3
Independents/Leaners	68	28	4
White Baptists	82	18	0



Federal Government

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 "Do you agree or disagree that a greater degree of government control over business would result in a weakening of this country's economy?"

	<u>Agree</u> (%)	<u>Disagree</u> (%)	<u>No Opinion</u> (%)
Aggregate	67	27	7
<u>Strength Constituencies</u>			
Base Republican	71	24	5
Small business	69	27	4
Farm Belt states	58	38	4
<u>Swing Constituencies</u>			
Blue-collar workers	68	27	5
Senior citizens	64	25	11
Women	66	26	8
Catholics	65	29	6
Independents/Leaners	66	28	6
White Baptists	71	23	6