

Interviews with 1,038 adult Americans, conducted by telephone by Opinion Research Corporation on October 16-18, 2009. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

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How worried are you that you or someone in your family will become a victim of terrorism -- very worried, somewhat worried, not too worried, or not worried at all? 9.

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100/
10%
26%
36%
28%
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	June 4-5 2008	Dec. 6-9 2007	Aug. 6-8 2007	Mar. 9-11 2007	Nov. 3-5 2006	Aug. 18-20 2006
Very worried	9%	11%	12%	13%	9%	8%
Somewhat worried	29%	28%	30%	31%	31%	28%
Not too worried	32%	33%	33%	31%	33%	36%
Not worried at all	31%	28%	24%	23%	27%	29%
No opinion	*	1%	1%	2%	*	*

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				Not	
	Very	Somewhat	Not too	worried	No
	worried	worried	worried	at all	opinion
2006 Jan 20-22*	14	29	34	23	1
2005 Dec 16-18	11	30	37	22	*
2005 Jul 22-24	14	33	30	23	*
2005 Jun 16-19	8	30	36	26	*
2005 Jan 7-9	10	28	37	24	1
2004 Dec 17-19	13	28	34	25	*
2004 Oct 14-16	13	34	33	20	*
2004 Sep 3-5*	11	32	36	21	*
2004 Aug 9-11*	8	26	36	30	*
2004 Feb 9-12	10	30	36	24	*
2004 Jan 2-5	5	23	42	30	*
2003 Dec 5-7	9	28	38	25	*
2003 Aug 25-26	11	30	33	26	
2003 Jul 18-20*	6	24	38	32	*
2003 Apr 22-23*	8	26	39	26	1
2003 Mar 22-23	8	30	38	24	*
2003 Feb 17-19	8	28	33	31	
2003 Feb 7-9*	13	35	34	18	*
2003 Jan 23-25	8	31	36	25	*
2002 Sep 2-4	8	30	37	25	*
2002 May 28-29	9	31	37	22	*
2002 Apr 22-24	8	27	39	25	*
2002 Mar 4-7	12	33	32	23	*
2002 Feb 4-6*	8	27	39	25	1
2001 Nov 26-27	8	27	34	30	*
2001 Nov 2-4	11	28	34	26	1
2001 Oct 19-21 **	13	30	33	23	1
2001 Oct 11-14 **	18	33	35	14	*
2001 Oct 5-6 **	24	35	27	14	*
2001 Sep 21-22 **	14	35	32	18	1
2001 Sep 14-15 **	18	33	35	13	1
2001 Sep 11 **	23	35	24	16	1
2000 Apr 7-9*	4	20	41	34	1
1998 Aug 20	10	22	38	29	1
1996 Jul 20-21 ***	13	26	34	27	*
1996 Apr 9-10 ***	13	22	33	32	*
1995 Apr 21-23 ***	14	28	33	24	1
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<sup>\*</sup> Asked of a half sample.

\*\* WORDING: How worried are you that you or someone in your family will become a victim of a terrorist attack -- very

worried, somewhat worried, not too worried, or not worried at all?

\*\*\* WORDING IN 1996 AND 1998: How worried are you that someone in your family will become a victim of a terrorist attack similar to the bombing in Oklahoma City? WORDING IN 1995: How worried are you that you or someone in your family will become a victim of a terrorist attack similar to the bombing in Oklahoma City?

27. Would you favor or oppose sending more troops to Afghanistan?

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Favor	39%
Oppose	59%
No opinion	2%

## **QUESTIONS 27 AND 28 COMBINED**

27/28. Would you favor or oppose sending more troops to Afghanistan? (IF OPPOSE) Do you think the U.S. should keep the same number of troops in Afghanistan as it currently has, or do you think the U.S. should reduce the number of troops in that country but keep some there, or do you think the U.S. should immediately withdraw all troops from Afghanistan?

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Send more troops (from Q. 27)	39%
Keep same number of troops	8%
Reduce number of troops	21%
Withdraw all troops	28%
No opinion	3%

29. Do you consider the war in Afghanistan to be part of the war on terrorism which began on September 11, 2001, or do you consider it to be an entirely separate military action? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 540 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

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Part of the war on terrorism	61%
Entirely separate military action	37%
No opinion	1%

## FOR COMPARISON:

on?							
		May 4-6	Jan. 19-21	Aug.30-	Sep. 2		
		2007	<u>2007</u>	200	<u>)6</u>		
Part of the war on terrorism		43%	40%	459	<b>%</b>		
Entirely separate military action		54%	57%	539	%		
No opinion		3%	4%	1%			
	Mar 10-12 2006	Dec.16-18 2005	June 24-26 2005	Oct. 1-3 2004	July 19-21 2004	Mar 26-28 2004	Aug 25-2 2003
Part of the war on terrorism	44%	43%	47%	50%	51%	50%	57%
Entirely separate military action	54%	55%	50%	47%	47%	48%	41%
No opinion	3%	2%	3%	3%	2%	2%	2%

30. Thinking about the current situation, do you think it is or is not necessary for the United States to keep its troops in Afghanistan NOW in order to prevent additional acts of terrorism in the U.S.? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 498 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Oct. 16-18} \\ \underline{2009} \\ \text{Yes, is necessary} \\ \text{No, is not} \\ \text{No opinion} \\ \end{array}$ 

## FOR COMPARISON:

Thinking about the current situation, do you think it is or is not necessary for the United States to keep its troops in Iraq now in order to prevent additional acts of terrorism in the U.S.?

Sept. 7-9
2007
2005

Part of the war on terrorism
52%
55%
Entirely separate military action
45%
41%
No opinion
3%
4%

Just your best guess -- do you think each of the following is likely or unlikely to happen in 31. Afghanistan in the next few years?

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a. Afghanistan will have a democratic government that will not be over-thrown by terrorists or the Taliban

Likely	31%
Unlikely	68%
No opinion	2%

b. Afghan military and police will be able to ensure safety and security in Afghanistan without assistance from the United States

Likely	31%
Unlikely	69%
No opinion	*

c. Afghanistan will be able to prevent terrorists from using the country as a base of operations for planning attacks against the United States

Likely	33%
Unlikely	66%
No opinion	1%

Do you think the war in Afghanistan has turned into a situation like the United States faced in the 32. Vietnam War, or don't you think so?

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Yes, has turned into situation like Vietnam	52%
No, has not done so	46%
No opinion	3%