



# **TEXAS STATEWIDE**

# **ADULT SURVEY**

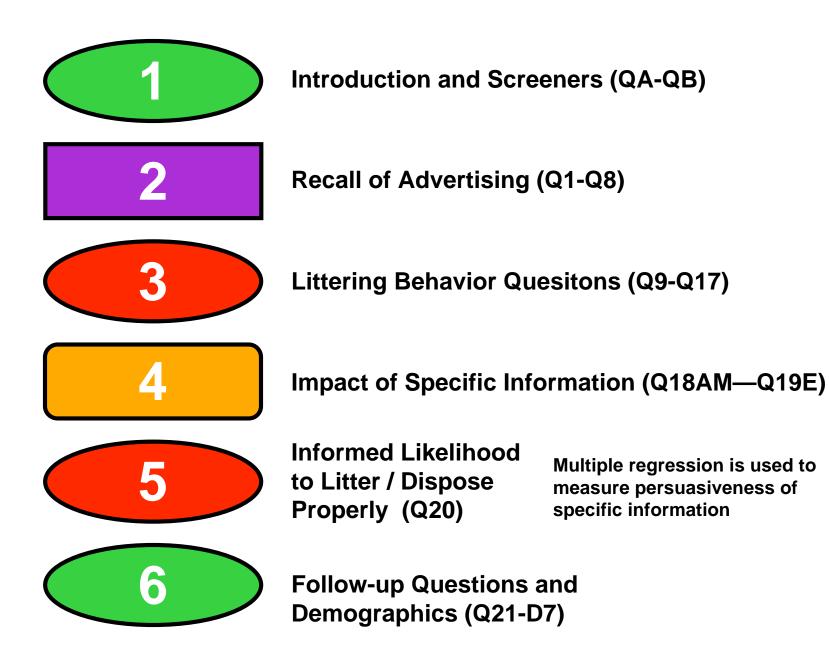
November 18 – 27, 2007

N = 1,253 respondents margin of error:  $\pm$  2.8%

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# **QUESTIONNAIRE FORMAT**



# **OBJECTIVES**



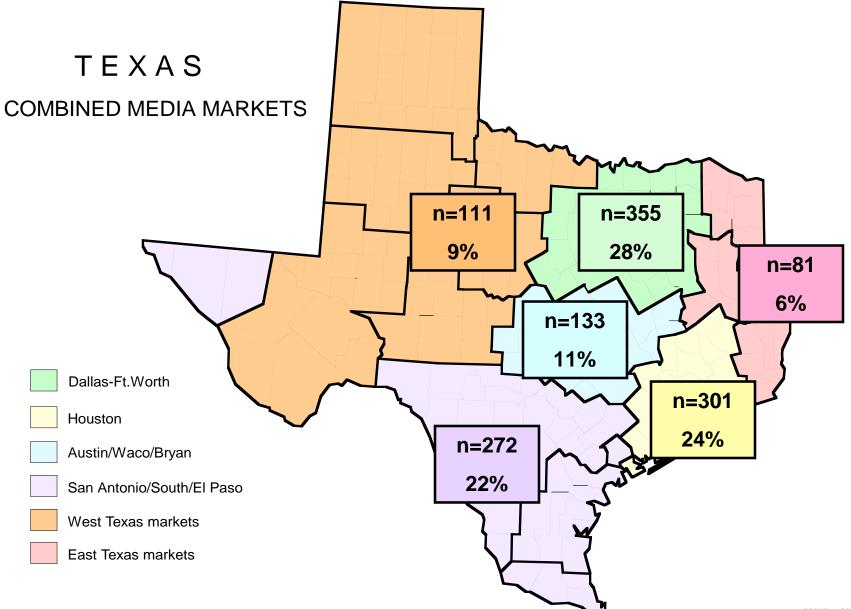
To measure awareness of the Don't Mess with Texas educational / advertising Campaign.



To assess littering behavior levels.



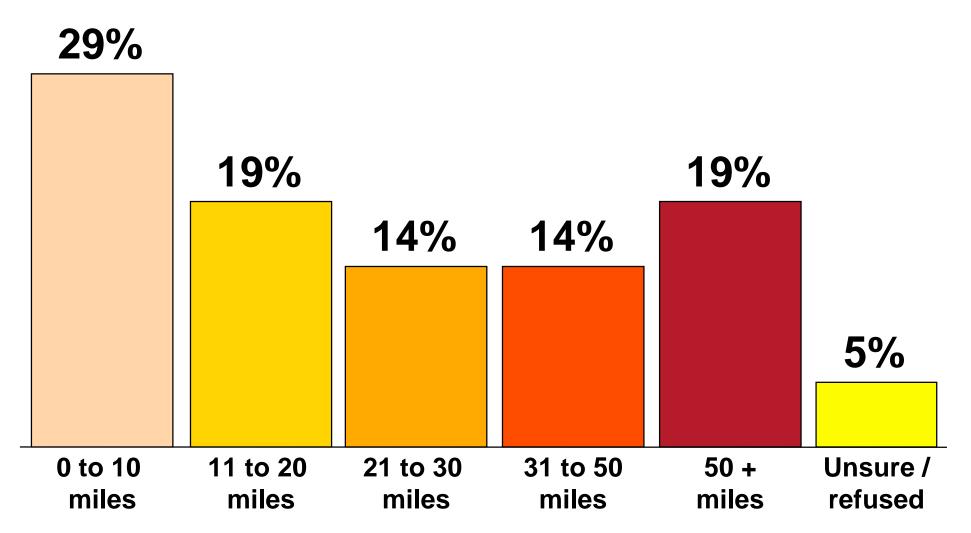
To measure the persuasiveness of attitudinal and informative statements on one's likelihood to litter less or dispose of litter properly.



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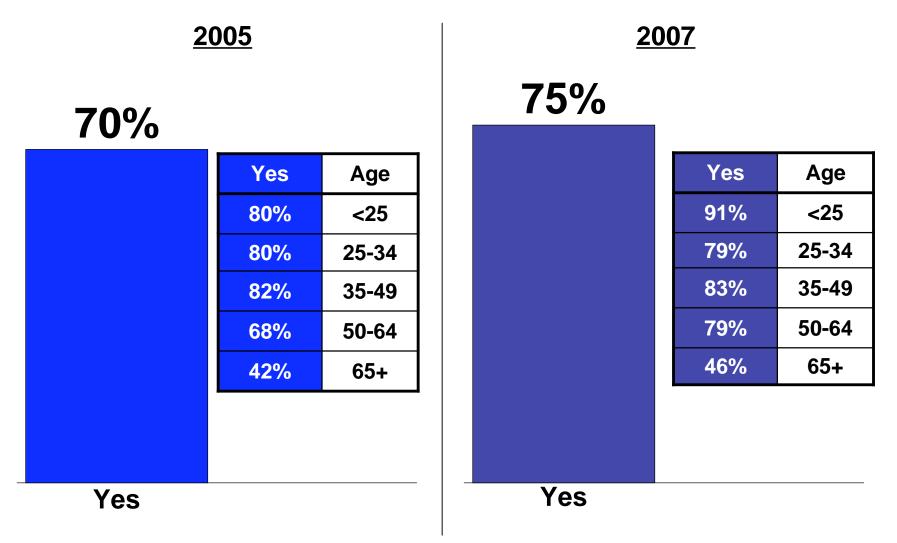
# **TYPICAL DAILY MILEAGE**

Q24. In a typical day, how many miles do you drive or ride in a motor vehicle?



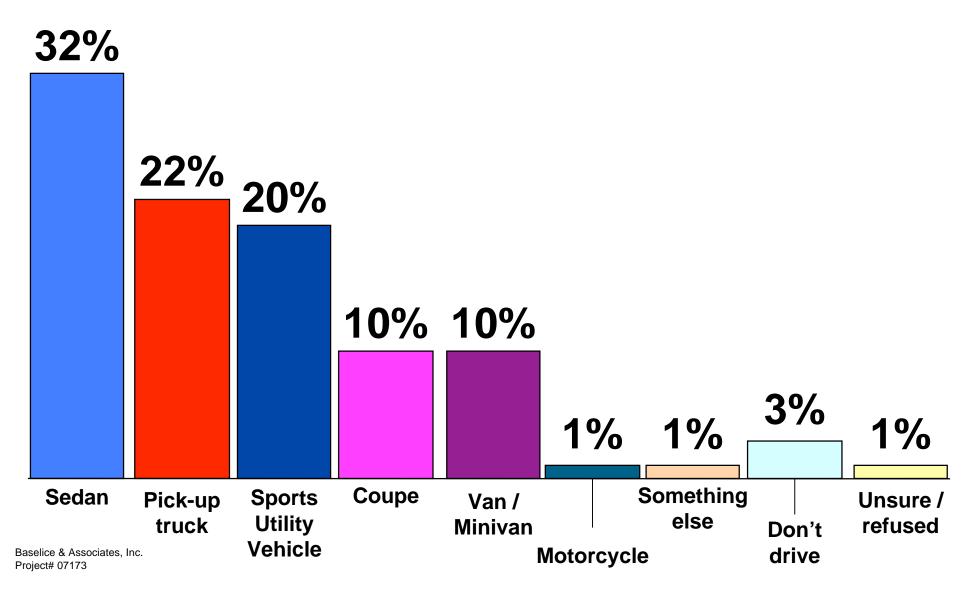
### **INTERNET USE**

Q38. Do you use the internet?



## **TEXANS' VEHICLE TYPE**

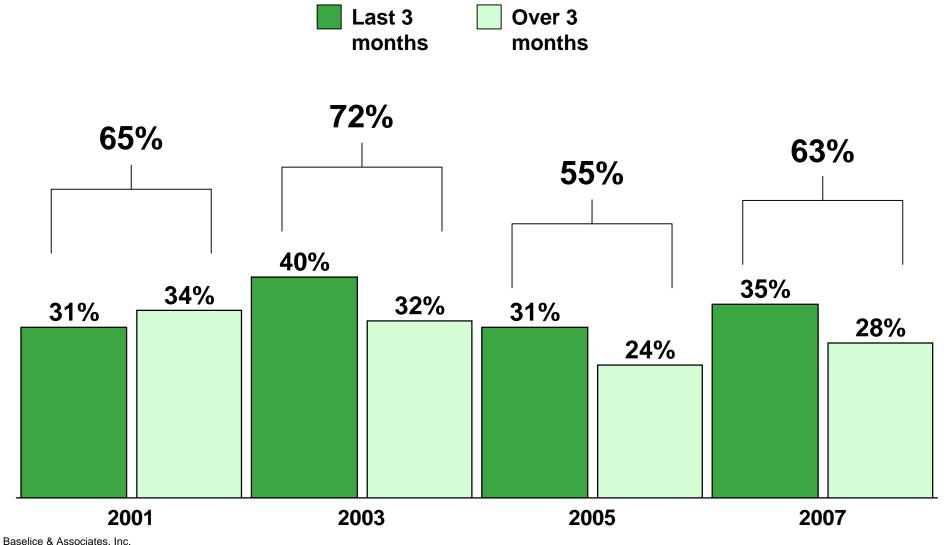
Q25. Would you describe the type of vehicle you drive as a...? (Responses are within 2% of 2005 responses)



### **RECALL OF LITTER PREVENTION ADVERTISEMENT**

Q1. In the past three months, have you seen, read, or heard any ads or public service messages related to litter or littering?

Q2. Have you seen, read, or heard any ads or public service messages related to litter or littering more than three months ago?



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# MAIN SLOGAN USED IN ADS OR MESSAGES

Q3. What was the main slogan used in the ads or public service messages?

Don't Mess with Texas

**Keep Texas Beautiful** 

Road sign with fine for littering

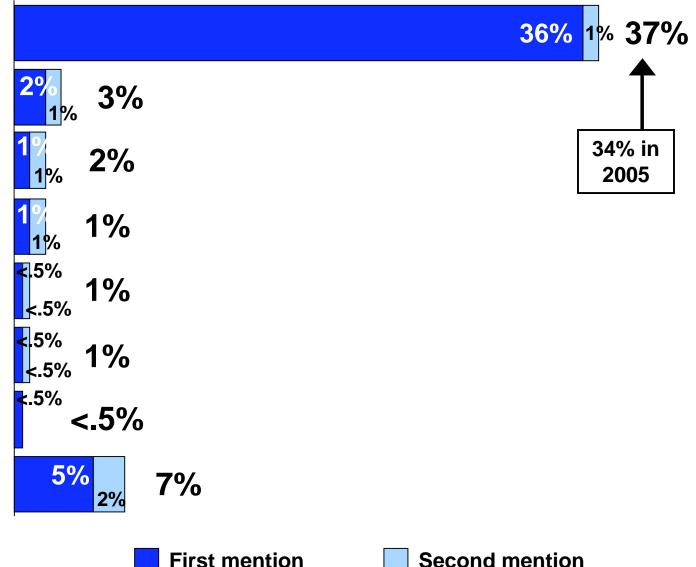
Littering is unIAWFUL

Keep (your city name) Beautiful

**Keep American Beautiful** 

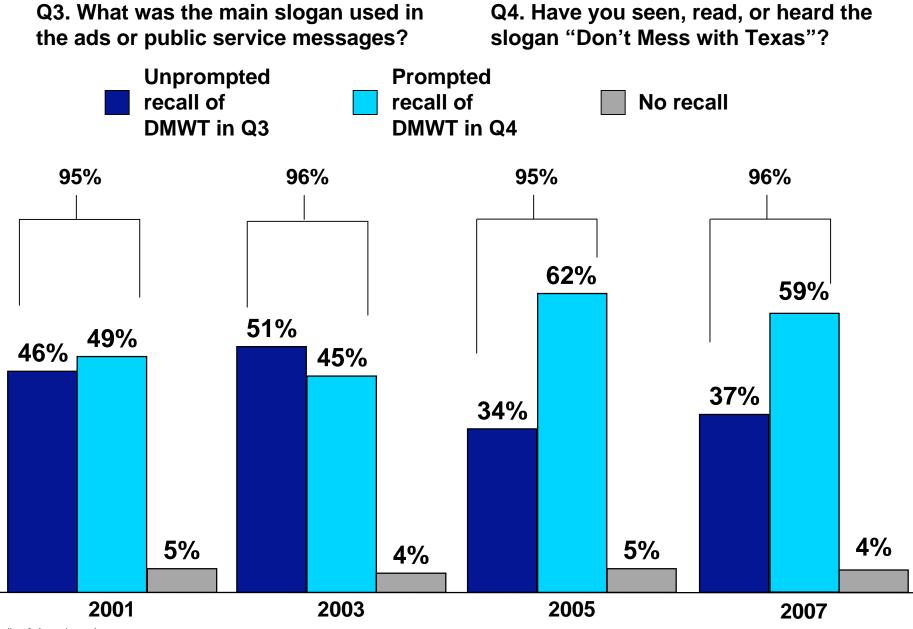
**Pitch In** 

Other



First mention

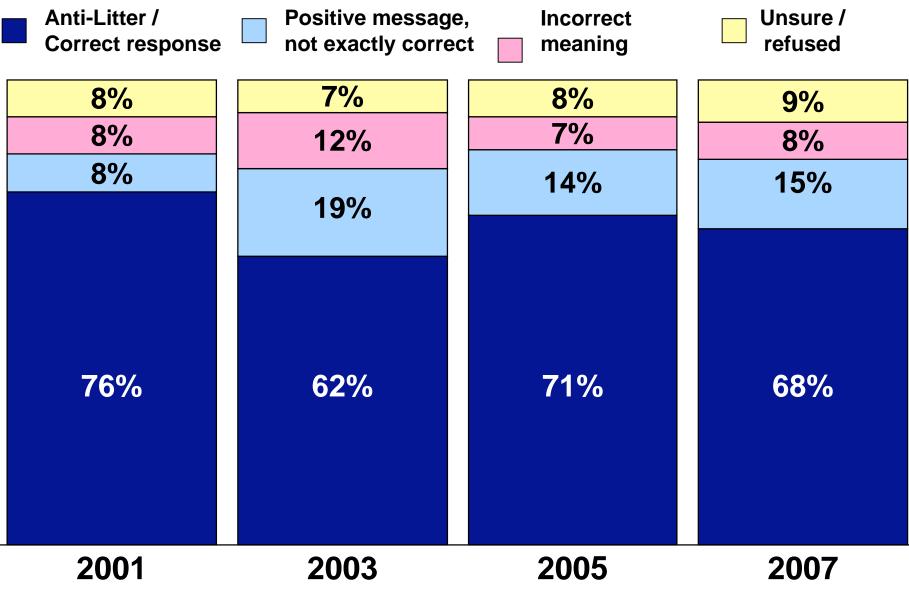
# **RECALL OF DON'T MESS WITH TEXAS**



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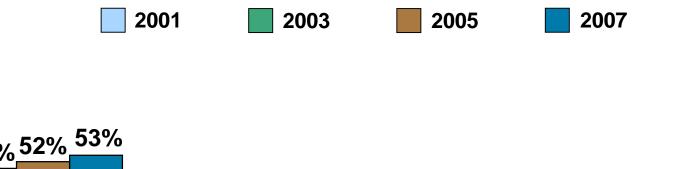
# **MEANING OF "DON'T MESS WITH TEXAS"**

Q5. Please tell me in your own words, what the slogan Don't Mess with Texas means to you?

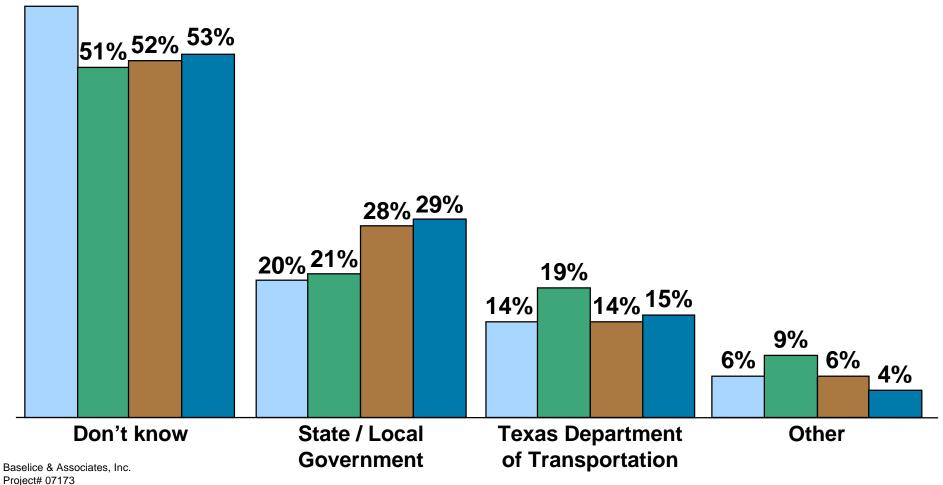


#### PERCEPTION OF DMWT CAMPAIGN SPONSOR

Q6. Who sponsors the Don't Mess with Texas ads or public service messages? (First Mentions)

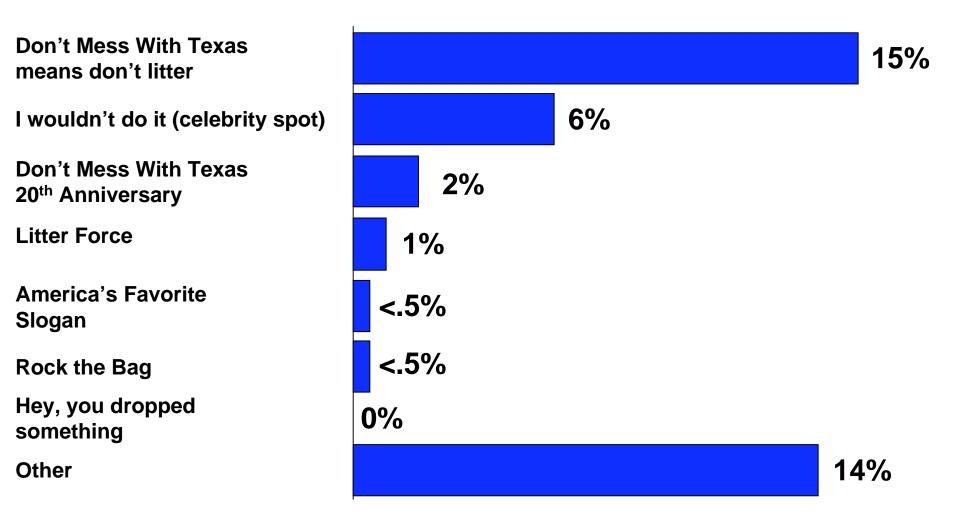


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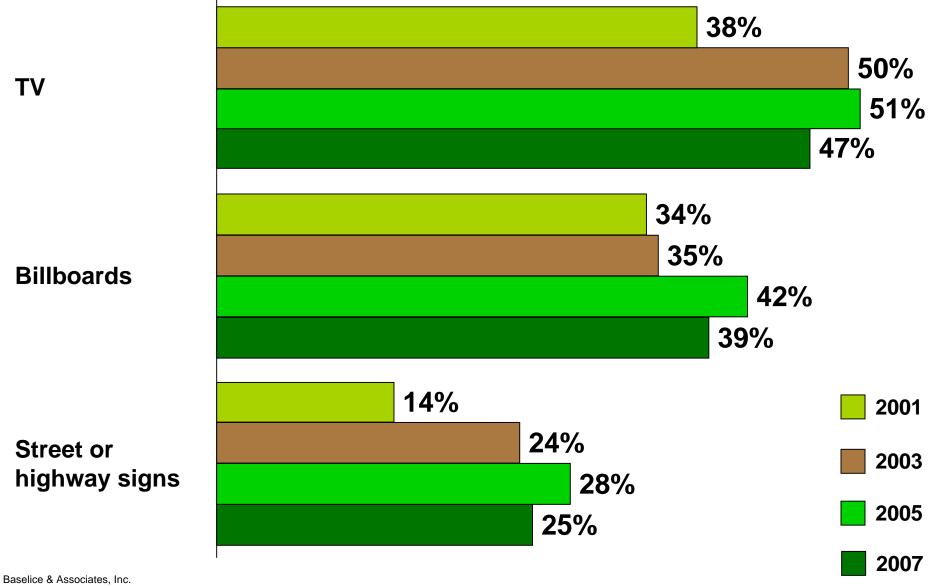
# **RECALL OF SPECIFIC ADVERTISMETNS**

Q7. Thinking about the Don't Mess with Texas slogan, do any recent and specific advertisements come to mind? These could be billboards, TV ads, radio ads, or any other place you've recently seen the Don't Mess with Texas slogan.



#### WHERE SEEN, READ, OR HEARD DMWT I

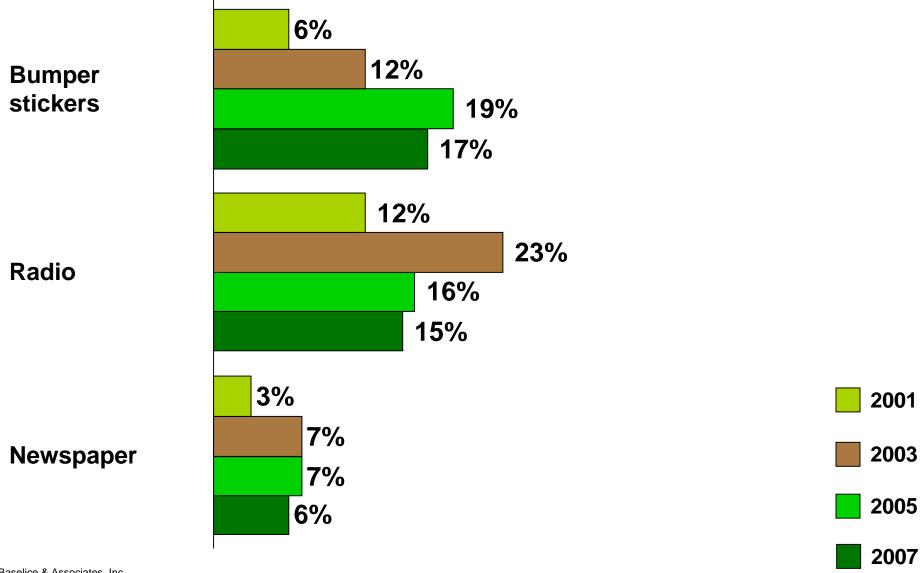
Q8. Where have you seen, read, or heard the slogan Don't Mess with Texas?



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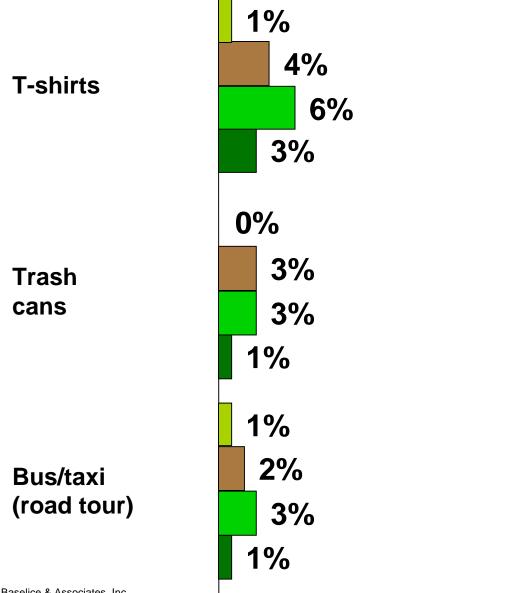
#### WHERE SEEN, READ, OR HEARD DMWT II

Q8. Where have you seen, read, or heard the slogan Don't Mess with Texas?



#### WHERE SEEN, READ, OR HEARD DMWT III

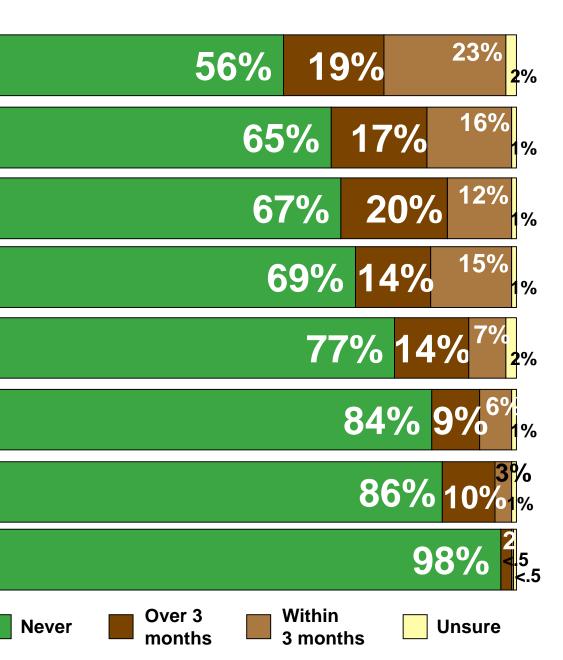
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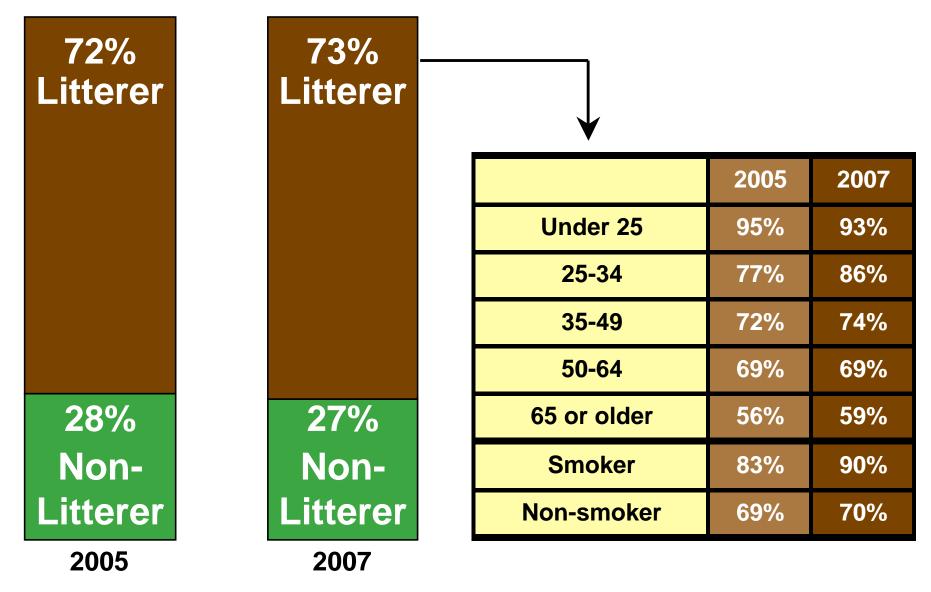
# WHEN AND HOW LITTERING HAPPENED

- Q9A. You noticed that some trash fell out of a pick-up or other vehicle you were driving or riding in
- Q9F. You threw out a small item, like a candy wrapper, cigarette butt, a lottery ticket, or something like that
- Q9C. Someone in a vehicle you were in threw out a can, bottle, or other litter out onto the side of the road
- Q9H. Rather than keep a cigarette butt in the car, you or someone in the vehicle you were in threw the cigarette butt out the window
- Q9B. Someone in a vehicle you were in threw out trash in an area that already had lots of litter
- Q9D. You had problems with a vehicle & left debris like a tire, part of a tire, or other stuff on the roadside
- Q9E. Rather than keep an alcohol container in the car, you, or someone in a vehicle you were in, threw out a can or bottle
- Q9G. You or someone you were with got a ticket or a warning for littering



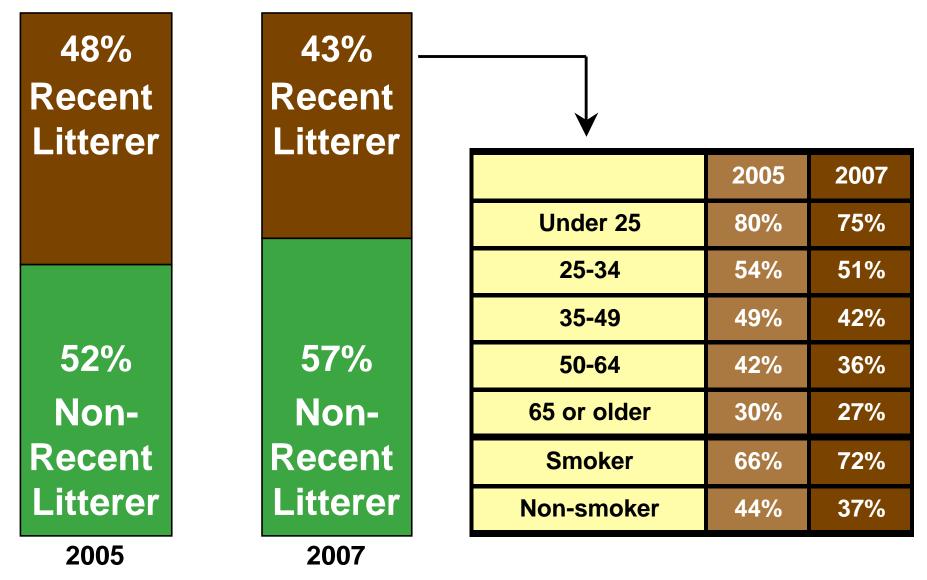
## LITTERING ANYTIME

Combination of any littering in Questions 9A-9H.



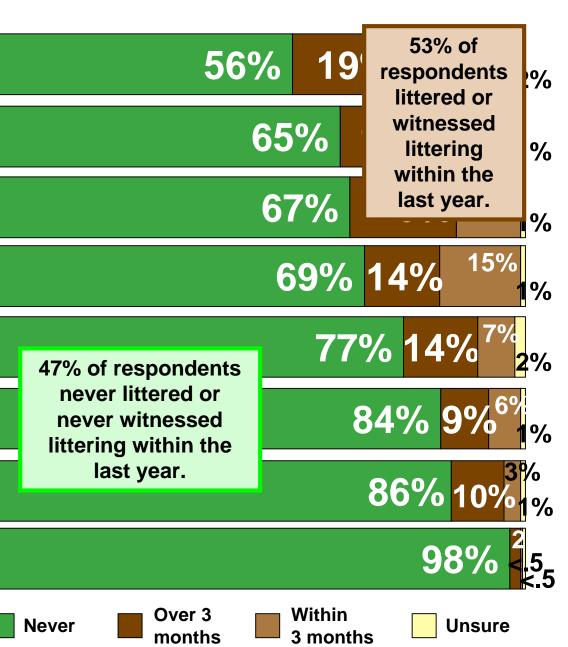
# LITTERING WITHIN LAST 3 MONTHS

Combination of any <u>recent</u> littering in Questions 9A-9H.



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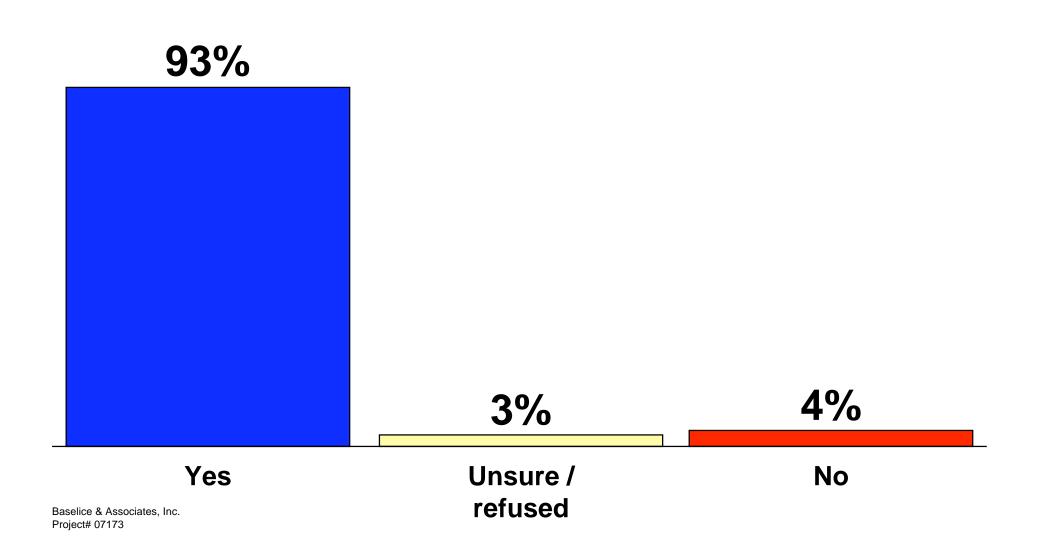


#### **COMPARING LITTERING SITUATIONS – Q9A to Q9G**

	Littered or Witnessed Littering within last three years.	Never Littered or Witnessed Littering within the past three years.
<u>1998</u> : 58% or 692 out of 1,201 respondents.	58%	42%
<u>2001</u> : 67% or 577 out of 867 respondents.	67%	33%
2003: 62% or 778 out of 1,253 respondents.	62%	38%
2005: 63% or 787 out of 1,259 respondents.	63%	37%
<u>2007</u> : 53% or 668 out of 1,253 respondents have littered within the <u>LAST</u> year.	53%	47%

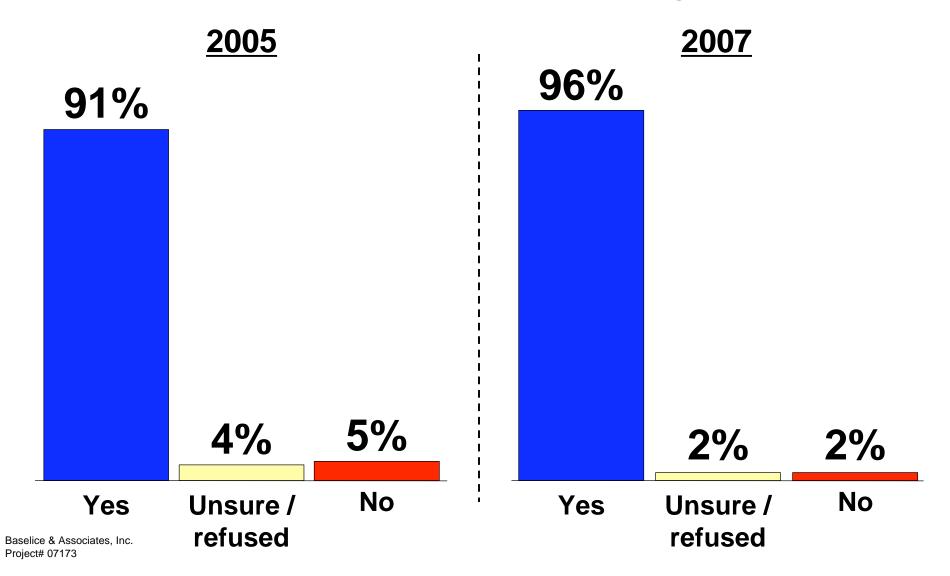
#### **CONTINUATION OF "DON'T MESS WITH TEXAS"**

Q10. Overall, do you support the Don't Mess With Texas litter prevention campaign?



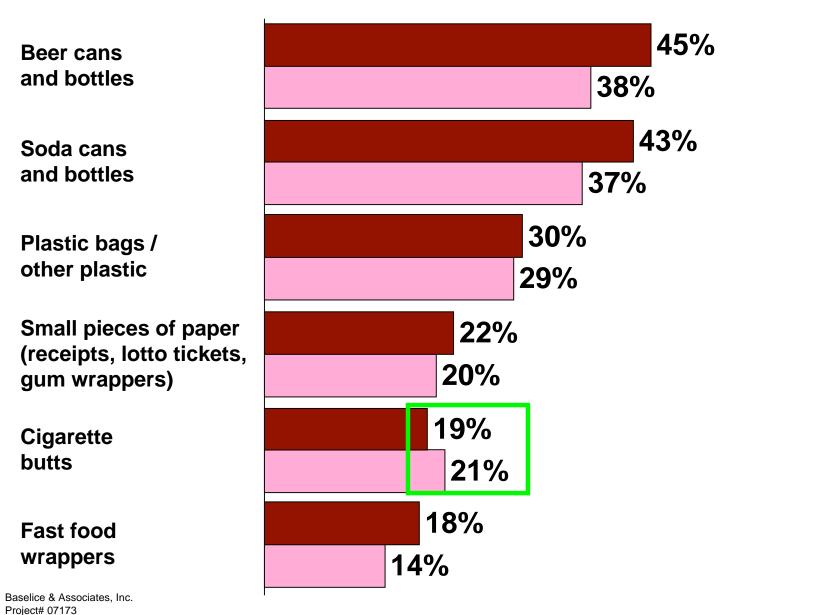
### **CONTINUATION OF "DON'T MESS WITH TEXAS"**

Q11. Just based on your own feelings, would you like to see the Texas Department of Transportation continue using the Don't Mess with Texas litter prevention campaign, or not?



# **SERIOUS LITTER PROBLEMS I**

Q12. What types of materials do you think are a serious litter problem?

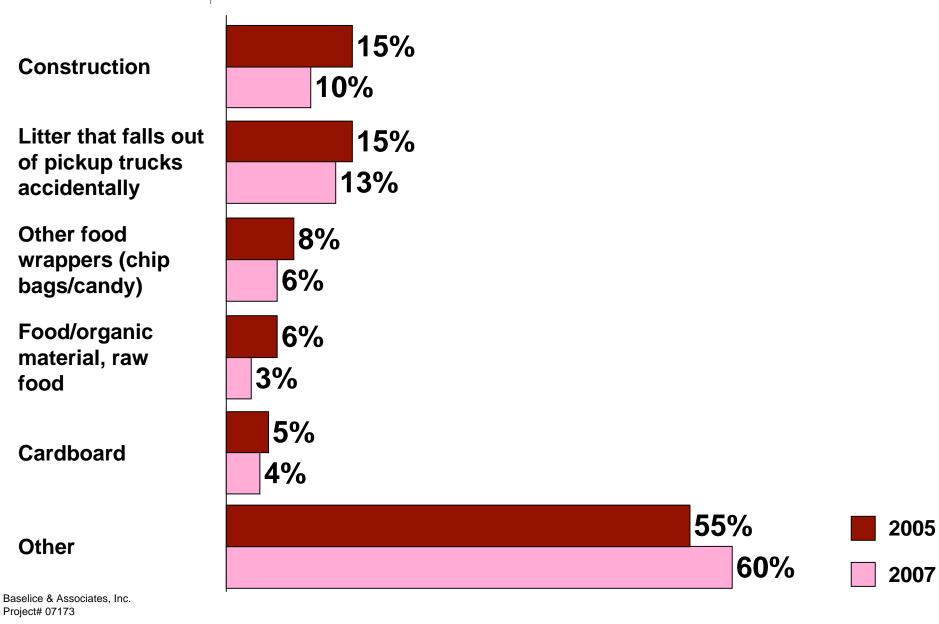


2005

2007

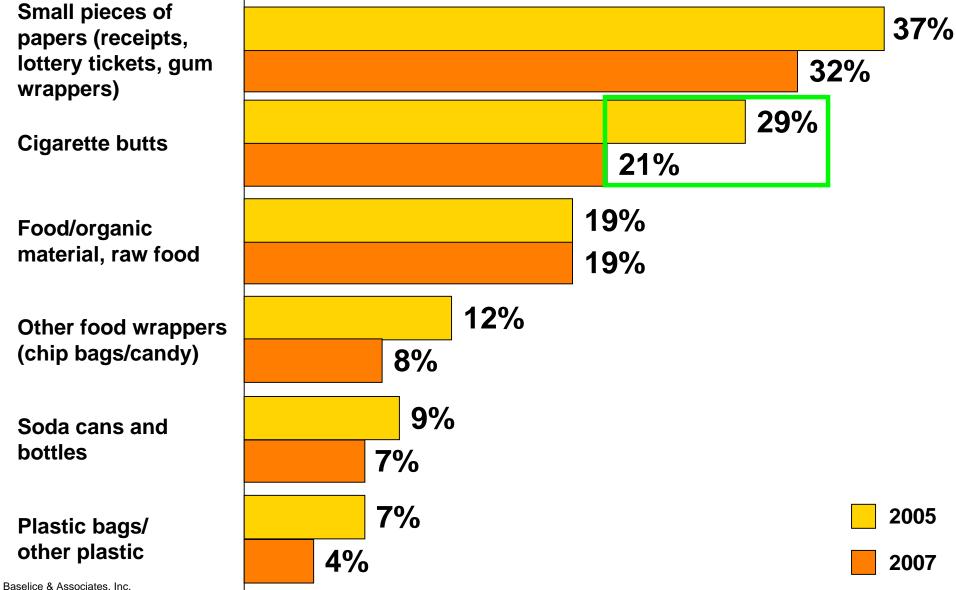
# **SERIOUS LITTER PROBLEMS II**

Q12. What types of materials do you think are a serious litter problem?



# MINOR LITTER PROBLEMS I

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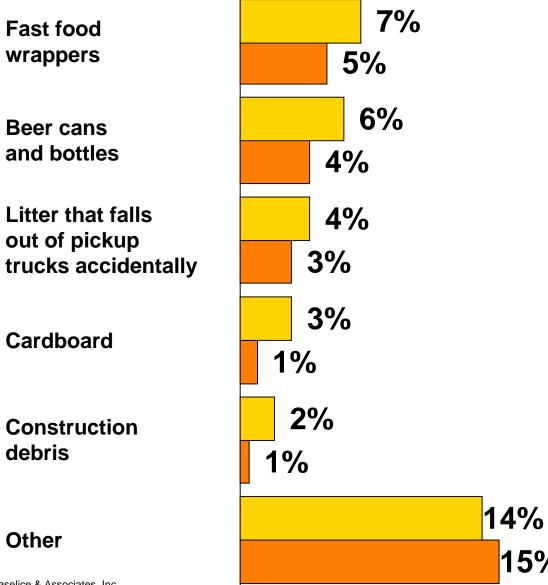


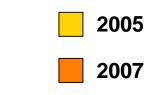
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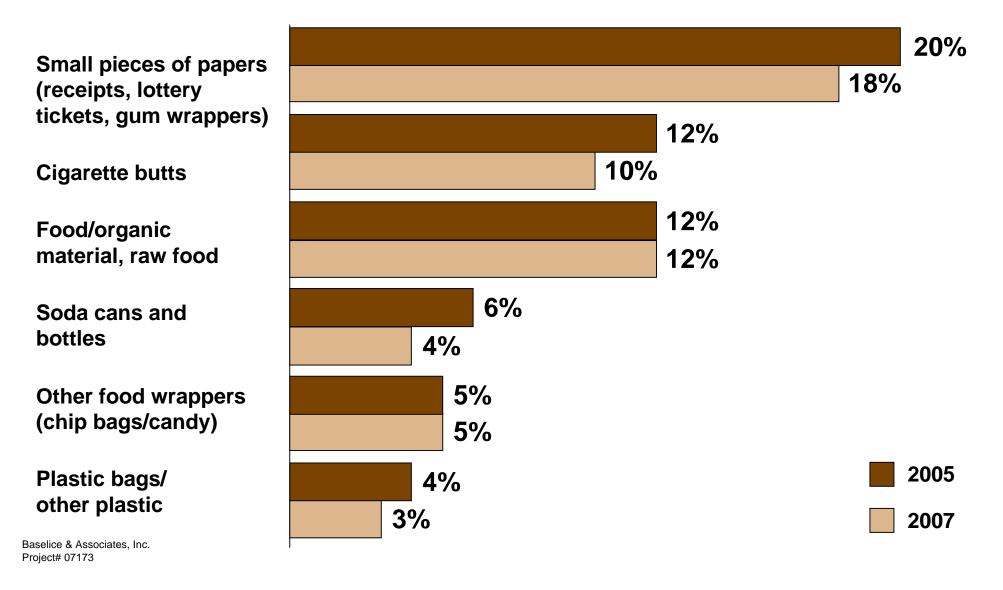
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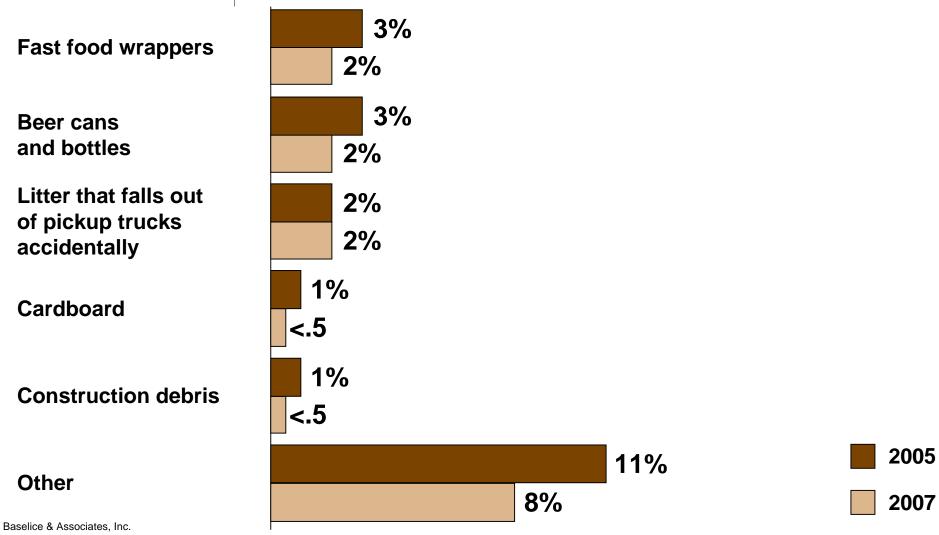
# **ITEMS YOU DISCARDED I**

Q14. Can you think of items that you yourself might have discarded as litter, either because you didn't think much of it or because you thought of it as a minor item, or it was accidental, or you were messing around, or just not yourself?



# **ITEMS YOU DISCARDED II**

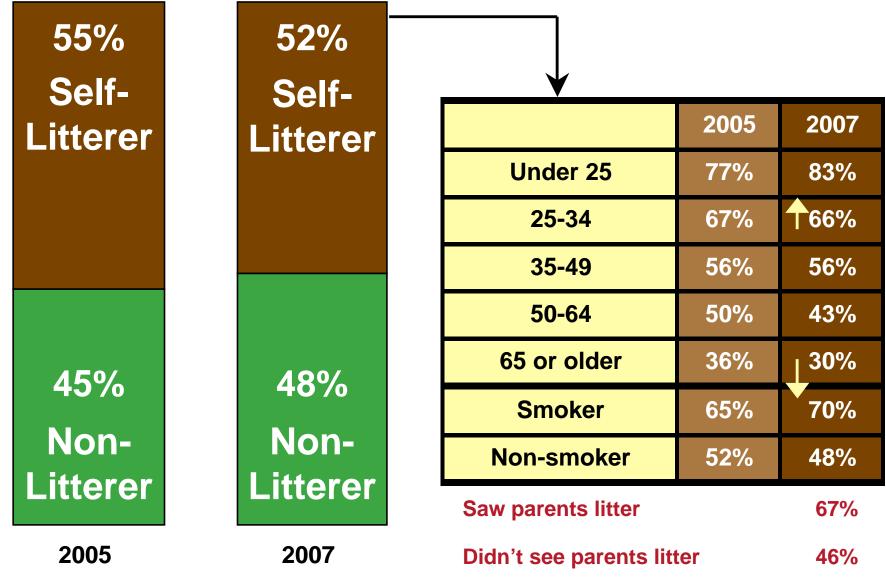
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### **SELF-DESCRIBED LITTERERS**

Any littering behavior in Question 14.



	Self-Litterer	Non-Litterer	Cases
Male/Under 25	87%	13%	84
Under 25	83%	17%	150
Female/Under 25	79%	21%	66
Female/uns-refused	74%	26%	6
Smokes	70%	30%	194
18-39	69%	31%	426
Male/25-34	67%	33%	99
Male/Under 50	67%	33%	332
No children	67%	33%	283
25-34	66%	34%	187
Female/25-34	65%	35%	88
Drives 31-50 miles/day	64%	36%	181
Recent Litterer	64%	36%	534
Hispanic	63%	37%	262
Female/under 50	62%	38%	315
Litterer or witnessed it	61%	39%	920
Male/employed	60%	40%	401

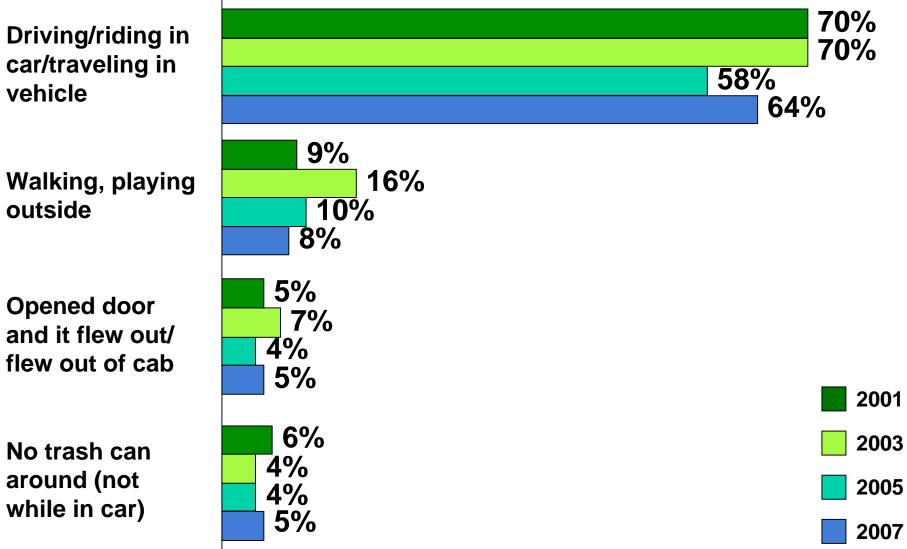
	Self-Litterer	Non-Litterer	Cases
Female/employed	58%	42%	364
Drives a coupe	58%	42%	122
African-American	57%	43%	158
Drives a sports utility	57%	43%	250
Austin/Waco/Bryan	56%	44%	133
35-49	56%	44%	310
Male/35-49	56%	44%	148
40-49	56%	44%	221
Drives > 50 miles / day	56%	44%	234
Female/35-49	55%	45%	162
\$40,000-\$59,999 / yr	55%	45%	215
\$75,000-\$99,999 / yr	55%	45%	124
Under \$20,000 / yr	54%	46%	151
Houston	53%	47%	301
Drives pick-up-truck	53%	47%	273
TOTAL	52%	48%	1253

	Self-Litterer	Non-Litterer	Cases
TOTAL	52%	48%	1253
San Ant/South/El Paso	52%	48%	272
\$100,000 & over / yr	52%	48%	209
Drives 11-20 miles / day	52%	48%	238
Drives 21-30 miles / day	52%	48%	170
West Texas markets	51%	49%	111
East Texas markets	51%	49%	81
\$60,000-\$74,999 / yr	51%	49%	146
Sedan	51%	49%	406
\$20,000-\$39,999 / yr	50%	50%	232
Dallas-Ft. Worth	49%	51%	355
Does not smoke	48%	52%	1057
Anglo	47%	53%	770
Other races	47%	53%	63
Have children	47%	53%	970
Male/not employed	46%	54%	176
Refused income	46%	54%	177
Drives < 10 miles / day	46%	54%	368
Female/50-64	45%	55%	183

	Self-Litterer	Non-Litterer	Cases
50-64	43%	57%	328
Non-Recent Litterer	43%	57%	719
Male/50-64	42%	58%	145
Age unknown	42%	58%	26
Drives a van / minivan	40%	60%	126
Male/50+	39%	61%	241
Female/not employed	37%	63%	299
Male/65+	36%	64%	96
Female/50+	36%	64%	339
Don't drive	34%	66%	34
65 or over	30%	70%	252
Non-Litterer / not witness	27%	73%	333
Female/65+	26%	74%	155

# SITUATIONS WHEN LITTERING OCCURRED I

Q15. What were the circumstances when something like that happened in terms of where and what you were doing? (n=649)



# SITUATIONS WHEN LITTERING OCCURRED II

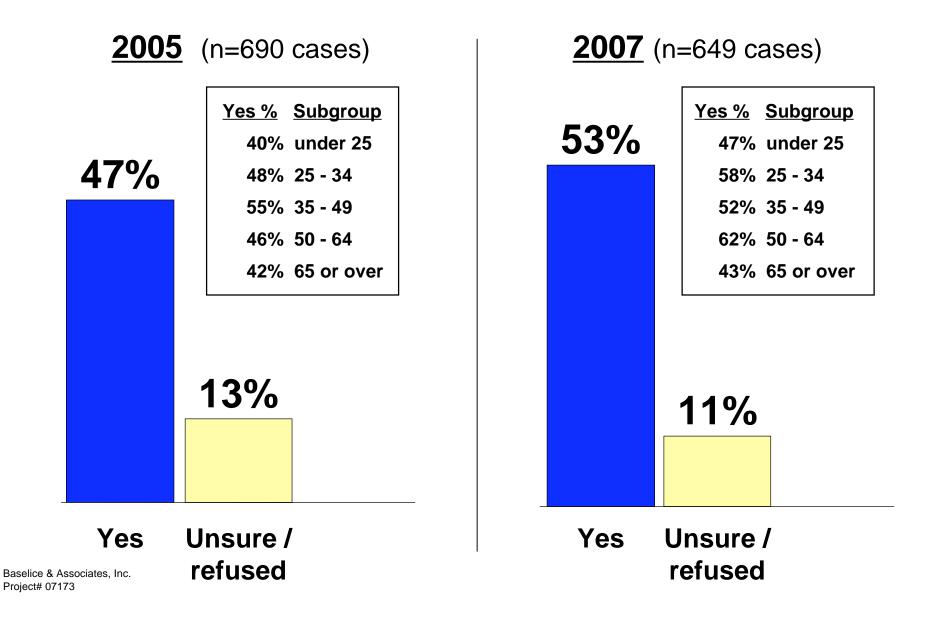
Q15. What were the circumstances when something like that happened in terms of where and what you were doing? (n=649)

Flew out of truck bed	0% 4% 2% 2%
Partying/ drinking	_ 1% 4% 2% <.5%
Can't remember/ don't recall	5% 2% 6% 3%
Other	4% 3% 6% 6%



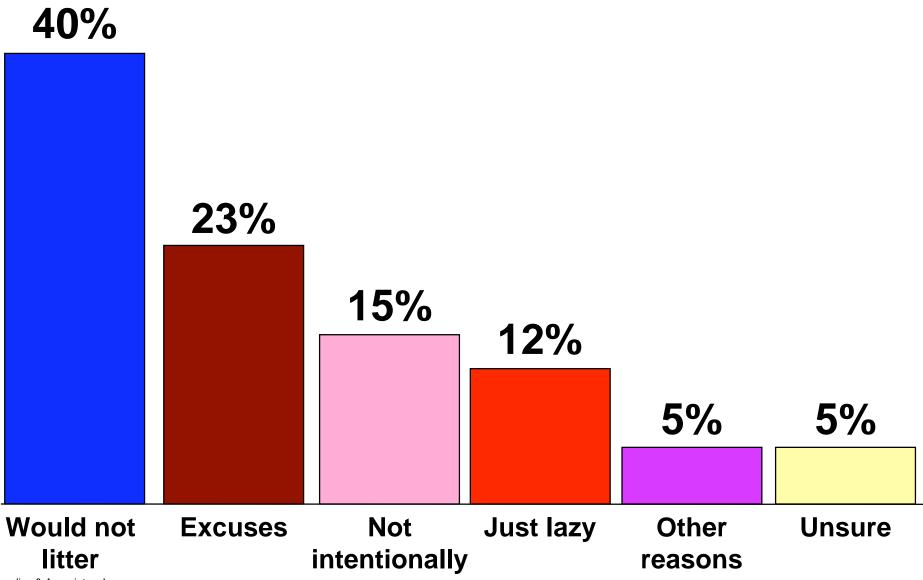
### LITTERING CIRCUMSTANCES

Q16. Were you alone when the littering happened?

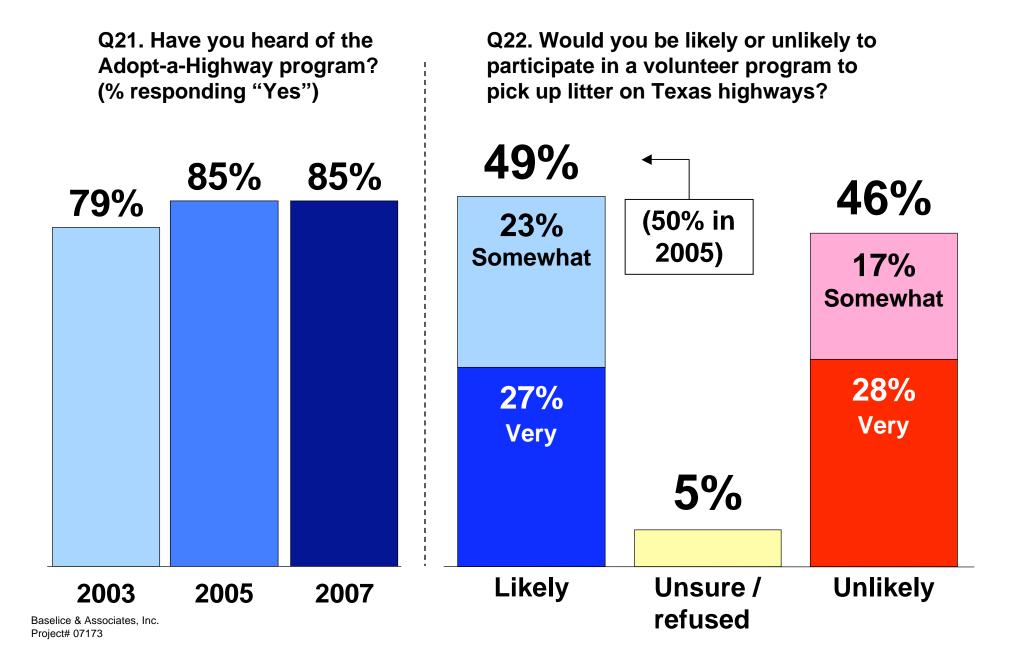


#### WHY YOU WOULD LITTER



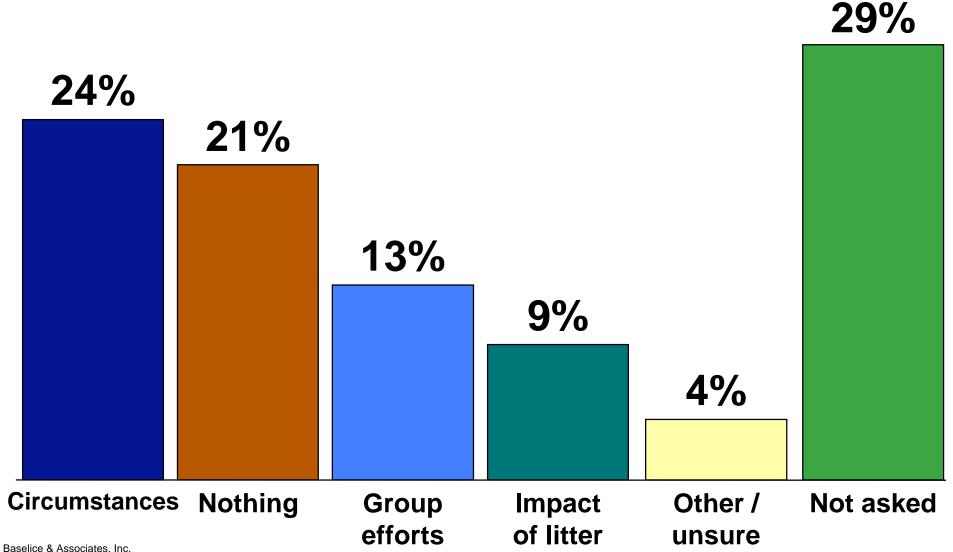


# **ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY PROGRAM**



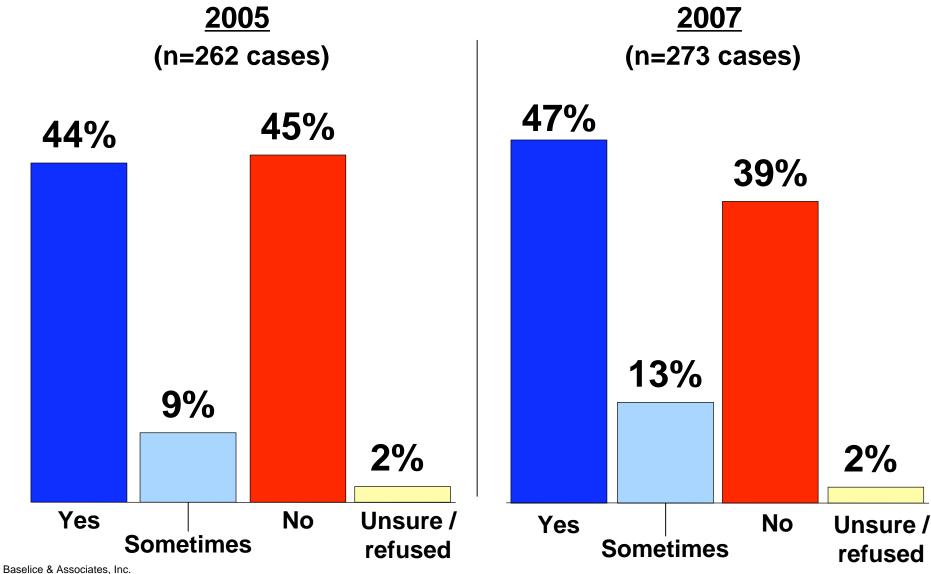
### WHAT WOULD CONVINCE YOU PARTICIPATE

Q23. In your own words, what would convince you to participate?



# LITTER ITEMS IN TRUCK BED

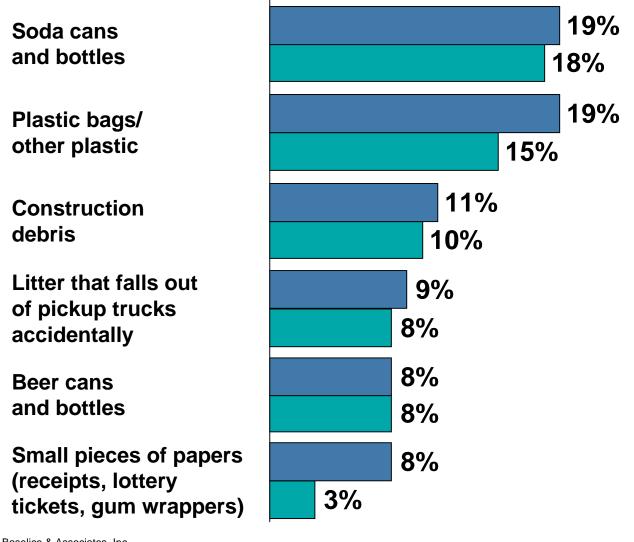
Q26. Do you put anything in the truck bed? (n=273)



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# **TRUCK BED LITTER ITEMS I**

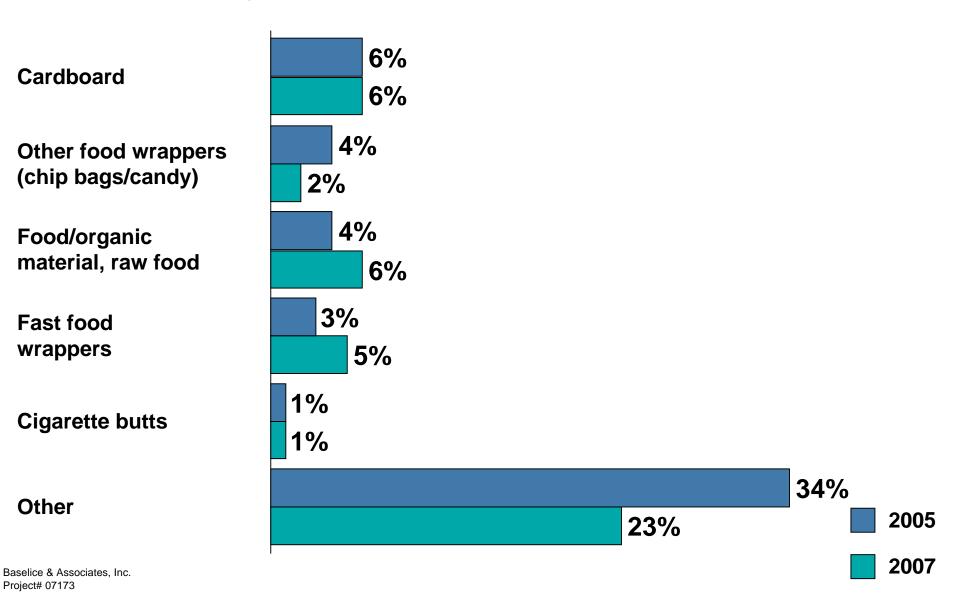
Q27. What types of items do you ever put into your truck bed that you consider to be litter or trash? (n=163)





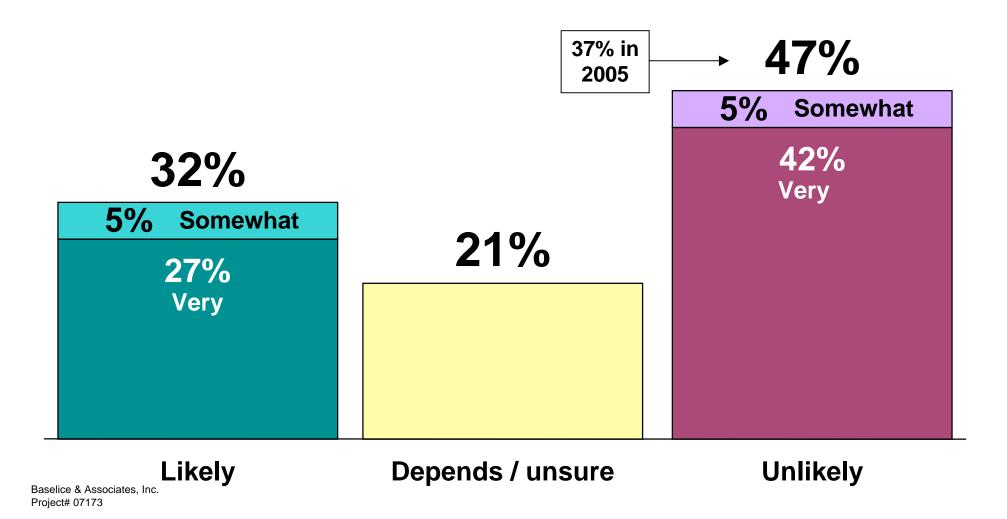
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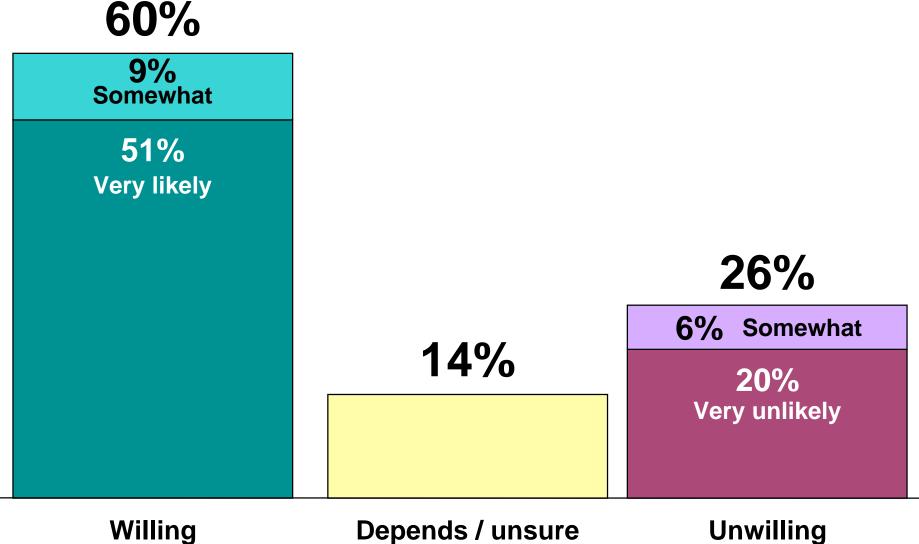
# **STOP PUTTING TRASH IN TRUCK BED**

Q28. Are you likely or unlikely to stop putting trash in your truck bed, and start keeping your trash in the cab? (n=103)



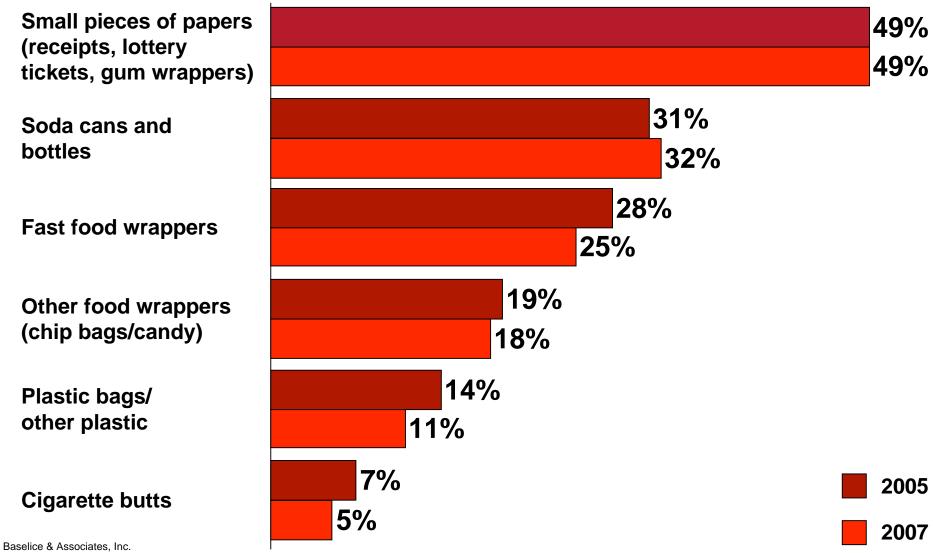
# WILLINGNESS TO COVER TRUCK BED

Q29. Would you be willing or unwilling to cover your truck bed to keep trash from falling out? (n=163)



# **TRASH INSIDE VEHICLE I**

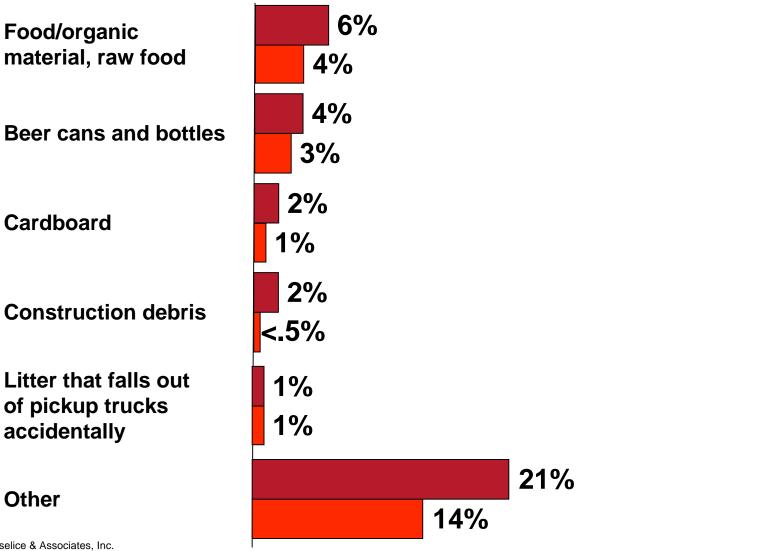
Q30. What kinds of trash tend to accumulate in your vehicle?



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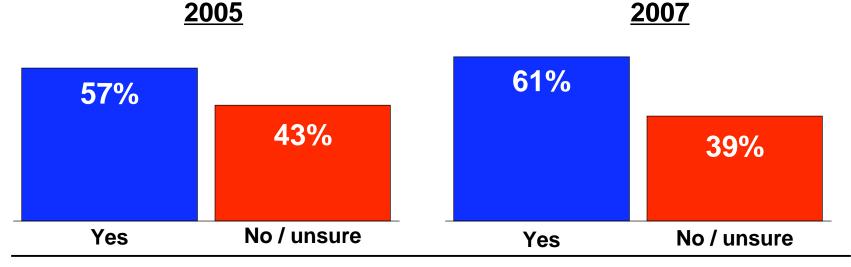
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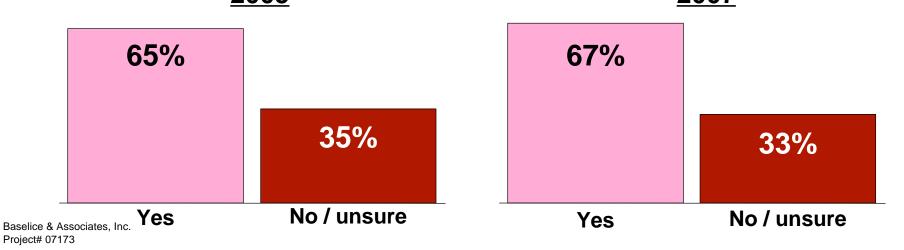
# LITTER BAG OR TRASH CAN IN VEHICLE

Q31. Do you have a litter bag or trash can in your vehicle?



If no litter bag, ask:

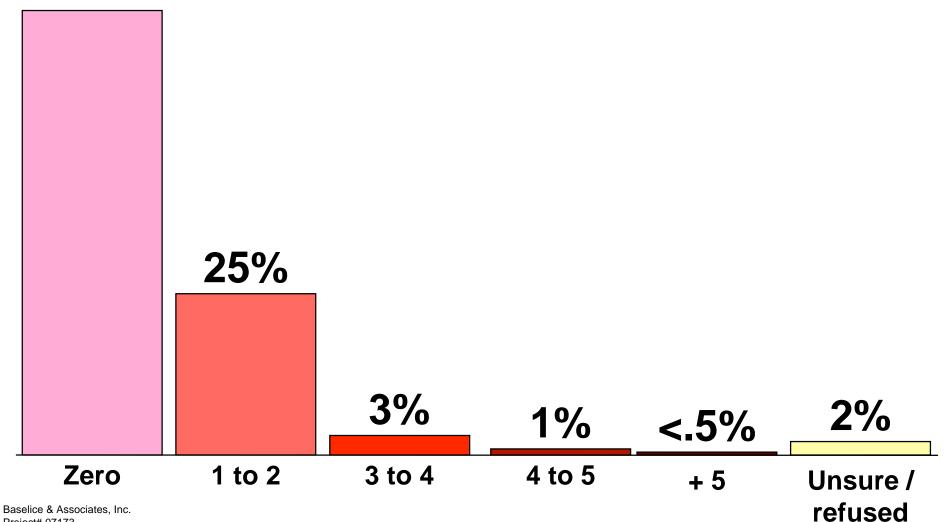
Q32. Would you use a litter bag or trash can in your vehicle? 2005 2007



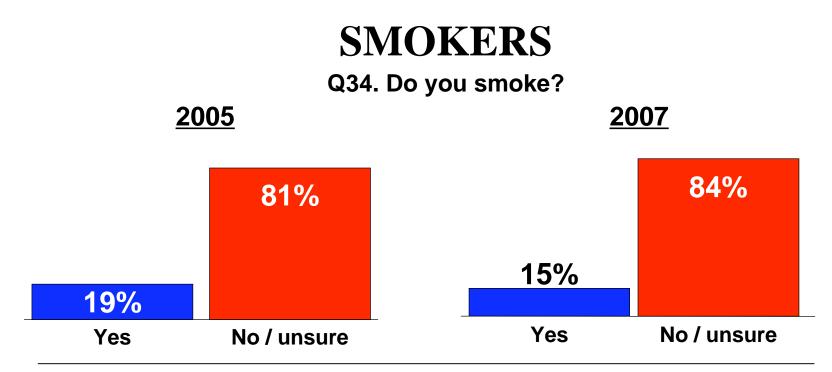
# **NIGHTTIME ENTERTAINMENT**

Q33. Approximately how many evenings per week do you go to parties, bars, or other nighttime entertainment places?

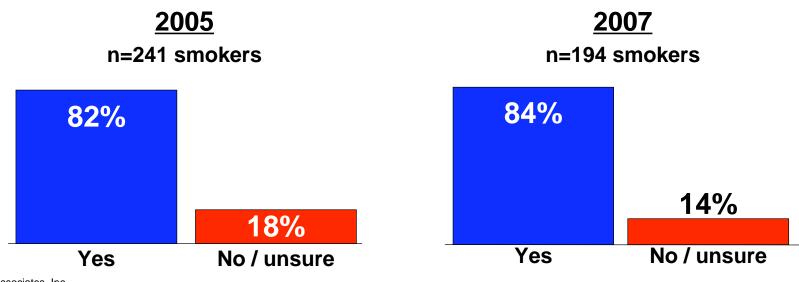
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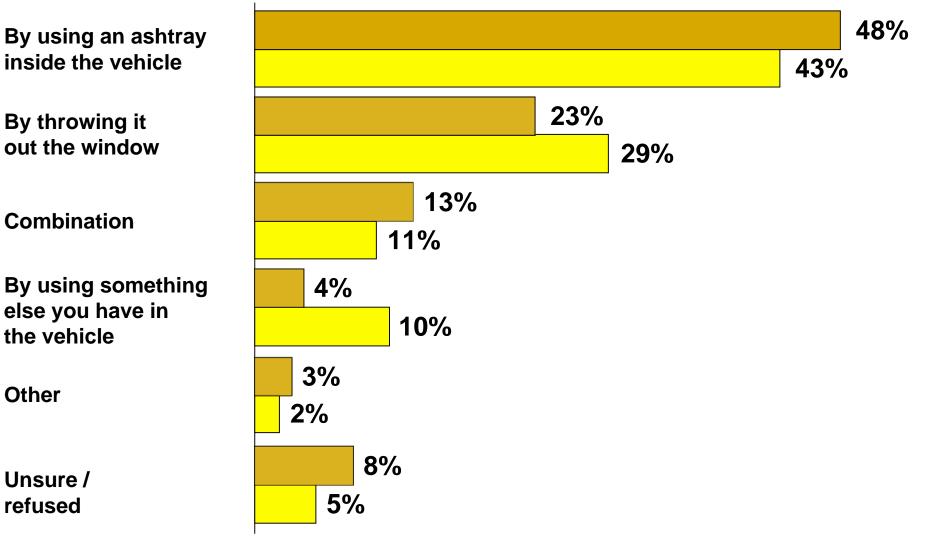


Q35. Do you consider throwing down cigarette butts to be littering?



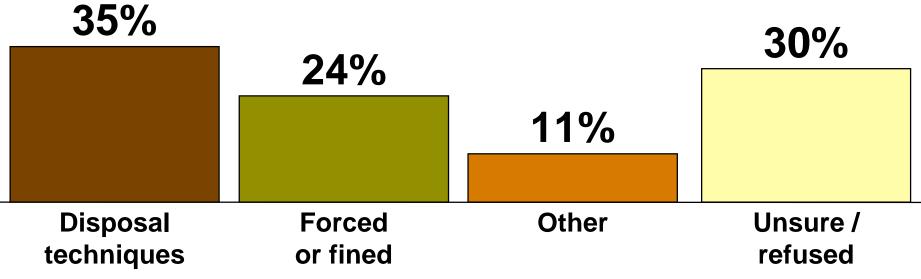
# CIGARETTE BUTT DISPOSAL

Q36. When you are in a vehicle, do you usually dispose of cigarette butts ... (n=194)



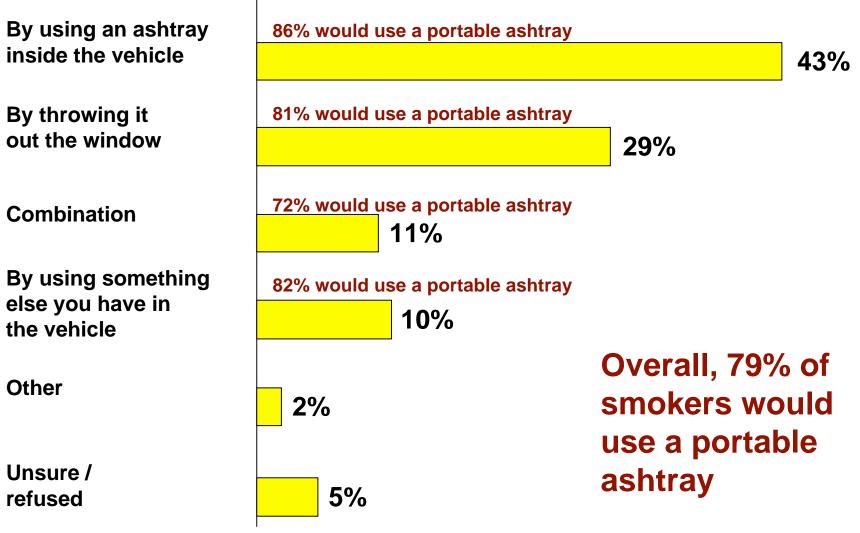
#### **OPEN END: STOP LITTERING CIGARETTE BUTTS**

Q37. What would it take to make you stop littering your cigarette butts or cigarette packs? (n=57)



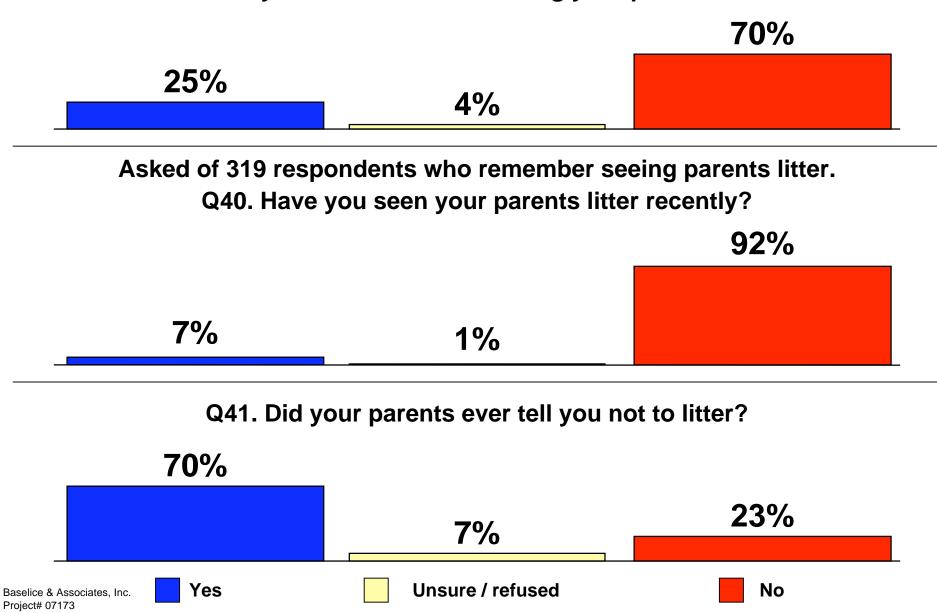
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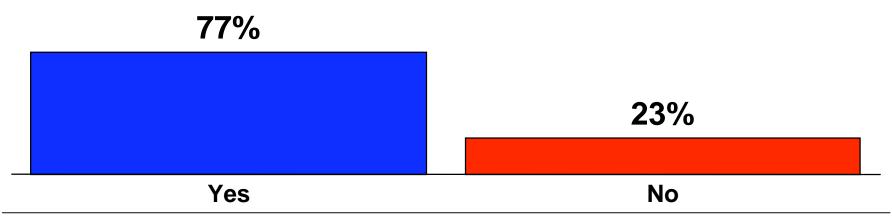
### **PARENTS & LITTERING**

Q39. Do you remember ever seeing your parents litter?

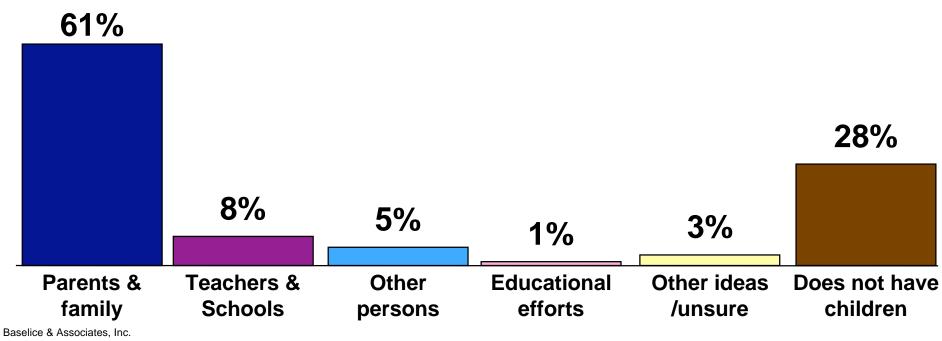


### **CHILDREN & LITTERING**

Q42. Do you have any children?



Q43. What do you think have the greatest potential to teach children to not litter?

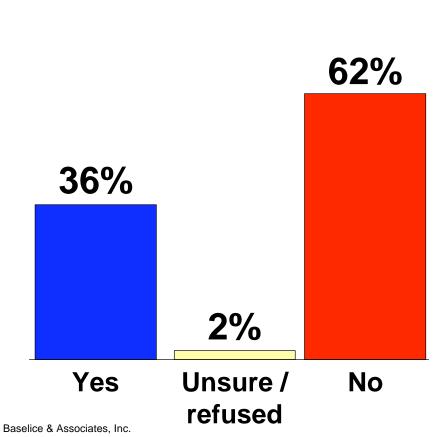


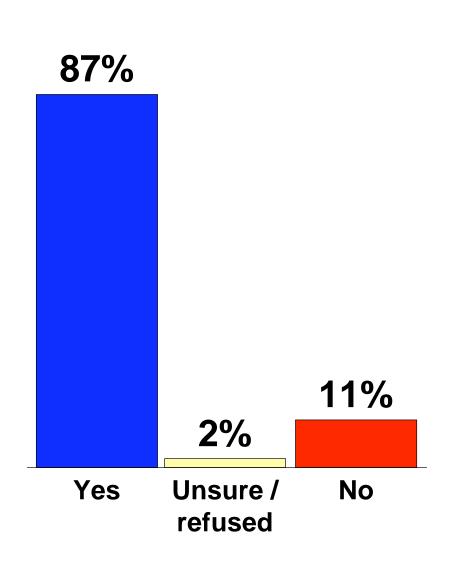
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### **CHILDREN LITTERING**

Q44. Have you ever seen your children litter? (n=970)

Q45. Have you ever told your children not to litter? (n=970)

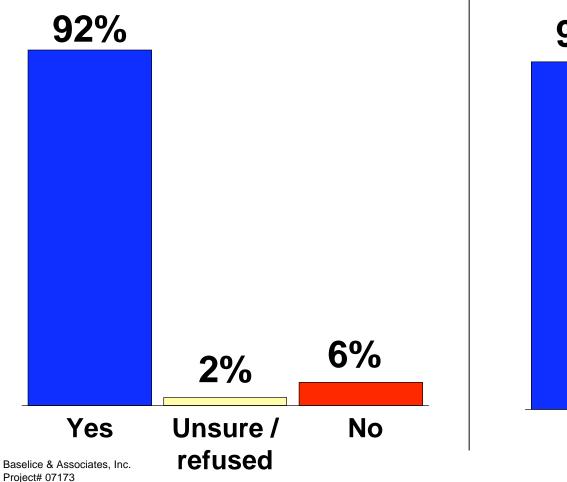




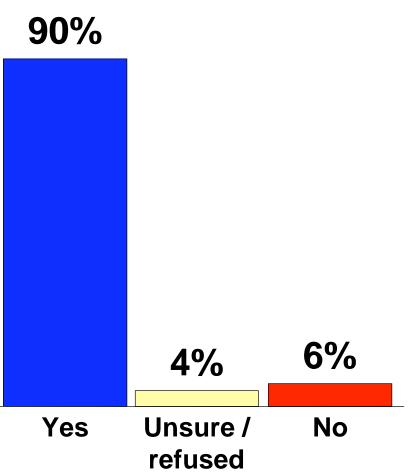
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### CHILDREN / FAMILY ASKING NOT TO LITTER

Q46. Would you use a litter bag in your car if your (children / another family member) asked you to?

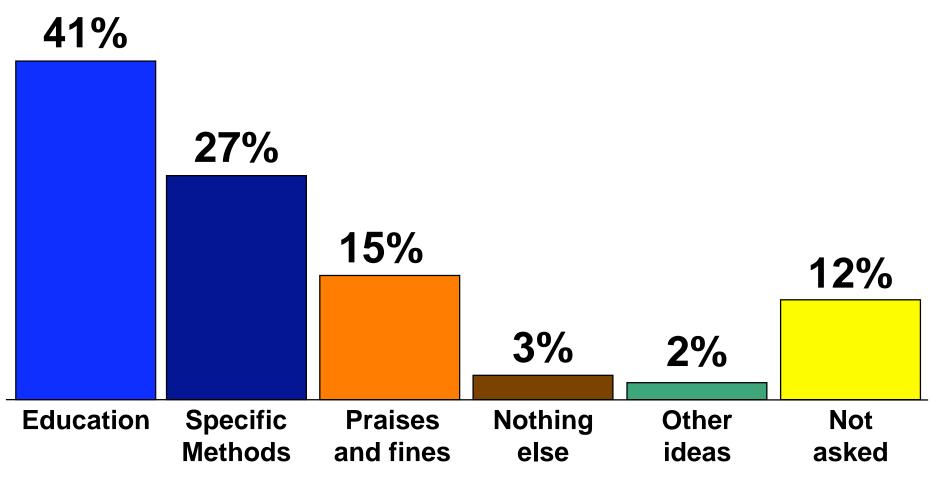


Q47. If you litter, would you stop if your (children / another family member) asked you to?



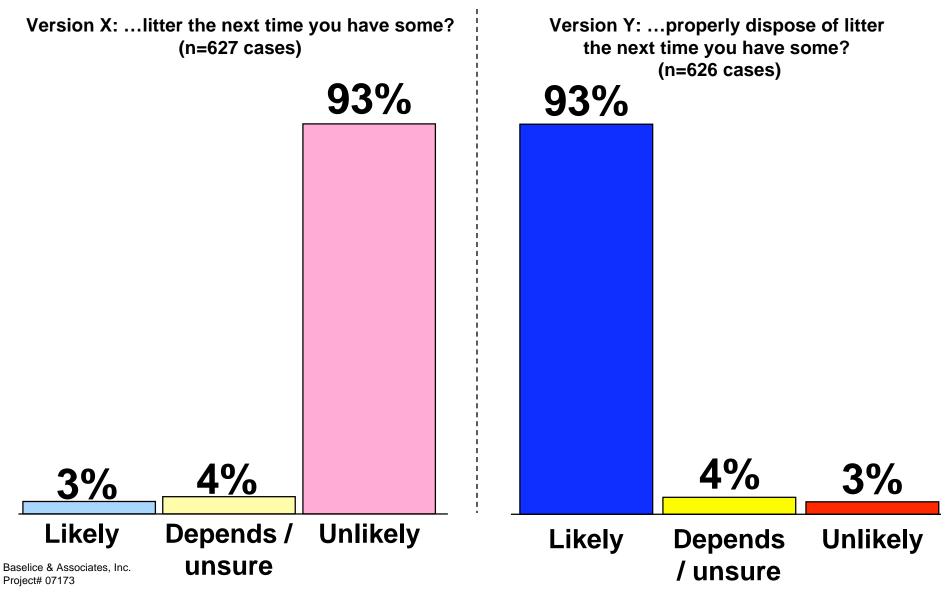
### **TEACHING CHILDREN TO NOT LITTER**

Q48. In your own words, please tell me what types of things or programs would reduce littering?



# **INFORMED POSITION ON LITTERING**

Q20. Having heard more information about litter, would you be likely or unlikely to...



# MORE / LESS LIKELY STATEMENTS I

Net Impact

Q18L. LY: If I had a litterbag, I would use it.

LX: If I had a litter bag, I wouldn't litter.

Q18A. AY: Keep a litterbag in your car.

AX: Keep a litterbag in your car.

Q18M. MY: Walk a few extra steps to use a trash can.

MX: Walk a few extra steps to use a trash can.

Q18B. BY: 827 million pieces of trash accumulate on Texas roadways every year.

BX: 827 million pieces of trash accumulate on Texas roadways every year.

Q18J. JY: The fine for littering is up to \$2,000.

JX: The fine for littering is up to \$2,000.

Version Y: properly dispose of litter

Version X: less likely to litter

	3.0 4.2			85%	8%	<mark>7%</mark>	+78%
7%	-2.8 -0.5			78%	15	%	-72%
	10.0 7.4			83%	3%	<mark>9%</mark>	+75%
10%	-1.2 -7.6			82	2%	<mark>8%</mark>	-72%
	9.5 10.5			<mark>82%</mark> 8	3% <mark>1</mark>	<mark>10%</mark>	+73%
12%	-6.8 -4.3			779	% <mark>1</mark>	<mark>1%</mark>	-65%
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<mark>6%</mark>	-4.1 -4.1			8	6%	<mark>8%</mark>	-79%
	1.5 0.4			<mark>80%</mark> 11	% <mark>1</mark>	<mark>10%</mark>	+69%
<mark>4</mark> %	-6.9 -15.1			87	7%	<mark>8%</mark>	-83%
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# **MORE / LESS LIKELY STATEMENTS II**

8%

Net Impact

+69%

-77%

**80%**11% 10%

85%

8%

Q18C. CY: Litter is not pretty.

CX: Litter is not pretty.

Q18G. GY: If you litter your cigarette butts, 5.8 Tot 77% 8% +69% 16% 4.9 SL -3.6 Tot 7% 83% 10% -75% -5.7 SL

1.5 Tot

12.0 SL

-2.2 Tot

-2.3 SL

3.0 Tot +66% 79% 13% 9% 5.6 SL -0.2 Tot 8% 85% 7% -77% -0.9 SL

		4.8 Tot 3.9 SL	78%	11%	<mark>11%</mark>	+66%
99	%	-7.1 Tot -2.1 SL		81%	<b>10%</b>	-72%

Version Y: properly dispose of litter Version X: less likely to litter

No Diff. / Unsure More Likely Less Likely No Diff. / Unsure More Likely Less Likely

- but it is a big problem in Texas. EX: It may be a small piece of litter,
- Q18H. HY: Fast food litter is a big problem in Texas. HX: Fast food litter is a big problem in Texas.

- you could start a fire. GX: If you litter your cigarette butts, you could start a fire.
  - Q18E. EY: It may be a small piece of litter,

but it is a big problem in Texas.

# MORE / LESS LIKELY STATEMENTS III

Net

**Impact** 

- Q18I. IY: Imagine a state with clean roadways.
  - IX: Imagine a state without litter.
- Q18F. FY: Cigarette butts are litter too.
  - FX: Cigarette butts are litter too.
- Q18D. DY: Have pride. Hold onto your litter.
  - DX: Have pride. Don't litter.
- Q18K. KY: Why is it more important to keep your car clean than it is to keep Texas roadsides clean? KX: Why is it more important to keep your car clean than it is to keep Texas roadsides clean?

Version Y: properly dispose of litter Version X: less likely to litter

	3.0 2.0	77%	13%	10%	<b>+64%</b>
6%	-6.3 -11.5		86%	9%	-80%

	8.2 Tot 11.4 SL	<mark>74%</mark> 9%	17%	+64%
8%	-6.5 Tot -11.6 SL	77%	15%	-69%



#### THINGS THAT MIGHT MAKE PEOPLE MORE LIKELY TO DISPOSE / LESS LIKELY TO LITTER Net Impact

- Q19C. Litter prevention awareness materials for elementary school age children.
- Q19A. Messages concentrating on specific forms of trash, such as cigarette butts, bottles or fast food trash.
- Q19E. Provide free litterbags to the public.
- Q19B. Ads with music in them.
- Q19D. Travel throughout the state and talk to people about litter and its effects.
- Q19F. Make more ads with Texas celebrities in them.

Version Y: properly dispose of litter

Version X: less likely to litter

	17.4 Tot 13.0 SL		89%	<mark>7%4</mark> %	+82%
12%	-9.7 Tot -16.6 SL		8	4% <mark>4</mark> %	-72%
	3.1 Tot 0.2 SL		<mark>83%</mark> 9	<mark>%8%</mark>	+74%
1.7%	-16.2 Tot -18.9 SL		77%	5 <mark>10%</mark>	-65%
	1.0 Tot 0.2 SL	75%	<mark>⁄</mark> 15%	<mark>⁄ 10%</mark>	+60%
12%	-10.3 Tot -8.1 SL		73%	<mark>15%</mark>	-61%
	3.1 Tot 3.1 SL	73%	13%	<b>15%</b>	+60%
12%	-6.5 Tot -5.5 SL	6	9%	<mark>19%</mark>	-58%
	7.4 Tot 3.3 SL	73%	16%	6 <mark>11%</mark>	+57%
10%	-1.0 Tot -4.0 SL		76%	<mark>14%</mark>	-65%
	0.1 Tot 0.7 SL	68%	15%	<b>17%</b>	+53%
12%	-0.9 Tot -1.5 SL	7	<b>′0%</b>	<mark>18%</mark>	-58%
More Likely	Less Li	kely	No Diff	. / Unsure	
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#### MESSAGES THAT CORRELATE WITH PROPER DISPOSAL

		Total Version Y (N=626)	Self- described litterer (n=332)	Non-litterer (n=294)	Smoker (n=92)	Non-smoker (n=533)	Under 25 years old (n=73)
Q#	QUESTION WORDING	Persuasion Score	Persuasion Score	Persuasion Score	Persuasion Score	Persuasion Score	Persuasion Score
18A	Keep a litterbag in your car.	10.0	7.4	11.1	14.9	7.8	16.0
18B	827 million pieces of trash accumulate on Texas roadways every year	1.0	1.9	0.5	0.8	4.6	2.4
18C	Litter is not pretty.	1.5	12.0	10.3	3.5	0.7	2.0
18D	Have pride. Hold on to your litter.	1.9	3.1	0.7	3.5	1.4	5.4
18E	It may be a small piece of litter , but it's still a big problem in Texas.	3.0	5.6	1.0	4.3	8.8	2.8
18F	Cigarette butts are litter too.	8.2	11.4	0.2	10.2	6.3	14.6
18G	If you litter your cigarette butts, you could start a fire.	5.8	4.9	3.5	8.3	1.6	23.8
18H	Fast food litter is a big problem in Texas.	4.8	3.9	5.3	7.2	5.2	4.0
181	Imagine a state with clean roadways.	3.0	2.0	7.5	8.2	6.5	6.0
18J	The fine for littering is up to two thousand dollars.	1.5	0.4	4.6	0.3	1.3	0.4
18K	Why is it more important to keep your car clean than it is to keep our roadsides clean?	2.0	2.3	5.0	2.3	2.1	5.7
18L	If I had a litterbag, I would use it.	3.0	4.2	2.8	13.1	3.7	2.4
18M	Walk a few extra steps to use a trash can.	9.5	10.5	4.2	6.7	10.7	7.6
19A	Messages concentrating on specific forms of trash, such as cigarette butts, bottles or fast food trash.	3.1	0.2	6.1	7.7	0.6	9.5
19B	Ads with music in them.	3.1	3.1	2.2	14.9	4.2	6.9
19C	Litter prevention awareness materials for elementary school age children.	17.4	13.0	15.7	4.0	19.1	10.8
19D	Travel throughout the state and talk to people about litter and its effects.	7.4	3.3	8.8	5.7	6.9	4.3
19E	Provide free litter bags to the public.	1.0	0.2	1.6	6.2	0.5	1.0
19F	Make more ads with Texas celebrities in them.	0.1	0.7	3.4	2.8	0.6	8.1

#### **MESSAGES THAT CORRELATE WITH LITTERING LESS**

		Total Version X (N=627)	Self- described litterer (n=317)	Non-litterer (n=310)	Smoker (n=102)	Non-smoker (n=524)	Under 25 years old (n=77)
Q#	QUESTION WORDING	Persuasion Score	Persuasion Score	Persuasion Score	Persuasion Score	Persuasion Score	Persuasion Score
18A	Keep a litterbag in your car.	-1.2	-7.6	-10.3	-4.5	-1.0	-15.5
18B	827 million pieces of trash accumulate on Texas roadways every year	-4.1	-4.1	-6.4	-17.6	0.0	-20.4
18C	Litter is not pretty.	-2.2	-2.3	-6.7	-14.3	-4.6	-1.2
18D	Have pride . Don't litter .	-10.6	-10.4	-7.2	-9.4	-11.9	-7.8
18E	It may be a small piece of litter , but it's still a big problem in Texas.	-0.2	-0.9	0.0	-5.1	-0.6	-3.4
18F	Cigarette butts are litter too.	-6.5	-11.6	-0.2	-2.2	-6.6	-24.3
18G	If you litter your cigarette butts, you could start a fire.	-3.6	-5.7	-2.6	-3.6	-6.7	-12.3
18H	Fast food litter is a big problem in Texas.	-7.1	-2.1	-15.9	-12.3	-4.8	-2.6
181	Imagine a state without litter.	-6.3	-11.5	-0.8	-4.4	-6.7	-14.9
18J	The fine for littering is up to two thousand dollars.	-6.9	-15.1	-5.4	-1.3	-4.9	-28.9
18K	Why is it more important to keep your car clean than it is to keep our roadsides clean?	-4.2	-5.3	-4.0	-7.5	-6.7	-7.2
18L	lf I had a litterbag, I would use it.	-2.8	-0.5	-3.0	-18.5	-4.1	-20.9
18M	Walk a few extra steps to use a trash can.	-6.8	-4.3	-6.9	-4.5	-7.7	-12.9
19A	Messages concentrating on specific forms of trash, such as cigarette butts, bottles or fast food trash.	-16.2	-18.9	-5.5	-20.2	-12.4	-24.3
19B	Ads with music in them.	-6.5	-5.5	-4.6	-3.2	-4.5	-9.9
19C		-9.7	-16.6	-0.4	-4.7	-7.8	-29.4
19D	Travel throughout the state and talk to people about litter and its effects.	-1.0	-4.0	-1.0	-6.3	-1.7	-5.8
19E	Provide free litter bags to the public.	-10.3	-8.1	-8.0	-20.7	-6.5	-2.5
19F	Make more ads with Texas celebrities in them.	-0.9	-1.5	-2.2	-0.4	-1.8	-13.3

# CONCLUSIONS



52% of respondents admit to littering, 73% admit to littering themselves or with someone who littered.



Led by males under the age of 25 (87%) respondents under 25 (83%) nearly three times more likely than seniors to have littered (30%).



As in 2005, there are distinct messages that correlate with a person being less likely to litter (93%). These messages differ from those messages that correlate with a person's increased likelihood of properly disposing of litter (also 93%).

#### MESSAGES THAT CORRELATE WITH LITTERING LESS

#### MESSAGES THAT CORRELATE WITH PROPER DISPOSAL

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18B	827 million pieces of trash accumulate on Texas roadways every year	-4.1	-17.6	-20.4	1	8B	827 million pieces of tr accumulate on Texas every year
18C	Litter is not pretty.	-2.3	-14.3	-1.2	18	3C	Litter is not pretty.
18F	Cigarette butts are litter too.	-11.6	-2.2	-24.3	1	8F	Cigarette butts are litte
18G	If you litter your cigarette butts, you could start a fire.	-5.7	-3.6	-12.3	18	3G	If you litter your cigare could start a fire.
181	Imagine a state without litter.	-11.5	-4.4	-14.9	1	81	Imagine a state with c
18J	The fine for littering is up to two thousand dollars.	-15.1	-1.3	-28.9	1	8J	The fine for littering is thousand dollars.
18L	If I had a litterbag, I would use it.	-0.5	-18.5	-20.9	1	8L	If I had a litterbag, I w
18M	Walk a few extra steps to use a trash can.	-4.3	-4.5	-12.9	18	ЗM	Walk a few extra step: can.
19A	Messages concentrating on specific forms of trash, such as cigarette butts, bottles or fast food trash.	-18.9	-20.2	-24.3	1	9A	Messages concentratii forms of trash, such a butts, bottles or fast fo
19B	Ads with music in them.	-5.5	-3.2	-9.9	1	9B	Ads with music in then
19C	Litter prevention awareness materials for elementary school age children.	-16.6	-4.7	-29.4	19	эC	Litter prevention awar materials for elementa children.
19E	Provide free litter bags to the public.	-8.1	-20.7	-2.5	1	9E	Provide free litter bags

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19A	Messages concentrating on specific forms of trash, such as cigarette butts, bottles or fast food trash.	0.2	7.7	9.5
19B	Ads with music in them.	3.1	14.9	6.9
19C	Litter prevention awareness materials for elementary school age children.	13.0	4.0	10.8
19E	Provide free litter bags to the public.	0.2	6.2	1.0

# **MESSAGE MATRIX AMONG SELF-LITTERERS**

#### **Cigarette butts are litter too (Q17K).**

To reduce likelihood of littering	To increase likelihood of proper disposal
It may be a small piece of litter, but it's still a big problem in Texas (Q17J).	Why is it more important to keep your car clean than it is to keep our roadsides clean (Q17R)?
Litter is not pretty (Q17G).	The fine for littering is up to \$2,000
One billion pieces of trash accumulate on Texas roadways	(Q17P).
every year (Q17F).	Walk a few extra steps to use a trash
Fast food litter is a big problem in Texas (Q17N).	can (Q17AA).
	If I had a litterbag, I would use it (Q17AZ).

# MESSAGE MATRIX AMONG TOTAL SAMPLE

It may be a small piece of litter, but it's still a big problem in Texas (Q17J).

To reduce likelihood of littering	To increase likelihood of proper disposal
One billion pieces of trash accumulate on Texas roadways every year (Q17F).	Litter prevention awareness materials for elementary school age children (19C).
Litter is not pretty (Q17G).	If I had a litterbag, I would use it (Q17AZ).
Fast food litter is a big problem in Texas (Q17N).	The fine for littering is up to \$2,000 (Q17P).
Keep a litterbag in your car (Q17D).	Why is it more important to keep your car clean than it is to keep our roadsides clean (Q17R)?

#### **MORE / LESS LIKELY STATEMENTS I** Net **Impact**

X.X PS XX.X PS

Calculating QXX's Persuasion Score among xxxxx voters	Net <u>Impact</u> +xx%	X	Average Persuasion <u>Factor</u> 0.xxxx	=	Average Persuasion <u>Score</u> x.0
Calculating QYY's Persuasion Score xxxxxxxxxx	Net Impact +YY%	X	Average Persuasion <u>Factor</u> 0.YYYY	_	Average Persuasion <u>Score</u> YY.0

Version Y: properly dispose of litter Version X: less likely to litter

