

BOB DOLE
1ST DISTRICT, KANSAS

243 CANNON HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING
AREA CODE 202
225-2715

COMMITTEES:
AGRICULTURE
GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

DISTRICT OFFICE:
210 FEDERAL BUILDING
HUTCHINSON, KANSAS 67501

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

COUNTIES:		
BARBER	HODGEMAN	RAWLINS
BARTON	JEWELL	RENO
CHEYENNE	KEARNY	REPUBLIC
CLARK	KINGMAN	RICE
CLOUD	KIOWA	ROOKS
COMANCHE	LANE	RUSH
DECATUR	LINCOLN	RUSSELL
EDWARDS	LOGAN	SALINE
ELLIS	MEADE	SCOTT
ELLSWORTH	MITCHELL	SEWARD
FINNEY	MORTON	SHERIDAN
FORD	NESS	SHERMAN
GOVE	NORTON	SMITH
GRAHAM	OSBORNE	STAFFORD
GRANT	OTTAWA	STANTON
GRAY	PAWNEE	STEVENS
GREELEY	PHILLIPS	THOMAS
HAMILTON	PRATT	TREGO
HARPER		WALLACE
HASKEL		WICHITA

WASHINGTON, D. C.

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Congressman Bob Dole (R-Kans) stated today that questionnaires have been mailed to residents in each of the 58 counties in his Congressional District.

"The mailings were completed in most counties on March 31. More than 7,000 have been returned to my Washington office thus far," Dole said.

As questionnaires are returned, they are tabulated on a county-by-county basis, and it is hoped tabulations will be completed by May 15. Attached hereto is a breakdown of results in eight (8) selected counties, representing a total of 2154 returns, ranging from:

Harper County	170 returns	Stevens County	191 returns
Hamilton County	145 returns	Rawlins County	229 returns
Decatur County	236 returns	Clark County	145 returns
Seward County	747 returns	Sherman County	291 returns

It is impossible, of course, to be completely objective; however, this year the Government and Research Division of the Library of Congress assisted in preparation of the questionnaires.

Western Kansans feel very strongly, as indicated on the attached sheet, that: (1) "anti-poverty" funds should not be increased; (2) one House of a State Legislature should be apportioned considering factors other than population; (3) Section 14 (b) of the Taft-Hartley Act should not be repealed; (4) unemployment compensation programs should not be centralized and federalized.

"It is also interesting to note," Dole said, "that Western Kansan residents are almost evenly divided on four-year terms for members of the House of Representatives. Perhaps the greatest surprise, in my opinion, was the great number, over 80 percent, who feel that America's prestige in the world has declined since 1960 and the extremely high percentage who feel strongly against protest demonstrations with reference to our policy in Viet Nam. A great number of people write additional comments, and almost without exception, they make mention of the crisis in Viet Nam and express concern and confusion about our policies there. In the questionnaire itself, over 55 percent of those responding indicated dissatisfaction with Secretary of Defense, Robert S. McNamara's handling of the war in Viet Nam."

Dole stated, "I expect to receive a total of around 15,000 returns and encourage those who have not responded to do so."

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QUESTIONS		COUNTIES										
Do You Favor -----												
(Questions are paraphrased)												
		Y-Yes	N-No	U-Undecided	Seward	Decatur	Hamilton	Harper	Stevens	Rawlins	Clark	Sherman
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1.	creation of a Cabinet-level Department of Transportation?	Y N U	24 65 11	33 62 5	25 64 11	12 75 13	21 68 11	16 75 9	25 68 7	26 61 13		
2.	4-year terms for members of the House of Representatives?	Y N U	53 43 4	51 46 3	40 52 8	45 52 3	51 48 1	43 55 2	35 60 5	32 65 3		
3.	repeal of Section 14 (b) of the Taft-Hartley Act, abolishing so-called "right-to-work" laws?	Y N U	14 83 3	4 94 2	8 89 3	10 90 0	9 89 2	5 83 2	2 97 1	25 72 3		
4.	legislation which would increase the Federal Government's authority to prohibit racial discrimination in the sale or rental of housing?	Y N U	9 86 5	11 82 7	11 80 9	15 77 8	4 95 1	24 70 6	27 72 1	7 92 1		
5.	abolishing the House Committee on Un-American Activities?	Y N U	15 82 3	8 84 8	8 90 2	15 77 8	7 91 2	9 90 1	13 84 3	16 78 6		
6.	increasing trade with Communist Russia and other eastern European Communist countries?	Y N U	15 82 3	42 52 6	33 58 9	32 60 8	28 67 5	36 62 2	29 68 3	29 69 2		
7.	increased appropriations for the President's "anti-poverty" program?	Y N U	6 92 2	2 97 1	14 84 2	7 88 5	3 95 2	8 91 1	6 93 1	10 90 0		
8.	a Constitutional amendment to give states the right to apportion one house of their legislature considering factors other than population?	Y N U	71 25 4	88 10 2	89 5 6	95 3 2	89 10 1	82 18 0	84 15 1	82 16 2		
9.	additional tax credits or deductions for parents of college students?	Y N U	74 24 2	69 29 2	61 37 2	62 30 8	81 19 0	61 39 0	65 35 0	61 36 3		
10.	increasing federal control of the Unemployment Compensation program, increasing duration of benefits and the amount of payments as well as employer contributions?	Y N U	8 91 1	2 96 2	3 94 3	3 95 2	2 98	9 88 3	7 90 3	14 85 1		
11.	Do you approve of teach-ins, sit-ins, and other demonstrations against our Viet Nam policy?	Y N U	5 93 2	7 90 3	7 90 3	12 87 1	6 92 2	8 91 1	7 93 0	3 96 1		
12.	Do you approve of Secretary McNamara's actions with reference to the war in Viet Nam?	Y N U	38 48 14	38 50 12	14 66 11	32 53 15	32 58 10	36 54 10	31 54 15	28 59 13		
13.	Have you been helped by the passage of any "Great Society" program?	Y N U	4 95 1	2 90 8	3 95 2	5 92 3	3 97 0	9 89 2	4 94 2	8 90 2		
14.	Would you support the so-called "Human Investment Act" providing a tax credit for part of the expense of on-the-job training to improve skills (Dole bill)?	Y N U	74 20 6	80 16 4	80 16 4	72 22 6	78 15 7	72 21 7	71 22 7	77 19 4		
15.	Do you believe that America's prestige in the world has improved in the last 5 years?	Y N U	16 79 5	8 90 2	11 81 8	16 84 0	9 86 5	17 79 4	8 85 7	13 84 3		