

**BOB DOLE**  
1ST DISTRICT, KANSAS  
  
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**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**  
**Washington, D.C. 20515**

REPORT FROM WASHINGTON

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1ST DISTRICT POLL RETURNS

Congressman Bob Dole has released results of the first 1,000 questionnaires received and tabulated in his Washington office. Dole stated he expected to receive over 10,000 responses to the questionnaire mailed to his District two weeks ago.

"The big question, in my opinion, was the one relating to U.S. policy in Vietnam," Dole said. "I was somewhat surprised that only 3.5% favor continuing the present U.S. policy, that 52.6% favor increased military steps, and nearly 44% favor or decreased military involvement."

Poverty Program Falters

The War on Poverty has been unsuccessful in reducing poverty, 93.5% indicate. Big city racial riots cannot be stopped by additional welfare programs alone, the sampling shows. While 2.6% of the people favored additional welfare, 56.6% believe that more vigorous police action is necessary to restore order in our streets.

Tax Surcharge Opposed

Western Kansans clearly opposed the 10% tax surcharge proposed by the President. 91.3% of our questionnaires disapproved of the proposed tax increase.

President Johnson and Congress Fare Poorly

An overwhelming 91.8% of the people in Western Kansas indicate they disapprove of the way President Johnson is doing his job. While President Johnson appears to be extremely unpopular, so is Congress, as a whole. 6.5% rate Congress's performance as good, 53% as fair, and 40.5% as poor.

The questions and initial results are as follows:

1. Which of the following do you favor?
  - A. Continuation of the present U.S. policy in Vietnam - 3.5%
  - B. Increased military steps by the U.S. in Vietnam - 52.6%
  - C. Decreased military involvement by the U.S. in Vietnam - 43.9%
2. Do you favor the increase of 10% in federal income taxes to fund the Vietnam War and the "Great Society" programs requested by the President?
 

YES	- 8.7%
NO	- 91.3%
3. Do you believe that big city racial riots can best be prevented by:
 

A. Additional welfare programs	- 2.6%
B. More vigorous police action	- 56.6%
C. Both	- 18%
D. Neither	- 22.8%
4. Do you believe that the War on Poverty has been successful in reducing poverty?
 

YES	- 6.5%
NO	- 93.5%
5. Would you favor providing tax credits for part of the expenses in hiring and training unskilled workers?
 

YES	- 57%
NO	- 43%
6. Do you favor the creation of an all volunteer army to replace the current Selective Service System?
 

YES	- 47%
NO	- 53%
7. How do you rate the performance of the present Congress:
 

A. Good	- 6.5%
B. Fair	- 53%
C. Poor	- 40.5%
8. Do you approve of the way President Johnson is doing his job?
 

YES	- 8.2%
NO	- 91.8%