Once again we will use information from The Center for Responsible Politics to track campaign finance data for U.S. elections. This time we will look at information for the 2004 and 2006 races for the state of Arizona.

Go to the website at http://www.opensecrets.org/

In the upper right-hand corner of the webpage click on “2004 Elections”
Then use the scroll down menu to select Arizona.

Note that this will most likely come up with the data for the 2006 elections (check the year menu at the top of the screen).

Let’s take an early look at the campaign finance information for the 2006 election for the state of Arizona.

In 2006, there will be an election for the Senate seat currently held by Republican Jon Kyl. His main opponent will be Democrat Jim Pederson.

Jon Kyl has raised $7,238,717 (as of February, an updated figure may appear on your screen)

How much money has Jim Pederson raised? _________________________

Divide the amount of money raised by Jon Kyl by the amount raised by Jim Pederson. Use that number to fill into the following sentence. Jon Kyl has raised _______ times more money than Jim Pederson.

Next, look at the open seat race for District 8 (where Jim Kolbe is retiring).

List the money raised by each of the candidates:

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What are the patterns in the amount of money raised by these candidates?

Now, go back to the 2004 Congressional races, by using the year scroll-down menu at the top of the screen. You will now see a screen with a race between John McCain, Stuart Starkey and Ernest Hancock at the top.

How much money did John McCain raise for his reelection in 2004? _____________
How much money did his Democratic challenger raise? ________________
In 2004, John McCain raised ___________ times as much money as his Democratic challenger. (Hint: divide the figures as in the previous example)

To see where John McCain’s money came from click on “Senate” in the column labeled “Race.”

What percent of John McCain’s money came from PACs? ______________
What percent of his money came from individuals? ___________________

How, use the back arrow to return to the screen with all of the 2004 Arizona races listed. The most competitive race in 2004 was the one for the First Congressional district between Rick Renzi (the Republican incumbent) and Democratic challenger Paul Babbitt.

How much money did Rick Renzi raise? ______________________
How much money did Paul Babbitt raise? ____________________
In 2004, Rick Renzi raised ____________ times as much money as his Democratic challenger.

Now click on “District 01” to see where each candidate raised his money.

What percent of Rick Renzi’s money came from PACs? ______________
What percent of Rick Renzi’s money came from individuals? ______________

What percent of Paul Babbitt’s money came from PACs? ______________
What percent of Paul Babbitt’s money came from individuals? ______________

If you click on Rick Renzi’s name, you will get a screen with further information on where Renzi raised his money.

What percent of Renzi’s PAC contributions came from Business PACs? __________
What percent of Renzi’s PAC contributions came from Labor PACs? __________
What percent of Renzi’s PAC contributions came from Ideological PACs? __________