Indicators Dropping

**Question:** Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president?

**Source:** Surveys by the Gallup Organization and Gallup/CNN/USA Today, latest that of January 23-25, 2003.

**Across the Board**

**Question:** Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling...

- **The Economy**
  - July 2001: 54% Approve, 36% Disapprove
  - Oct 2001: 72% Approve, 23% Disapprove
  - Feb 2003: 47% Approve, 48% Disapprove

- **Foreign Affairs**
  - July 2001: 54% Approve, 33% Disapprove
  - Oct 2001: 81% Approve, 14% Disapprove
  - Feb 2003: 57% Approve, 39% Disapprove

- **Taxes**
  - July 2001: 60% Approve, 33% Disapprove
  - Mar 2002: 64% Approve, 29% Disapprove
  - Feb 2003: 52% Approve, 42% Disapprove

- **Environment**
  - July 2001: 46% Approve, 42% Disapprove
  - Mar 2002: 53% Approve, 36% Disapprove
  - Feb 2003: 53% Approve, 37% Disapprove

- **Energy**
  - July 2001: 45% Approve, 44% Disapprove
  - Mar 2002: 57% Approve, 29% Disapprove
  - Feb 2003: 54% Approve, 34% Disapprove

**Source:** Surveys by Gallup/CNN/USA Today, latest that of January 31-February 2, 2003.
At the Halfway Point

Thinking about the following characteristics and qualities, please say whether you think it applies or doesn’t apply to George W. Bush. How about...?

Percent saying it applies

- Is willing to make hard decisions: 83%
- Is a strong and decisive leader: 76%
- Is honest and trustworthy: 70%
- Has a vision for the country’s future: 68%
- Brought dignity back to the White House: 67%
- Can manage the government effectively: 67%
- Inspires confidence: 65%
- Works well with both parties to get things done in Washington: 64%
- Care about the needs of people like you: 56%
- Share your values: 54%


Would you say President Bush is in touch or out of touch with the problems ordinary Americans face in their daily lives?

- In touch: 50%
- Out of touch: 48%
- No opinion: 2%


Do you think George W. Bush is in charge of what goes on in his administration most of the time, or do you think other people are really running the government most of the time?

- Other people running: 53%
- Bush really running: 41%
- Don’t know/No answer: 4%
- Both equal (vol.): 2%


Do you think Bush's proposals on cutting taxes favor the rich, favor the middle class, favor the poor, or treat all people about equally?

- Favor the rich: 26%
- Favor the middle class: 10%
- Treat all equally: 16%
- No opinion: 6%


Who do you trust more when it comes to US policy toward Iraq—George W. Bush or Colin Powell?

- Bush: 63%
- Powell: 24%
- No opinion: 9%
- Neither (vol.): 1%
- Both equally (vol.): 3%


If George W. Bush runs for re-election in 2004, would you say you will definitely vote for him, might vote for or against him, or will you definitely vote against him?

- Definitely vote for: 34%
- Might vote for or against: 32%
- Definitely vote against: 10%
- Other (vol.): 2%
- No opinion: 1%