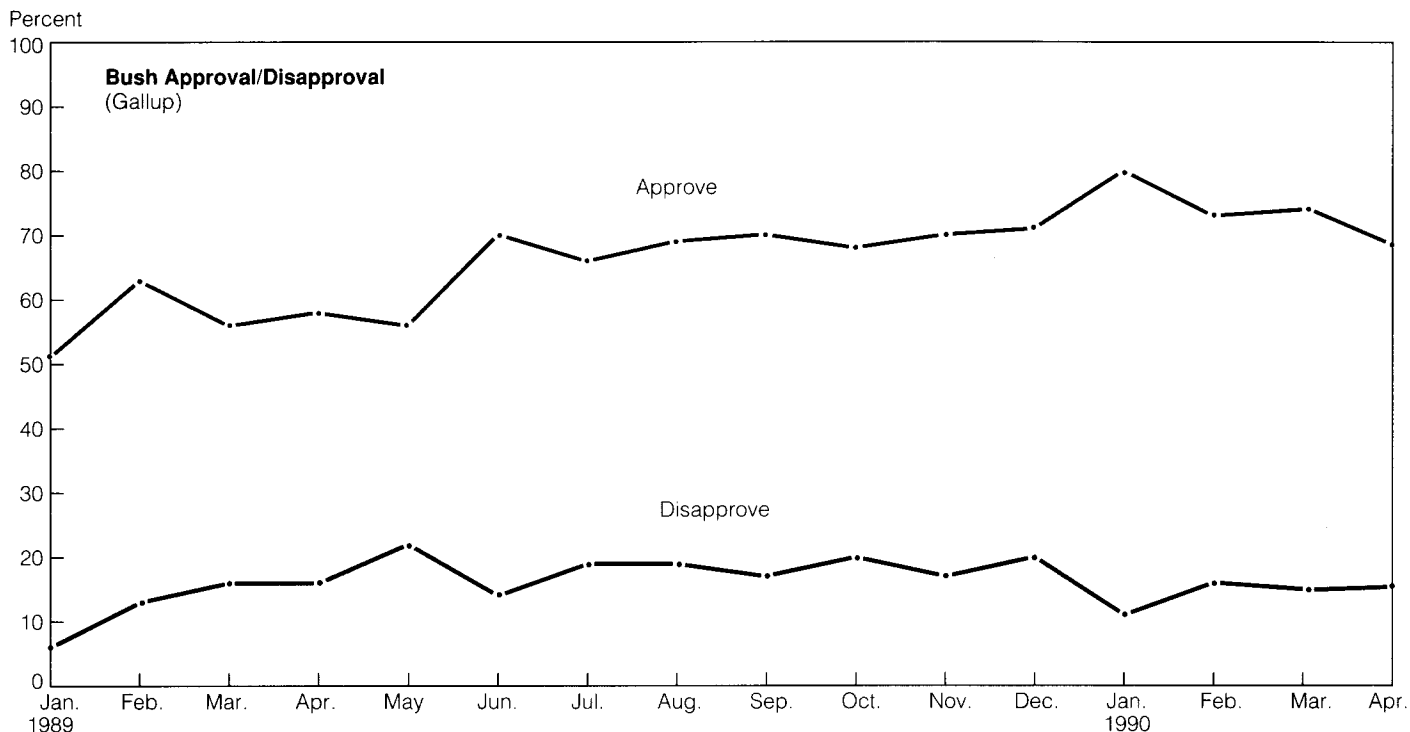


# THE BUSH BAROMETER

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



Source: Surveys by the Gallup Organization, latest that of April 5-8, 1990.

		Approve		Disapprove	
<b>First Rating</b>					
1989	Gallup	1/24-26	51%	6%	
<b>Last 6 Months</b>					
1989	ABC/WP	9/6	76	20	
	CBS/NYT	9/6-8	70	14	
	Gallup	9/7-10	70	17	
	LA Times	9/14-19	66	17	
	NBC/WSJ	9/16-19	67	17	
	CBS/NYT	9/17-20	69	18	
	ABC/WP	9/28-10/3	76	20	
	Gallup	10/5-8	68	20	
	YCS/Time/CNN	10/9-10	75	16	
	NBC/WSJ	11/4-7	67	22	
	Gallup	11/9-12	70	17	
	ABC/WP	11/24-12/4	66	28	
	CBS/NYT	11/26-28	63	21	
	LA Times	11/17-21	66	22	
	Gallup	12/7-10	71	20	

		Approve		Disapprove	
1989	LA Times	12/16-20	72%	22%	
	LA Times	12/21	80	13	
1990	Gallup	1/4-7	80	11	
	ABC/WP	1/11-15	79	18	
	CBS/NYT	1/13-15	76	13	
	NBC/WSJ	1/13-16	71	19	
	Wirthlin Group	1/15-17	74	17	
	YCS/Time/CNN	1/31-2/1	70	19	
	ABC/WP	2/1-4	77	21	
	Gallup	2/8-11	73	16	
	YCS/Time/CNN	2/14	76	17	
	Wirthlin Group	2/19-21	73	18	
	Gallup	3/8-11	68	18	
	NBC/WSJ	3/10-13	69	19	
	YCS/Time/CNN	3/14	66	21	
	Gallup	3/15-18	74	15	
	Wirthlin Group	3/19-21	71	20	
	CBS/NYT	3/30-4/2	72	16	
	Gallup	4/5-8	68	16	
	YCS/Time/CNN	4/9-10	70	19	
	NBC/WSJ	4/11-16	75	15	

BUSH AND HIS PREDECESSORS			
	Month Took Office	After 1st Month	After 15th Month
Truman (4/45)	—	—	43%
Eisenhower (1/53)	—	68%	64*
Kennedy (1/61)	—	—	77
Johnson (11/63)	—	79	69*
Nixon (1/69)	59%	61	56
Ford (8/74)	71	50	41
Carter (1/77)	—	71	41
Reagan (1/81)	51	55	44
Bush (1/89)	51	63	68

**Note:** \* denotes approval rating after 16th month in office.  
**Source:** Surveys by the Gallup Organization, latest that of March 30-April 2, 1990.

President Bush continues to enjoy very high overall approval ratings, with seven in ten approving of the job he is doing. He also compares favorably to recent predecessors.