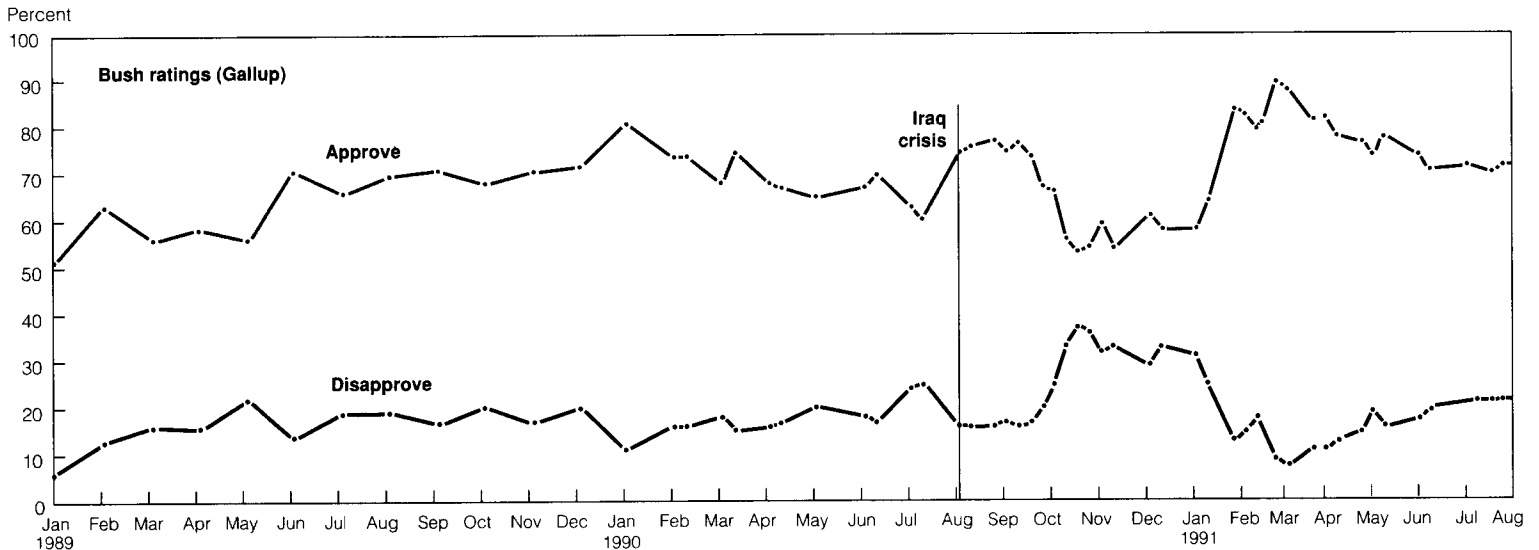


THE BUSH BAROMETER

Bush's job approval rating two and a half years into his presidency is matched only by President Eisenhower's at the same point in his term.

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 August 8-11, 1991.

First Rating	Approve	Disapprove
1989 Gallup 1/24-26	51%	6%
Recent Ratings	Approve	Disapprove
1991 Gallup 1/3-6	58	31
CBS/NYT 1/5-7	62	27
LA Times 1/8-12	67	27
Gallup 1/11-13	64	25
CBS/NYT 1/11-13	66	25
NBC/WSJ 1/23	77	15
Gallup 1/23-26	83	13
ABC/WP 1/23-27	79	19
YCS/Time/CNN 1/24	82	12
Gallup 1/30-2/2	82	15
Gallup 2/7-10	79	18
CBS/NYT 2/12-13	78	13
Gallup 2/14-17	80	14
LA Times 2/15-17	82	14
Gallup 2/21-24	80	13
CBS/NYT 2/24-25	85	10
NBC/WSJ 2/26-27	85	11
NYT 2/28-3/1	86	10
Gallup 2/28-3/3	89	8
CBS/NYT 3/4-6	88	8
YCS/Time/CNN 3/7	86	9
Gallup 3/7-10	87	8
LA Times 3/9-11	84	13
NBC/WSJ 3/15-19	81	13
Gallup 3/28-30	82	11

	Approve	Disapprove
CBS/NYT 4/1-3	80	12
Gallup 4/4-6	83	12
ABC/WP 4/5-9	80	18
LA Times 4/6-9	82	16
YCS/Time/CNN 4/10-11	76	18
Gallup 4/11-14	77	13
YCS/Time/CNN 4/24	73	20
Gallup 4/25-28	76	15
Gallup 5/2-5	74	19
CBS/NYT 5/7-8	81	12
YCS/Time/CNN 5/8	73	18
Gallup 5/16-19	77	16
ABC/WP 5/30-6/2	76	21
Gallup 5/30-6/2	74	17
CBS/NYT 6/3-6	75	16
YCS/Time/CNN 6/4-5	72	19
Gallup 6/13-16	71	19
NBC/WSJ 6/22-25	76	21
Gallup 7/11-14	72	21
YCS/Time/CNN 7/17-18	69	23
Gallup 7/18-21	70	21
ABC 7/22-25	70	26
Gallup 7/25-28	71	21
NBC/WSJ 7/26-29	67	25
Gallup 8/8-11	71	22

BUSH AND HIS PREDECESSORS

	After 6th Month	After 12th Month	After 31st Month
Truman (4/45 took office)	75%*	50%	—
Eisenhower (1/53)	71	68	71
Kennedy (1/61)	71	77	63
Johnson (11/63)	75	69	48
Nixon (1/69)	65	61	49
Ford (8/74)	39	46	—
Carter (1/77)	67	52	32
Reagan (1/81)	60	47	43
Bush (1/89)	66	80	71

Note: * = rating after 7th month in office.

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