

**CBS NEWS POLL**  
**The President, Terrorism And Iraq**  
**October 20-21, 2003**

q1 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as President?

|            | *** TOTAL RESPONDENTS *** |     |     |     |        |
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|            | **** Party ID ****        |     |     |     |        |
|            | Total                     | Rep | Dem | Ind | Sep03b |
|            | %                         | %   | %   | %   | %      |
| Approve    | 54                        | 87  | 26  | 53  | 51     |
| Disapprove | 36                        | 8   | 65  | 35  | 42     |
| DK/NA      | 10                        | 5   | 8   | 12  | 7      |

q2 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling foreign policy?

|            |    |    |    |    |    |
|------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Approve    | 48 | 82 | 19 | 46 | 44 |
| Disapprove | 44 | 14 | 71 | 44 | 45 |
| DK/NA      | 8  | 4  | 10 | 10 | 11 |

q3 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling the situation with Iraq?

|            |    |    |    |    |    |
|------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Approve    | 49 | 84 | 17 | 49 | 47 |
| Disapprove | 45 | 14 | 75 | 45 | 48 |
| DK/NA      | 6  | 2  | 8  | 6  | 5  |

q4 How about the economy? Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling the economy?

|            |    |    |    |    |    |
|------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Approve    | 41 | 69 | 15 | 41 | 37 |
| Disapprove | 51 | 22 | 78 | 51 | 56 |
| DK/NA      | 8  | 9  | 7  | 8  | 7  |

q5 How would you rate the condition of the national economy these days? Is it very good, fairly good, fairly bad, or very bad?

|             |    |    |    |    |    |
|-------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Very good   | 3  | 4  | 1  | 3  | 4  |
| Fairly good | 42 | 68 | 24 | 37 | 39 |
| Fairly bad  | 36 | 23 | 45 | 38 | 37 |
| Very bad    | 18 | 3  | 28 | 21 | 19 |
| DK/NA       | 1  | 2  | 2  | 1  | 1  |

q6 Do you think the economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same?

|                        |    |    |    |    |    |
|------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Getting better         | 28 | 48 | 11 | 27 | 24 |
| Getting worse          | 27 | 12 | 40 | 29 | 29 |
| Staying about the same | 43 | 39 | 46 | 43 | 46 |
| DK/NA                  | 2  | 1  | 3  | 1  | 1  |

q7 Do you think the foreign policy of the Bush Administration is making the United States more safe from terrorist attacks, less safe, or isn't it making any difference?

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|                           | Total | Rep | Dem | Ind | Feb03c |
|                           | %     | %   | %   | %   | %      |
| Safer                     | 43    | 68  | 25  | 41  | 40     |
| Less safe                 | 21    | 6   | 39  | 18  | 24     |
| No effect                 | 31    | 22  | 31  | 36  | 31     |
| DK/NA                     | 5     | 4   | 5   | 5   | 5      |

q8 Do you have confidence in George W. Bush's ability to deal wisely with an international crisis or are you uneasy about his approach?

|            |    |    |    |    | Sep03b |
|------------|----|----|----|----|--------|
| Confidence | 53 | 88 | 23 | 51 | 45     |
| Uneasy     | 42 | 11 | 68 | 44 | 50     |
| Dk/NA      | 5  | 1  | 9  | 5  | 5      |

q9 Do you think leaders of other countries around the world have respect for George W. Bush, or not?

|              |    |    |    |    |    |
|--------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Have respect | 45 | 68 | 28 | 42 | 47 |
| Do not       | 43 | 21 | 59 | 46 | 44 |
| DK/NA        | 12 | 11 | 13 | 12 | 9  |

q10 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling the war against terrorism?

|            |    |    |    |    | Nov01b |
|------------|----|----|----|----|--------|
| Approve    | 61 | 89 | 37 | 60 | 85     |
| Disapprove | 33 | 9  | 56 | 33 | 10     |
| DK/NA      | 6  | 2  | 6  | 7  | 5      |

q11 Do you think removing Saddam Hussein from power was worth the loss of American life and other costs of attacking Iraq, or not?

| *** HALF SAMPLE A *** |    |    |    |    | Sep03b |
|-----------------------|----|----|----|----|--------|
| Worth it              | 52 | 75 | 29 | 55 | 51     |
| not worth it          | 39 | 19 | 59 | 36 | 41     |
| DK/NA                 | 9  | 6  | 12 | 9  | 8      |

q12 Do you think the result of the war with Iraq was worth the loss of American life and other costs of attacking Iraq, or not?

| *** HALF SAMPLE B *** |    |    |    |    |    |
|-----------------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Worth it              | 42 | 69 | 20 | 38 | 41 |
| Not worth it          | 52 | 25 | 75 | 54 | 53 |
| DK/NA                 | 6  | 6  | 5  | 8  | 6  |

q13 Do you approve or disapprove of the United States' current occupation of Iraq?

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|------------|-------|-----|-----|-----|
|            | %     | %   | %   | %   |
| Approve    | 52    | 82  | 28  | 50  |
| Disapprove | 42    | 16  | 63  | 43  |
| DK/NA      | 6     | 2   | 9   | 7   |

q14 How would you say things are going for the U.S. in its efforts to bring stability and order to Iraq? Would you say things are going very well, somewhat well, somewhat badly, or very badly?

|                |    |    |    |    | Sep03a |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|--------|
| Very well      | 5  | 10 | 2  | 3  | 5      |
| Somewhat well  | 49 | 67 | 25 | 54 | 44     |
| Somewhat badly | 31 | 18 | 46 | 29 | 29     |
| Very badly     | 12 | 2  | 22 | 11 | 18     |
| DK/NA          | 3  | 3  | 5  | 5  | 4      |

q15 From what you have seen or heard, is the United States in control of events taking place in Iraq, or are the events in Iraq out of U.S. control?

|                |    |    |    |    |    |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| In control     | 39 | 58 | 24 | 37 | 38 |
| Out of control | 50 | 30 | 66 | 51 | 48 |
| DK/NA          | 11 | 12 | 10 | 12 | 14 |

q19 Which do you think MOST Iraqi people are feeling right now --- grateful to the United States for getting rid of Saddam Hussein or resentful of the United States for being in Iraq right now?

|             |    |    |    |    | Jul03a* |
|-------------|----|----|----|----|---------|
| Grateful    | 41 | 60 | 28 | 39 | 34      |
| Resentful   | 38 | 23 | 51 | 38 | 37      |
| Both (Vol.) | 14 | 9  | 15 | 16 | 20      |
| DK/NA       | 7  | 8  | 6  | 7  | 9       |

\*Varied wording: Which do you think THE Iraqi people are feeling right now --- grateful to the United States ... Iraq right now?

q20 How much confidence do you have in the ability of the U.S. government to capture or kill Saddam Hussein -- would you say you're very confident he will be caught, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

|                      |    |    |    |    | Aug03a |
|----------------------|----|----|----|----|--------|
| Very confident       | 19 | 29 | 11 | 18 | 32     |
| Somewhat confident   | 41 | 50 | 32 | 41 | 37     |
| Not too confident    | 24 | 15 | 32 | 24 | 20     |
| Not at all confident | 14 | 4  | 23 | 14 | 10     |
| Already dead (Vol.)  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0      |
| DK/NA                | 2  | 2  | 2  | 3  | 1      |

q22 George W. Bush has asked Congress for an additional \$87 billion dollars for the next year for military and reconstruction efforts in Iraq and Afghanistan. Do you think the U.S. should or should not spend this amount of money?

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|            | Total                     | Rep | Dem | Ind | Sep03b |
|            | %                         | %   | %   | %   | %      |
| Should     | 37                        | 57  | 19  | 36  | 34     |
| Should not | 59                        | 39  | 76  | 60  | 61     |
| DK/NA      | 4                         | 4   | 5   | 4   | 5      |

q23 As a result of the U.S. military action against Iraq, do you think the threat of terrorism against the United States has increased, decreased, or stayed about the same?

|                |    |    |    |    | Sep03a |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|--------|
| Increased      | 26 | 16 | 33 | 27 | 25     |
| Decreased      | 21 | 35 | 12 | 19 | 17     |
| About the same | 51 | 48 | 52 | 53 | 55     |
| DK/NA          | 2  | 1  | 3  | 1  | 3      |

q24 Do you think of the rebuilding of Iraq as part of the war on terrorism, or do you think of it as separate from the war on terrorism? IF PART OF WAR ON TERRORISM, ASK: Is it a major part of the war on terrorism, or a minor part of the war on terrorism?

|                             |    |    |    |    |    |
|-----------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Major part of war on terror | 22 | 32 | 14 | 22 | 28 |
| Minor part of war on terror | 13 | 15 | 10 | 15 | 16 |
| Separate from war on terror | 58 | 48 | 67 | 57 | 51 |
| DK/NA                       | 7  | 5  | 9  | 6  | 5  |

q25 What is your impression of how the war against terrorism is going for the United States right now -- very well, somewhat well, somewhat badly, or very badly?

|                |    |    |    |    | Oct02f |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|--------|
| Very well      | 10 | 23 | 4  | 7  | 11     |
| Somewhat well  | 53 | 67 | 39 | 53 | 58     |
| Somewhat badly | 22 | 6  | 34 | 24 | 21     |
| Very badly     | 9  | 1  | 16 | 9  | 6      |
| Dk/NA          | 6  | 3  | 7  | 7  | 4      |

q26 Has the Bush Administration done enough to get support from other countries in fighting the war on terrorism, or should they be doing more?

|                      |    |    |    |    |
|----------------------|----|----|----|----|
| Done enough          | 25 | 41 | 14 | 23 |
| Should be doing more | 68 | 52 | 79 | 72 |
| DK/NA                | 7  | 7  | 7  | 5  |

q29 If George W. Bush runs for re-election in 2004, do you think you will probably vote for George W. Bush or probably vote for the Democratic candidate?

|                               | * REGISTERED VOTERS * |    |    |    |              |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|----|----|----|--------------|
|                               | *** HALF SAMPLE X *** |    |    |    |              |
| George W. Bush                | 46                    | 88 | 12 | 46 | Sep03b<br>44 |
| Democratic candidate          | 34                    | 4  | 64 | 29 | 44           |
| Can't say until chosen (Vol.) | 16                    | 7  | 20 | 19 | 7            |
| None, won't vote (Vol.)       | 0                     | 0  | 0  | 1  | 1            |
| DK/NA                         | 4                     | 1  | 4  | 5  | 4            |

q30 If George W. Bush runs for re-election in 2004, do you think you will probably vote for George W. Bush, or probably vote for the Democratic candidate, or don't you know yet?

| * REGISTERED VOTERS *         |    |    |    |    |        |
|-------------------------------|----|----|----|----|--------|
| *** HALF SAMPLE Y ***         |    |    |    |    | Aug03b |
| George W. Bush                | 32 | 68 | 9  | 24 | 33     |
| Democratic candidate          | 23 | 2  | 48 | 18 | 27     |
| Don't know yet                | 42 | 29 | 39 | 52 | 36     |
| Can't say until chosen (Vol.) | 3  | 1  | 3  | 4  | 1      |
| None, won't vote (Vol.)       | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0  | 0      |
| DK/NA                         | 0  | 0  | 1  | 2  | 1      |

q35 How would rate the overall condition of the stock market these days -- excellent, very good, fairly good, fairly bad, or very bad?

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| **** Party ID ****        |       |     |     |     | Aug03a |
|                           | Total | Rep | Dem | Ind |        |
|                           | %     | %   | %   | %   | %      |
| Excellent                 | 2     | 0   | 1   | 3   | 0      |
| Very good                 | 10    | 13  | 10  | 7   | 6      |
| Fairly good               | 50    | 60  | 43  | 48  | 43     |
| Fairly bad                | 21    | 11  | 27  | 23  | 28     |
| Very bad                  | 5     | 2   | 4   | 7   | 6      |
| DK/NA                     | 12    | 14  | 15  | 12  | 17     |

q36 In the next three months, do you expect the stock market will rise a lot, rise moderately, not change, decline moderately, or decline a lot?

|                    |    |    |    |    |    |
|--------------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Rise a lot         | 3  | 4  | 2  | 4  | 1  |
| Rise moderately    | 44 | 54 | 34 | 44 | 41 |
| No change          | 32 | 28 | 38 | 30 | 32 |
| Decline moderately | 8  | 5  | 10 | 10 | 11 |
| Decline a lot      | 2  | 1  | 3  | 1  | 2  |
| DK/NA              | 11 | 8  | 13 | 11 | 13 |

q37 Do you personally, or jointly with a spouse, have any money invested in the stock market right now -- either in an individual stock or in a mutual fund, or don't you?

| Aug03b                       |    |    |    |    |    |
|------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| Yes/invested in stock market | 54 | 58 | 52 | 52 | 53 |
| No                           | 45 | 41 | 48 | 46 | 45 |
| DK/NA                        | 1  | 1  | 0  | 2  | 2  |

|                    | <u>UNWEIGHTED</u> | <u>WEIGHTED</u> |
|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Total Respondents  | 751               |                 |
| Registered Voters  | 628               | 602             |
| Total Republicans  | 223               | 206             |
| Total Democrats    | 229               | 225             |
| Total Independents | 289               | 319             |
| Half Sample A      | 384               | 377             |
| Half Sample B      | 367               | 374             |
| Half Sample X      | 321               | 307             |
| Half Sample Y      | 307               | 296             |