

FOX News/Opinion Dynamics Poll

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Polling was conducted by telephone July 11-12, 2006, in the evenings. The total sample is 900 registered voters nationwide with a margin of error of ± 3 percentage points. Results are of registered voters, unless otherwise noted. LV = likely voters

1. Do you approve or disapprove of the job George W. Bush is doing as president?

***	Bush	Job	Ratings	Summary	***
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			Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
Most recent	(11-12 Jul	06)	36%	53	11
Highest	(14-15 Nov	01)	88%	7	5
Lowest	(18-19 Apr	06)	33%	57	10
First-Term	Average		61%	29	

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2	Approve	approve	(DK)		Approve	${\tt approve}$	(DK)
11-12 Jul 06	36%	53	11	29-30 Mar 05	49%	46	5
Democrats	8%	84	8	1-2 Mar 05	52%	39	9
Republicans	74%	14	12	8-9 Feb 05	51%	43	7
Independents	26%	59	15	25-26 Jan 05	50%	40	10
RECENT TREND				11-12 Jan 05	52%	41	7
27-28 Jun 06	41%	50	9	14-15 Dec 04	48%	45	7
13-14 Jun 06	40%	52	8	16-17 Nov 04	53%	40	7
16-18 May 06	35%	56	8	30-31 Oct 04	47%	46	7
2-3 May 06	38%	53	9	30-31 Oct 04 LV	48%	46	6
18-19 Apr 06	33%	57	10	29-30 Oct 04	47%	45	8
4-5 Apr 06	36%	53	10	29-30 Oct 04 LV	48%	46	6
14-15 Mar 06	39%	51	11	28-29 Oct 04	47%	47	6
28 Feb-1 Mar 06	39%	54	7	28-29 Oct 04 LV	47%	47	6
7-8 Feb 06	44%	47	9	27-28 Oct 04	48%	47	5
24-25 Jan 06	41%	51	8	27-28 Oct 04 LV	49%	46	5
10-11 Jan 06	42%	49	9	17-18 Oct 04 LV	49%	44	7
13-14 Dec 05	42%	51	7	3-4 Oct 04 LV	53%	43	4
29-30 Nov 05	42%	48	10	21-22 Sep 04 LV	50%	45	5
8-9 Nov 05	36%	53	11	7-8 Sep 04 LV	49%	44	7
25-26 Oct 05	41%	51	8	24-25 Aug 04 LV	51%	43	6
11-12 Oct 05	40%	51	9	3-4 Aug 04	44%	48	8
27-28 Sep 05	45%	47	8	20-21 Jul 04	47%	45	8
13-14 Sep 05	41%	51	8	22-23 Jun 04	49%	44	7
30-31 Aug 05	45%	50	5	8-9 Jun 04	48%	45	7
26-27 Jul 05	47%	44	9	18-19 May 04	48%	43	9
12-13 Jul 05	47%	47	6	4-5 May 04	49%	43	8
14-15 Jun 05	48%	43	9	21-22 Apr 04	50%	44	6
25-26 Apr 05	47%	43	10	6-7 Apr 04	49%	44	7

2. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Congress is doing?

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	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
11-12 Jul 06	25%	61	14
Democrats	13%	73	14
Republican	s 42%	43	14
Independen	ts 21%	64	15
RECENT TREND			
13-14 Jun 06	29%	59	12
16-18 May 06	27%	56	17
18-19 Apr 06	25%	52	23
14-15 Mar 06	29%	55	16
24-25 Jan 06	34%	51	16
13-14 Dec 05	30%	52	18
13-14 Sep 05	34%	49	17
30-31 Aug 05	28%	53	18
29-30 Mar 05	40%	36	24
21-22 Apr 04	38%	42	20
20-21 May 03	33%	47	20

- 3. This fall there will be elections for Congress and other offices. Right now, how interested are you in this year's elections?
- ${\tt SCALE:}$ 1. Extremely interested 2. Very interested 3. Somewhat interested
- 4. Only slightly interested 5. Not at all interested 6. (Don't know)

	Extremely	Very	Somewhat	Slightly	Not	(DK)
11-12 Jul 06	19%	38	23	11	7	2
Democrats	23%	37	19	11	8	2
Republicans	17%	38	27	10	6	2
Independents	s 17%	37	27	11	7	1
13-14 Jun 06	24%	38	25	8	4	1
Democrats	28%	39	21	6	5	1
Republicans	22%	40	27	8	2	2
Independents	s 24%	35	26	10	4	1
2-3 May 06	28%	36	24	7	5	1

4. Thinking ahead to this November's elections, if the congressional election were held today, would you vote for the Democratic candidate in your district or the Republican candidate in your district? (If undecided) Well, if you had to vote, which way would you lean?

	Democrat		Re	public	(Other/		
	TOTAL	Vote	Lean	TOTAL	Vote	Lean	Don't know)
11-12 Jul 06	42%	38	4	34	31	3	25
Democrats	82%	77	5	5	4	1	13
Republicans	7%	5	2	78	73	5	16
Independents	30%	22	8	17	17	-	52
13-14 Jun 06	46%	43	3	33	29	4	20
2-3 May 06	41%	37	4	38	32	6	21
28 Feb-1 Mar 06	48%	44	4	34	28	6	18
23-24 Sep 03	41%	35	6	36	32	4	23
22-23 Oct 02 LV	40%	35	5	41	36	5	19
8-9 Oct 02 LV	40%	35	5	42	36	6	18
24-25 Sep 02	45%	43	2	42	32	10	13
6-7 Aug 02	36%	31	5	39	33	6	25
26-27 Feb 02	32%	30	2	40	34	6	28
12-13 Dec 01	29%	21	8	40	33	7	31
28-29 Mar 01	36%	33	3	38	32	6	26
10-11 Jan 01	38%	32	6	33	26	7	29
6-7 Sep 00 LV	41%	34	7	40	32	8	19
24-25 May 00	39%	33	6	42	36	6	19

	Democrat			Republican			(Other/
	TOTAL	Vote	Lean	TOTAL	Vote	Lean	Don't know)
12-13 Jan 00	36%	32	4	42	35	7	22
6-7 Dec 99	38%	32	6	39	33	6	23
17-18 Nov 99	36%	34	2	42	37	5	22
20-21 Oct 99	40%	35	5	41	34	7	19
22-23 Sep 99	37%	31	6	38	30	8	25
8-9 Sep 99	36%	29	7	40	33	7	24
25-26 Aug 99	39%	34	5	36	29	7	25

5. Are you more or less likely to vote for a candidate if President Bush campaigns for them?

	More	Less	(No	(Don't
	likely	likely	difference)	know)
11-12 Jul 06	21%	48	26	5
Democrats	6%	76	14	4
Republicans	47%	12	36	5
Independents	7%	55	34	4

6. Are you more or less likely to vote for a candidate if Senator Hillary Clinton campaigns for them?

	More	Less	(No	(Don't	
	likely	likely	difference)	know)	
11-12 Jul 06	30%	44	20	6	
Democrats	56%	21	16	7	
Republicans	5%	75	16	4	
Independents	22%	39	33	5	

- 7. If you are registered or affiliated with a political party, how often do you vote for candidates from that party?
- SCALE: 1. Always 2. Most of the time 3. About half the time 4. Sometimes 5. Never 6. (Not registered or affiliated) 7. (Don't know/Refused)

			${\tt Half}/$	Some-		(Not	
	Always	Mostly	time	times	Never	affiliated)	(DK)
11-12 Jul 06	18%	38	14	16	4	7	2
Democrats	23%	44	11	13	3	4	2
Republicans	22%	45	12	14	3	2	2
Independents	5%	20	24	23	7	18	3

8. Do you feel Congress is currently working on issues that are important to most Americans?

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
11-12 Jul 06	40%	53	7
Democrats	32%	62	6
Republicans	54%	37	9
Independents	35%	59	6
14-15 Jun 05	41%	51	8

9. Do you think the current Congress has gotten more work done this term, less work done, or about the same amount of work as is usually accomplished in a congressional term?

	More	Less	Same	(Don't know)
11-12 Jul 06	3%	38	50	9
Democrats	2%	48	43	8
Republicans	6%	27	59	8
Independents	3%	39	49	8

10. Which political party -- the Democrats or the Republicans -- do you think cares more about the safety and security of the United States? (ROTATE) SCALE: 1. The Democrats 2. The Republicans 3. (Both) 4. (Neither) 5. (Don't know)

	Democrats	Republicans			
	care	care	(Both)	(Neither)	(DK)
11-12 Jul 06	30%	34	17	11	8
Democrats	59%	10	17	8	6
Republicans	4%	73	14	5	5
Independent	s 21%	18	21	25	14

11. What do you think is the most important issue for the federal government to address today? (DO NOT READ - ACCEPT ONLY ONE RESPONSE)

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	11-12	10-11	14-15	3-4
	Jul 06	Jan 06	Jun 05	Oct 04 LV
(War/Iraq/Saddam Hussein)	21%	27%	25%	16%
(Economy/Jobs/Unemployment)	11	16	13	27
(Health care/Prescription drugs)	10	12	9	10
(Immigration)	8	3	na	na
(Defense/Military/Homeland/				
National Security)	7	3	4	5
(Terrorism - not Iraq)	5	5	4	18
(Domestic issues/Take care of U.	s.) 5	5	3	2
(Social Security/Medicare)	4	5	12	3
(Education/Schools)	4	6	4	3
(Gas prices/Energy)	4	2	1	-
(Balanced budget/Deficit)	2	2	3	1
(Family values/Morals)	2	2	na	na
(Taxes)	1	2	2	1
(Foreign affairs/Mideast-not Ira	q) 1	1	2	1
(Environment/Energy)	1	1	2	1
(Ethics/Corruption in Government) 1	2	na	na
(Gay marriage)	1	-	1	1
(Katrina/Hurricane rebuilding)	1	na	na	na
(North Korea)	1	na	na	na
(Other)	6	4	10	6
(Don't know/Refused)	5	4	5	6

12. - 18. Which political party -- the Democrats or the Republicans -- do you think would do a better job on each of the following issues? (ROTATE) SCALE: 1. Democrats 2. Republicans 3. (Equal) 4. (Don't know)

****** SUMMARY CHART ******* (DK) Dem Rep (Equal) Advantage Energy and gas prices 53% 19 12 16 +34 D Health care 52% 23 12 13 +29 D The economy 49% 29 10 12 +20 D Iraq 38% 36 10 16 + 2 D Immigration 37% 32 15 17 + 5 D Border security 37 + 6 R 31% 16 16 Terrorism 30% 42 15 13 +12 R

PARTY ID & PAST TREN	ID			
	Dem	Rep	(Equal)	(DK)
Border security				
11-12 Jul 06	31%	37	16	16
Democrats	56%	17	15	12
Republicans	9%	69	10	12
Independents	23%	29	25	24

	Dem	Rep	(Equal)	(DK)
The economy				
11-12 Jul 06	49%	29	10	12
Democrats	84%	5	5	6
Republicans	13%	67	9	12
Independents	46%	18	19	17
7-8 Feb 06	45%	36	8	11
18-19 Feb 04	49%	38	5	8
20-21 May 03	40%	39	9	12
8-9 Oct 02 LV	41%	41	7	11
6-7 Aug 02	43%	36	9	12
26-27 Feb 02	36%	41	10	13
28-29 Mar 01	37%	42	8	13
23-24 Jun 99*	38%	39	9	14
24-25 Feb 99*	39%	41	8	12
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Energy and gas price 11-12 Jul 06	∍s 53%	19	12	16
Democrats	79%	5 43	5	10
Republicans	29%	43	13	15
Independents	45%	8	24	23
7-8 Feb 06*	46%	30	11	14
6-7 Aug 02*	42%	32	10	16
26-27 Feb 02* *"Energy"	37%	38	9	16
Health care		•	4.0	
11-12 Jul 06	52%	23	12	13
Democrats	81%	6	6	7
Republicans	25%	52	13	11
Independents	46%	11	21	22
7-8 Feb 06	51%	28	8	13
18-19 Feb 04	52%	31	7	10
20-21 May 03	48%	30	9	13
8-9 Oct 02 LV	48%	32	7	13
28-29 Mar 01	41%	36	10	13
Immigration				
11-12 Jul 06	37%	32	15	17
Democrats	66%	11	11	12
Republicans	10%	65	11	14
Independents	26%	23	25	26
4-5 Apr 06	34%	24	26*	15
*(Both/Neither)	310	21	20	
Two a				
Iraq 11-12 Jul 06	38%	36	10	16
Democrats	70%	11 75	8	11
Republicans	8%	75	8	9
Independents	29%	24	18	29
7-8 Feb 06	39%	41	9	11
18-19 Feb 04	34%	48	6	12
20-21 May 03	20%	52	12	16
8-9 Oct 02 LV	26%	51	8	15

	Dem	Rep	(Equal)	(DK)
Terrorism				
11-12 Jul 06	30%	42	15	13
Democrats	57%	16	17	10
Republicans	7%	81	7	5
Independents	19%	32	25	24
7-8 Feb 06	31%	45	10	14
18-19 Feb 04	29%	52	8	11
20-21 May 03	19%	53	14	14
8-9 Oct 02 LV	25%	51	10	14

19. If Congress fails to pass an immigration bill before the upcoming midterm election, who do you think will be most to blame? (RANDOMIZE)

SCALE: 1. President Bush 2. Republicans in Congress 3. Democrats in Congress 4. (All) 5. (Don't know)

	President	Reps in	Dems in		
	Bush	Congress	Congress	(All)	(DK)
11-12 Jul 06	21%	22	21	24	13
Democrats	32%	29	10	17	12
Republicans	11%	17	38	22	12
Independent	s 16%	16	13	40	14

20. In general, do you think immigrants who come to the United States today join society and give to the country or stay separate from society and take from the country?

SCALE: 1. Join society and give to the country 2. Stay separate and take from the country 3. (Depends) 4. (Don't know)

	Give to	Take from		
	country	country	(Depends)	(DK)
11-12 Jul 06	41%	36	17	6
Democrats	46%	31	17	6
Republicans	35%	45	16	4
Independents	43%	30	21	6

21. Do you think the United States should increase or decrease the number of legal immigrants allowed to move to this country?

	Increase	Decrease	(No change)	(Don't know)
11-12 Jul 06	24%	51	17	8
Democrats	26%	48	19	7
Republicans	20%	57	16	7
Independents	24%	49	15	11

22. Would you favor or oppose requiring at least half of the immigrants allowed into the United States to know English and have an education or a skill?

	Favor	Oppose	(Don't kno
11-12 Jul 06	81%	15	4
Democrats	76%	19	5
Republicans	82%	14	4
Independents	86%	11	3

23. In dealing with the issue of illegal immigrants, do you think the United States should be more focused on:

SCALE: 1. Securing the borders and preventing illegal immigrants from entering the country 2. Figuring out how to deal with the illegal immigrants who are already here 3. (Combination/Both) 4. (Don't know)

	Securing	Deal w/		
	borders	already here	(Both)	(DK)
11-12 Jul 06	34%	35	28	3
Democrats	29%	39	28	3
Republicans	42%	31	27	-
Independents	30%	38	29	3
4-5 Apr 06*	35%	24	36	5

^{*&}quot;Dealing with the millions of illegal immigrants who are already in the country"

24. Do you think North Korea poses a real national security threat to the United States?

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
11-12 Jul 06	62%	31	8
Democrats	62%	30	8
Republicans	65%	27	8
Independents	53%	41	6

25. Do you think Iran poses a real national security threat to the United States?

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
11-12 Jul 06	62%	33	5
Democrats	54%	39	6
Republicans	72%	24	4
Independents	57%	37	6

26. Last week North Korea conducted its first test missile launch in eight years, including one long-range missile that crashed into the nearby Sea of Japan without causing any damage. After the recent missile launches, do you think North Korea is:

SCALE: 1. More of a threat because it went through with the launches in the face of international pressure against doing so 2. Less of a threat because the missiles did not work 3. (No different/Same as before) 4. (Don't know)

	More	Less	(Same)	(DK)
11-12 Jul 06	62%	18	15	5
Democrats	64%	15	15	6
Republicans	67%	18	12	4
Independents	53%	23	18	5

27. Now that North Korea has gone forward with testing missiles, do you think the United States should give diplomacy more of a chance, or should the U.S. carry out a preemptive military strike to stop North Korea from continuing to develop nuclear weapons and ballistic missiles?

SCALE: 1. Give diplomacy more of a chance 2. Preemptive strike 3. (Don't know)

Di	plomacy	Preemptive	(DK)
11-12 Jul 06	68%	20	12
Democrats	71%	19	10
Republicans	58%	28	13
Independents	75%	14	11

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
11-12 Jul 06	52%	18	29
Democrats	49%	21	30
Republicans	61%	10	29
Independents	47%	26	27

29. Which one of the following are you most concerned about: (RANDOMIZE) SCALE: 1. North Korea using a long-range nuclear missile to attack the United States 2. North Korea using a short-range nuclear missile to attack Japan or South Korea 3. North Korea selling its nuclear weapons to terrorists or another country 4. (All) 5. (None of these) 6. (Don't know)

	Attack	Attack Japan	Selling			
	U.S.	/S. Korea	weapons	(All)	(None)	(DK)
11-12 Jul 06	16%	14	42	19	6	3
Democrats	20%	11	40	21	4	2
Republicans	16%	13	44	19	5	3
Independents	12%	20	43	14	8	2

30. Do you think the situation in Iraq has led the United States to be less aggressive with North Korea and Iran than it should be?

	res	NO	(DOD'T KNOW
11-12 Jul 06	54%	37	10
Democrats	60%	29	11
Republicans	49%	42	9
Independents	53%	39	8

31. Do you think the United States should trust any agreements it may make with North Korea?

	Yes	No	(Don't know)
11-12 Jul 06	23%	67	10
Democrats	25%	62	13
Republicans	18%	74	8
Independents	26%	65	9

32. Do you think a toughly-worded resolution from the United Nations will help a lot toward preventing North Korea from continuing to develop its weapons program, help some or not help at all?

	A lot	Some	No help	(Don't know)
11-12 Jul 06	9%	39	46	6
Democrats	11%	40	42	7
Republicans	8%	37	51	4
Independents	7%	41	47	4

(ROTATE NEXT TWO QUESTIONS)

33. Which of the following is more likely?

SCALE: 1. China is actively trying to help the United States deal with military threats from North Korea and Iran 2. China is actually helping North Korea and Iran 3. (Neither) 4. (Don't know)

Helping				
	U.S.	NK/Iran	(Neither)	(DK)
11-12 Jul 06	30%	35	10	25
Democrats	32%	35	9	24
Republicans	33%	35	9	23
Independents	29%	33	14	24

34. Which of the following is more likely?

SCALE: 1. Russia is actively trying to help the United States deal with military threats from North Korea and Iran or 2. Russia is actually helping North Korea and Iran 3. (Neither) 4. (Don't know)

--- Helping ---

	U.S.	NK/Iran	(Neither)	(DK)
11-12 Jul 06	32%	31	11	25
Democrats	34%	31	8	27
Republicans	28%	36	11	25
Independents	34%	30	16	20

35. Do you think North Korea is deliberately trying to provoke war or is it just trying to get attention to get more money and aid from the United States and other countries?

SCALE: 1. Trying to provoke war 2. Trying to get more money 3. (Mix/Both)

4. (Don't know)

	War	Money	(Mix/Both)	(Don't know)
11-12 Jul 06	17%	58	11	13
Democrats	15%	58	14	13
Republicans	22%	57	10	11
Independents	14%	66	10	10

36. Which country do you think is more likely to start a nuclear war -- Iran or North Korea? (ROTATE)

SCALE: 1. Iran 2. North Korea 3. (Both are equally likely) 4. (Neither will) 5. (Don't know)

	Iran	North Korea	(Both)	(Neither)	(Don't know)
11-12 Jul 06	33%	34	14	11	7
Democrats	27%	38	16	11	8
Republicans	38%	36	14	7	5
Independents	38%	25	11	20	6

37. How confident are you that U.S. intelligence agencies are getting accurate information on the plans and activities of the Iranian and North Korean governments?

SCALE: 1. Very confident 2. Somewhat confident 3. Not very confident

4. Not at all confident 5. (Don't know)

	Confident			 Not confident - 			
	TOTAL	Vry	Smwht	TOTAL	Ntvry	Not	(DK)
11-12 Jul 06	60%	16	44	36	24	12	5
Democrats	51%	12	39	43	28	15	6
Republicans	73%	20	53	23	15	8	3
Independents	53%	15	38	42	30	12	5

38. Overall, during George W. Bush's presidency so far, do you think he has had to deal with more difficult situations, fewer difficult situations or about the same number as most presidents deal with during their presidencies? SCALE: 1. More difficult situations 2. Fewer difficult situations

3. Same as other presidents 4. (More than some, fewer than others) 5. (Don't know)

	More	Fewer	Same	(More/Fewer)	(DK)
11-12 Jul 06	61%	5	28	4	2
Democrats	48%	7	37	6	3
Republicans	75%	4	16	3	2
Independents	62%	3	31	4	_

POLITICAL IDENTIFICATION: When you think about politics, do you think of yourself as a Democrat or a Republican?

	Democrat	Republican	(Independent)	(Other)	(Refused/Don't know)
11-12 Jul 06	40%	34	21	2	4
27-28 Jun 06	38%	36	19	3	4
13-14 Jun 06	42%	34	19	2	3
16-18 May 06	41%	32	21	2	3
2-3 May 06	37%	39	19	2	3
18-19 Apr 06	40%	32	23	2	3
4-5 Apr 06	39%	34	23	2	2
14-15 Mar 06	37%	36	20	2	4
28 Feb-1 Mar 06	43%	33	18	3	3
7-8 Feb 06	40%	36	19	3	2
24-25 Jan 06	43%	36	17	2	2
10-11 Jan 06	38%	33	22	4	2