



# FOX News/Opinion Dynamics Poll

16 June 05

Polling was conducted by telephone June 14-15, 2005 in the evenings. The total sample is 900 registered voters nationwide with a margin of error of  $\pm 3$  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 \*\*\***

	Approve	Disapprove	(Don't know)
Most recent (14-15 Jun 05)	48%	43	9
Highest (14-15 Nov 01)	88%	7	5
Lowest (3-4 Aug 04)	44%	48	8
First-Term Average	61%	29	

## RECENT TREND

	Approve	Disapprove	(DK)		Approve	Disapprove	(DK)
14-15 Jun 05	48%	43	9	3-4 Oct 04 LV	53%	43	4
25-26 Apr 05	47%	43	10	21-22 Sep 04 LV	50%	45	5
29-30 Mar 05	49%	46	5	7-8 Sep 04 LV	49%	44	7
1-2 Mar 05	52%	39	9	24-25 Aug 04 LV	51%	43	6
8-9 Feb 05	51%	43	7	3-4 Aug 04	44%	48	8
25-26 Jan 05	50%	40	10	20-21 Jul 04	47%	45	8
11-12 Jan 05	52%	41	7	22-23 Jun 04	49%	44	7
14-15 Dec 04	48%	45	7	8-9 Jun 04	48%	45	7
16-17 Nov 04	53%	40	7	18-19 May 04	48%	43	9
30-31 Oct 04	47%	46	7	4-5 May 04	49%	43	8
30-31 Oct 04 LV	48%	46	6	21-22 Apr 04	50%	44	6
29-30 Oct 04	47%	45	8	6-7 Apr 04	49%	44	7
29-30 Oct 04 LV	48%	46	6	23-24 Mar 04	47%	44	9
28-29 Oct 04	47%	47	6	3-4 Mar 04	48%	44	8
28-29 Oct 04 LV	47%	47	6	18-19 Feb 04	48%	41	11
27-28 Oct 04	48%	47	5	4-5 Feb 04	53%	41	6
27-28 Oct 04 LV	49%	46	5	21-22 Jan 04	53%	39	8
17-18 Oct 04 LV	49%	44	7	7-8 Jan 04	58%	31	11

2. - 5. I'm going to read the names of some people. Please tell me whether you have a generally favorable or unfavorable opinion of each. If you've never heard of one, please just say so. (RANDOMIZE)  
 SCALE: 1. Favorable 2. Unfavorable 3. (Can't say) 4. Never heard of

\*\*\*\*\* SUMMARY CHART \*\*\*\*\*

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard
George W. Bush	52%	42	5	-
Hilary Clinton	52%	37	10	1
Howard Dean	23%	41	24	13
William Rehnquist	30%	16	29	24

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard		Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard
George W. Bush									
14-15 Jun 05	52%	42	5	-	3-4 Oct 04 LV	52%	43	5	-
RECENT TREND					21-22 Sep 04 LV	52%	43	5	-
25-26 Apr 05	52%	43	5	-	7-8 Sep 04 LV	51%	43	6	-
29-30 Mar 05	49%	43	7	1	24-25 Aug 04 LV	50%	44	6	-
1-2 Mar 05	54%	41	4	-	3-4 Aug 04	47%	45	8	-
11-12 Jan 05	53%	41	6	-	20-21 Jul 04	50%	42	8	-
14-15 Dec 04	50%	43	7	-	22-23 Jun 04	52%	41	7	-
30-31 Oct 04	48%	47	5	-	8-9 Jun 04	52%	41	7	-
30-31 Oct 04 LV	49%	46	5	-	4-5 May 04	50%	42	8	-
29-30 Oct 04	47%	46	7	-	6-7 Apr 04	49%	44	7	-
29-30 Oct 04 LV	49%	45	6	-	23-24 Mar 04	50%	43	7	-
28-29 Oct 04	47%	45	8	-	3-4 Mar 04	52%	40	8	-
28-29 Oct 04 LV	49%	44	7	-	4-5 Feb 04	56%	37	7	-
27-28 Oct 04	49%	45	6	-	21-22 Jan 04	54%	39	7	-
27-28 Oct 04 LV	50%	44	6	-					
17-18 Oct 04 LV	49%	45	6	-					

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Hillary Clinton									
14-15 Jun 05	52%	37	10	1					
RECENT TREND					14-15 Nov 01	44%	44	11	1
25-26 Apr 05	47%	45	8	-	18-19 Apr 01	42%	49	9	-
20-21 Jul 04	44%	44	11	1	14-15 Mar 01	39%	51	10	-
21-22 Jan 04	47%	44	9	-	21-22 Feb 01	44%	46	10	-
17-18 Jun 03	44%	47	9	-	10-11 Jan 01	52%	38	10	-
3-4 Jun 03	44%	47	8	1					
17-18 Dec 02	47%	45	8	-					

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Howard Dean				
14-15 Jun 05	23%	41	24	13
1-2 Mar 05	33%	32	23	12
21-22 Jan 04	28%	43	21	8
28-29 Oct 03	26%	23	23	28
12-13 Aug 03	19%	16	23	42
3-4 Jun 03	12%	12	20	56
14-15 Jan 03	7%	8	18	67

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Can't say	Never heard
William Rehnquist				
14-15 Jun 05	30%	16	29	24
11-12 Jan 05	31%	17	30	22

6. What do you think is the most important issue for the federal government to address today? (DO NOT READ)

	14-15 Jun 05	3-4 Oct 04 LV	24-25 Aug 04 LV	8-9 Jun 04
(War/Iraq/Saddam Hussein)	25%	16%	20%	23%
(Economy/Jobs/Unemployment)	13	27	30	28
(Social Security/Medicare)	12	3	2	4
(Health care/Prescription drugs)	9	10	14	10
(Terrorism - not Iraq)	4	18	9	7
(Defense/Military/Homeland/ National Security)	4	5	8	5
(Education)	4	3	4	4
(Domestic issues/Take care of U.S.)	3	2	3	2
(Balanced budget/Deficit)	3	1	2	2
(Taxes)	2	1	1	2
(Foreign affairs/Mideast-not Iraq)	2	1	1	2
(Environment/Energy)	2	1	1	1
(Gay marriage)	1	1	-	na
(Gas prices)	1	-	-	1
(Other)	10	6	2	5
(Don't know/Refused)	5	6	3	4

7. Of the three branches of U.S. government, which one do you trust the most? (ROTATE)

1. The U.S. Congress, the legislative branch	20%
2. The President, the executive branch	22
3. The U.S. Supreme Court, the judicial branch	33
4. (Mixed)	5
5. (All)	3
6. (None)	11
7. (Not sure)	7

8. Do you favor or oppose limiting the number of terms members of the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, including your own senators and representatives, can serve?

1. Favor	68%
2. Oppose	21
3. (Not sure)	11

9. Do you feel Congress is -- or is not -- currently working on issues that are important to most Americans?

	Yes	No	(Not sure)
All	41%	51	8
Democrats	37%	56	7
Republicans	45%	45	10
Independents	42%	52	6

10. In general, do you think the Congress is in touch with what is going on in the country, or not?

	In touch	Not in touch	(Not sure)
14-15 Jun 05	38%	54	9
Democrats	37%	56	8
Republicans	43%	48	9
Independents	31%	61	8
30 Jun-1 Jul 03	52%	35	13

11. Based on what you know, has Congress passed any legislation so far this year that will improve the quality of life for most Americans?

	All	Dem	Rep	Ind
1. Yes	18%	15%	25%	13%
2. No	61	69	49	66
3. (Not sure)	21	16	26	21

12. In general, which of the following do you think better describes most Senators and Representatives on Capitol Hill these days:

	All	Dem	Rep	Ind
1. Statesmen doing service for their country	17%	17%	18%	13%
2. Petty politicians fighting for personal gain	63	68	57	65
3. (Mixed)	15	11	17	17
4. (Not sure)	6	4	7	5

13. If the 2008 Democratic presidential primary were held today, for whom would you vote if the candidates were: (RANDOMIZE)

	Dem (±5%)
1. Hillary Rodham Clinton	44%
2. Joseph Biden	6
3. John Edwards	13
4. John Kerry	17
5. Mark Warner	1
6. Wesley Clark	2
7. Evan Bayh	1
8. (Other)	2
9. (Not sure)	13
10. (Would not vote in Democratic primary)	1

14. If the 2008 Republican presidential primary were held today, for whom would you vote if the candidates were: (RANDOMIZE)

	Rep (±5%)
1. Bill Frist	3%
2. Rudy Giuliani	29
3. John McCain	26
4. George Allen	3
5. Mitt Romney	2
6. Newt Gingrich	9
7. (Other)	2
8. (Not sure)	23
9. (Would not vote in Republican primary)	3

15. How do you feel about the likely retirement of one or more Supreme Court justices -- do you welcome changes or are you uneasy about changes to the Supreme Court?

	All	Dem	Rep	Ind
1. Welcome the changes	58%	48%	68%	62%
2. Uneasy about the changes	28	37	19	29
3. (Mixed)	6	4	8	4
4. (Not sure)	8	12	5	4

16. How comfortable are you with George W. Bush selecting the next U.S. Supreme Court nominee?

SCALE: Very comfortable 2. Somewhat comfortable 3. Not very comfortable 4. Not at all comfortable 5. (Not sure)

	-- Comfortable --			- Uncomfortable -			(NS)
	TOTAL	Vry	Smwht	TOTAL	Ntvry	Nt	
14-15 Jun 05	54%	31	23	43	15	28	4
Democrats	22%	7	15	75	22	53	4
Republicans	90%	61	29	7	4	3	2
Independents	52%	27	25	46	19	27	2
16-17 Nov 04	59%	39	20	34	10	24	7
30 Jun-1 Jul 03*	59%	32	27	34	14	20	7

\*"Given President Bush's appointments in other areas, how..."

17. Based on what you know, do you think the prison conditions at Guantanamo Bay military base meet accepted standards for treating prisoners or fail to meet those standards?

1. Meet accepted standards 43%
2. Fail to meet standards 33
3. (Not sure) 24

*For reference (9-10 Jul 02): Based on what you know, do you think the prison conditions at Guantanamo military base are acceptable or unacceptable?*

1. Acceptable 67%
2. Unacceptable 8
3. (Not sure) 25

18. In purely physical terms, such as food and clothing, do you think most detainees in the Guantanamo Bay military prison are living better or worse than they were in Iraq and Afghanistan?

1. Better 59%
2. Worse 12
3. (Same) 6
4. (Not sure) 24

19. Do you think the military prison at Guantanamo Bay should be closed or not?

1. Yes 22%
2. No 59
3. (Not sure) 19

20. At the prison at Guantanamo Bay, Muslim prisoners are given copies of the holy Muslim book the Koran. If Muslims were holding Americans as prisoners, do you think the Americans would be given copies of the Bible?

1. Yes 10%
2. No 75
3. (Not sure/Refused) 15

21. After the 9/11 terrorist attacks, Congress passed the Patriot Act which, in part, gives federal officials wider authority to use wiretaps and other surveillance techniques. Some people say the Patriot Act is a necessary and effective tool in preventing terrorist attacks, while others say the act goes too far and could violate the civil liberties of average Americans. Which comes closer to your view -- overall, would you say the Patriot Act is a good thing for America or a bad thing for America?

	Good	Bad	(Mixed)	(Not sure)
14-15 Jun 05	57%	30	na	13
21-22 Apr 04	54%	28	11	7
29-30 Jul 03	55%	27	9	9

22. Do you think the Patriot Act has helped prevent terrorist attacks in the United States or not?

1. Yes	50%
2. No	35
3. (Not sure)	15

23. Based on what you know, do you support or oppose extending the Patriot Act, which is scheduled to expire at the end of the year?

	Support	Oppose	(Not sure)
14-15 Jun 05	56%	31	12
21-22 Apr 04*	53%	32	15

\*"...scheduled to expire in one year"

24. How likely do you think it is that a woman will be on one of the presidential tickets in 2008, either as a presidential or a vice presidential candidate?

SCALE: 1. Very likely 2. Somewhat likely 3. Not very likely 4. Not at all likely 5. (Not sure)

	---- Likely ----			--- Unlikely ---			(Not sure)
	TOTAL	Vry	Smwht	TOTAL	Ntvry	Not	
14-15 Jun 05	78%	44	34	19	11	8	3
23-24 Sep 03*	43%	15	28	52	31	21	5
13-14 Jan 99**	74%	36	38	23	16	7	3

\*2004 \*\*2000

25. - 26. Who do you think is: (ROTATE)

	Hillary Rodham Clinton	Condoleezza Rice	(Both)	(Neither)	(Not sure)
Tougher?	49%	35	5	2	10
Smarter?	36%	38	11	1	14

27. - 28. Do you think (NAME) has the integrity to serve effectively as president? (RANDOMIZE) SCALE: 1. Yes 2. No 3. (Not sure)

	Yes	No	(Not sure)
Hillary Rodham Clinton	54%	38	8
Condoleezza Rice	54%	30	16

29. If Hillary Rodham Clinton were elected president, then Bill Clinton would return to the White House as first gentleman. Which comes closer to how you feel about the possibility of Bill Clinton being back in the White House? (ROTATE)

	All	Dem	Rep	Ind
1. Enthusiastic	38%	66%	12%	34%
2. Scared	33	11	63	21
3. (Mixed)	11	7	11	18
4. (Other)	9	8	7	13
5. (Not sure)	10	7	7	15

30. If Hillary Clinton were elected president, would you see it more as her first term or as a third term for Bill Clinton?

1. Hillary's first term	67%
2. Bill's third term	19
3. (Mixed)	6
4. (Not sure)	8

31. Do you still agree with your vote in the 2004 presidential election or do you regret how you voted?

	All	Bush voters	Kerry voters
1. Agree with my vote	92%	94%	94%
2. Regret my vote	3	4	3
3. (Mixed feelings)	2	2	2
4. (Not sure)	2	-	2
5. (Didn't vote)	1	-	-

32. How familiar are you with recent comments Howard Dean, chair of the Democratic National Committee, made about the Republican Party?

1. Very familiar	21%
2. Somewhat familiar	20
3. Not very familiar	18
4. Not at all familiar	35
5. (Not sure)	5
6. (Who is Howard Dean?)	1

33. (If familiar: n=372, ±5%) In his recent comments, do you think that Howard Dean was speaking for most Democrats or not?

	All	Dem	Rep	Ind
1. Yes	27%	27%	30%	20%
2. No	62	57	62	72
3. (Not sure)	11	16	8	8

34. Which 2004 presidential candidate do you think had better grades in college -- George W. Bush or John Kerry?

	All	Dem	Rep	Ind
1. George W. Bush	27%	18%	38%	24%
2. John Kerry	43	57	28	45
3. (Same)	9	8	11	8
4. (Not sure)	21	17	22	22