



May 3-6 interviews: 1,000 adults, 792 registered voters
 May 17-19 interviews: 1,000 adults, 775 registered voters
 Margin of error: ± 3.1 for all adults, ± 3.6 for registered voters
 Combined interviews: 2,000 adults, 1,567 registered voters
 Margin of error: ± 2.2 for all adults, ± 2.5 for registered voters

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NOTE: all results shown are percentages unless otherwise labeled.

1. Generally speaking, would you say things in this country are heading in the right direction, or are they off on the wrong track?

	ALL ADULTS					
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	5/17- 19/02	4/19-21 & 5/3-6/02	4/12-14 & 4/19-21/02	3/14-17 & 4/12-14/02	1 st Quarter JFM 02
Right direction	54	54	54	54	56	63
Wrong track.....	40	41	39	38	36	32
Not sure	6	5	7	8	8	5

2. Overall, do you approve, disapprove or have mixed feelings about the way George W. Bush is handling his job as President? (IF **APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE, ASK:**) Is that strongly (approve/disapprove) or somewhat (approve/disapprove)? (IF **HAVE MIXED FEELINGS OR NOT SURE, ASK:**) If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approve or disapprove?

	REGISTERED VOTERS					
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	5/17- 19/02	4/19-21 & 5/3-6/02	4/12-14 & 4/19-21/02	3/14-17 & 4/12-14/02	1 st Quarter JFM 02
Strongly approve	41	41	41	43	44	50
Somewhat approve	19	20	18	18	17	16
Lean toward approval.....	12	10	13	13	13	11
Still have mixed feelings.....	2	2	2	2	2	2
Lean toward disapproval	12	13	11	11	11	10
Somewhat disapprove	4	5	3	4	4	3
Strongly disapprove.....	9	8	11	9	8	7
Not sure	1	1	1	-	-	-
Total Approve	71	71	72	73	75	77
Total Disapprove	26	27	25	25	23	21
Mean Rating¹	5.2	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.6

¹Mean rating is calculated by assigning each response except "not sure" a value from 1 to 7, with "strongly approve" receiving a value of 7, and "strongly disapprove" a value of 1.

3. And when it comes to **(READ ISSUE)** do you approve or disapprove or have mixed feelings about the way George W. Bush is handling that issue?

(IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE, ASK:) Is that strongly (approve/disapprove) or somewhat (approve/disapprove)? **(IF HAVE MIXED FEELINGS OR NOT SURE, ASK:)** If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approve or disapprove?

REGISTERED VOTERS											
	Strongly Ap- prove	Some- what Ap- prove	Lean Toward Ap- proval	Still Have Mixed Feelings	Lean Toward Disap- proval	Some- what Disap- prove	Strongly Disap- prove	Not Sure	Total Ap- prove	Total Disap- prove	Mean- Rating ¹
Handling the economy											
5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	27	24	12	2	11	7	16	1	63	35	4.7
5/17-19/02.....	27	23	13	2	11	8	16	-	63	35	4.7
4/19-21 & 5/3-6/02	27	24	11	1	12	8	16	1	62	35	4.7
4/12-14 & 4/19-21/02	28	23	13	2	11	8	14	1	64	34	4.7
3/14-17 & 4/12-14/02	28	22	14	2	11	8	14	1	64	33	4.7
1 st quarter JFM 02.....	31	21	14	2	11	7	14	1	66	32	4.8
Handling domestic issues like health care, education, the environment and energy											
5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	24	20	12	3	13	8	19	1	56	41	4.4
5/17-19/02.....	24	19	13	2	15	7	19	1	56	41	4.4
4/19-21 & 5/3-6/02	23	20	12	3	13	9	19	1	56	40	4.4
4/12-14 & 4/19-21/02	23	20	15	3	13	8	17	1	57	39	4.4
3/14-17 & 4/12-14/02	22	21	16	3	12	7	19	1	58	38	4.4
1 st quarter JFM 02.....	25	20	16	2	12	7	17	1	61	36	4.6
Handling foreign policy issues and the war on terrorism											
5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	48	15	10	3	10	3	10	1	73	24	5.4
5/17-19/02.....	47	15	11	3	9	4	10	1	72	24	5.3
4/19-21 & 5/3-6/02	49	15	11	2	10	3	9	1	74	23	5.4
4/12-14 & 4/19-21/02	48	16	11	2	10	3	9	1	75	22	5.4
3/14-17 & 4/12-14/02	51	16	10	2	9	3	9	1	77	21	5.5
1 st quarter JFM 02.....	59	14	10	1	7	2	6	-	83	15	5.9

¹Mean rating is calculated by assigning each response except "not sure" a value from 1 to 7, with "strongly approve" receiving a value of 7, and "strongly disapprove" a value of 1.

5. If the election were held today, would you ...

REGISTERED VOTERS						
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	5/17- 19/02	4/19-21 & 5/3-6/02	4/12-14 & 4/19-21/02	3/14-17 & 4/12-14/02	1 st Quarter JFM 02
Definitely vote to reelect Bush as President	48	48	49	52	53	54
Consider voting for someone else	25	25	25	24	23	24
Definitely vote for someone else	24	24	23	21	22	20
Not sure	3	3	3	3	2	2

6. And if the election for Congress were held today, would you want to see the Republicans or Democrats win control of Congress?

	REGISTERED VOTERS					
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	5/17- 19/02	4/19-21 & 5/3-6/02	4/12-14 & 4/19-21/02	3/14-17 & 4/12-14/02	1 st Quarter JFM 02
Republicans	43	44	43	45	43	43
Democrats.....	40	40	41	39	41	41
Neither (VOL).....	13	12	11	11	13	12
Not sure	4	4	5	5	4	4

8. Rate the current state of the economy in your local area using a scale from 1 to 7, where 7 means a very strong economy today and 1 means a very weak economy.

	ALL ADULTS					
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	5/17- 19/02	4/19-21 & 5/3-6/02	4/12-14 & 4/19-21/02	3/14-17 & 4/12-14/02	1 st Quarter JFM 02
7, very strong economy.....	5	7	5	6	6	7
6.....	11	10	12	11	10	11
5.....	35	37	31	33	34	32
4.....	23	23	23	23	22	23
3.....	14	12	15	15	16	15
2.....	5	5	6	5	4	5
1, very weak economy	7	6	7	6	7	7
Not sure	-	-	1	1	1	-
Mean.....	4.3	4.4	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.3

9. Looking ahead six months from now, do you expect the economy in your local area to be much stronger, somewhat stronger, about the same, somewhat weaker, or much weaker than it is now?

	ALL ADULTS					
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	5/17- 19/02	4/19-21 & 5/3-6/02	4/12-14 & 4/19-21/02	3/14-17 & 4/12-14/02	1 st Quarter JFM 02
Much stronger	6	7	7	7	7	8
Somewhat stronger	31	31	31	32	33	33
About the same.....	52	52	51	49	47	46
Somewhat weaker.....	7	7	7	8	9	8
Much weaker	3	3	3	3	4	3
Not sure	1	-	1	1	1	1
Total Stronger.....	38	38	38	39	40	41
Total Weaker.....	10	10	10	11	13	11

10. Rate your current financial situation, using a scale from 1 to 7, where 7 means your personal financial situation is very strong today and 1 means it is very weak.

ALL ADULTS						
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	5/17- 19/02	4/19-21 & 5/3-6/02	4/12-14 & 4/19-21/02	3/14-17 & 4/12-14/02	1 st Quarter JFM 02
7, very strong	10	10	9	9	9	11
6.....	14	14	14	14	13	15
5.....	31	31	32	31	30	30
4.....	19	19	19	20	21	19
3.....	11	12	9	10	11	10
2.....	5	4	5	5	5	4
1, very weak.....	9	9	10	9	9	9
Not sure	1	1	2	2	2	1
Mean.....	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.4	4.5

11. Looking ahead six months from now, do you expect your personal financial situation to be much stronger, somewhat stronger, about the same, somewhat weaker, or much weaker than it is now?

ALL ADULTS						
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	5/17- 19/02	4/19-21 & 5/3-6/02	4/12-14 & 4/19-21/02	3/14-17 & 4/12-14/02	1 st Quarter JFM 02
Much stronger	13	13	12	11	11	13
Somewhat stronger	28	29	29	28	29	31
About the same.....	51	52	51	53	51	50
Somewhat weaker.....	5	4	4	5	5	4
Much weaker.....	2	1	3	2	2	2
Not sure	1	1	1	1	1	1
Total Stronger.....	41	42	41	39	40	44
Total Weaker.....	7	6	7	7	7	6

Now I'd like you to think about how your personal financial situation has changed in the past six months.

12. Compared to 6 months ago, are you NOW more or less comfortable making a major purchase, like a home or car?

ALL ADULTS						
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	5/17- 19/02	4/19-21 & 5/3-6/02	4/12-14 & 4/19-21/02	3/14-17 & 4/12-14/02	1 st Quarter JFM 02
More comfortable	36	37	37	34	33	34
Less comfortable.....	43	42	42	43	44	45
No change (VOL)	20	20	19	21	22	20
Not sure	1	1	2	2	2	1

13. Compared to 6 months ago, are you NOW more or less comfortable making other household purchases?

ALL ADULTS						
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	5/17- 19/02	4/19-21 & 5/3-6/02	4/12-14 & 4/19-21/02	3/14-17 & 4/12-14/02	1 st Quarter JFM 02
More comfortable	45	45	43	40	41	41
Less comfortable.....	35	35	35	37	37	38
No change (VOL)	19	19	21	22	21	21
Not sure	1	1	1	1	1	1

14. Compared to 6 months ago, are you NOW more or less confident about job security for yourself, your family and other people you know personally?

	ALL ADULTS					
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	5/17- 19/02	4/19-21 & 5/3-6/02	4/12-14 & 4/19-21/02	3/14-17 & 4/12-14/02	1 st Quarter JFM 02
More confident	43	42	44	40	37	39
Less confident	41	41	39	42	45	45
No change (VOL)	14	15	15	16	15	15
Not sure	2	2	2	2	2	2

15. Compared to 6 months ago, are you NOW more or less confident of your ability to invest in the future, including your ability to save money for your retirement or your children's education?

	ALL ADULTS					
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	5/17- 19/02	4/19-21 & 5/3-6/02	4/12-14 & 4/19-21/02	3/14-17 & 4/12-14/02	1 st Quarter JFM 02
More confident	45	46	44	41	40	42
Less confident	38	37	39	39	40	40
No change (VOL)	15	15	15	17	18	16
Not sure	2	2	2	3	3	2

- 16a. Thinking of the last 6 months, have you, someone in your family or someone else you know personally lost their job as a result of economic conditions?

	ALL ADULTS					
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	5/17- 19/02	4/19-21 & 5/3-6/02	4/12-14 & 4/19-21/02	3/14-17 & 4/12-14/02	1 st Quarter JFM 02
Yes.....	41	39	42	45	46	43
No	59	61	57	55	53	57
Not sure	-	-	1	-	-	-

- 16b. Now look ahead at the next six months. How likely is it that you, someone in your family or someone else you know personally will lose their job in the next six months as a result of economic conditions?

	ALL ADULTS					
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	5/17- 19/02	4/19-21 & 5/3-6/02	4/12-14 & 4/19-21/02	3/14-17 & 4/12-14/02	1 st Quarter JFM 02
Extremely likely	6	4	7	7	7	7
Very likely	11	11	11	11	12	12
Somewhat likely	28	27	27	28	28	29
Not very likely	35	37	34	34	33	32
Not at all likely	19	20	19	18	18	17
Not sure	1	1	2	2	2	1
Total Likely	17	15	18	18	19	20
Total Not Likely	54	57	53	52	50	50

DEMOGRAPHICS

D1a. First of all, in what year were you born?

D1b. Have you already had a birthday this year?

(IF RESPONDENT REFUSES Q.D1a OR Q.D1b, Q.D1c ASKED. RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

D1c. Are you:

	ALL ADULTS
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02
18-34	32
35-49	30
50-64	21
65 and over.....	16
Refused/not sure	1

D2a. Are you employed:

	ALL ADULTS
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02
Full time.....	54
Part time	10
Not employed	16
Retired.....	20
Refused/not sure	-

(Q.D2b ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO ARE EMPLOYED FULL OR PART-TIME IN Q.2a.)

D2b. We would also like to have just a general idea of what type of occupation you have. Which one of the following best describes your current job?

	ALL ADULTS
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02
Professional	15
Senior executive or manager	7
Clerical or administrative.....	7
Sales or services.....	9
A skilled trade or technical occupation	12
Blue-collar work or laborer	6
Farming or fishing	1
Other (VOL)	6
Refused/not sure.....	1
Not Employed Full/Part Time (Q.2a)	36

D3. What is the last year of school you completed?

	ALL ADULTS
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02
Grade school or some high school.....	7
Completed high school.....	25
Some community college or university, but did not finish.....	21
Completed technical school or a community college	16
Completed a university or Bachelor's degree.....	18
Completed a post-graduate degree such as a Master's or Ph.D.	13
Refused/not sure.....	-

D4. Are you currently married?

	ALL ADULTS
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02
Yes	54
No	45
Refused/not sure	1

D5. Including yourself and any children, how many people are currently living in your household?

	ALL ADULTS
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02
1	20
2	34
3	18
4	16
5	7
6 or more	4
Refused/not sure	1

(Q.D6a-c ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY MORE THAN ONE PERSON IN HOUSEHOLD IN Q.D5.)

D6a. How many children under 6 years are currently living in your household?

D6b. How many children ages 6 to 12 are currently living in your household?

D6c. How many children ages 13 to 17 are currently living in your household?

	ALL ADULTS
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02
ANY CHILDREN – NET	36
Under 6.....	16
6-12	18
13-17	15
NO CHILDREN.....	63
Refused/not sure	1

D7. Now, I am going to read a list of income ranges. When I get to the income range that best describes your household income from all sources in 2001, please stop me. Was your household income for 2000:

ALL ADULTS	
5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	
Under \$15,000.....	11
\$15,000 to less than \$20,000	8
\$20,000 to less than \$25,000	9
\$25,000 to less than \$30,000	7
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	10
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	9
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	17
\$75,000 to less than \$100,000	9
\$100,000 or more	8
Refused/not sure	12

D8a. Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race?

D8b. Are you of Hispanic ethnicity?

(RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

ALL ADULTS	
5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	
White.....	78
Black.....	9
Hispanic.....	7
Asian.....	1
American Indian.....	1
Other.....	2
Refused	2

D9. Are you currently registered to vote at this address, or not?

ALL ADULTS	
5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02	
Yes	76
No.....	23
Refused/not sure	1

D10a. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent or none of these?

(IF "DEMOCRAT" TO Q.D10a, Q.D10b ASKED. IF "REPUBLICAN" TO Q.D10a, Q.D10c ASKED. IF "INDEPENDENT" or "NONE OF THESE" TO Q.D10a, Q.D10d ASKED. RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

D10b. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Democratic Party?

D10c. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Republican Party?

D10d. Do your beliefs tend to lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

	REGISTERED VOTERS
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02
Strongly Republican.....	20
Moderately Republican	24
Definitely Independent/neither	10
Moderately Democrat	28
Strongly Democrat	17
Refused/not sure	1
Total Republican.....	44
Total Democrat	45

D11. Do you currently own stocks, bonds or mutual funds?

	ALL ADULTS
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02
Yes	49
No	47
Refused/not sure	4

D12. Do you currently have an operating firearm in your home, or not?

	ALL ADULTS
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02
Yes	38
No	58
Refused/not sure	4

D13. Are you, or is anyone else in your household, a member of a labor union?

	ALL ADULTS
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02
Yes	16
No	83
Refused/not sure	1

D14a. What religion were you brought up in? Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, or some other religion?

	ALL ADULTS
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02
Protestant	59
Catholic.....	26
Jewish.....	2
Some other religion	6
Not raised religiously (VOL)	2
Refused/not sure	5

D14b. Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or born-again Christian, or neither?

	ALL ADULTS
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02
Born-again Christian.....	30
Fundamentalist.....	5
Neither	63
Refused/not sure	2

REGION:

	ALL ADULTS
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02
Northeast.....	20
Midwest	23
South	35
West	22

METROPOLITAN STATUS:

	ALL ADULTS
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02
Urban.....	25
Suburban.....	50
Rural.....	25

GENDER:

	ALL ADULTS
	5/3-6 & 5/17-19/02
Male.....	48
Female	52