

# THE WISCONSIN SURVEY - SPRING 2007

## *National Approval Ratings & Iraq*

**Survey Information:**

**Random Selection, Telephone Survey**  
**Number of Adult Wisconsin Resident Respondents: 400**  
**Interview Period: April 3<sup>rd</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>, 2007**  
**Margin of Error: +/- 5% at the 95% confidence level.**

- *NOTE: Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.*

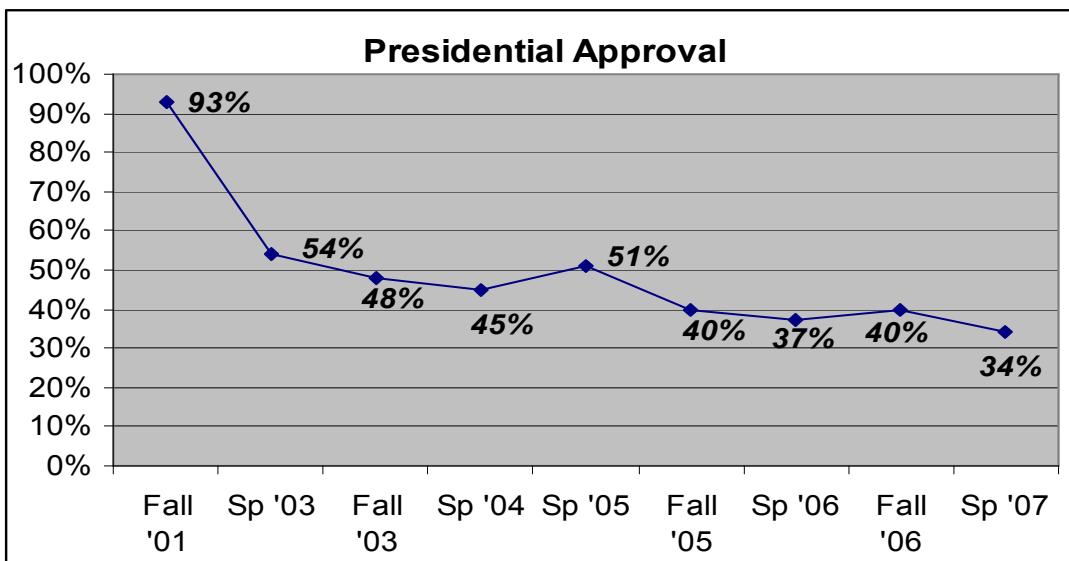
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### Presidential Approval

How satisfied are you with the way President Bush is doing his job overall. Would you say you are very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

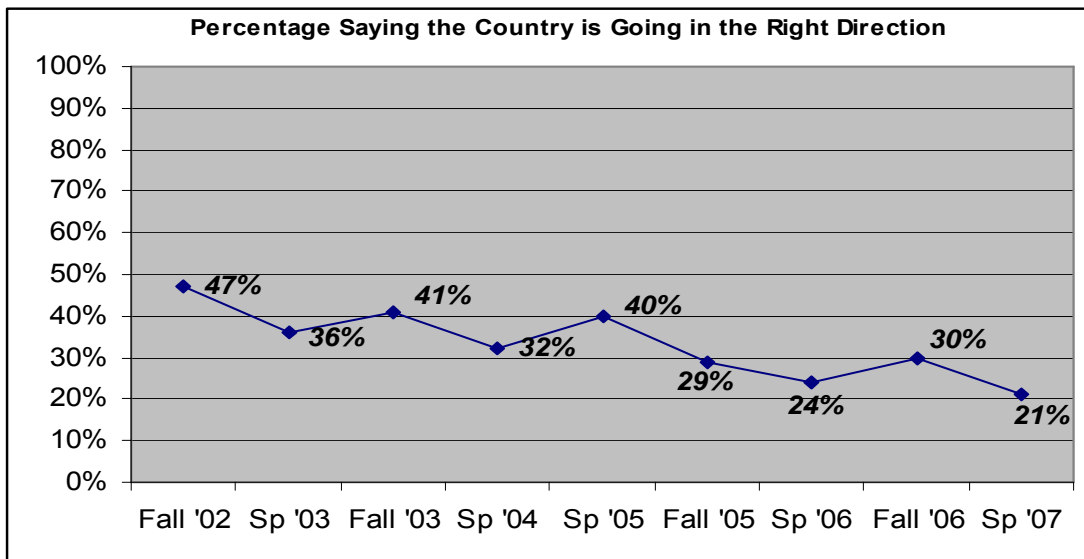
Very Satisfied.....	7%
Somewhat Satisfied.....	27%
Somewhat Dissatisfied.....	19%
Very Dissatisfied.....	47%
Not Sure .....	1%
Refused .....	<1%



## Direction of the Country

Generally speaking, would you say that things in the country are going in the right direction, or are they going in the wrong direction?

Right Direction.....	21%
Wrong Direction .....	72%
Not Sure .....	7%
Refused .....	1%



## Congressional Approval

How satisfied are you with the way Congress is doing its job overall. Would you say you are very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

Very Satisfied.....	4%
Somewhat Satisfied.....	33%
Somewhat Dissatisfied.....	36%
Very Dissatisfied.....	21%
Not Sure .....	6%
Refused .....	0%

## Most Important Problem Facing the Country

What is the most important problem facing the country today? (post-coded from open-ended response)

1. Iraq	42.25%
2. Health Care	12%
3. Economy/Jobs	7.5%
4. Other foreign policy	6%
5. Morality	4.25%
6. Energy/Gas Prices	3.5%
7. Immigration	3.25%
8. Government Spending	3%
8. Education	3%
10. Lack of Unity	2.75%
11. Environment/Climate change	2.5%
12. Poverty	1.25%
13. Social Security	1%
13. President Bush	1%
13. Crime	1%
13. Erosion of Civil Liberties	1%
17. Other (each is less than 1% of total responses)	5.75%
Congress	
Voter Apathy	
Abortion	
Kids	
Media	
Women should not have the right to vote	
Don't Know	
Refused	

	Sp '03	Fall '04	Fall '05	Fall '06	Sp '07
Iraq	53%	21%	28%	29%	42%
Terrorism	8%	15%	7%	10%	3%
Economy	17%	23%	11%	9%	8%
Health Care	2%	16%	9%	9%	12%
Morality	1%	3%	8%	5%	4%
Government Budget & Taxes	4%	4%	7%	6%	3%
Gas Prices	0%	1%	5%	2%	4%
Politics	7%	7%	5%	6%	2%
Poverty & Soc Security	1%	2%	6%	1%	2%
Education	1%	<1%	2%	2%	3%
Crime	0%	0%	2%	5%	1%
Environment	<1%	1%	1%	1%	3%

## Iraq

The House and Senate have recently passed plans for the withdrawal of the troops from Iraq which President Bush has said he will veto. Please tell me which of the plans most closely reflects your own views....

Congress' plan to begin withdrawing troops within a few months after the bill's passage and be completed by mid-2008	63%
The President's plan to increase the number of US troops in Iraq by 21,500 and keep them there until Iraqi troops can adequately take over	29%
Other (see box below)	3%
Not Sure	5%
Refused	1%

Of those who said "Other"....

Somewhere in between (one said use the deadline but increase troops in the interim, one said a longer deadline, others just said a mix or somewhere in between)	42%
They think we should stay there, that we made a commitment to the Iraqi people, but do not give an alternative solution to the President's plan	25%
Get them out of there immediately (one said allow money only to get them transported home, the other said, get everyone out immediately then nuke them)	17%
Have the Iraqis vote or put more pressure on the Iraqis to take over	17%