

# GRANITE STATE POLL

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### SOUR ECONOMY KEEPS BUSH APPROVAL RATINGS IN NH LOW

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DURHAM, NH – President George W. Bush remains very unpopular in New Hampshire and his handling of the economy is rated an all-time low.

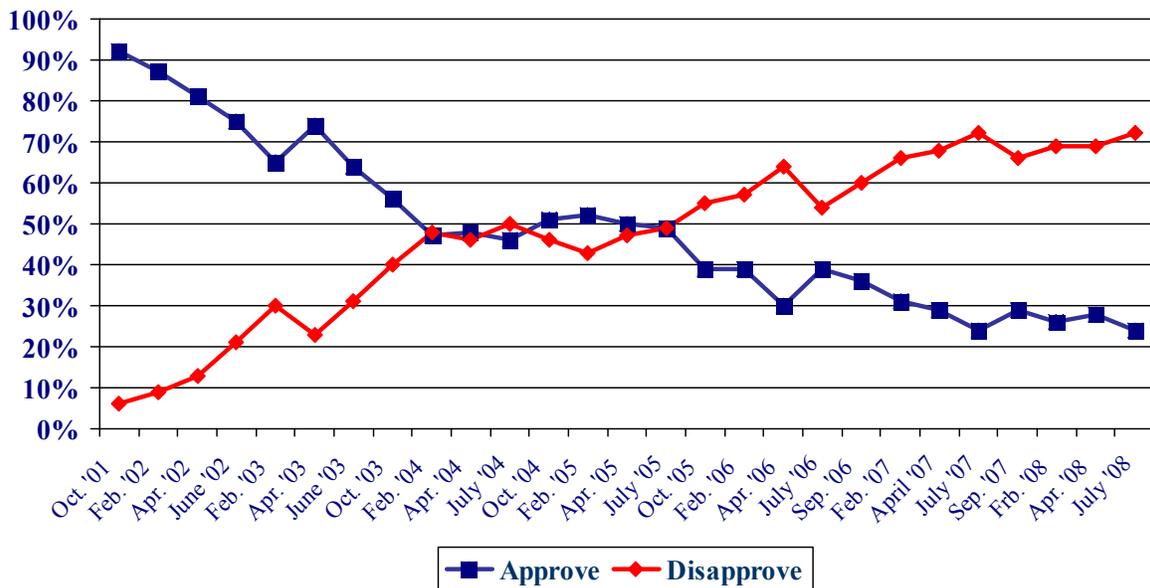
These findings are based on the latest **Granite State Poll**,\* conducted by the University of New Hampshire Survey Center. Five hundred (519) randomly selected New Hampshire adults were interviewed by telephone between July 11 and July 20, 2008. The margin of sampling error for the survey is +/-4.3 percent.

#### Presidential Approval

There are 6 months left in the presidency of George W. Bush and it appears his approval ratings will be among the lowest, if not the lowest, of any president leaving office. In the most recent Granite State Poll, only 24% of New Hampshire adults say they approve of the job Bush is doing as president, 72% disapprove, and 4% are neutral. This ties Bush's lowest approval rating in New Hampshire last July. This is lower than the average of national presidential polls reported this week on pollster.com which finds 27% nationwide approve of Bush.

Only half of Republicans now approve of Bush's performance as President while 95% of Democrats and 83% of political Independents disapprove.

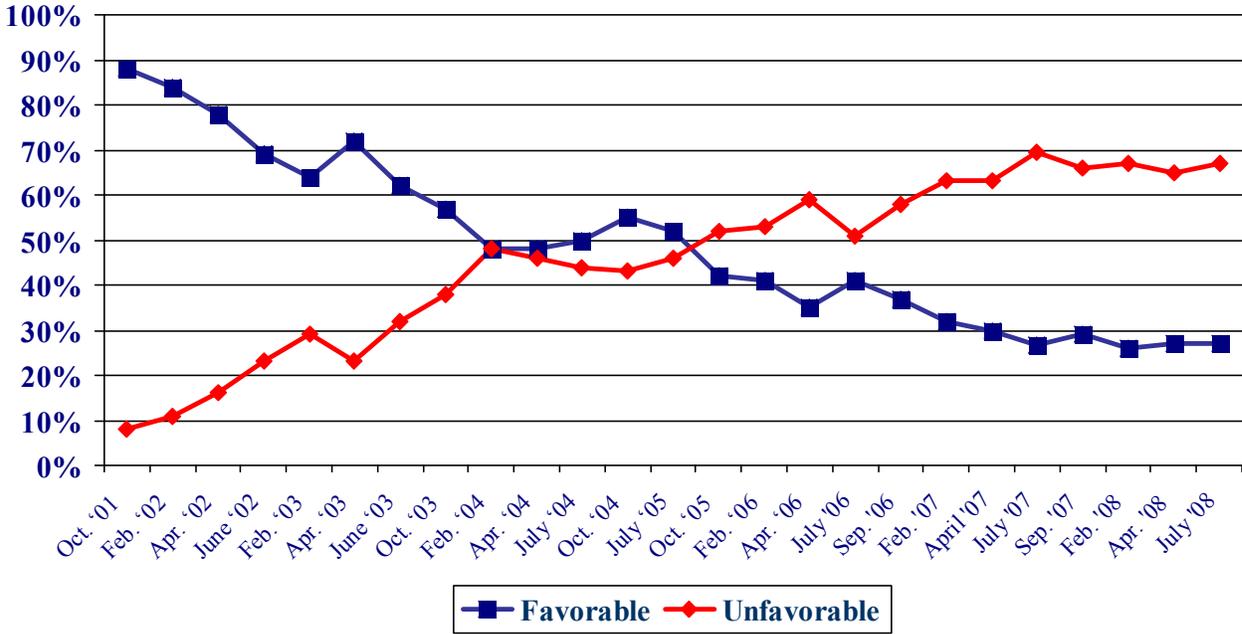
Presidential Approval – G.W. Bush



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Bush's personal favorability rating is also near record lows. Only 27% of New Hampshire adults have a favorable opinion of Bush, 67% have an unfavorable opinion of him, and 6% are neutral or don't know. Bush's net favorability rating, the percentage having a favorable opinion minus the percentage having an unfavorable opinion, is an extremely low -40%. Bush's favorability rating has dropped due to a drop in support among Republicans – only 54% of Republicans now say they have a favorable opinion of Bush, down from 66% in September.

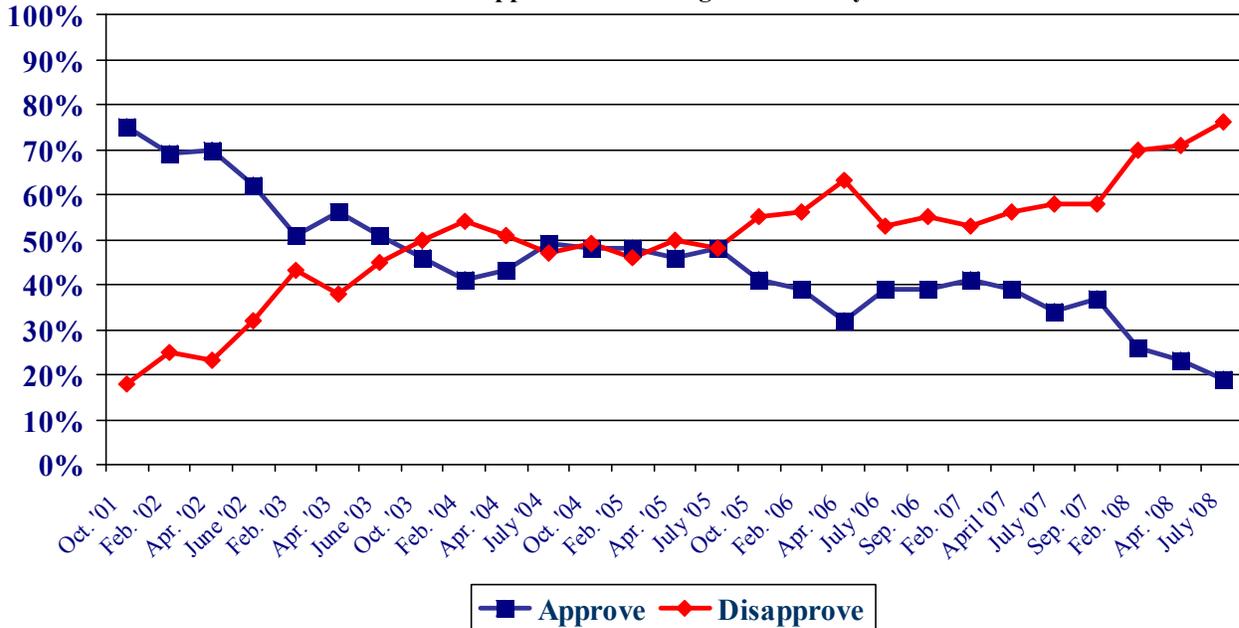
**Favorability Ratings – G.W. Bush**



**Economic Approval Rating**

The recent drop in Bush's approval rating can be tied to concerns about the economy. Only 19% of New Hampshire residents, a record low for his presidency, say they approve of the job President Bush is doing handling the economy, 76% disapprove, and 5% are neutral. The percentage of New Hampshire residents who approve of Bush's handling of the economy has dropped steadily over the past year. In particular, the percentages of Republicans who approve of Bush's handling of the economy has dropped from 78% in September to 39% in the most recent poll.

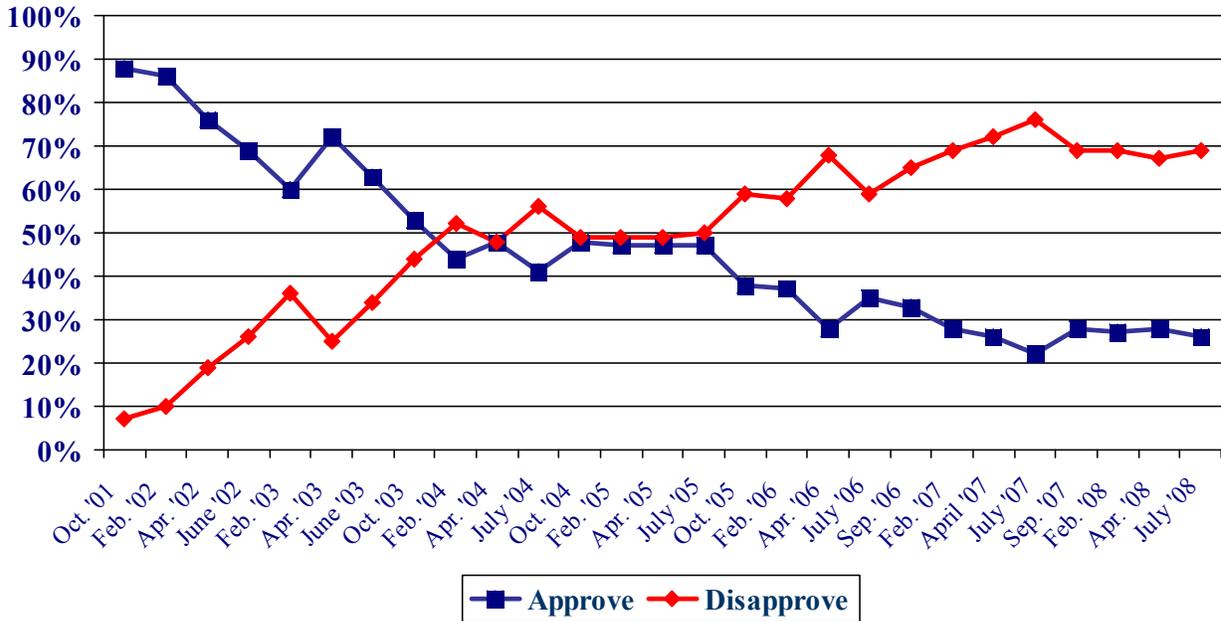
**Bush Approval: Handling the Economy**



## Foreign Affairs

The Bush administration's foreign policy continues to be unpopular in New Hampshire. When asked about how the President is handling foreign affairs, only 26% of New Hampshire adults say they approve, 69% disapprove, and 5% are neutral.

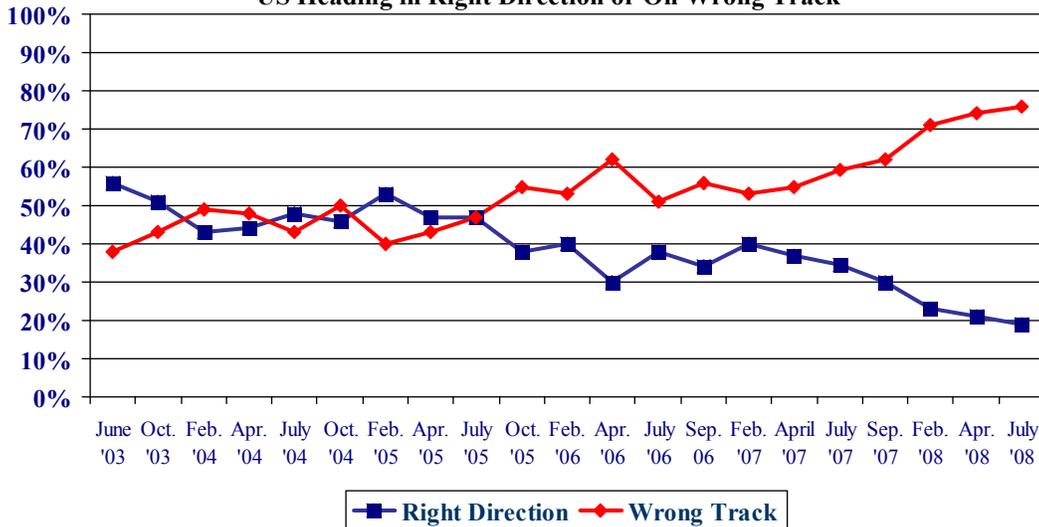
### Bush Approval: Foreign Affairs



### Right Track – Wrong Track

Overall, New Hampshire residents have become even more pessimistic about the direction the country is heading. Only 19%, a record low in New Hampshire, think things in this country are generally going in the right direction, 73% think things are seriously off on the wrong track, and 8% don't know. Even Republicans are deeply pessimistic with only 35% thinking things are headed in the right direction while only 7% of Democrats and 12% of Independents think things are headed in the right direction.

### US Heading in Right Direction or On Wrong Track



## Granite State Poll Methodology

Five hundred (519) randomly selected New Hampshire adults were interviewed by telephone between July 11 and July 20, 2008. The sample was selected at random from all household in New Hampshire with a land-line telephone and a respondent was selected at random within each household. The margin of sampling error for the survey is +/-4.3 percent.

The data have been weighted to adjust for numbers of adults and telephone lines within households, respondent sex, and region of the state. In addition to potential sampling error, all surveys have other potential sources of non-sampling error including question order effects, question wording effects, and non-response.

### Presidential Approval

“GENERALLY SPEAKING, do you approve or disapprove of the way President Bush is handling his job as president?”

|                  | <u>Approve</u> | <u>Neutral</u> | <u>Disapprove</u> | <u>(N)</u> |
|------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|------------|
| <b>July '08</b>  | <b>24%</b>     | <b>4%</b>      | <b>72%</b>        | <b>516</b> |
| <b>Apr. '08</b>  | 28%            | 3%             | 69%               | (500)      |
| <b>Feb. '08</b>  | 26%            | 5%             | 69%               | (550)      |
| <b>Sep. '07</b>  | 29%            | 5%             | 66%               | (507)      |
| <b>July '07</b>  | 24%            | 4%             | 72%               | (523)      |
| <b>Apr. '07</b>  | 29%            | 3%             | 68%               | (512)      |
| <b>Feb. '07</b>  | 31%            | 4%             | 66%               | (529)      |
| <b>Sept. '06</b> | 36%            | 3%             | 60%               | (507)      |
| <b>July '06</b>  | 39%            | 7%             | 54%               | (501)      |
| <b>Apr. '06</b>  | 30%            | 6%             | 64%               | (496)      |
| <b>Feb. '06</b>  | 39%            | 3%             | 57%               | (495)      |
| <b>Oct. '05</b>  | 39%            | 6%             | 55%               | (505)      |
| <b>July '05</b>  | 49%            | 4%             | 47%               | (498)      |
| <b>Apr. '05</b>  | 50%            | 3%             | 47%               | (483)      |
| <b>Feb. '05</b>  | 52%            | 4%             | 43%               | (533)      |
| <b>Oct. '04</b>  | 51%            | 3%             | 46%               | (567)      |
| <b>July '04</b>  | 46%            | 4%             | 50%               | (503)      |
| <b>Apr. '04</b>  | 48%            | 6%             | 46%               | (536)      |
| <b>Feb. '04</b>  | 47%            | 5%             | 48%               | (505)      |
| <b>Oct. '03</b>  | 56%            | 4%             | 40%               | (502)      |
| <b>June '03</b>  | 64%            | 5%             | 31%               | (511)      |
| <b>Apr. '03</b>  | 71%            | 6%             | 23%               | (503)      |
| <b>Feb. '03</b>  | 65%            | 4%             | 30%               | (646)      |
| <b>June '02</b>  | 75%            | 5%             | 21%               | (658)      |
| <b>Apr. '02</b>  | 81%            | 6%             | 13%               | (685)      |
| <b>Feb. '02</b>  | 87%            | 4%             | 9%                | (724)      |
| <b>Oct. '01</b>  | 92%            | 2%             | 6%                | (687)      |

### Presidential Approval – Economy

"GENERALLY SPEAKING, do you approve or disapprove of the way President Bush is handling THE ECONOMY?"

|                  | <u>Approve</u> | <u>Neutral</u> | <u>Disapprove</u> | <u>(N)</u>   |
|------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------|
| <b>July '08</b>  | <b>19%</b>     | <b>5%</b>      | <b>76%</b>        | <b>(515)</b> |
| <b>Apr. '08</b>  | 23%            | 5%             | 71%               | (499)        |
| <b>Feb. '08</b>  | 26%            | 4%%            | 70%               | (548)        |
| <b>Sep. '07</b>  | 37%            | 5%             | 58%               | (502)        |
| <b>July '07</b>  | 34%            | 8%             | 58%               | (518)        |
| <b>Apr. '07</b>  | 39%            | 5%             | 56%               | (512)        |
| <b>Feb. '07</b>  | 41%            | 5%             | 53%               | (529)        |
| <b>Sept. '06</b> | 39%            | 6%             | 55%               | (508)        |
| <b>July '06</b>  | 39%            | 8%             | 53%               | (497)        |
| <b>Apr. '06</b>  | 32%            | 5%             | 63%               | (502)        |
| <b>Feb. '06</b>  | 39%            | 5%             | 56%               | (495)        |
| <b>Oct. '05</b>  | 41%            | 4%             | 55%               | (500)        |
| <b>July '05</b>  | 48%            | 4%             | 48%               | (495)        |
| <b>Apr. '05</b>  | 46%            | 5%             | 50%               | (490)        |
| <b>Feb. '05</b>  | 48%            | 5%             | 46%               | (534)        |
| <b>Oct. '04</b>  | 48%            | 3%             | 49%               | (568)        |
| <b>July '04</b>  | 49%            | 5%             | 47%               | (499)        |
| <b>Apr. '04</b>  | 43%            | 6%             | 51%               | (538)        |
| <b>Feb. '04</b>  | 41%            | 5%             | 54%               | (506)        |
| <b>Oct. '03</b>  | 46%            | 4%             | 50%               | (499)        |
| <b>June '03</b>  | 51%            | 3%             | 45%               | (512)        |
| <b>Apr. '03</b>  | 56%            | 6%             | 38%               | (502)        |
| <b>Feb. '03</b>  | 51%            | 6%             | 43%               | (644)        |
| <b>June '02</b>  | 62%            | 6%             | 32%               | (644)        |
| <b>Apr. '02</b>  | 70%            | 7%             | 23%               | (688)        |
| <b>Feb. '02</b>  | 69%            | 6%             | 25%               | (725)        |
| <b>Oct. '01</b>  | 75%            | 8%             | 18%               | (684)        |

### Presidential Approval - Foreign Affairs

"GENERALLY SPEAKING, do you approve or disapprove of the way President Bush is handling FOREIGN AFFAIRS?"

|                  | <u>Approve</u> | <u>Neutral</u> | <u>Disapprove</u> | <u>(N)</u>   |
|------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|--------------|
| <b>July '08</b>  | <b>26%</b>     | <b>5%</b>      | <b>69%</b>        | <b>(515)</b> |
| <b>Apr. '08</b>  | 28%            | 5%             | 67%               | (498)        |
| <b>Feb. '08</b>  | 27%            | 4%             | 69%               | (546)        |
| <b>Sep. '07</b>  | 28%            | 3%             | 69%               | (505)        |
| <b>July '07</b>  | 22%            | 3%             | 74%               | (519)        |
| <b>Apr. '07</b>  | 26%            | 2%             | 72%               | (510)        |
| <b>Feb. '07</b>  | 28%            | 3%             | 69%               | (529)        |
| <b>Sept. '06</b> | 33%            | 2%             | 65%               | (506)        |
| <b>July '06</b>  | 35%            | 6%             | 59%               | (497)        |
| <b>Apr. '06</b>  | 28%            | 4%             | 68%               | (500)        |
| <b>Feb. '06</b>  | 37%            | 5%             | 58%               | (495)        |
| <b>Oct. '05</b>  | 38%            | 3%             | 59%               | (502)        |
| <b>July '05</b>  | 47%            | 3%             | 50%               | (497)        |
| <b>Apr. '05</b>  | 47%            | 4%             | 49%               | (486)        |
| <b>Feb. '05</b>  | 47%            | 4%             | 49%               | (533)        |
| <b>Oct. '04</b>  | 48%            | 3%             | 49%               | (568)        |
| <b>July '04</b>  | 41%            | 3%             | 56%               | (499)        |
| <b>Apr. '04</b>  | 48%            | 5%             | 48%               | (539)        |
| <b>Feb. '04</b>  | 44%            | 4%             | 52%               | (507)        |
| <b>Oct. '03</b>  | 53%            | 3%             | 44%               | (501)        |
| <b>June '03</b>  | 63%            | 3%             | 34%               | (512)        |
| <b>Apr. '03</b>  | 72%            | 3%             | 25%               | (506)        |
| <b>Feb. '03</b>  | 60%            | 4%             | 36%               | (646)        |
| <b>June '02</b>  | 69%            | 5%             | 26%               | (644)        |
| <b>Apr. '02</b>  | 76%            | 5%             | 19%               | (690)        |
| <b>Feb. '02</b>  | 86%            | 4%             | 10%               | (722)        |
| <b>Oct. '01</b>  | 88%            | 4%             | 7%                | (685)        |

### Favorability Rating - President George W. Bush

"Next, I'd like to get your overall opinion of some people in the news. As I read each name, please say if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of this person - or if you have never heard of him or her. President George W. Bush."

|                  | <u>Favorable</u> | <u>Neutral</u> | <u>Unfavorable</u> | <u>NET</u>  | <u>(N=)</u>  |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------|
| <b>July '08</b>  | <b>27%</b>       | <b>6%</b>      | <b>67%</b>         | <b>-40%</b> | <b>(519)</b> |
| <b>Apr. '08</b>  | 27%              | 7%             | 65%                | -38%        | (500)        |
| <b>Feb. '08</b>  | 26%              | 4%             | 67%                | -41%        | (554)        |
| <b>Sep. '07</b>  | 29%              | 5%             | 66%                | -37%        | (507)        |
| <b>July '07</b>  | 27%              | 4%             | 69%                | -42%        | (523)        |
| <b>Apr. '07</b>  | 30%              | 7%             | 63%                | -33%        | (515)        |
| <b>Feb. '07</b>  | 32%              | 5%             | 63%                | -31%        | (535)        |
| <b>Sept. '06</b> | 37%              | 5%             | 58%                | -21%        | (513)        |
| <b>July '06</b>  | 41%              | 7%             | 51%                | -10%        | (500)        |
| <b>Apr. '06</b>  | 35%              | 6%             | 59%                | -24%        | (505)        |
| <b>Feb. '06</b>  | 41%              | 6%             | 53%                | -12%        | (499)        |
| <b>Oct. '05</b>  | 42%              | 6%             | 52%                | -10%        | (510)        |
| <b>July '05</b>  | 52%              | 2%             | 46%                | +6%         | (497)        |
| <b>Oct. '04</b>  | 55%              | 2%             | 43%                | +12%        | (574)        |
| <b>July '04</b>  | 50%              | 6%             | 44%                | +6%         | (506)        |
| <b>Apr. '04</b>  | 48%              | 6%             | 46%                | +2%         | (540)        |
| <b>Feb. '04</b>  | 48%              | 4%             | 48%                | 0           | (510)        |
| <b>Oct. '03</b>  | 57%              | 4%             | 38%                | +19%        | (503)        |
| <b>June '03</b>  | 62%              | 6%             | 32%                | +30%        | (514)        |
| <b>Apr. '03</b>  | 72%              | 5%             | 23%                | +49%        | (503)        |
| <b>Feb. '03</b>  | 64%              | 7%             | 29%                | +35%        | (651)        |
| <b>June '02</b>  | 69%              | 8%             | 23%                | +46%        | (641)        |
| <b>Apr. '02</b>  | 78%              | 6%             | 16%                | +62%        | (693)        |
| <b>Feb. '02</b>  | 84%              | 5%             | 11%                | +73%        | (726)        |
| <b>Oct. '01</b>  | 88%              | 4%             | 8%                 | +80%        | (678)        |

### Right Track - Wrong Track

“Do you think things in this country are generally going in the right direction or are they seriously off on the wrong track?”

|                  | <b><u>Right</u></b><br><b><u>Direction</u></b> | <b><u>Wrong</u></b><br><b><u>Track</u></b> | <b><u>Don't</u></b><br><b><u>Know</u></b> | <b><u>(N=)</u></b> |
|------------------|--|--|---|--------------------|
| <b>July '08</b>  | <b>19%</b>                                     | <b>73%</b>                                 | <b>8%</b>                                 | <b>(508)</b>       |
| <b>Apr. '08</b>  | 21%  | 74%  | 5%  | (487)              |
| <b>Feb. '08</b>  | 23%  | 71%  | 7%  | (553)              |
| <b>Sep. '07</b>  | 30%  | 62%  | 8%  | (505)              |
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| <b>Feb. '07</b>  | 40%  | 53%  | 7%  | (516)              |
| <b>Sept. '06</b> | 34%  | 56%  | 10%                                       | (510)              |
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**Presidential Approval Rating - Overall**

| <b>STATEWIDE</b>               | <b><u>Approve</u></b><br><b>24%</b> | <b><u>Neutral</u></b><br><b>4%</b> | <b><u>Disapprove</u></b><br><b>72%</b> | <b><u>(N=)</u></b><br><b>516</b> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Registered Democrat            | 5%                                  | 3%                                 | 92%                                    | 128                              |
| Undeclared                     | 21%                                 | 4%                                 | 76%                                    | 200                              |
| Registered Republican          | 47%                                 | 5%                                 | 48%                                    | 134                              |
| Not registered                 | 25%                                 | 9%                                 | 66%                                    | 50                               |
| Democrat                       | 4%                                  | 2%                                 | 95%                                    | 205                              |
| Independent                    | 13%                                 | 4%                                 | 83%                                    | 80                               |
| Republican                     | 50%                                 | 8%                                 | 42%                                    | 201                              |
| Liberal                        | 3%                                  | 2%                                 | 94%                                    | 116                              |
| Moderate                       | 19%                                 | 2%                                 | 80%                                    | 202                              |
| Conservative                   | 48%                                 | 10%                                | 42%                                    | 155                              |
| Union household                | 23%                                 | 1%                                 | 76%                                    | 68                               |
| Non-union                      | 24%                                 | 5%                                 | 70%                                    | 424                              |
| 5 years or less in NH          | 17%                                 | 3%                                 | 80%                                    | 46                               |
| 6 to 10 years                  | 23%                                 | 12%                                | 65%                                    | 36                               |
| 11 to 20 years                 | 21%                                 | 8%                                 | 72%                                    | 89                               |
| More than 20 years             | 27%                                 | 3%                                 | 70%                                    | 309                              |
| 18 to 34                       | 20%                                 | 7%                                 | 73%                                    | 59                               |
| 35 to 49                       | 26%                                 | 3%                                 | 71%                                    | 119                              |
| 50 to 64                       | 20%                                 | 5%                                 | 75%                                    | 192                              |
| 65 and over                    | 34%                                 | 5%                                 | 61%                                    | 101                              |
| Male                           | 27%                                 | 8%                                 | 65%                                    | 248                              |
| Female                         | 21%                                 | 1%                                 | 78%                                    | 268                              |
| High school or less            | 23%                                 | 4%                                 | 73%                                    | 112                              |
| Some college                   | 27%                                 | 5%                                 | 68%                                    | 114                              |
| College graduate               | 25%                                 | 4%                                 | 71%                                    | 157                              |
| Post-graduate                  | 21%                                 | 5%                                 | 74%                                    | 108                              |
| Less than \$30K                | 23%                                 | 7%                                 | 70%                                    | 48                               |
| \$30K to \$60K                 | 28%                                 | 5%                                 | 67%                                    | 74                               |
| \$60K to \$75K                 | 21%                                 | 1%                                 | 78%                                    | 52                               |
| \$75K to \$100K                | 29%                                 | 1%                                 | 69%                                    | 65                               |
| More than \$100K               | 21%                                 | 5%                                 | 74%                                    | 122                              |
| Married                        | 26%                                 | 4%                                 | 71%                                    | 326                              |
| Divorced/separated             | 22%                                 | 3%                                 | 74%                                    | 90                               |
| Never married                  | 19%                                 | 10%                                | 71%                                    | 76                               |
| Protestant                     | 32%                                 | 7%                                 | 61%                                    | 176                              |
| Catholic                       | 25%                                 | 1%                                 | 74%                                    | 169                              |
| Other                          | 16%                                 | 5%                                 | 79%                                    | 122                              |
| Attend services 1 or more/week | 29%                                 | 6%                                 | 65%                                    | 128                              |
| 1-2 times a month              | 33%                                 | 3%                                 | 63%                                    | 59                               |
| Less often                     | 20%                                 | 5%                                 | 75%                                    | 143                              |
| Never                          | 22%                                 | 4%                                 | 74%                                    | 149                              |
| North Country                  | 22%                                 | 7%                                 | 71%                                    | 47                               |
| Central/Lakes                  | 25%                                 | 2%                                 | 73%                                    | 86                               |
| Connecticut Valley             | 20%                                 | 5%                                 | 75%                                    | 74                               |
| Mass Border                    | 25%                                 | 4%                                 | 71%                                    | 153                              |
| Seacoast                       | 26%                                 | 8%                                 | 66%                                    | 81                               |
| Manchester Area                | 23%                                 | 2%                                 | 75%                                    | 75                               |
| 1st Cong. District             | 24%                                 | 6%                                 | 70%                                    | 257                              |
| 2nd Cong. District             | 24%                                 | 3%                                 | 73%                                    | 259                              |

**Presidential Approval Rating - Economy**

| <b>STATEWIDE</b>               | <b><u>Approve</u></b><br><b>19%</b> | <b><u>Neutral</u></b><br><b>5%</b> | <b><u>Disapprove</u></b><br><b>76%</b> | <b><u>(N=)</u></b><br><b>515</b> |
|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Registered Democrat            | 4%                                  | 2%                                 | 94%                                    | 128                              |
| Undeclared                     | 16%                                 | 3%                                 | 81%                                    | 201                              |
| Registered Republican          | 40%                                 | 11%                                | 49%                                    | 133                              |
| Not registered                 | 17%                                 | 5%                                 | 77%                                    | 49                               |
| Democrat                       | 4%                                  | 0%                                 | 96%                                    | 205                              |
| Independent                    | 10%                                 | 7%                                 | 83%                                    | 80                               |
| Republican                     | 39%                                 | 10%                                | 51%                                    | 199                              |
| Liberal                        | 3%                                  | 2%                                 | 95%                                    | 116                              |
| Moderate                       | 12%                                 | 5%                                 | 83%                                    | 203                              |
| Conservative                   | 45%                                 | 8%                                 | 47%                                    | 152                              |
| Union household                | 20%                                 | 1%                                 | 79%                                    | 68                               |
| Non-union                      | 20%                                 | 6%                                 | 75%                                    | 423                              |
| 5 years or less in NH          | 18%                                 | 2%                                 | 80%                                    | 45                               |
| 6 to 10 years                  | 21%                                 | 7%                                 | 73%                                    | 36                               |
| 11 to 20 years                 | 20%                                 | 5%                                 | 75%                                    | 89                               |
| More than 20 years             | 20%                                 | 5%                                 | 75%                                    | 309                              |
| 18 to 34                       | 8%                                  | 4%                                 | 88%                                    | 59                               |
| 35 to 49                       | 23%                                 | 4%                                 | 72%                                    | 119                              |
| 50 to 64                       | 17%                                 | 4%                                 | 78%                                    | 193                              |
| 65 and over                    | 28%                                 | 8%                                 | 64%                                    | 100                              |
| Male                           | 24%                                 | 6%                                 | 70%                                    | 248                              |
| Female                         | 15%                                 | 4%                                 | 81%                                    | 266                              |
| High school or less            | 18%                                 | 6%                                 | 75%                                    | 112                              |
| Some college                   | 19%                                 | 6%                                 | 75%                                    | 113                              |
| College graduate               | 19%                                 | 4%                                 | 77%                                    | 156                              |
| Post-graduate                  | 23%                                 | 3%                                 | 74%                                    | 109                              |
| Less than \$30K                | 21%                                 | 4%                                 | 76%                                    | 48                               |
| \$30K to \$60K                 | 13%                                 | 6%                                 | 82%                                    | 74                               |
| \$60K to \$75K                 | 21%                                 | 5%                                 | 74%                                    | 53                               |
| \$75K to \$100K                | 24%                                 | 0%                                 | 76%                                    | 65                               |
| More than \$100K               | 22%                                 | 4%                                 | 74%                                    | 122                              |
| Married                        | 23%                                 | 3%                                 | 73%                                    | 323                              |
| Divorced/separated             | 14%                                 | 11%                                | 76%                                    | 91                               |
| Never married                  | 11%                                 | 4%                                 | 86%                                    | 76                               |
| Protestant                     | 28%                                 | 7%                                 | 65%                                    | 172                              |
| Catholic                       | 21%                                 | 3%                                 | 76%                                    | 170                              |
| Other                          | 10%                                 | 4%                                 | 86%                                    | 122                              |
| Attend services 1 or more/week | 24%                                 | 7%                                 | 69%                                    | 124                              |
| 1-2 times a month              | 31%                                 | 6%                                 | 62%                                    | 59                               |
| Less often                     | 18%                                 | 2%                                 | 79%                                    | 145                              |
| Never                          | 14%                                 | 5%                                 | 81%                                    | 149                              |
| North Country                  | 18%                                 | 10%                                | 72%                                    | 47                               |
| Central/Lakes                  | 21%                                 | 1%                                 | 78%                                    | 85                               |
| Connecticut Valley             | 18%                                 | 6%                                 | 76%                                    | 73                               |
| Mass Border                    | 17%                                 | 4%                                 | 79%                                    | 154                              |
| Seacoast                       | 23%                                 | 7%                                 | 70%                                    | 81                               |
| Manchester Area                | 21%                                 | 3%                                 | 76%                                    | 75                               |
| 1st Cong. District             | 20%                                 | 6%                                 | 74%                                    | 256                              |
| 2nd Cong. District             | 19%                                 | 4%                                 | 77%                                    | 258                              |

**Presidential Approval Rating - Foreign Affairs**

|                                | <u>Approve</u> | <u>Neutral</u> | <u>Disapprove</u> | <u>(N=)</u> |
|--------------------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|-------------|
| STATEWIDE                      | 26%            | 5%             | 69%               | 515         |
| Registered Democrat            | 7%             | 3%             | 90%               | 126         |
| Undeclared                     | 25%            | 2%             | 72%               | 201         |
| Registered Republican          | 50%            | 6%             | 44%               | 135         |
| Not registered                 | 18%            | 13%            | 69%               | 49          |
| Democrat                       | 5%             | 3%             | 92%               | 203         |
| Independent                    | 19%            | 8%             | 73%               | 79          |
| Republican                     | 54%            | 5%             | 41%               | 202         |
| Liberal                        | 6%             | 3%             | 90%               | 116         |
| Moderate                       | 21%            | 4%             | 75%               | 201         |
| Conservative                   | 51%            | 6%             | 43%               | 154         |
| Union household                | 20%            | 0%             | 80%               | 69          |
| Non-union                      | 28%            | 5%             | 66%               | 422         |
| 5 years or less in NH          | 22%            | 3%             | 74%               | 45          |
| 6 to 10 years                  | 38%            | 8%             | 54%               | 36          |
| 11 to 20 years                 | 24%            | 4%             | 72%               | 89          |
| More than 20 years             | 28%            | 4%             | 68%               | 309         |
| 18 to 34                       | 19%            | 7%             | 74%               | 59          |
| 35 to 49                       | 30%            | 5%             | 64%               | 120         |
| 50 to 64                       | 25%            | 1%             | 74%               | 193         |
| 65 and over                    | 37%            | 7%             | 56%               | 99          |
| Male                           | 33%            | 4%             | 63%               | 247         |
| Female                         | 21%            | 5%             | 74%               | 268         |
| High school or less            | 26%            | 5%             | 69%               | 112         |
| Some college                   | 29%            | 7%             | 63%               | 113         |
| College graduate               | 30%            | 4%             | 66%               | 157         |
| Post-graduate                  | 21%            | 2%             | 77%               | 109         |
| Less than \$30K                | 31%            | 6%             | 63%               | 48          |
| \$30K to \$60K                 | 28%            | 7%             | 65%               | 73          |
| \$60K to \$75K                 | 26%            | 2%             | 72%               | 54          |
| \$75K to \$100K                | 38%            | 0%             | 62%               | 65          |
| More than \$100K               | 24%            | 2%             | 74%               | 122         |
| Married                        | 29%            | 4%             | 67%               | 324         |
| Divorced/separated             | 25%            | 5%             | 71%               | 91          |
| Never married                  | 20%            | 7%             | 73%               | 76          |
| Protestant                     | 37%            | 9%             | 55%               | 175         |
| Catholic                       | 29%            | 1%             | 70%               | 168         |
| Other                          | 15%            | 3%             | 83%               | 122         |
| Attend services 1 or more/week | 32%            | 5%             | 64%               | 126         |
| 1-2 times a month              | 42%            | 4%             | 54%               | 59          |
| Less often                     | 25%            | 5%             | 71%               | 144         |
| Never                          | 22%            | 4%             | 74%               | 149         |
| North Country                  | 27%            | 7%             | 67%               | 47          |
| Central/Lakes                  | 28%            | 2%             | 70%               | 85          |
| Connecticut Valley             | 21%            | 2%             | 78%               | 72          |
| Mass Border                    | 29%            | 4%             | 67%               | 155         |
| Seacoast                       | 28%            | 5%             | 67%               | 79          |
| Manchester Area                | 23%            | 8%             | 68%               | 75          |
| 1st Cong. District             | 27%            | 5%             | 68%               | 256         |
| 2nd Cong. District             | 26%            | 4%             | 70%               | 258         |

**Favorability Rating - George W. Bush**

| <b>STATEWIDE</b>               | <b><u>Favorable</u></b><br><b>27%</b> | <b><u>Neutral</u></b><br><b>6%</b> | <b><u>Unfavorable</u></b><br><b>67%</b> | <b>(N=)</b><br><b>519</b> |
|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|---------------------------|
| Registered Democrat            | 7%                                    | 2%                                 | 91%                                     | 128                       |
| Undeclared                     | 23%                                   | 8%                                 | 69%                                     | 202                       |
| Registered Republican          | 52%                                   | 7%                                 | 41%                                     | 135                       |
| Not registered                 | 30%                                   | 1%                                 | 69%                                     | 50                        |
| Democrat                       | 4%                                    | 1%                                 | 94%                                     | 205                       |
| Independent                    | 19%                                   | 6%                                 | 76%                                     | 80                        |
| Republican                     | 54%                                   | 10%                                | 36%                                     | 203                       |
| Liberal                        | 5%                                    | 3%                                 | 91%                                     | 116                       |
| Moderate                       | 19%                                   | 7%                                 | 75%                                     | 203                       |
| Conservative                   | 56%                                   | 6%                                 | 38%                                     | 156                       |
| Union household                | 23%                                   | 4%                                 | 74%                                     | 69                        |
| Non-union                      | 28%                                   | 6%                                 | 66%                                     | 426                       |
| 5 years or less in NH          | 28%                                   | 9%                                 | 63%                                     | 46                        |
| 6 to 10 years                  | 34%                                   | 7%                                 | 60%                                     | 36                        |
| 11 to 20 years                 | 26%                                   | 7%                                 | 67%                                     | 89                        |
| More than 20 years             | 27%                                   | 5%                                 | 69%                                     | 312                       |
| 18 to 34                       | 24%                                   | 1%                                 | 76%                                     | 59                        |
| 35 to 49                       | 30%                                   | 6%                                 | 64%                                     | 120                       |
| 50 to 64                       | 24%                                   | 5%                                 | 71%                                     | 194                       |
| 65 and over                    | 33%                                   | 9%                                 | 58%                                     | 101                       |
| Male                           | 33%                                   | 7%                                 | 60%                                     | 249                       |
| Female                         | 21%                                   | 5%                                 | 73%                                     | 269                       |
| High school or less            | 26%                                   | 4%                                 | 70%                                     | 113                       |
| Some college                   | 29%                                   | 7%                                 | 63%                                     | 114                       |
| College graduate               | 30%                                   | 6%                                 | 64%                                     | 157                       |
| Post-graduate                  | 23%                                   | 5%                                 | 73%                                     | 110                       |
| Less than \$30K                | 26%                                   | 6%                                 | 68%                                     | 48                        |
| \$30K to \$60K                 | 28%                                   | 7%                                 | 65%                                     | 74                        |
| \$60K to \$75K                 | 24%                                   | 6%                                 | 70%                                     | 54                        |
| \$75K to \$100K                | 33%                                   | 5%                                 | 61%                                     | 65                        |
| More than \$100K               | 27%                                   | 3%                                 | 71%                                     | 122                       |
| Married                        | 29%                                   | 6%                                 | 65%                                     | 326                       |
| Divorced/separated             | 22%                                   | 7%                                 | 71%                                     | 92                        |
| Never married                  | 23%                                   | 3%                                 | 74%                                     | 76                        |
| Protestant                     | 35%                                   | 8%                                 | 57%                                     | 176                       |
| Catholic                       | 29%                                   | 6%                                 | 65%                                     | 171                       |
| Other                          | 18%                                   | 1%                                 | 81%                                     | 122                       |
| Attend services 1 or more/week | 32%                                   | 5%                                 | 63%                                     | 128                       |
| 1-2 times a month              | 42%                                   | 13%                                | 45%                                     | 59                        |
| Less often                     | 22%                                   | 7%                                 | 72%                                     | 145                       |
| Never                          | 25%                                   | 2%                                 | 73%                                     | 149                       |
| North Country                  | 28%                                   | 6%                                 | 67%                                     | 47                        |
| Central/Lakes                  | 32%                                   | 3%                                 | 64%                                     | 86                        |
| Connecticut Valley             | 20%                                   | 7%                                 | 74%                                     | 74                        |
| Mass Border                    | 26%                                   | 9%                                 | 64%                                     | 156                       |
| Seacoast                       | 32%                                   | 3%                                 | 65%                                     | 81                        |
| Manchester Area                | 22%                                   | 6%                                 | 72%                                     | 75                        |
| 1st Cong. District             | 30%                                   | 6%                                 | 64%                                     | 258                       |
| 2nd Cong. District             | 24%                                   | 6%                                 | 70%                                     | 261                       |

**U.S. Right Direction / Wrong Track**

|                                | <b><u>Right<br/>Direction</u></b><br>19% | <b><u>Wrong<br/>Track</u></b><br>73% | <b><u>Don't<br/>Know</u></b><br>8% | <b><u>(N=)</u></b><br>508 |
|--------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>STATEWIDE</b>               |  |                                      |                                    |                           |
| Registered Democrat            | 7%                                       | 88%                                  | 5%                                 | 126                       |
| Undeclared                     | 15%                                      | 77%                                  | 8%                                 | 196                       |
| Registered Republican          | 40%                                      | 53%                                  | 8%                                 | 133                       |
| Not registered                 | 14%                                      | 72%                                  | 15%                                | 50                        |
| Democrat                       | 7%                                       | 87%                                  | 6%                                 | 203                       |
| Independent                    | 12%                                      | 79%                                  | 8%                                 | 77                        |
| Republican                     | 35%                                      | 54%                                  | 11%                                | 200                       |
| Liberal                        | 5%                                       | 88%                                  | 7%                                 | 116                       |
| Moderate                       | 20%                                      | 74%                                  | 6%                                 | 197                       |
| Conservative                   | 32%                                      | 57%                                  | 12%                                | 154                       |
| Union household                | 25%                                      | 68%                                  | 8%                                 | 69                        |
| Non-union                      | 19%                                      | 73%                                  | 8%                                 | 417                       |
| 5 years or less in NH          | 23%                                      | 73%                                  | 3%                                 | 44                        |
| 6 to 10 years                  | 23%                                      | 64%                                  | 13%                                | 36                        |
| 11 to 20 years                 | 21%                                      | 71%                                  | 8%                                 | 86                        |
| More than 20 years             | 18%                                      | 73%                                  | 8%                                 | 308                       |
| 18 to 34                       | 14%                                      | 74%                                  | 12%                                | 58                        |
| 35 to 49                       | 26%                                      | 68%                                  | 6%                                 | 117                       |
| 50 to 64                       | 15%                                      | 78%                                  | 7%                                 | 193                       |
| 65 and over                    | 24%                                      | 64%                                  | 12%                                | 98                        |
| Male                           | 22%                                      | 70%                                  | 8%                                 | 245                       |
| Female                         | 17%                                      | 75%                                  | 7%                                 | 263                       |
| High school or less            | 12%                                      | 75%                                  | 13%                                | 111                       |
| Some college                   | 19%                                      | 75%                                  | 6%                                 | 113                       |
| College graduate               | 23%                                      | 68%                                  | 9%                                 | 153                       |
| Post-graduate                  | 22%                                      | 74%                                  | 4%                                 | 109                       |
| Less than \$30K                | 14%                                      | 72%                                  | 14%                                | 48                        |
| \$30K to \$60K                 | 14%                                      | 77%                                  | 9%                                 | 72                        |
| \$60K to \$75K                 | 10%                                      | 82%                                  | 9%                                 | 52                        |
| \$75K to \$100K                | 24%                                      | 69%                                  | 7%                                 | 65                        |
| More than \$100K               | 27%                                      | 71%                                  | 2%                                 | 119                       |
| Married                        | 21%                                      | 72%                                  | 7%                                 | 319                       |
| Divorced/separated             | 18%                                      | 78%                                  | 4%                                 | 91                        |
| Never married                  | 13%                                      | 69%                                  | 17%                                | 76                        |
| Protestant                     | 20%                                      | 68%                                  | 12%                                | 174                       |
| Catholic                       | 26%                                      | 70%                                  | 4%                                 | 167                       |
| Other                          | 14%                                      | 79%                                  | 7%                                 | 121                       |
| Attend services 1 or more/week | 18%                                      | 71%                                  | 11%                                | 127                       |
| 1-2 times a month              | 31%                                      | 63%                                  | 6%                                 | 59                        |
| Less often                     | 19%                                      | 73%                                  | 8%                                 | 141                       |
| Never                          | 18%                                      | 76%                                  | 7%                                 | 146                       |
| North Country                  | 23%                                      | 75%                                  | 2%                                 | 46                        |
| Central/Lakes                  | 17%                                      | 76%                                  | 6%                                 | 85                        |
| Connecticut Valley             | 12%                                      | 76%                                  | 13%                                | 70                        |
| Mass Border                    | 22%                                      | 69%                                  | 9%                                 | 155                       |
| Seacoast                       | 25%                                      | 66%                                  | 10%                                | 79                        |
| Manchester Area                | 15%                                      | 81%                                  | 3%                                 | 74                        |
| 1st Cong. District             | 21%                                      | 72%                                  | 7%                                 | 254                       |
| 2nd Cong. District             | 18%                                      | 74%                                  | 9%                                 | 255                       |