

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE AND THE PRESS
BUSH INTERNATIONAL POLL
— FINAL TOPLINE —**

United States -- August 2-8, 2001 (N=1277)

Britain -- August 1-6, 2001 (N=1000)

Italy -- August 6-9, 2001 (N=1000)

Germany -- August 6-7, 2001 (N=944)

France -- August 2-7, 2001 (N=967)

Q.1 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as President?¹

US

50	Approve
32	Disapprove
<u>18</u>	Don't know/Refused
100	

Q.2 Do you approve or disapprove of the way [American President] George W. Bush is handling International policy?²

<u>US</u> ³	<u>BRIT</u>	<u>ITA</u>	<u>GER</u>	<u>FRA</u>	
45	17	29	23	16	Approve
32	49	46	65	59	Disapprove
<u>23</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>25</u>	Don't know/Refused
100	100	100	100	100	

Q.3 Thinking back to past [American] President Bill Clinton, did you approve or disapprove of his international policies?

<u>BRIT</u>	<u>ITA</u>	<u>GER</u>	<u>FRA</u>	
66	71	86	68	Approve
15	16	9	15	Disapprove
<u>19</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>17</u>	Don't know/Refused
100	100	100	100	

¹ U.S. respondents were asked a subset of the questions asked in Europe and one additional question, Q1. The order in which the questions were asked in the U.S. and Europe corresponds with the order of the topline.

² In Q.2, Q.3 and Q.4 bracketed words were included for European respondents.

³ Roughly half the sample was asked about Bush's handling of international policy, while the other half was asked about handling of the nation's foreign policy. Results did not differ between question wordings.

Q.4 As I read some specific policies of [American] President George W. Bush tell me if you approve or disapprove of them.

List items were rotated

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>Don't know/ Refused</u>
a. Bush's decision that the U.S. should not support the Kyoto protocol to reduce greenhouse gas emissions			
US	29	44	27=100
BRIT	10	83	7=100
ITA	12	80	8=100
GER	10	87	3=100
FRA	10	85	5=100
b. Bush's decision that the U.S. should try to develop a missile defense system even if it means withdrawing from the ABM treaty			
US	39	42	19=100
BRIT	20	66	14=100
ITA	24	65	11=100
GER	10	83	7=100
FRA	14	75	11=100
c. Bush's support for the death penalty in the U.S.			
BRIT	47	44	9=100
ITA	22	73	5=100
GER	28	68	4=100
FRA	29	67	4=100
d. Bush's decision to keep U.S. troops in Bosnia and Kosovo			
US	47	38	15=100
BRIT	64	22	14=100
ITA	54	33	13=100
GER	62	32	6=100
FRA	57	32	11=100
e. Bush's support for free trade policies			
BRIT	66	15	19=100
ITA	58	23	19=100
GER	67	19	14=100
FRA	53	35	12=100

Q.5a As I read a pair of phrases, tell me which one better describes George W. Bush.

Responses were rotated

<u>BRIT</u>	<u>ITA</u>	<u>GER</u>	<u>FRA</u>	
13	18	13	12	He understands Europe better than other American presidents
75	53	75	74	He understands less about Europe than other American presidents
<u>12</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>14</u>	Don't know/Refused
100	100	100	100	

Q.5b Again, which one better describes George W. Bush.

Responses were rotated

<u>BRIT</u>	<u>ITA</u>	<u>GER</u>	<u>FRA</u>	
79	74	73	85	He makes decisions based entirely on U.S. interests
14	15	18	8	He takes into account European interests when making decisions
<u>7</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>7</u>	Don't know/Refused
100	100	100	100	

Q.6 I'm going to read a list of political leaders. For each, tell me how much confidence you have in each leader to do the right thing regarding world affairs.

List items were rotated

	<u>Great deal</u>	Fair <u>amount</u>	Not too <u>much</u>	<u>None at all</u>	Don't know/ <u>Refused</u>
a. Russian president Vladimir Putin					
BRIT	1	25	35	22	17=100
ITA	2	21	36	13	28=100
GER	4	37	31	24	4=100
FRA	2	12	39	38	9=100
b. US president George W. Bush					
BRIT	4	26	36	28	6=100
ITA	3	30	43	16	8=100
GER	3	48	27	19	3=100
FRA	2	18	43	32	5=100

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Not too much</u>	<u>None at all</u>	<u>Don't know/Refused</u>
c. Prime Minister/Chancellor/President of country					
BRIT (BLAIR)	14	46	23	16	1=100
ITA (BERLUSCONI)	19	34	22	20	5=100
GER (SCHROEDER)	21	57	14	7	1=100
FRA (CHIRAC)	16	50	23	9	2=100

Q.7 Aside from your opinion of George W. Bush, in recent years, have the basic interests of Europe and the U.S. grown closer, further apart or have they remained about the same?

<u>BRIT</u>	<u>ITA</u>	<u>GER</u>	<u>FRA</u>	
13	34	40	19	Grown closer
24	14	17	20	Grown further apart
57	45	38	55	Stayed same
<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	Don't know/Refused
100	100	100	100	

Q.8 As I read from a list, tell me whether or not you think this is an important factor in Europe and the U.S. growing further apart?

List items were rotated

BASED ON THOSE WHO SAY BASIC INTERESTS OF EUROPE AND THE U.S. HAVE GROWN FURTHER APART:

	<u>Important factor</u>	<u>Not important factor</u>	<u>Don't know/Refused</u>	
a. Europeans and Americans need each other less for security reasons since the end of the Cold War				
BRIT	67	28	5=100	(n=243)
ITA	63	27	10=100	(n=141)
GER	77	22	1=100	(n=187)
FRA	75	21	4=100	(n=190)
b. The growing power of the European Union				
BRIT	76	19	5=100	(n=243)
ITA	76	17	7=100	(n=141)
GER	71	27	2=100	(n=187)
FRA	85	13	2=100	(n=190)
c. American multi national corporations are creating resentment in Europe				
BRIT	68	27	5=100	(n=243)
ITA	73	15	12=100	(n=141)
GER	68	30	2=100	(n=187)
FRA	81	15	4=100	(n=190)

	Important <u>factor</u>	Not important <u>factor</u>	Don't know/ <u>Refused</u>	
d. Europeans and Americans have increasingly different social and cultural values these days				
BRIT	62	37	1=100	(n=243)
ITA	75	19	6=100	(n=141)
GER	68	26	6=100	(n=187)
FRA	77	20	3=100	(n=190)