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Public Attitudes in Midterm Elections 1990-2006

	1990	1994	1998	2002	2006
	Bush 41	Clinton		Bush 43	
President's approval rating	64%	45%	63%	65%	37%
Vote against President	15%	18%	18%	16%	35%
Congress' approval rating	28%	27%	55%	53%	27%
Favorable rating of the Republican Party	58%	63%	56%	55%	40%
Percent satisfied with national conditions	47%	24%	50%	47%	30%
Percent favoring their incumbent Congress member's re-election	62%	49%	63%	58%	51%
Top concerns of voters	Budget deficit, drugs	Crime, jobs, health care	Morality, Pres. Clinton, partisan politics	Economy, terrorism	Iraq war, immigration
Change in House seats of President's Party	-8 (R)	-53 (D)	+5 (D)	+6 (R)	???

Source: New York Times. September 3, 2006, Section 4, p. 3.
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