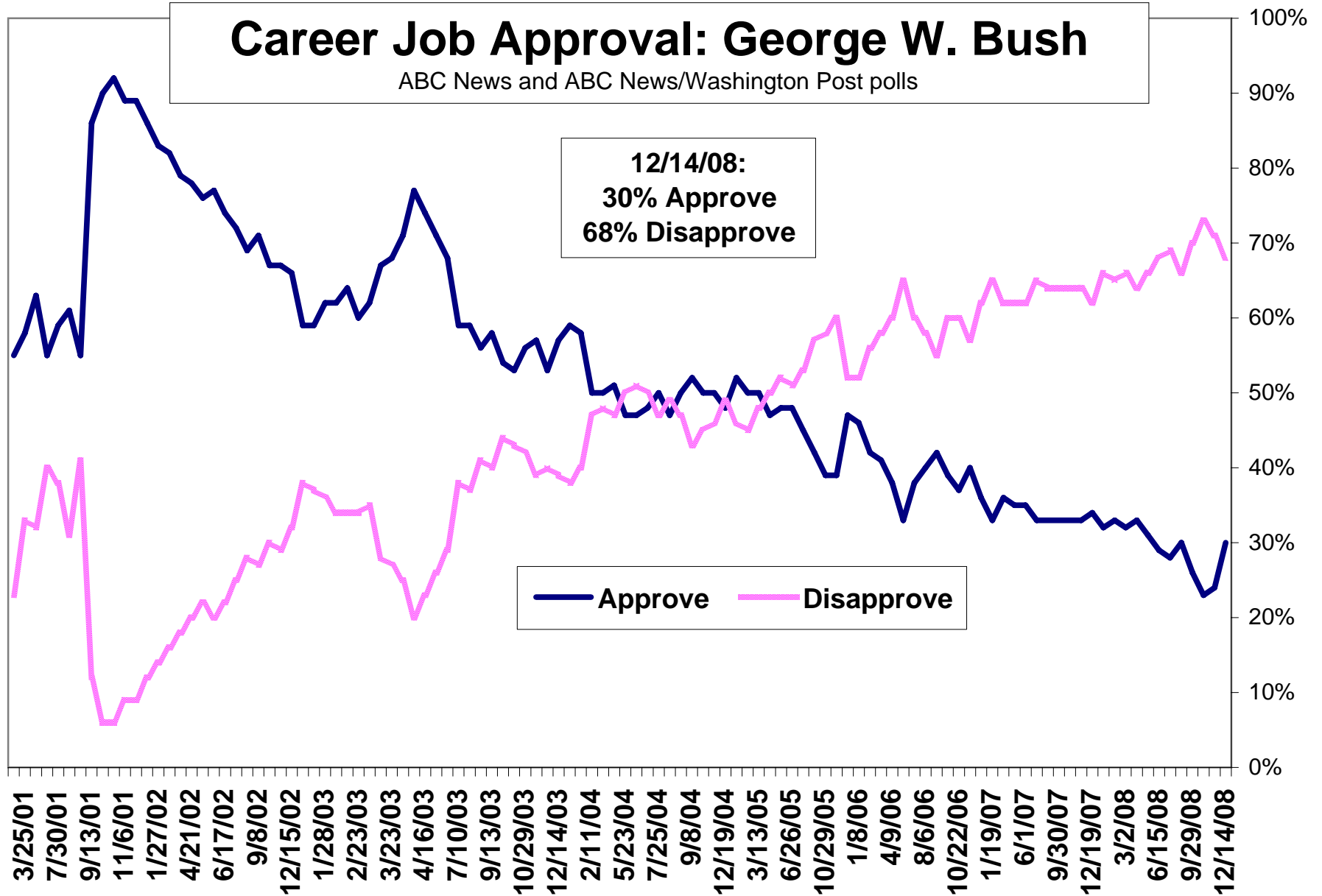
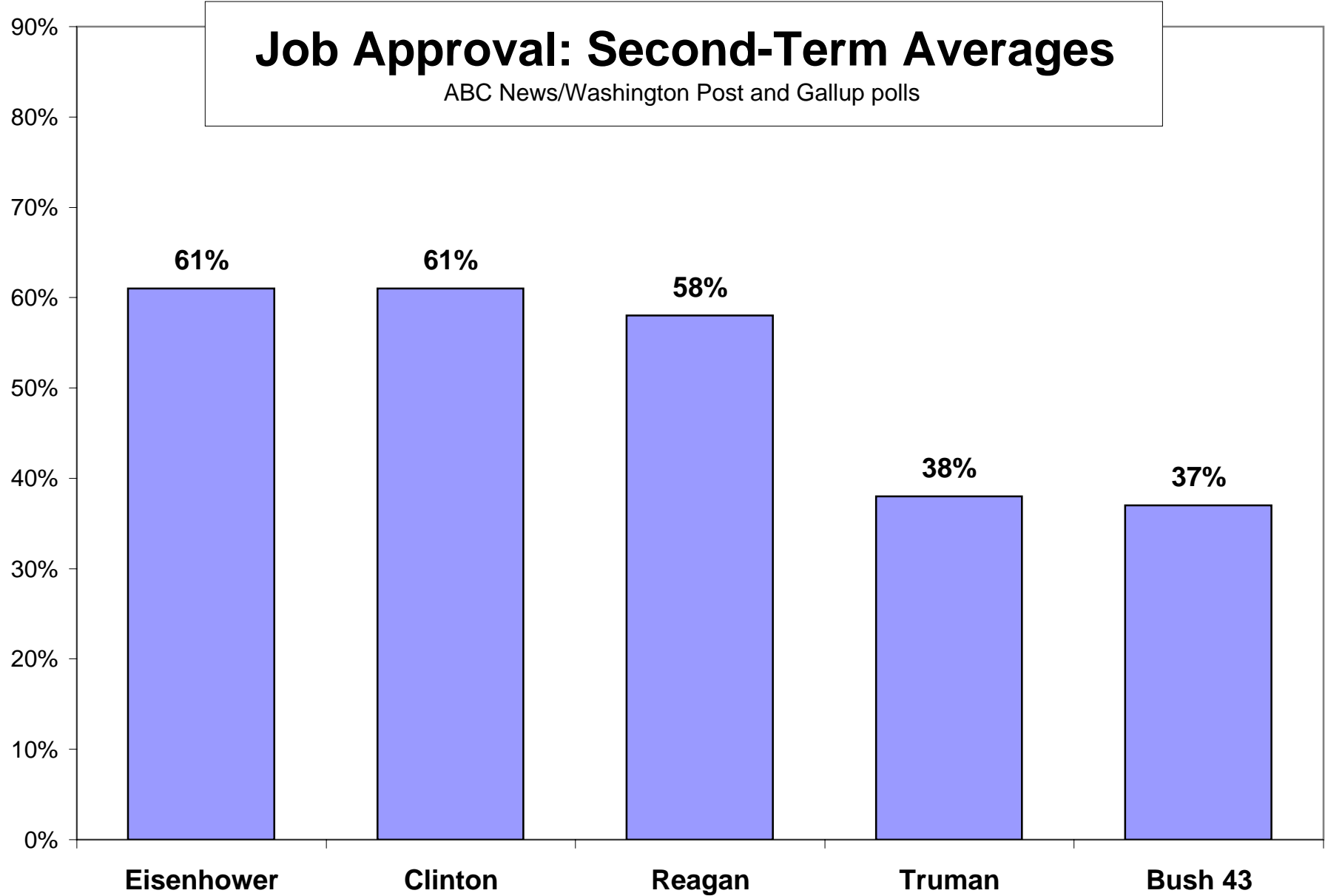


Bush has ranged from the highest approval to the highest disapproval on record for any president in modern polling.



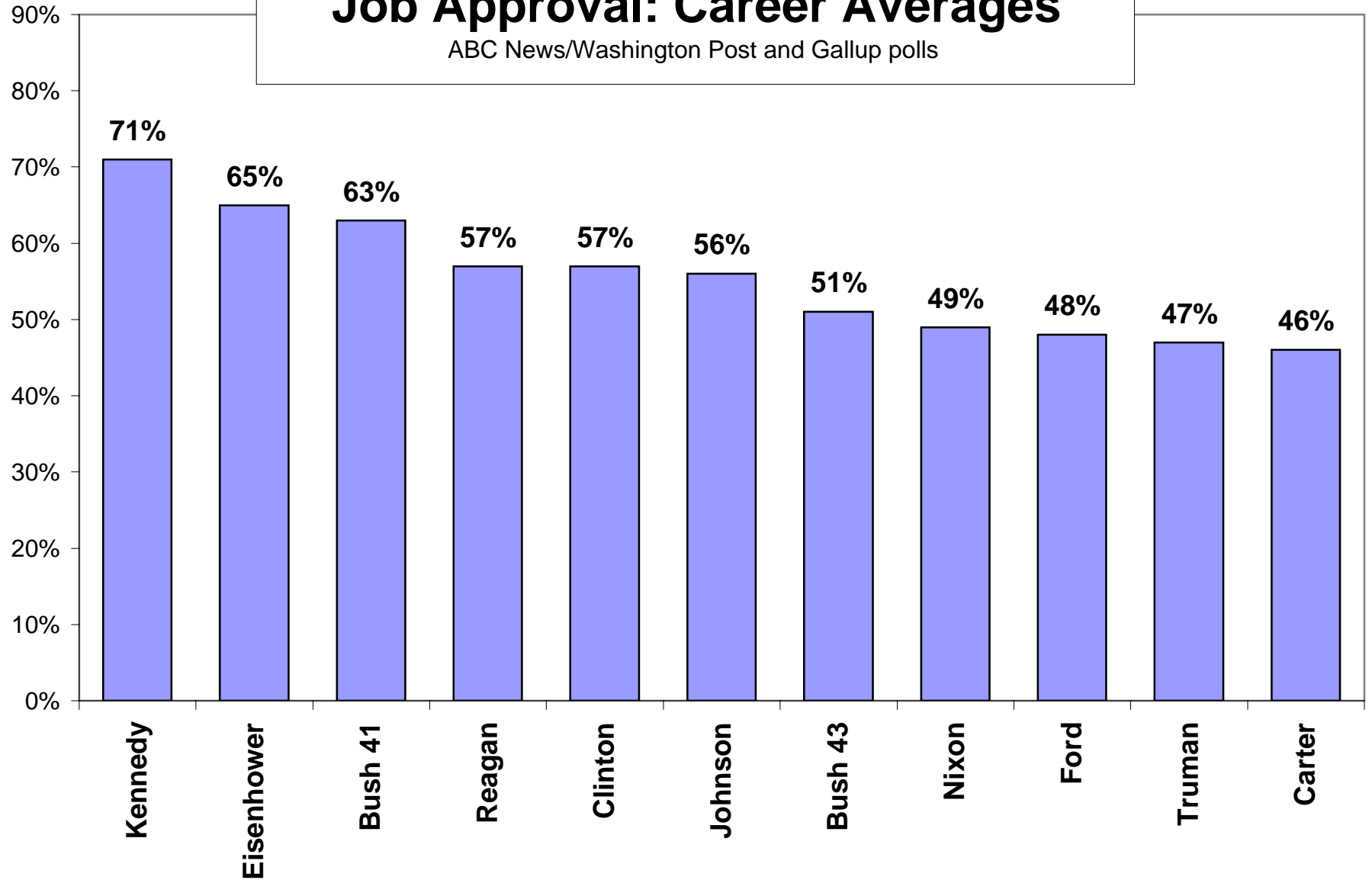
**Bush has averaged 37 percent approval in his second term,
the lowest on record for any post-World War II president to serve a full second term.**



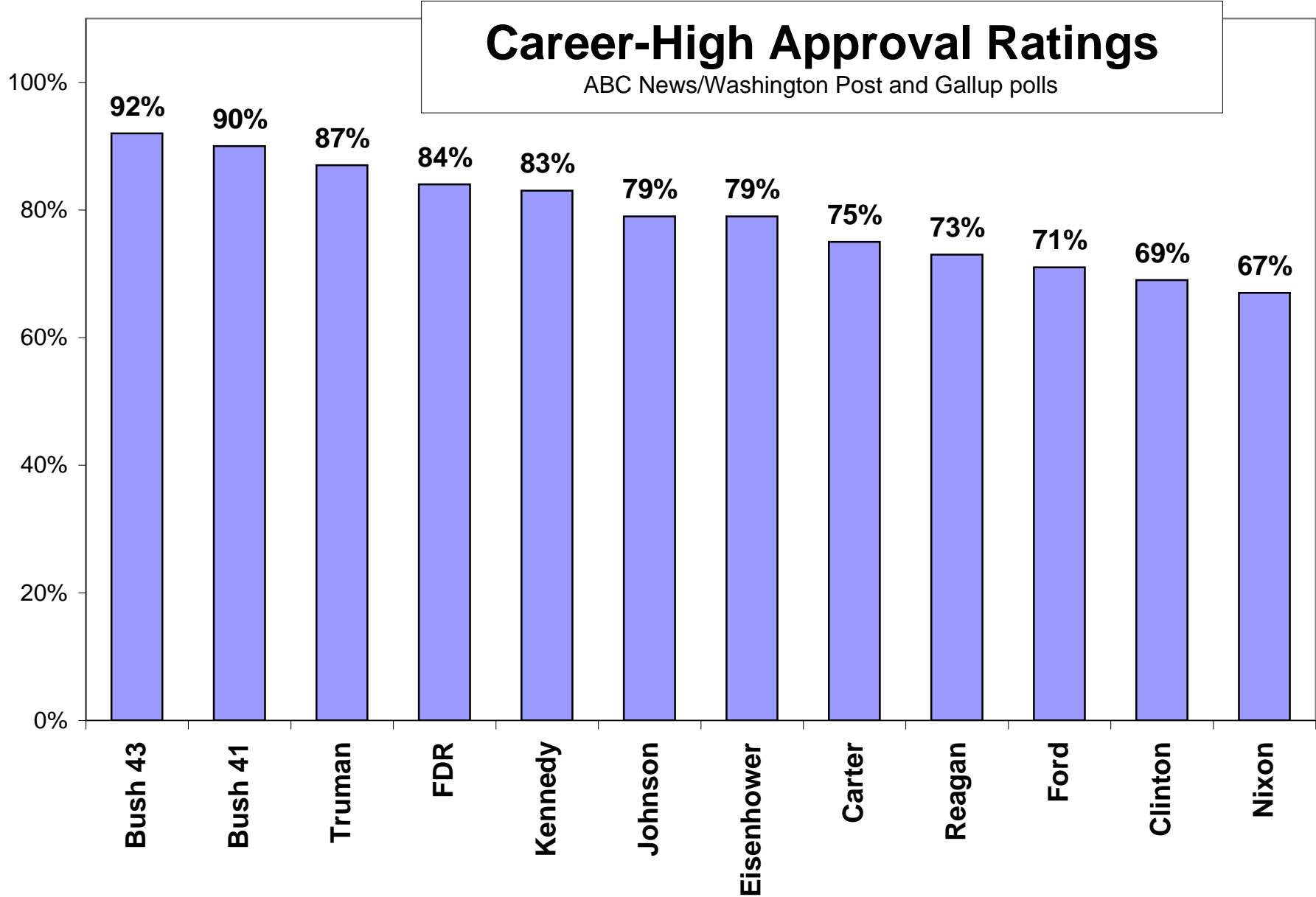
**Bush has an overall career average of 51 percent approval,
slightly ahead of Nixon, Ford, Truman and Carter.**

Job Approval: Career Averages

ABC News/Washington Post and Gallup polls



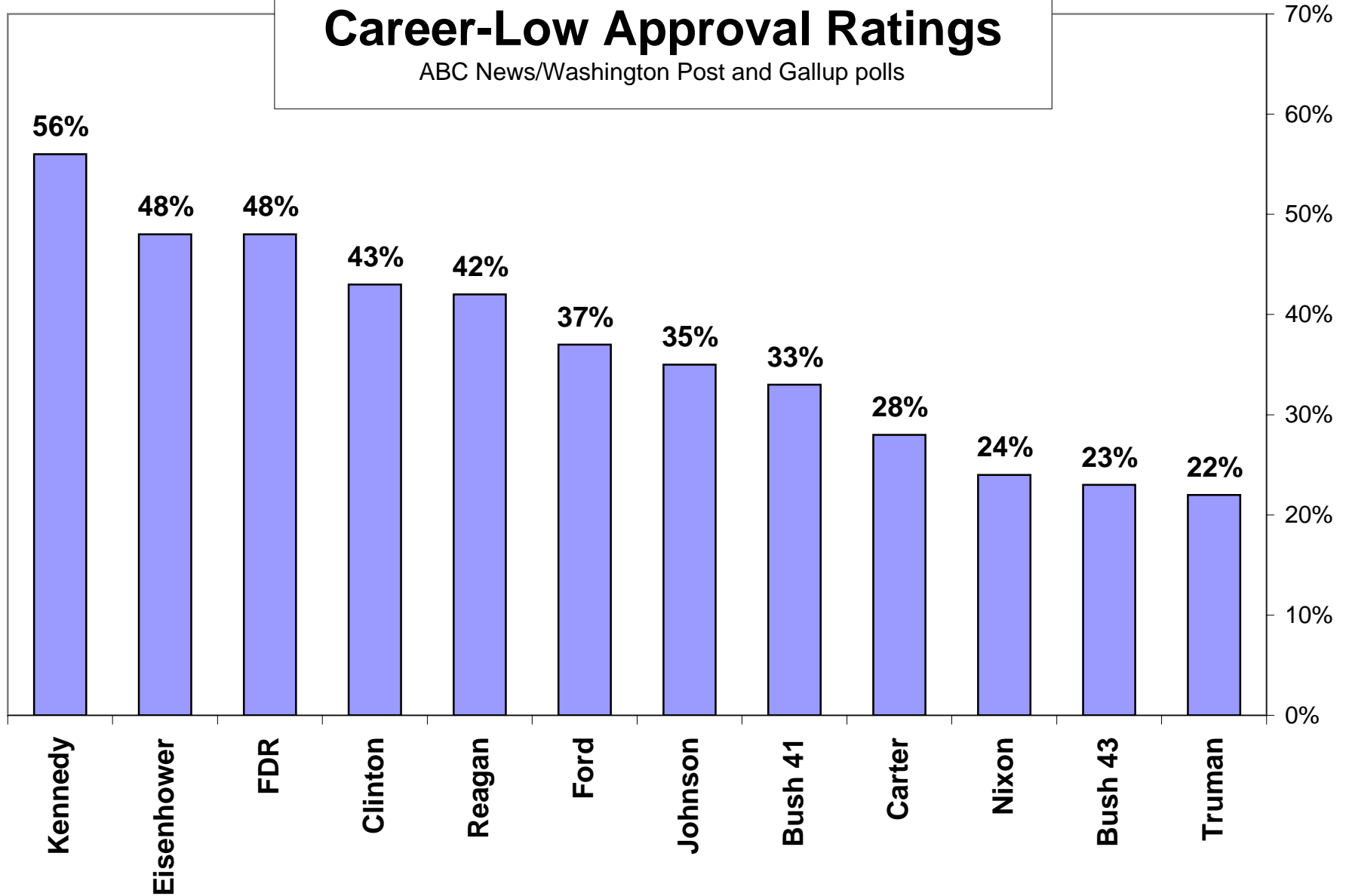
**A month after 9/11 Bush peaked at 92 percent approval,
the record high for any president in approval polling dating to 1938.**



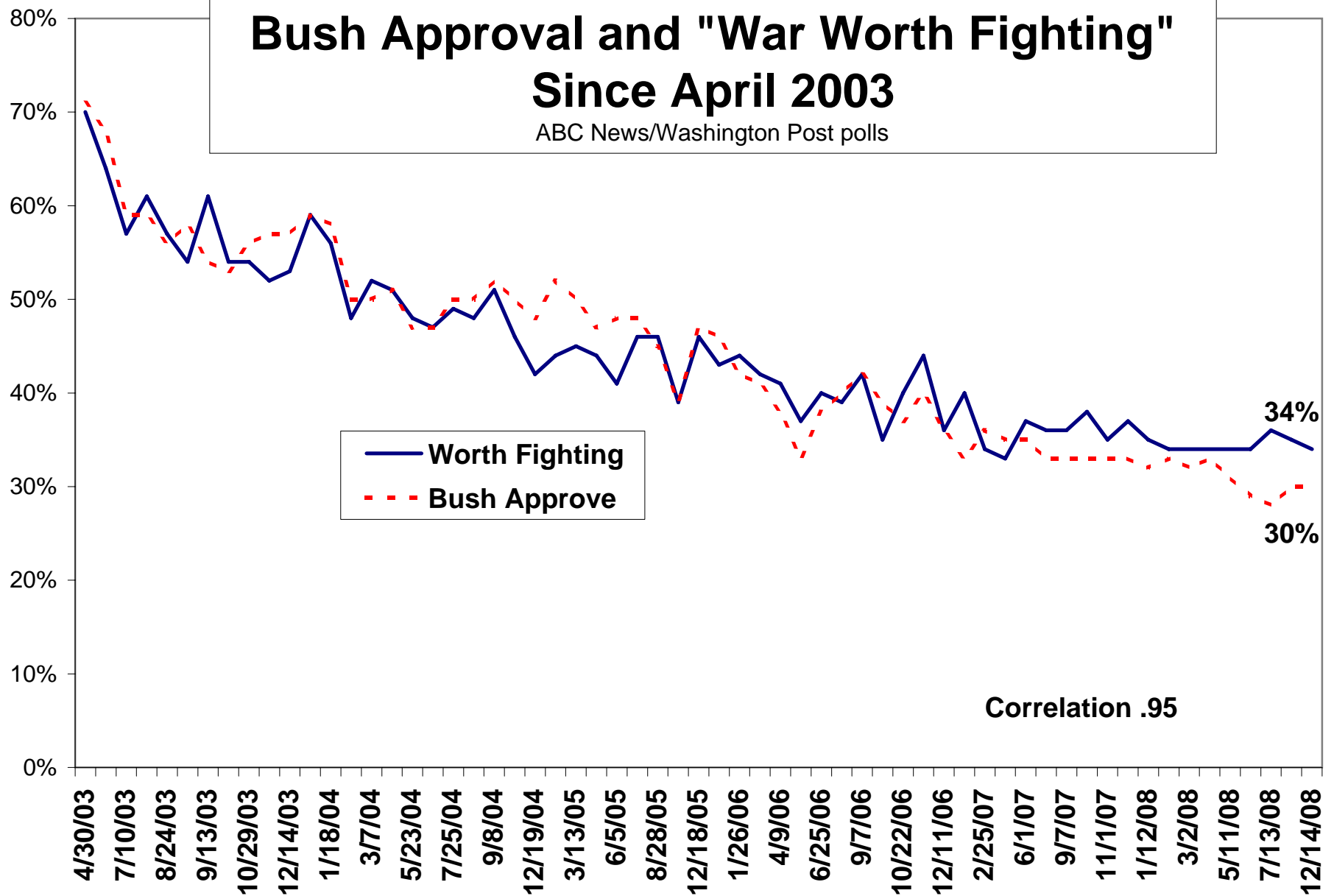
Bush sank to 23 percent approval this past October, a point from the lowest on record, Truman's in 1952.

Career-Low Approval Ratings

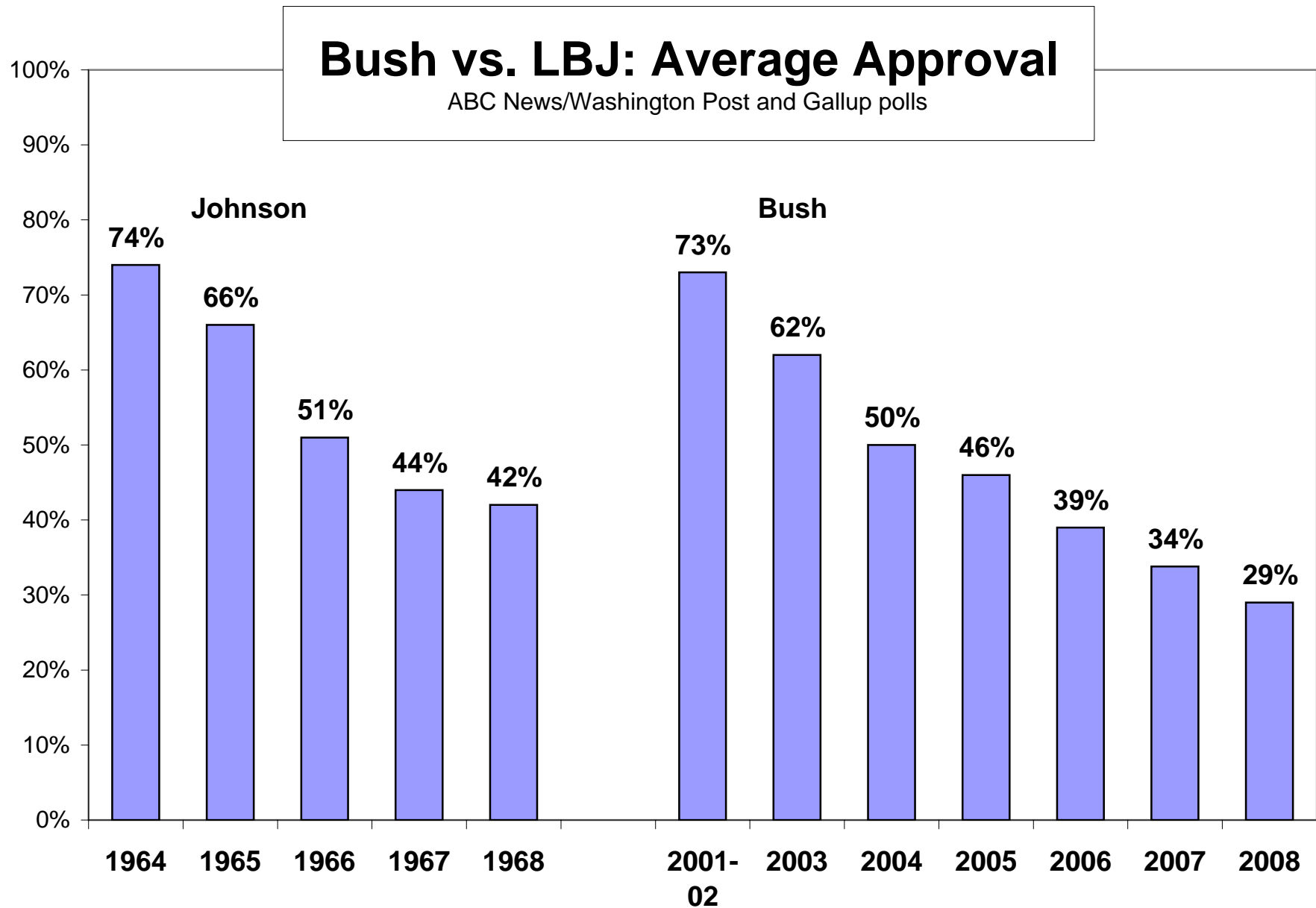
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Bush's approval rating has correlated almost perfectly with views on whether the war in Iraq was worth fighting.



Year-to-year changes in Bush's ratings are strikingly similar to those of Lyndon Johnson, the last president enmeshed in an unpopular war.



After a generation of gains for his party,
Bush since 2003 has presided over a retreat in Republican allegiance.

