

CNN **POLL**

Interviews with 633 adult Americans conducted by telephone by Opinion Research Corporation on July 19, 2006. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 4 percentage points. Polls conducted entirely in one day are subject to additional error not found in polls conducted over several days.

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I have just a few questions about the conflict in the Middle East between Israel and the Arab group known as Hezbollah which is based in Lebanon. First...

1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush has handled the current conflict between Israel and Hezbollah?

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Approve	38%
Disapprove	45%
No opinion	17%

2. Based on what you have read or heard about the conflict in the Middle East, are your sympathies MORE with Israel or MORE with Hezbollah?

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Israel	57%
Hezbollah	4%
Both (vol.)	4%
Neither (vol.)	20%
No opinion	15%

3. Do you think Israel's military reaction to the situation in the Middle East has gone too far, not gone far enough, or been about right?

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Too far	31%
Not far enough	14%
About right	35%
No opinion	20%

4. Which of the following statements comes closer to your view of what Israel should do:

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Israel should continue taking military action until Hezbollah can no longer launch attacks against Israel	39%
Israel should agree to a cease-fire as soon as possible	43%
No opinion	17%

5. Do you think the U.S. should play an active role in trying to resolve the conflict between Israel and Hezbollah, or should the U.S. stay out of the situation?

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Active role	27%
Stay out	65%
No opinion	9%

6. As a result of the current conflict between Israel and Hezbollah, are you more worried about the chances of a major terrorist attack in the U.S., are you less worried about a terrorist attack in the U.S., or has the conflict not affected you either way?

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More worried	35%
Less worried	9%
No effect	51%
No opinion	4%

7. Would you favor or oppose the presence of U.S. ground troops, along with troops from other countries, in an international peacekeeping force on the border between Israel and Lebanon?

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Favor	45%
Oppose	42%
No opinion	13%

8. How would you rate the way the U.S. government has handled the evacuation of U.S. citizens from Lebanon -- as very good, good, poor or very poor?

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Very good	11%
Good	42%
Poor	18%
Very poor	11%
No opinion	18%