
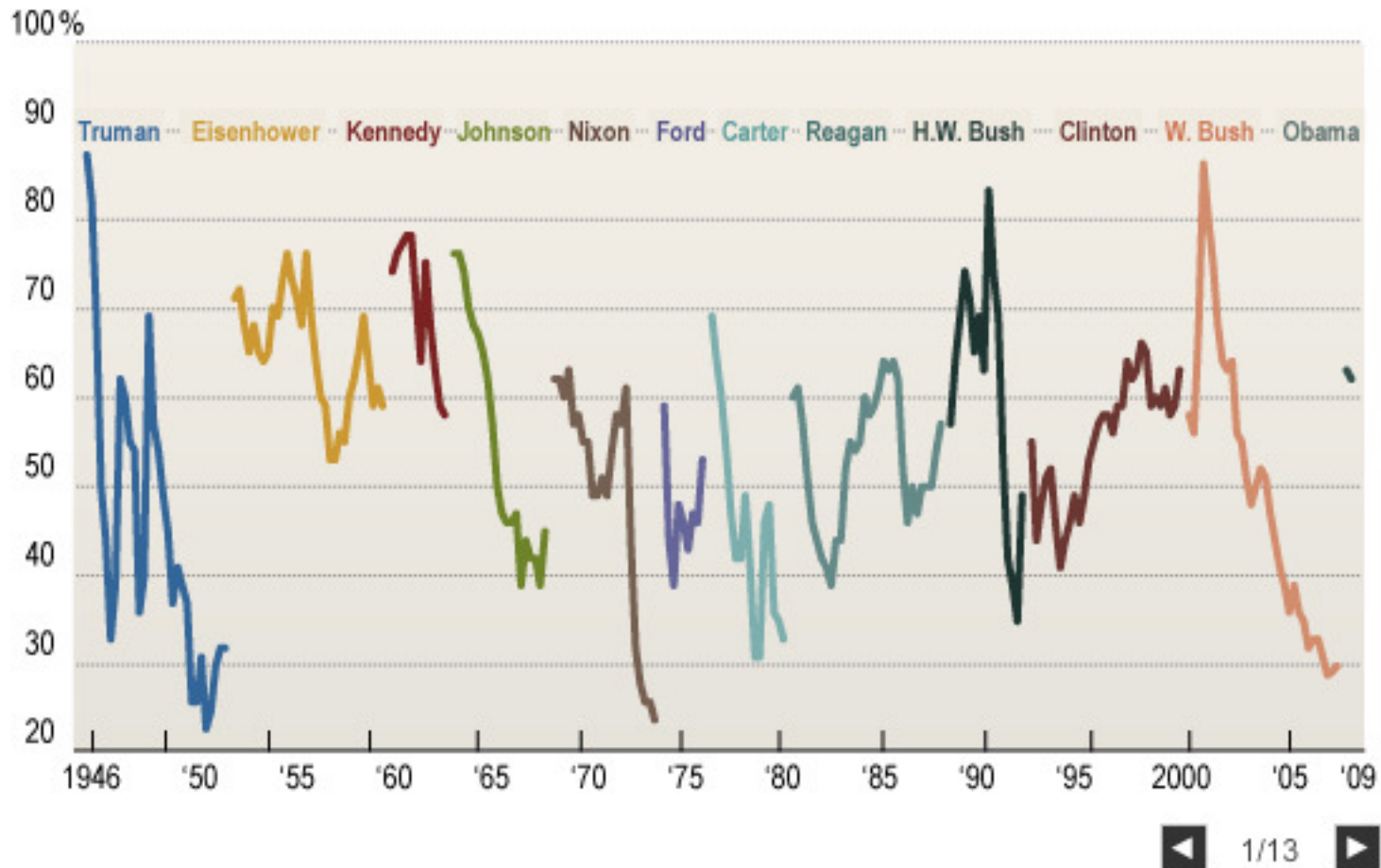


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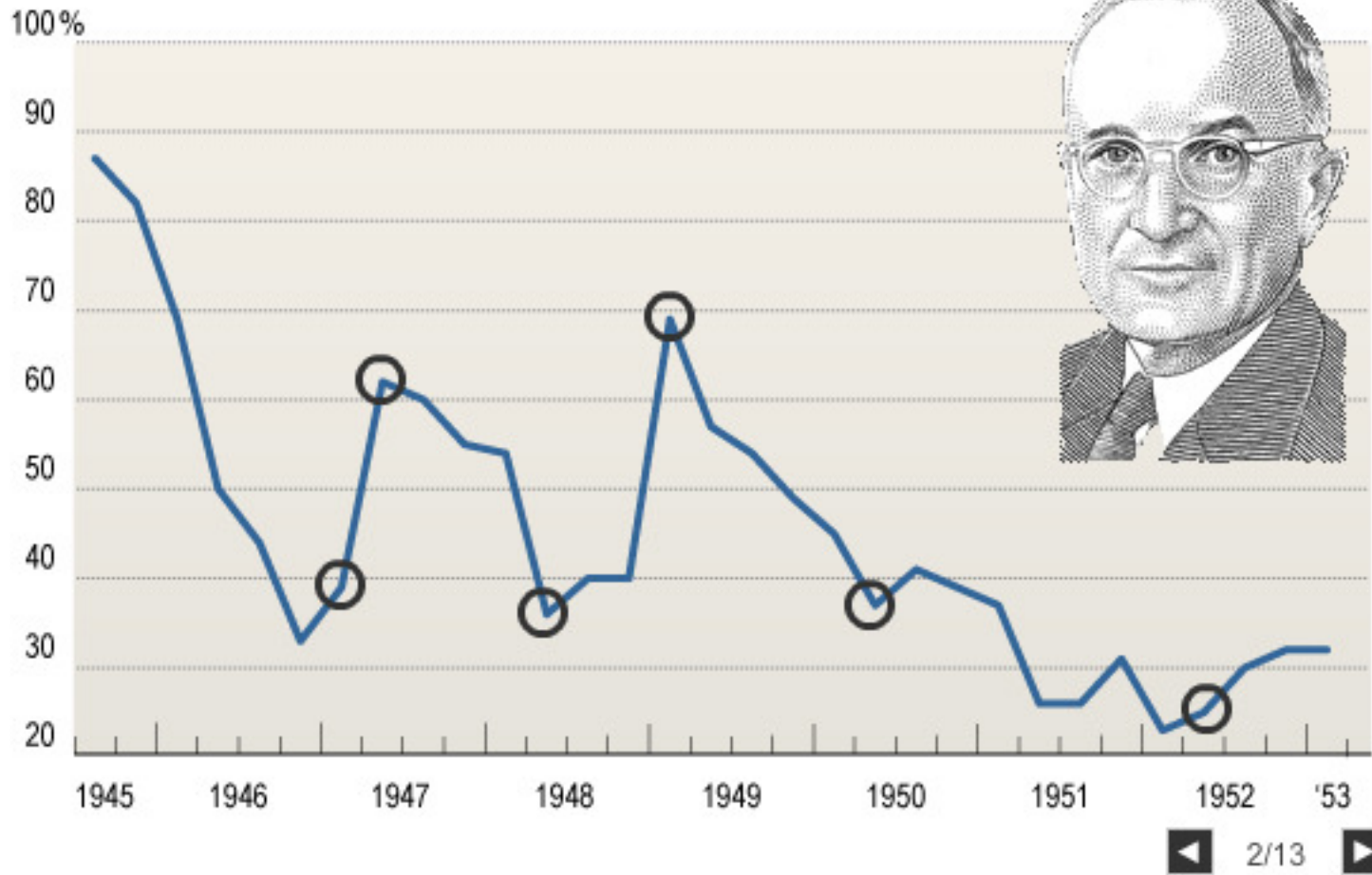
A look at U.S. presidents' job-approval ratings. Click on the links at the left for more detail.



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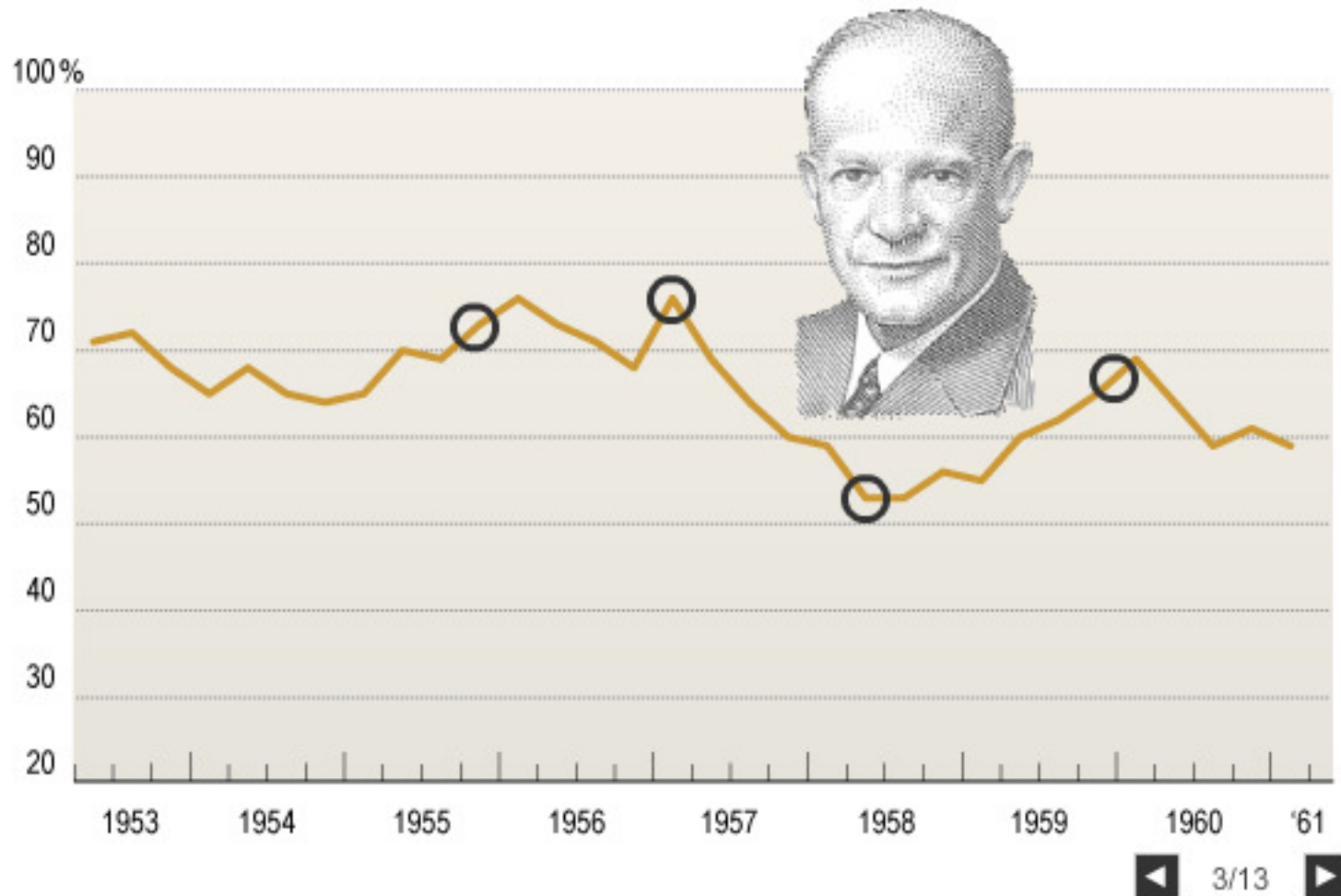
Truman became president after Franklin D. Roosevelt died at the start of his fourth term.



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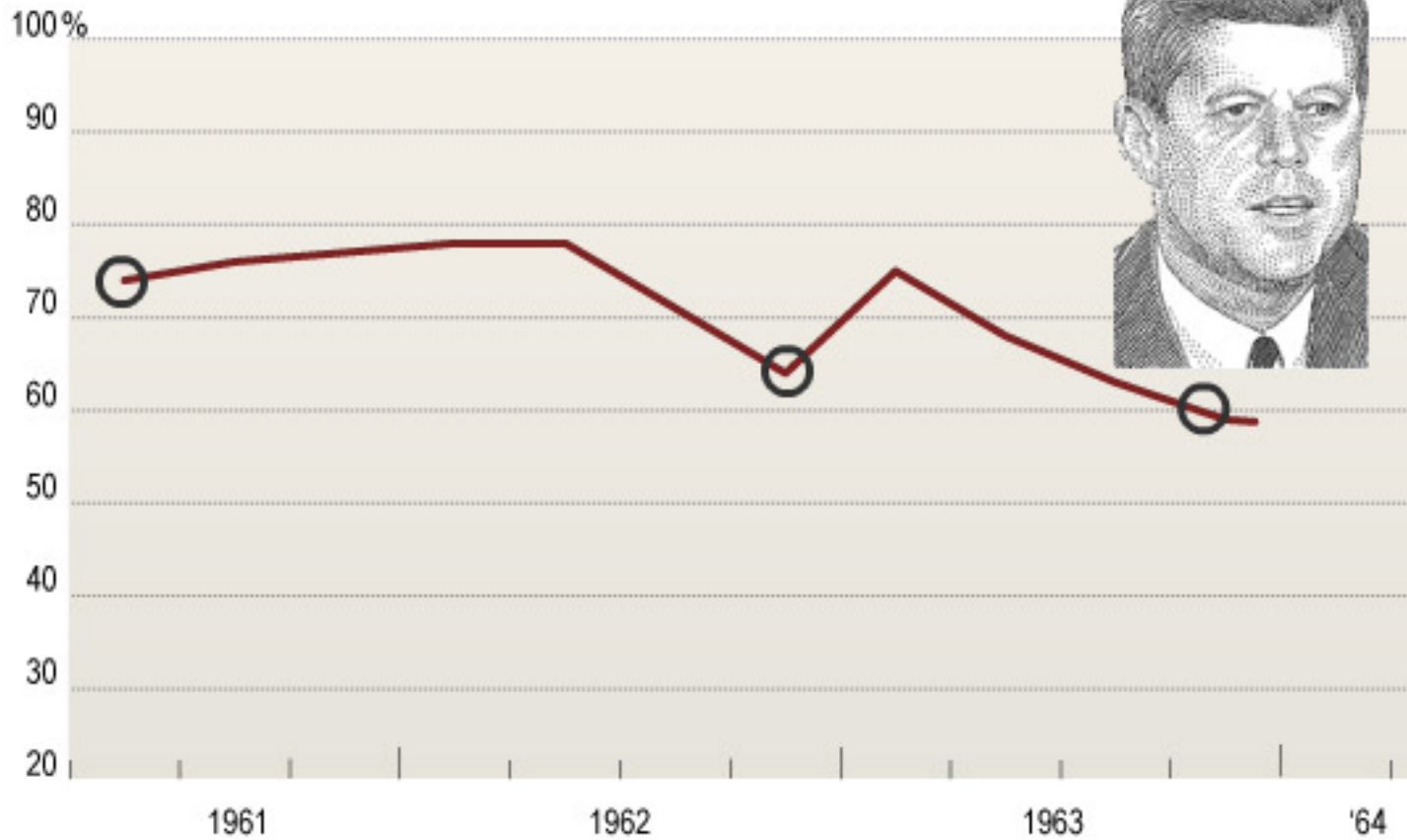
After a major heart attack in the fall of 1955, Eisenhower was elected to a second term a year later.



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Kennedy's ratings were well above 50% when he was assassinated.

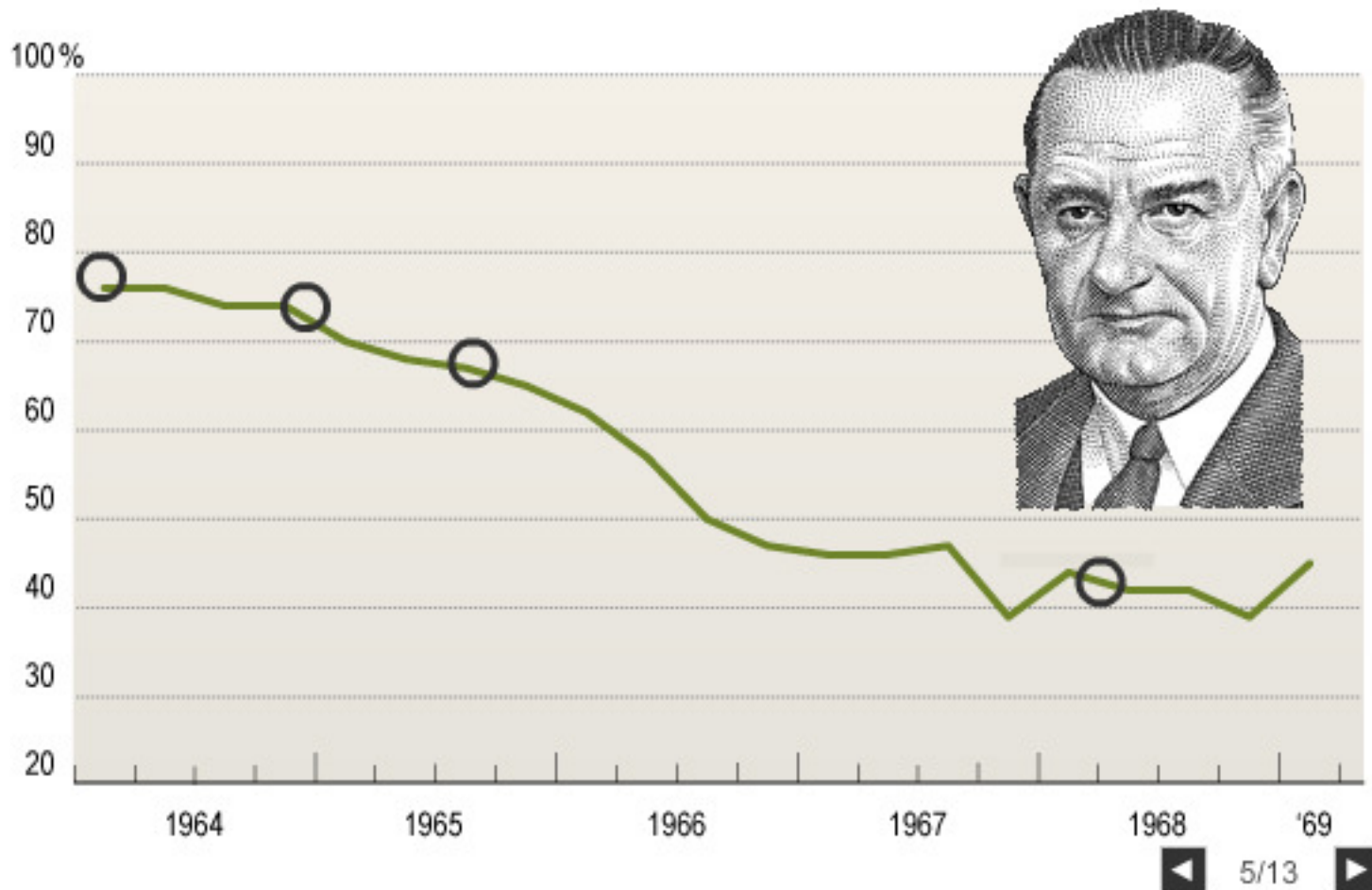
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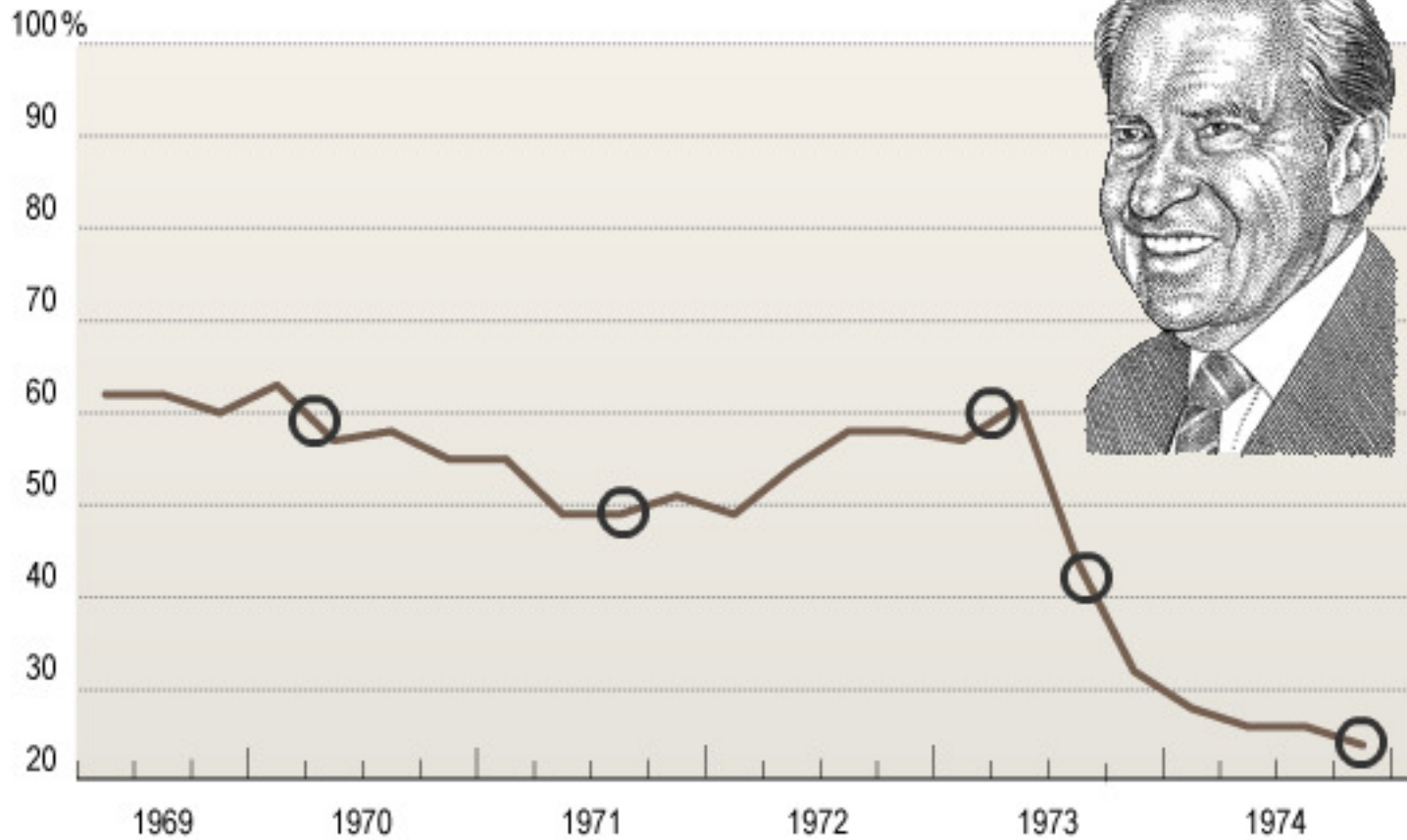
Inheritor of the war in Vietnam, Johnson was unable to improve upon his inaugural highs.



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Nixon struggled with Vietnam, too, but Watergate was what ended his presidency.

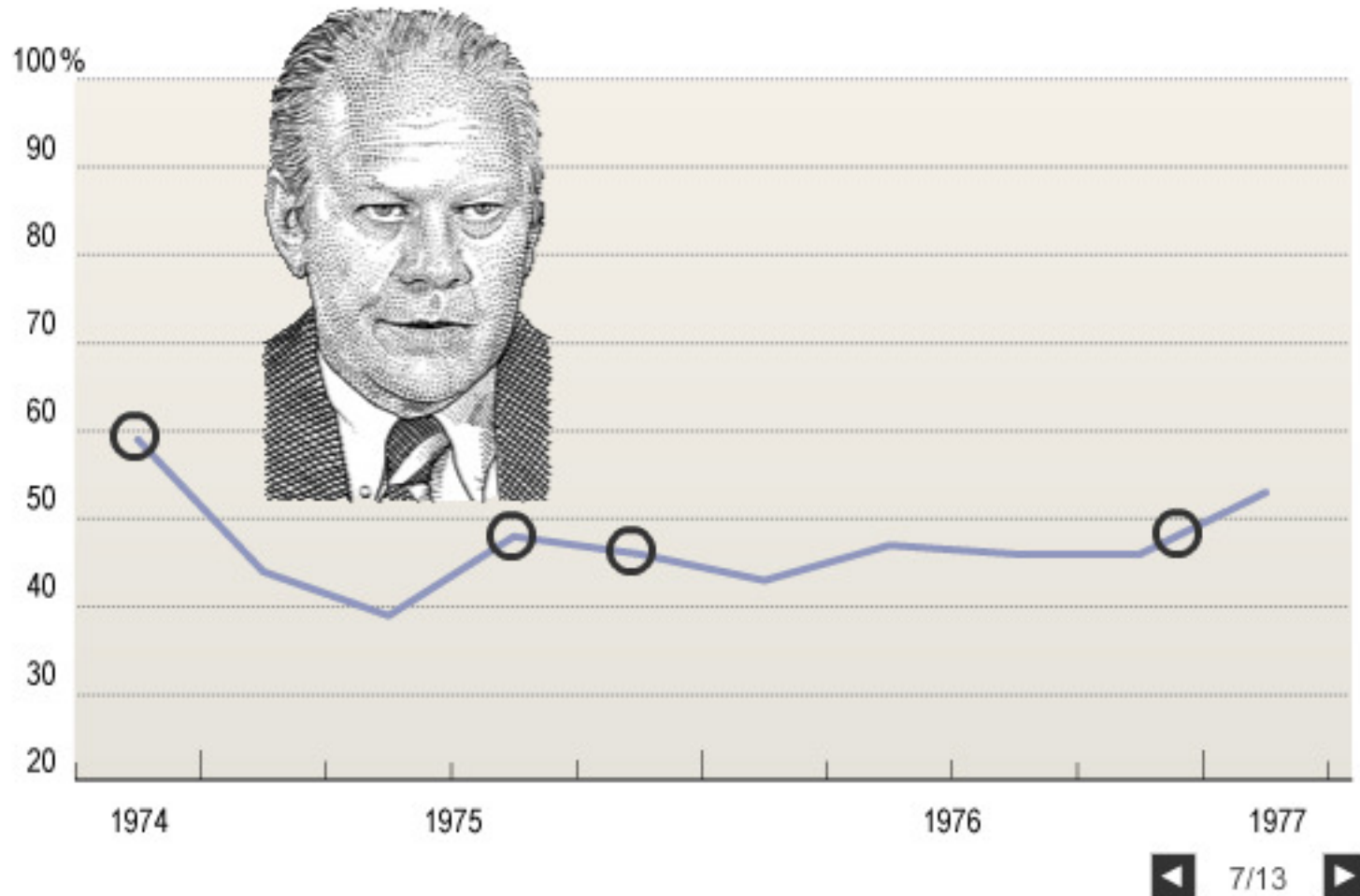
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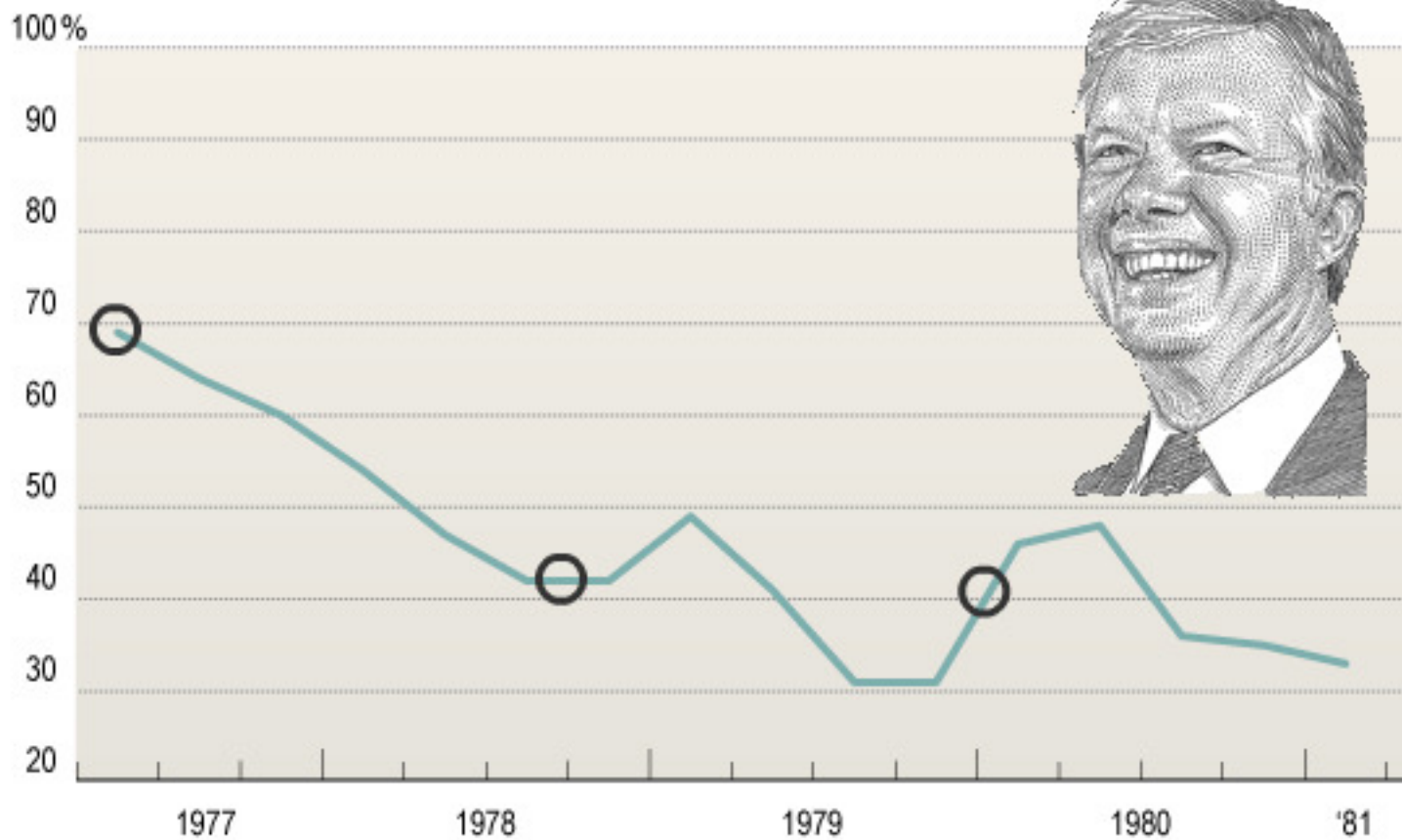
Appointed Nixon's vice president after Spiro Agnew's resignation, Ford finished Nixon's term.



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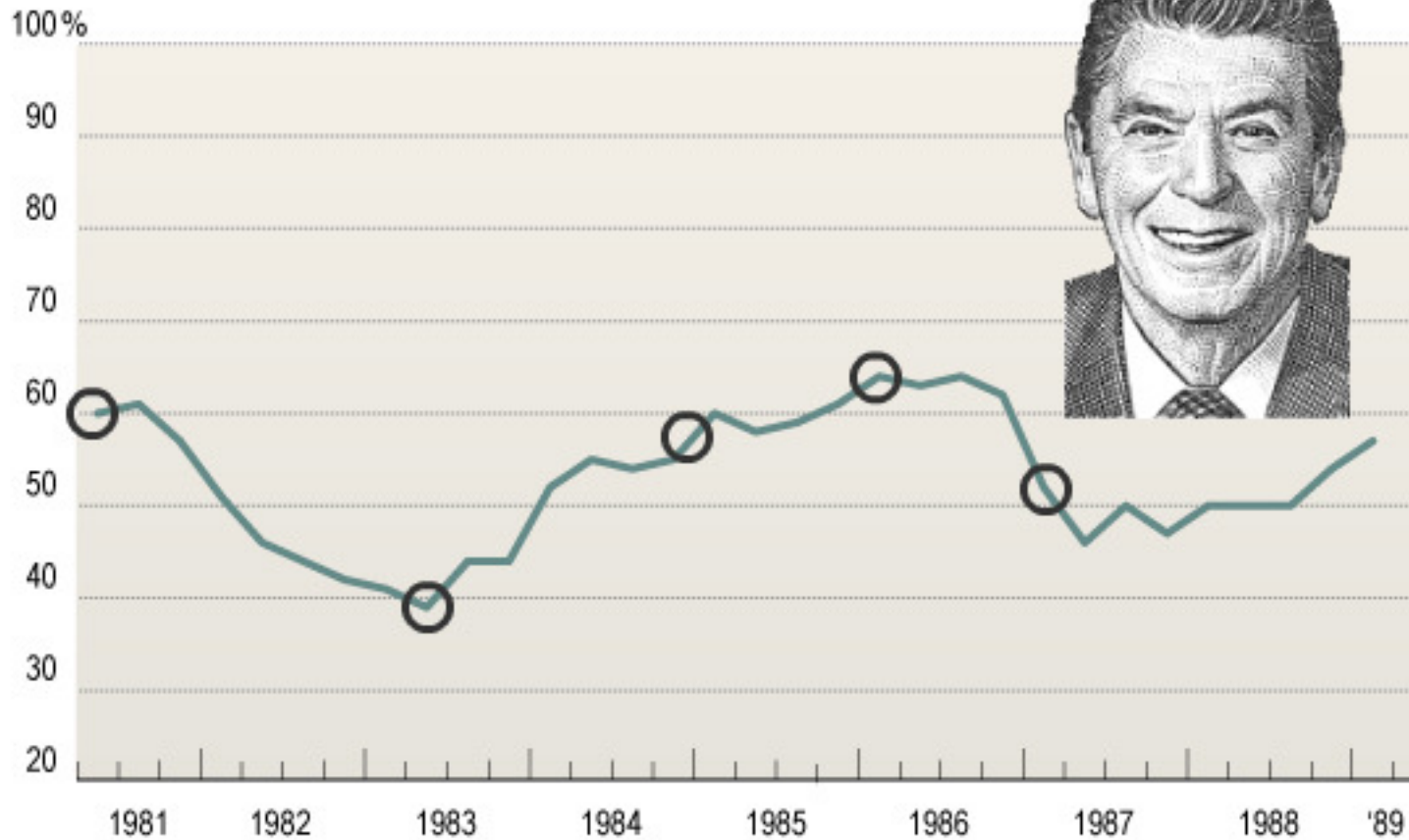
Carter made progress with the Camp David Accords, but the Iran hostage crisis ultimately hurt him



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Reagan survived two major downturns, during a recession and after Iran-Contra.

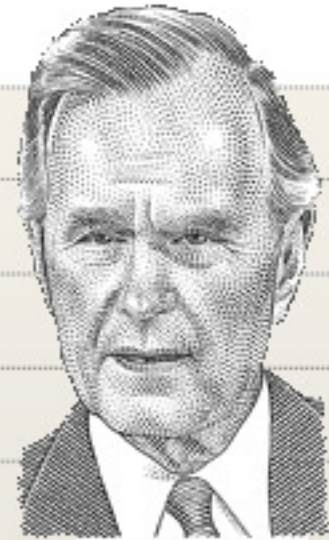
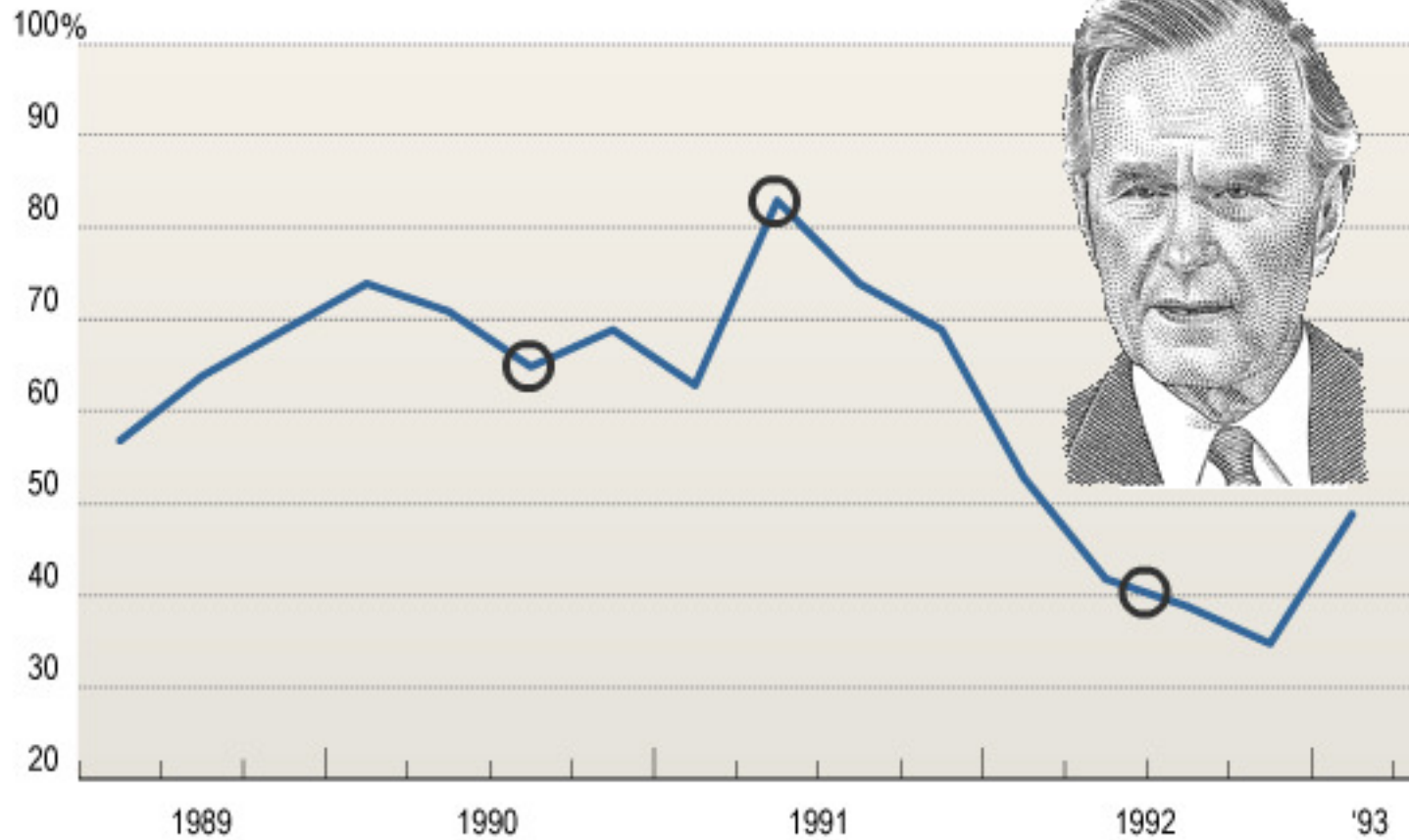
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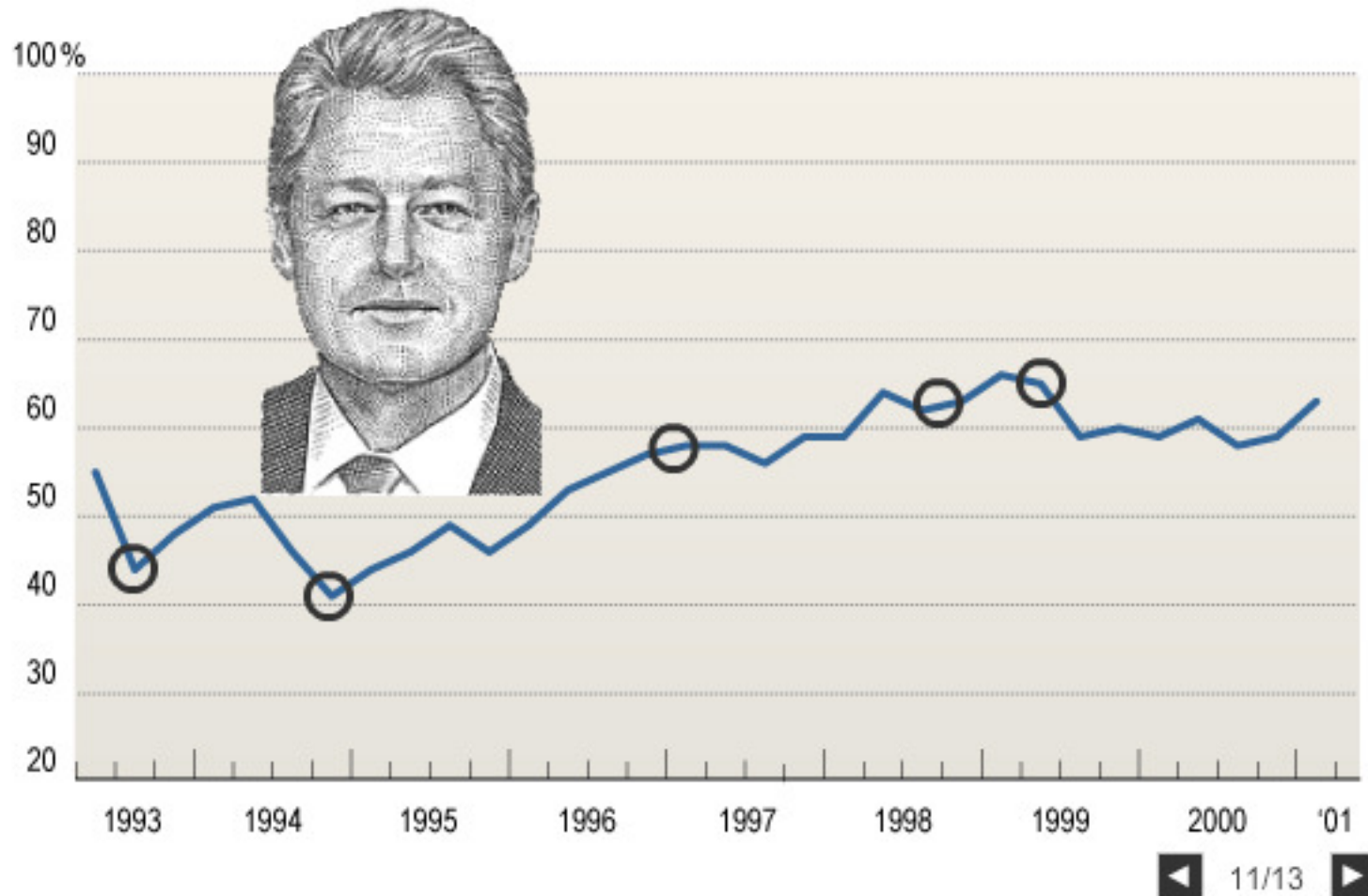
A reversal of his "No New Taxes" vow hurt George H.W. Bush, but the Gulf War was a diversion.



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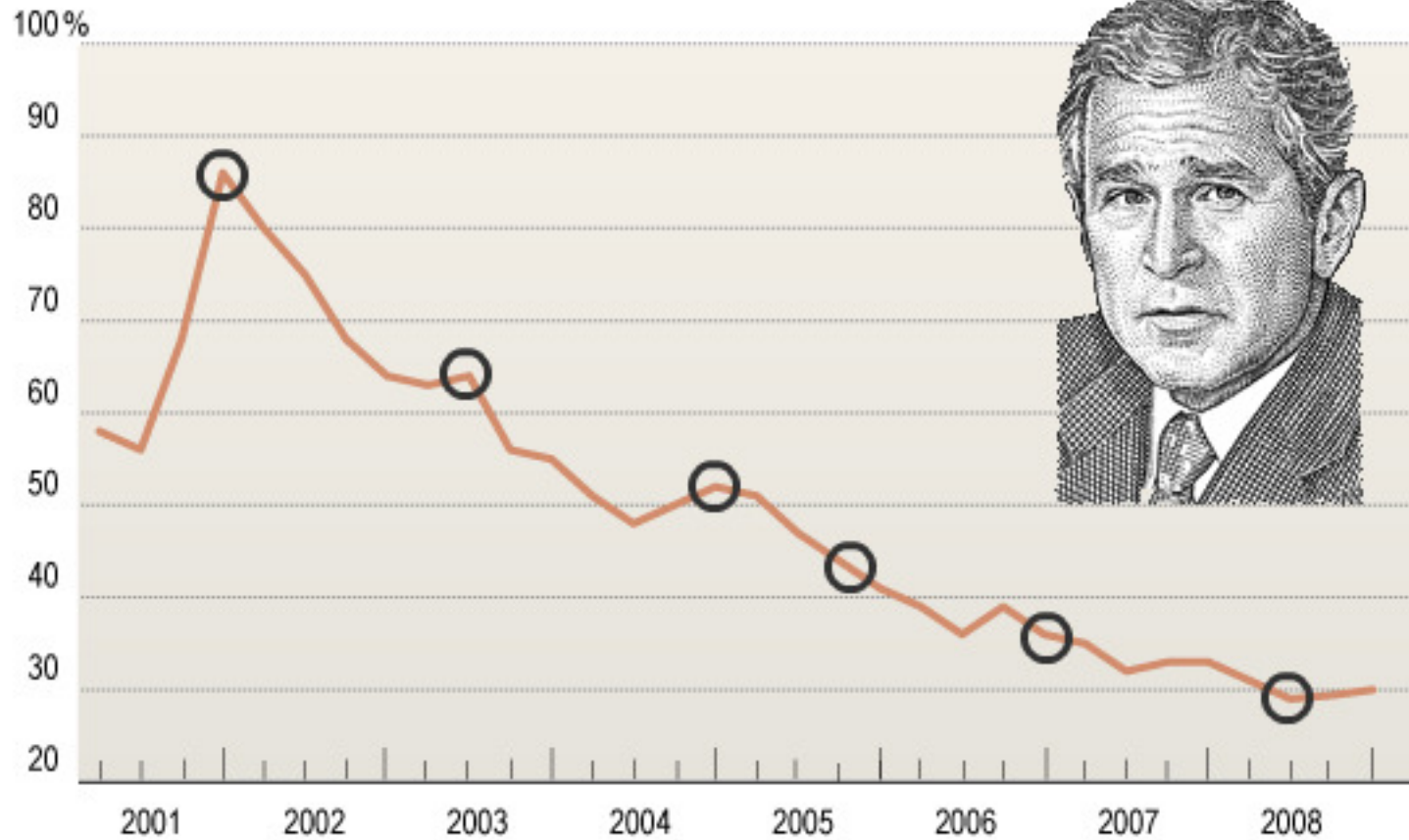
Clinton was stung by response to the Nafta trade pact, but floated atop impeachment concerns.



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Sept. 11 won George W. Bush widespread support, but he leaves with unusually low popularity.



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Barack Obama entered office on a platform for change but the recession may test his popular appeal.

