

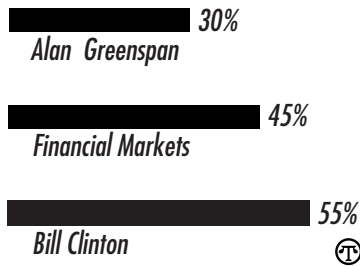
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The Toast Of Washington?

(NAPSA)—How forgiving are Americans? Only 30 percent of those surveyed in a recent poll said they'd "roast" Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan over a bottle of beer—as opposed to "toasting" him—for his handling of the economy.

Getting The Thumbs-Down From Americans



Despite his handling of the economy, a new poll shows Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan still provoking less anger than others.

The telephone poll, conducted by Roper-Starch for Sam Adams, one of America's leading world-class beers, found that despite any beating they may have taken in the stock market, Americans weren't ready to give the so-called "white knight" of Wall Street the boot. Indeed, a surprisingly high 50 percent wanted to approvingly "toast" him.

That contrasts with the more than 45 percent who wanted to "roast" the entire financial market.

Faring even worse than the financial market? Former President Bill Clinton—whose Pardon-gate scandals translated into 55 percent of respondents opting to "roast" him.

The telephone poll, of 1,000 adults, has a three-quarter point margin of error. For more information, visit www.samadams.com.