

Fakest News: The Iraq War

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Majority Are Still Falling for Fake News

A [new poll](#) from YouGov shows that *most* Americans still believe that Iraq had weapons of mass destruction at the start of the Iraq war:

That's stunning, given that President [Bush](#), Prime Minister [Blair](#), [the CIA](#), SecDef [Rumsfeld](#), SecState [Powell](#), National Security Advisor [Rice](#), Bush's chief strategist [Rove](#), "[Curveball](#)" (the alias of the name of the unreliable WMD information) and other top officials have all publicly *admitted* that Iraq had no WMDs.



Corporate Media Pushed Fake News

The mainstream media has confessed that they pushed the fake WMD claims.

For example, the New York Times [pushed fabricated evidence](#) in the run up to the Iraq war. A year later, the newspaper [apologized for its inaccurate, one-sided coverage](#).

The Washington Post [also apologized](#) for hyping the non-existent WMD threat.

CNN's Howard Kurtz [wrote](#):

Major news organizations aided and abetted the Bush administration's march to war on what turned out to be faulty premises. All too often, skepticism was checked at the door, and the shaky claims of top officials and unnamed sources were trumpeted as fact.

The low level of public confidence in the media has many causes, but one of them stems from what happened back in 2003.

Government Officials Pushed Fake News

We in the alternative media have

reported [over](#) and [over](#) and [over](#) and [over](#) and [over](#) and [over](#) that *all of the insiders* knew that Iraq didn't have weapons of mass destruction (WMDs). And see [this](#).

Catastrophic Consequences of Fake News

We were told that the Iraq war would make us safer. We were told that it would be [quick](#), and would virtually [pay for itself](#). (We were also told that it would be a "cakewalk", and that American soldiers would be greeted with flowers.)

In reality, the Iraq war was a total [disaster](#).

The war cost up to [\\$6 trillion dollars](#), which – even in a country as big as the U.S. – is a *lot* of money.

The war made us [less secure](#) than before. Remember, [Al Qaeda wasn't even in Iraq](#) until the U.S. invaded that country. And the Iraq war [directly led](#) to the creation of ISIS.

Indeed, the leaders of America and the UK [were warned](#) that the Iraq war would increase terrorism ... *before* they pulled the trigger.

That's "fake news" ...

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