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Only half of Republican voters nationwide, 49 per cent, would like to see President Ford run in 1976. The other half either opposes his candidacy or expresses uncertainty.

At the same time, however, a large majority of GOP adherents, 86 per cent, think he will actually seek nomination.

The results are recorded when 63 per cent of Republicans approve and 24 per cent disapprove of Mr. Ford's handling of the presidency. On dealing with the economy, 49 per cent of GOP voters approve while 40 per cent disapprove.

Much speculation has surrounded Mr. Ford's intentions for 1976. Some observers feel he will not seek a bid if the economy does not

improve. The President, however, has said that economic conditions will be favorable enough in 1976 for him to run for a full term in office.

Here is the first question asked in the survey:

"Would you like to see Mr. Ford run for president in 1976, or not?"

Views of Republicans, nationwide

Yes No No opinion

Here is the next question asked in the survey:

"Regardless of whether or not you would like to see him run, do you think Mr. Ford will run for president in 1976, or not?"

Yes National 82% Republican 86 Democrats 81 Independents 83

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