

**2020 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
WAVE 75 OCTOBER 2020
FINAL TOPLINE
SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 5, 2020
N=11,929**

ASK ALL:

SATIS All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?

	<u>Satisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied</u>	<u>No answer</u>
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	18	82	1
July 27-August 2, 2020	12	87	1
June 16-22, 2020	12	87	1
Apr 7-12, 2020	31	68	1
Mar 19-24, 2020	33	66	1
Oct 29-Nov 11, 2019	31	69	1
Oct 1-13, 2019	28	71	1
July 22-Aug 4, 2019	27	72	1
Nov 27-Dec 10, 2018	34	65	1
Jan 29-Feb 13, 2018 ¹	36	63	1
Feb 28-Mar 12, 2017 ²	32	68	0
Sep 27-Oct 10, 2016	23	75	2
Jun 7-Jul 5, 2016 ³	19	80	1
Sep 15-Oct 3, 2014	25	75	0

[RANDOMIZE FEEL_COUNTRY_FEAR, FEEL_COUNTRY_HOPEFUL ON SAME PAGE]**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=5,936]:**

FEEL_COUNTRY_FEAR Thinking about the state of the country these days, would you say you feel...

[DISPLAY RESPONSES IN ORDER]

Sep 30-Oct 5, <u>2020</u>		June 16-22 <u>2020</u>
63	Fearful	66
36	Not fearful	33
*	No answer	*

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=5,936]:

FEEL_COUNTRY_HOPEFUL Thinking about the state of the country these days, would you say you feel...

[DISPLAY RESPONSES IN ORDER]

Sep 30-Oct 5, <u>2020</u>		June 16-22 <u>2020</u>
44	Hopeful	46
55	Not hopeful	53
*	No answer	*

¹ In W31 and previous surveys, question was called SATISF.

² The W24.5 Mode Study survey was administered by web and phone. Results reported here are from web mode only.

³ SATISF in the W18 survey was asked to a random half of the sample assigned to Form 2 [N=2,366].

ASK ALL:

PRZCMPGN How much thought, if any, have you given to candidates who are running for president in 2020?

	<u>A lot</u>	<u>Some</u>	<u>Not much</u>	<u>None at all</u>	<u>No answer</u>
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	56	27	11	5	*
July 27-Aug 2, 2020	46	29	16	8	1
June 16-22, 2020	43	31	17	9	*
Apr 7-12, 2020	42	33	18	7	*
Jan 6-19, 2020	30	37	21	11	*
Sept 3-15, 2019	30	37	22	11	*
July 22-Aug 4, 2019	26	37	23	14	*
2016 election					
May 10-June 6, 2016	55	27	9	8	1
Apr 5-May 2, 2016	52	31	11	5	1
Mar 2-28, 2016	56	28	9	6	1
Mar 10-Apr 6, 2015 ⁴	26	40	23	11	*

ASK ALL:

MATTERS Thinking about how you feel about the 2020 presidential election, where would you place yourself on the following scale?

[PROGRAMMING NOTE: PLEASE FLIP THE LABELS FOR HALF OF RESPONDENTS LEAVING THE SCALE ALWAYS 1→4]

	1 Really matters <u>who wins</u>	2	3	4 Doesn't really <u>matter who wins</u>	No <u>answer</u>
2020 election					
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	67	16	9	8	1
July 27-Aug 2, 2020	68	14	8	9	*
Apr 7-12, 2020	64	17	9	8	1
Sep 3-15, 2019	62	19	10	9	*
2016 election					
Oct 25-Nov 8, 2016 ⁵	62	19	8	10	*
Sep 27-Oct 10, 2016	64	18	8	10	1
Aug 16-Sept 12, 2016	61	19	9	10	1
June 7-July 5, 2016	62	20	9	9	0
Apr 5-May, 2016	57	22	10	9	1
Mar 2-Mar 28, 2016	65	18	8	9	1
Nov 24-Dec 21, 2015	58	22	10	8	1

⁴ W10 (March 10 – April 6, 2014) had a minor difference in question wording: "How much thought, if any, have you given to candidates who may be running for president in 2016?"

⁵ In 2015 and 2016, question read: "Thinking about how you feel about the 2016 presidential election and the next president, where would you place yourself on the following scale?"

ASK ALL CITIZENS (XCITIZEN=1) [N=11,479]:

VOTEGEN20 If the 2020 presidential election were being held today, would you vote for... [RANDOMIZE OPTIONS 1 AND 2 FIRST FOLLOWED BY RANDOMIZED OPTIONS 3 AND 4, WITH OPTION 5 ALWAYS LAST]

ASK IF CITIZEN AND NONE/OTHER CANDIDATE OR SKIPPED VOTEGEN20 (VOTEGEN20=5 OR REFUSED) [N=904]:

VOTEGEN20_LEAN As of TODAY, do you... [RANDOMIZE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS VOTEGEN20]

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=10,543]:

Sep 30-Oct 5

2020

42	Donald Trump/lean Trump, the Republican
52	Joe Biden/lean Biden, the Democrat
4	Jo Jorgensen /lean Jorgensen, the Libertarian candidate
1	Howie Hawkins/lean Hawkins ⁶ , the Green Party candidate
1	None/other
*	No Answer

TREND FOR COMPARISON:**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS:**

July 27- Aug 2, <u>2020</u>		June 16-22 <u>2020</u>	Apr 8-12 <u>2020</u> ⁷
45	Donald Trump, the Republican/Lean more toward Trump	44	45
53	Joe Biden, the Democrat/Lean more toward Biden	54	47
2	Vote for neither/Other	2	8
*	No Answer	*	*

2016 TREND FOR COMPARISON:

Oct 25- Nov 8 <u>2016</u>		Sept 27- Oct 10 <u>2016</u>	Aug 16- Sept 12 <u>2016</u>	July 12- Aug 8 <u>2016</u> ⁸	June 7- July 5 <u>2016</u>
42	Donald Trump/Lean Trump	39	38	46	45
46	Hillary Clinton/Lean Clinton	46	45	50	51
6	Gary Johnson/Lean Johnson	10	10	n/a	n/a
4	Jill Stein/Lean Stein	4	4	n/a	n/a
1	None/Other	1	2	3	3
*	No Answer	0	1	1	1

⁶ Hawkins only asked in the 33 states and the District of Columbia where he is on the ballot.

⁷ Only W65 respondents who completed the survey on or after April 8, the day Bernie Sanders suspended his campaign for the Democratic nomination, were asked VOTEGENA or VOTEGENB.

¹¹ Surveys conducted July 12 – August 8 and June 7- July 5 asked only about Donald Trump and Hillary Clinton. Later waves included Gary Johnson and Jill Stein.

**ASK IF SELECTED [TRUMP, BIDEN, JORGENSEN, HAWKINS] IN VOTEGEN20 (VOTEGEN20=1,2,3,4)
[N=10,575]:**

VOTEGEN20CERT And would you say...

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=9,932]:

Sep 30-Oct 5

2020**Among Trump supporters (VOTEGEN20=1) [N=3,657]**

92	You are certain you will vote for Donald Trump
8	There is a chance you might change your mind
*	No answer

Among Biden supporters (VOTEGEN20=2) [N=5,994]

93	You are certain you will vote for Joe Biden
6	There is a chance you might change your mind
*	No answer

Among Jorgensen supporters (VOTEGEN20=3) [N=223]

44	You are certain you will vote for Jo Jorgensen
56	There is a chance you might change your mind
	No answer

Among Hawkins supporters (VOTEGEN20=4) [N=58]

29	You are certain you will vote for Howie Hawkins
69	There is a chance you might change your mind
2	No answer

TREND FOR COMPARISON:**ASK IF SELECTED CANDIDATE (VOTEGEN=1,2):**

VOTEGEN2 And would you say ...

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS:

July 27-Aug 2

2020**Among Trump supporters (VOTEGEN=1)**

95	You are certain you will vote for Donald Trump over Joe Biden
5	There is a chance you might change your mind
*	No answer

Among Biden supporters (VOTEGEN=2)

94	You are certain you will vote for Joe Biden over Donald Trump
5	There is a chance you might change your mind
*	No answer

**2016 TREND FOR COMPARISON:
ASK IF SELECTED CANDIDATE (VOTEGEN=1,2):**
VOTEGEN2 And would you say ...

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS:

Oct 25- Nov 8 <u>2016</u>		Sept 27- Oct 10 <u>2016</u>	Aug 16- Sept 12 <u>2016</u>	July 12- Aug 8, <u>2016</u>	June 7- July 5, <u>2016</u>
Among Trump supporters					
91	You are certain to vote for Trump	90	85	91	92
9	There is a chance you might change your mind	10	15	8	8
0	No Answer	0	0	0	0
Among Clinton supporters					
93	You are certain to vote for Clinton	88	85	90	91
6	There is a chance you might change your mind	12	14	9	7
*	No Answer	0	1	1	2

ASK IF JORGENSEN/HAWKINS IN VOTEGEN20 OR VOTEGEN20_LEAN (VOTEGEN20 OR VOTEGEN20_LEAN=3,4) [N=515]:

VOTEGEN20_2CAND And even though you don't plan to support Donald Trump or Joe Biden, if you had to choose, would you say you... **[RANDOMIZE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS VOTEGEN20]**

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=381]:

Sep 30-Oct 5 <u>2020</u>	
54	Lean more toward Donald Trump
42	Lean more toward Joe Biden
4	No Answer

ASK IF CHOSE A CANDIDATE IN VOTEGEN20 (VOTEGEN20=1,2,3,4) [N=10,575]:

VOTESTRONG_4 Do you support [Donald Trump/Joe Biden/Jo Jorgensen/Howie Hawkins]...

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=9,932]:

Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020		July 27-Aug 2, 2020
42	Trump/Lean Trump	45
29	<i>Strongly</i>	30
13	<i>Moderately/Lean</i>	15
52	Biden/Lean Biden	53
30	<i>Strongly</i>	24
23	<i>Moderately/Lean</i>	29
4	Jorgensen/Lean Jorgensen ⁹	
1	Hawkins/Lean Hawkins	
1	None/other	
*	No Answer	*

⁹ Surveys conducted before September 30-October 5, 2020 did not list Jo Jorgensen or Howie Hawkins as response options.

PRIOR ELECTION PHONE TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:

	<u>Trump</u>				<u>Clinton</u>				(VOL.) Other/ DK/Ref		
	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>mod</u>	<u>DK</u>	<i>Only</i>	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>mod</u>	<u>DK</u>	<i>Only</i>			
Jun 15-26, 2016	42	19	22	1	51	23	27	1	7		
2012	<u>Romney</u>				<u>Obama</u>				<u>Johnson</u> <u>Stein</u>		(VOL.) Other/ DK/Ref
	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>mod</u>	<u>DK</u>	<i>Only</i>	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>mod</u>	<u>DK</u>	<i>Only</i>			
Oct 31-Nov 3, 2012	42	30	12	*	49	37	12	*	3	1	5
Oct 24-28, 2012	45	30	15	*	47	32	15	*	2	1	5
Oct 4-7, 2012	46	31	14	*	46	32	15	*	n/a	n/a	8
Sep 12-16, 2012	42	24	18	*	51	35	16	*	n/a	n/a	7
Jul 16-26, 2012 ¹⁰	41				51				n/a	n/a	7
Jun 28-Jul 9, 2012	43	15	28	1	50	32	18	*	n/a	n/a	6
Jun 7-17, 2012	46	17	27	1	50	30	20	*	n/a	n/a	5
May 9-Jun 3, 2012	42				49				n/a	n/a	9
Apr 4-15, 2012	45				49				n/a	n/a	6
Mar 7-11, 2012	42				54				n/a	n/a	4
Feb 8-12, 2012	44				52				n/a	n/a	4
Jan 11-16, 2012	45				50				n/a	n/a	6
Nov 9-14, 2011	47				49				n/a	n/a	4
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	48				48				n/a	n/a	4
2008	<u>McCain</u>				<u>Obama</u>				<u>Nader</u> <u>Barr</u>		Other/ DK/Ref
	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>mod</u>	<u>DK</u>	<i>Only</i>	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>mod</u>	<u>DK</u>	<i>Only</i>			
November, 2008	39	21	18	*	50	35	14	1	1	1	9
Late October, 2008	36	20	15	1	52	39	12	1	3	1	8
Mid-October, 2008	38	21	16	1	52	36	16	*	n/a	n/a	10
Early October, 2008	40	21	18	1	50	36	14	*	n/a	n/a	10
Late September, 2008	42	23	19	*	49	33	15	1	n/a	n/a	9
Mid-September, 2008	44	25	19	*	46	30	15	1	n/a	n/a	10
August, 2008	43	17	26	*	46	27	19	*	n/a	n/a	11
July, 2008	42	17	24	1	47	24	22	1	n/a	n/a	11
June, 2008	40	14	26	*	48	28	19	1	n/a	n/a	12
2008	<u>McCain</u>				<u>Obama</u>				<u>Nader</u> <u>Barr</u>		Other/ DK/Ref
	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>mod</u>	<u>DK</u>	<i>Only</i>	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>mod</u>	<u>DK</u>	<i>Only</i>			
Late May, 2008	44				47				n/a	n/a	9
April, 2008	44				50				n/a	n/a	6
March, 2008	43				49				n/a	n/a	8
Late February, 2008	43				50				n/a	n/a	7
2004	<u>Bush</u>				<u>Kerry</u>				<u>Nader</u>		Other/ DK/Ref
	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>mod</u>	<u>DK</u>	<i>Only</i>	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>mod</u>	<u>DK</u>	<i>Only</i>			
November, 2004	45	34	11	*	46	29	16	1	1		8
Mid-October, 2004	45	32	13	*	45	28	16	1	1		9
Early October, 2004	48	35	12	1	41	24	17	*	2		9
September, 2004	49	33	15	1	43	22	20	1	1		7
August, 2004	45	32	13	*	47	28	19	*	2		6
July, 2004	44				46				3		7
June, 2004	46				42				6		6
May, 2004	43				46				6		5
Late March, 2004	44				43				6		7
Mid-March, 2004	42				49				4		5

¹⁰ After July 2012, August 2008, June 2004, July 2000, July 1996, June 1992, and June 1988 the question specified vice presidential candidates.

PHONE TRENDS FOR COMPARISON CONTINUED:

2004	Bush	<i>Only</i>			Kerry	<i>Only</i>			Nader	Other/		
		<i>Strongly</i>	<i>mod</i>	<i>DK</i>		<i>Strongly</i>	<i>mod</i>	<i>DK</i>		DK/Ref		
Two-way trial heats:												
June, 2004	48				46				n/a		6	
May, 2004	45				50				n/a		5	
Late March, 2004	46				47				n/a		7	
Mid-March, 2004	43				52				n/a		5	
Late February, 2004	44				48				n/a		8	
Early February, 2004	47				47				n/a		6	
Early January, 2004	52				41				n/a		7	
October, 2003	50				42				n/a		8	
2000	Bush	<i>Only</i>			Gore	<i>Only</i>			Nader	Buchanan		Other/
		<i>Strongly</i>	<i>mod</i>	<i>DK</i>		<i>Strongly</i>	<i>mod</i>	<i>DK</i>		DK/Ref		
November, 2000	41	26	15	*	45	25	19	1	4	1	9	
Late October, 2000	45	29	16	*	43	24	19	*	4	1	7	
Mid-October, 2000	43	25	18	*	45	22	23	*	4	1	7	
Early October, 2000	43	26	17	*	44	22	22	*	5	*	8	
September, 2000	41	21	19	1	47	25	21	1	2	1	9	
July, 2000	42				41				6	2	9	
Late June, 2000	42				35				2	2	19	
Mid-June, 2000	41				42				4	3	10	
January, 2000	51				39				n/a	4	6	
September, 1999	49				35				n/a	10	6	
Two-way trial heats:												
July, 2000	48				46				n/a	n/a	6	
Mid-June, 2000	45	20	25	*	46	18	27	1	n/a	n/a	9	
May, 2000	46				45				n/a	n/a	9	
March, 2000	43				49				n/a	n/a	8	
February, 2000	46	19	27	*	45	18	26	1	n/a	n/a	9	
December, 1999	55				40				n/a	n/a	5	
October, 1999	54				39				n/a	n/a	7	
September, 1999	54				39				n/a	n/a	7	
July, 1999	53				42				n/a	n/a	5	
March, 1999	54				41				n/a	n/a	5	
January, 1999	50				44				n/a	n/a	6	
Early September, 1998	53				40				n/a	n/a	7	
1996	Dole	<i>Only</i>			Clinton	<i>Only</i>			Perot	Other/		
		<i>Strongly</i>	<i>mod</i>	<i>DK</i>		<i>Strongly</i>	<i>mod</i>	<i>DK</i>		DK/Ref		
November, 1996	32	17	15	*	51	26	24	1	9		8	
October, 1996	34	17	16	1	51	25	26	*	8		7	
Late September, 1996	35	16	18	1	51	26	25	*	7		7	
Early September, 1996	34	17	17	*	52	26	26	0	8		6	
July, 1996	34				44				16		6	
March, 1996	35				44				16		5	
September, 1995	36				42				19		3	
July, 1994	36				39				20		5	
Two-way trial heats:												
July, 1996	42	11	30	*	53	20	31	1	n/a		5	
June, 1996	40	13	23	1	55	22	29	1	n/a		5	
April, 1996	40				54						6	
March, 1996	41				53						6	
February, 1996	44				52						4	
January, 1996	41				53						6	
July, 1994	49				46						5	

PHONE TRENDS FOR COMPARISON CONTINUED:

	<i>Only</i>				<i>Only</i>					Other/
1992	<u>Bush Sr.</u>	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>mod</u>	<u>DK</u>	<u>Clinton</u>	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>mod</u>	<u>DK</u>	<u>Perot</u>	<u>DK/Ref</u>
Late October, 1992	34	20	14	--	44	26	18	--	19	3
Early October, 1992	35	14	21	--	48	23	25	--	8	9
June, 1992	31				27				36	6
Two-way trial heats:										
September, 1992	38	14	21	--	53	25	28	--	n/a	9
August, 1992	37	14	23	--	57	24	33	--	n/a	6
June, 1992	46	13	33	--	41	9	32	--	n/a	13
May, 1992	46	15	31	--	43	10	33	--	n/a	11
Late March, 1992	50	19	31	--	43	9	34	--	n/a	7
	<i>Only</i>				<i>Only</i>					Other/
1988	<u>Bush Sr.</u>	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>mod</u>	<u>DK</u>	<u>Dukakis</u>	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>mod</u>	<u>DK</u>		<u>DK/Ref</u>
October, 1988	50	24	26	--	42	20	22	--		8
September, 1988	50	26	24	--	44	19	25	--		6
May, 1988	40	12	28	--	53	14	39	--		7

ASK IF CHOSE TRUMP OR LEAN TRUMP (VOTEGEN20=1 or VOTEGEN20_LEAN=1):

DTFORAGNST

Would you say that your choice of Trump is more a vote...

ASK IF CHOSE BIDEN OR LEAN BIDEN (VOTEGEN20=2 or VOTEGEN20_LEAN=2):

JBFORAGNST

Would you say that your choice of Biden is more a vote...

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=10,543]:

Sep 30-Oct <u>5, 2020</u>		June 16-22, <u>2020</u>
42	Trump/Lean Trump	44
30	For Trump	33
12	Against Biden	10
*	Refused	*
52	Biden/Lean Biden	54
19	For Biden	18
33	Against Trump	36
*	Refused	*
4	Jorgensen/Lean Jorgensen	
1	Hawkins/Lean Hawkins	
1	Vote for none/other	2
*	No answer	

RANDOMIZE ORDER OF EMTPRESTRUMP EMTPRESBIDEN**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=5,993]:**

EMTPRESTRUMP How would you feel if Donald Trump was reelected in the November 2020 election? [**SHOW OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE; USE SAME ORDER FOR EMTPRESBIDEN**]

Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020		July 27-Aug 2, 2020	Jan 6-19 2020	Sep 3-15 2019
12	Excited	13	15	14
29	Relieved	27	24	24
33	Disappointed	27	35	34
25	Angry	31	23	26
1	No Answer	2	3	2

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

How do you feel about Donald Trump winning the presidential election?

Nov 29- Dec 12 2016		Oct 25- Nov 8 2016 ¹¹	Aug 16- Sept 12 2016	Apr 5- May 2 2016
18	Excited	12	10	14
25	Relieved	26	25	16
41	Disappointed	37	37	37
15	Angry	23	24	29
2	No Answer	2	4	4

RANDOMIZE ORDER OF EMTPRESTRUMP EMTPRESEBIDEN**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=5,993]:**

EMTPRESBIDEN How would you feel if Joe Biden was elected in the November 2020 election? [**SHOW OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE; USE SAME ORDER FOR EMTPRESTRUMP**]

Sep 30- Oct 5, 2020		July 27- Aug 2, 2020
10	Excited	8
42	Relieved	43
34	Disappointed	32
12	Angry	16
2	No answer	2

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

How would you feel if Hillary Clinton won the presidential election in November 2016?

Oct 25- Nov 8 2016		Aug 16- Sept 12 2016	Apr 5- May 2 2016
11	Excited	13	15
36	Relieved	36	25
31	Disappointed	29	34
20	Angry	19	22
2	No Answer	4	4

^{13.} Prior to the November 2016 survey, this question was asked as a hypothetical, "How would you feel if Donald Trump won the presidential election?"

RANDOMIZE BIDENWINFEEL AND TRUMPWINFEEL

ASK FORM 2 AND CHOSE TRUMP OR LEAN TRUMP (VOTEGEN20=1 or VOTEGEN20_LEAN=1):
[N=2,117]:

BIDENWINFEEL Which comes closer to how you would feel about the direction of the country if Joe Biden was elected president in the upcoming election? [**SHOW OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE; USE SAME ORDER FOR TRUMPWINFEEL**]

BASED ON TRUMP/LEAN TRUMP REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,933]:

Sep 30-Oct 5,
2020

4	I would not be very concerned about the country's direction.
8	I would be very concerned about the country's direction, but think Biden's election WOULDN'T lead to lasting harm to the U.S.
89	I would be very concerned about the country's direction, and think Biden's election WOULD lead to lasting harm to the U.S.
*	No answer

ASK FORM 2 AND CHOSE BIDEN OR LEAN BIDEN (VOTEGEN20=2 or VOTEGEN20_LEAN=2):
[N=3,251]:

TRUMPWINFEEL Which comes closer to how you would feel about the direction of the country if Donald Trump was reelected president in the upcoming election? [**SHOW OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE; USE SAME ORDER FOR BIDENWINFEEL**]

BASED ON BIDEN/LEAN BIDEN REGISTERED VOTERS [N=3,050]:

Sep 30-Oct 5,
2020

1	I would not be very concerned about the country's direction.
8	I would be very concerned about the country's direction, but think Trump's election WOULDN'T lead to lasting harm to the U.S.
90	I would be very concerned about the country's direction, and think Trump's election WOULD lead to lasting harm to the U.S.
*	No answer

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK ALL CITIZENS (XCITIZEN=1) [N=11,479]:

PLAN1 Do you plan to vote in the presidential election, have you already voted, or don't you plan to vote?

ASK IF CITIZEN AND PLAN TO VOTE (XCITIZEN=1 AND PLAN1=1) [N=10,043]:HOWPLANVOTE How do you plan to cast your vote in the November election...
[REVERSE ORDER 3-1 FOR RANDOM HALF SAMPLE, KEEP 4 LAST]**ASK IF CITIZEN AND HAVE ALREADY VOTED (XCITIZEN=1 AND PLAN1 = 2) [N=857]:**

HOWVOTED Did you cast your vote... [REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE]

ASK IF CITIZEN AND PLAN TO VOTE ABSENTEE (XCITIZEN=1 AND HOWPLANVOTE = 3) [N=3,897]:

PLANABSENT Do you plan to return your ballot... [REVERSE ORDER 3-1 FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE, KEEP 4 LAST]

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS[N=10,543]:

Sep 30- Oct 6 <u>2020</u>		Oct 25- Nov 8 <u>2016</u>
90	Plan to vote	75
20	<i>In person at a polling place BEFORE Election Day</i>	--
33	<i>In person at a polling place ON Election Day</i>	--
32	<i>By absentee or mail-in ballot</i>	--
4	<i>In person to an election official or poll worker</i>	--
11	<i>To a designated dropbox</i>	--
15	<i>By mail</i>	--
2	<i>Not sure [anchor]</i>	--
4	<i>Not sure [anchor]</i>	--
7	Already voted	21
1	<i>In person at a polling place or early voting location</i>	--
1	<i>By absentee or mail-in ballot returned in person</i>	--
1	<i>By absentee or mail-in ballot dropped off at a designated dropbox</i>	--
4	<i>By mailing in your ballot</i>	--
2	Don't plan to vote	4
*	No answer	*

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

Do you plan to cast your vote in [the general election] [IF RSTATE=22 LOUISIANA: the November election]...

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS WHO PLAN TO VOTE:

Oct 25- Nov 8 <u>2016</u>		Sept 27- Oct 10 <u>2016</u>
24	Before Election Day	32
71	On Election Day	55
5	Not sure	13
*	No Answer	0

**ASK ALL CITIZENS WHO HAVE VOTED OR WHO PLAN TO VOTE (XCITIZEN=1 AND PLAN 1=1,2)
[N=10,900]:**

FIRSTVOTE20 Is this the first year you have ever voted, or have you voted in elections before this year?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N =10,353]:

Sep 30-Oct 5
2020
6 First year voting
94 Have voted before
* No answer

FIRSTVOTE20 TREND FOR COMPARISON:

Is this the first year you have ever voted, or have you voted in elections before this year?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS WHO PLAN TO VOTE:

Nov 7-16,
2018
3 First year voting
97 Have voted before
-- No answer

ASK ALL:

THERMO We'd like to get your feelings toward a number of people on a "feeling thermometer." A rating of zero degrees means you feel as cold and negative as possible. A rating of 100 degrees means you feel as warm and positive as possible. You would rate the person at 50 degrees if you don't feel particularly positive or negative toward them. [**RANDOMIZE**]

[Enter the number in the box between 0 and 100 that reflects your feelings]

	Rating of <u>0 to 24</u>	Rating of <u>25 to 49</u>	Rating of <u>50</u>	Rating of <u>51 to 75</u>	Rating of <u>76 to 100</u>	No <u>Answer</u>	<i>Mean rating</i>
ASK ALL:							
a. Donald Trump							
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	51	6	7	10	25	1	37
Apr 7-12, 2020	45	7	7	10	30	*	42
Oct 29-Nov 11, 2019	49	8	9	9	25	1	38
Sep 3-15, 2019	49	7	8	10	26	1	38
Feb 26-Mar 11, 2018	51	8	10	9	22	1	35
Nov 29-Dec 12, 2016	37	11	14	12	24	2	43
Sept 27-Oct 10, 2016	48	9	9	11	18	4	35
Apr 5-May 2, 2016	53	8	9	11	17	3	32
b. Joe Biden							
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	38	10	12	15	24	1	43
Apr 7-12, 2020	37	14	16	15	17	*	40

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK ALL:
POLTCRSW

In general, do you think about politics as a struggle between right and wrong or don't you think about politics in this way?

Sep 30- Oct 5 <u>2020</u>		Jan 6-19, <u>2020</u>	Apr 29- May 13 <u>2019</u>
48	Think about politics as a struggle between right and wrong	37	42
51	Don't think about politics in this way	62	56
1	No answer	1	2

PHONE TREND FOR COMPARISON:

Mar 7-14 <u>2018</u>		Sep 16-Oct 4 <u>2015</u>
42	Think about politics as a struggle between right and wrong	44
57	Don't think about politics in this way	54
2	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	2

ASK ALL:
ECON1

Thinking about the nation's economy...
How would you rate economic conditions in this country today?

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Only fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>No answer</u>
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	4	29	42	25	*
June 16-22, 2020	4	22	44	30	1
Apr 7-12, 2020	4	19	38	38	1
Jan 6-19, 2020	16	42	33	9	*
Sep 16-29, 2019	10	46	35	8	*
July 22-Aug 4, 2019	14	43	32	11	*
Nov 7-16, 2018	13	46	31	9	1
Sep 24-Oct 7, 2018	12	45	32	11	*
Feb 28-Mar 12, 2017	2	37	43	17	0
Oct 25-Nov 8, 2016	2	30	47	21	*
Apr 29-May 27, 2014	1	18	50	30	1

ASK ALL:
ECON1B

A year from now, do you expect that economic conditions in the country as a whole will be...

	<u>Better</u>	<u>Worse</u>	About the <u>same as</u> <u>now</u>	<u>No answer</u>
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	52	17	30	1
June 16-22, 2020	50	22	27	1
Apr 7-12, 2020	55	22	22	1
Jan 6-19, 2020	29	26	45	1
Sep 16-29, 2019	20	32	48	*
July 22-Aug 4, 2019 ¹²	28	28	44	*

¹² In the survey conducted from July 22- August 4, 2019, response options for this question were not randomized.

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=5,993]:

DTCONF

Thinking about DONALD TRUMP's ability to handle a number of things, how confident are you that Donald Trump can do each of the following?

	<u>Very confident</u>	<u>Somewhat confident</u>	<u>Not too confident</u>	<u>Not at all confident</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a. Handle the public health impact of the coronavirus outbreak					
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	17	22	16	45	1
June 16-22, 2020	18	22	16	43	1
b. Make good decisions about foreign policy					
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	24	19	17	39	1
June 16-22, 2020	22	21	16	41	1
c. Make good decisions about economic policy					
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	28	22	18	31	1
June 16-22, 2020	29	21	16	33	1
Jan 6-19, 2020	32	21	18	29	1
July 22-Aug 4, 2019	29	21	15	35	*

NO ITEM D

e. Effectively handle law enforcement and criminal justice issues					
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	24	20	17	39	*
June 16-22, 2020	19	23	17	41	1
f. Bring the country closer together					
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	11	18	20	51	1
June 16-22, 2020	11	19	19	50	1

NO ITEMS G-I

j. Select good nominees for the Supreme Court					
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	27	19	17	36	1

DTCONF.j TREND FOR COMPARISON*Make good appointments to the federal courts*

Jan 6-19, 2020	27	19	17	36	1
July 22-Aug 4, 2019	25	20	19	36	1

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=5,993]:

JBCONF

Thinking about JOE BIDEN's ability to handle a number of things, how confident are you that Joe Biden can do each of the following?

	<u>Very confident</u>	<u>Somewhat confident</u>	<u>Not too confident</u>	<u>Not at all confident</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a. Handle the public health impact of the coronavirus outbreak					
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	23	31	20	25	1
June 16-22, 2020	15	37	21	26	1
b. Make good decisions about foreign policy					
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	22	30	18	29	1
June 16-22, 2020	16	33	21	28	1
c. Make good decisions about economic policy					
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	17	33	19	30	1
June 16-22, 2020	12	35	23	29	1

NO ITEM D

e. Effectively handle law enforcement and criminal justice issues					
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	15	34	19	31	1
June 16-22, 2020	11	35	25	28	1
f. Bring the country closer together					
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	17	32	20	29	1
June 16-22, 2020	14	30	25	30	1

NO ITEMS G-I

j. Select good nominees for the Supreme Court					
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	24	30	16	30	1

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=5,936]:

TRUMPDESC

How well does each of the following describe DONALD TRUMP?

	<u>Very well</u>	<u>Fairly well</u>	<u>Not too well</u>	<u>Not at all well</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a. Courageous					
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	27	21	13	38	1
June 16-22, 2020	25	19	13	41	1
b. A good role model					
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	7	20	19	53	1
June 16-22, 2020	9	20	18	52	1
NO ITEM C					
d. Honest					
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	10	23	16	50	1
June 16-22, 2020	13	21	16	49	1
Feb 4-15, 2020	12	24	19	44	1

TRUMPDESC CONTINUED...

	<u>Very well</u>	<u>Fairly well</u>	<u>Not too well</u>	<u>Not at all well</u>	<u>No answer</u>
NO ITEMS E-G					
h. Stands up for what he believes in Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	41	25	13	20	1
i. Compassionate Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	13	19	18	50	1
j. Mentally sharp Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	24	24	19	32	1

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=5,936]:

BIDENDESC How well does each of the following describe JOE BIDEN?

	<u>Very well</u>	<u>Fairly well</u>	<u>Not too well</u>	<u>Not at all well</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a. Courageous Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	21	32	25	20	2
June 16-22, 2020	13	31	27	26	3
b. A good role model Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	22	30	23	23	2
June 16-22, 2020	14	31	24	28	2

NO ITEM C

d. Honest Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	20	32	23	24	2
June 16-22, 2020	13	33	25	28	2
Feb 4-15, 2020	12	24	19	44	1

NO ITEMS E-G

h. Stands up for what he believes in Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	26	35	21	16	2
i. Compassionate Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	30	34	20	14	2
j. Mentally sharp Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	13	33	22	31	1

ASK FORM 1 IF CHOSE BIDEN OR LEAN BIDEN (FORM=1 AND (VOTEGEN20=2 or VOTEGEN20_LEAN=2)) [N=3,337]:

EVAL_TV5 Thinking for a moment about the ordinary Americans who want to see Donald Trump reelected, which of these comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=3,145]:

Sep 30- Oct 5 <u>2020</u>	
18	We may have very different priorities when it comes to politics and policies, but we share a fundamental commitment to the same core American values and goals
80	Not only do we have very different priorities when it comes to politics and policies, but we have fundamental disagreements about core American values and goals
2	No answer

ASK FORM 1 IF CHOSE TRUMP OR LEAN TRUMP (FORM=1 AND (VOTEGEN20=1 or VOTEGEN20_LEAN=1)) [N=2,116]:

EVAL_BVS Thinking for a moment about the ordinary Americans who want to see Joe Biden elected, which of these comes closer to your views, even if neither is exactly right?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,938]:

Sep 30- Oct 5 <u>2020</u>	
22	We may have very different priorities when it comes to politics and policies, but we share a fundamental commitment to the same core American values and goals
77	Not only do we have very different priorities when it comes to politics and policies, but we have fundamental disagreements about core American values and goals
2	No answer

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**ASK IF CITIZEN (N=11,479):**

REG Which of these statements best describes you?

Sep 30-Oct 5 <u>2020</u>	
75	You are ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN that you are registered to vote at your current address
11	You are PROBABLY registered, but there is a chance your registration has lapsed
13	You are NOT registered to vote at your current address
1	No answer

ASK IF NOT REGISTERED VOTER (N=936):

PLANREG Do you plan to register so that you can vote in the upcoming election?

Sep 30-Oct 5

2020

54	Yes
43	No
3	No answer

ASK IF REG=1,2 OR PLANREG=1 [N=11,174]:

VOTE_MOTIV Thinking about voting in the presidential election, would you say that you are personally...

	Extremely motivated <u>to vote</u>	Very motivated <u>to vote</u>	Somewhat motivated <u>to vote</u>	Not too motivated <u>to vote</u>	<u>Not at all</u> <u>motivated</u> <u>to vote</u>	<u>No answer</u>
Sep 30-Oct 5, 2020	61	19	12	5	3	*

ADDITIONAL QUESTION HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**ASK FORM 1 ONLY IF TRUMP/LEAN TRUMP (VOTEGEN20=1 OR VOTEGEN20_LEAN20=1) [N=2,116]:**DT_REPRE Which comes closer to your view about what Donald Trump's approach should be if he is reelected?
Donald Trump should primarily focus on addressing the concerns of...**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=1,938]:**

Sep 30-

Oct 5

2020

86	All Americans, even if it means disappointing some of his supporters
13	Those who voted for him, without worrying too much about the concerns of those who vote for him
1	No answer

ASK FORM 1 ONLY IF BIDEN/LEAN BIDEN (VOTEGEN20=2 OR VOTEGEN20_LEAN20=2) [N=3337]:JB_REPRE Which comes closer to your view about what Joe Biden's approach should be if he is elected?
Joe Biden should primarily focus on addressing the concerns of...**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS [N=3,145]:**

Sep 30-

Oct 5

2020

89	All Americans, even if it means disappointing some of his supporters
10	Those who voted for him, without worrying too much about the concerns of those who vote for him
1	No answer

ASK ALL:

PARTY In politics today, do you consider yourself a:

ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE (PARTY=3 or 4) OR MISSING [N=11,929]:PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to...¹³

<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<u>Something else</u>	<u>No answer</u>	<u>Lean Rep</u>	<u>Lean Dem</u>
27	29	29	14	1	18	21

¹³ Party and PartyIn asked in a prior survey.