

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE AND THE PRESS**  
**NOVEMBER 2000 ELECTION WEEKEND SURVEY**  
**— FINAL TOPLINE —**  
**November 2-5, 2000**  
**N = 2,254 General Public**  
**N = 1,829 Registered Voters**

**NOTE: ALL NUMBERS IN SURVEY, INCLUDING TREND FIGURES, ARE BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS EXCEPT WHERE NOTED**

Q.1 How much thought have you given to next Tuesday's election, quite a lot, or only a little?

|                                | Quite<br><u>A lot</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>Some</u> | Only a<br><u>Little</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>None</u> | DK/<br><u>Ref.</u> |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Early November, 2000           | 72                    | 6                     | 19                      | 2                     | 1=100              |
| Late October, 2000             | 66                    | 6                     | 24                      | 4                     | *=100              |
| Mid-October, 2000              | 67                    | 9                     | 19                      | 4                     | 1=100              |
| Early October, 2000            | 60                    | 8                     | 27                      | 4                     | 1=100              |
| September, 2000                | 59                    | 8                     | 29                      | 3                     | 1=100              |
| July, 2000                     | 46                    | 6                     | 45                      | 3                     | *=100              |
| June, 2000                     | 46                    | 6                     | 43                      | 5                     | *=100              |
| May, 2000                      | 48                    | 4                     | 42                      | 5                     | 1=100              |
| November, 1996                 | 67                    | 8                     | 22                      | 3                     | *=100              |
| October, 1996                  | 65                    | 7                     | 26                      | 1                     | 1=100              |
| Late September, 1996           | 61                    | 7                     | 29                      | 2                     | 1=100              |
| Early September, 1996          | 56                    | 3                     | 36                      | 4                     | 1=100              |
| July, 1996                     | 55                    | 3                     | 41                      | 1                     | *=100              |
| June, 1996                     | 50                    | 5                     | 41                      | 3                     | 1=100              |
| October, 1992                  | 77                    | 5                     | 16                      | 1                     | 1=100              |
| September, 1992                | 69                    | 3                     | 26                      | 1                     | 1=100              |
| August, 1992                   | 72                    | 4                     | 23                      | 1                     | *=100              |
| June, 1992                     | 63                    | 6                     | 29                      | 1                     | 1=100              |
| <b>Gallup:</b> November, 1988  | 73                    | 8                     | 17                      | 2                     | 0=100              |
| <b>Gallup:</b> October, 1988   | 69                    | 9                     | 20                      | 2                     | 0=100              |
| <b>Gallup:</b> August, 1988    | 61                    | 10                    | 27                      | 2                     | 0=100              |
| <b>Gallup:</b> September, 1988 | 57                    | 18                    | 23                      | 2                     | 0=100              |

Q.2 How closely have you been following news about the presidential election... very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely?

|                         | Very<br><u>closely</u> | Fairly<br><u>closely</u> | Not too<br><u>closely</u> | Not at all<br><u>closely</u> | (VOL.)<br><u>DK/Ref.</u> |
|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Early November, 2000    | 39                     | 44                       | 12                        | 5                            | *=100                    |
| Mid-October, 2000       | 40                     | 37                       | 15                        | 8                            | *=100                    |
| Early October, 2000     | 42                     | 36                       | 15                        | 6                            | 1=100                    |
| September, 2000         | 27                     | 46                       | 18                        | 8                            | 1=100                    |
| July, 2000 <sup>1</sup> | 25                     | 40                       | 19                        | 15                           | 1=100                    |
| June, 2000              | 27                     | 34                       | 22                        | 16                           | 1=100                    |
| April, 2000             | 21                     | 36                       | 25                        | 18                           | *=100                    |
| Early April, 2000       | 22                     | 43                       | 20                        | 15                           | *=100                    |
| March, 2000             | 30                     | 43                       | 16                        | 10                           | 1=100                    |
| November, 1996          | 34                     | 45                       | 15                        | 6                            | *=100                    |
| Early September, 1996   | 29                     | 39                       | 19                        | 13                           | *=100                    |
| July, 1996              | 25                     | 42                       | 21                        | 11                           | 1=100                    |
| October, 1992           | 55                     | 36                       | 7                         | 2                            | 0=100                    |
| September, 1992         | 47                     | 36                       | 11                        | 6                            | *=100                    |
| August, 1992            | 36                     | 51                       | 11                        | 2                            | 0=100                    |
| July, 1992              | 23                     | 48                       | 24                        | 5                            | *=100                    |
| October, 1988           | 43                     | 44                       | 11                        | 2                            | *=100                    |
| August, 1988            | 39                     | 45                       | 13                        | 3                            | *=100                    |

Q.3 Have you ever voted in your precinct or election district?

|     |                    | Late Oct<br><u>2000</u> | Mid-Oct<br><u>2000</u> | Early Oct<br><u>2000</u> | Late Oct<br><u>1998</u> | Early Oct<br><u>1998</u> | Nov<br><u>1996</u> | Late Sept<br><u>1996</u> | Nov<br><u>1994</u> |
|-----|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 83  | Yes                | 81                      | 82                     | 84                       | 86                      | 87                       | 85                 | 85                       | 91                 |
| 17  | No                 | 19                      | 18                     | 16                       | 14                      | 13                       | 15                 | 15                       | 9                  |
| *   | Don't know/Refused | *                       | 0                      | *                        | *                       | *                        | *                  | *                        | *                  |
| 100 |                    | 100                     | 100                    | 100                      | 100                     | 100                      | 100                | 100                      | 100                |

<sup>1</sup>

In March through July 2000 the question was worded "News about candidates for the 2000 presidential election."

**RESPONDENTS IN THE 701 AREA CODE (N. DAKOTA) SHOULD BE SKIPPED TO Q.6.**

Q.4 These days, many people are so busy they can't find time to register to vote, or move around so often they don't get a chance to re-register... Are you NOW registered to vote in your precinct or election district, or haven't you been able to register so far?

**IF RESPONDENT ANSWERED "YES" IN Q.4 AND IS NOT IN SELECTED AREA CODE, ASK:**

Q.5 Are you absolutely certain you are registered to vote, or is there a chance your registration has lapsed because you moved or for some other reason?

| <b>BASED ON VOTING AGE POPULATION: [N=2,254]</b> |                                | <u>Nov 1996</u> |
|--|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| 80   | Yes, registered                | 76              |
| 73   | Absolutely certain             | 69              |
| 2  | Chance registration has lapsed | 2               |
| 5  | Can register Election Day      | 4               |
| *  | Don't know/Refused             | 1               |
| 20   | No, not registered             | 24              |
| 0  | Don't have to register (VOL.)  | *               |
| *  | Don't know/Refused             | *               |
| <u>100</u>                                       |                                | <u>100</u>      |

**IF RESPONDENT IS IN SELECTED AREA CODE AND ANSWERED "NO, NOT REGISTERED" OR "DON'T HAVE TO REGISTER IN Q.4, ASK:**

Q.5a Next Tuesday, do you plan to register so that you can vote in the election?

| <b>BASED ON TOTAL VOTING AGE POPULATION IN SELECTED AREA CODE: [N=29]</b> |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| 61  | Yes                |
| 28  | No                 |
| <u>11</u>   | Don't know/Refused |
| 100   |                    |

Q.6 Some people seem to follow what's going on in government and public affairs most of the time, whether there's an election or not. Others aren't that interested. Would you say you follow what's going on in government and public affairs...(READ CHOICES)

|                       | <u>Most of<br/>The Time</u> | <u>Some of<br/>the Time</u> | <u>Only Now<br/>and Then</u> | <u>Hardly<br/>at All</u> | <u>DK/Ref.</u> |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| Early November, 2000  | 51                          | 32                          | 12                           | 5                        | *=100          |
| September, 2000       | 51                          | 34                          | 10                           | 4                        | 1=100          |
| June, 2000            | 46                          | 31                          | 15                           | 8                        | *=100          |
| Late September, 1999  | 46                          | 32                          | 17                           | 5                        | *=100          |
| August, 1999          | 48                          | 34                          | 13                           | 5                        | *=100          |
| Late October, 1998    | 57                          | 29                          | 10                           | 4                        | *=100          |
| Early October, 1998   | 51                          | 33                          | 11                           | 5                        | *=100          |
| Early September, 1998 | 52                          | 33                          | 11                           | 4                        | *=100          |
| June, 1998            | 42                          | 33                          | 18                           | 7                        | *=100          |
| November, 1997        | 47                          | 35                          | 14                           | 4                        | *=100          |
| November, 1996        | 52                          | 32                          | 12                           | 4                        | *=100          |
| October, 1996         | 43                          | 37                          | 13                           | 6                        | 1=100          |
| October, 1995         | 52                          | 33                          | 11                           | 4                        | *=100          |
| April, 1995           | 49                          | 34                          | 13                           | 4                        | *=100          |
| November, 1994        | 57                          | 30                          | 10                           | 3                        | *=100          |
| October, 1994         | 52                          | 34                          | 10                           | 4                        | 0=100          |
| July, 1994            | 51                          | 32                          | 13                           | 4                        | *=100          |

**Q.6 CONTINUED ...**

|               | <u>Most of<br/>The Time</u> | <u>Some of<br/>the Time</u> | <u>Only Now<br/>and Then</u> | <u>Hardly<br/>at All</u> | <u>DK/Ref.</u> |
|---------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|----------------|
| May, 1990     | 43                          | 36                          | 15                           | 6                        | *=100          |
| October, 1988 | 52                          | 33                          | 12                           | 3                        | *=100          |
| May, 1988     | 42                          | 37                          | 15                           | 4                        | 2=100          |
| January, 1988 | 42                          | 35                          | 17                           | 5                        | 1=100          |
| May, 1987     | 47                          | 35                          | 13                           | 4                        | 1=100          |

**Q.7 How often would you say you vote? (READ CHOICES)**

|                               | <u>Always</u> | <u>Nearly<br/>Always</u> | <u>Part of<br/>The time</u> | <u>Seldom</u> | <u>(VOL.)<br/>Other</u> | <u>(VOL.)<br/>Never<br/>Vote</u> | <u>DK/Ref.</u> |
|-------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| Early November, 2000          | 57            | 26                       | 8                           | 6             | 1                       | 2                                | *=100          |
| Late October, 2000            | 52            | 30                       | 9                           | 6             | 1                       | 2                                | 0=100          |
| Mid-October, 2000             | 54            | 27                       | 10                          | 6             | *                       | 3                                | *=100          |
| Early October, 2000           | 51            | 29                       | 10                          | 6             | 3                       | 1                                | *=100          |
| September, 2000               | 61            | 21                       | 9                           | 7             | *                       | 2                                | *=100          |
| June, 2000                    | 58            | 26                       | 10                          | 4             | 1                       | 1                                | *=100          |
| Late September, 1999          | 40            | 47                       | 9                           | 3             | *                       | 1                                | *=100          |
| Early September, 1998         | 53            | 33                       | 9                           | 4             | 1                       | 0                                | *=100          |
| June, 1998                    | 49            | 33                       | 12                          | 5             | 1                       | 0                                | 0=100          |
| September, 1997               | 62            | 26                       | 8                           | 3             | *                       | 1                                | *=100          |
| November, 1996                | 55            | 28                       | 8                           | 6             | 1                       | 2                                | *=100          |
| October, 1996                 | 52            | 30                       | 9                           | 5             | 2                       | 2                                | *=100          |
| Late September, 1996          | 52            | 31                       | 10                          | 4             | 1                       | 2                                | *=100          |
| June, 1996                    | 52            | 33                       | 9                           | 4             | 1                       | 1                                | *=100          |
| February, 1996                | 42            | 41                       | 11                          | 4             | 1                       | 1                                | *=100          |
| October, 1995                 | 53            | 35                       | 7                           | 4             | *                       | 1                                | *=100          |
| April, 1995                   | 53            | 34                       | 9                           | 4             | *                       | *                                | *=100          |
| November, 1994                | 58            | 28                       | 8                           | 5             | 1                       | *                                | 0=100          |
| October, 1994                 | 55            | 32                       | 10                          | 3             | *                       | *                                | *=100          |
| July, 1994                    | 52            | 34                       | 10                          | 4             | *                       | *                                | *=100          |
| June, 1992                    | 60            | 29                       | 7                           | 3             | 1                       | *                                | *=100          |
| May, 1992                     | 50            | 35                       | 10                          | 4             | *                       | 1                                | *=100          |
| November, 1991                | 46            | 41                       | 9                           | 4             | 0                       | *                                | *=100          |
| May, 1990                     | 42            | 42                       | 11                          | 4             | *                       | 1                                | *=100          |
| <b>Gallup:</b> November, 1988 | 57            | 26                       | 10                          | 4             | 2                       | 1                                | *=100          |
| <b>Gallup:</b> October, 1988  | 56            | 26                       | 12                          | 4             | 1                       | 1                                | *=100          |
| May, 1988                     | 43            | 41                       | 11                          | 3             | 1                       | 2                                | *=100          |
| January, 1988                 | 49            | 39                       | 9                           | 2             | *                       | 1                                | *=100          |
| May, 1987                     | 43            | 43                       | 9                           | 3             | 1                       | 1                                | *=100          |

**Q.7a Do you happen to know where people in your neighborhood go to vote?**

|     |                                 | <u>Late<br/>Oct<br/>1998</u> | <u>Early<br/>Oct<br/>1998</u> | <u>Nov<br/>1996</u> | <u>Oct<br/>1996</u> | <u>Nov<br/>1994</u> | <u>-- Gallup --<br/>Nov<br/>1988</u> | <u>Oct<br/>1988</u> |
|-----|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 84  | Yes — gives answer              | 90                           | 87                            | 88                  | 85                  | 93                  | 89                                   | 88                  |
| 16  | No/Don't know/Refused/No Answer | 10                           | 13                            | 12                  | 15                  | 7                   | 11                                   | 12                  |
| 100 |                                 | 100                          | 100                           | 100                 | 100                 | 100                 | 100                                  | 100                 |

**SPLIT FORM FOR Q.8 & Q.9:**

**FORM 1, ASK GORE, THEN BUSH, THEN NADER, THEN BUCHANAN; FORM 2, ASK BUSH, THEN GORE, THEN NADER, THEN BUCHANAN .**

- Q.8 If the presidential election were being held TODAY, would you vote for the Democratic ticket of Al Gore and Joe Lieberman, for the Republican ticket of George W. Bush and Dick Cheney, for the Green Party ticket headed by Ralph Nader, or for the Reform Party ticket headed by Pat Buchanan?
- Q.9 As of TODAY, do you LEAN more to Gore the Democrat, more to Bush the Republican, more to Nader of the Green Party or more to Buchanan the Reform Party candidate?
- Q.14 Do you support (INSERT PRESIDENTIAL CHOICE FROM Q.8; DO NOT READ VP CHOICE) strongly or only moderately?

|          |                        | Late<br>Oct<br><u>2000</u> | Mid-<br>Oct<br><u>2000</u> | Early<br>Oct<br><u>2000</u> | Sept<br><u>2000</u> | July<br><u>2000</u> | Late<br>June<br><u>2000</u> | Mid-<br>June<br><u>2000</u> |
|----------|------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 45       | Gore/Lean Gore         | 43                         | 45                         | 44                          | 47                  | 41                  | 35                          | 42                          |
|          | 25 Strongly            | 24                         | 22                         | 22                          | 25                  | n/a                 | n/a                         | n/a                         |
|          | 19 Only moderately     | 19                         | 23                         | 22                          | 21                  | n/a                 | n/a                         | n/a                         |
|          | 1 Don't know           | *                          | *                          | *                           | 1                   | n/a                 | n/a                         | n/a                         |
| 41       | Bush/Lean Bush         | 45                         | 43                         | 43                          | 41                  | 42                  | 42                          | 41                          |
|          | 26 Strongly            | 29                         | 25                         | 26                          | 21                  | n/a                 | n/a                         | n/a                         |
|          | 15 Only moderately     | 16                         | 18                         | 17                          | 19                  | n/a                 | n/a                         | n/a                         |
|          | * Don't know           | *                          | *                          | *                           | 1                   | n/a                 | n/a                         | n/a                         |
| 4        | Nader/Lean Nader       | 4                          | 4                          | 5                           | 2                   | 6                   | 2                           | 4                           |
|          | 2 Strongly             | 2                          | 2                          | 2                           | 1                   | n/a                 | n/a                         | n/a                         |
|          | 2 Only moderately      | 2                          | 2                          | 3                           | 1                   | n/a                 | n/a                         | n/a                         |
|          | * Don't know           | *                          | 0                          | 0                           | 0                   | n/a                 | n/a                         | n/a                         |
| 1        | Buchanan/Lean Buchanan | 1                          | 1                          | *                           | 1                   | 2                   | 2                           | 3                           |
|          | * Strongly             | *                          | *                          | 0                           | *                   | n/a                 | n/a                         | n/a                         |
|          | 1 Only moderately      | 1                          | 1                          | *                           | 1                   | n/a                 | n/a                         | n/a                         |
|          | 0 Don't know           | 0                          | 0                          | 0                           | *                   | n/a                 | n/a                         | n/a                         |
| <u>9</u> | Undecided/Other/DK     | <u>7</u>                   | <u>7</u>                   | <u>8</u>                    | <u>9</u>            | <u>9</u>            | <u>19</u>                   | <u>10</u>                   |
| 100      |                        | 100                        | 100                        | 100                         | 100                 | 100                 | 100                         | 100                         |

**SPLIT FORM FOR Q.15 & Q.16:**

**FORM 1, ASK REPUBLICAN FIRST; FORM 2, ASK DEMOCRAT FIRST.**

- Q.15 If the elections for U.S. Congress were being held TODAY, would you vote for the Republican Party's candidate or the Democratic Party's candidate for Congress in your district?
- Q.16 As of TODAY, do you LEAN more to the Republican or the Democrat?

|                             | Republican/<br><u>Lean Rep.</u> | Democrat/<br><u>Lean Dem.</u> | Other/<br><u>Undecided</u> |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Early November, 2000        | 42                              | 48                            | 10=100                     |
| Early October, 2000         | 43                              | 47                            | 10=100                     |
| July, 2000                  | 43                              | 47                            | 10=100                     |
| February, 2000              | 44                              | 47                            | 9=100                      |
| October, 1999               | 43                              | 49                            | 8=100                      |
| June, 1999                  | 40                              | 50                            | 10=100                     |
| November, 1998              | 42                              | 48                            | 10=100                     |
| Late October, 1998          | 40                              | 47                            | 13=100                     |
| Early October, 1998         | 43                              | 44                            | 13=100                     |
| Early September, 1998       | 45                              | 46                            | 9=100                      |
| Late August, 1998           | 44                              | 45                            | 11=100                     |
| Early August, 1998          | 42                              | 49                            | 9=100                      |
| June, 1998                  | 44                              | 46                            | 10=100                     |
| March, 1998                 | 40                              | 52                            | 8=100                      |
| February, 1998              | 41                              | 50                            | 9=100                      |
| January, 1998               | 41                              | 51                            | 8=100                      |
| August, 1997                | 45                              | 48                            | 7=100                      |
| November, 1996 <sup>2</sup> | 44                              | 48                            | 8=100                      |
| October, 1996               | 42                              | 49                            | 9=100                      |
| Late September, 1996        | 43                              | 49                            | 8=100                      |
| Early September, 1996       | 43                              | 51                            | 6=100                      |
| July, 1996                  | 46                              | 47                            | 7=100                      |
| June, 1996                  | 44                              | 50                            | 6=100                      |
| March, 1996                 | 44                              | 49                            | 7=100                      |
| January, 1996               | 46                              | 47                            | 7=100                      |
| October, 1995               | 48                              | 48                            | 4=100                      |
| August, 1995                | 50                              | 43                            | 7=100                      |
| November, 1994              | 45                              | 43                            | 12=100                     |
| October, 1994               | 47                              | 44                            | 9=100                      |
| Early October, 1994         | 52                              | 40                            | 8=100                      |
| September, 1994             | 48                              | 46                            | 6=100                      |
| July, 1994                  | 45                              | 47                            | 8=100                      |

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November 1996 trend based on likely voters.

**IF RESPONDENT ANSWERED "REPUBLICAN" OR "DEMOCRATIC" IN Q.15, ASK:**

Q.17 Do you support the (INSERT: Democratic/Republican) candidate strongly or only moderately?

|           |                      | <u>Late Oct 1998</u> | <u>Nov 1996</u> | <u>Nov 1994</u> |
|-----------|----------------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 42        | Republican/Lean Rep  | 40                   | 41              | 45              |
|           | 20 Strongly          | 19                   | 18              | 19              |
|           | 22 Moderately        | 21                   | 23              | 26              |
|           | * Don't know/Refused | --                   | *               | --              |
| 48        | Democrat/Lean Dem    | 47                   | 48              | 43              |
|           | 23 Strongly          | 24                   | 22              | 17              |
|           | 24 Moderately        | 23                   | 25              | 26              |
|           | 1 Don't know/Refused | --                   | 1               | --              |
| <u>10</u> | Other/Undecided      | <u>13</u>            | <u>11</u>       | <u>12</u>       |
| 100       |                      | 100                  | 100             | 100             |

**[NOTE SPECIAL INSTRUCTION: NON-REGISTERED VOTERS ('2' IN Q.4 AND NOT IN SELECTED AREA CODE, OR '9' IN Q.4, OR '2' OR '9' IN Q.5, OR 2 OR 9 IN Q.5a) SHOULD NOW SKIP TO D.1]**

Now thinking about the presidential election again...

**IF RESPONDENT CHOSE GORE/LIEBERMAN IN Q.8 OR Q.14 ASK: [N=799]**

Q.18 Would you say that your choice is more a vote FOR Al Gore or more a vote AGAINST George W. Bush?

**IF RESPONDENT CHOSE BUSH/CHENEY IN Q.8 OR Q.14 ASK: [N=788]**

Q.19 Would you say that your choice is more a vote FOR George W. Bush or more a vote AGAINST Al Gore?

| <u>Direction of Support</u>        | <u>Sept 2000</u> | <u>1996 Election</u>  | <u>Nov</u> | <u>Oct</u> | <u>Sept</u> |
|------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------|------------|-------------|
| 45 <b>Gore</b>                     | 47               | <b>Clinton</b>        | 51         | 51         | 52          |
| 29 Pro-Gore                        | 30               | Pro-Clinton           | 33         | 33         | 35          |
| 14 Anti-Bush                       | 14               | Anti-other candidates | 15         | 16         | 15          |
| 2 Undecided                        | 3                | Undecided             | 3          | 2          | 2           |
| 41 <b>Bush</b>                     | 41               | <b>Dole</b>           | 32         | 34         | 34          |
| 27 Pro-Bush                        | 24               | Pro-Dole              | 15         | 15         | 16          |
| 12 Anti-Gore                       | 14               | Anti-other candidates | 15         | 18         | 17          |
| 2 Undecided                        | 3                | Undecided             | 2          | 1          | 1           |
| <u>14</u> Other/Don't know/Refused | <u>12</u>        | <b>Perot</b>          | 9          | 8          | 8           |
| 100                                | 100              | Pro-Perot             | 4          | 4          | 3           |
|                                    |                  | Anti-other candidates | 5          | 4          | 5           |
|                                    |                  | Undecided             | *          | *          | 0           |
|                                    |                  | Don't know/Refused    | <u>8</u>   | <u>7</u>   | <u>6</u>    |
|                                    |                  |                       | 100        | 100        | 100         |

**FOR ALL RESPONDENTS WHO DIDN'T ANSWER 18 OR 19, READ TRANSITION:**

Now thinking about the presidential election again...

**IF RESPONDENT DID NOT CHOOSE GORE IN Q.8 ASK: [N=1,030]**

Q.20 Do you think there is a chance that you might vote for Al Gore next Tuesday or have you definitely decided not to vote for him?

|          |                             | Late Oct<br><u>2000</u> | Mid-Oct<br><u>2000</u> | Early Oct<br><u>2000</u> | Sept<br><u>2000</u> | June<br><u>2000</u> | <i>Clinton</i><br><u>Nov 1996</u> |
|----------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 8        | Chance might vote for him   | 9                       | 10                     | 11                       | 13                  | 14                  | 6                                 |
| 41       | Decided not to vote for him | 44                      | 40                     | 38                       | 35                  | 34                  | 37                                |
| <u>6</u> | Don't know/Refused          | <u>4</u>                | <u>5</u>               | <u>7</u>                 | <u>5</u>            | <u>6</u>            | <u>6</u>                          |
| 55%      |                             | 57%                     | 55%                    | 56%                      | 53%                 | 54%                 | 49%                               |

**IF RESPONDENT DID NOT CHOOSE BUSH IN Q.8, ASK: [N=1,041]**

Q.21 Do you think there is a chance that you might vote for George W. Bush next Tuesday or have you definitely decided not to vote for him?

|          |                             | Late Oct<br><u>2000</u> | Mid-Oct<br><u>2000</u> | Early Oct<br><u>2000</u> | Sept<br><u>2000</u> | June<br><u>2000</u> | <i>Dole</i><br><u>Nov 1996</u> |
|----------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| 8        | Chance might vote for him   | 10                      | 12                     | 11                       | 15                  | 15                  | 8                              |
| 44       | Decided not to vote for him | 41                      | 40                     | 39                       | 38                  | 33                  | 54                             |
| <u>7</u> | Don't know/Refused          | <u>4</u>                | <u>5</u>               | <u>7</u>                 | <u>6</u>            | <u>6</u>            | <u>6</u>                       |
| 59%      |                             | 55%                     | 57%                    | 57%                      | 59%                 | 54%                 | 68%                            |

**ASK ALL:**

Q.22 Do you, yourself, plan to vote in the election this Tuesday, or not?

|                        | Yes, Plan<br><u>To Vote</u> | No, Don't<br><u>Plan To</u> | Can't Say/<br><u>Don't know</u> |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Early November, 2000   | 96                          | 3                           | 1=100                           |
| Late October, 2000     | 97                          | 2                           | 1=100                           |
| Mid-October, 2000      | 96                          | 2                           | 2=100                           |
| Early October, 2000    | 97                          | 2                           | 1=100                           |
| September, 2000        | 95                          | 3                           | 2=100                           |
| June, 2000             | 95                          | 2                           | 3=100                           |
| Late October, 1998†    | 91                          | 6                           | 3=100                           |
| Early October, 1998†   | 92                          | 4                           | 4=100                           |
| Early September, 1998† | 95                          | 2                           | 3=100                           |
| Late August, 1998†     | 93                          | 3                           | 4=100                           |
| June, 1998†            | 95                          | 3                           | 2=100                           |
| November, 1996         | 96                          | 2                           | 2=100                           |
| October, 1996          | 98                          | 1                           | 1=100                           |
| Late September, 1996   | 98                          | 1                           | 1=100                           |
| Early September, 1996  | 96                          | 2                           | 2=100                           |
| July, 1996             | 95                          | 3                           | 2=100                           |
| June, 1996             | 96                          | 2                           | 2=100                           |
| November, 1994†        | 93                          | 5                           | 2=100                           |

† Non-Presidential elections



**Q.22 CONTINUED ...**

|                               | Yes, Plan<br><u>To Vote</u> | No, Don't<br><u>Plan To</u> | Can't Say/<br><u>Don't know</u> |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| October, 1994†                | 95                          | 3                           | 2=100                           |
| October, 1992                 | 98                          | 1                           | 1=100                           |
| September, 1992               | 98                          | 1                           | 1=100                           |
| August, 1992                  | 97                          | 1                           | 2=100                           |
| June, 1992                    | 97                          | 1                           | 2=100                           |
| <b>Gallup:</b> November, 1988 | 97                          | 2                           | 1=100                           |
| <b>Gallup:</b> October, 1988  | 98                          | 1                           | 1=100                           |

† Non-Presidential elections

Q.23 Next, I'd like you to rate your chance of voting in Tuesday's election on a scale of 10 to 1. If 10 represents a person who definitely will vote and 1 represents a person who definitely will not vote, where on this scale of 10 to 1 would you place yourself?

|                                | Definitely will vote |    |    |   |   |   |   |   |   |   | DK/Ref |
|--------------------------------|----------------------|----|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--------|
|                                | 10                   | 9  | 8  | 7 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 |        |
| Early November, 2000           | 80                   | 6  | 5  | 2 | 1 | 3 | * | * | * | 3 | 1=100  |
| Late October, 2000             | 83                   | 5  | 5  | 1 | 1 | 2 | * | 1 | 1 | 1 | *=100  |
| Mid-October, 2000              | 80                   | 7  | 4  | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | * | * | 1 | 1=100  |
| Early October, 2000            | 78                   | 7  | 5  | 2 | 2 | 2 | * | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1=100  |
| Late October, 1998             | 70                   | 6  | 7  | 4 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1=100  |
| Early October, 1998            | 64                   | 9  | 10 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1=100  |
| November, 1996                 | 77                   | 7  | 7  | 2 | 1 | 2 | * | 1 | * | 2 | 1=100  |
| October, 1996                  | 77                   | 9  | 7  | 2 | 2 | 2 | * | * | * | 1 | *=100  |
| Late September, 1996           | 78                   | 10 | 6  | 2 | 1 | 1 | * | * | * | 1 | 1=100  |
| November, 1994                 | 67                   | 9  | 8  | 2 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2=100  |
| October, 1994                  | 66                   | 10 | 9  | 4 | 2 | 4 | 1 | 1 | * | 2 | 1=100  |
| <b>Gallup:</b> September, 1992 | 77                   | 5  | 4  | 3 | 2 | 4 | * | 1 | * | 4 | *=100  |
| <b>Gallup:</b> November, 1988  | 77                   | 7  | 6  | 2 | 1 | 3 | * | * | * | 2 | 2=100  |
| <b>Gallup:</b> October, 1988   | 73                   | 8  | 7  | 3 | 2 | 3 | 1 | * | * | 1 | 2=100  |

Thinking again about the congressional elections...

Q.24 Would you like to see your representative in Congress be re-elected on Tuesday, or not?

|                       | (VOL.)     |           |                   |        |
|-----------------------|------------|-----------|-------------------|--------|
|                       | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | Congressperson    |        |
| <u>Not running</u>    |            |           | <u>No Opinion</u> |        |
| Early November, 2000  | 59         | 16        | 1                 | 24=100 |
| Early October, 2000   | 60         | 17        | 1                 | 22=100 |
| July, 1999            | 66         | 23        | *                 | 11=100 |
| Late October, 1998    | 64         | 19        | 1                 | 16=100 |
| Early October, 1998   | 58         | 20        | 2                 | 20=100 |
| Early September, 1998 | 63         | 20        | 1                 | 16=100 |
| March, 1998           | 63         | 21        | 1                 | 15=100 |
| January, 1998         | 66         | 23        | 0                 | 11=100 |
| August, 1997          | 66         | 22        | 0                 | 12=100 |
| November, 1996        | 60         | 16        | 3                 | 21=100 |
| October, 1996         | 62         | 19        | 2                 | 17=100 |

**Q.24 CONTINUED ...**

|                             | (VOL.)<br>Congressperson |           |                    |                   |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|-----------|--------------------|-------------------|
|                             | <u>Yes</u>               | <u>No</u> | <u>Not running</u> | <u>No Opinion</u> |
| Late September, 1996        | 55                       | 17        | 2                  | 26=100            |
| Early September, 1996       | 62                       | 19        | 2                  | 17=100            |
| November, 1994              | 58                       | 25        | 1                  | 16=100            |
| October, 1994               | 55                       | 30        | 2                  | 13=100            |
| Early October, 1994         | 49                       | 29        | 2                  | 20=100            |
| <b>Gallup: October 1990</b> | 62                       | 22        | 2                  | 14=100            |

Thinking about the presidential election again...

Q.25 In your opinion, is the outcome of this presidential election especially important, or is it no more important than any other presidential election?

|                                      | <u>Nov 1996</u> |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 67 Especially important              | 61              |
| 31 No more important than the others | 38              |
| <u>2</u> Don't Know/Refused          | <u>1</u>        |
| 100                                  | 100             |

Q.26 Regardless of who you support, who do you think WILL be elected president, Al Gore or George W. Bush?

|                              | <u>Late Oct</u> | <u>Early Oct</u> | <u>June</u> | <u>Oct</u>              | <u>Late Sept 1996</u>         |
|------------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------------------------|
|                              | <u>2000</u>     | <u>2000</u>      | <u>2000</u> | <u>1999<sup>3</sup></u> |                               |
| 32 Al Gore                   | 38              | 46               | 33          | 23                      | 79 ⇒ Clinton                  |
| 43 George W. Bush            | 48              | 33               | 51          | 70                      | 12 ⇒ Dole                     |
| n/a Other                    | n/a             | n/a              | n/a         | 1                       | 1 ⇒ Perot                     |
| <u>25</u> Don't know/Refused | <u>14</u>       | <u>21</u>        | <u>16</u>   | <u>6</u>                | <u>8</u> ⇒ Don't know/Refused |
| 100                          | 100             | 100              | 100         | 100                     | 100                           |

Q.27 Recently, have you been contacted over the phone by any candidates, campaigns or other groups urging you to vote in a particular way in the upcoming elections?

**IF YES, ASK:**

Q.28 And were you urged to vote for Al Gore and/or other Democratic candidates OR George W. Bush and/or other Republican candidates?

|          |                    |
|----------|--------------------|
| 26       | Yes                |
| 6        | Gore/Democrats     |
| 8        | Bush/Republicans   |
| 2        | Other (VOL.)       |
| 6        | Both (VOL.)        |
| 4        | Don't know/Refused |
| 73       | No                 |
| <u>1</u> | Don't know/Refused |
| 100      |                    |

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<sup>3</sup> In October 1999 the wording was: "Regardless of who you might support, who do you think is most likely to win the coming presidential election if the candidates are Al Gore and George W. Bush?"

**IF RESPONDENT ANSWERED "UNDECIDED" (Q.9 = 9), ASK:**

One last question about your opinion of the candidates ...

Q.29 I have been asked to try to get a choice for president from everyone I interview. Even though you may not have made up your mind, could you make a guess so I will have something to put down? The candidates are Gore and Lieberman, the Democrats, Bush and Cheney, the Republicans, Ralph Nader of the Green Party and Pat Buchanan of the Reform party.

|           |                        |
|-----------|------------------------|
| 3         | Gore/Lean Gore         |
| 1         | Bush/Lean Bush         |
| *         | Nader/Lean Nader       |
| *         | Buchanan/Lean Buchanan |
| 4         | Undecided/Other/DK     |
| <u>92</u> | Question not asked     |
| 100       |                        |

**Q.30 THROUGH Q.32 ASKED NOV. 3-5, 2000: [N=1,330]**

Q.30 How closely have you been following news reports that George W. Bush was arrested for drunk driving in 1976? Have you been following this very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely?

|          |                    |
|----------|--------------------|
| 24       | Very closely       |
| 28       | Fairly closely     |
| 27       | Not too closely    |
| 19       | Not at all closely |
| <u>2</u> | Don't know/Refused |
| 100      |                    |

**IF FOLLOWING STORY ("1, 2 or 3" IN Q.30), ASK : [N=1,067]**

Q.31 Has this story raised serious doubts in your mind about voting for George W. Bush, or is this not a serious consideration for you?

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| 11       | Raised serious doubts about voting for Bush |
| 87       | Not a serious consideration                 |
| <u>2</u> | Don't know/Refused                          |
| 100      |   |

**IF FOLLOWING STORY ("1, 2 or 3" IN Q.30), ASK : [N=1,067]**

Q.32 Some have accused the Democrats of being behind the release of this story because it's so close to the election. Has this charge against the Democrats raised serious doubts in your mind about voting for Al Gore, is this not a serious consideration for you, or have you not heard this charge?

|          |   |
|----------|---|
| 11       | Raised serious doubts about voting for Gore |
| 76       | Not a serious consideration                 |
| 10       | Has not heard charge                        |
| <u>3</u> | Don't know/Refused                          |
| 100      |   |