

ABOUT THE SURVEY

Results for the survey are based on telephone interviews conducted under the direction of Princeton Survey Research Associates among a nationwide sample of 1,263 (997 registered voters) adults, 18 years of age or older, during the period October 18-22, 2000. For results based on the total sample, one can say with 95% confidence that the error attributable to sampling and other random effects is plus or minus 3 percentage points. For results based on registered voters (N=997), the sampling error is plus or minus 3.5 percentage points. For results based on likely voters (N=663), the sampling error is plus or minus 4.5 percentage points. For results based on either Form 1 (N=484) or Form 2 (N=513) registered voters, the sampling error is plus or minus 5 percentage points.

PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE & THE PRESS
MID-OCTOBER 2000 POLITICAL SURVEY
FINAL TOPLINE
October 18-22, 2000
N = 1,263 General Public
N = 997 Registered Voters

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

Q.1 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 Opinion</u>
Mid-October, 2000	54	39	7=100
September, 2000	52	42	6=100
June, 2000	47	46	7=100
April, 2000	47	44	9=100
August, 1999	58	38	4=100
January, 1999	53	40	7=100
July, 1996	29	67	4=100
October, 1995	24	72	4=100
September, 1988	50	45	5=100
May, 1988	40	55	5=100
January, 1988	38	56	6=100

Q.2 How much thought have you given to the coming Presidential election . . . quite a lot or only a little?

	<u>Quite A lot</u>	<u>(VOL.) Some</u>	<u>Only a Little</u>	<u>(VOL.) None</u>	<u>DK/ Ref.</u>
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

Q.2 CONTINUED ...

	Quite <u>A lot</u>	(VOL.) <u>Some</u>	Only a <u>Little</u>	(VOL.) <u>None</u>	DK/ <u>Ref.</u>
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
Gallup: November, 1988	73	8	17	2	0=100
Gallup: October, 1988	69	9	20	2	0=100
Gallup: August, 1988	61	10	27	2	0=100
Gallup: September, 1988	57	18	23	2	0=100

Q.3 Now I will read a list of some stories covered by news organizations this past month. As I read each item, tell me if you happened to follow this story very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely. **[INSERT ITEM; ROTATE ITEMS]**

		Very <u>closely</u>	Fairly <u>closely</u>	Not too <u>closely</u>	Not at all <u>closely</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref.</u>
a.	News about the presidential election campaign	40	37	15	8	*=100
	Early October, 2000	42	36	15	6	1=100
	September, 2000	27	46	18	8	1=100
	July, 2000 ¹	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

ITEMS b-d BASED ON TOTAL VOTING AGE POPULATION: [N=1,263]

b.	Continued violence in the Middle East between the Palestinians and the Israelis	30	38	18	13	1=100
	Early October, 2000 ²	21	30	27	21	1=100
	January, 1997 ³	12	23	29	35	1=100
	May, 1988 ⁴	18	37	34	9	2=100

¹ In March through July 2000 the question was worded "News about candidates for the 2000 presidential election."

² In Early October 2000 the question was worded "Renewed violence in the Middle East between the Palestinians and the Israelis."

³ In January 1997 the story was listed as "Renewed tensions between Israelis and Palestinians over Hebron."

⁴ In May 1988 the story was listed as "The conflict in the Middle East between the Palestinians and the Israelis in the occupied territories."

Q.3 CONTINUED ...

	<u>Very closely</u>	<u>Fairly closely</u>	<u>Not too closely</u>	<u>Not at all (VOL.)</u>	<u>DK/Ref.</u>
c. The terrorist attack on the navy warship USS Cole	44	35	12	9	*=100
d. Recent major ups and downs in the U.S. stock market	20	26	23	31	1=100
April, 2000	18	28	23	31	*=100
Early April, 2000	19	29	20	32	*=100
March, 2000	23	29	21	26	1=100
March, 1999	18	29	22	31	*=100
January, 1999	24	28	19	28	1=100
Early September, 1998	32	31	20	17	*=100
Mid-August, 1998	17	23	21	39	*=100
January, 1998	21	25	23	31	*=100
November, 1997 ⁵	25	36	18	20	1=100
September, 1997	14	22	23	40	1=100
April, 1997	17	21	22	40	*=100
February, 1996	12	20	25	42	1=100

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 '1' YES IN Q.4, ASK:

Q.4a 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?

BASED ON TOTAL VOTING AGE POPULATION: [N=1,263]

	<u>Yes, Registered</u>	<u>Absolutely Certain</u>	<u>Chance Lapsed</u>	<u>DK/Ref</u>	<u>No, Not Registered</u>	<u>DK/Ref.</u>
Mid-October, 2000	80	77	2	1	20	*=100
Early October, 2000	77	72	4	1	23	*=100
September, 2000	75	69	5	1	25	*=100
June, 2000	79	75	4	*	21	*=100
Late September, 1999	74	69	5	*	24	2=100
Early September, 1998	77	74	3	*	22	1=100
Late August, 1998	78	75	3	*	22	*=100
June, 1998	78	73	4	1	22	*=100
November, 1997	80	75	4	1	20	*=100
September, 1997	79	76	3	*	20	1=100
November, 1996	76	69	2	*	24	*=100
June, 1996	79	75	4	0	21	*=100
October, 1995	76	73	3	*	23	1=100
April, 1995	76	74	2	0	23	1=100
December, 1994	74	70	3	1	24	2=100
November, 1994	73	70	2	1	26	1=100
Late October, 1994	77	74	3	0	22	1=100
Early October, 1994	76	72	4	*	23	1=100
July, 1994	79	75	4	0	20	1=100
May, 1993	82	-	-	-	17	1=100
June, 1992	76	73	3	0	23	1=100
November, 1990	80	-	-	-	20	0=100

⁵ In November 1997, April 1997 and February 1996, the story was listed as "Recent major ups and downs in the stock market."

Now a different kind of question...

[ROTATE Q.5a AND Q.5b]

Q.5a Please tell me what one word best describes your impression of Al Gore. Tell me just the ONE best word that describes him. **(OPEN-END. PROBE ONCE IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS “DON’T KNOW”. ACCEPT UP TO TWO RESPONSES, BUT DO NOT PROBE FOR SECOND RESPONSE).**

Q.5b Please tell me what one word best describes your impression of George W. Bush. Tell me just the ONE best word that describes him. **(OPEN-END. PROBE ONCE IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS “DON’T KNOW”. ACCEPT UP TO TWO RESPONSES, BUT DO NOT PROBE FOR SECOND RESPONSE).**

<u>Top Gore Descriptions</u>	<u>Frequency*</u>	<u>Top Bush Descriptions</u>	<u>Frequency*</u>
Liar	36	Honest	47
Honest	24	Good	28
Good	24	OK/Okay	19
Arrogant	21	Sincere	17
Intelligent	18	Arrogant	13
OK/Okay	17	Fair	13
Untrustworthy/Don't trust	17	Alright/He's alright	13
Dishonest	16	Dislike him/Don't like him	12
Fair	16	Leader	12
Competent	16	Untrustworthy/Not trustworthy	12
Experience/Experienced	14	Trustworthy	11
Boring	13	President	11
Politician	12	Inexperienced	11
Fake	11	Conservative	10
Liberal	11	Reference to Father	9
Capable	11	Republican(s)	9
Alright/He's alright	8	Liar	9
Great	8	Boring	9
President/Presidential	8	I like him	8
Dislike	8	Good man/guy	8
Qualified	8	Stupid	8

* Q.5a/5b The "Frequency" column is the number of respondents who offered each response; the numbers are not percentages.

Q.6 Have you ever voted in your precinct or election district?

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

Q.6a How often would you say you vote... (READ)

	(VOL.)						
	<u>Always</u>	Nearly <u>Always</u>	Part of <u>The time</u>	<u>Seldom</u>	(VOL.) <u>Other</u>	Never <u>Vote</u>	<u>DK/Ref.</u>
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
Gallup: November, 1988	57	26	10	4	2	1	*=100
Gallup: 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.7F1/Q.8F2 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.10F1/Q.11F2 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.9 Do you support (INSERT PRESIDENTIAL CHOICE FROM Q.7/Q.8, DO NOT READ VP CHOICE) strongly or only moderately?

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

IF RESPONDENT DID NOT CHOOSE GORE IN Q.7/8 OR Q.10/11, ASK: [N=558]

- Q.12 Do you think there is a chance that you might vote for Al Gore in November or have you definitely decided not to vote for him?

		Early Oct <u>2000</u>	Sept <u>2000</u>	June <u>2000</u>	<i>Clinton</i> <u>Oct 1996</u>
10	Chance might vote for him	11	13	14	10
40	Decided not to vote for him	38	35	34	35
<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused	<u>7</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>
55%		56%	53%	54%	49%

IF RESPONDENT DID NOT CHOOSE BUSH IN Q.7/8 OR Q.10/11 ASK: [N=553]

- Q.13 Do you think there is a chance that you might vote for George W. Bush in November or have you definitely decided not to vote for him?

		Early Oct <u>2000</u>	Sept <u>2000</u>	June <u>2000</u>	<i>Dole</i> <u>Oct 1996</u>
12	Chance might vote for him	11	15	15	11
40	Decided not to vote for him	39	38	33	51
<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>
57%		57%	59%	54%	66%

IF RESPONDENT CHOSE A CANDIDATE IN Q.7/8 OR Q.10/11, ASK:

Q.14 What do you like most about (INSERT FROM Q.7/8 OR Q.10/11), his personality, his leadership ability, his experience or his stand on issues?

	<u>Personality</u>	<u>Leadership</u>	<u>Experience</u>	<u>Stand on issues</u>	<u>Don't know</u>	
Al Gore	8	16	29	44	3=100	(N=439)
Early October, 2000	6	16	23	49	6=100	
September, 2000	9	15	22	48	6=100	
June, 2000	7	13	29	42	9=100	
May, 2000	10	13	30	40	7=100	
March, 2000	10	14	28	40	8=100	
October, 1999	8	11	32	43	6=100	
George W. Bush	13	18	9	55	5=100	(N=444)
Early October, 2000	8	20	7	58	7=100	
September, 2000	9	19	9	55	8=100	
June, 2000	10	19	11	50	10=100	
May, 2000	12	22	8	51	7=100	
March, 2000	14	24	10	42	10=100	
October, 1999	13	25	11	42	9=100	
Ralph Nader	6	13	6	63	12=100	(N=44)
Early October, 2000	0	4	5	84	7=100	
September, 2000	6	4	9	80	1=100	
Pat Buchanan	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a		(N=6)
Early October, 2000	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a		
September, 2000	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a		

IF RESPONDENT CHOSE BUSH IN Q.7/8 OR Q.10/11, ASK:

Q.15 What do you like LEAST about Al Gore, his personality, his leadership ability, his experience or his stand on issues?

	<u>Personality</u>	<u>Leadership</u>	<u>Experience</u>	<u>Stand on Issues</u>	<u>Don't know</u>	
Al Gore	27	18	5	43	7=100	(N=444)
Early October, 2000	26	14	4	44	12=100	
September, 2000	17	17	7	48	11=100	
June, 2000	17	19	6	43	15=100	
May, 2000	22	22	6	41	9=100	
March, 2000	22	20	5	43	10=100	
October, 1999	24	22	5	39	10=100	

IF RESPONDENT CHOSE GORE IN Q.7/8 OR Q.10/11 ASK:

Q.16 What do you like LEAST about George W. Bush, his personality, his leadership ability, his experience or his stand on issues?

	<u>Personality</u>	<u>Leadership</u>	<u>Experience</u>	<u>Stand on Issues</u>	<u>Don't know</u>	
George W. Bush	18	16	15	43	8=100	(N=439)
Early October, 2000	25	11	15	37	12=100	
September, 2000	20	12	11	43	14=100	
June, 2000	26	13	10	34	17=100	
May, 2000	25	13	13	35	14=100	
March, 2000	33	8	13	35	11=100	
October, 1999	19	11	13	41	16=100	

ASK ALL:

Q.17 Do you yourself plan to vote in the election this November?

	Yes, Plan <u>To Vote</u>	No, Don't <u>Plan To</u>	Can't Say/ <u>Don't know</u>
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
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
Gallup: November, 1988	97	2	1=100
Gallup: October, 1988	98	1	1=100

† Non-Presidential elections

Q.18 I'd like you to rate your chance of voting in November 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										Definitely will not vote
	<u>10</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>DK/Ref</u>
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
Gallup: September, 1992	77	5	4	3	2	4	*	1	*	4	*=100
Gallup: November, 1988	77	7	6	2	1	3	*	*	*	2	2=100
Gallup: October, 1988	73	8	7	3	2	3	1	*	*	1	2=100

⁶ In late October 1998, November 1996 and November 1994 the question was worded: "Do you yourself plan to vote in the election this Tuesday, or not?"

On another subject...

ASK FORM 1 ONLY: [N=484]

Q.19F1 As I read a list of phrases, tell me if you think each phrase better describes George W. Bush or Al Gore.

(READ AND ROTATE)

				(VOL.)		
		George		(VOL.)	Both	
		W. Bush	Al Gore	Neither	Equally	DK/Ref.
a.	Would use good judgment in a crisis	40	42	5	8	5=100
	Early October, 2000	36	43	4	10	7=100
	September, 2000	38	44	3	8	7=100
	June, 2000	44	37	5	6	8=100
b.	Personally likable	44	38	5	9	4=100
	Early October, 2000	41	38	4	12	5=100
	September, 2000	37	44	3	12	4=100
	June, 2000	42	36	7	9	6=100
c.	Honest and truthful	38	30	19	6	7=100
	Early October, 2000	36	32	17	8	7=100
	September, 2000	35	37	13	9	6=100
	June, 2000	35	31	19	7	8=100
d.	Cares about people like me	40	42	7	7	4=100
	Early October, 2000	35	44	11	5	5=100
	September, 2000	31	47	9	7	6=100
e.	A strong leader	42	39	9	6	4=100
	Early October, 2000	41	38	7	10	4=100
	September, 2000	44	38	7	6	5=100
f.	Can get things done	41	39	6	8	6=100
	Early October, 2000	37	38	5	11	9=100
	September, 2000	40	40	4	8	8=100
	June, 2000	43	33	8	6	10=100
g.	Willing to take a stand, even if it's unpopular	49	35	6	5	5=100
	Early October, 2000	43	35	8	6	8=100
	September, 2000	45	37	8	5	5=100
	June, 2000	46	32	9	5	8=100
h.	Personally qualified to be president	35	45	6	9	5=100
	Early October, 2000	31	49	5	11	4=100
	June, 2000	37	37	10	10	6=100
i.	A typical politician	29	45	3	19	4=100
	September, 2000	37	37	2	20	4=100
	June, 2000	34	37	1	22	7=100
j.	Has new ideas	42	33	11	8	6=100
	June, 2000	38	32	14	7	9=100
k.	Connects well with ordinary Americans	45	39	6	7	3=100
	June, 2000	40	39	7	7	7=100

ASK FORM 2 ONLY: [N=513]

Q.20F2 Regardless of who you support, which one of the presidential candidates — Al Gore or George W. Bush — do you think would do the best job of **(INSERT ITEM; ROTATE. NOTE: ITEM a SHOULD ALWAYS COME FIRST, ITEM j SHOULD ALWAYS COME LAST. IF RESPONDENT MENTIONS ANYONE OTHER THAN GORE OR BUSH PROBE ONCE: "IF YOU HAD TO CHOOSE BETWEEN GORE AND BUSH...")** ?

		George		(VOL.)	
		<u>W. Bush</u>	<u>Al Gore</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>DK/Ref.</u>
a.	Improving the health care system	37	48	4	11=100
	Early October, 2000	36	49	5	10=100
	September, 2000	32	51	6	11=100
	June, 2000	31	44	6	19=100
	March, 2000	31	51	6	12=100
b.	Making wise decisions about the country's defense policy	45	41	3	11=100
	Early October, 2000	43	40	6	11=100
	September, 2000	46	40	4	10=100
	June, 2000	42	36	6	16=100
c.	Keeping Social Security and Medicare financially sound	36	49	5	10=100
	Early October, 2000	38	46	5	11=100
	September, 2000	36	49	4	11=100
	June, 2000	36	43	5	16=100
	March, 2000	35	49	5	11=100
d.	Keeping the economy strong	37	49	3	11=100
	Early October, 2000	35	47	6	12=100
	September, 2000	38	46	5	11=100
	June, 2000	38	41	5	16=100
	March, 2000	42	46	4	8=100
e.	Dealing with taxes	41	42	5	12=100
	Early October, 2000	39	42	6	13=100
	September, 2000	41	41	5	13=100
	June, 2000	41	34	7	18=100
	March, 2000	40	44	5	11=100
f.	Improving education	40	46	3	11=100
	Early October, 2000	41	43	6	10=100
	September, 2000	39	45	4	12=100
	June, 2000	34	44	5	17=100
	March, 2000	42	44	3	11=100
g.	Representing your views on America's role in world affairs	39	46	3	12=100
	Early October, 2000	36	44	5	15=100
	September, 2000	39	44	3	14=100

Q.20F2 CONTINUED ...

		George W. Bush	Al Gore	(VOL.)	
				Neither	DK/Ref.
h.	Representing your views on the role of the federal government in solving problems	40	42	5	13=100
	Early October, 2000	41	40	6	13=100
i.	Reducing partisan bickering and conflict in Washington	39	32	16	13=100
	June, 2000	30	27	20	23=100
j.	Making prescription drugs more affordable for seniors	33	50	4	13=100
	Early October, 2000	31	50	6	13=100

[ROTATE Q.21 AND Q.22]

Q.21 Now I'd like to read a few concerns critics of Vice President Al Gore have raised during the campaign. Have you heard critics say that... **[READ AND ROTATE.]**
IF RESPONDENT HAS HEARD STATEMENT, ASK... Would you say this has made you LESS likely to vote for Gore, or hasn't this had any effect on your vote?

	(NET) Have Heard	Of Those Who Heard Statement			Have NOT Heard	DK/ Ref.	
		Less likely to support	No Effect	More likely to support			
a.	Gore cannot be trusted because he tends to exaggerate	68	24	43	1	30	2=100
b.	Gore wants to bring back the era of big government	54	21	32	1	43	3=100
c.	Gore has an irritating personality	58	15	42	1	40	2=100

Q.22 Now I'd like to read a few concerns critics of Governor George W. Bush have raised during the campaign. Have you heard critics say that... **[READ AND ROTATE.]**
IF RESPONDENT HAS HEARD STATEMENT, ASK... Would you say this has made you LESS likely to vote for Bush, or hasn't this had any effect on your vote?

	(NET) Have Heard	Of Those Who Heard Statement			Have NOT Heard	DK/ Ref.	
		Less likely to support	No Effect	More likely to support			
a.	Bush is not qualified to be the President	61	15	44	2	37	2=100
b.	Bush has a poor record in Texas on such issues as health care and the environment	72	28	42	2	26	2=100
c.	Bush cares more about the rich than he does about other Americans	75	29	44	2	23	2=100

ASK FORM 1 ONLY: [N=484]

Q.23F1 Finally, which candidate for president would be best able to handle a crisis in the Middle East or some other world trouble spot — George W. Bush or Al Gore?

41 George W. Bush
43 Al Gore
5 Both (VOL.)
4 Neither (VOL.)
* Other (VOL.)
7 Don't Know/Refused (VOL.)
100

ASK FORM 2 ONLY: [N=513]

Q.24F2 Finally, which candidate for president would be best able to handle a significant downturn in the national economy — George W. Bush or Al Gore?

35 George W. Bush
44 Al Gore
1 Both (VOL.)
9 Neither (VOL.)
* Other (VOL.)
11 Don't Know/Refused (VOL.)
100

ASK ALL:

Now, I'd like to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only...

Q.25 Do you use a computer at your workplace, at school, at home, or anywhere else on at least an occasional basis?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>DK/Ref.</u>
Mid-October, 2000	72	28	0=100
Early October, 2000	73	27	*=100
September, 2000	72	28	0=100

IF YES (USE A COMPUTER), ASK:

Q.26 Do you ever go online to access the Internet or World Wide Web or to send and receive email?

BASED ON TOTAL REGISTERED VOTERS:

	<u>Goes Online</u>	<u>Doesn't Go Online</u>	<u>DK/Ref.</u>
Mid-October, 2000	60	40	0=100
Early October, 2000	62	38	0=100
September, 2000	60	40	0=100