

**GALLUP NEWS SERVICE**

**PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION  
SEPTEMBER BENCHMARK**

-- FINAL TOPLINE --

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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted September 14-28, 2020 with a random sample of –1,023—adults, ages 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia. For results based on this sample of national adults, the margin of sampling error is  $\pm 4$  percentage points at the 95% confidence level.

For results based on the samples of –532—adults in Form A, the maximum margin of sampling error is  $\pm 5$  percentage points.

For results based on the samples of –491—adults in Form B, the maximum margin of sampling error is  $\pm 5$  percentage points.

For results based on the samples of –905—registered voters, the maximum margin of sampling error is  $\pm 4$  percentage points.

Interviews are conducted with respondents on landline telephones and cellular phones, with interviews conducted in Spanish for respondents who are primarily Spanish-speaking. Each sample of national adults includes a minimum quota of 70% cell phone respondents and 30% landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas by time zone within region. Landline and cell phone telephone numbers are selected using random digit dial methods. Gallup obtained sample for this study from Dynata. Landline respondents are chosen at random within each household on the basis of which member has the next birthday.

Samples are weighted to correct for unequal selection probability, non-response, and double coverage of landline and cell users in the two sampling frames. They are also weighted to match the national demographics of gender, age, race, Hispanic ethnicity, education, region, population density, and phone status (cell phone-only/landline only/both and cell phone mostly). Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2019 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the January-June 2019 National Health Interview Survey. Population density targets are based on the 2010 census. All reported margins of sampling error include the computed design effects for weighting.

In addition to sampling error, question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of public opinion polls. For questions about how this survey was conducted, please contact [galluphelp@gallup.com](mailto:galluphelp@gallup.com).

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6. *PLAN TO VOTE IN ELECTION (FOR SCREENING)*

7. *(Asked of those who plan to vote)* Which of the following applies to you-- you have already voted in this year's election, either by absentee ballot or early voting opportunities in your state, you plan to vote before Election Day, either by absentee ballot or early voting opportunities in your state, or you plan to vote on Election Day itself?

**COMBINED RESULTS (Q.6/7): BASED ON FULL SAMPLE**

<i>2020 Sep 14-28</i>	Already <u>voted</u>	Plan to vote before <u>Election Day</u>	Plan to vote on Election <u>Day itself</u>	Do not plan <u>to vote</u>	Not registered <u>to vote</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
<i>Registered voters</i>	1	44	50	4	--	1
National adults	1	37	44	4	13	1

**EARLY VOTING TRENDS BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS**

	Already <u>voted</u>	Plan to vote before <u>Election Day</u>	Plan to vote on Election <u>Day itself</u>	Do not plan <u>to vote</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
<b><u>2016</u></b>					
2016 Nov 1-6	30	10	54	6	--
<b><u>2012</u></b>					
2012 Nov 1-4	29	6	61	4	*
2012 Oct 22-28	15	17	63	4	*
2012 Oct 21-27	13	18	65	4	1
2012 Oct 20-26	11	19	65	4	1
2012 Oct 19-25	10	20	66	4	1
2012 Oct 18-24	8	21	67	4	*
2012 Oct 17-23	7	21	67	4	1
2012 Oct 16-22	6	22	68	4	1
2012 Oct 15-21	5	22	69	3	1
2012 Oct 14-20	5	23	68	4	1
2012 Oct 13-19	4	22	69	3	1
2012 Oct 12-18	4	23	69	4	1
2012 Oct 11-17	3	24	68	4	1
2012 Oct 10-16	3	23	69	4	1
2012 Oct 9-15	3	23	69	4	1
2012 Oct 8-14	3	24	69	4	1
2012 Oct 7-13	2	24	70	4	1
2012 Oct 6-12	2	25	69	4	1
2012 Oct 5-11	2	24	69	4	1
2012 Oct 4-10	2	24	70	4	1
2012 Oct 3-9	1	24	71	4	1
2012 Oct 2-8	1	25	70	3	1
2012 Oct 1-7	1	24	70	4	1

**Q.7 (EARLY VOTING) CONTINUED**

	<u>Already voted</u>	<u>Plan to vote before Election Day</u>	<u>Plan to vote on Election Day itself</u>	<u>Do not plan to vote</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<b><u>2008</u></b>					
2008 Oct 31-Nov 2	27	5	64	4	*
2008 Oct 30-Nov 1	27	7	62	4	1
2008 Oct 29-31	26	8	63	3	1
2008 Oct 28-30	23	10	63	4	1
2008 Oct 27-29	20	11	64	4	1
2008 Oct 26-28	18	13	64	4	1
2008 Oct 25-27	17	14	65	4	1
2008 Oct 24-26	17	16	64	3	1
2008 Oct 23-25	16	17	63	3	1
2008 Oct 22-24	15	17	64	4	1
2008 Oct 21-23	13	18	65	4	1
2008 Oct 20-22	11	19	66	4	1
2008 Oct 19-21	10	20	67	3	1
2008 Oct 18-20	8	20	68	4	1
2008 Oct 17-19	7	20	68	4	1
<b><u>2004</u></b>					
2004 Oct 29-31	17	4	77	2	*
2004 Oct 22-24	9	13	76	2	*
2004 Oct 14-16	3	14	80	3	*
2004 Oct 9-10	1	14	83	1	1
2004 Oct 1-3	1	13	83	3	*
2004 Sep 24-26	1	16	79	3	1

8. *(Asked of those who plan to vote)* How [did you / do you plan to] vote – [ROTATED: in person at your local polling place, (or) by mailing or dropping off an absentee ballot], or are you unsure?

**COMBINED RESULTS (Q.6/7/8): BASED ON FULL SAMPLE**

<i>2020 Sep 14-28</i>	<u>In-person</u>	<u>Absentee ballot</u>	<u>Unsure</u>	<u>Do not plan to vote</u>	<u>Not registered to vote</u>	<u>No answer</u>
<b>Registered voters</b>	57	29	8	4	--	1
National adults	49	25	7	4	13	1

**GALLUP POLL NEWS SURVEY  
September 2020 (Registered Voters)  
Public Release Data**

**VOTEREC: Vote Status BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Ideology**

		Gender		Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Ideology			
		Total	Male	Female	White	Non-white	18-34	35-54	55+	College Grad	Some College	HS Grad or Less	Republican	Independent	Democrat	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Total	Unweighted n	905	468	437	690	198	158	245	488	432	305	166	295	333	275	371	319	206
	Weighted n	861	432	429	629	219	205	282	361	326	260	274	275	336	249	355	298	201
Already voted		10	5	5	8	2	1	2	7	3	4	3	2	5	3	4	2	3
		1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Plan to vote before Election Day		375	172	203	264	106	84	107	178	174	116	85	74	149	151	103	142	128
		44%	40%	47%	42%	48%	41%	38%	49%	53%	45%	31%	27%	45%	61%	29%	47%	63%
Plan to vote on Election Day		432	227	205	332	95	101	159	166	143	131	158	196	152	84	237	131	64
		50%	53%	48%	53%	43%	49%	56%	46%	44%	50%	58%	71%	45%	34%	67%	44%	32%
Will not vote		37	26	11	22	15	19	12	6	2	8	27	3	28	6	9	22	5
		4%	6%	3%	4%	7%	9%	4%	2%	1%	3%	10%	1%	8%	2%	3%	7%	3%
No opinion		7	1	6	4	2	1	2	4	4	2	1	1	1	5	2	2	1
		1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	2%	1%	1%	1%

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**VOTEREC2: Vote Plan BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Ideology**

		Total	Gender		Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Ideology		
			Male	Female	White	Non-white	18-34	35-54	55+	College Grad	Some College	HS Grad or Less	Republican	Independent	Democrat	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
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In person		495	251	243	384	104	103	178	205	183	148	163	213	170	111	263	148	83
		57%	58%	57%	61%	47%	50%	63%	57%	56%	57%	60%	77%	51%	44%	74%	49%	41%
By mail		250	118	132	180	67	55	73	120	115	85	50	46	101	103	64	92	93
		29%	27%	31%	29%	30%	27%	26%	33%	35%	33%	18%	17%	30%	42%	18%	31%	46%
Unsure		72	35	37	39	32	28	18	25	21	18	33	13	34	24	16	35	19
		8%	8%	9%	6%	15%	14%	6%	7%	7%	7%	12%	5%	10%	10%	5%	12%	10%
Will not vote		37	26	11	22	15	19	12	6	2	8	27	3	28	6	9	22	5
		4%	6%	3%	4%	7%	9%	4%	2%	1%	3%	10%	1%	8%	2%	3%	7%	3%
No opinion		7	2	6	4	2	1	2	5	4	2	1	1	1	5	3	2	1
		1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	2%	1%	1%	1%