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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted September 1-17, 2021 with a random sample of **-1,005—**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 ± 4 percentage points at the 95% confidence level.

For results based on the sample of **-478—**national adults in Form A, the margin of sampling error is ± 6 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **-527—**national adults in Form B, the margins of sampling error is ± 5 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 July-December 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.

9. Overall, how closely do you follow news about national politics -- very closely, somewhat closely, not too closely, or not at all?

	<u>Very closely</u>	<u>Somewhat closely</u>	<u>Not too closely</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2021 Sep 1-17	38	40	16	6	1
2020 Aug 31-Sep 13	42	38	14	6	--
2019 Sep 3-15	32	45	17	6	*
2018 Sep 4-12	35	40	18	6	*
2017 Sep 6-10	36	41	16	7	*
2016 Sep 7-11	39	39	17	5	*
2015 Sep 9-13	31	46	16	6	*
2014 Sep 4-7	32	43	18	6	1
2013 Sep 5-8	33	44	17	5	*
2012 Sep 6-9	39	43	13	4	*
2011 Sep 8-11	35	45	15	5	*
2009 Aug 31-Sep 2	36	42	16	6	*
2008 Sep 8-11	43	44	10	3	--
2007 Sep 14-16	30	51	16	3	*
2006 Sep 7-10	31	47	19	3	*
2005 Sep 12-15	28	48	18	5	1
2004 Sep 13-15	36	45	16	3	*
2003 Oct 24-26	28	50	19	3	*
2003 Sep 8-10	27	45	21	7	--
2002 Sep 5-8	25	48	22	5	--
2001 Sep 7-10	23	52	21	4	*
2001 Jun 11-17	22	46	26	6	*
2001 Jun 8-10	23	48	23	6	*
2001 May 7-9	19	49	25	7	*
2001 Jan 10-14	26	50	18	5	1
1996 Jul 18-21	27	47	19	6	2
1996 Jun 18-19	24	49	20	6	1
1996 May 28-29	25	48	21	6	1
1996 May 9-12	23	51	17	6	2
1996 Apr 23-25	23	48	21	7	1
1996 Apr 9-10	25	50	20	5	1
1996 Mar 15-17	26	51	18	5	*
1996 Mar 8-10	24	51	20	5	1
1996 Feb 23-25	24	50	20	6	1
1996 Jan 12-15	23	50	20	7	1
1996 Jan 5-7	30	51	13	5	1
1995 Dec 15-18	27	49	18	4	1
1995 Oct 19-22	19	52	22	7	1
1995 Sep 22-24	27	48	18	6	1
1995 Aug 28-30	19	56	18	6	1
1995 Aug 11-14	22	53	20	5	1
1995 Aug 4-7	24	46	22	7	1
1995 Jul 20-23	24	51	18	6	1
1995 Jul 7-9	18	51	25	6	1

^ 1995-1996 WORDING: Overall, how closely do you follow news about national politics -- very closely, somewhat closely, not too closely, or not at all closely?

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QN9: Follow National Politics 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
Total	Unweighted n	1005	538	467	760	221	193	259	535	454	329	215	326	390	265	401	354	227
	Weighted n	1005	487	518	655	332	285	298	408	353	282	367	287	409	287	376	362	248
Very closely,		379	191	188	284	85	63	109	199	167	103	108	129	124	116	165	114	90
		38%	39%	36%	43%	26%	22%	37%	49%	47%	37%	29%	45%	30%	40%	44%	31%	36%
Somewhat closely,		399	183	216	258	136	130	119	144	145	124	130	105	169	123	137	146	116
		40%	38%	42%	39%	41%	46%	40%	35%	41%	44%	35%	36%	41%	43%	36%	40%	47%
Not too closely, or		158	72	86	76	81	53	56	48	35	42	81	40	72	43	54	67	34
		16%	15%	17%	12%	24%	19%	19%	12%	10%	15%	22%	14%	18%	15%	14%	18%	14%
Not at all		63	36	27	33	27	39	11	13	7	11	44	8	43	6	18	33	8
		6%	7%	5%	5%	8%	14%	4%	3%	2%	4%	12%	3%	11%	2%	5%	9%	3%
(DK)/(Refused)		6	5	1	4	2	-	2	4	1	2	3	5	1	-	3	3	-
		1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	2%	0%	-	1%	1%	-