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**GALLUP POLL SOCIAL SERIES:
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-- FINAL TOPLINE --

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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted September 3-15, 2024, with a random sample of **–1,007—** 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.

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 80% cell phone respondents and 20% landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas by time zone within region. Landline and cell phone telephone numbers are selected using random digit dial methods. 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 most recent Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the most recent National Health Interview Survey. Population density targets are based on the 2020 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.

32. Thinking for a moment about the way in which the president is elected in this country, which would you prefer -- [ROTATED: to amend the constitution so the candidate who receives the most total votes nationwide wins the election, (or) to keep the current system, in which the candidate who wins the most votes in the Electoral College wins the election]?

	<u>Amend the constitution</u>	<u>Keep current system</u>	<u>Both/neither (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2024 Sep 3-15	58	39	1	1
2020 Aug 31-Sep 13	61	38	*	*
2019 Apr 17-30 ^	55	43	*	2
2016 Nov 28-29	49	47	1	3
2011 Oct 6-9	62	35	1	3
2004 Oct 11-14	61	35	1	3
2000 Dec 15-17	59	37	1	3
2000 Nov 11-12	61	35	2	2

^ Asked of a half sample

For comparison: *Would you approve or disapprove of an amendment to the Constitution which would do away with the Electoral College and base the election of a President on the total vote cast throughout the nation?*

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
1980 Nov 4	67	19	15
1977 Jan 1	73	15	12
1968 Nov 9-14	80	12	8
1968 May 23-28	66	19	15
1967 Jan 26-31	58	22	20

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QN32: Preferred Way to Elect Presidents BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Household Income + Ideology

		Gender			Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Household Income			Ideology		
		Total	Male	Female	White	Non-white	18-34	35-54	55+	College Grad	Some College	HS Grad or Less	Republican	Independent	Democrat	Less than \$50,000	\$50,000-100,000	\$100,000+	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Total	Unweighted n	1007	563	438	711	274	149	257	577	502	290	210	308	396	297	231	292	369	415	346	229
	Weighted n	1007	498	498	636	358	246	329	410	365	271	369	297	408	297	259	292	335	371	367	252
To amend the constitution so the candidate who receives the most total votes nationwide wins the election		587	244	333	357	226	153	189	232	217	147	222	95	247	243	164	170	195	131	232	214
		58%	49%	67%	56%	63%	62%	57%	57%	60%	54%	60%	32%	60%	82%	64%	58%	58%	35%	63%	85%
To keep the current system, in which the candidate who wins the most votes in the Electoral College wins the election		396	246	151	268	120	85	134	169	141	122	132	197	152	45	85	114	138	232	127	32
		39%	49%	30%	42%	34%	34%	41%	41%	39%	45%	36%	66%	37%	15%	33%	39%	41%	63%	35%	13%
BOTH/NEITHER (VOL)		11	6	5	7	3	-	4	6	2	0	8	2	6	3	8	-	2	3	4	3
		1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	2%	1%	0%	2%	1%	1%	1%	3%	-	1%	1%	1%	1%
DONT KNOW/REFUSED		13	3	10	3	9	9	2	2	4	2	7	2	3	7	2	9	-	4	4	3
		1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	4%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	3%	-	1%	1%	1%