## ABC NEWS/WASHINGTON POST POLL: The 2020 Election

## Between the Economy and the Pandemic Biden Keeps His Advantage Nationally

In a race defined by economic views and pandemic fears, and riven by wide gender and education gaps, Joe Biden retains a 10-point lead nationally against Donald Trump in a new ABC News/Washington Post poll, contracting to 6 points with third-party candidates included.

Biden's 54-44 percent advantage over Trump in a two-way contest precisely matches the last national $\mathrm{ABC} /$ Post poll in mid-August. Biden's support slips to 49 percent when the Libertarian and Green Party candidates are included, vs. 43 percent for Trump.


The results underscore Trump's precarious position as the first president in 81 years of modern polling never to achieve majority approval for his work in office. He's at 44 percent approval among all Americans, ranging from 52 percent for handling the economy to 40 percent on the coronavirus outbreak. Fifty-eight percent disapprove of his performance on the pandemic, a key to Biden's support.

At the same time, the presence of Libertarian Jo Jorgensen and Green Party candidate Howie Hawkins could pose a challenge to Biden in close states. Biden's 5-point decline when these candidates are included is a significant, albeit slight, shift.

Biden continues to trail Trump, by 20 percentage points, in strong enthusiasm among their respective likely voters in this poll, produced for ABC by Langer Research Associates. Still, another measure finds broad antipathy toward Trump: among those who don't support him, 59 percent say his re-election would be a crisis for the country. Among those not backing Biden, fewer - but still 50 percent - say it'd be a crisis if he won.


It's true, as well, that national preferences don't always reflect Electoral College outcomes, as was the case in 2016 and 2000. Recent ABC/Post state-level polls found virtually even races in Florida and Arizona and a close contest in Wisconsin, although a wide Biden lead in Minnesota, which Trump has sought to contest.

Trump and Biden meet Tuesday in their first presidential campaign debate.
CHANGE? - There's room for changes in preferences, but, as in any highly polarized election, not much. Among likely voters who don't back Trump now, 6 percent say they'd consider voting for him. Similarly, 5 percent of those who don't currently support Biden would consider him. That makes for a net total of 5 percent of likely voters who can be considered movable - a thin slice, albeit potentially enough to matter in some states.

What's likely to matter more is turnout, a question complicated this year by pandemic-related concerns. Just 46 percent of likely voters plan to cast their ballot in person on Election Day; 50 percent instead plan to vote early or absentee. Who goes through with it is highly consequential: Trump leads by 19 points, 58-39 percent, among Election Day voters, while it's Biden by more than a 2-1 margin, 67-31 percent, among those who intend to vote before then.


ISSUES - The pandemic, of course, has disrupted far more than balloting plans. Sixty-two percent of adults worry that they or an immediate family member may catch the virus, which has claimed more than 200,000 American lives. Likely voters who express this concern favor Biden, 71-27 percent.

The economy, even in a pandemic-prompted recession, works better for Trump. While just 40 percent of Americans say it's in good shape, that's up from 31 percent just last month. And Trump leads by 82-17 percent among likely voters who rate the economy positively. Further, a quarter call the economy the top issue in their vote, and those economy-focused voters favor Trump by 80-18 percent.

That said, in a head-to-head test, the two candidates run very closely in trust to handle the economy, 49-46 percent, Trump-Biden. And other results on trust are revealing: While Trump has hit hard on the issue of crime and safety, it's Biden who's slightly ahead in trust to handle it, $50-44$ percent. Biden leads by 8 points in trust to handle the next Supreme Court nomination (as reported Friday), 11 points on the pandemic, 16 points on health care and 20 points on equal treatment of racial groups.

Trust on crime is about the same in the suburbs, $50-46$ percent, Biden-Trump, as nationally overall. Suburban men trust Trump more on crime by 20 points, but suburban women - a group Trump has focused on - trust Biden more, by 61-37 percent. That tilts to Biden because of the share of suburban women - about one in three - who are racial or ethnic minorities. (Among suburban white women, it's 51-46 percent, Biden-Trump.)

There's one warning flare here for Biden: His lead on trust to handle the pandemic has shrunk from 20 points during the summertime surge in cases in mid-July, 54-34 percent, to today's 11point margin, 51-40 percent.

As noted, the economy leads as the most important issue, with no consensus on what comes next. Seventeen percent pick the pandemic as their top issue, and likely voters who say so support Biden by 84-13 percent. About as many say it's either health care or equal treatment of racial groups; again more than eight in 10 in both of these groups back Biden. Twelve percent cite crime and safety as their main concern - and in this group, 84 percent support Trump. Lastly, 11 percent focus on the next Supreme Court nomination, with closer vote preferences, 54-45 percent, Biden-Trump.

| Most important issue in presidential vote | Trump-Biden <br> (among likely voters) |
| :--- | :---: |
| Economy | $80-18 \%$ |
| Coronavirus outbreak | $13-84$ |
| Health care or the equal treatment of | $14-83$ |
| $\quad$ racial groups | $84-16$ |
| $\quad$ Crime and safety | $45-54$ |
| Next appointment to U.S. Supreme Court |  |

In another delineating result, the public by 54-42 percent supports recent protests against police treatment of Black people. Eight in 10 supporters of these protests favor Biden; 77 percent of opponents are with Trump.

Across issues, these results illuminate the logic of the current campaign, as Trump touts economic recovery and raises crime concerns while Biden pushes on the pandemic response, health care and equal treatment, and both navigate the trickier Supreme Court issue.

THIRD PARTY - The impact of third-party candidates may be tough to gauge, since the pandemic has constrained their campaigns just as it has Trump's and Biden's. This survey asked two-candidate preferences first, then re-asked the question with Jorgensen and Hawkins added. Biden, as noted goes from 54 to 49 percent with these two included; that decline is significant at the 90 percent confidence level, as opposed to the conventional standard, 95 percent.

Trump moving from 44 to 43 percent is not statistically significant. Four percent express support for Jorgensen, who's on the ballot in all 50 states; 3 percent for Hawkins, who's on the ballot in 28 states. (In 2016, the Libertarian won 3 percent, the Green candidate, 1 percent.)

GROUPS - Using two-candidate preferences, huge gaps are evident across population groups. Trump leads by 13 points among men; Biden, by a wide 31 points among women. Trump's +6 points against Biden among non-graduates, while Biden leads by 30 points among college grads. The race is close among likely voters age 50 and older, while those younger than 30 back Biden by nearly 2-1 (using registered voters for an adequate sample size).

Unpeeling some groups demonstrates the depth of the gender gap, in particular. While the race is a close 52-47 percent, Biden-Trump, in the suburbs, that's $60-38$ percent, Trump-Biden, among suburban men, compared with 66-34 percent, Biden-Trump, among suburban women. And it's Trump +8 among men who are political independents, vs. a 77-20 percent Biden-Trump blowout among independent women.

|  | Trump-Biden (among likely voters) |
| :---: | :---: |
| All | 44-54\% |
| Women | 34-65 |
| Men | 55-42 |
| College graduates | 34-64 |
| Non-college graduates | 52-46 |
| Age 50+ | 47-52 |
| Less than 30* | 33-61 |
| Whites | 52-46 |
| Blacks* | 9-88 |
| Hispanics $\dagger$ | 29-68 |
| Suburbanites | 47-52 |
| Suburban women | 34-66 |
| Suburban men | 60-38 |
| Independents | 37-59 |
| Independent women | 20-77 |
| Independent men | 51-43 |
| White Protestants | 61-38 |
| Evangelical | 75-25 |
| Non-evangelical | 41-58 |
| Military household | 49-49 |
| Non-military household | 41-57 |
| 2016 red states | 49-49 |
| 2016 blue states | 39-59 |
| Adjustments made for adequate sample size: <br> * Among registered voters |  |

In another sharp difference, evangelical white Protestants, a core Republican group, support Trump by an expected 75-25 percent - but non-evangelical white Protestants go 58-41 percent, Biden-Trump. (White Protestants account for nearly three in 10 likely voters; 57 percent are evangelicals, the rest not.)

Notable, too, is that Trump and Biden are dead even, 49-49 percent, in households that include a veteran or active duty member of the military; these generally are thought to be a more pro-GOP group. Trump took criticism in the past month for reports that he had disparaged military service, which he denied.

Among other groupings, Biden leads by 54-42 percent in the 13 states that currently are the most contested by the candidates (Arizona, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas and Wisconsin). Moreover, it's Biden +20 points in the blue states won by Hillary Clinton, while dead even, 49-49 percent, in the 2016 red states. Trump won those states four years ago by 53-42 percent.

2016 COMPS - Comparisons to 2016, based on ABC News exit poll results, are telling. Among the most striking differences:

- Clinton won political moderates by 12 points. Biden leads among them by 47 points, 72 25 percent.
- Clinton won independent women by 4 points. As noted, Biden leads among them by a remarkable 57 points.
- Trump won whites by 20 points in 2016; he's +6 among whites now. One reason: White women have switched from +9 points for Trump in 2016 to +15 points for Biden now, 57-42 percent. That includes a vast shift among college-educated white women, from +7 points for Clinton to +41 points for Biden now.
- Clinton won college-educated voters overall by 10 points; as noted, Biden now leads in this group by 30 points. In addition to college-educated white women, the change is sharp among people with postgraduate degrees, from +21 points for Clinton four years ago to +47 points for Biden now.
- Non-evangelical white Protestants, as mentioned, support Biden by a 17-point margin; that compares to essentially an even split in 2016, 48-45 percent, Trump-Clinton.

Trump, at the same time, has retained and even consolidated his core support groups. Overall, among 2020 likely voters who report having supported him in 2016, 91 percent support him now. He's backed by 87 percent of conservatives, who account for a substantial 36 percent of all likely voters. And while Biden would be just the second Catholic president, white Catholics - an on-again, off-again swing voter group - side with Trump, 55-44 percent.

METHODOLOGY - This ABC News/Washington Post poll was conducted by landline and cellular telephone Sept. 21-24, 2020, in English and Spanish, among a random national sample of 1,008 adults, including 889 registered voters and 739 likely voters. Results have a margin of sampling error of 3.5 points, including the design effect, for the full sample and registered voters, and 4.0 points for likely voters. Partisan divisions are 31-27-37 percent, Democrats-Republicans-
independents, among all respondents; 33-29-35 percent among registered voters; and 33-32-32 percent among likely voters.

The survey was produced for ABC News by Langer Research Associates of New York, N.Y., with sampling and data collection by Abt Associates of Rockville, Md. See details on the survey's methodology here.

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Full results follow.

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16e, 17-21 previously released. * = less than 0.5 percent.
1. How closely are you following the 2020 presidential race: very closely, somewhat
closely, not so closely, or not closely at all?
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|  |  | - | Closely | ---- | - | Not clos | ly ---- | No |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | NET | Very | Smwt | NET | Not so | At all | opinion |
| 9/24/20 |  | 80 | 51 | 29 | 20 | 10 | 10 | * |
| 9/24/20 | RV | 88 | 58 | 30 | 12 | 6 | 6 | * |
| 8/15/20 |  | 80 | 47 | 33 | 20 | 9 | 11 | * |
| 8/15/20 | RV | 87 | 54 | 33 | 12 | 6 | 6 | * |
| 11/6/16 | LV | 94 | 67 | 27 | 6 | 3 | 2 | * |
| 11/5/16 | LV | 94 | 64 | 29 | 6 | 4 | 2 | * |
| 11/4/16 | LV | 94 | 65 | 29 | 6 | 4 | 2 | * |
| 11/3/16 | LV | 94 | 65 | 29 | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 11/2/16 | LV | 94 | 65 | 30 | 6 | 4 | 2 | * |
| 11/1/16 | LV | 94 | 67 | 27 | 6 | 3 | 2 | * |
| 10/31/16 | LV | 94 | 66 | 28 | 5 | 3 | 2 | * |
| 10/30/16 | LV | 94 | 66 | 28 | 6 | 3 | 2 | * |
| 10/29/16 | LV | 95 | 68 | 27 | 5 | 3 | 2 | * |
| 10/28/16 | LV | 94 | 66 | 29 | 5 | 3 | 2 | * |
| 10/27/16 | LV | 94 | 66 | 28 | 6 | 3 | 3 | * |
| 10/26/16 | LV | 93 | 64 | 29 | 7 | 4 | 3 | * |
| 10/25/16 | LV | 92 | 62 | 30 | 7 | 5 | 3 | * |
| 10/24/16 | LV | 93 | 65 | 28 | 7 | 4 | 2 | * |
| 10/23/16 | LV | 94 | 66 | 28 | 6 | 4 | 2 | * |
| 10/22/16 | LV | 94 | 71 | 23 | 6 | 4 | 2 | * |
| 10/13/16 | LV | 94 | 66 | 28 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 1 |
| 9/22/16 | LV | 92 | 60 | 32 | 8 | 5 | 3 | * |

Call for full results.
2. I'd like you to rate the chances that you will vote in the presidential election this fall: Are you absolutely certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or less than that?

|  |  | Certain <br> to vote | $\begin{gathered} \text { Probably } \\ \text { vote } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Chances } \\ 50 / 50 \end{gathered}$ | Less than that | Don't think will vote (vol.) | Already voted (vol.) | No op. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9/24/20 |  | 75 | 7 | 6 | 8 | 3 | * | 1 |
| 9/24/20 | RV | 89 | 5 | 4 | 2 | * | * | 1 |


| 8/15/20 | RV | 86 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 1 | NA | * |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7/15/20 | RV | 86 | 5 | 5 | 2 | * | NA | 1 |
| $5 / 28 / 20$ | RV | 84 | 9 | 4 | 2 | 1 | NA | * |
| 4/25/19 | RV | 85 | 8 | 6 | 1 | * | NA | 1 |
| 10/31/16 | RV | 72 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 16 | 0 |
| 10/30/16 | RV | 72 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 15 | 0 |
| 10/29/16 | RV | 73 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 14 | 0 |
| 10/28/16 | RV | 76 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 11 | 0 |
| 10/27/16 | RV | 77 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 9 | * |
| 10/26/16 | RV | 78 | 6 | 4 | 3 | * | 8 | * |
| 10/25/16 | RV | 79 | 6 | 5 | 3 | * | 6 | * |
| 10/24/16 | RV | 78 | 7 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 5 | * |
| 10/23/16 | RV | 79 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 5 | * |
| 10/22/16 | RV | 80 | 7 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 5 | * |
| 10/13/16 | RV | 85 | 6 | 5 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 9/22/16 | RV | 83 | 7 | 6 | 3 | * | 0 | * |
| Call for | ful | su |  |  |  |  |  |  |

3. (ASK IF CERTAIN OR PROBABLY VOTE) Do you think you'll (vote in person at a polling place ON Election Day), or (vote early either by mail or in person BEFORE Election Day)?

|  | Vote on | Vote | Already | No |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Election Day | early | voted (vol.) | opinion |  |
| $9 / 24 / 20$ | 45 | 51 | $*$ | 4 |
| $9 / 24 / 20$ RV | 45 | 51 | 1 | 4 |
| Call for comparative results, $2008-2016$. |  |  |  |  |

4. (ASK IF VOTE EARLY OR ALREADY VOTED) How do you think you will/did you vote - (in person at an early voting location), (by dropping off a ballot at a designated dropbox), or (by mail)?

|  | In person | Drop off <br> ballot | Mail | No |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $9 / 24 / 20$ | 32 | 14 | 53 | 2 |

3/4 NET

| Vote on |  |  | In Drop off |  |  | No | No |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Election Day | NET | person | ballot | Mail | op. | opinion |
| 9/24/20 | 45 | 51 | 16 | 7 | 27 | 1 | 4 |

5. If the presidential election were being held today and the candidates were (Donald Trump and Mike Pence, the Republicans) and (Joe Biden and Kamala Harris, the Democrats), for whom would you vote? Would you lean toward (Trump and Pence) or (Biden and Harris)? (IF ALREADY VOTED) Confidentially and for statistical purposes only, did you vote for...?

NET LEANED VOTE PREFERENCE - LIKELY VOTERS

|  |  |  |  |  | Would |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Trump | Biden | Other <br> (vol.) | Neither (vol.) | not vote (vol.) | No opinion |
| 9/24/20 | 44 | 54 | * | * | * |  |
| 8/15/20 | 44 | 54 | * | 1 | 0 | 1 |

NET LEANED VOTE PREFERENCE - REG VOTERS

|  | Would |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Trump | Biden | Other <br> (vol.) | Neither (vol.) | not vote (vol.) | No opinion |
| 9/24/20 | 43 | 53 | 1 | 1 | * | 2 |
| 8/15/20 | 41 | 53 | * | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| 7/15/20* | 40 | 55 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 5/28/20 | 43 | 53 | 1 | 1 | * | 1 |
| 3/25/20 | 47 | 49 | * | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 2/17/20 | 45 | 52 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 1/23/20 | 46 | 50 | * | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| 10/30/19 | 39 | 56 | * | 2 | 2 | * |
| 9/5/19 | 40 | 55 | * | 2 | 2 | 1 |
| 7/1/19 | 43 | 53 | * | 1 | * | 1 |
| *7/14/20 and prior: "2020 presidential election", "Joe Biden, the"Donald Trump, the Republican" |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


6. (ASK IF NOT ALREADY VOTED) What if the candidates were [(Trump), (Biden)], [(Jo Jorgensen of the Libertarian Party) and (Howie Hawkins of the Green Party)], for whom would you vote? Would you lean toward [(Trump), (Biden)], [(Jorgensen) or (Hawkins)]?

NET LEANED VOTE PREFERENCE

|  |  |  |  |  |  | None | Would |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Trump | Biden | Jorgensen | Hawkins | $\begin{gathered} \text { Other } \\ \text { (vol.) } \end{gathered}$ | of these (vol.) | not vote (vol.) | No op. |
| 9/24/20 LV | 43 | 49 | 4 | 3 | * | * | 1 | 1 |
| 9/24/20 RV | 41 | 47 | 5 | 3 | * | 1 | 1 | 2 |

7. (ASK IF NAMED TRUMP) Would you say you are very enthusiastic about supporting Trump, somewhat enthusiastic, not so enthusiastic or not enthusiastic at all?

|  | --- | thus | tic ---- | -- | $t$ ent | astic | No |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | NET | Very | Somewhat | NET | Not so | Not at | opinion |
| 9/24/20 | 89 | 59 | 30 | 10 | 5 | 6 | * |
| 9/24/20 RV | 91 | 65 | 26 | 9 | 4 | 5 | * |
| 8/15/20 | 86 | 59 | 27 | 11 | 7 | 5 | 2 |
| 8/15/20 RV | 89 | 65 | 24 | 10 | 7 | 4 | 1 |
| 7/15/20 | 91 | 62 | 29 | 8 | 5 | 3 | * |
| 7/15/20 RV | 94 | 69 | 25 | 6 | 4 | 2 | * |
| 5/28/20 | 87 | 64 | 23 | 11 | 7 | 4 | 1 |
| 5/28/20 RV | 90 | 69 | 21 | 9 | 5 | 3 | 2 |
| 3/25/20 | 86 | 53 | 32 | 14 | 6 | 8 | * |
| 3/25/20 RV | 86 | 55 | 31 | 13 | 6 | 7 | * |


| $10 / 31 / 16$ | $R V$ | 83 | 48 | 34 | 17 | 11 | 6 | 1 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $10 / 30 / 16$ | $R V$ | 83 | 51 | 32 | 16 | 10 | 6 | $\star$ |
| $10 / 29 / 16$ | $R V$ | 84 | 51 | 33 | 15 | 10 | 6 | $\star$ |
| $10 / 28 / 16$ | $R V$ | 83 | 52 | 31 | 17 | 11 | 6 | $\star$ |
| $10 / 27 / 16$ | $R V$ | 82 | 51 | 31 | 17 | 10 | 7 | 1 |
| $10 / 24 / 16$ | $R V$ | 83 | 51 | 32 | 17 | 10 | 7 | 1 |
| $10 / 23 / 16$ | $R V$ | 84 | 51 | 33 | 16 | 10 | 6 | $\star$ |
| $10 / 13 / 16$ | $R V$ | 78 | 44 | 34 | 22 | 13 | 9 | $\star$ |
| $9 / 22 / 16$ | $R V$ | 88 | 49 | 39 | 11 | 6 | 5 | 1 |
| $9 / 8 / 16$ | $R V$ | 83 | 46 | 37 | 17 | 11 | 6 | $*$ |

8. (ASK IF NAMED BIDEN) Would you say you are very enthusiastic about supporting Biden, somewhat enthusiastic, not so enthusiastic or not enthusiastic at all?

|  |  | --- | Enthus | Stic ---- | -- | Not |  | No opinion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | NET | Very | Somewhat | NET | Not so | Not at all |  |
| 9/24/20 |  | 78 | 42 | 36 | 22 | 12 | 9 |  |
| 9/24/20 | RV | 79 | 47 | 33 | 20 | 12 | 9 | * |
| 8/15/20 |  | 79 | 44 | 36 | 20 | 9 | 10 | 1 |
| 8/15/20 | RV | 82 | 48 | 33 | 18 | 10 | 8 | 1 |
| 7/15/20 |  | 77 | 36 | 41 | 22 | 12 | 10 | 1 |
| 7/15/20 | RV | 79 | 39 | 40 | 20 | 10 | 10 | 1 |
| 5/28/20 |  | 74 | 31 | 43 | 25 | 13 | 12 | * |
| 5/28/20 | RV | 76 | 34 | 43 | 23 | 11 | 13 | 1 |
| 3/25/20 |  | 74 | 24 | 49 | 26 | 14 | 11 | 1 |
| 3/25/20 | RV | 74 | 28 | 46 | 26 | 14 | 11 | * |

9. (ASK IF NOT NAMED TRUMP) Would you consider voting for Trump, or is this something you would not consider?

| Would | Would not | No |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| consider | Consider | opinion |  |
| $9 / 24 / 20$ | 9 | 89 | 2 |
| $9 / 24 / 20$ RV | 8 | 90 | 2 |

10. (ASK IF NOT NAMED BIDEN) Would you consider voting for Biden, or is this something you would not consider?
Would

consider \begin{tabular}{c}
Would not <br>
consider

$\quad$

No <br>
opinion
\end{tabular}

11. (ASK IF NOT NAMED BIDEN) If Biden wins the election, do you think that would be a crisis for the country, a setback but not a crisis, or would it be OK with you?

|  |  | Setback but | Would | No |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Crisis | not a crisis | be OK | opinion |  |
| 9/24/20 | 50 | 28 | 15 | 7 |

12. (ASK IF NOT NAMED TRUMP) If Trump wins the election, do you think that would be a crisis for the country, a setback but not a crisis, or would it be OK with you?

|  |  | Setback but | Would | No |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Crisis | not a crisis | be OK | opinion |  |
| $9 / 24 / 20$ | 59 | 23 | 15 | 4 |

13. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president? Do you approve/disapprove strongly or somewhat?

|  |  | Approver | --- | ------- Disapprove ------ |  |  | No |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | opinion |
| 9/24/20 | 44 | 28 | 16 | 53 | 8 | 46 | 2 |
| 8/15/20 | 43 | 29 | 15 | 55 | 7 | 47 | 2 |
| 7/15/20 | 39 | 28 | 11 | 57 | 9 | 48 | 3 |
| 5/28/20 | 45 | 32 | 12 | 53 | 11 | 42 | 3 |
| 3/25/20 | 48 | 34 | 15 | 46 | 11 | 35 | 6 |
| 2/17/20 | 43 | 31 | 12 | 53 | 11 | 42 | 4 |
| 1/23/20 | 44 | 35 | 10 | 51 | 9 | 42 | 4 |
| 10/30/19 | 38 | 30 | 8 | 58 | 10 | 48 | 5 |
| 9/5/19 | 38 | 27 | 11 | 56 | 8 | 48 | 6 |
| 7/1/19 | 44 | 32 | 12 | 53 | 8 | 45 | 3 |
| 4/25/19 | 39 | 28 | 12 | 54 | 9 | 45 | 6 |
| 1/24/19 | 37 | 28 | 9 | 58 | 9 | 49 | 5 |
| 11/1/18 | 40 | 28 | 12 | 53 | 9 | 43 | 8 |
| 10/11/18 | 41 | 29 | 12 | 54 | 7 | 46 | 6 |
| 8/29/18 | 36 | 24 | 12 | 60 | 7 | 53 | 4 |
| 4/11/18 | 40 | 25 | 15 | 56 | 10 | 46 | 4 |
| 1/18/18 | 36 | 24 | 13 | 58 | 9 | 49 | 5 |
| 11/1/17 | 37 | 25 | 12 | 59 | 8 | 50 | 4 |
| 9/21/17 | 39 | 26 | 13 | 57 | 9 | 48 | 4 |
| 8/20/17 | 37 | 22 | 15 | 58 | 13 | 45 | 5 |
| 7/13/17 | 36 | 25 | 11 | 58 | 10 | 48 | 6 |
| 4/20/17 | 42 | 27 | 15 | 53 | 10 | 43 | 5 |

14. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Trump is handling the economy? Do you approve/disapprove strongly or somewhat?

|  |  | Appro |  | ------- Disapprove |  |  | No |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | opinion |
| 9/24/20 | 52 | 36 | 16 | 45 | 13 | 32 | 3 |
| 7/15/20 | 50 | 36 | 14 | 47 | 11 | 36 | 3 |
| 5/28/20 | 52 | 37 | 15 | 44 | 13 | 30 | 4 |
| 3/25/20 | 57 | 38 | 19 | 38 | 13 | 24 | 6 |
| 2/17/20 | 52 | NA | NA | 40 | NA | NA | 7 |
| 1/23/20 | 56 | NA | NA | 38 | NA | NA | 6 |
| 9/5/19 | 46 | NA | NA | 47 | NA | NA | 7 |
| 7/1/19 | 51 | NA | NA | 42 | NA | NA | 6 |
| 10/11/18 | 49 | 35 | 14 | 46 | 11 | 35 | 5 |
| 8/29/18 | 45 | 30 | 15 | 47 | 12 | 36 | 8 |
| 4/11/18 | 46 | 30 | 16 | 48 | 12 | 36 | 6 |
| 9/21/17 | 43 | 27 | 16 | 49 | 13 | 36 | 8 |
| 7/13/17 | 43 | 26 | 17 | 41 | 12 | 29 | 16 |

15. Would you describe the state of the nation's economy these days as excellent, good, not so good or poor?

|  |  | Positive | --- | ------- Negative ------- |  |  | No |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | NET | Excellent | Good | NET | Not so good | Poor | opinion |
| 9/24/20 | 40 | 9 | 31 | 59 | 37 | 22 | 1 |
| 8/15/20 | 31 | 7 | 24 | 68 | 34 | 33 | 1 |
| 5/28/20 | 34 | 8 | 26 | 65 | 40 | 24 | 1 |
| 9/5/19 | 56 | 16 | 40 | 43 | 30 | 13 | 1 |
| 11/1/18 | 65 | 15 | 49 | 34 | 25 | 9 | 1 |
| 8/29/18 | 58 | 12 | 46 | 40 | 31 | 9 | 2 |
| 1/18/18 | 58 | 14 | 44 | 40 | 28 | 12 | 2 |
| 1/15/17 | 51 | 6 | 45 | 48 | 35 | 14 | 1 |
| Call for | resu |  |  |  |  |  |  |

*Washington Post-Kaiser Family Foundation
16. Who do you trust more to handle [ITEM] - (Trump) or (Biden)?

9/24/20 - Summary table

| Trump | Biden | Both <br> (vol.) | Neither <br> (vol.) | No <br> opinion |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. the economy | 49 | 46 | 1 | 3 | 2 |

a. the economy

|  | Trump | Biden | Both <br> (vol.) | Neither <br> (vol.) | No <br> op. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $7 / 24 / 20$ | 49 | 46 | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| $3 / 25 / 20$ | 47 | 45 | 1 | 4 | 2 |
| 20 | 50 | 42 | 1 | 5 | 2 |

b. the coronavirus outbreak

| Trump | Biden | Both <br> (vol.) | Neither <br> (vol.) | No <br> op. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $7 / 24 / 20$ | 40 | 51 | 1 | 6 | 2 |
| $3 / 25 / 20$ | 34 | 54 | $\star$ | 8 | 3 |
| 25 | 45 | 43 | 1 | 6 | 5 |

c. crime and safety

|  | Trump | Biden | Both <br> (vol.) | Neither <br> (vol.) | No <br> op. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $7 / 24 / 20$ | 44 | 50 | 1 | 4 | 2 |
| $7 / 20$ | 41 | 50 | 1 | 6 | 2 |

d-e. No trend
f. health care

|  | Trump | Biden | Both <br> (vol.) | Neither <br> (vol.) | No <br> op. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $3 / 24 / 20$ | 38 | 54 | 2 | 4 | 2 |
| $3 / 25 / 20$ | 39 | 52 | $*$ | 5 | 4 |

22. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Trump is handling the coronavirus outbreak? Do you approve/disapprove strongly or somewhat?

|  |  | Appr | --- | ------- Disapprove ------ |  |  | No |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | opinion |
| 9/24/20 | 40 | 27 | 13 | 58 | 8 | 50 | 2 |
| 8/15/20 | 40 | 27 | 13 | 59 | 8 | 50 | 2 |
| 7/15/20 | 38 | 25 | 13 | 60 | 8 | 52 | 2 |
| 5/28/20 | 46 | 28 | 17 | 53 | 10 | 43 | 1 |
| 3/25/20 | 51 | 36 | 15 | 45 | 8 | 36 | 4 |


| $3 / 7 / 20 *$ 41 NA <br> *CNN   |  |  | 48 | NA | NA |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

23. How do you feel about the possibility that you or someone in your immediate family might catch the coronavirus - very worried, somewhat worried, not too worried, or not worried at all?

|  |  | Wor |  |  | Not wo |  | Already caught | No |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | NET | Very | Somewhat | NET | Not too | Not at all | it (vol.) | op |
| 9/24/20 | 62 | 29 | 33 | 33 | 18 | 15 | 5 | * |
| 8/15/20 | 65 | 31 | 34 | 29 | 15 | 14 | 5 | * |
| 7/15/20 | 66 | 33 | 33 | 29 | 17 | 12 | 5 | 1 |
| 5/28/20 | 63 | 30 | 33 | 35 | 22 | 13 | 2 | * |
| 3/25/20 | 69 | 30 | 39 | 30 | 20 | 10 | 1 | $\star$ |
| 3/13/20* RV | 53 | 15 | 38 | 47 | 31 | 16 | * | * |

On another subject,
24. Do you support or oppose recent protests against police treatment of Black people? Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

|  | ------- | Support | -------- | -------- | Oppose | -------- | No |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| NET | Strongly | Somewhat | NET | Somewhat | Strongly | opinion |  |
| $9 / 24 / 20$ | 54 | 38 | 15 | 42 | 11 | 32 | 4 |

