

# WEEK 3 – SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

#### Voter turnout

1. Many people are busy and don't get a chance to vote in every election. [ADD STARTING OCT 10 "In some states, early voting and vote-by-mail has already started, while in other states voting only takes place on election day."] Thinking ahead to the November 2020 election, what would you say the chances are that you will vote in the election for President, U.S. Congress, and other state offices?

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Almost certain I will vote	78	80	76
Probably will vote	13	11	14
Chances are 50-50	7	7	7
Probably will NOT vote	1	2	1
Certain that I won't vote	1	0	2

#### Issues

2. On the whole, what are the most important issues that you want the next president to address? [RESPONDENT MAY SELECT UP TO THREE]

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	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Responding to Coronavirus / COVID-19	47	49	46
Lowering the costs of health care	31	30	31
Improving wages / Creating more jobs	25	21	27
Immigration reform and protecting immigrant rights	15	16	21
Stopping discrimination against immigrants and Latinos $\dots$	18	15	13
Addressing racism and discrimination	26	26	31
Criminal justice and police reform	15	17	15
Improving K-12 education and schools	6	6	6
Lowering taxes	11	10	7
Combating climate change and pollution	15	15	11
Creating more affordable housing	6	6	6
Addressing mass shootings and gun safety policy	7	8	8
Lowering the cost of college	4	4	8
Protecting women's reproductive health	4	4	4



	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Limiting abortion	4	2	3
Stopping Biden and the Democratic agenda	8	7	5
Stopping Trump and the Republican agenda	19	16	16
Combating terrorism	4	5	4
Reducing crime	9	6	8
Decreasing government spending	5	3	4
Border security to control immigration	5	7	4
Other	1	3	2

#### Interest

3. How closely have you been following the news about the presidential election between Republican Donald Trump and Democrat Joe Biden?

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Following very closely	44	44	47
Following somewhat closely	42	39	36
Not following that closely	11	14	14
Not following at all	2	3	3
Total Following	87	83	83
Total Not Following	13	17	17

## COVID19 Response

4. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way President Trump is handling the coronavirus /COVID19 response?

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Strongly approve	16	14	14
Somewhat approve	15	15	15
Somewhat disapprove	17	19	16
Strongly disapprove	52	53	55
Total Approve	31	28	29
Total Disapprove	69	72	71



### Outreach Democrats

5. Would you say Joe Biden and the Democratic Party are currently doing a good job of reaching out to [Hispanic/Latinos], that they don't care too much about [Hispanic/Latinos], or that they are being hostile towards [Hispanic/Latinos]?

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Doing a good job	55	53	58
Don't care too much	37	39	33
Being hostile	9	8	9

#### Outreach Republican

6. Would you say Donald Trump and the Republican Party are currently doing a good job of reaching out to [Hispanic/Latinos], that they don't care too much about [Hispanic/Latinos], or that they are being hostile towards [Hispanic/Latinos]?

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Doing a good job	26	22	23
Don't care too much	29	31	31
Being hostile	45	47	46

#### Enthusiasm #1

7. On a scale of 0 (meaning not motivated or enthusiastic at all) to 10 (meaning extremely motivated and enthusiastic), how motivated and enthusiastic would you say you feel about voting in the 2020 elections? RECORD # 0 - 10:

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
0 to 3	6	8	7
4 to 6	17	14	15
7 to 9	33	35	34
10	44	44	44
Mean	8.04	7.97	7.99



#### Enthusiasm #2

8. Thinking ahead to the November 2020 presidential election, would you say you are MORE enthusiastic about voting in 2020, or that you were more enthusiastic about voting back in 2016?

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
More enthusiastic about 2020	62	57	59
More enthusiastic about 2016	15	16	21
No difference / same level	21	24	17
Don't know	2	3	3

# Favorability

For each of the following people, please indicate whether your overall opinion of them is very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, very unfavorable, or if you have no opinion or haven't heard enough to say. [RANDOMIZE]

	Favora	able	Unfavorable			Total	Total	
Week 3	Very	Some	Some	Very	DK	Fave	Unfav	<u>e</u>
9. Donald Trump	14	11	9	62	3	25	71	(-46)
10. Joe Biden	37	25	10	19	8	63	30	(+33)
11. Black Lives Matter	38	24	11	18	9	62	30	(+32)
12. Mike Pence	14	16	19	39	11	30	58	(-28)
13. Kamala Harris	32	25	10	17	16	57	27	(+30)
14. Republicans in Congress	11	19	21	38	11	29	59	(-30)
15. Democrats in Congress	29	27	17	17	9	57	35	(+22)
16. Mitch McConnell	9	16	17	35	24	24	52	(-28)
17. Nancy Pelosi	23	28	13	22	14	51	35	(+16)



	Favora	able	Unfavorable		Total	Total		
Week 2	Very	Some	Some	Very	DK	Fave	Unfav	<u>e</u>
9. Donald Trump	13	15	11	56	6	28	67	(-39)
10. Joe Biden	30	34	13	16	7	64	29	(+35)
11. Black Lives Matter	36	24	11	16	12	60	27	(+33)
12. Mike Pence	13	15	17	41	14	28	58	(-30)
13. Kamala Harris	26	29	8	17	20	55	25	(+30)
14. Republicans in Congress	11	15	23	39	12	26	62	(-36)
15. Democrats in Congress	25	36	13	17	9	61	30	(+31)
16. Mitch McConnell	10	15	17	37	21	24	54	(-30)
17. Nancy Pelosi	21	28	14	23	14	49	37	(+12)

	Favor	able	Unfavorable		Total	Total		
Week 1	Very	Some	Some	Very	DK	Fave	Unfav	<u>e</u>
9. Donald Trump	16	12	11	56	5	28	66	(-38)
10. Joe Biden	32	29	12	18	10	61	29	(+32)
11. Black Lives Matter	30	30	10	17	12	60	27	(+33)
12. Mike Pence	16	16	13	40	15	32	53	(-21)
13. Kamala Harris	29	28	9	17	16	58	26	(+32)
14. Republicans in Congress	11	18	19	40	12	29	59	(-30)
15. Democrats in Congress	25	34	12	18	11	59	30	(+29)
16. Mitch McConnell	8	17	16	39	20	25	55	(-30)
17. Nancy Pelosi	23	30	10	23	13	54	33	(+21)



## Presidential Vote

18. Thinking about the 2020 presidential election, do you plan to vote for [ROTATE] {the Republican Donald Trump} or for {the Democrat Joe Biden}?

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Will vote for Donald Trump	20	17	19
Leaning to Trump	5	7	6
Will vote for Joe Biden	52	51	55
Leaning to Biden	13	14	10
Someone else	3	2	2
Undecided	8	9	8
TOTAL TRUMP	24	24	25
TOTAL BIDEN	65	65	65

# Congress Vote

19. Thinking about the 2020 election for Congress. In your district here in [STATE], do you plan to vote for [ROTATE] the Republican candidate, or for the Democratic candidate for the U.S. House of Representatives?

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Will vote for the Republican	19	17	16
Leaning to the Republican	5	10	7
Will vote for the Democrat	52	49	53
Leaning to the Democrat	11	9	12
Someone else	2	1	1
Undecided	11	11	8
I do not plan to vote for Congres	ss.1	3	2
TOTAL REPUBLICAN	24	27	23
TOTAL DEMOCRAT	63	58	66



### Vote Method Preference

20. This year there has been a lot of talk about voting by mail. With the coronavirus pandemic, some states are expanding access to mail-in ballots. If your state ends up having both mail-in voting and in-person voting options in November, do you plan to vote by mail or in-person?

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
I will prefer to vote by mail	55	58	51
I will prefer to vote in-person	45	42	49

#### Vote Time

21. [IF Q20=2] If you plan to vote in-person, do you plan to vote early before election day, or do you plan to vote on November 3, Election Day?

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Vote early before Nov 3	42	45	46
Vote on Nov 3, election day	58	55	54

# (Q20 x Q21 combined)

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
I will prefer to vote by mail	55	58	51
Vote early before Nov 3	19	19	23
Vote on Nov 3, election day	26	23	26

22. [IF Q20=1] If you plan to vote by mail, do you plan to vote right away as soon as you get your ballot, or do you think you will vote closer to election day, November 3?

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Vote right away, as soon as I can	87	74	83
Vote closer to election day, Nov 3	13	26	17



### Vote by Mail

23. In some states they are not automatically sending you a ballot, but if you prefer to vote by mail, you have to request that they send you a mail ballot. Has your state provided you with enough instructions that you know how to request a vote by mail ballot if you want to use one?

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Yes, I know how to request a mail in ballot	69	70	69
No, I am not familiar with the process in my state	29	29	30
No, my state does not offer vote by mail	2	1	1

24. Thinking about the different steps involved in vote-by-mail, please indicate how much you trust, or don't trust: That when you return your ballot by mail, it will be correctly delivered back to the county elections department.

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Completely trust	35	30	28
Mostly trust	34	41	39
Only trust a little	15	19	17
Do not trust at all	16	10	16
Total Trust	69	71	67
Total Not Trust	31	29	33

### **News Consumption**

25. For you personally, what is the most important place you turn to for news and information about current affairs and politics?

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Cable or Local TV news	59	54	49
Newspapers, either in print, or online	20	21	25
Facebook	8	8	9
Twitter or Instagram	6	8	9
Radio	2	3	2
From talking to friends or family	5	6	6



### Outreach

26. So far in 2020, has anyone from a political party, campaign or any other organization contacted you and asked you to register or vote? Either by phone, text, email, or maybe in-person?

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Yes, I have been contacted	40	43	48
No, I have not been contacted	60	57	52

27. [IF Q26=1] And who was it that contacted you? Was it... [allow multiple]

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Someone from the Democratic Party	57	65	62
Someone from the Republican Party	47	34	34
Someone from a non-partisan or civic organization	21	18	27



# Candidate Trust Issues

Who do you trust to do a better job handling the following important issues, Joe Biden or Donald Trump? [RANDOMIZE LIST]

Week 3 28. Improving the Economy 29. Reopening schools and Education 30. Immigration reform 31. Access to Affordable Health Care 32. Protecting the Environment 33. Bringing the Country Together	Biden 59 56 64 68 64 63	Trump 27 24 19 18 15	Both 7 9 6 9 6	Neither 7 10 11 8 12 15
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## Corona Virus Impact

34. Over the past few months, as a result of the coronavirus pandemic, have you, or someone in your household: [RANDOMIZE]

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
A. Been sick or ill with coronavirus	11	10	10
B. Lost their job	23	25	28
C. Had work hours cut, but kept their job	40	38	44
D. Had to use savings or retirement	36	39	46
money to pay for expenses			
E. Had trouble getting access to food,	20	28	36
medicine or basic household needs			
F. Know someone who died from COVID-19	30	33	31

### Decennial Census

35. This year the United States conducted the 2020 decennial Census, which counts every person living in the US. Did you or someone in your household complete and submit the census form online, by mail, by a US census worker, or by phone?

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Yes, online		51	46
Yes, by mail		30	25
Yes, by census worker		7	14
Yes, by phone		5	6
No		8	9

### **Election Expectation**

36. Regardless of who you support, who do you think will win the 2020 presidential election?

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
Joe Biden		-	68
Donald Trump		-	32