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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted August 31-September 13, 2020 with a random sample of – 1,019—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 –478—adults in Form A, the maximum margin of sampling error is  $\pm 6$  percentage points.

For results based on the samples of –541—adults in Form B, the maximum margin of sampling error is  $\pm 5$  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 2018 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.

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28. Next, we'd like to get your overall opinion of some people in the news. As I read each name, please say if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of that person -- or if you have never heard of them. How about -- [RANDOM ORDER]?

**A. Donald Trump**

	Favor- able	Unfavor- able	No opinion		Favor- able	Unfavor- able	No opinion
<b><u>2020</u></b>							
2020 Aug 31-Sep 13	41	57	2	2016 Jul 13-17	33	63	5
				2016 Jul 5-17 ^	32	62	6
2020 Jul 30-Aug 12	42	57	1	2016 Jun 20-Jul 3 ^	33	62	6
2020 Apr 14-28	49	49	2	2016 Jun 6-19 ^	30	64	5
2020 Feb 17-28	46	53	1	2016 May 23-Jun 5 ^	31	63	6
2020 Jan 16-29	48	51	1	2016 May 9-22 ^	33	60	7
<b><u>2019</u></b>							
2019 Oct 14-31	41	59	1	2016 Apr 25-May 8 ^	33	61	7
2019 Jul 1-12	45	52	3	2016 Apr 11-24 ^	31	64	6
2019 Apr 17-30	48	50	2	2016 Mar 28-Apr 10 ^	28	65	7
2019 Feb 12-28	44	56	1	2016 Mar 13-26 ^	29	65	6
2019 Jan 21-27	39	59	2	2016 Feb 28-Mar 12 ^	30	63	7
<b><u>2018</u></b>							
2018 Dec 3-12	40	58	1	2016 Feb 14-27 ^	30	63	6
2018 Sep 4-12	41	58	1	2016 Jan 30-Feb 13 ^	31	63	7
2018 Aug 1-12	43	55	3	2016 Jan 16-29 ^	34	60	7
2018 Jun 1-13	45	54	2	2016 Jan 2-15 ^	34	57	9
2018 Apr 2-11	38	59	3	<b><u>2015</u></b>			
<b><u>2017</u></b>							
2017 Dec 4-11	41	56	3	2015 Dec 13-29 ^	33	58	8
2017 Aug 2-6	41	57	2	2015 Nov 29-Dec 12 ^	31	59	9
2017 Jun 7-11	40	59	1	2015 Nov 13-28 ^	33	58	9
2017 May 3-7	44	55	1	2015 Oct 30-Nov 12 ^	34	58	8
2017 Apr 5-9	45	54	2	2015 Oct 16-29 ^	34	55	11
2017 Feb 1-5	46	52	1	2015 Oct 1-15 ^	35	55	10
2017 Jan 4-8	40	55	5	2015 Sep 17-30 ^	33	58	9
<b><u>2016</u></b>							
2016 Dec 7-11	42	55	2	2015 Sep 2-16 ^	35	57	9
2016 Nov 9-13	42	55	4	2015 Aug 19-Sep 1 ^	38	52	10
2016 Nov 1-6	34	62	3	2015 Aug 5-18 ^	35	55	9
2016 Oct 10-23 ^	32	65	4	2015 Jul 22-Aug 4 ^	33	55	12
2016 Sep 26-Oct 9 ^	33	63	4	2015 Jul 8-12	31	57	12
2016 Sep 12-25 ^	33	62	5	<b><u>2011</u></b>			
2016 Aug 29-Sep 11 ^	33	62	5	2011 Apr 20-23	36	53	11
2016 Aug 15-28 ^	33	62	5	2011 Mar 25-27	43	47	10
2016 Aug 3-7	34	63	3	<b><u>2007</u></b>			
2016 Aug 1-14 ^	32	63	5	2007 Jan 5-7	41	48	12
2016 Jul 18-31 ^	35	60	5	<b><u>2005</u></b>			
				2005 Jun 16-19	50	38	12
				<b><u>1999</u></b>			
				1999 Oct 8-10	33	58	9
				1999 Sep 23-26	41	47	12

^ Asked on Gallup Daily tracking survey

**Q.28 (FAVORABLE RATINGS) CONTINUED**

**B. Joe Biden**

	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>Never heard of</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Aug 31-Sep 13	46	50	1	3
2020 Jul 30-Aug 12	47	48	3	2
2020 Apr 14-28	45	46	3	5
2020 Jan 16-29	44	51	2	3
2019 Oct 14-31	44	45	4	7
2019 Jul 1-12	42	40	8	10
2019 Apr 17-30	53	35	6	6
2019 Feb 12-28	56	32	7	5
2017 Jan 4-8	61	30	5	5
2016 Nov 9-13	57	32	6	5
2016 Jul 13-17	48	36	7	9
2015 Oct 7-11	49	37	5	10
2015 Aug 5-9	47	40	8	6
2015 Mar 2-4 †	39	39	11	11
2014 Jul 7-10	38	42	9	11
2014 Feb 6-9	46	42	7	5
2013 Jun 1-4	44	44	8	5
2013 Apr 11-14	45	42	5	9
2012 Nov 15-18	48	40	7	5
2012 Sep 24-27	44	45	4	8
2012 Aug 20-22	44	45	4	7
2012 May 10-13	42	45	5	9
2011 Mar 25-27	46	41	6	7
2010 Jul 8-11	43	41	7	9
2009 Oct 16-19	42	40	7	11
2009 Jul 10-12	48	36	8	9
2009 Jan 9-11	53	29	7	11
2008 Nov 7-9	59	29	5	7
2008 Oct 31-Nov 2 †	53	32	5	11
2008 Oct 3-5	57	27	6	9
2008 Sep 5-7	49	30	7	14
2008 Aug 23 ^	34	15	23	28
2007 Apr 2-5	20	25	38	17

^ Based on one-night Biden vice presidential selection poll of registered voters (*USA Today*/Gallup poll asked on Gallup daily tracking survey)

† Asked on Gallup tracking survey

## Q.28 (FAVORABLE RATINGS) CONTINUED

### C. Mike Pence

	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>Never heard of</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Aug 31-Sep 13	41	50	5	4
2020 Apr 14-28	44	40	7	9
2020 Feb 17-28	41	45	6	8
2019 Oct 14-31	39	44	10	6
2019 Feb 12-28	42	42	10	5
2018 Sep 4-12	43	42	10	6
2018 Jun 1-13	42	42	10	6
2017 Apr 5-9	41	43	9	7
2017 Jan 4-8	42	37	11	10
2016 Nov 9-13	46	33	13	8
2016 Nov 1-6	46	32	12	11
2016 Aug 3-7	36	25	28	11
2016 Jul 15-16 ^	18	16	48	17

^ Asked on Gallup tracking survey; asked as a stand-alone question, not in a list rotated with other items

### D. Kamala Harris

	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>Never heard of</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Aug 31-Sep 13	42	43	8	7
2019 Jul 1-12 ^	28	32	29	11
2019 Apr 17-30 ^	32	34	28	6
2019 Feb 12-28 ^	29	34	27	10

^ WORDING: California senator, Kamala Harris

### E. Melania Trump

	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>Never heard of</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Aug 31-Sep 13^	47	43	2	8
2018 Apr 2-11	47	36	4	13
2017 Dec 4-11	54	33	3	10
2017 Jan 4-8	37	37	6	20
2016 Nov 9-13 ^	43	39	4	14
2016 Aug 3-7 ^	38	42	5	15
2016 Jul 13-17 ^	28	32	15	25

^WORDING: Melania Trump, wife of Donald Trump

**Q.28 (FAVORABLE RATINGS) CONTINUED**

**F. Jill Biden**

	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>Never heard of</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2020 Aug 31-Sep 13^	49	27	5	18

^WORDING: Jill Biden, wife of Joe Biden

Thinking now about Kamala Harris, the Democratic nominee for vice president,

29. How would you rate Joe Biden’s choice of Kamala Harris for vice president? Would you rate this choice as – excellent, pretty good, only fair, or poor?

**BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS**

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Pretty good</u>	<u>Only fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Excellent/ Pretty good</u>	<u>Only fair/ Poor</u>
<b>Biden/Harris</b>							
2020 Aug 31-Sep 13	23	24	18	34	2	47	52
<b>H. Clinton/Kaine</b>							
2016 Jul 29-30	16	29	27	21	7	45	48
2016 Jul 23-24	13	22	30	19	15	35	49
<b>Trump/Pence</b>							
2016 Jul 23-24	17	26	26	25	6	43	51
2016 Jul 15-16	13	24	23	22	18	37	45
<b>Romney/Ryan</b>							
2012 Aug 31-Sept 1	28	23	18	21	9	51	39
2012 Aug 12 ^	19	20	24	18	19	39	42
<b>McCain/Palin</b>							
2008 Oct 31-Nov 2	16	19	18	45	2	35	63
2008 Sep 5-7	36	24	14	24	2	60	38
2008 Aug 29	19	27	19	18	17	46	37
<b>Obama/Biden</b>							
2008 Oct 31-Nov 2	21	39	23	15	2	60	38
2008 Sep 5-7	25	38	24	9	4	63	33
2008 Aug 23	16	31	21	12	20	47	33
<b>Kerry/Edwards</b>							
2004 Jul 6	28	36	17	11	8	64	28
<b>Gore/Lieberman</b>							
2000 Aug 7	18	35	21	7	19	53	28
<b>G.W. Bush/Cheney</b>							
2000 Jul 24	10	45	26	8	11	55	34

^ Based on national adults

**For comparison: G.H.W. Bush/Quayle (Louis Harris and Associates Poll)**

	<u>Excellent/Pretty good</u>	<u>Only fair/poor</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
1988 Aug 19-22 ^	44	52	4

^ Based on likely voters









**GALLUP POLL SOCIAL SURVEY  
September 2020  
Public Release Data**

**QN28D: Opinion of Kamala Harris 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	1019	553	466	771	234	195	275	533	467	343	199	336	376	296	392	373	243
	Weighted n	1019	502	517	682	322	295	307	401	352	294	364	292	405	307	359	386	260
Favorable		423	179	245	274	144	103	119	190	203	103	115	22	148	251	42	196	182
		42%	36%	47%	40%	45%	35%	39%	47%	58%	35%	32%	8%	37%	82%	12%	51%	70%
Unfavorable		436	249	187	334	99	119	139	172	124	153	157	232	173	26	267	111	51
		43%	50%	36%	49%	31%	40%	45%	43%	35%	52%	43%	80%	43%	8%	74%	29%	20%
Heard of, No opinion (Vol.)		72	35	38	36	36	24	23	24	15	20	36	19	39	11	25	36	12
		7%	7%	7%	5%	11%	8%	7%	6%	4%	7%	10%	7%	10%	3%	7%	9%	4%
Never heard of (Vol.)		85	38	47	39	42	48	23	14	9	18	57	18	43	19	24	44	15
		8%	8%	9%	6%	13%	16%	7%	4%	2%	6%	16%	6%	11%	6%	7%	11%	6%
(Refused)		3	1	1	-	1	-	3	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-
		0%	0%	0%	-	0%	-	1%	-	0%	-	-	-	0%	-	0%	-	-

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**QN28E: Opinion of Melania Trump, wife of Donald Trump 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	1019	553	466	771	234	195	275	533	467	343	199	336	376	296	392	373	243
	Weighted n	1019	502	517	682	322	295	307	401	352	294	364	292	405	307	359	386	260
Favorable		479	259	220	376	100	92	158	224	145	152	179	254	170	49	285	147	47
		47%	52%	43%	55%	31%	31%	52%	56%	41%	52%	49%	87%	42%	16%	79%	38%	18%
Unfavorable		441	185	256	245	186	164	116	150	173	111	152	21	172	240	41	195	194
		43%	37%	50%	36%	58%	56%	38%	37%	49%	38%	42%	7%	42%	78%	11%	51%	75%
Heard of, No opinion (Vol.)		81	50	31	49	32	30	26	25	31	29	21	15	48	17	25	37	16
		8%	10%	6%	7%	10%	10%	8%	6%	9%	10%	6%	5%	12%	6%	7%	10%	6%
Never heard of (Vol.)		17	8	9	11	4	9	5	2	2	3	11	1	15	1	7	6	2
		2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	3%	2%	0%	1%	1%	3%	0%	4%	0%	2%	2%	1%
(Refused)		2	1	1	1	-	-	2	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
		0%	0%	0%	0%	-	-	1%	-	0%	-	-	0%	-	-	0%	-	-

**GALLUP POLL SOCIAL SURVEY  
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Public Release Data**

**QN28F: Opinion of Jill Biden, wife of Joe Biden 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	1019	553	466	771	234	195	275	533	467	343	199	336	376	296	392	373	243
	Weighted n	1019	502	517	682	322	295	307	401	352	294	364	292	405	307	359	386	260
Favorable		497	214	283	327	162	113	140	232	219	119	156	73	161	256	91	216	185
		49%	43%	55%	48%	50%	38%	46%	58%	62%	40%	43%	25%	40%	83%	25%	56%	71%
Unfavorable		280	149	131	208	71	90	83	104	55	99	123	146	118	11	172	70	33
		27%	30%	25%	30%	22%	30%	27%	26%	16%	34%	34%	50%	29%	3%	48%	18%	13%
Heard of, No opinion (Vol.)		185	104	80	116	68	62	66	55	58	63	63	64	88	33	81	66	36
		18%	21%	16%	17%	21%	21%	22%	14%	16%	21%	17%	22%	22%	11%	22%	17%	14%
Never heard of (Vol.)		55	34	22	30	21	30	15	9	19	13	23	8	37	7	15	34	5
		5%	7%	4%	4%	7%	10%	5%	2%	5%	4%	6%	3%	9%	2%	4%	9%	2%
(Refused)		2	1	1	1	1	-	2	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	1	-
		0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	-	1%	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	-	0%	0%	-

**GALLUP POLL SOCIAL SURVEY**  
**September 2020**  
**Public Release Data**

**QN29: Rating Vice President Selection 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	1019	553	466	771	234	195	275	533	467	343	199	336	376	296	392	373	243
	Weighted n	1019	502	517	682	322	295	307	401	352	294	364	292	405	307	359	386	260
Excellent		212	72	140	137	70	37	63	101	106	45	59	12	44	153	27	72	111
		21%	14%	27%	20%	22%	13%	21%	25%	30%	15%	16%	4%	11%	50%	7%	19%	43%
Pretty good		233	108	125	162	71	68	64	100	99	67	67	18	114	100	30	121	81
		23%	21%	24%	24%	22%	23%	21%	25%	28%	23%	18%	6%	28%	33%	8%	31%	31%
Only fair		247	134	113	126	116	113	66	68	59	64	122	71	123	44	89	114	37
		24%	27%	22%	18%	36%	38%	21%	17%	17%	22%	34%	24%	30%	14%	25%	30%	14%
Poor		312	183	129	246	62	72	107	129	88	112	109	188	114	10	207	74	28
		31%	37%	25%	36%	19%	24%	35%	32%	25%	38%	30%	64%	28%	3%	58%	19%	11%
(DK)/(Refused)		15	5	10	11	3	6	8	2	0	6	7	3	11	1	6	5	3
		1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	0%	0%	2%	2%	1%	3%	0%	2%	1%	1%