

FRANKLIN PIERCE UNIVERSITY POLL

IN FIELD Monday, 11/9 through Monday, 11/16/2020

Hello, my name is _____ and I am calling from Global Marketing Research Services. We are conducting a very brief opinion poll on behalf of Franklin Pierce University and the Boston Herald, and I would like to speak to an adult age 18 or older. Would that be you? Or "Is he/she available?" I want to assure you that this is not a sales call. We are only interested in your opinion. Your telephone number was randomly chosen, and your responses are completely confidential and anonymous. Thank you.

Q1. Are you currently registered to vote?

1. Yes
2. No/Don't know/Refused (TERMINATE)

Q2. Did you vote in the November 3 election?

1. Yes
2. No/Don't know/Refused (TERMINATE)

Q3. Are you registered as a Democrat, Independent, Republican or Undeclared?

1. Democrat
2. Independent or unaffiliated
3. Republican
4. Another party
5. No answer

Q4. In what state are you currently registered to vote?

Q107. Which of the following best describes your race or origin?

1. White
2. Hispanic, Latino or Spanish origin
3. Black or African American
4. Asian
5. American Indian or Alaska Native
6. Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
7. Other

8. Declined to answer

Q108. Which of the following best describes your age group?

1. 18-29
2. 30-49
3. 50-64
4. 65 or over
5. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q109. Gender (BY OBSERVATION):

1. Male
2. Female

Q6. Who did you vote for?

1. Donald J. Trump
2. Joe Biden
3. Other (DNR)
4. Declined to answer (DNR)

If Q6. =2

Q7. How would you describe what motivated your vote for Joe Biden? Was it that you:

1. Voted **FOR** Biden
2. Voted **AGAINST** Trump
3. Other
4. Declined to answer

Q8. How would you describe how you voted on November 3? Did you:

1. Vote a straight ticket, from the President down ballot to the local elections
2. Vote a split ticket
3. Other
4. Declined to answer

Q9. Should Donald J. Trump run for president in 2024?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Unsure
4. Declined to answer

Q10. Did you vote:

1. By Mail-in or absentee ballot?
2. By voting early, in person?
3. By voting on November 3, in person?

4. Declined to answer

Q11. Did you vote in the 2016 presidential election between Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump?

1. Yes, I voted
2. No, I did not vote
3. I don't remember if I voted
4. Declined to answer (DNR)

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSES 1 through 4]

If Q11=1,

Q12. For whom did you vote in the 2016 presidential election? Was it:

1. Hillary Clinton
2. Donald Trump
3. Jill Stein
4. Gary Johnson
5. Other
6. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q13. How closely have you followed the 2020 Presidential race? Would you say...

1. Very closely
2. Moderately closely
3. Only somewhat closely
4. Don't know/unsure
5. Declined to answer (DNR)

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSES 01 through 07]

Q14. What issue most affected your vote on November 3? Was it:

01. The pandemic
02. The economy
03. Social justice and racial equality
04. Climate/environment
05. Health care
06. Law and order
07. The candidate's fitness for office
97. Other (SPECIFY)
98. Unsure (DNR)
99. Declined to answer (DNR)

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSES 01 through 07]

Q15. Now that voting has ended in the 2020 election, what do you think should be the federal government's highest priority? Should it be:

08. The pandemic
09. The economy
10. Social justice and racial equality
11. Climate/environment
12. Health care
13. Law and order

97. Other (SPECIFY)
98. Unsure (DNR)
99. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q16. How do you feel about expanding the Supreme Court? Are you:

1. Strongly supportive
2. Somewhat supportive
3. Neutral
4. Somewhat unsupportive
5. Strongly unsupportive
6. Unsure (DNR)
7. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q17. How familiar are you with how the filibuster works? Are you:

1. Not at all familiar
2. Slightly familiar
3. Moderately familiar
4. Very familiar
5. Extremely familiar
6. Unsure (DNR)
7. Declined to answer (DNR)

IF Q17.=2,3,4,5, then

Q18. Do you support keeping the filibuster? Are you:

1. Strongly supportive
2. Somewhat supportive
3. Neither supportive or unsupportive
4. Somewhat unsupportive
5. Strongly unsupportive
6. Unsure (DNR)
7. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q19. Do you support keeping the Affordable Care Act? Are you:

1. Strongly supportive
2. Somewhat supportive
3. Neither supportive or unsupportive
4. Somewhat unsupportive
5. Strongly unsupportive
6. Unsure (DNR)

7. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q20. How familiar are you with how the Electoral College works? Are you:

1. Not at all familiar
2. Slightly familiar
3. Moderately familiar
4. Very familiar
5. Extremely familiar
6. Unsure (DNR)
7. Declined to answer (DNR)

If Q20=2,3,4,5, then

Q21. Do you support keeping the Electoral College system? Are you:

1. Strongly supportive of keeping the Electoral College system?
2. Somewhat supportive
3. Somewhat unsupportive
4. Strongly unsupportive
5. Unsure (DNR)
6. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q22. How has the November 3 Presidential Election affected your confidence in the Electoral College system? Has it:

1. Strongly increased your confidence in the system
2. Increased your confidence
3. Had no impact on your confidence
4. Decreased your confidence
5. Strongly decreased your confidence
6. Unsure
7. Declined to answer

Q23. Have you publicly protested the results of the November 3 election?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q24. How much of a problem do you think racism is in our country today? Is it:

1. A big problem
2. Somewhat of a problem
3. A small problem
4. Not a problem at all
5. Unsure
6. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q25. Do you believe racism is:

1. More of a problem today than it was 5 years ago
2. Less of a problem today than it was 5 years ago/
3. About the same—it is still a problem
4. About the same—it is not a problem
5. Unsure
6. Declined to answer (DNR)

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSES 01 THROUGH 08]

If Q25.=1 or 3,

Q26. What do you think should be done to address racism in this country? [CAN INDICATE MORE THAN ONE ANSWER]

1. Reform law enforcement
2. Reform the criminal justice system
3. Improve access to education
4. Criminalize hate speech
5. Increase penalties for hate crimes
6. Recognize additional positive role models who are minorities
7. Focus on our similarities regardless of race
8. Create more opportunities for those of different races to work together
9. Other
10. Unsure
11. Declined to answer (DNR)

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSES 01 THROUGH 06]

If Q25.=1 or 3,

Q27. What should be the Biden-Harris administration's top priority in its efforts to improve equality for all Americans? Should it:

1. Improve access to education
2. Improve access to health care
3. Protect and expand voting rights
4. Criminal justice reform
5. Improved access to housing
6. Protect and expand civil rights
7. Other
8. Unsure
9. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q28. How confident are you that your vote for president was counted and treated accurately? Are you:

1. Very confident
2. Somewhat confident
3. Not very confident
4. Not at all confident

5. Unsure (DNR)
6. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q29. Do you believe that the 2020 election and political system was rigged and biased? Do you:

1. Strongly disagree
2. Somewhat Disagree
3. Neither agree or disagree
4. Somewhat Agree
5. Strongly agree
6. 3. Unsure (DNR)
7. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q30. Do you disagree or agree that the November 3 Presidential Election outcome was legitimate? Do you:

1. Strongly disagree
2. Somewhat Disagree
3. Neither agree or disagree
4. Somewhat Agree
5. Strongly agree
6. Unsure (DNR)
7. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q31. Do you disagree or agree that absentee ballots received after the polls closed on November 3 should have been counted? Do you:

1. Strongly disagree
2. Somewhat Disagree
3. Neither agree or disagree
4. Somewhat Agree
5. Strongly agree
6. Unsure (DNR)
7. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q32. Should there be recounts in one or more states?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Unsure
4. Declined to answer (DNR)

IF Q32=1, THEN

Q33. Which state or states (specify):

Q34. Are you prepared to accept the outcome of the election?

1. Yes, I am prepared to accept the results
2. No, I am NOT prepared to accept the results
3. Unsure (DNR)
4. Decline to answer (DNR)

Q35. Do you believe that foreign countries inserted disinformation into the November 3 election in an effort to influence the results?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Unsure
4. Decline to answer (DNR)

Q36. Do you think that other countries' attempts to interfere in our election changed the results?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Unsure
4. Decline to answer (DNR)

Q37. Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as President? Do you:

1. Strongly approve
2. Moderately approve
3. Moderately disapprove
4. Strongly disapprove
5. Unsure
6. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q38. Do you generally approve or disapprove of the Donald Trump's handling of the pandemic? Do you:

1. Strongly approve
2. Moderately approve
3. Moderately disapprove
4. Strongly disapprove
5. Unsure
6. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q39. Do you generally approve or disapprove of the Donald Trump's handling of the economy? Do you:

1. Strongly approve
2. Moderately approve
3. Moderately disapprove
4. Strongly disapprove
5. Unsure
6. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q40. Do you believe that Donald Trump has incited domestic extremist groups to violence?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Unsure
4. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q41. Do you believe that Joe Biden has incited domestic extremist groups to violence?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Unsure
4. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q42. Are you worried that there will be violence because of the November 3rd election between now and the January 20th Presidential Inauguration?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Unsure
4. Declined to answer (DNR)

IF Q42.=1, then

Q43. If you are expecting violence, which groups do you think will be involved?

(Open end)

Unsure

Declined to answer (DNR)

Q44. Do you feel you encountered any voter intimidation during the 2020 election cycle?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Unsure
4. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q45. Do you feel you encountered any voter suppression during the 2020 election cycle?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Unsure
4. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q46. Do you feel that voter fraud occurred in the state that you voted in during the 2020 election cycle?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Unsure
4. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q47. Which of the following statements best represents your view?

1. Voter fraud affected the outcomes of the 2020 election.
2. Voter suppression affected the outcomes of the 2020 election.
3. Both voter fraud and voter suppression affected the outcomes of the 2020 election.
4. Neither. The 2020 election was fair.
5. Unsure
6. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q48. Which of the following statements best reflects your view:

1. The federal government's priority should be to limit the spread of the coronavirus, even if it hurts the economy.
2. The federal government's priority should be to restart the economy, even if it increases the risk to public health.
3. Unsure (DNR)
4. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q49. Which party do you feel can better handle the coronavirus pandemic? Is it:

1. The Republican Party
2. The Democratic Party
3. Other
4. Unsure
5. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q50. How much, if at all, did President Donald J. Trump's handling of the pandemic affect your vote on November 3? Did it affect it:

1. A lot
2. Somewhat
3. Not at all
4. Not sure
5. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q51. Months into the COVID-19 pandemic, many people across the country are keeping socially distant and limiting contact with others. Others are emerging from isolation to return to work, school or otherwise. The CDC recommends we keep a distance of at least six feet between us and others. On an average day how many people do you come into close contact with? Please include family, friends, co-workers as well as anyone else. (RECORD EXACT NUMBER)

998. DON'T KNOW

999. REFUSED

Q51C. CODES FOR Q57

1. 0-2 per day (e.g., spouse, family)
2. 3-6 per day (e.g., spouse, family, close friends, or work colleagues)
3. 10 or more per day
4. DK/RF

Q52. Have you or has someone in your family tested positive for COVID-19?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Unsure (DNR)
4. Decline to answer (DNR)

Q53. Have you lost a family member to COVID-19?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Unsure (DNR)
4. Decline to answer (DNR)

Q54. Will you get the vaccine when it becomes available?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Unsure (DNR)
4. Decline to answer (DNR)

Q55. In the last month, how often have you worn a mask when you are out in public? Has it been:

1. All or most of the time
2. Some of the time
3. Hardly ever
4. Never
5. I do not go out in public
6. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q56. Do you think there should be a national mask mandate?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Unsure (DNR)
4. Decline to answer (DNR)

Q57. Which best describes your personal situation during the COVID-19 pandemic:

1. I spent all or part of the pandemic furloughed from my job, but now I am back to work
2. I spent all or part of the pandemic furloughed from my job, and now I am unemployed
3. I spent all or part of the pandemic working from home, and I am employed
4. I spent all or part of the pandemic working outside the home, and I am employed
5. Other (DNR)

6. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q58. Did you move your household during the pandemic?

1. Yes, I moved voluntarily
2. Yes, I was forced to move
3. No
4. Declined to answer (DNR)

IF Q58=1, then

Q59. What is the primary reason you made this move? Is it a:

1. New job
2. Job loss or job reduction
3. Foreclosure or eviction
4. To be closer to family
5. Closure of schools
6. Other (DNR)
7. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q60. Since the results of the 2020 Election were announced, are you generally happy, angry, or relieved that it is over? Are you:

1. Happy
2. Angry
3. Relieved that it's over
4. Other
5. Unsure
6. Declined to answer

Q61. What is your outlook for the economy now that the election is over? Is your outlook:

1. Optimistic
2. Unchanged
3. Pessimistic
4. Unsure
5. Declined to answer

Q62. How do you think the election results will affect your future consumption habits? Will your spending:

1. Increase?
2. Remain the same?
3. Decrease?
4. Unsure
5. Declined to answer

Q63. How has the 2020 election cycle impacted your emotional health, including your feelings of harmony in your family life, friendships, community and work relationships? Has it had a:

1. Strong negative impact
2. Negative impact
3. No impact
4. Positive impact
5. Strong positive impact
6. Unsure
7. No answer

Q64. How has the 2020 election cycle impacted your emotional health, including your positive feelings about yourself and your life? Has it had a:

1. Strong negative impact
2. Negative impact
3. No impact
4. Positive impact
5. Strong positive impact
6. Unsure
7. No answer

Q65. How has the 2020 election cycle impacted your physical health, including your healthy nutrition and fitness routines, feeling of vigor, and the absence of illness? Has it had a:

1. Strong negative impact
2. Somewhat negative impact
3. No impact
4. Somewhat positive impact
5. Strong positive impact
6. Unsure
7. No answer

Q76. What was your primary source for news of the 2020 Presidential Election? Was it:

1. The media
2. Family and friends
3. Campaign sources, including candidates, websites, emails, signs and texts
4. The polls
5. Other
6. No response

Q76 if=1 ask Q77

Q77. What was your primary media source for news of the November 3 Presidential Election results? Was it:

1. Network TV News, such as ABC, CBS, NBC, PBS, including local affiliates

2. FOX News
3. CNN
4. MSNBC
5. Social Media
6. National Public Radio
7. The New York Times
8. Talk Radio, such as Sean Hannity and Rush Limbaugh
9. Other
10. Unsure
11. No response

Ask Q78 if Q76=1 and Q77 is 1-9

Q78. How would you rate the job your primary media source did in covering the November 3, 2020, Presidential Election? My primary media source did:

1. Very well
2. Somewhat well
3. Not too well
4. Not well at all
5. Unsure
6. No response

Q80. Before the voting ended on November 3, on average, how often did you share news or and/or comment on the Presidential Election results on social media?

1. Several times per hour
2. Several times per day
3. Once per day
4. Several times per week, but not daily
5. None
6. Unsure
7. No response

Q82. Which social media site were you most likely to turn to for news of the November 3, 2020, Presidential Election results?

1. I am not on social media
2. Facebook
3. Parler
4. WhatsApp
5. YouTube
6. Twitter
7. LinkedIn
8. Reddit
9. Snapchat
10. TikTok
11. Instagram

12. Other
13. No response

If Q82=2—12, then

In general, how much did you trust your primary social media source for accurate news of the November 3, 2020, Presidential Election results? Did you trust your source?

1. Very much
2. Somewhat
3. Not too much
4. Not at all
5. Unsure
6. No response

Q83. How much do you feel disinformation was a problem during the 2020 Presidential Election cycle? Was it a:

1. Big problem
2. Somewhat of a problem
3. Not a problem at all
4. Unsure
5. No response

Q83=1,2 Ask Q85

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSES 1-4]

Q85. What do you think was the biggest source of disinformation about the November 3, 2020, Presidential Election results? Was it:

1. Mainstream media
2. Social media
3. President Donald J. Trump and his campaign
4. President-Elect Joe Biden and his campaign
5. Other
6. Unsure
7. No response

Q86. How effective was Facebook in promoting free speech around the November 3, 2020, Presidential Election results? Was it:

1. Very effective
2. Somewhat effective
3. Not too effective
4. Not effective at all
5. Unsure
6. No response

Q87. How effective was Twitter in promoting free speech around the November 3, 2020, Presidential Election results? Was it:

8. Very effective
9. Somewhat effective
10. Not too effective
11. Not effective at all
12. Unsure
13. No response

Q88. Since November 3, on average, how many conversations have you had with family and friends about the results of the 2020 Election? Was it:

1. Several times per hour
2. Several times per day
3. Once per day
4. Several times per week, but not daily
5. None
6. Unsure
7. No response

IF Q88.=1,2,3,4, THEN

Q89. On average, do you find that these conversations are primarily negative or positive? Are they:

1. Primarily very negative
2. Somewhat negative
3. A balance of both negative and positive
4. Somewhat more positive
5. Primarily Very positive
6. Unsure
7. No response

Q90. Do you agree or disagree with this statement: It is important in a democracy that we discuss politics with others, even if we disagree.

1. Strongly disagree
2. Somewhat Disagree
3. Neither agree or disagree
4. Somewhat Agree
5. Strongly agree
6. Unsure (DNR)
7. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q91. Do you agree or disagree with this statement: People should avoid talking about politics with others unless they know beforehand that they are in general agreement?

1. Strongly disagree

2. Somewhat Disagree
3. Neither agree or disagree
4. Somewhat Agree
5. Strongly agree
6. Unsure (DNR)
7. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q92. How do you feel, today, about the future of our country, the United States of America?

1. Very hopeful
2. Somewhat hopeful
3. Equally hopeful and worried
4. Somewhat worried
5. Very worried
6. Unsure (DNR)
7. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q106. Since his inauguration, do you feel Donald J. Trump demonstrated respect or disrespect for the institution of the Presidency? Did he demonstrate:

1. A great deal of respect
2. Some respect
3. An equal amount of respect and disrespect
4. Some disrespect
5. A great deal of disrespect
6. Unsure
7. Declined to answer

Q93. Do you have more or less faith in democracy today than you did before the November 3 Election? Do you have:

1. A lot more faith
2. Somewhat more faith
3. My faith in democracy is unchanged
4. Somewhat less faith
5. A lot less faith
6. Unsure (DNR)
7. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q94. Regardless of how you are registered, do you consider yourself politically liberal, moderate, or conservative?

1. Very liberal
2. Somewhat liberal
3. Moderate
4. Somewhat conservative
5. Very conservative
6. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q103. Do you consider yourself to be a Democrat, Republican or Independent?

PROBE: IF Democrat: “do you consider yourself a strong or not strong Democrat?”

PROBE: IF Independent: “do you lean toward the Democratic or Republican party?”

PROBE: IF Republican: “do you consider yourself a strong or not strong Republican?”

1. Democrat
2. Leans Democrat
3. Republican
4. Leans Republican
5. Independent
6. Refused (DNR)

Q104. What is the highest level of education you have completed? Is it:

1. Less than high school
2. Graduated high school
3. Some college
4. Graduated vocational/technical college (2-year associate degree)
5. Graduated college (4-year bachelor's degree)
6. Attended graduate or professional school (e.g., master's, doctorate, MPA, law/medical school)
7. Declined to answer (DNR)

Q105. What is your current household income before taxes? Is it:

1. Less than \$25,000
2. \$25,000-\$34,999
3. \$35,000-\$49,999
4. \$50,000-\$74,999
5. \$75,000-\$99,999
6. \$100,000-\$149,999
7. \$150,000 or more
8. Refused (DNR)