FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Monday, November 6, 2000

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: Andrew Kohut, Director

<u>Pew Research Center Final Survey</u> POPULAR VOTE A TOSSUP: BUSH 49%, GORE 47%, NADER 4%

The Pew Research Center's final pre-election poll of 1,301 likely voters, conducted Nov. 2-5, finds 45% backing George W. Bush, 43% for Al Gore, 4% for Ralph Nader, less than 1% supporting Pat Buchanan, and 8% undecided. The Bush margin is well within sampling error, and narrowed slightly over the course of the field period.

An analysis of undecided voters suggest that those in that category who do vote will divide fairly evenly between the two major party candidates. When undecided voters are allocated, the Center's best estimate of the probable outcome of the popular vote is Bush 49%, Gore 47%, Nader 4% and less than 1% Buchanan. But the contest is so close that we cannot confidently predict the winner of the popular vote.

Presidential Voting Intentions									
			Estimate with						
	Registered	Likely	Undecideds						
	Voters	Voters	Allocated						
Presidential preference	%	%	%						
Gore/Lean Gore	45	43	47						
Bush/Lean Bush	41	45	49						
Nader/Lean Nader	4	4	4						
Buchanan/Lean Buchanan	1	*	*						
Other/Undecided	9	8	*						
	100	100	100						
Number of Interviews	(n=1,829)	(n=1,301)							

ABOUT THIS SURVEY AND ITS METHODOLOGY

The survey results are based on 2,254 telephone interviews conducted under the direction of Princeton Survey Research Associates from a nationwide sample of the voting age population, from Thursday evening, Nov. 2, through Sunday evening, Nov. 5, 2000. For results based on the total sample (N=2,254), there is 95% confidence that the error attributed to sampling and other random effects is +/- 2.5 percentage points. For results based on registered voters (N=1,829), the sampling error is +/- 3 percentage points, and for results based on likely voters (N=1,301), the sampling error is +/- 3 points.

In addition to sampling error, one should bear in mind that question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of opinion polls.

FOR A COMPLETE COPY OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE AND RESULTS GO TO OUR WEBSITE AT: www.people-press.org

PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE AND THE PRESS NOVEMBER 2000 ELECTION WEEKEND SURVEY — FINAL TOPLINE — November 2-5, 2000 N = 2,254 General Public N = 1,829 Registered Voters

NOTE: ALL NUMBERS IN SURVEY, INCLUDING TREND FIGURES, ARE BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS EXCEPT WHERE NOTED

Q.1	How much thought have you given to next Tuesday's election, quite a lot, or only a little?

	Quite <u>A lot</u>	(VOL.)	Only a Little	(VOL.) <u>None</u>	DK/ Ref.
Early November, 2000	72	Some 6	<u>19</u>	2	$\frac{Rel}{1=100}$
Late October, 2000	66	6	24	4	*=100
Mid-October, 2000	67	9	24 19	4	1=100
Early October, 2000	60	8	27	4	1 = 100 1 = 100
•	59	8 8	27	4	1 = 100 1 = 100
September, 2000 July, 2000	39 46	8 6	29 45	3	*=100
June, 2000	40 46	6	43 43	5	*=100
	40 48	4	43 42	5	
May, 2000	48 67		42 22	3	1=100
November, 1996		8			*=100
October, 1996	65	7	26	1	1 = 100
Late September, 1996	61	7	29 26	2	1 = 100
Early September, 1996	56	3	36	4	1=100
July, 1996	55	3	41	1	*=100
June, 1996	50	5	41	3	1=100
October, 1992	77	5	16	1	1=100
September, 1992	69	3	26	1	1 = 100
August, 1992	72	4	23	1	*=100
June, 1992	63	6	29	1	1 = 100
Gallup: November, 1988	73	8	17	2	0=100
Gallup: October, 1988	69	9	20	2	0=100
Gallup: August, 1988	61	10	27	2	0=100
Gallup: September, 1988	57	18	23	2	0=100

Q.2 How closely have you been following news about the presidential election... very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely?

	Very	Fairly	Not too	Not at all	(VOL.)
	closely	closely	closely	closely	DK/Ref.
Early November, 2000	39	44	12	5	*=100
Mid-October, 2000	40	37	15	8	*=100
Early October, 2000	42	36	15	6	1=100
September, 2000	27	46	18	8	1=100
July, 2000 ¹	25	40	19	15	1=100
June, 2000	27	34	22	16	1=100
April, 2000	21	36	25	18	*=100
Early April, 2000	22	43	20	15	*=100
March, 2000	30	43	16	10	1=100
November, 1996	34	45	15	6	*=100
Early September, 1996	29	39	19	13	*=100
July, 1996	25	42	21	11	1=100
October, 1992	55	36	7	2	0=100
September, 1992	47	36	11	6	*=100
August, 1992	36	51	11	2	0=100
July, 1992	23	48	24	5	*=100
October, 1988	43	44	11	2	*=100
August, 1988	39	45	13	3	*=100

Q.3 Have you ever voted in your precinct or election district?

	J	Late Oct	Mid-Oct	Early Oct	Late Oct	Early Oct	Nov	Late Sep	t Nov
		2000	2000	2000	<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1994</u>
83	Yes	81	82	84	86	87	85	85	91
17	No	19	18	16	14	13	15	15	9
*	Don't know/Refused	*	0	*	*	*	*	*	*
100		100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

In March through July 2000 the question was worded "News about candidates for the 2000 presidential election."

RESPONDENTS IN THE 701 AREA CODE (N. DAKOTA) SHOULD BE SKIPPED TO Q.6.

Q.4 These days, many people are so busy they can't find time to register to vote, or move around so often they don't get a chance to re-register... Are you NOW registered to vote in your precinct or election district, or haven't you been able to register so far?

IF RESPONDENT ANSWERED "YES" IN Q.4 AND IS NOT IN SELECTED AREA CODE, ASK:

Q.5 Are you absolutely certain you are registered to vote, or is there a chance your registration has lapsed because you moved or for some other reason?

BASE	D ON VOTING AGE POPULATION: [N=2,254]	<u>Nov 1996</u>
80	Yes, registered	76
	73 Absolutely certain	69
	2 Chance registration has lapsed	2
	5 Can register Election Day	4
	* Don't know/Refused	1
20	No, not registered	24
0	Don't have to register (VOL.)	*
*	Don't know/Refused	*
100		100

IF RESPONDENT IS IN SELECTED AREA CODE AND ANSWERED "NO, NOT REGISTERED" OR "DON'T HAVE TO REGISTER IN Q.4, ASK:

Q.5a Next Tuesday, do you plan to register so that you can vote in the election?

BASED ON TOTAL VOTING AGE POPULATION IN SELECTED AREA CODE: [N=29]

- 61 Yes
- 28 No
- 11 Don't know/Refused
- 100
- Q.6 Some people seem to follow what's going on in government and public affairs most of the time, whether there's an election or not. Others aren't that interested. Would you say you follow what's going on in government and public affairs...(**READ CHOICES**)

	Most of	Some of	Only Now	Hardly	
	The Time	the Time	and Then	at All	DK/Ref.
Early November, 2000	51	32	12	5	*=100
September, 2000	51	34	10	4	1=100
June, 2000	46	31	15	8	*=100
Late September, 1999	46	32	17	5	*=100
August, 1999	48	34	13	5	*=100
Late October, 1998	57	29	10	4	*=100
Early October, 1998	51	33	11	5	*=100
Early September, 1998	52	33	11	4	*=100
June, 1998	42	33	18	7	*=100
November, 1997	47	35	14	4	*=100
November, 1996	52	32	12	4	*=100
October, 1996	43	37	13	6	1=100
October, 1995	52	33	11	4	*=100
April, 1995	49	34	13	4	*=100
November, 1994	57	30	10	3	*=100
October, 1994	52	34	10	4	0=100
July, 1994	51	32	13	4	*=100

Q.6 CONTINUED ...

	Most of	Some of	Only Now	Hardly	
	The Time	the Time	and Then	<u>at All</u>	DK/Ref.
May, 1990	43	36	15	6	*=100
October, 1988	52	33	12	3	*=100
May, 1988	42	37	15	4	2=100
January, 1988	42	35	17	5	1=100
May, 1987	47	35	13	4	1=100

Q.7 How often would you say you vote? (**READ CHOICES**)

						(VOL.))
		Nearly	Part of		(VOL.)	Never	
	Always	<u>Always</u>	The time	<u>Seldom</u>	Other	Vote	DK/Ref.
Early November, 2000	57	26	8	6	1	2	*=100
Late October, 2000	52	30	9	6	1	2	0=100
Mid-October, 2000	54	27	10	6	*	3	*=100
Early October, 2000	51	29	10	6	3	1	*=100
September, 2000	61	21	9	7	*	2	*=100
June, 2000	58	26	10	4	1	1	*=100
Late September, 1999	40	47	9	3	*	1	*=100
Early September, 1998	53	33	9	4	1	0	*=100
June, 1998	49	33	12	5	1	0	0=100
September, 1997	62	26	8	3	*	1	*=100
November, 1996	55	28	8	6	1	2	*=100
October, 1996	52	30	9	5	2	2	*=100
Late September, 1996	52	31	10	4	1	2	*=100
June, 1996	52	33	9	4	1	1	*=100
February, 1996	42	41	11	4	1	1	*=100
October, 1995	53	35	7	4	*	1	*=100
April, 1995	53	34	9	4	*	*	*=100
November, 1994	58	28	8	5	1	*	0=100
October, 1994	55	32	10	3	*	*	*=100
July, 1994	52	34	10	4	*	*	*=100
June, 1992	60	29	7	3	1	*	*=100
May, 1992	50	35	10	4	*	1	*=100
November, 1991	46	41	9	4	0	*	*=100
May, 1990	42	42	11	4	*	1	*=100
Gallup: November, 1988	57	26	10	4	2	1	*=100
Gallup: October, 1988	56	26	12	4	1	1	*=100
May, 1988	43	41	11	3	1	2	*=100
January, 1988	49	39	9	2	*	1	*=100
May, 1987	43	43	9	3	1	1	*=100

Q.7a Do you happen to know where people in your neighborhood go to vote?

		Late	Early				Ga	llup
		Oct	Oct	Nov	Oct	Nov	Nov	Oct
		<u>1998</u>	<u>1998</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1996</u>	<u>1994</u>	<u>1988</u>	<u>1988</u>
84	Yes — gives answer	90	87	88	85	93	89	88
<u>16</u>	No/Don't know/Refused/No Answer	10	<u>13</u>	12	15	7	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>
100		100	100	100	100	100	100	100

SPLIT FORM FOR Q.8 & Q.9:

FORM 1, ASK GORE, THEN BUSH, THEN NADER, THEN BUCHANAN; FORM 2, ASK BUSH, THEN GORE, THEN NADER, THEN BUCHANAN .

- Q.8 If the presidential election were being held TODAY, would you vote for the Democratic ticket of Al Gore and Joe Lieberman, for the Republican ticket of George W. Bush and Dick Cheney, for the Green Party ticket headed by Ralph Nader, or for the Reform Party ticket headed by Pat Buchanan?
- Q.9 As of TODAY, do you LEAN more to Gore the Democrat, more to Bush the Republican, more to Nader of the Green Party or more to Buchanan the Reform Party candidate?
- Q.14 Do you support (**INSERT PRESIDENTIAL CHOICE FROM Q.8; DO NOT READ VP CHOICE**) strongly or only moderately?

			Late	Mid-	Early			Late	Mid-
			Oct	Oct	Oct	Sept	July	June	June
			2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000
45	Gore	e/Lean Gore	43	45	44	47	41	35	42
	25	Strongly	24	22	22	25	n/a	n/a	n/a
	19	Only moderately	19	23	22	21	n/a	n/a	n/a
	1	Don't know	*	*	*	1	n/a	n/a	n/a
41	Bush	n/Lean Bush	45	43	43	41	42	42	41
	26	Strongly	29	25	26	21	n/a	n/a	n/a
	15	Only moderately	16	18	17	19	n/a	n/a	n/a
	*	Don't know	*	*	*	1	n/a	n/a	n/a
4	Nade	er/Lean Nader	4	4	5	2	6	2	4
	2	Strongly	2	2	2	1	n/a	n/a	n/a
	2	Only moderately	2	2	3	1	n/a	n/a	n/a
	*	Don't know	*	0	0	0	n/a	n/a	n/a
1	Bucl	nanan/Lean Buchanan	1	1	*	1	2	2	3
	*	Strongly	*	*	0	*	n/a	n/a	n/a
	1	Only moderately	1	1	*	1	n/a	n/a	n/a
	0	Don't know	0	0	0	*	n/a	n/a	n/a
9	Und	ecided/Other/DK	7	7	8	9	9	<u>19</u>	<u>10</u>
100			100	100	100	100	100	100	100

SPLIT FORM FOR Q.15 & Q.16:

FORM 1, ASK REPUBLICAN FIRST; FORM 2, ASK DEMOCRAT FIRST.

Q.15 If the elections for U.S. Congress were being held TODAY, would you vote for the Republican Party's candidate or the Democratic Party's candidate for Congress in your district?

Q.16 As of TODAY, do you LEAN more to the Republican or the Democrat?

	Republican/	Democrat/	Other/
	Lean Rep.	Lean Dem.	Undecided
Early November, 2000	42	48	10=100
Early October, 2000	43	47	10=100
July, 2000	43	47	10=100
February, 2000	44	47	9=100
October, 1999	43	49	8=100
June, 1999	40	50	10=100
November, 1998	42	48	10=100
Late October, 1998	40	47	13=100
Early October, 1998	43	44	13=100
Early September, 1998	45	46	9=100
Late August, 1998	44	45	11=100
Early August, 1998	42	49	9=100
June, 1998	44	46	10=100
March, 1998	40	52	8=100
February, 1998	41	50	9=100
January, 1998	41	51	8=100
August, 1997	45	48	7=100
November, 1996 ²	44	48	8=100
October, 1996	42	49	9=100
Late September, 1996	43	49	8=100
Early September, 1996	43	51	6=100
July, 1996	46	47	7=100
June, 1996	44	50	6=100
March, 1996	44	49	7=100
January, 1996	46	47	7=100
October, 1995	48	48	4=100
August, 1995	50	43	7=100
November, 1994	45	43	12=100
October, 1994	47	44	9=100
Early October, 1994	52	40	8=100
September, 1994	48	46	6=100
July, 1994	45	47	8=100

November 1996 trend based on likely voters.

IF RESPONDENT ANSWERED "REPUBLICAN" OR "DEMOCRATIC" IN Q.15, ASK:

Q.17 Do you support the (INSERT: Democratic/Republican) candidate strongly or only moderately?

			Late Oct 1998	<u>Nov 1996</u>	<u>Nov 1994</u>
42	Repul	olican/Lean Rep	40	41	45
	20	Strongly	19	18	19
	22	Moderately	21	23	26
	*	Don't know/Refuse	ed	*	
48	Demo	crat/Lean Dem	47	48	43
	23	Strongly	24	22	17
	24	Moderately	23	25	26
	1	Don't know/Refuse	ed	1	
<u>10</u>	Other	/Undecided	<u>13</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>
100			100	100	100

[NOTE <u>SPECIAL INSTRUCTION</u>: NON-REGISTERED VOTERS ('2' IN Q.4 AND NOT IN SELECTED AREA CODE, OR '9' IN Q.4, OR '2' OR '9' IN Q.5, OR 2 OR 9 IN Q.5a) SHOULD NOW SKIP TO D.1]

Now thinking about the presidential election again...

IF RESPONDENT CHOSE GORE/LIEBERMAN IN Q.8 OR Q.14 ASK: [N=799]

Q.18 Would you say that your choice is more a vote FOR Al Gore or more a vote AGAINST George W. Bush?

IF RESPONDENT CHOSE BUSH/CHENEY IN Q.8 OR Q.14 ASK: [N=788]

Q.19 Would you say that your choice is more a vote FOR George W. Bush or more a vote AGAINST Al Gore?

Direct	ion of S	Support	<u>Sept 2000</u>	1996 Election	Nov	Oct	Sept
45	Gore	9	47	Clinton	51	51	52
	29	Pro-Gore	30	Pro-Clinton	33	33	35
	14	Anti-Bush	14	Anti-other candidates	15	16	15
	2	Undecided	3	Undecided	3	2	2
41	Busł	1	41	Dole	32	34	34
	27	Pro-Bush	24	Pro-Dole	15	15	16
	12	Anti-Gore	14	Anti-other candidates	15	18	17
	2	Undecided	3	Undecided	2	1	1
14	Othe	r/Don't know/Refused	<u>12</u>	Perot	9	8	8
100			100	Pro-Perot	4	4	3
				Anti-other candidates	5	4	5
				Undecided	*	*	0

Don't know/Refused

7

100

6

100

8

FOR ALL RESPONDENTS WHO DIDN'T ANSWER 18 OR 19, READ TRANSITION:

Now thinking about the presidential election again...

IF RESPONDENT DID NOT CHOOSE GORE IN Q.8 ASK: [N=1,030]

Q.20 Do you think there is a chance that you might vote for Al Gore next Tuesday or have you definitely decided not to vote for him?

		Late Oct	Mid-Oct	Early Oct	Sept	June	Clinton
		2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	Nov 1996
8	Chance might vote for him	9	10	11	13	14	6
41	Decided not to vote for him	44	40	38	35	34	37
6	Don't know/Refused	4	5	7	5	6	<u>6</u>
55%		57%	55%	56%	53%	54%	49%

IF RESPONDENT DID NOT CHOOSE BUSH IN Q.8, ASK: [N=1,041]

Q.21 Do you think there is a chance that you might vote for George W. Bush next Tuesday or have you definitely decided not to vote for him?

		Late Oct	Mid-Oct	Early Oct	Sept	June	Dole
		2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	Nov 1996
8	Chance might vote for him	10	12	11	15	15	8
44	Decided not to vote for him	41	40	39	38	33	54
7	Don't know/Refused	4	5	7	6	6	6
59%		55%	57%	57%	59%	54%	68%

ASK ALL:

Q.22 Do you, yourself, plan to vote in the election this Tuesday, or not?

	Yes, Plan	No, Don't	Can't Say/
	To Vote	Plan To	Don't know
Early November, 2000	96	3	1=100
Late October, 2000	97	2	1=100
Mid-October, 2000	96	2	2=100
Early October, 2000	97	2	1=100
September, 2000	95	3	2=100
June, 2000	95	2	3=100
Late October, 1998 ⁺	91	6	3=100
Early October, 1998 [†]	92	4	4=100
Early September, 1998†	95	2	3=100
Late August, 1998 ⁺	93	3	4=100
June, 1998†	95	3	2=100
November, 1996	96	2	2=100
October, 1996	98	1	1=100
Late September, 1996	98	1	1=100
Early September, 1996	96	2	2=100
July, 1996	95	3	2=100
June, 1996	96	2	2=100
November, 1994 [†]	93	5	2=100

† Non-Presidential elections

Q.22 CONTINUED ...

	Yes, Plan	No, Don't	Can't Say/
	To Vote	<u>Plan To</u>	Don't know
October, 1994 [†]	95	3	2=100
October, 1992	98	1	1=100
September, 1992	98	1	1=100
August, 1992	97	1	2=100
June, 1992	97	1	2=100
Gallup: November, 1988	97	2	1=100
Gallup: October, 1988	98	1	1=100

† Non-Presidential elections

Q.23 Next, I'd like you to rate your chance of voting in Tuesday's election on a scale of 10 to 1. If 10 represents a person who definitely will vote and 1 represents a person who definitely will not vote, where on this scale of 10 to 1 would you place yourself?

	Definitely will vote										finitely 1 not vote
		0	0	7	6	5	4	2	\mathbf{r}		
	$\frac{10}{20}$	<u>9</u>	8		<u>6</u>	5	4	3	2	1	<u>DK/Ref</u>
Early November, 2000	80	6	5	2	1	3	*	*	*	3	1 = 100
Late October, 2000	83	5	5	1	1	2	*	1	1	1	*=100
Mid-October, 2000	80	7	4	3	1	3	1	*	*	1	1=100
Early October, 2000	78	7	5	2	2	2	*	1	1	1	1=100
Late October, 1998	70	6	7	4	1	4	1	1	1	4	1=100
Early October, 1998	64	9	10	4	2	4	1	2	1	2	1=100
November, 1996	77	7	7	2	1	2	*	1	*	2	1=100
October, 1996	77	9	7	2	2	2	*	*	*	1	*=100
Late September, 1996	78	10	6	2	1	1	*	*	*	1	1=100
November, 1994	67	9	8	2	2	4	1	1	1	3	2=100
October, 1994	66	10	9	4	2	4	1	1	*	2	1=100
Gallup: September, 1992	77	5	4	3	2	4	*	1	*	4	*=100
Gallup: November, 1988	77	7	6	2	1	3	*	*	*	2	2=100
Gallup: October, 1988	73	8	7	3	2	3	1	*	*	1	2=100

Thinking again about the congressional elections...

Q.24 Would you like to see your representative in Congress be re-elected on Tuesday, or not?

			(VOL.) Congressperson	
	Yes	No	Not running	<u>No Opinion</u>
Early November, 2000	59	16	1	24=100
Early October, 2000	60	17	1	22=100
July, 1999	66	23	*	11=100
Late October, 1998	64	19	1	16=100
Early October, 1998	58	20	2	20=100
Early September, 1998	63	20	1	16=100
March, 1998	63	21	1	15=100
January, 1998	66	23	0	11=100
August, 1997	66	22	0	12=100
November, 1996	60	16	3	21=100
October, 1996	62	19	2	17=100

Q.24 CONTINUED ...

			(VOL.)				
		Congressperson					
	Yes	<u>No</u>	Not running	No Opinion			
Late September, 1996	55	17	2	26=100			
Early September, 1996	62	19	2	17=100			
November, 1994	58	25	1	16=100			
October, 1994	55	30	2	13=100			
Early October, 1994	49	29	2	20=100			
Gallup: October 1990	62	22	2	14 = 100			

Thinking about the presidential election again...

Q.25 In your opinion, is the outcome of this presidential election especially important, or is it no more important than any other presidential election?

alor \

		Nov 1996
67	Especially important	61
31	No more important than the others	38
2	Don't Know/Refused	1
100		100

Q.26 Regardless of who you support, who do you think WILL be elected president, Al Gore or George W. Bush?

		Late Oct	Early Oct	June	Oct	
		2000	2000	2000	<u>1999³</u>	Late Sept 1996
32	Al Gore	38	46	33	23	79 \Rightarrow Clinton
43	George W. Bush	48	33	51	70	$12 \Rightarrow Dole$
n/a	Other	n/a	n/a	n/a	1	$1 \Rightarrow \text{Perot}$
<u>25</u>	Don't know/Refused	<u>14</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>16</u>	6	$\underline{8} \Rightarrow \text{Don't know/Refused}$
100		100	100	100	100	100

Q.27 Recently, have you been contacted over the phone by any candidates, campaigns or other groups urging you to vote in a particular way in the upcoming elections?

IF YES, ASK:

Q.28 And were you urged to vote for Al Gore and/or other Democratic candidates OR George W. Bush and/or other Republican candidates?

26 Yes

- 6 Gore/Democrats
- 8 Bush/Republicans
- 2 Other (VOL.)
- 6 Both (VOL.)
- 4 Don't know/Refused
- 73 No
- 1 Don't know/Refused

100

In October 1999 the wording was: "Regardless of who you might support, who do you think is most likely to win the coming presidential election if the candidates are Al Gore and George W. Bush?"

IF RESPONDENT ANSWERED "UNDECIDED" (Q.9 = 9), ASK:

One last question about your opinion of the candidates ...

- Q.29 I have been asked to try to get a choice for president from everyone I interview. Even though you may not have made up your mind, could you make a guess so I will have something to put down? The candidates are Gore and Lieberman, the Democrats, Bush and Cheney, the Republicans, Ralph Nader of the Green Party and Pat Buchanan of the Reform party.
 - 3 Gore/Lean Gore
 - 1 Bush/Lean Bush
 - * Nader/Lean Nader
 - * Buchanan/Lean Buchanan
 - 4 Undecided/Other/DK
 - 92 Question not asked
 - 100

Q.30 THROUGH Q.32 ASKED NOV. 3-5, 2000: [N=1,330]

- Q.30 How closely have you been following news reports that George W. Bush was arrested for drunk driving in 1976? Have you been following this very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely?
 - 24 Very closely
 - 28 Fairly closely
 - 27 Not too closely
 - 19 Not at all closely
 - <u>2</u> Don't know/Refused
 - 100

IF FOLLOWING STORY ("1, 2 or 3" IN Q.30), ASK : [N=1,067]

- Q.31 Has this story raised serious doubts in your mind about voting for George W. Bush, or is this not a serious consideration for you?
 - 11 Raised serious doubts about voting for Bush
 - 87 Not a serious consideration
 - <u>2</u> Don't know/Refused
 - 100

IF FOLLOWING STORY ("1, 2 or 3" IN Q.30), ASK : [N=1,067]

- Q.32 Some have accused the Democrats of being behind the release of this story because it's so close to the election. Has this charge against the Democrats raised serious doubts in your mind about voting for Al Gore, is this not a serious consideration for you, or have you not heard this charge?
 - 11 Raised serious doubts about voting for Gore
 - 76 Not a serious consideration
 - 10 Has not heard charge
 - <u>3</u> Don't know/Refused
 - 100