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Pew Research Center Biennial News Consumption Survey

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Traditional news outlets are feeling the impact of two distinct and powerful trends. Internet news has not only arrived, it is attracting key segments of the national audience. At the same time, growing numbers of Americans are losing the news habit. Fewer people say they enjoy following the news, and fully half pay attention to national news only when something important is happening. And more Americans than ever say they watch the news with a remote control in hand, ready to dispatch uninteresting stories. To some extent, these trends are affecting all traditional media, but broadcast news outlets - both national and local - have been the most adversely affected.

These are the principal findings of the Pew Research Center's biennial survey of the national news audience, which documents the rapid emergence of the Internet as a news source, as well as a significant decline in regular viewership of broadcast television news. Fully one-in-three Americans now go online for news at least once a week, compared to $20 \%$ in 1998 . And $15 \%$ say they receive daily reports from the Internet, up from $6 \%$ two years ago. At the same time, regular viewership of network news has fallen from $38 \%$ to $30 \%$ over this period, while local news viewership has fallen from $64 \%$ to $56 \%$.


Among younger and better-educated people, the Internet is making even bigger inroads. Many more college graduates under the age of 50 go on the Internet every day than regularly watch one of the nightly network news broadcasts. And generally, the survey finds that people who are interested in the news and go online tend to watch less network TV news. The survey also finds modest declines in the viewership of television news magazines and the morning news shows, but these slips appear unrelated to Internet news competition.

The digital tide is having less of a direct negative impact on cable TV news, radio and print outlets. The Pew Research Center survey finds no evidence that Internet use is driving down regular use of cable news channels, daily newspapers, or radio news. However, all news outlets are being affected by the public's slowly declining appetite for the news.

Less than half of the public (45\%) now says it enjoys keeping up with the news a great deal and just $48 \%$ say they follow national news closely most of the time. Both of these percentages represent a modest decline from two years ago, when $50 \%$ said they enjoyed keeping up with the news and $52 \%$ reported following national news closely most of the time. But the percentage of Americans saying they enjoy keeping up with the news has fallen steadily since the mid-1990s.

The generational divide on these questions is striking. Just one-in-three young adults (31\%) enjoy keeping up with the news. In contrast, well more than half (57\%) of those age 50 and over enjoy following the news. While younger people don't like the news so much, they do like having a wide variety of information sources from which to choose. Older Americans, who have a greater affinity for the news, often feel overwhelmed by the increasingly crowded media landscape.

As a consequence, Internet news is attracting many younger people who have only a marginal interest in the news as well as serious news consumers. In fact, Internet news has a relatively larger place in the lives of those with access who don't enjoy the news than among those who do. The Internet, with its headline news format and capacity for quick updates, is clearly attractive to this type of consumer. On the other hand, the Internet's capability for providing more depth on a given subject also appeals to those with large news appetites, such as affluent college graduates.

In that regard, the growth of Internet news has had a dramatic impact on the way Americans, particularly those with access to technology, get information on business and financial matters. For active investors - those who have traded stocks within the past six months - the Internet has largely supplanted traditional media as the leading source for stock quotes and investment advice. The Internet's capacity for personally-designed news and information is clearly a factor here. Nearly six-in-ten (58\%) active traders who log on to the Internet for such information have customized online stock portfolios.

| Logging On for News, Advice |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | General Public | All Investors | Active Traders |
| Main Source for ... | \% | \% | \% |
| Stock Market Updates |  |  |  |
| Newspapers | 24 | 26 | 21 |
| Television | 37 | 30 | 24 |
| Radio | 4 | 4 | 1 |
| Magazines | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| Internet | 21 | 28 | 45 |
| Other | 7 | 8 | 7 |
| Don't Know | 5 | 1 | * |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Investment Advice |  |  |  |
| Newspapers | 23 | 24 | 18 |
| Television | 26 | 21 | 19 |
| Radio | 3 | 3 | 2 |
| Magazines | 6 | 7 | 7 |
| Internet | 18 | 22 | 35 |
| Broker/Financial |  |  |  |
| Advisor (Vol.) Other | 9 8 | 13 7 | 12 5 |
| Don't Know | 7 | 3 | 2 |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| (Percent of public100\% | 49\% | 15\%) |  |

So far, this quiet revolution in financial news has had less of an impact on the general public and less active investors, who still tend to go to the traditional media for stock quotes and advice. But underscoring the general popularity of the Internet for financial news, $16 \%$ of all Americans volunteered that they would turn first to the Internet for news if the market were to crash 1,000 points; cable news was mentioned second most frequently, at $14 \%$.

As Americans grow more reliant on the Internet for news, they also have come to find online news outlets more credible. Despite the controversy over news-gathering techniques employed by some Internet sites, those who go online generally give Internet news operations high marks for believability. In fact, the online sites of such well-known news organizations as ABC News get better ratings from Internet users than the ratings accorded the traditional broadcast or print outlets.

But having a familiar name clearly helps. Internet-only news sources such as Yahoo, Netscape and America Online's News Channel get lower ratings than other, better-known news organizations on the Internet. Still, the believability ratings for these organizations are comparable to those of network television news and other traditional sources. Internet news organizations that specialize in providing original content, such as the online magazines Slate and Salon, were less well-known and got lower ratings from Internet news users.

## Other Findings

C Americans have an ever-expanding appetite for new technology. More than half now own a cell phone, up from $24 \%$ just five years ago. One out of five Americans (18\%) have a satellite dish, and 5\% own a Palm Pilot.

C As large numbers of younger Americans turn to the Internet for news, the audience for traditional media is aging. Nearly half of those under age $30(46 \%)$ go online for news at least once a week, compared to just $20 \%$ of those age 50 and up. These older Americans are far more likely to say they watched TV news (67\%) or read a paper

| Patterns of News Use By Age* |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total $\leq 30$ 30-49 $\frac{50+}{}$ |  |  |  |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| Goes Online | 54 | 74 | 62 | 33 |
| Online at least once |  |  |  |  |
| a week for news | 33 | 46 | 37 | 20 |
| Online daily for news | 15 | 17 | 18 | 10 |
| Watched TV news yesterday | 55 | 44 | 51 | 67 |
| Read newspaper yesterday | 46 |  | 43 | 58 |
| * Based on total sample. |  |  |  |  | (58\%) yesterday.

C More people are finding innovative ways to use technology in their personal
lives. A sizable minority (15\%) of active investors get stock quotes and market updates via some form of wireless device, such as a cell phone or pager.

C With the viewership of network news declining, and cable news audiences remaining flat, network's lead over cable has narrowed to 11 percentage points $(51 \%-40 \%)$ from 17 points $(57 \%-40 \%)$ in 1998. When speciality channels, such as all-sports ESPN are included, the cable audience is $61 \%$.

C CNBC, primarily a business network, now draws better than one-in-ten Americans ( $13 \%$ ) on a regular basis. But CNBC is the top choice of those active investors who identify television as the main source of stock updates.

C More than half of Americans (53\%) say they wish they had more time to follow the news. Time pressures are a particularly big factor for working women; nearly twothirds ( $65 \%$ ) want more time to follow the news.

C The remote control has become an indispensable tool for most television news viewers, especially young people. Three-quarters of those under age 30 say they watch the news with the remote in hand; $54 \%$ of those over age 50 agree.

C Men and women have different news interests, and this is reflected in the news they pursue online. Technology is a top draw for men, while women most often seek news on science and health. But overall, weather information is the leading online news topic.

This survey was conducted April 20 - May 13, 2000 among a nationwide sample of 3, 142 adults. The margin of error for the main survey is plus or minus 2.5 percentage points. Information on additional survey components can be found in the Methodology on page 69.

## Section I: The Changing Media Landscape

The revolution in communications technology is clearly changing the way Americans live, and it has created a highly competitive environment for those who provide news and information to the public. Nearly seven-in-ten Americans (68\%) now use a computer on at least an occasional basis, up from $61 \%$ in 1998 and $58 \%$ in 1996. Almost as many have a computer in their home $59 \%$, up from $43 \%$ in 1998 and $36 \%$ in 1995.

The number of Americans who go online has increased at an even greater rate, more than twice as many people now go online to access the Internet or send and receive email as did just four years ago (54\% vs. $21 \%$ in 1996).

In addition to computers and the Internet, a large majority of the public has access to a seemingly unlimited number of television outlets through cable TV and satellite dishes. Fully eight-in-ten (79\%) Americans have either cable or a satellite dish ( $5 \%$ have both). The numbers for cable have remained relatively stable in recent years, while the percentage of those owning a dish has tripled since 1995.

| The Public: Wired and Wireless |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1996* |  | 2000 |
| Do you. ... | \% | \% | \% |
| Subscribe to Cable | 69 | 67 | 67 |
| Use a computer | 58 | 61 | 68 |
| Have a home computer | 36 | 43 | 59 |
| Go online | 21 | 36 | 54 |
| Have a ... |  |  |  |
| Cell phone | 24 | -- | 53 |
| Pager | -- | -- | 24 |
| Satellite dish | 6 | -- | 18 |
| DVD player | -- | -- | 16 |
| Palm Pilot | -- | -- | 5 |
| * Figures for home computer, cell phone, satellite dish are from June 1995. |  |  |  |

More than half of Americans (53\%) now have a cell phone, up from $24 \%$ in 1995. Men, women and people of all races are equally likely to use a cell phone. Older Americans do lag behind, however. Roughly one-quarter of the public has a pager. As many as $16 \%$ have a DVD player and 5\% own a Palm Pilot.

As these new technologies have taken hold, providing many new avenues for obtaining news and information, the overall media landscape has been drastically altered. As a result, new patterns of news consumption are emerging and the core audiences for traditional news outlets are steadily diminishing.

While newspaper and magazine readership has fallen off moderately in recent years, the impact of the new media environment on television news has been more noticeable. Only $55 \%$ of Americans now report having watched the news or a news program on television "yesterday." This is down from $59 \%$ in 1998 and 1996, and from a high of $74 \%$ as recently as 1994. In addition,

Americans are spending less time watching television news these days. In 1994, 37\% of the public reported spending at least one hour watching the news on TV "yesterday." That number has fallen steadily over time. In 1996, $29 \%$ said they had spent an hour or more watching TV news, it was $28 \%$ in 1998, and today the number stands at $23 \%$.

The falloff in TV news consumption has taken place primarily among the broadcast network news outlets. The percentage of Americans regularly watching the network evening news has fallen precipitously in the last two years. Viewership of network news magazines, such as 20/20 and Dateline, as well as the morning shows has fallen off too, though less dramatically. As a result, the cumulative network news audience has shrunk significantly in recent years.

Over this same period of time, cable news
 consumption has remained virtually flat. The cable news audience, encompassing CNN and some of the newer all-news cable networks, amounts to $40 \%$ of the population. This number is unchanged from 1998. When specialty cable channels, such as the Weather Channel and ESPN are taken into account, the cable news audience swells to 61\%, basically unchanged from 1998.

## Fragmented Audiences

In this age of hybrid news audiences, when many Americans regularly watch the broadcast networks and cable, there is a segment of the population - one-in-four - which regularly watches the networks but not cable news. The counterpart to this group is a smaller audience - $14 \%$ of the public - which regularly watches cable news but not broadcast networks. Another $26 \%$ fall into a third group, which regularly watches both the broadcast networks and cable news channels.

These three groups are vastly different in terms of demographic characteristics, behavior and attitudes. And they illustrate the challenge which the broadcast networks face today in trying to attract a large, mainstream audience.

The exclusively broadcast audience is largely female and is older than the population at large. The primary news interests of this group are health, crime and community news. The cable-only group is younger than average and dominated by men. The primary news interests for these cable loyalists are sports, crime, and science and technology. The hybrid group is a mix of men and women, but like the broadcast sector, it is considerably older than the public at large.

While both the broadcast group and the hybrid group are extremely loyal television news viewers, the exclusively cable group watches TV news much less frequently. Only $54 \%$ report having watched TV news yesterday, compared to $71 \%$ of broadcast loyalists and $74 \%$ of those who watch both broadcast and cable. On the

| Broadcast, Cable and Hybrid Audiences ... Vastly Different |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Regularly watch ... |  |  |  |
|  | Broadcast Cable Not Broadcast Not Cable Broadcast \& Cable |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| (Percent of public | 25 | 14 | 26) |
| Men | 38 | 62 | 45 |
| Women | $\underline{62}$ | 38 | $\underline{55}$ |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Under age 50 | 54 | 70 | 53 |
| Age 50+ | 45 | 29 | 45 |
| Undesignated | $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{2}{100}$ |
| TV news |  |  |  |
| Watched yesterday | 71 | 54 | 74 |
| Spent 1 hour + | 33 | 22 | 39 |
| Online news at least |  |  |  |
| 3 days/week | 19 | 32 | 23 |
| Enjoy news a lot | 51 | 44 | 70 | other hand, the cable group is almost twice as likely as their broadcast counterparts to go to the Internet for news: $32 \%$ vs. $19 \%$, respectively, get news online at least three days a week. The cable-only group has different attitudes about the news as well. Only $44 \%$ say they enjoy keeping up with the news a lot, vs. $51 \%$ of the broadcast-only group and fully $70 \%$ of those who watch broadcast and cable.

## Just Half Watch Evening News

Americans are increasingly less inclined to tune into the nightly network news broadcasts for their daily dose of news. And for the first time since 1987, the percentage of Americans who report watching a nightly network news program does not reach majority status.

Just $50 \%$ now say they tune into the nightly broadcasts anchored by Peter Jennings, Tom Brokaw or Dan Rather, compared with $59 \%$ in 1998, $65 \%$ in 1995 and $71 \%$ in 1987. The percentage who say they regularly watch the network news has fallen eight points in just the last two years from $38 \%$ to $30 \%$. Moreover, the regular audience has been cut in half since May 1993.

Audiences for other network TV offerings have also declined in recent years. Roughly three-in-ten Americans (31\%) now regularly watch news magazine shows such as 20/20 and Dateline down from $37 \%$ in 1998. The audience for the three network morning shows has also fallen, though slightly, over the past two years.

## TV's Generation Gap

The rise of the Internet as a news source is only one of several difficult challenges confronting broadcast news organizations. Not only have the audiences for rival cable news outlets remained more stable, those audiences are younger than the viewers of network news offerings.

Only $17 \%$ of those under age 30 watch the nightly network news on a regular basis, compared to $50 \%$ of those age 65 and older. The same pattern exists with local TV news. News magazine shows

| Generation Matters: <br> More for Broadcast than Cable |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} ------A G E \text {------- } \\ 18-29 \quad 30-49 \text { 50-64 } 65+ \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |
| Watch each regularly ... | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| Network news | 17 | 24 | 40 | 50 |
| Local news | 45 | 54 | 62 | 68 |
| News magazines | 22 | 29 | 34 | 42 |
| AM shows | 13 | 20 | 23 | 25 |
| CNN | 16 | 22 | 23 | 23 |
| MSNBC | 10 | 11 | 12 | 12 |
| Fox News | 17 | 18 | 18 | 20 | such as 60 Minutes, 20/20 and Dateline, as well as the network morning shows, also draw in a disproportionate number of older viewers. In addition, these programs hold much more appeal for women than men. Among the most loyal group of viewers for these shows are women over the age of 50 . The generation gap so apparent for the network and local TV news is less dramatic for CNN and virtually nonexistent for the newer allnews cable channels, MSNBC and the Fox News Channel.

CNN's audience, while smaller than it had been in the mid-1990s, is largely unchanged from 1998. Today $21 \%$ of Americans regularly watch CNN, vs. $23 \%$ in 1998. Even more Americans watch at least one of the newer all-news cable channels. Fully three-in-ten say they watch at least one of these channels - either CNBC (13\%), MSNBC (11\%), or the Fox News Cable Channel ( $17 \%$ ) - on a regular basis. Not surprisingly, business news enthusiasts are among the most loyal of CNBC's viewers: nearly one-third of those who follow business news very closely tune in regularly.

In addition, large proportions of Americans tune into specialty cable news channels, such as the Weather Channel and ESPN. Fully $32 \%$ of the public are Weather Channel regulars this year, virtually unchanged from 1998 (33\%). Sports news on ESPN attracts about one-quarter of the public

| Cable's Speciality Audiences |  |
| :--- | :---: |
|  |  |
| Watch each regularly | $\underline{\%}$ |
| History/Discovery | 37 |
| Weather Channel | 32 |
| ESPN | 23 |
| CNBC | 13 |
| C-SPAN | 4 |
| Univision | 3 |

on a regular basis ( $23 \%$ ). Among men under age 30, the number swells to $46 \%$. The audience for C-SPAN's live coverage of Congress is much smaller; C-SPAN is viewed regularly by $4 \%$ of the public and by one-in-ten of those who are very interested in political news. Republicans and Democrats watch the public affairs network at nearly equal rates.

Documentaries on cable channels such as the History Channel or the Discovery Channel are extremely popular with the public. Fully $37 \%$ say they regularly watch these shows. Men dominate this cable venue: $43 \%$ watch documentaries regularly vs. $31 \%$ of women.

## Local News Down, Public Broadcasting Stable

While local TV news remains more popular than the networks, there has been a steady decline in the local audience in recent years as well. Today $56 \%$ of Americans watch local TV news regularly, down from $64 \%$ in $1998,72 \%$ in 1995 and $77 \%$ in 1993.

And like their national counterparts, local broadcast news outlets are facing competition from cable. Local all-news cable channels have become quite popular: Fully $29 \%$ regularly watch local cable news, another $23 \%$ tune in at least sometimes.

The audience for public radio and television has remained constant in recent years. As was the case in 1998, $15 \%$ of Americans say they listen to National Public Radio regularly, while another $17 \%$ listen occasionally. NPR's audience is disproportionately affluent and well-educated. On public television, the NewsHour with Jim Lehrer draws 5\% of the public on a regular basis; another 12\% sometimes watch.

Univision and other Spanish-speaking TV outlets are staples for Hispanic-Americans. Fully one-quarter of the Hispanics interviewed as part of this survey (all English-speaking) watch Spanish TV regularly. Another $25 \%$ tune in at least sometimes.

## Graying Newspaper Readers

Newspaper readership, which declined in the 1980s and early 1990s, has leveled off in recent years. While the percentage of Americans saying they read a daily newspaper regularly is down slightly this year from 1998 ( $63 \%$ vs. 68\%), the percent saying they read a newspaper yesterday is virtually unchanged ( $46 \%$ now vs. $48 \%$ in 1998).

But the generation gap in newspaper readership remains wide. Only $29 \%$ of those under age 30 report having read a newspaper yesterday. This compares with $63 \%$ of those age 65 and older. College graduates and those with family incomes in excess of $\$ 50,000$ are among the most likely to read a newspaper.

The weekly news magazines, such as Time and Newsweek, have lost some ground in

Trend In Regular News Consumption

|  | May | April | April | April |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\frac{1993}{\%}$ | $\frac{1996}{\%}$ | $\frac{1998}{\%}$ | $\frac{2000}{\%}$ |
| Regularly watch, <br> listen or read... |  |  |  |  |
| Local TV news | 77 | 65 | 64 | 56 |
| Nightly network news | 60 | 42 | 38 | 30 |
| TV news magazines | 52 | 36 | 37 | 31 |
| Network morning shows | -- | -- | 23 | 20 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| CNN | 35 | 26 | 23 | 21 |
| Fox News Cable | -- | -- | 17 | 17 |
| CNBC | -- | -- | 12 | 13 |
| MSNBC | -- | -- | 8 | 11 |
| C-SPAN | 11 | 6 | 4 | 4 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| National Public Radio | 15 | 13 | 15 | 15 |
| NewsHour | 10 | 4 | 4 | 5 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Newspaper+ | $58^{*}$ | 50 | 48 | 46 |
| News magazines | 24 | 15 | 15 | 12 |
| Business magazines | $6 *$ | 5 | 5 | 5 |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| + Newspaper figures based on "yesterday." |  |  |  |  |
| * February 1994. |  |  |  |  | recent years. Today, $12 \%$ regularly read this type of magazine, compared to $15 \%$ in 1996 and $24 \%$ in 1993. Young people are actually as likely as older Americans to read weekly news magazines. Roughly half ( $46 \%$ ) of those under age 30 read a weekly news magazine at least sometimes, compared with $37 \%$ of those age 65 and older.

Readership of business magazines such as Fortune and Forbes, as well as literary magazines such as The New Yorker and The Atlantic Monthly has remained relatively stable in recent years.

## Court Shows Popular

"Real life" dramas have strong followings. Nearly one-in-five Americans watch TV shows such as Cops or America's Most Wanted. These shows are most popular among those who never attended college and those with family incomes under $\$ 30,000$. These same demographic groups are among the more loyal viewers of courtroom shows such as Judge Judy and Divorce Court. Overall, $12 \%$ of Americans watch these court shows regularly.

Among daytime TV talk shows, programs like those hosted by Oprah Winfrey and Rosie O'Donnell are somewhat more popular than daytime "tell-all" shows hosted by Ricki Lake or Jerry Springer. Roughly one-third of the public ( $31 \%$ ) watches shows like Winfrey's at least sometimes, while $19 \%$ watch Springer and company. The audience for O'Donnell and Winfrey is largely dominated by women. Women of all ages tune into these shows, but they hold little appeal for men of any age.

The tell-all shows, on the other hand, attract both men and women and draw disproportionately from young viewers. Both daytime formats attract viewers with less education and lower-than-average incomes.

## Section II: Internet News: More Log On, Tune Out

The same demographic groups which are moving away from the nightly network news in the greatest numbers are some of the very same groups which are moving toward online news use at the highest rates - more affluent, more well-educated Americans.

Indeed, as the number of people regularly getting news online has grown, so has the share of Internet news consumers who say they are using other news sources like television - less often. Nearly one-in-five ( $18 \%$ ) of those who get news online at least once a week say they now use other sources less often, up from $11 \%$ two years ago. Those who now use other sources less typically say the Internet is replacing television or newspapers in their lives.

What's more, several measures show that the decline in the television news audience over the

| The Shrinking Network News Audience, The Growing Online News Audience 1998 vs. 2000 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Nightly Network News+ Online News* |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Change | $\frac{1998}{\%}$ |  | Change |
| Total | 38 | 30 | -8 | 13 | 23 | +10 |
| Men | 34 | 29 | -5 | 17 | 28 | +11 |
| Women | 40 | 31 | -9 | 9 | 18 | +9 |
| College Grad. | 40 | 28 | -12 | 24 | 40 | +16 |
| Some College | 39 | 30 | -9 | 16 | 29 | +13 |
| High School Grad. | . 39 | 32 | -7 | 7 | 13 | +6 |
| Less than H.S. | 29 | 30 | +1 | 6 | 8 | +2 |
| \$75,000 + | 41 | 28 | -13 | 26 | 41 | +15 |
| \$50,000-74,999 | 38 | 28 | -10 | 19 | 33 | +14 |
| \$30,000-49,999 | 36 | 29 | -7 | 15 | 21 | +6 |
| \$20,000-29,999 | 37 | 28 | -9 | 7 | 16 | +9 |
| < \$20,000 |  | 31 | -7 | 4 | 9 | +5 |
| + Percent who regularly watch. <br> * Based on those who get news online at least three days a week. |  |  |  |  |  |  | past two years has been greater among Internet users - including users who regularly go online for news - than among non-users. Two years ago, there was no difference in the number of Internet users and non-users who watched television news on a typical day - $59 \%$ in each group. Today, just $53 \%$ of Internet users watch television news on a typical day, while the number among non-users remains the same, at $59 \%$.

Internet users are also spending less time watching TV news. The number of Internet users who spend a half-hour or more watching television news on a typical day dropped from $48 \%$ of viewers two years ago to $40 \%$ today. Time spent watching TV news also dropped by 8 percentage points among users who regularly get news online. But among non-users, there has been almost no decline in the time spent watching TV news on a typical day - $49 \%$ spent a half-hour or more in 1998, compared to $47 \%$ today.

Similarly, just one-in-four Internet users (26\%) say they regularly watch a nightly network news broadcast, down from $35 \%$ two years ago. This compares with $35 \%$ of non-users who regularly watch the network news, down just 4 percentage points in two years. More detailed analyses show that Internet users are significantly less likely than non-users to watch the network news, even when controlling for demographic factors like sex, age, and education that are associated with both news viewership and Internet access. Taking these demographic

| Online Time vs. TV Time |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Get News Internet User Online |  |  |
|  | No | Yes | Weekly |
| Percent who ... | \% | \% | \% |
| Watched TV News yesterday | 59 | 53 | 54 |
| Half-hour or less | 11 | 12 | 12 |
| Over half-hour | 47 | 40 | 41 |
| Didn't watch TV News | 40 | 47 | 46 |
| Regular viewers of ... |  |  |  |
| Nightly network news | 35 | 26 | 28 |
| Local nightly news | 61 | 51 | 54 |
| Network morning shows | 22 | 18 | 18 |
| Network news magazines | 34 | 28 | 30 | factors and personal interest in the news into account, Internet users watch the network news at lower rates than non-users. ${ }^{1}$

Internet users are also slightly less likely than non-users to watch other network broadcast news programming, including morning shows like Today and Good Morning America and evening news magazines like 60 Minutes, 20/20, or Dateline. For example, $28 \%$ of Internet users say they regularly watch network news magazines, compared to just over one-third ( $34 \%$ ) of non-users. While the differences between Internet users and non-users when it comes to these broadcast news programs are relatively small, they stand in contrast to other types of news sources - such as newspapers, radio, and many cable outlets - which Internet users are as likely, or more likely, to use.

Daily tracking of the public's online activities also reveals the Internet's growing status as a primary news source for many Americans. A separate daily tracking poll found that one-in-five Internet users ( $22 \%$ ) get news online on a typical day, and most of these users go to Internet sites specifically to learn what is in the news. ${ }^{2}$ Among those who get news online on a typical day, $55 \%$ said they went to an Internet news site to read the news, while 43\% said they happened to see news while they were doing something else online.

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## Narrowing Gender Gap

The Internet is becoming a news source in its own right, with one-in-three Americans (33\%) now regularly getting news online, up from just $20 \%$ two years ago. This represents a solid majority of all Internet users - $61 \%$ - who go online for news at least once a week, including $27 \%$ of users who get news online every day.

Although men are still somewhat more likely than women to get news online, the gender gap is closing. Today, the population of regular Internet news consumers is comprised of $57 \%$ men and $43 \%$ women, a slight narrowing from the $61 \%-39 \%$ split in April 1998. What's more, some $22 \%$ of those who get news online at least once a week are over age 50 , compared to just $16 \%$ two years ago.

Americans who regularly get news online are more interested than non-Internet users in news about science and technology, business and finance, and sports. For example, $27 \%$ of those who get news online at least once a week say they follow news about science and technology very closely, compared to just $14 \%$ of those who don't go online. More than twice as many Internet news consumers ( $22 \%$ ) as non-users ( $10 \%$ ) pay very close attention to business and finance news.

Notably, these topics are among the leading types of news that Internet users seek out when they go online. Fully $63 \%$ of those who get news online use the Internet to get updates on science and health, and nearly as many (59\%) get technology news online. Half (53\%) get business news online. These topics rank below only the weather, which remains the most popular type of online news - two-thirds (66\%) of Internet news consumers say they get weather news and updates online.

Indeed, the popularity of the Internet as a

| Online News Topics |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Internet News Consumers* |  |  |  |
|  | All | Men | Women |
| Goes online for... | \% | \% | \% |
| Weather news | 66 | 68 | 64 |
| Science/health news | 63 | 60 | 67 |
| Technology news | 59 | 72 | 45 |
| Business news | 53 | 62 | 43 |
| World news | 45 | 51 | 38 |
| Entertainment news | 44 | 40 | 47 |
| Sports | 42 | 57 | 27 |
| Political news | 39 | 44 | 34 |
| Local news | 37 | 35 | 39 | source of weather updates is underscored by growth in the number of women getting weather online. Even as more women have started getting news online on a regular basis, the share of those women who get weather updates on the Internet has jumped substantially, as well. Two years ago, just $41 \%$ of women who got news online used the Internet for weather news, compared to $55 \%$ of men. Today, the numbers among Internet news consumers are nearly comparable, with $64 \%$ of women and $68 \%$ of men getting weather news online.

Other types of stories rate somewhat below these major topics - weather, science, health, and business - in popularity among those who get news online. Roughly four-in-ten online news consumers say they check the Internet for international news ( $45 \%$ ) and sports news ( $42 \%$ ). About as many (44\%) get entertainment news online. Just over one-third get political news (39\%) or local news (37\%) online.

## Heavy Users Constantly Connected

Those who are daily Internet news consumers - and are among the most heavily-connected Americans - underscore a number of the trends that are contributing to the Internet's popularity as a new source. Those who get news online every day are disproportionately well-educated, younger men: $61 \%$ of daily Internet news consumers are men, $75 \%$ are under 50, and nearly half ( $47 \%$ ) have a college education. Half ( $52 \%$ ) have family incomes of $\$ 50,000$ or more.

For these people, technology is clearly a plus. Three out of four (77\%) not only go online on a daily basis, but also have a cell phone, pager, or Palm Pilot. Just as many (77\%) say they like having access to all the information that comes through television, newspapers and computers, with just $19 \%$ saying they feel overloaded. This compares with a much narrower $52 \%-36 \%$ split among non-users.

## Daily Users, Heavily Connected

|  | Get News <br> Online Daily |
| :--- | :---: |
| Percent who have ... | $\%$ |
| Cell phone | 74 |
| Pager | 30 |
| Palm Pilot | 14 |
| Online trading account | 14 |

Daily online news consumers are also heavily-engaged in the stock market and pay especially close attention to business news. Indeed, fully $42 \%$ of them personally trade stocks compared to $21 \%$ of all Americans - and one-in-four ( $26 \%$ ) made a trade within the last month. Half ( $52 \%$ ) say they follow business and financial news closely most of the time, regardless of whether something important is happening, compared to just one-third of all adults (33\%). Not surprisingly, an overwhelming majority (74\%) get financial news online.

## Section III: Financial News: Traders Turn to the Internet

While the crowded landscape has fragmented audiences, it has given the most sophisticated and technology-savvy news consumers an array of options that would have been inconceivable just a few years ago. Americans who are active stock traders and investors are perfectly positioned to take advantage of these choices.

Active traders - those who have bought or sold stock within the last six months - make up only $15 \%$ of the population. But reflecting the extent to which high-income Americans now participate in the market, active traders comprise nearly half ( $45 \%$ ) of all of those with family incomes of $\$ 100,000$ or more. Fully nine-in-ten ( $89 \%$ ) of those making at least $\$ 100,000$ are investors, though not as actively engaged. ${ }^{3}$ (For a full profile of active traders, see table p. 67.)

Not surprisingly, active traders have a strong interest in financial news. Fully eight-in-ten ( $81 \%$ ) get stock market updates at least once a week and nearly half ( $45 \%$ ) get this information on a daily basis. By contrast, $59 \%$ of all investors get weekly market updates and $25 \%$ check in daily. Among the public, $42 \%$ get weekly updates and just $16 \%$ get stock information every day.

But what may be most striking about active investors is their extraordinary access to and familiarity with the technological tools of the new information environment. A few years ago, active investors in search of news on the stock market would have been limited to a handful of newspapers and television programs; today, by far their leading source for such information is the Internet.

Nearly half (45\%) of active traders turn first to the Internet for stock updates and quotes, with television ( $24 \%$ ) running a distant second. By contrast, all investors and the public are more inclined to rely on traditional media - television and newspapers - for stock updates. The preferences of all investors are divided among television (30\%), the Internet (28\%) and newspapers ( $26 \%$ ), while television is clearly the public's main source for such news (at $37 \%$ ).

Active traders are also more likely to go online for investment advice. More than one-third $(35 \%)$ say they go online for information on how and where to invest, compared to $19 \%$ who turn to televison and $18 \%$ who use newspapers. An additional $12 \%$ volunteered that they rely on a stock broker or a financial adviser for this type of information.

## Customized Financial News

Active traders not only go online for financial news in greater numbers than all investors or
the general public, they also are more likely to possess other communications tools such as cell phones and pagers. While more than eight-in-ten (82\%) active investors own a home computer, $70 \%$ have a cell phone and $29 \%$ have a pager.

With access to a broad range of information technology, active traders are able to tailor their financial news to suit their personal needs and interests. For instance, nearly six-in-ten (58\%) active traders who go online for stock updates have a customized online web page that provides prices and other information on their stock portfolio. Roughly one-third (34\%) of all investors who go online for market updates (and $25 \%$ of all Internet users who go online for this purpose) have such customized portfolios. Moreover, $15 \%$ of active traders sometimes use cell phones, pagers or other wireless devices for


## Designer Financial News

* Based on Internet users who get regular stock updates includes cell phones, pagers and other devices. stock quotes and market updates. Just $9 \%$ of all investors and $7 \%$ of the public use these technologies to do so.

Access to technology - and the wide range of information sources - helps to give active investors considerable autonomy in making investment decisions. Nearly two-thirds of this group (66\%) say they are extremely involved making those decisions; fully nine-in-ten (94\%) are at least somewhat involved.

All investors and the public are also personally involved in formulating investment strategies — but to a lesser degree than active traders. Just under half of investors (49\%) and the public (48\%) say they are extremely involved in making investment-related decisions, while $17 \%$ of investors and $23 \%$ of the public say they are uninvolved or are minimally involved in making investment decisions.

## CNBC Rated Highly

Active traders also turn to different television outlets and newspapers for stock quotes and investment advice, compared to all investors or the public. Cable dwarfs broadcast news in the preferences of those active traders who name television as their main source for market updates.

Again among those active traders who rely on TV for updates, nearly eight-in-ten (77\%) say they turn most often to cable outlets, against $14 \%$ who most frequently tune in to local or network broadcast news. CNBC is the top choice of active investors who identify television as their main source (at $36 \%$ ). The percentage of active investors who name CNBC is more than double the percentages of those who tune into local (7\%) and network news (7\%) combined.

Generally, investors and members of the public who identify television as their main source for market information turn most often to CNN or its cable partner CNNfn ( $30 \%$ of all investors and $28 \%$ of the public). But one-in-five ( $21 \%$ ) investors and more than a quarter of the public ( $26 \%$ ) say they still turn to local television news for stock updates.

Active traders also are more likely than all investors and the public to tune into cable outlets when they are seeking investment advice. Among those who would go first to television for this type of information, CNBC is named most often (at $31 \%$ ), with CNN/CNNfn second at $27 \%$. All investors divide their preferences between CNN/CNNfn (27\%) and local news (25\%); the public does so as well, with $27 \%$ citing local news and $25 \%$ naming CNN/CNNfn.

Among those who choose newspapers as their primary source for stock market news, majorities of active traders (53\%), all investors (74\%) and the public (71\%) turn first to their local papers for stock updates. But fully one-quarter of active investors rely on the Wall Street Journal, significantly more than all investors (12\%) or the public (15\%).

## Beyond Financial News

Active traders are heavy consumers of news on many different subjects — not just financial news and advice - and they get information from a variety of sources. Despite their strong preference for surfing the web for business-related news, the vast majority of active investors have not abandoned traditional media.

Active traders regularly tune into the nightly network news programs at a slightly higher rate $(37 \%)$ than either all investors ( $33 \%$ ) or the general public (30\%). Nearly six-in-ten active traders ( $59 \%$ ) regularly tune into local news programs, about the same as all investors (58\%) and the public (56\%).

Nearly three-quarters (73\%) of active traders are regular newspaper readers, about the same as all investors ( $69 \%$ ) and somewhat more than the public ( $62 \%$ ). Nearly six-in-ten active investors $(58 \%)$ say they read a newspaper yesterday, compared with $53 \%$ of all investors and $46 \%$ of the public.

Beyond financial news, active traders are most interested in following news on science and technology, as well as sports. Nearly one-third ( $32 \%$ ) follow news on science and technology very closely, while $22 \%$ of all investors and $18 \%$ of the public say the same. Active traders also have relatively high interest in international news ( $23 \%$ following it very closely). But stories on crime and religion have less appeal to active investors than they do to the public.

## Internet Takes a Modest Toll

For a minority of active traders, however, the availability of news on the Internet has cut into their consumption of news from other media

| Major Differences in News Tastes |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | General Public | All <br> Investors | Active <br> Traders |
| Follow very closely ... | \% | \% | \% |
| Business \& Finance | 14 | 21 | 40 |
| Science \& Technology | 18 | 22 | 32 |
| Sports | 27 | 28 | 32 |
| Health | 29 | 30 | 28 |
| Local government | 20 | 24 | 27 |
| Community events | 26 | 25 | 26 |
| Crime | 30 | 27 | 25 |
| Politics in Washington | 17 | 21 | 25 |
| International affairs | 15 | 17 | 23 |
| Consumer news | 12 | 15 | 20 |
| Religion | 21 | 18 | 16 |
| Entertainment | 15 | 13 | 13 |
| Culture \& arts | 10 | 11 | 13 | — especially newspapers. While most (58\%) say there has been no change in their overall news consumption since they started getting news online, about one-in-five are going to other news sources less often. Nearly half (46\%) of active traders who have cut their use of traditional media since going online say they are reading newspapers less often, while $40 \%$ watch television news less.

Still, the vast majority of active traders are fairly content with the news offerings of the traditional media. More than three-quarters (78\%) say they are satisfied with TV news programming, about the same as all investors and the general public. An overwhelming majority (92\%) of active traders say they get at least some enjoyment out of keeping up with the news, compared to $91 \%$ of all investors and $85 \%$ of the public. Four-in-five ( $80 \%$ ) active investors disagree with the idea that the news is less important than it once was.

Perhaps most important, while many active investors opt for customized, online financial information, they have little interest in tailoring all news in that manner. Nearly seven-in-ten (68\%) active investors prefer to get general information about important events - about the same percentage as all investors (71\%) and the public (67\%) - while $26 \%$ would rather have news mostly about their interests.

## Section IV: Attitudes Toward the News

The decline in the number of Americans who say they enjoy the news is a continuation of a long-term trend. In 1995, a majority ( $54 \%$ ) said they enjoyed keeping up with the news a lot. That number fell to $50 \%$ in 1998 and $45 \%$ this year.

While Americans remain generally satisfied with the quality of television news and overall TV programming, the trend here is negative as well. About one-third (32\%) say they are very satisfied with the choice of TV news fare, down from $35 \%$ in 1998 and $43 \%$ in 1994. The number who say they are fairly satisfied fell from $50 \%$ in 1998 to $48 \%$ today.

And when they do tune into the news, increasing numbers of today's adults are fickle consumers. More than six-in-ten (62\%) now watch television news with their remote controls in hand. With channel surfing on the rise, it is no surprise that overall news consumption remains largely event-driven. Slightly less than half of the public (48\%) actually follows national news on a regular basis; fully $50 \%$ tune in only for significant or interesting events.

Still, Americans continue to place a high value on the importance of the news. Nearly threequarters ( $73 \%$ ) think that news today is as important as ever. A strong majority ( $62 \%$ ) appreciates having so many news and information choices available, and over half (53\%) wish they could devote more time to the news.

## Older and Overloaded

Most Americans enjoy the variety of options brought on by the ever-expanding number of TV news shows, magazines, newspapers and online information services. This is especially true for younger Americans, $70 \%$ of whom laud the new technologies. But older adults - the most avid news consumers - are most likely to feel burdened by the expansion and proliferation of news sources.

Four-in-ten senior citizens (41\%) say that all the TV shows, magazines, newspapers, and computer information services make them feel overloaded. Just $21 \%$ of adults under age 30, $27 \%$ of those ages $30-49$ and $35 \%$ of the $50-64$ age group agree. Americans with less education are also more apt than those with more education to feel overwhelmed by the number of news sources currently available.

| New Technologies: Burden or Benefit? |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\frac{18-29}{\%}$ |  |  | $\frac{65+}{\%}$ |
| Overloaded with |  |  |  |  |
| information ... |  |  |  |  |
| April, 2000 | 21 | 27 | 35 | 41 |
| April, 1998 | 19 | 26 | 31 | 40 |
| Enjoy keeping up with the news a lot ... |  |  |  |  |
| April, 2000 | 31 | 42 | 55 | 58 |
| April, 1998 | 33 | 48 | 59 | 68 |

Online news consumers are especially enthusiastic about the plethora of news choices. Three-quarters ( $76 \%$ ) of those who turn to the Internet for news at least once a week appreciate having a variety of options. Only slightly more than half (52\%) of those who don't go online agree.

## Age, Education Matter

Beyond the overall decline in the number of Americans who like following the news, there are major differences on this issue based on age and education. As has been true in previous years, older and better-educated Americans enjoy following the news a lot more than do younger adults and those with less schooling.

Only $31 \%$ of those age 18-29 like keeping up with the news a great deal. Nearly twice as many ( $57 \%$ ) of those age 50 and over agree. Among those without any college experience, just $41 \%$ enjoy following the news, compared to $54 \%$ of college graduates.

Not surprisingly, those who most enjoy following the news tend to be the heaviest news consumers. This holds true for all types of media. News enthusiasts watch television news more regularly, read newspapers more often, and follow all types of news international, national and local - at higher rates. They are also more avid consumers of news online. Among Internet regulars, 53\% $\log$ on for news at least three days a week.

But the Internet is also attracting those

The Internet: Not Just for News Junkies

| Enjoy keeping up with news |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | A Lot | Some | Not |
| Regular consumer of ... | \% | \% | \% |
| Network News | 47 | 22 | 7 |
| Local TV News | 71 | 49 | 15 |
| Cable News | 67 | 47 | 16 |
| Internet News at least 3 days/week* | 53 | 34 | 26 |
| Daily Newspaper | 75 | 56 | 33 |
| Magazines like Time, U.S. News, Newsweek | 18 | 9 | 3 | who don't enjoy the news. Fully one-quarter ( $26 \%$ ) of online users who say they don't like following the news still turn to the Internet for news at least three days a week. In fact, these lukewarm news consumers are more likely to log onto the Internet for news than watch network, local and cable television news.

Clearly, time constraints have made it more difficult for Americans to pay attention to the news. Over half ( $53 \%$ ) of the public says they wish they had more time to follow the news. Women - especially working mothers - express this desire to a greater degree than do men. Fully $58 \%$ of women want more time to follow the news; $48 \%$ of men agree. Almost two-thirds ( $65 \%$ ) of working mothers want more time to focus on the news.

## Most Remain Satisfied with TV

Despite the declining audience for television news, a higher percentage of Americans express satisfaction with the quality of news programs than general television fare. While eight-in-ten are at least fairly satisfied with television news, $58 \%$ say the same about all television content.

Young people show a decided lack of enthusiasm for the news, but they tend to be more satisfied with general television programming than do older Americans. Seven-in-ten of those under age 30 say they are satisfied with TV programming; $57 \%$ and $52 \%$, respectively, of adults ages $30-$ 49 and 50 and older agree. Parents in the 30-49 age group appear especially frustrated with TV offerings. Only about half (51\%) say they are satisfied. Perhaps not surprisingly, cable TV subscribers are more satisfied with the choices available on TV than are those who don't have cable in their homes.

When it comes to TV news, the satisfaction is more widespread. Majorities of all major demographic, religious and political groups say they are satisfied with TV news choices. Nonetheless, satisfaction levels have fallen somewhat in recent years. And today, among Internet users, those who are dissatisfied with TV news choices turn to online sources for news slightly more often than do those who are satisfied with TV choices, $33 \%$ vs. $26 \%$, respectively.

## Business Coverage Rated Highly

Americans give favorable reviews to the media's coverage of various types of news. Among those who follow each type of news, over $75 \%$ say they are at least fairly satisfied with coverage of business and finance issues, health news and events and people in their communities. Coverage of political events and issues in Washington is less highly rated: $62 \%$ say they are satisfied with this coverage.

| B+ For Business Coverage* |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | How Satisfied? |  |  |  |
|  | Very | Fairly | Not | DK |
| Coverage of ... | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| Business \& Finance | 29 | 57 | 12 | $2=100$ |
| Health News | 22 | 58 | 19 | $1=100$ |
| Community News | 22 | 55 | 22 | $1=100$ |
| National Politics | 15 | 47 | 37 | $1=100$ |
| * Based on those who or somewhat closely. | ollow | ach type | of ne | ws very |

Women express somewhat more satisfaction with the media's coverage of Washington politics than do men: $65 \%$ vs. $58 \%$, respectively, among those who follow this type of news closely. Less well-educated adults are also more satisfied with national political coverage: $65 \%$ of those with no college training are satisfied, compared to $58 \%$ of those with college degrees. Regular talk-radio listeners are among the least satisfied. Just $46 \%$ express satisfaction, compared to $62 \%$ of the population at large.

Hispanics and blacks who follow community news closely are slightly less satisfied with the
news media's coverage in this area than are whites, although large numbers are relatively content. Seven-in-ten blacks and $69 \%$ of Hispanics say they are satisfied with this coverage, compared to $79 \%$ of whites.

Although solid majorities of all major groups express satisfaction with the media's coverage of health news, community news and news about business and finance, Americans are divided on in their opinions as to whether executives and editors in the news media are out of touch. Just over half ( $53 \%$ ) of the public believe that newspaper and TV news executives are out of touch with people like them; $44 \%$ disagree. Older Americans, adults with less education, and white evangelical Protestants are among the most likely to complain about the news media's connection to the public.

## Roaming on the Rise

The public's propensity for flipping channels has risen six percentage points since 1998 when $56 \%$ of the public reported watching TV news with remotes at the ready, compared to $62 \%$ today. Young people are especially attached to their clickers - about threequarters $(76 \%)$ of those under age 30 watch with remotes in hand, compared to $63 \%$ of $30-49$ year-olds and $54 \%$ of the over 50 crowd.

Daily online news consumers are somewhat

| Engage Me - Quickly! |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
|  |  |  |
|  | April | April |
|  | $\underline{1998}$ | $\frac{2000}{\%}$ |
| I often watch news with |  |  |
| my remote in hand $\ldots$ |  |  |
| Completely agree | 29 | 36 |
| Mostly agree | 27 | 26 |
| Mostly disagree | 21 | 17 |
| Completely disagree | 21 | 18 |
| Don't know | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{3}$ |
|  | 100 | 100 | more prone to flipping than are regular network news watchers: $67 \%$ of Internet news consumers say they click to another channel whenever their interest fades, compared to $62 \%$ of the rest of the public. People who don't enjoy following the news are also more likely to watch TV news with remote controls at the ready. About two-thirds (68\%) of adults who don't get much pleasure from following the news click around; $56 \%$ of those who say they enjoy following the news a lot do so.

## Event-driven Audiences

Fully $64 \%$ of Americans say that they only follow international events closely when something important or interesting is happening; just $33 \%$ pay close attention most of the time.

This inattentiveness to international news was evident in 1998, but now more Americans appear to be turning away from national news as well. Half the public now says that they follow national events only when something important is happening, a slight jump from the $46 \%$ who said so in 1998. Although collegeeducated Americans are still the most attentive news followers, attention even among this group is falling off at a fairly rapid pace. Now, $41 \%$ of those with college degrees pay attention to national news only when important events are happening; in 1998 just 31\% were this inattentive.

Event-driven news consumers are also disproportionately young. Fully $63 \%$ of adults under age 30 follow national news closely only when something important or interesting is happening; in

| National News: Only for Events |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | April | April |  |
| Only follow | 1998 | 2000 | Change |
| important events* | \% | \% |  |
| Total | 46 | 50 | +4 |
| Men | 46 | 47 | +1 |
| Women | 46 | 52 | +6 |
| 18-29 | 54 | 63 | +9 |
| 30-49 | 45 | 51 | +6 |
| 50-64 | 39 | 43 | +4 |
| 65+ | 44 | 38 | -6 |
| College Grad+ | 31 | 41 | +10 |
| Some College | 45 | 47 | +2 |
| H.S. Grad | 53 | 53 | 0 |
| < H.S. Grad | 53 | 58 | +5 |
| * Only follow national news closely when something important or interesting is happening. |  |  |  | 1998, $54 \%$ were event-driven news consumers.

Taken together, a sizable group of Americans (43\%) follow both national and international news only when something important is happening. There is a very clear generational pattern on this measure. More than half ( $52 \%$ ) of those under 30 fall into this group, compared to $45 \%$ of those aged $30-49$ and only $34 \%$ of those over age 50 .

These event-driven news consumers are much less likely than those who follow the news consistently to say they enjoy keeping up with the news ( $26 \%$ enjoy this a lot, vs. $70 \%$ of those who follow the news most of the time). They're also more likely to feel overloaded by the myriad of news offerings, and they're less satisfied with the choice of news programs on available on TV.

Only about a quarter of the public (27\%) follows national and international news most of the time, whether or not something important or interesting is happening. More men than women fall into this category. This group is older and more well-educated than average. In addition, those who get news online on a daily basis are more likely than most to follow this pattern of news consumption ( $34 \%$ vs. $27 \%$ among the general public).

## Just My Facts, Please

While most of the public wants news that contains general information about important events, a substantial $28 \%$ say they prefer news that focuses on their own concerns and interests. This group is disproportionately young and male: Fully $39 \%$ of men under age 30 say they want news that addresses their interests. About one-third (32\%) of all men but just $24 \%$ of all women express this view.

Less well-educated Americans express a greater preference for news that caters to their personal interests, rather than more generalized news. Among those whose education ended with high school, $30 \%$ want news that addresses their personal concerns. Only $21 \%$ of college-educated adults pick the specialized over the general.

Americans who want specialized news consume less mainstream news than do those who favor more generalized news reporting. They watch TV news less frequently, are less apt to read a daily newspaper, and are less likely to be regular viewers of local news programs. Compared to those who prefer generalized reporting, this group is less constant in their attention to international, national and local news, tuning in only for important events.

Indeed, the only way in which those

| Preferring the Personal, Ignoring the Rest |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | More important to get news about... |  |
|  | General Information | Personal Interests |
| Regular consumer of ... | \% | \% |
| Network News | 33 | 25 |
| Local TV News | 59 | 48 |
| Cable News | 54 | 47 |
| Internet News at least 3 days/week* | 42 | 42 |
| Daily Newspaper | 66 | 56 |
| Magazines like Time, U.S. News, Newsweek | 14 | 8 |
| * Based on online users. |  |  | with particularized news interests do not differ substantially from the rest of adults is in their Internet news consumption. Both groups go online for news at equal rates.

## Where Americans Go for Breaking News

Given the public's diverging news tastes and habits, it is perhaps not surprising that Americans would scatter among different media outlets even during times of crisis. The Pew Research Center survey included a series of open-ended questions which asked people where they would go to find out about certain hypothetical breaking news events.

Under one scenario, respondents were asked where they would go for news if there had been a major terrorist attack on a large U.S. city. In this case, most Americans would turn on their television sets, but they wouldn't tune in to the broadcast networks. By a better than two-to-one margin, they would turn to cable TV outlets, primarily CNN.

As many Americans would go to the Internet for more information on a terrorist attack as would choose network TV. Fully $10 \%$ would go online to learn more about such an event. A similar proportion would turn on the radio. Very few (5\%) say they would wait for the morning newspaper.

Even more Americans would go online for news and information if they heard that the stock market had fallen 1,000 points. In this case, the Internet outpaces even cable TV. A sizable percentage ( $32 \%$ ) say they wouldn't be interested in getting more information about
 such a stock market dive. However, among those who would seek out news right away, fully a quarter (24\%) say they would go online. One-infive would turn to cable TV, and a mere $3 \%$ would turn to the networks. Fifteen percent would rely on newspapers and magazines.

## The Public's News Interests

Crime, health, and sports are the three types of news followed most closely by the American public. Fully three-in-ten Americans follow crime stories very closely. Health and sports news weigh in behind crime at $29 \%$ and $27 \%$, respectively. Community news and religion round out the top five news interests ( $26 \%$ and $21 \%$ ).

There are significant gender differences underlying the public's appetite for news. The top three news interests of women are health, crime and community, while men are mostly interested in sports, crime and science and technology.

Men also follow international affairs and business and financial news at higher rates than women. Fully one-in-five men follow both these types of news very closely, compared to $10 \%$ of women who follow international affairs and $8 \%$ who follow business and financial news.

News about political figures and events in Washington continues to rank low on the public's list of news interests. People who identify themselves as independents are the least interested in news about political figures and events in Washington. Only $10 \%$ say they follow this kind of news very closely, compared to $20 \%$ of Democrats and $21 \%$ of Republicans.

## Blacks Closely Track Community News

There are some notable differences in news consumption habits among blacks, whites and Hispanics. While fewer African-Americans than whites read a daily newspaper, blacks watch television news at slightly higher rates than whites. Nearly half of whites (47\%) report having read a daily newspaper yesterday, compared to $37 \%$ of blacks and $32 \%$ of Hispanics. On the other hand,

| Gender Gap in News Interest |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All | Women | Men |
| Follow very closely ... |  | \% | \% |
| Crime | 30 | 32 | 27 |
| Health | 29 | 35 | 21 |
| Sports | 27 | 14 | 41 |
| Community | 26 | 29 | 23 |
| Religion | 21 | 24 | 19 |
| Local Govt | 20 | 19 | 22 |
| Science \& Tech | 18 | 12 | 26 |
| Washington News | 17 | 14 | 20 |
| Entertainment | 14 | 15 | 15 |
| International Affairs | 14 | 10 | 20 |
| Business \& Finance | 14 | 8 | 20 |
| Consumer News | 12 | 11 | 13 |
| Culture \& Arts | 10 | 10 | 9 |


| Racial Patterns in News Consumption |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Blacks | Whites | Hispanics |
| Yesterday, did you ... | \% | \% | \% |
| Read a newspaper | 37 | 47 | 32 |
| Watch TV news | 59 | 56 | 56 | nearly six-in-ten blacks report having watched TV news yesterday, compared to $56 \%$ of whites.

While local community news is popular among more than half of the American public, blacks have a particularly strong interest in this subject. Almost seven-in-ten blacks (67\%) say they follow local community news closely most of the time whether or not something important is happening. This compares with $57 \%$ of whites and Hispanics. In addition, blacks watch local broadcast and cable news channels at significantly higher rates than whites or Hispanics.

More blacks than whites say they enjoy keeping up with the news a lot ( $56 \%$ to $44 \%$ ). However, blacks are less satisfied with the media's coverage of people and events in their community, an area of prime interest to them. Almost three-in-ten African-Americans (29\%) say they are dissatisfied with the coverage, while only two-in-ten whites (20\%) agree.

Crime and health are the top two news interests of blacks, Hispanics and whites alike, but there are clear differences after that. Blacks follow most types of news at a higher rate than whites and Hispanics. For example, almost twice as many blacks as whites follow crime news very closely ( $51 \%$ to $27 \%$ ). And more than four-in-ten blacks (42\%) follow religious news, compared to only $19 \%$ of whites and $20 \%$ of Hispanics.

| Top News Interests |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Blacks | Whites | Hispanics |
| Follow very closely . |  | \% | \% |
| Crime | 51 | 27 | 32 |
| Health | 45 | 27 | 29 |
| Religion | 42 | 19 | 20 |
| Community | 39 | 24 | 21 |
| Sports | 34 | 26 | 27 |
| Entertainment | 26 | 14 | 28 |
| Local government | 24 | 26 | 16 |

Blacks still lag behind whites and Hispanics in going online, but they are starting to access the Internet at slightly higher rates. The digital divide is still evident: $38 \%$ of blacks go online, compared to $56 \%$ of whites and $52 \%$ of Hispanics. Almost one-quarter of blacks ( $24 \%$ ) now get news online at least weekly, compared to $33 \%$ of whites.

## Section V. Media Credibility

While television news viewership has fallen off in recent years, credibility ratings for the major TV news outlets have remained relatively stable. As was the case in 1998 and 1996, CNN is rated the most believable TV news source. Roughly four-in-ten Americans who are able to rate it (39\%) say they can believe all or most of what they see and hear on CNN.

The three major broadcast networks are rated about equally in terms of believability: Roughly three-in-ten say they believe most of what they see on ABC, NBC and CBS. Ratings for the networks are basically unchanged from 1998 and 1996. The network news magazines are rated slightly better than the networks themselves. Onethird (34\%) give 60 Minutes a high rating for believability, and $32 \%$ give the same high rating to NBC's Dateline. The ratings of local TV are similar to the networks, with $33 \%$ saying they can believe all or most of what they see on their local newscasts.

Fewer Americans are able to rate the newer all news cable channels, MSNBC and the Fox News Channel. Nonetheless, among those able to rate them, they rank just slightly below the broadcast networks. Less than three-in-ten (28\%) give MSNBC high marks for believability; 26\% give the Fox News Channel a high rating. C-SPAN received high believability ratings from $33 \%$ of those able to rate it.

| Broadcast \& Cable* |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Believ |  |  | Cannot Believe | Can't |
|  | $\frac{4}{\%}$ |  |  | $\frac{1}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Rate }}{\%}$ |
| CNN |  | 39 | 16 | 6=100 | 16 |
| May, 1998 |  | 41 |  | 4 | 13 |
| April, 1996 | 38 | 42 | 16 | 4 | 11 |
| 60 Minutes | 34 | 41 | 18 | 7 | 8 |
| May, 1998 |  | 39 |  | 5 | 7 |
| C-SPAN | 33 | 39 | 18 | 10 | 38 |
| May, 1998 | 32 | 42 | 19 | 7 | 38 |
| April, 1996 |  | 37 | 19 | 16 | 36 |
| Local TV News | 33 | 41 | 20 | 6 | 6 |
| May, 1998 | 34 | 41 | 19 | 6 | 4 |
| Dateline NBC | 32 | 38 | 23 | 7 | 18 |
| May, 1998 | 27 | 45 | 22 | 6 | 15 |
| ABC News | 30 | 41 | 23 | 6 | 12 |
| May, 1998 | 30 | 46 | 20 | 4 | 7 |
| April, 1996 |  | 46 | 18 | 5 | 4 |
| CBS News | 29 | 42 | 22 | 7 | 10 |
| May, 1998 | 28 | 46 | 22 | 4 | 6 |
| April, 1996 | 32 | 44 | 18 | 6 | 5 |
| NBC News | 29 | 41 | 22 | 8 | 9 |
| May, 1998 | 30 | 45 |  | 4 | 6 |
| April, 1996 |  | 47 | 19 | 5 | 3 |
| MSNBC |  | 42 | 22 | 8 | 31 |
| Fox News |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cable Channel | 26 | 37 | 25 | 12 | 25 |
| NPR | 25 | 34 | 29 | 12 | 37 |
| May, 1998 |  | 48 |  | 9 | 29 |
| NewsHour |  | 35 |  | 15 | 48 |
| May, 1998 |  | 39 | 23 | 9 | 47 |
| All Things |  |  |  |  |  |
| Considered | 21 | 37 | 28 | 14 | 30 |
| May, 1998 | 19 | 43 | 33 | 5 | 27 |
| June, 1985 |  | 50 | 22 | 3 | 59 |
| * Percentages based on those who could rate each. |  |  |  |  |  |

Similarly, public broadcasting outlets are less well-known than the large commercial networks, but their credibility ratings are comparable among those who can rate them. Ratings for National Public Radio have improved somewhat since 1998. One-quarter give NPR the highest rating for believability, compared to $19 \%$ two years ago. Roughly one-in-five (21\%) rate NPR's All Things Considered as highly believable. The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer is rated highly by roughly one-quarter of the public - $24 \%$ say they can believe all or most of what they hear on this show.

## Wall Street Journal Stands Out

Compared to television news outlets, print sources are generally seen as less believable, with one exception. The Wall Street Journal is viewed as the most highly credible news source among all the traditional outlets included in the poll. Among those able to rate, fully $41 \%$ say they can believe all or most of what they read in the Wall Street Journal.

Time Magazine comes in a distant second on the list of print sources included in the poll.

| Print Media* |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Believ |  |  | Cannot Believe | Can't |
|  | $\frac{4}{\%}$ |  |  | $\frac{1}{\%}$ | $\frac{\mathrm{Rate}}{\%}$ |
| Wall Street Jn'1 | 41 | 37 | 14 | $8=100$ | 34 |
| May, 1998 | 41 | 40 | 13 | 6 | 27 |
| April, 1996 | 36 | 38 | 17 | 9 | 23 |
| Time | 29 | 41 | 22 | 8 | 26 |
| May, 1998 |  | 47 | 21 | 5 | 20 |
| Your daily paper | 25 | 40 | 26 | 9 | 7 |
| May, 1998 | 29 | 38 | 25 | 8 | 6 |
| April, 1996 | 25 | 39 | 37 | 8 | 5 |
| Newsweek |  | 43 | 24 | 9 | 27 |
| May, 1998 | 24 | 50 | 20 | 6 | 20 |
| USA Today | 23 | 41 | 27 | 9 | 25 |
| May, 1998 | 23 | 44 | 27 | 6 | 21 |
| April, 1996 | 24 | 41 |  | 11 | 17 |
| Associated Press | 21 | 42 | 28 | 9 | 23 |
| May, 1998 | 18 | 44 | 30 | 8 | 19 |
| April, 1996 |  | 47 | 26 | 10 | 15 |
| People | 10 | 24 | 40 | 26 | 24 |
| May, 1998 | 10 | 27 | 43 | 20 | 21 |
| National Enquirer | 4 |  |  | 82 | 18 |
| May, 1998 | 3 | 4 | 13 | 80 | 13 | Three-in-ten (29\%) give Time a high rating for believability. Newsweek gets a high rating from $24 \%$.

One-in-four Americans give their local daily newspaper high marks for believability. This is down somewhat from $29 \%$ in 1998. USA Today is highly rated by $23 \%$, unchanged from two years ago.

Ratings for the Associated Press have risen moderately in recent years. Today $21 \%$ of those able to rate the wire service give it high marks for believability, up from $18 \%$ in 1998 and $16 \%$ in 1996.

Entertainment and tabloid outlets such as People and the National Enquirer receive the lowest ratings overall. Only $10 \%$ of those able to rate People say they can believe all or most of what they read in the magazine. Even fewer (4\%) give high ratings to the Enquirer.

## Online Sites Beat Parent Organizations

This year, for the first time, the Center asked online users to rate the believability of several popular Internet news sites. ${ }^{4}$ Interestingly, ratings for the online sites of the major national news organizations are substantially higher than ratings for the news organizations themselves.

For example, among online users who could rate, fully $54 \%$ give CNN.com a high believability rating, while only $40 \%$ give the same rating to CNN. With ABC News, $44 \%$ of online users rate the network's website highly believable, compared with $29 \%$ who give the same rating to the organization itself.

A similar pattern can be seen for NBC News vs. MSNBC.com, CBS News vs. CBSNews.com, USA Today vs. USAToday.com., and the Fox News Channel vs. FoxNews.com. In each case, online users give the website a higher

| Online Sites More Believable Than Traditional Sources* |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Believe |  |  | Cannot Believe |
|  | $\frac{4}{\%}$ | $\frac{3}{\%}$ | $\frac{2}{\%}$ | $\frac{1}{\%}$ |
| CNN | 40 | 42 | 14 | $4=100$ |
| CNN.com | 54 | 33 | 7 | 6 |
| ABC News | 29 | 46 | 20 | 5 |
| ABCNews.com | 44 | 40 | 10 | 6 |
| NBC News | 27 | 45 | 22 | 6 |
| MSNBC | 29 | 44 | 20 | 7 |
| MSNBC.com | 40 | 38 | 18 | 4 |
| CBS News | 27 | 45 | 22 | 6 |
| CBSNews.com | 41 | 44 | 10 | 5 |
| USA Today | 21 | 46 | 27 | 6 |
| USAToday.com | 37 | 42 | 16 | 5 |
| Fox News Channel | 21 | 41 | 28 | 10 |
| FoxNews.com | 34 | 37 | 25 | 4 |
| * Based on online users who could rate each. |  |  |  |  | rating than the parent news organization. The New York Times' website is rated highly by $42 \%$ of online users, but the newspaper itself was not rated on credibility.

Believability ratings for Internet-only sites vary widely. The two best-known sites receive the highest ratings: Roughly three-in-ten online users say they can believe all or most of what they read on Yahoo (29\%) and Netscape (30\%). AOL's News Channel gets a high rating from 23\% of the online users able to rate it.

Less well-known are the popular search engines Lycos.com, Go Network and About.com Among those able to rate them, just under one-in-five give Lycos and Go Network high believability ratings. About.com received high marks from 13\% of online users.

The poll includes two technologyoriented news sites - CNET.com and ZDNet.com. Each received high believability ratings from roughly one-quarter of users familiar with them.

Two online magazines, Salon and Slate, received the lowest marks overall. Fewer than one-in-five online users were able to rate these sites. Salon received high ratings for credibility from $12 \%$ of those who rated it, while Slate got high marks from only $4 \%$.

| Believability of Online News Sites* |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Bel |  | Not | Believe | Can't |
|  | $\frac{4}{\%}$ |  | $\frac{2}{\%}$ | $\frac{1}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Rate }}{\%}$ |
| CNN.com | 54 | 33 | 7 | $6=100$ | 29 |
| ABCNews.com | 44 | 40 | 10 | 6 | 33 |
| New York Times.com | 42 | 35 | 14 | 9 | 44 |
| CBSNews.com | 41 | 44 | 10 | 5 | 32 |
| MSNBC.com | 40 | 38 | 18 | 4 | 31 |
| USAToday.com | 37 | 42 | 16 | 5 | 36 |
| FoxNews.com | 34 | 37 | 25 | 4 | 42 |
| Netscape | 30 | 39 | 24 | 7 | 44 |
| Yahoo | 29 | 45 | 22 | 4 | 26 |
| ZDNet.com | 28 | 19 | 28 | 25 | 75 |
| AOL News Channel | 23 | 47 | 19 | 11 | 45 |
| CNET.com | 23 | 38 | 26 | 13 | 65 |
| Lycos.com | 19 | 42 | 27 | 12 | 61 |
| Go Network | 18 | 34 | 29 | 19 | 74 |
| About.com+ | 13 | 31 | 31 | 25 | 78 |
| Salon+ | 12 | 10 | 34 | 44 | 84 |
| Slate+ | 4 | 11 | 40 | 45 | 86 |
| * Based on online users who could rate each <br> + Note: small sample size. |  |  |  |  |  |

## MEDIA USE "YESTERDAY"

|  | Read a Newspaper Yesterday |  |  | Watched TV News Yesterday |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Yes | No | DK | Yes | No | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 46 | 54 | * $=100$ | 55 | 44 | $1=100$ |
| SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 49 | 51 | * | 54 | 46 | * |
| Female | 42 | 58 | * | 57 | 42 | 1 |
| AGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18-29 | 29 | 71 | * | 44 | 56 | * |
| 30-49 | 43 | 57 | * | 51 | 49 | * |
| 50-64 | 53 | 46 | 1 | 60 | 39 | 1 |
| 65+ | 63 | 37 | * | 76 | 23 | 1 |
| AGE/SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Men Under 30 | 34 | 66 | * | 42 | 58 | - |
| Women Under 30 | 24 | 76 | - | 46 | 53 | 1 |
| Men 30-49 | 48 | 52 | - | 51 | 49 | * |
| Women 30-49 | 39 | 61 | * | 51 | 49 | * |
| Men 50+ | 62 | 38 | * | 66 | 34 | * |
| Women 50+ | 54 | 45 | 1 | 68 | 31 | 1 |
| RACE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 47 | 53 | * | 56 | 44 | * |
| Non-White | 38 | 62 | * | 56 | 43 | 1 |
| Black | 37 | 63 | * | 59 | 39 | 2 |
| Hispanic ${ }^{\wedge}$ | 33 | 67 | - | 56 | 44 | * |
| EDUCATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| College Grad.+ | 54 | 46 | * | 52 | 48 | * |
| Some College | 46 | 54 | * | 59 | 41 | * |
| High School Grad. | 45 | 55 | * | 56 | 43 | 1 |
| < High School Grad. | 34 | 66 | - | 55 | 45 | - |
| FAMILY INCOME |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$75,000+ | 57 | 43 | * | 54 | 46 | * |
| \$50,000-\$74,999 | 51 | 49 | * | 54 | 46 | * |
| \$30,000-\$49,999 | 42 | 58 | * | 55 | 45 | * |
| \$20,000-\$29,999 | 38 | 62 | - | 54 | 45 | 1 |
| <\$20,000 | 35 | 64 | 1 | 57 | 42 | 1 |

QUESTION: Did you get a chance to read a daily newspaper yesterday, or not? Did you watch the news or a news program on television yesterday, or not?
${ }^{\wedge}$ The designation Hispanic is unrelated to the white-black categorization.

|  | Read a Newspaper Yesterday |  |  | Watched TV News Yesterday |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Yes | No | DK | Yes | No | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 46 | 54 | * $=100$ | 55 | 44 | * $=100$ |
| REGION |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| East | 51 | 49 | * | 54 | 45 | 1 |
| Midwest | 46 | 54 | * | 54 | 46 | * |
| South | 45 | 55 | * | 58 | 41 | 1 |
| West | 41 | 59 | * | 54 | 46 | * |
| PARTY ID |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Republican | 49 | 51 | * | 59 | 41 | * |
| Democrat | 47 | 53 | * | 58 | 41 | 1 |
| Independent | 43 | 57 | - | 52 | 48 | * |
| CABLE TV |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subscriber | 50 | 50 | * | 57 | 43 | * |
| Non-Subscriber | 37 | 63 | * | 53 | 46 | 1 |
| COMPUTER USER |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Computer User | 45 | 55 | * | 53 | 46 | 1 |
| On-Line User | 46 | 54 | * | 53 | 47 | * |
| Not an Internet User | 45 | 55 | * | 59 | 40 | 1 |
| LIFE CYCLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 30: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 33 | 67 | * | 40 | 60 | - |
| Married | 21 | 79 | - | 53 | 46 | 1 |
| 30-49: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 45 | 55 | - | 50 | 50 | * |
| Married w/out Children | 44 | 56 | - | 55 | 44 | 1 |
| Married With Children | 45 | 55 | * | 51 | 49 | * |
| 50-64: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 55 | 44 | 1 | 61 | 39 | * |
| Not Married | 50 | 50 | * | 60 | 39 | 1 |
| 65+: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 73 | 27 | - | 79 | 20 | 1 |
| Not Married | 56 | 44 | * | 74 | 25 | 1 |
| Working Mothers | 37 | 63 | - | 51 | 48 | 1 |
| Single Parent | 35 | 65 | * | 49 | 50 | 1 |

## MEDIA USE "YESTERDAY"

|  | Read a Magazine Yesterday |  |  | Listened to Radio News Yesterday |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Yes | No | DK | Yes | No | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 26 | 74 | * $=100$ | 43 | 56 | $1=100$ |
| SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 27 | 73 | * | 48 | 51 | 1 |
| Female | 26 | 74 | * | 39 | 60 | 1 |
| AGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18-29 | 29 | 71 | * | 37 | 63 | * |
| 30-49 | 26 | 74 | - | 50 | 49 | 1 |
| 50-64 | 25 | 74 | 1 | 42 | 57 | 1 |
| 65+ | 26 | 74 | - | 36 | 64 | * |
| AGE/SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Men Under 30 | 29 | 71 | - | 38 | 61 | 1 |
| Women Under 30 | 28 | 71 | 1 | 35 | 65 | - |
| Men 30-49 | 26 | 74 | * | 54 | 45 | 1 |
| Women 30-49 | 26 | 74 | - | 47 | 52 | 1 |
| Men 50+ | 26 | 74 | - | 48 | 52 | * |
| Women 50+ | 26 | 74 | * | 34 | 65 | 1 |
| RACE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 26 | 74 | * | 45 | 54 | 1 |
| Non-White | 27 | 73 | * | 36 | 64 | * |
| Black | 26 | 74 | * | 36 | 64 | * |
| Hispanic | 28 | 72 | - | 41 | 59 | - |
| EDUCATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| College Grad.+ | 36 | 64 | * | 56 | 44 | * |
| Some College | 30 | 70 | * | 47 | 53 | * |
| High School Grad. | 22 | 78 | - | 40 | 59 | 1 |
| < High School Grad. | 17 | 83 | - | 27 | 72 | 1 |
| FAMILY INCOME |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$75,000+ | 34 | 66 | - | 56 | 44 | * |
| \$50,000-\$74,999 | 29 | 71 | - | 53 | 47 | * |
| \$30,000-\$49,999 | 29 | 71 | * | 42 | 57 | 1 |
| \$20,000-\$29,999 | 22 | 78 | - | 41 | 58 | 1 |
| <\$20,000 | 24 | 76 | - | 34 | 66 | * |

QUESTION: Thinking about yesterday, did you spend any time reading magazines?
About how much time, if any, did you spend listening to any news on the radio yesterday, or didn't you happen to listen to the news on the radio yesterday?

CONTINUED ...


# VIEWERSHIP OF SELECTED PROGRAMS 

|  | Nightly Network News |  |  |  |  | Local News In Viewing Area |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  |  |
|  | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK | ' ${ }^{\prime}$ |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |  |
| TOTAL | 30 | 28 | 16 | 25 | $1=100$ | 56 | 24 | 9 | 11 | * $=100$ | (3142) |
| SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 29 | 27 | 18 | 26 | * | 54 | 25 | 10 | 11 | * | (1454) |
| Female | 31 | 29 | 15 | 24 | 1 | 57 | 24 | 9 | 10 | * | (1688) |
| AGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18-29 | 17 | 33 | 17 | 33 | * | 45 | 32 | 11 | 12 | * | (651) |
| 30-49 | 24 | 31 | 19 | 26 | * | 54 | 25 | 9 | 12 | * | (1265) |
| 50-64 | 40 | 22 | 16 | 21 | 1 | 62 | 22 | 9 | 7 | * | (952) |
| 65+ | 50 | 20 | 12 | 17 | 1 | 68 | 17 | 5 | 9 | 1 | (494) |
| AGE/SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Men Under 30 | 17 | 28 | 19 | 36 | * | 41 | 33 | 12 | 14 | * | (340) |
| Women Under 30 | 17 | 37 | 16 | 30 | * | 48 | 32 | 10 | 10 | - | (311) |
| Men 30-49 | 25 | 31 | 19 | 25 | * | 53 | 25 | 9 | 13 | - | (634) |
| Women 30-49 | 22 | 32 | 18 | 27 | 1 | 54 | 25 | 10 | 11 | * | (631) |
| Men 50+ | 42 | 20 | 17 | 20 | 1 | 65 | 20 | 8 | 7 | * | (458) |
| Women 50+ | 47 | 22 | 12 | 18 | 1 | 65 | 19 | 7 | 9 | * | (704) |
| RACE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 30 | 27 | 17 | 25 | 1 | 55 | 25 | 9 | 11 | * | (2610) |
| Non-White | 31 | 31 | 15 | 23 | * | 59 | 22 | 8 | 11 | * | (479) |
| Black | 36 | 31 | 12 | 21 | * | 64 | 21 | 5 | 10 | * | (284) |
| Hispanic | 28 | 28 | 15 | 28 | 1 | 52 | 27 | 9 | 12 | * | (206) |
| EDUCATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| College Grad.+ | 28 | 27 | 21 | 24 | * | 50 | 27 | 12 | 11 | * | (984) |
| Some College | 30 | 28 | 16 | 26 | * | 54 | 26 | 9 | 11 | * | (792) |
| High School Grad. | 32 | 29 | 15 | 24 | * | 60 | 22 | 8 | 10 | * | (1027) |
| < High School Grad. | 30 | 27 | 12 | 30 | 1 | 57 | 22 | 8 | 12 | 1 | (330) |
| FAMILY INCOME |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$75,000+ | 28 | 25 | 19 | 27 | 1 | 54 | 27 | 11 | 8 | * | (529) |
| \$50,000-\$74,999 | 28 | 26 | 21 | 25 | - | 53 | 26 | 9 | 12 | * | (469) |
| \$30,000-\$49,999 | 29 | 30 | 17 | 24 | - | 59 | 22 | 9 | 10 | - | (737) |
| \$20,000-\$29,999 | 28 | 28 | 18 | 26 | * | 53 | 27 | 10 | 11 | - | (381) |
| <\$20,000 | 31 | 29 | 13 | 26 | 1 | 55 | 26 | 6 | 13 | * | (452) |

QUESTION: Now, I'd like to know how often you watch or listen to certain TV and radio programs. For each that I read, tell me if you watch or listen to it regularly, sometimes, hardly ever or never ... (the national nightly network news on CBS, ABC or NBC? This is different from the local news shows about the area where you live; the local news in you viewing area? This usually comes on before the national news and then later at night at 10 or 11).

|  | Nightly Network News |  |  |  |  | Local News In Viewing Area |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  |  |
|  | $\frac{\text { larly }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { times }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Ever }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Never }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\mathrm{DK}}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { larly }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { times }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Ever }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Never }}{\%}$ | $\underline{\mathrm{r}} \frac{\mathrm{DK}}{\%}$ | ' ${ }^{\text {N' }}$ |
| TOTAL | 30 | 28 | 16 | 25 | $1=100$ | 56 | 24 | 9 | 11 | * $=100$ | (3142) |
| REGION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| East | 34 | 25 | 14 | 26 | 1 | 52 | 26 | 10 | 12 | * | (596) |
| Midwest | 27 | 30 | 19 | 24 | * | 57 | 23 | 9 | 11 | * | (752) |
| South | 34 | 27 | 16 | 22 | 1 | 61 | 22 | 8 | 9 | * | (1139) |
| West | 23 | 29 | 18 | 30 | * | 49 | 29 | 11 | 11 | * | (655) |
| PARTY ID |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Republican | 29 | 29 | 17 | 25 | * | 57 | 26 | 8 | 9 | * | (929) |
| Democrat | 36 | 29 | 15 | 19 | 1 | 63 | 22 | 7 | 8 | * | (968) |
| Independent | 26 | 26 | 17 | 30 | 1 | 50 | 25 | 11 | 14 | * | (960) |
| CABLE TV |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subscriber | 31 | 28 | 17 | 24 | * | 57 | 25 | 9 | 9 | * | (2108) |
| Non-Subscriber | 28 | 27 | 16 | 28 | 1 | 54 | 22 | 9 | 15 | * | (1034) |
| COMPUTER USER |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Computer User | 26 | 30 | 18 | 26 | * | 53 | 26 | 10 | 11 | * | (2238) |
| On-Line User | 26 | 30 | 18 | 26 | * | 52 | 27 | 10 | 11 | * | (1803) |
| Not an Internet User | 35 | 26 | 14 | 24 | 1 | 61 | 21 | 8 | 10 | * | (1339) |
| LIFE CYCLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 30: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 17 | 32 | 18 | 33 | * | 41 | 35 | 11 | 13 | * | (407) |
| Married | 15 | 36 | 16 | 32 | 1 | 47 | 29 | 11 | 13 | - | (166) |
| 30-49: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 25 | 29 | 18 | 28 | * | 46 | 29 | 10 | 15 | * | (320) |
| Married w/out Children | 23 | 32 | 19 | 26 | - | 55 | 26 | 8 | 11 | - | (210) |
| Married With Children | 23 | 33 | 19 | 25 | * | 58 | 22 | 10 | 10 | - | (546) |
| 50-64: $30{ }^{\text {2 }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 39 | 21 | 18 | 21 | 1 | 64 | 21 | 9 | 6 | * | (412) |
| Not Married | 42 | 24 | 13 | 21 | - | 59 | 23 | 9 |  | * | (261) |
| 65+: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 52 | 16 | 13 | 18 | 1 | 71 | 16 | 4 | 8 | 1 | (213) |
| Not Married | 50 | 23 | 10 | 16 | 1 | 66 | 17 | 7 | 10 | * | (274) |
| Working Mothers | 20 | 32 | 17 | 30 | 1 | 56 | 24 | 10 | 10 | - | (340) |
| Single Parent | 26 | 29 | 15 | 29 | 1 | 56 | 23 | 8 | 13 | * | (290) |

# VIEWERSHIP OF SELECTED NETWORKS 

|  | Cable News Network (CNN) |  |  |  |  | C-SPAN |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  |
|  | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 21 | 34 | 16 | 29 | * $=100$ | 4 | 17 | 22 | 56 | $1=100$ |
| SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 23 | 33 | 17 | 26 | 1 | 5 | 19 | 23 | 52 | 1 |
| Female | 19 | 36 | 14 | 31 | * | 3 | 16 | 20 | 59 | 2 |
| AGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18-29 | 16 | 35 | 17 | 32 | - | 3 | 16 | 20 | 60 | 1 |
| 30-49 | 22 | 35 | 16 | 27 | * | 3 | 17 | 23 | 56 | 1 |
| 50-64 | 23 | 35 | 14 | 27 | 1 | 5 | 19 | 22 | 52 | 2 |
| 65+ | 23 | 33 | 13 | 31 | * | 5 | 18 | 20 | 54 | 3 |
| AGE/SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Men Under 30 | 16 | 33 | 20 | 31 | - | 3 | 17 | 19 | 61 | - |
| Women Under 30 | 15 | 38 | 15 | 32 | - | 2 | 15 | 22 | 60 | 1 |
| Men 30-49 | 25 | 34 | 17 | 24 | * | 5 | 18 | 24 | 52 | 1 |
| Women 30-49 | 19 | 36 | 15 | 30 | * | 2 | 16 | 22 | 59 | 1 |
| Men 50+ | 25 | 34 | 16 | 24 | 1 | 6 | 22 | 25 | 45 | 2 |
| Women 50+ | 22 | 35 | 11 | 32 | * | 5 | 16 | 18 | 59 | 2 |
| RACE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 21 | 34 | 16 | 29 | * | 4 | 16 | 22 | 57 | 1 |
| Non-White | 23 | 38 | 13 | 26 | * | 4 | 21 | 22 | 51 | 2 |
| Black | 23 | 40 | 13 | 24 | - | 5 | 23 | 23 | 47 | 2 |
| Hispanic | 22 | 30 | 15 | 32 | 1 | 3 | 19 | 18 | 57 | 3 |
| EDUCATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| College Grad.+ | 25 | 38 | 16 | 21 | * | 5 | 21 | 25 | 49 | * |
| Some College | 23 | 36 | 14 | 27 | * | 4 | 19 | 22 | 54 | 1 |
| High School Grad. | 20 | 33 | 15 | 32 | * | 3 | 16 | 21 | 58 | 2 |
| < High School Grad. | 17 | 32 | 16 | 35 | - | 3 | 12 | 18 | 64 | 3 |
| FAMILY INCOME |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$75,000+ | 25 | 41 | 15 | 19 | * | 4 | 23 | 25 | 47 | 1 |
| \$50,000-\$74,999 | 25 | 35 | 20 | 20 | - | 3 | 19 | 27 | 50 | 1 |
| \$30,000-\$49,999 | 19 | 36 | 15 | 30 | * | 5 | 18 | 22 | 54 | 1 |
| \$20,000-\$29,999 | 16 | 33 | 17 | 34 | * | 2 | 12 | 26 | 58 | 2 |
| <\$20,000 | 20 | 28 | 14 | 38 | - | 4 | 14 | 15 | 65 | 2 |

QUESTION: Now, I'd like to know how often you watch or listen to certain TV and radio programs. For each that I read, tell me if you watch or listen to it regularly, sometimes, hardly ever or never ... (Cable News Network; C-SPAN).

|  | Cable News Network (CNN) |  |  |  |  | C-SPAN |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  |
|  | $\frac{\text { larly }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { times }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Ever }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Never }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\mathrm{DK}}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { larly }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { times }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Ever }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\text { Never }}{\%}$ | $\frac{\mathrm{DK}}{\%}$ |
| TOTAL | 21 | 34 | 16 | 29 | * $=100$ | 4 | 17 | 22 | 56 | $1=100$ |
| REGION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| East | 21 | 40 | 13 | 25 | 1 | 2 | 21 | 26 | 50 | 1 |
| Midwest | 18 | 33 | 16 | 33 | * | 3 | 15 | 19 | 61 | 2 |
| South | 26 | 32 | 15 | 27 | * | 5 | 17 | 22 | 54 | 2 |
| West | 18 | 34 | 18 | 30 | * | 4 | 17 | 21 | 57 | 1 |
| PARTY ID |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Republican | 21 | 37 | 17 | 25 | * | 5 | 19 | 23 | 52 | 1 |
| Democrat | 24 | 36 | 14 | 26 | * | 3 | 18 | 22 | 55 | 2 |
| Independent | 19 | 32 | 16 | 33 | * | 3 | 15 | 21 | 60 | 1 |
| CABLE TV |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subscriber | 26 | 41 | 16 | 17 | * | 5 | 21 | 24 | 49 | 1 |
| Non-Subscriber | 11 | 21 | 15 | 52 | 1 | 2 | 11 | 16 | 70 | 1 |
| COMPUTER USER |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Computer User | 22 | 36 | 16 | 26 | * | 4 | 18 | 23 | 54 | 1 |
| On-Line User | 22 | 38 | 16 | 24 | * | 4 | 19 | 24 | 52 | 1 |
| Not an Internet User | 20 | 31 | 15 | 34 | * | 3 | 15 | 19 | 60 | 3 |
| LIFE CYCLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 30: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 16 | 36 | 17 | 31 | - | 3 | 17 | 18 | 61 | 1 |
| Married | 14 | 35 | 17 | 34 | - | 2 | 14 | 23 | 60 | 1 |
| 30-49: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 24 | 35 | 18 | 23 | * | 4 | 16 | 22 | 57 | 1 |
| Married w/out Children | 27 | 33 | 14 | 26 | - | 4 | 17 | 23 | 54 | 2 |
| Married w/Children | 21 | 36 | 17 | 26 | * | 2 | 19 | 23 | 55 | 1 |
| 50-64: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 24 | 38 | 13 | 24 | 1 | 5 | 19 | 24 | 50 | 2 |
| Not Married | 21 | 31 | 15 | 33 | * | 4 | 19 | 19 | 56 | 2 |
| 65+: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 23 | 37 | 13 | 26 | 1 | 6 | 20 | 24 | 47 | 3 |
| Not Married | 24 | 29 | 13 | 34 | * | 5 | 17 | 17 | 58 | 3 |
| Working Mothers | 19 | 34 | 14 | 33 | - | 2 | 16 | 24 | 57 | 1 |
| Single Parent | 15 | 36 | 15 | 34 | - | 2 | 14 | 24 | 58 | 2 |

# VIEWERSHIP OF SELECTED NETWORKS 

TOTAL

|  |  | CNBC |  |  |  |  | MSNBC |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  |
| larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK |
| \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| 13 | 29 | 18 | 37 | $3=100$ | 11 | 27 | 17 | 42 | $3=100$ |
| 14 | 29 | 18 | 37 | 2 | 11 | 26 | 20 | 41 | 2 |
| 11 | 29 | 18 | 38 | 4 | 11 | 29 | 14 | 42 | 4 |

AGE
18-29
30-49
50-64
65+
AGE/SEX
Men Under 30
Women Under 30
Men 30-49
Women 30-49
Men 50+
Women 50+

| 9 | 33 | 18 | 39 | 1 | 10 | 30 | 15 | 43 | 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 13 | 29 | 18 | 38 | 2 | 11 | 28 | 18 | 41 | 2 |
| 13 | 30 | 17 | 37 | 3 | 12 | 26 | 17 | 41 | 4 |
| 17 | 25 | 19 | 34 | 5 | 12 | 23 | 18 | 41 | 6 |

RACE
White
Non-White
Black
Hispanic

| 10 | 31 | 17 | 42 | $*$ | 9 | 27 | 14 | 48 | 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7 | 35 | 19 | 37 | 2 | 10 | 33 | 16 | 39 | 2 |
| 15 | 30 | 18 | 36 | 1 | 12 | 28 | 20 | 39 | 1 |
| 10 | 28 | 18 | 41 | 3 | 10 | 29 | 15 | 43 | 3 |
| 15 | 28 | 20 | 34 | 3 | 12 | 24 | 23 | 38 | 3 |
| 15 | 27 | 16 | 37 | 5 | 12 | 26 | 13 | 44 | 5 |

EDUCATION
College Grad.+
Some College
High School Grad.
< High School Grad.

| 12 | 28 | 19 | 38 | 3 | 11 | 27 | 17 | 42 | 3 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 15 | 35 | 14 | 33 | 3 | 12 | 33 | 13 | 39 | 3 |
| 15 | 38 | 14 | 30 | 3 | 13 | 36 | 12 | 36 | 3 |
| 14 | 34 | 15 | 33 | 4 | 15 | 31 | 13 | 38 | 3 |

FAMILY INCOME \$75,000+
\$50,000-\$74,999
\$30,000-\$49,999
\$20,000-\$29,999
<\$20,000

| 14 | 30 | 19 | 35 | 2 | 12 | 31 | 20 | 36 | 1 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 12 | 30 | 20 | 36 | 2 | 11 | 27 | 19 | 40 | 3 |
| 12 | 30 | 16 | 39 | 3 | 12 | 27 | 15 | 44 | 2 |
| 14 | 25 | 18 | 40 | 3 | 9 | 25 | 12 | 48 | 6 |

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|  | CNBC |  |  |  |  |  | MSNBC |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- <br> larly | Some- <br> times | Hardly Ever | Never | DK | Regularly | Some- Hardly |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | times | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 13 | 29 | 18 | 37 | $3=100$ | 11 | 27 | 17 | 42 | $3=100$ |
| REGION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| East | 15 | 32 | 15 | 35 | 3 | 12 | 31 | 16 | 38 | 3 |
| Midwest | 12 | 26 | 20 | 39 | 3 | 10 | 24 | 19 | 44 | 3 |
| South | 14 | 30 | 18 | 35 | 3 | 12 | 29 | 17 | 40 | 2 |
| West | 10 | 28 | 18 | 42 | 2 | 10 | 26 | 16 | 45 | 3 |
| PARTY ID |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Republican | 14 | 30 | 19 | 35 | 2 | 12 | 29 | 18 | 39 | 2 |
| Democrat | 14 | 33 | 17 | 34 | 2 | 12 | 30 | 16 | 40 | 2 |
| Independent | 11 | 27 | 17 | 43 | 2 | 10 | 26 | 17 | 44 | 3 |
| CABLE TV |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subscriber | 14 | 34 | 18 | 31 | 3 | 13 | 31 | 18 | 35 | 3 |
| Non-Subscriber | 9 | 21 | 17 | 50 | 3 | 8 | 20 | 14 | 55 | 3 |
| COMPUTER USER |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Computer User | 12 | 31 | 19 | 36 | 2 | 11 | 29 | 18 | 40 | 2 |
| On-Line User | 13 | 31 | 19 | 35 | 2 | 12 | 30 | 18 | 38 | 2 |
| Not an Internet User | 13 | 27 | 17 | 40 | 3 | 10 | 25 | 15 | 46 | 4 |
| LIFE CYCLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 30: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 9 | 35 | 17 | 38 | 1 | 9 | 33 | 14 | 43 | 1 |
| Married | 8 | 29 | 20 | 42 | 1 | 12 | 26 | 15 | 46 | 1 |
| 30-49: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 13 | 31 | 18 | 37 | 1 | 11 | 30 | 16 | 41 | 2 |
| Married w/out Children | 12 | 30 | 18 | 39 | 1 | 11 | 30 | 18 | 41 | * |
| Married With Children | 12 | 30 | 18 | 39 | 1 | 10 | 28 | 19 | 42 | 1 |
| 50-64: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 13 | 29 | 21 | 34 | 3 | 11 | 28 | 20 | 39 | 2 |
| Not Married | 13 | 30 | 12 | 41 | 4 | 15 | 23 | 12 | 45 | 5 |
| 65+: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 17 | 24 | 21 | 32 | 6 | 11 | 25 | 20 | 39 | 5 |
| Not Married | 18 | 25 | 18 | 35 | 4 | 13 | 22 | 16 | 43 | 6 |
| Working Mothers | 11 | 27 | 16 | 43 | 3 | 10 | 27 | 12 | 48 | 3 |
| Single Parent | 13 | 25 | 20 | 39 | 3 | 10 | 28 | 17 | 40 | 5 |

# VIEWERSHIP OF SELECTED NETWORKS 

|  | Fox News CABLE ChannelRegu- Some- Hardly |  |  |  |  | LOCAL All News Cable Channels |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Regu- | Sometimes | Hardly Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 17 | 28 | 17 | 37 | $1=100$ | 29 | 23 | 14 | 33 | $1=100$ |
| SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 18 | 27 | 18 | 36 | 1 | 26 | 23 | 15 | 35 | 1 |
| Female | 18 | 28 | 16 | 37 | 1 | 32 | 23 | 14 | 30 | 1 |
| AGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18-29 | 17 | 29 | 15 | 38 | 1 | 27 | 28 | 15 | 30 | * |
| 30-49 | 18 | 25 | 17 | 39 | 1 | 26 | 24 | 15 | 35 | * |
| 50-64 | 18 | 33 | 16 | 32 | 1 | 30 | 21 | 16 | 32 | 1 |
| 65+ | 20 | 26 | 18 | 35 | 1 | 40 | 19 | 10 | 30 | 1 |
| AGE/SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Men Under 30 | 16 | 30 | 14 | 40 | * | 23 | 27 | 14 | 35 | 1 |
| Women Under 30 | 18 | 29 | 17 | 35 | 1 | 32 | 28 | 15 | 25 | - |
| Men 30-49 | 19 | 24 | 17 | 40 | * | 24 | 24 | 15 | 37 | * |
| Women 30-49 | 16 | 27 | 17 | 39 | 1 | 27 | 25 | 15 | 32 | 1 |
| Men 50+ | 18 | 31 | 20 | 30 | 1 | 31 | 20 | 16 | 32 | 1 |
| Women 50+ | 20 | 29 | 14 | 36 | 1 | 38 | 20 | 11 | 30 | 1 |
| RACE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 16 | 27 | 18 | 38 | 1 | 27 | 22 | 15 | 35 | 1 |
| Non-White | 26 | 33 | 12 | 28 | 1 | 39 | 28 | 11 | 21 | 1 |
| Black | 31 | 34 | 11 | 23 | 1 | 44 | 28 | 10 | 18 | * |
| Hispanic | 20 | 31 | 15 | 34 | - | 30 | 32 | 8 | 29 | 1 |
| EDUCATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| College Grad.+ | 11 | 26 | 22 | 40 | 1 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 39 | 1 |
| Some College | 17 | 28 | 18 | 36 | 1 | 26 | 24 | 15 | 35 | * |
| High School Grad. | 20 | 28 | 15 | 36 | 1 | 33 | 24 | 12 | 30 | 1 |
| < High School Grad. | 24 | 29 | 12 | 35 | * | 39 | 26 | 9 | 25 | 1 |
| FAMILY INCOME |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$75,000+ | 15 | 28 | 21 | 35 | 1 | 24 | 25 | 18 | 32 | 1 |
| \$50,000-\$74,999 | 15 | 32 | 18 | 34 | 1 | 23 | 25 | 19 | 33 | * |
| \$30,000-\$49,999 | 19 | 27 | 16 | 37 | 1 | 29 | 22 | 13 | 36 | * |
| \$20,000-\$29,999 | 21 | 26 | 15 | 37 | 1 | 28 | 24 | 17 | 31 | - |
| <\$20,000 | 19 | 27 | 13 | 40 | 1 | 37 | 23 | 9 | 30 | 1 |

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|  | Fox News CABLE Channel |  |  |  |  | LOCAL All News Cable Channels |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 17 | 28 | 17 | 37 | $1=100$ | 29 | 23 | 14 | 33 | $1=100$ |
| REGION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| East | 16 | 30 | 19 | 35 | * | 25 | 27 | 17 | 30 | 1 |
| Midwest | 17 | 26 | 16 | 40 | 1 | 28 | 20 | 14 | 37 | 1 |
| South | 20 | 28 | 16 | 35 | 1 | 35 | 22 | 13 | 30 | * |
| West | 17 | 27 | 17 | 38 | 1 | 24 | 26 | 16 | 33 | 1 |
| PARTY ID |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Republican | 18 | 29 | 17 | 35 | 1 | 26 | 26 | 15 | 33 | * |
| Democrat | 18 | 29 | 17 | 36 | * | 34 | 23 | 14 | 29 | * |
| Independent | 17 | 26 | 17 | 39 | 1 | 28 | 21 | 16 | 34 | 1 |
| CABLE TV |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subscriber | 20 | 31 | 20 | 28 | 1 | 32 | 27 | 17 | 23 | 1 |
| Non-Subscriber | 14 | 21 | 10 | 54 | 1 | 23 | 16 | 8 | 52 | 1 |
| COMPUTER USER |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Computer User | 16 | 28 | 18 | 37 | 1 | 25 | 24 | 16 | 34 | 1 |
| On-Line User | 16 | 28 | 17 | 38 | 1 | 23 | 25 | 17 | 35 | * |
| Not an Internet User | 20 | 28 | 16 | 35 | 1 | 37 | 21 | 12 | 29 | 1 |
| LIFE CYCLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 30: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 17 | 29 | 15 | 39 | * | 24 | 29 | 16 | 30 | 1 |
| Married | 18 | 26 | 16 | 40 | * | 24 | 27 | 12 | 37 | - |
| 30-49: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 17 | 23 | 16 | 44 | * | 27 | 22 | 13 | 37 | 1 |
| Married w/out Children | 16 | 27 | 18 | 39 | * | 26 | 25 | 16 | 33 | * |
| Married With Children | 18 | 26 | 17 | 39 | * | 24 | 25 | 17 | 34 | * |
| 50-64: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 17 | 34 | 17 | 31 | 1 | 29 | 22 | 17 | 31 | 1 |
| Not Married | 19 | 31 | 15 | 34 | 1 | 32 | 20 | 14 | 32 | 2 |
| 65+: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 19 | 31 | 18 | 29 | 3 | 40 | 18 | 10 | 31 | 1 |
| Not Married | 21 | 22 | 18 | 39 | - | 40 | 19 | 10 | 29 | 2 |
| Working Mothers | 19 | 27 | 18 | 35 | 1 | 32 | 23 | 14 | 31 | * |
| Single Parent | 21 | 29 | 17 | 32 | 1 | 35 | 24 | 11 | 30 | - |

# VIEWERSHIP OF SELECTED PROGRAMS 

|  | NewsHour with Jim Lehrer |  |  |  |  |  | ESPN Sports News |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  |
|  | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 5 | 12 | 15 | 66 | $2=100$ | 23 | 18 | 13 | 46 | * $=100$ |
| SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 5 | 15 | 16 | 62 | 2 | 34 | 20 | 14 | 32 | * |
| Female | 4 | 10 | 14 | 70 | 2 | 13 | 15 | 13 | 59 | * |
| AGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18-29 | 3 | 9 | 10 | 77 | 1 | 30 | 16 | 11 | 43 | - |
| 30-49 | 3 | 12 | 15 | 68 | 2 | 23 | 18 | 13 | 46 | * |
| 50-64 | 8 | 14 | 16 | 59 | 3 | 18 | 19 | 16 | 47 | * |
| 65+ | 7 | 15 | 17 | 59 | 2 | 19 | 18 | 14 | 48 | 1 |
| AGE/SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Men Under 30 | 3 | 9 | 10 | 78 | * | 45 | 15 | 11 | 29 | - |
| Women Under 30 | 2 | 10 | 10 | 77 | 1 | 14 | 17 | 12 | 57 | - |
| Men 30-49 | 4 | 16 | 18 | 60 | 2 | 34 | 21 | 12 | 33 | * |
| Women 30-49 | 2 | 8 | 13 | 75 | 2 | 12 | 14 | 14 | 60 | * |
| Men 50+ | 7 | 17 | 19 | 55 | 2 | 27 | 23 | 17 | 33 | * |
| Women 50+ | 7 | 13 | 15 | 62 | 3 | 12 | 15 | 13 | 59 | 1 |
| RACE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 4 | 12 | 15 | 68 | 1 | 22 | 17 | 13 | 48 | * |
| Non-White | 7 | 14 | 15 | 61 | 3 | 30 | 19 | 13 | 38 | * |
| Black | 7 | 13 | 15 | 62 | 3 | 34 | 18 | 13 | 35 | * |
| Hispanic | 5 | 19 | 18 | 56 | 2 | 27 | 18 | 14 | 41 | - |
| EDUCATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| College Grad.+ | 6 | 18 | 19 | 56 | 1 | 20 | 18 | 16 | 46 | * |
| Some College | 4 | 12 | 16 | 67 | 1 | 24 | 17 | 12 | 46 | 1 |
| High School Grad. | 4 | 9 | 13 | 72 | 2 | 24 | 18 | 12 | 46 | * |
| < High School Grad. | 5 | 13 | 10 | 68 | 4 | 22 | 16 | 14 | 48 | - |
| FAMILY INCOME |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$75,000+ | 5 | 15 | 18 | 61 | 1 | 27 | 17 | 18 | 37 | 1 |
| \$50,000-\$74,999 | 3 | 13 | 17 | 67 | * | 27 | 20 | 12 | 41 | - |
| \$30,000-\$49,999 | 5 | 12 | 15 | 66 | 2 | 24 | 18 | 12 | 46 | * |
| \$20,000-\$29,999 | 4 | 9 | 14 | 72 | 1 | 24 | 15 | 12 | 49 | - |
| <\$20,000 | 6 | 13 | 13 | 66 | 2 | 21 | 14 | 12 | 53 | * |

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|  | NewsHour with Jim Lehrer |  |  |  |  | ESPN Sports News |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  |
|  | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK | $\underline{\text { larly }}$ | times | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 5 | 12 | 15 | 66 | $2=100$ | 23 | 18 | 13 | 46 | * $=100$ |
| REGION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| East | 5 | 12 | 15 | 66 | 2 | 25 | 17 | 12 | 46 | * |
| Midwest | 3 | 12 | 14 | 69 | 2 | 20 | 16 | 14 | 50 | * |
| South | 5 | 13 | 14 | 65 | 3 | 25 | 18 | 14 | 43 | * |
| West | 5 | 13 | 16 | 65 | 1 | 21 | 18 | 13 | 47 | 1 |
| PARTY ID |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Republican | 4 | 13 | 16 | 66 | 1 | 24 | 22 | 13 | 41 | * |
| Democrat | 5 | 13 | 16 | 64 | 2 | 24 | 18 | 13 | 44 | 1 |
| Independent | 5 | 11 | 14 | 68 | 2 | 21 | 14 | 14 | 51 | * |
| CABLE TV |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subscriber | 4 | 13 | 16 | 65 | 2 | 27 | 19 | 15 | 39 | * |
| Non-Subscriber | 6 | 12 | 12 | 68 | 2 | 15 | 14 | 10 | 60 | 1 |
| COMPUTER USER |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Computer User | 4 | 13 | 15 | 67 | 1 | 23 | 19 | 14 | 44 | * |
| On-Line User | 4 | 13 | 16 | 66 | 1 | 25 | 18 | 13 | 44 | * |
| Not an Internet User | 6 | 12 | 13 | 66 | 3 | 20 | 17 | 13 | 49 | 1 |
| LIFE CYCLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 30: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 2 | 10 | 11 | 76 | 1 | 33 | 18 | 12 | 37 | - |
| Married | 2 | 7 | 10 | 80 | 1 | 22 | 14 | 10 | 54 | - |
| 30-49: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 5 | 11 | 16 | 65 | 3 | 22 | 19 | 44 | 45 | * |
| Married w/out Children | 4 | 16 | 13 | 67 | * | 23 | 19 | 9 | 49 | - |
| Married With Children | 2 | 12 | 16 | 69 | 1 | 24 | 17 | 13 | 46 | * |
| 50-64: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 7 | 13 | 18 | 60 | 2 | 21 | 19 | 17 | 43 | * |
| Not Married | 9 | 16 | 13 | 59 | 3 | 14 | 18 | 15 | 52 | 1 |
| 65+: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 9 | 17 | 16 | 56 | 2 | 22 | 20 | 15 | 43 | * |
| Not Married | 5 | 14 | 18 | 61 | 2 | 17 | 17 | 13 | 53 | * |
| Working Mothers | 3 | 8 | 12 | 76 | 1 | 14 | 13 | 12 | 61 | * |
| Single Parent | 4 | 11 | 14 | 69 | 2 | 23 | 17 | 11 | 49 | * |

## VIEWERSHIP OF SELECTED PROGRAMS

|  | Daytime Talk Shows |  |  |  |  | Daytime "Tell-All" TV |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  |
|  | $\underline{\text { larly }}$ | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 10 | 21 | 18 | 51 | * $=100$ | 7 | 12 | 14 | 67 | * $=100$ |
| SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 5 | 14 | 15 | 66 | * | 8 | 12 | 13 | 67 | * |
| Female | 16 | 27 | 20 | 37 | * | 7 | 11 | 14 | 68 | * |
| AGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18-29 | 10 | 24 | 18 | 48 | - | 15 | 18 | 17 | 50 | * |
| 30-49 | 10 | 19 | 19 | 52 | * | 6 | 12 | 14 | 68 | * |
| 50-64 | 10 | 23 | 16 | 51 | * | 6 | 9 | 13 | 72 | * |
| 65+ | 12 | 20 | 15 | 53 | - | 3 | 7 | 9 | 81 | * |
| AGE/SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Men Under 30 | 4 | 15 | 13 | 68 | - | 15 | 20 | 13 | 52 | - |
| Women Under 30 | 17 | 32 | 24 | 27 | - | 15 | 17 | 21 | 47 | * |
| Men 30-49 | 5 | 13 | 17 | 65 | - | 5 | 11 | 16 | 68 | - |
| Women 30-49 | 14 | 25 | 21 | 40 | * | 6 | 13 | 13 | 68 | * |
| Men 50+ | 5 | 14 | 15 | 66 | * | 6 | 9 | 10 | 75 | * |
| Women 50+ | 16 | 28 | 16 | 40 | * | 4 | 7 | 12 | 77 | * |
| RACE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 9 | 20 | 17 | 54 | * | 5 | 10 | 13 | 72 | * |
| Non-White | 16 | 27 | 21 | 36 | - | 22 | 22 | 17 | 39 | * |
| Black | 19 | 30 | 19 | 32 | - | 25 | 23 | 19 | 33 | - |
| Hispanic | 13 | 24 | 20 | 43 | - | 13 | 26 | 16 | 44 | 1 |
| EDUCATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| College Grad.+ | 5 | 15 | 21 | 59 | * | 2 | 5 | 12 | 81 | * |
| Some College | 9 | 21 | 17 | 53 | * | 5 | 10 | 15 | 70 | * |
| High School Grad. | 12 | 23 | 18 | 47 | * | 9 | 13 | 15 | 63 | * |
| < High School Grad. | 16 | 26 | 13 | 45 | - | 16 | 23 | 10 | 51 | * |
| FAMILY INCOME |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$75,000+ | 5 | 20 | 18 | 57 | * | 4 | 7 | 12 | 77 | * |
| \$50,000-\$74,999 | 8 | 18 | 19 | 55 | - | 5 | 8 | 16 | 71 | - |
| \$30,000-\$49,999 | 9 | 20 | 18 | 53 | * | 6 | 13 | 15 | 66 | - |
| 20,000-\$29,999 | 11 | 23 | 18 | 48 | - | 11 | 17 | 14 | 58 | - |
| <\$20,000 | 18 | 24 | 18 | 40 | - | 12 | 19 | 14 | 55 | * |

QUESTION: Now, I'd like to know how often you watch or listen to certain TV and radio programs. For each that I read, tell me if you watch or listen to it regularly, sometimes, hardly ever or never ... (daytime talk shows such as Rosie O'Donnell or Oprah Winfrey; daytime talk shows such as Ricki Lake or Jerry Springer).

|  | Daytime Talk Shows |  |  |  |  | Daytime "Tell-All" TV |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  |
|  | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 10 | 21 | 18 | 51 | * $=100$ | 7 | 12 | 14 | 67 | * $=100$ |
| REGION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| East | 11 | 19 | 16 | 54 | * | 5 | 11 | 14 | 70 | * |
| Midwest | 9 | 21 | 18 | 52 | * | 6 | 12 | 13 | 69 | * |
| South | 11 | 22 | 17 | 50 | * | 9 | 14 | 15 | 62 | * |
| West | 9 | 21 | 20 | 50 | - | 8 | 9 | 13 | 70 | * |
| PARTY ID |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Republican | 9 | 18 | 19 | 54 | - | 5 | 8 | 14 | 73 | - |
| Democrat | 13 | 24 | 19 | 44 | * | 9 | 13 | 14 | 64 | * |
| Independent | 10 | 19 | 16 | 55 | * | 9 | 14 | 13 | 64 | * |
| CABLE TV |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subscriber | 11 | 21 | 18 | 50 | * | 7 | 12 | 14 | 67 | * |
| Non-Subscriber | 10 | 20 | 17 | 53 | * | 8 | 11 | 12 | 68 | 1 |
| COMPUTER USER |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Computer User | 8 | 21 | 19 | 52 | * | 6 | 11 | 14 | 69 | * |
| On-Line User | 8 | 21 | 19 | 52 | * | 5 | 9 | 15 | 71 | * |
| Not an Internet User | 13 | 21 | 16 | 50 | * | 10 | 15 | 12 | 63 | * |
| LIFE CYCLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 30: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 11 | 20 | 18 | 51 | - | 14 | 18 | 17 | 51 | * |
| Married | 9 | 26 | 17 | 48 | - | 9 | 16 | 18 | 57 | - |
| 30-49: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 9 | 16 | 19 | 56 | * | 8 | 10 | 15 | 67 | * |
| Married w/out Children | 8 | 18 | 17 | 57 | - | 4 | 14 | 14 | 68 | - |
| Married With Children | 10 | 19 | 20 | 51 | - | 3 | 10 | 14 | 73 | - |
| 50-64: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 7 | 21 | 16 | 55 | 1 | 4 | 7 | 11 | 77 | 1 |
| Not Married | 14 | 27 | 16 | 43 | - | 9 | 11 | 15 | 65 | - |
| 65+: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 8 | 15 | 17 | 60 | - | 3 | 5 | 8 | 84 | - |
| Not Married | 16 | 23 | 14 | 47 | - | 3 | 9 | 9 | 78 | 1 |
| Working Mothers | 11 | 27 | 22 | 40 | - | 8 | 12 | 15 | 65 | * |
| Single Parent | 13 | 27 | 21 | 39 | - | 17 | 19 | 14 | 50 | * |

# VIEWERSHIP OF SELECTED PROGRAMS 

|  | Crime/Police Shows |  |  |  |  |  | Courtroom Shows |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 18 | 27 | 20 | 35 | * $=100$ | 12 | 21 | 15 | 52 | * $=100$ |
| SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 17 | 29 | 22 | 32 | * | 10 | 19 | 15 | 56 | * |
| Female | 18 | 26 | 19 | 37 | * | 14 | 23 | 15 | 48 | * |
| AGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18-29 | 18 | 35 | 19 | 28 | - | 10 | 25 | 15 | 50 | - |
| 30-49 | 20 | 25 | 22 | 33 | * | 10 | 18 | 15 | 57 | * |
| 50-64 | 15 | 29 | 18 | 38 | * | 14 | 21 | 14 | 51 | * |
| 65+ | 15 | 20 | 22 | 43 | * | 16 | 22 | 15 | 47 | * |
| AGE/SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Men Under 30 | 19 | 34 | 22 | 25 | - | 9 | 23 | 14 | 54 | - |
| Women Under 30 | 18 | 35 | 15 | 32 | - | 11 | 26 | 16 | 47 | - |
| Men 30-49 | 22 | 28 | 20 | 30 | * | 9 | 16 | 16 | 59 | - |
| Women 30-49 | 18 | 23 | 24 | 35 | * | 12 | 20 | 14 | 54 | * |
| Men 50+ | 11 | 27 | 24 | 38 | - | 11 | 19 | 15 | 55 | * |
| Women 50+ | 18 | 23 | 16 | 42 | 1 | 18 | 24 | 14 | 44 | * |
| RACE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 16 | 27 | 20 | 37 | * | 9 | 20 | 15 | 56 | * |
| Non-White | 28 | 30 | 22 | 20 | - | 27 | 27 | 15 | 31 | * |
| Black | 30 | 34 | 21 | 15 | - | 34 | 30 | 13 | 23 | - |
| Hispanic | 24 | 34 | 18 | 24 | - | 12 | 29 | 14 | 45 | - |
| EDUCATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| College Grad.+ | 7 | 16 | 22 | 55 | * | 4 | 13 | 15 | 68 | * |
| Some College | 13 | 25 | 27 | 35 | * | 8 | 18 | 17 | 57 | * |
| High School Grad. | 24 | 31 | 19 | 26 | * | 15 | 24 | 15 | 46 | - |
| < High School Grad. | 28 | 37 | 12 | 23 | - | 22 | 31 | 12 | 35 | - |
| FAMILY INCOME |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$75,000+ | 13 | 18 | 26 | 43 | * | 6 | 15 | 14 | 65 | * |
| \$50,000-\$74,999 | 10 | 29 | 23 | 38 | - | 4 | 18 | 17 | 61 | - |
| 30,000-\$49,999 | 18 | 29 | 23 | 30 | - | 12 | 21 | 16 | 51 | - |
| \$20,000-\$29,999 | 24 | 24 | 17 | 34 | 1 | 14 | 25 | 15 | 46 | * |
| <\$20,000 | 25 | 33 | 15 | 27 | * | 20 | 27 | 12 | 41 | - |

QUESTION: Now, I'd like to know how often you watch or listen to certain TV and radio programs. For each that I read, tell me if you watch or listen to it regularly, sometimes, hardly ever or never ... (Cops or America's Most Wanted; Shows such as Judge Judy or Divorce Court).

|  | Crime/Police Shows |  |  |  |  | Courtroom Shows |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  |
|  | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 18 | 27 | 20 | 35 | * $=100$ | 12 | 21 | 15 | 52 | * $=100$ |
| REGION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| East | 21 | 21 | 22 | 36 | * | 12 | 18 | 16 | 54 | * |
| Midwest | 15 | 28 | 21 | 36 | * | 14 | 19 | 14 | 53 | * |
| South | 18 | 33 | 18 | 31 | * | 13 | 24 | 14 | 49 | * |
| West | 17 | 22 | 23 | 38 | - | 7 | 21 | 16 | 56 | * |
| PARTY ID |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Republican | 14 | 27 | 23 | 36 | * | 9 | 19 | 18 | 54 | - |
| Democrat | 18 | 29 | 20 | 33 | * | 15 | 22 | 14 | 49 | * |
| Independent | 18 | 26 | 20 | 36 | * | 11 | 20 | 14 | 55 | * |
| CABLE TV |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subscriber | 18 | 27 | 21 | 34 | * | 11 | 21 | 16 | 52 | * |
| Non-Subscriber | 18 | 28 | 19 | 35 | * | 13 | 21 | 13 | 53 | * |
| COMPUTER USER |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Computer User | 16 | 27 | 21 | 36 | * | 9 | 19 | 16 | 56 | * |
| On-Line User | 13 | 25 | 23 | 39 | * | 7 | 18 | 16 | 59 | * |
| Not an Internet User | 24 | 29 | 18 | 29 | * | 17 | 25 | 14 | 44 | * |
| LIFE CYCLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 30: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 15 | 32 | 20 | 33 | - | 9 | 22 | 15 | 54 | - |
| Married | 14 | 38 | 19 | 29 | - | 9 | 29 | 14 | 48 | - |
| 30-49: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 20 | 23 | 21 | 36 | * | 10 | 19 | 15 | 56 | * |
| Married w/out Children | 19 | 28 | 22 | 30 | 1 | 12 | 18 | 13 | 57 | - |
| Married With Children | 17 | 24 | 23 | 36 | - | 7 | 16 | 17 | 60 | - |
| 50-64: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 13 | 30 | 18 | 39 | * | 10 | 20 | 14 | 56 | * |
| Not Married | 19 | 28 | 17 | 36 | - | 19 | 24 | 13 | 44 | - |
| 65+: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 8 | 16 | 29 | 47 | - | 11 | 21 | 20 | 48 | * |
| Not Married | 19 | 23 | 16 | 41 | 1 | 19 | 23 | 12 | 46 | * |
| Working Mothers | 18 | 32 | 20 | 30 | - | 12 | 23 | 13 | 52 | - |
| Single Parent | 30 | 32 | 18 | 20 | - | 18 | 24 | 14 | 44 | - |

# VIEWERSHIP OF SELECTED PROGRAMS 

|  | Morning Shows |  |  |  |  | News Magazine Shows |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- | Some- Hardly |  |  |  | Regu- Some- Hardly |  |  |  |  |
|  | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 20 | 18 | 15 | 47 | * $=100$ | 31 | 41 | 15 | 13 | * $=100$ |
| SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 15 | 15 | 15 | 55 | * | 25 | 40 | 19 | 16 | * |
| Female | 25 | 20 | 15 | 40 | * | 36 | 41 | 12 | 11 | * |
| AGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18-29 | 13 | 16 | 18 | 53 | - | 22 | 45 | 16 | 17 | - |
| 30-49 | 20 | 16 | 15 | 49 | * | 29 | 41 | 17 | 13 | * |
| 50-64 | 23 | 19 | 15 | 43 | * | 34 | 39 | 15 | 12 | * |
| 65+ | 26 | 21 | 15 | 38 | * | 42 | 36 | 11 | 11 | * |
| AGE/SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Men Under 30 | 8 | 13 | 16 | 63 | - | 14 | 45 | 21 | 20 | - |
| Women Under 30 | 17 | 20 | 20 | 43 | - | 30 | 44 | 12 | 14 | - |
| Men 30-49 | 16 | 14 | 14 | 56 | - | 25 | 41 | 19 | 15 | - |
| Women 30-49 | 24 | 19 | 15 | 42 | * | 33 | 42 | 15 | 10 | * |
| Men 50+ | 18 | 18 | 16 | 48 | - | 33 | 36 | 17 | 14 | - |
| Women 50+ | 29 | 21 | 14 | 36 | * | 42 | 38 | 10 | 10 | * |
| RACE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 20 | 17 | 15 | 48 | * | 30 | 41 | 16 | 13 | * |
| Non-White | 23 | 21 | 19 | 37 | - | 34 | 41 | 10 | 15 | - |
| Black | 25 | 25 | 20 | 30 | - | 39 | 40 | 8 | 13 | - |
| Hispanic | 21 | 17 | 16 | 46 | - | 28 | 42 | 15 | 15 | - |
| EDUCATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| College Grad.+ | 18 | 16 | 18 | 48 | * | 28 | 42 | 18 | 12 | * |
| Some College | 20 | 16 | 16 | 48 | * | 28 | 42 | 17 | 13 | * |
| High School Grad. | 21 | 19 | 15 | 45 | * | 36 | 38 | 13 | 13 | * |
| < High School Grad. | 20 | 19 | 11 | 50 | - | 26 | 43 | 14 | 17 | - |
| FAMILY INCOME |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$75,000+ | 18 | 17 | 16 | 49 | * | 31 | 41 | 17 | 11 | * |
| \$50,000-\$74,999 | 16 | 16 | 19 | 49 | - | 28 | 44 | 18 | 10 | - |
| \$30,000-\$49,999 | 20 | 17 | 16 | 47 | - | 31 | 41 | 14 | 14 | - |
| \$20,000-\$29,999 | 18 | 20 | 13 | 49 | - | 31 | 40 | 17 | 12 | - |
| <\$20,000 | 25 | 19 | 14 | 42 | * | 30 | 41 | 12 | 17 | * |

QUESTION: Now, I'd like to know how often you watch or listen to certain TV and radio programs. For each that I read, tell me if you watch or listen to it regularly, sometimes, hardly ever or never ... (The Today Show, Good Morning America or The Early Show; News magazine shows such as 60 minutes, 20/20 or Dateline).

|  | Morning Shows |  |  |  |  | News Magazine Shows |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  |
|  | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 20 | 18 | 15 | 47 | * $=100$ | 31 | 41 | 15 | 13 | * $=100$ |
| REGION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| East | 18 | 19 | 16 | 47 | * | 30 | 41 | 15 | 14 | * |
| Midwest | 20 | 16 | 16 | 48 | * | 30 | 42 | 17 | 11 | * |
| South | 23 | 19 | 15 | 43 | * | 34 | 41 | 13 | 12 | * |
| West | 17 | 15 | 16 | 52 | - | 26 | 40 | 17 | 17 | - |
| PARTY ID |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Republican | 19 | 19 | 15 | 47 | - | 29 | 42 | 16 | 13 | * |
| Democrat | 24 | 18 | 16 | 42 | * | 37 | 40 | 13 | 10 | * |
| Independent | 18 | 16 | 15 | 51 | * | 27 | 41 | 17 | 15 | * |
| CABLE TV |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subscriber | 20 | 18 | 16 | 46 | * | 31 | 42 | 15 | 12 | * |
| Non-Subscriber | 21 | 17 | 13 | 49 | * | 30 | 39 | 16 | 15 | * |
| COMPUTER USER |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Computer User | 19 | 16 | 17 | 48 | * | 29 | 42 | 17 | 12 | * |
| On-Line User | 18 | 16 | 18 | 48 | * | 28 | 42 | 17 | 13 | * |
| Not an Internet User | 22 | 19 | 13 | 46 | * | 34 | 39 | 13 | 14 | * |
| LIFE CYCLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 30: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 11 | 13 | 18 | 58 | - | 21 | 41 | 19 | 19 | - |
| Married | 17 | 21 | 16 | 46 | - | 23 | 50 | 11 | 16 | - |
| 30-49: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 17 | 12 | 17 | 54 | * | 28 | 39 | 20 | 13 | * |
| Married w/out Children | 18 | 16 | 16 | 50 | - | 28 | 43 | 15 | 14 | - |
| Married With Children | 23 | 18 | 13 | 46 | - | 28 | 43 | 17 | 12 | - |
| 50-64: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 21 | 18 | 17 | 44 | * | 35 | 38 | 16 | 11 | * |
| Not Married | 26 | 20 | 11 | 43 | - | 33 | 41 | 14 | 12 | - |
| 65+: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 23 | 17 | 14 | 46 | - | 43 | 33 | 9 | 15 | - |
| Not Married | 28 | 24 | 15 | 33 | * | 42 | 37 | 12 | 9 | * |
| Working Mothers | 21 | 22 | 15 | 42 | * | 35 | 40 | 13 | 12 | - |
| Single Parent | 17 | 21 | 16 | 46 | * | 33 | 41 | 13 | 13 | - |

# VIEWERSHIP OF SELECTED NETWORKS/PROGRAMS 

|  | The Weather Channel |  |  |  |  | Regu- Somertainment News |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK | $\underline{\text { larly }}$ | times | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 32 | 28 | 15 | 25 | * $=100$ | 8 | 26 | 22 | 44 | * $=100$ |
| SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 33 | 27 | 16 | 24 | * | 8 | 22 | 21 | 49 | * |
| Female | 31 | 29 | 13 | 27 | * | 9 | 30 | 23 | 38 | * |
| AGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18-29 | 25 | 31 | 15 | 29 | - | 12 | 31 | 22 | 35 | - |
| 30-49 | 31 | 29 | 15 | 25 | * | 8 | 29 | 23 | 40 | - |
| 50-64 | 34 | 29 | 14 | 23 | * | 9 | 22 | 18 | 50 | 1 |
| 65+ | 43 | 22 | 13 | 22 | * | 6 | 17 | 22 | 55 | - |
| AGE/SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Men Under 30 | 25 | 30 | 16 | 29 | - | 10 | 26 | 20 | 44 | - |
| Women Under 30 | 25 | 32 | 14 | 29 | - | 14 | 35 | 24 | 27 | - |
| Men 30-49 | 34 | 27 | 16 | 23 | - | 8 | 25 | 21 | 46 | - |
| Women 30-49 | 28 | 30 | 14 | 28 | * | 8 | 34 | 25 | 33 | - |
| Men 50+ | 37 | 26 | 16 | 21 | * | 6 | 17 | 20 | 57 | - |
| Women 50+ | 38 | 26 | 12 | 23 | 1 | 9 | 22 | 20 | 48 | 1 |
| RACE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 31 | 28 | 15 | 26 | * | 6 | 25 | 22 | 47 | * |
| Non-White | 39 | 27 | 14 | 20 | - | 21 | 34 | 20 | 25 | * |
| Black | 42 | 28 | 12 | 18 | - | 22 | 37 | 16 | 25 | - |
| Hispanic | 33 | 23 | 15 | 29 | - | 18 | 36 | 23 | 23 | - |
| EDUCATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| College Grad.+ | 25 | 27 | 20 | 28 | * | 4 | 21 | 25 | 50 | * |
| Some College | 26 | 29 | 16 | 29 | * | 10 | 27 | 22 | 41 | - |
| High School Grad. | 36 | 30 | 11 | 23 | * | 9 | 28 | 22 | 41 | - |
| < High School Grad. | 43 | 25 | 11 | 21 | - | 10 | 29 | 17 | 43 | 1 |
| FAMILY INCOME |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$75,000+ | 28 | 27 | 20 | 25 | * | 9 | 23 | 21 | 47 | - |
| \$50,000-\$74,999 | 31 | 30 | 15 | 24 | - | 7 | 27 | 21 | 45 | - |
| \$30,000-\$49,999 | 32 | 29 | 13 | 26 | - | 8 | 27 | 22 | 43 | - |
| \$20,000-\$29,999 | 34 | 27 | 16 | 23 | - | 8 | 29 | 24 | 39 | * |
| <\$20,000 | 35 | 26 | 11 | 28 | * | 14 | 31 | 20 | 35 | * |

QUESTION: Now, I'd like to know how often you watch or listen to certain TV and radio programs. For each that I read, tell me if you watch or listen to it regularly, sometimes, hardly ever or never ... (The Weather Channel; TV shows such as Entertainment Tonight or Access Hollywood).

|  | The Weather Channel |  |  |  |  | Entertainment News |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  |
|  | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 32 | 28 | 15 | 25 | * $=100$ | 8 | 26 | 22 | 44 | * $=100$ |
| REGION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| East | 37 | 30 | 12 | 21 | * | 11 | 24 | 17 | 48 | * |
| Midwest | 34 | 27 | 15 | 24 | * | 6 | 27 | 22 | 45 | - |
| South | 37 | 31 | 13 | 19 | * | 9 | 24 | 24 | 43 | * |
| West | 17 | 23 | 19 | 41 | * | 8 | 30 | 22 | 40 | * |
| PARTY ID |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Republican | 32 | 30 | 14 | 24 | - | 7 | 25 | 23 | 45 | - |
| Democrat | 33 | 30 | 13 | 24 | * | 12 | 28 | 23 | 37 | * |
| Independent | 30 | 25 | 18 | 27 | * | 7 | 27 | 20 | 46 | * |
| CABLE TV |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subscriber | 35 | 32 | 16 | 17 | - | 8 | 27 | 23 | 42 | * |
| Non-Subscriber | 25 | 21 | 11 | 42 | 1 | 9 | 25 | 20 | 46 | * |
| COMPUTER USER |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Computer User | 28 | 29 | 16 | 27 | * | 7 | 28 | 22 | 43 | * |
| On-Line User | 27 | 30 | 16 | 27 | * | 7 | 26 | 24 | 43 | - |
| Not an Internet User | 38 | 26 | 13 | 23 | * | 10 | 26 | 20 | 44 | * |
| LIFE CYCLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 30: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 22 | 33 | 15 | 30 | - | 12 | 32 | 21 | 35 | - |
| Married | 30 | 26 | 16 | 28 | - | 8 | 24 | 26 | 42 | - |
| 30-49: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 33 | 24 | 15 | 28 | * | 6 | 33 | 23 | 38 | - |
| Married w/out Children | 38 | 22 | 17 | 23 | - | 6 | 24 | 26 | 44 | - |
| Married With Children | 29 | 33 | 14 | 24 | - | 8 | 29 | 23 | 40 | - |
| 50-64: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 33 | 30 | 16 | 21 | * | 8 | 22 | 16 | 54 | * |
| Not Married | 35 | 27 | 12 | 25 | 1 | 10 | 23 | 22 | 45 | * |
| 65+: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 35 | 25 | 18 | 22 | * | 4 | 13 | 27 | 56 | - |
| Not Married | 49 | 20 | 9 | 22 | - | 7 | 21 | 17 | 55 | - |
| Working Mothers | 29 | 30 | 13 | 28 | * | 11 | 32 | 23 | 34 | - |
| Single Parent | 28 | 31 | 13 | 27 | 1 | 14 | 31 | 22 | 33 | - |

# VIEWERSHIP OF SELECTED NETWORKS/PROGRAMS 

|  | Cable Documentary Shows |  |  |  |  | Spanish Language TV |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  |
|  | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 37 | 37 | 10 | 16 | * $=100$ | 3 | 4 | 7 | 86 | * $=100$ |
| SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 43 | 35 | 9 | 13 | * | 3 | 6 | 7 | 84 | * |
| Female | 31 | 40 | 10 | 19 | * | 2 | 4 | 6 | 88 | * |
| AGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18-29 | 35 | 41 | 10 | 14 | - | 4 | 7 | 9 | 80 | - |
| 30-49 | 41 | 36 | 9 | 14 | * | 3 | 4 | 6 | 87 | * |
| 50-64 | 42 | 33 | 10 | 15 | * | 2 | 4 | 6 | 87 | 1 |
| 65+ | 26 | 39 | 10 | 25 | * | 1 | 2 | 5 | 91 | 1 |
| AGE/SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Men Under 30 | 39 | 39 | 11 | 11 | - | 3 | 6 | 9 | 82 | - |
| Women Under 30 | 31 | 44 | 10 | 15 | - | 5 | 8 | 8 | 79 | - |
| Men 30-49 | 46 | 34 | 8 | 12 | * | 3 | 6 | 6 | 85 | - |
| Women 30-49 | 36 | 40 | 9 | 15 | * | 2 | 3 | 6 | 89 | * |
| Men 50+ | 44 | 32 | 10 | 14 | * | 3 | 4 | 6 | 86 | 1 |
| Women 50+ | 28 | 38 | 10 | 24 | * | 1 | 2 | 5 | 92 | * |
| RACE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 37 | 37 | 10 | 16 | * | 2 | 3 | 6 | 89 | * |
| Non-White | 36 | 40 | 9 | 15 | - | 5 | 10 | 12 | 73 | - |
| Black | 34 | 41 | 9 | 16 | - | 4 | 9 | 15 | 72 | - |
| Hispanic | 37 | 43 | 7 | 13 | - | 25 | 25 | 10 | 40 | - |
| EDUCATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| College Grad.+ | 38 | 37 | 10 | 15 | * | 1 | 4 | 6 | 89 | * |
| Some College | 41 | 36 | 9 | 14 | * | 2 | 5 | 6 | 87 | * |
| High School Grad. | 37 | 37 | 10 | 16 | * | 2 | 3 | 7 | 87 | 1 |
| < High School Grad. | 31 | 42 | 6 | 21 | - | 6 | 8 | 7 | 79 | - |
| FAMILY INCOME |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$75,000+ | 41 | 39 | 11 | 9 | * | 1 | 3 | 6 | 90 | * |
| \$50,000-\$74,999 | 43 | 35 | 10 | 12 | - | 1 | 3 | 7 | 89 | - |
| \$30,000-\$49,999 | 39 | 37 | 8 | 16 | - | 4 | 5 | 6 | 85 | * |
| \$20,000-\$29,999 | 38 | 39 | 9 | 14 | - | 3 | 5 | 8 | 84 | - |
| <\$20,000 | 30 | 36 | 10 | 23 | 1 | 4 | 7 | 7 | 82 | * |

QUESTION: Now, I'd like to know how often you watch or listen to certain TV and radio programs. For each that I read, tell me if you watch or listen to it regularly, sometimes, hardly ever or never ... (Documentaries on channels such as the History Channel or the Discovery Channel; Univision or some other Spanishspeaking television network).

|  | Cable Documentary Shows |  |  |  |  | Spanish Language TV |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- Some- Hardly |  |  |  |  | Regu- Some- Hardly |  |  |  |  |
|  | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK | $\underline{\text { larly }}$ | times | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 37 | 37 | 10 | 16 | * $=100$ | 3 | 4 | 7 | 86 | * $=100$ |
| REGION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| East | 39 | 35 | 10 | 16 | * | 3 | 4 | 4 | 88 | 1 |
| Midwest | 35 | 35 | 9 | 21 | * | 1 | 3 | 6 | 90 | * |
| South | 37 | 39 | 10 | 14 | * | 3 | 4 | 8 | 85 | * |
| West | 37 | 38 | 10 | 15 | * | 4 | 7 | 8 | 81 | - |
| PARTY ID |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Republican | 40 | 37 | 9 | 14 | * | 1 | 4 | 5 | 90 | * |
| Democrat | 35 | 38 | 10 | 17 | * | 3 | 5 | 7 | 85 | * |
| Independent | 38 | 36 | 10 | 16 | * | 3 | 4 | 6 | 87 | * |
| CABLE TV |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subscriber | 42 | 39 | 10 | 9 | * | 2 | 5 | 7 | 86 | * |
| Non-Subscriber | 28 | 33 | 9 | 30 | * | 4 | 4 | 6 | 86 | * |
| COMPUTER USER |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Computer User | 40 | 38 | 9 | 13 | * | 2 | 5 | 7 | 86 | * |
| On-Line User | 41 | 37 | 10 | 12 | * | 2 | 4 | 7 | 87 | * |
| Not an Internet User | 33 | 37 | 10 | 20 | * | 3 | 5 | 6 | 85 | 1 |
| LIFE CYCLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 30: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 35 | 38 | 14 | 13 | - | 4 | 6 | 10 | 80 | - |
| Married | 38 | 40 | 6 | 16 | - | 4 | 4 | 5 | 87 | - |
| 30-49: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 41 | 32 | 10 | 16 | 1 | 2 | 5 | 8 | 85 | * |
| Married w/out Children | 44 | 40 | 8 | 8 | - | 2 | 5 | 5 | 88 | - |
| Married With Children | 40 | 40 | 7 | 13 | - | 3 | 4 | 6 | 87 | - |
| 50-64: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 43 | 35 | 7 | 15 | * | 3 | 3 | 5 | 88 | 1 |
| Not Married | 40 | 30 | 13 | 17 | * | 3 | 4 | 7 | 86 | - |
| 65+: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 28 | 40 | 10 | 22 | * | * | 2 | 4 | 93 | 1 |
| Not Married | 24 | 39 | 10 | 27 | * | 1 | 2 | 7 | 90 | * |
| Working Mothers | 35 | 41 | 9 | 15 | * | 3 | 5 | 5 | 87 | * |
| Single Parent | 35 | 40 | 10 | 15 | * | 3 | 9 | 7 | 81 | * |

## READERSHIP OF SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

|  | News Magazines |  |  |  |  |  | Business Magazines |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  |
|  | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 12 | 34 | 19 | 35 | * $=100$ | 5 | 15 | 15 | 65 | * $=100$ |
| SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 13 | 37 | 19 | 31 | * | 7 | 20 | 17 | 56 | * |
| Female | 12 | 32 | 18 | 38 | - | 3 | 11 | 13 | 73 | - |
| AGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18-29 | 12 | 34 | 21 | 33 | - | 5 | 13 | 14 | 68 | - |
| 30-49 | 12 | 39 | 18 | 31 | - | 5 | 17 | 17 | 61 | - |
| 50-64 | 15 | 33 | 18 | 34 | * | 5 | 16 | 15 | 64 | * |
| 65+ | 11 | 26 | 14 | 49 | - | 3 | 11 | 13 | 73 | - |
| AGE/SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Men Under 30 | 11 | 35 | 21 | 33 | - | 6 | 14 | 16 | 64 | - |
| Women Under 30 | 13 | 33 | 21 | 33 | - | 3 | 11 | 14 | 72 | - |
| Men 30-49 | 11 | 42 | 18 | 29 | - | 8 | 21 | 18 | 53 | - |
| Women 30-49 | 13 | 36 | 19 | 32 | - | 3 | 14 | 15 | 68 | - |
| Men 50+ | 16 | 34 | 18 | 32 | * | 7 | 21 | 18 | 54 | * |
| Women 50+ | 11 | 27 | 16 | 46 | - | 2 | 8 | 11 | 79 | - |
| RACE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 12 | 34 | 19 | 35 | * | 4 | 15 | 14 | 67 | * |
| Non-White | 14 | 38 | 15 | 33 | - | 7 | 17 | 21 | 55 | - |
| Black | 13 | 40 | 14 | 33 | - | 6 | 19 | 22 | 53 | - |
| Hispanic | 8 | 35 | 17 | 40 | - | 6 | 14 | 18 | 62 | - |
| EDUCATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| College Grad.+ | 22 | 40 | 20 | 18 | - | 9 | 21 | 20 | 50 | - |
| Some College | 14 | 37 | 20 | 29 | - | 5 | 19 | 17 | 59 | - |
| High School Grad. | 8 | 33 | 19 | 40 | * | 3 | 11 | 15 | 71 | * |
| < High School Grad. | 4 | 26 | 12 | 58 | - | 1 | 9 | 7 | 83 | - |
| FAMILY INCOME |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$75,000+ | 19 | 42 | 17 | 22 | - | 12 | 23 | 18 | 47 | - |
| \$50,000-\$74,999 | 12 | 40 | 21 | 27 | - | 6 | 17 | 16 | 61 | - |
| \$30,000-\$49,999 | 14 | 35 | 18 | 33 | * | 4 | 16 | 16 | 64 | * |
| \$20,000-\$29,999 | 12 | 29 | 20 | 39 | - | 1 | 12 | 15 | 72 | - |
| <\$20,000 | 6 | 35 | 16 | 43 | - | 2 | 8 | 13 | 77 | - |

QUESTION: Now, I'd like to know how often you read certain types of publications. As I read each, tell me if you read them regularly, sometimes, hardly ever or never ... (news magazines such as Time, US News, or Newsweek; business magazines such as Fortune or Forbes).

CONTINUED ...

|  | News Magazines |  |  |  |  | Business Magazines |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  |
|  | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 12 | 34 | 19 | 35 | * $=100$ | 5 | 15 | 15 | 65 | * $=100$ |
| REGION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| East | 15 | 39 | 16 | 29 | 1 | 4 | 18 | 14 | 64 | * |
| Midwest | 12 | 32 | 17 | 39 | - | 5 | 14 | 15 | 66 | - |
| South | 11 | 34 | 20 | 35 | - | 5 | 14 | 17 | 64 | - |
| West | 12 | 33 | 19 | 36 | - | 5 | 15 | 16 | 64 | - |
| PARTY ID |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Republican | 13 | 35 | 22 | 30 | - | 7 | 17 | 16 | 60 | - |
| Democrat | 14 | 37 | 15 | 34 | - | 4 | 14 | 15 | 67 | - |
| Independent | 11 | 33 | 19 | 37 | - | 5 | 16 | 15 | 64 | - |
| CABLE TV |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subscriber | 13 | 35 | 18 | 34 | * | 5 | 16 | 16 | 63 | * |
| Non-Subscriber | 11 | 33 | 19 | 37 | * | 4 | 14 | 14 | 68 | * |
| COMPUTER USER |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Computer User | 15 | 38 | 20 | 27 | * | 6 | 18 | 18 | 58 | * |
| On-Line User | 16 | 39 | 21 | 24 | - | 7 | 19 | 19 | 55 | - |
| Not an Internet User | 8 | 29 | 15 | 48 | * | 2 | 11 | 11 | 76 | * |
| LIFE CYCLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 30: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 14 | 37 | 19 | 30 | - | 5 | 13 | 14 | 68 | - |
| Married | 11 | 29 | 22 | 38 | - | 3 | 13 | 15 | 69 | - |
| 30-49: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 14 | 40 | 17 | 29 | - | 5 | 19 | 19 | 57 | - |
| Married /out Children | 14 | 39 | 15 | 32 | - | 6 | 19 | 17 | 58 | - |
| Married With Children | 9 | 41 | 21 | 29 | - | 7 | 16 | 16 | 62 | - |
| 50-64: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 15 | 36 | 19 | 30 | * | 6 | 18 | 15 | 61 | * |
| Not Married | 15 | 28 | 18 | 39 | - | 4 | 15 | 14 | 67 | - |
| 65+: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 12 | 25 | 15 | 48 | - | 3 | 12 | 17 | 68 | - |
| Not Married | 11 | 26 | 13 | 50 | - | 2 | 10 | 10 | 78 | - |
| Working Mothers | 11 | 34 | 20 | 35 | - | 3 | 13 | 14 | 70 | - |
| Single Parent | 12 | 32 | 19 | 37 | - | 2 | 15 | 16 | 67 | - |

# READERSHIP OF SELECTED PUBLICATIONS 

|  | Tabloid Newspapers |  |  |  |  | Personality Magazines |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  |
|  | $\underline{\text { larly }}$ | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 3 | 9 | 12 | 76 | * $=100$ | 6 | 27 | 18 | 49 | * $=100$ |
| SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 2 | 8 | 11 | 79 | * | 3 | 21 | 17 | 59 | * |
| Female | 4 | 10 | 12 | 74 | * | 9 | 33 | 19 | 39 | - |
| AGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18-29 | 2 | 11 | 12 | 75 | - | 9 | 35 | 16 | 40 | - |
| 30-49 | 3 | 8 | 12 | 77 | * | 6 | 29 | 21 | 44 | - |
| 50-64 | 3 | 10 | 12 | 75 | * | 6 | 24 | 18 | 52 | * |
| 65+ | 4 | 8 | 11 | 77 | - | 4 | 17 | 15 | 64 | - |
| AGE/SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Men Under 30 | 1 | 11 | 11 | 77 | - | 5 | 26 | 15 | 54 | * |
| Women Under 30 | 2 | 11 | 14 | 73 | - | 14 | 43 | 16 | 27 | - |
| Men 30-49 | 2 | 9 | 10 | 79 | - | 3 | 23 | 19 | 55 | - |
| Women 30-49 | 3 | 8 | 13 | 76 | * | 8 | 35 | 23 | 34 | - |
| Men 50+ | 2 | 6 | 12 | 80 | * | 3 | 13 | 17 | 67 | * |
| Women 50+ | 5 | 11 | 12 | 72 | - | 7 | 27 | 17 | 49 | - |
| RACE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 2 | 8 | 11 | 79 | * | 5 | 26 | 19 | 50 | * |
| Non-Whites | 5 | 19 | 16 | 60 | - | 11 | 34 | 15 | 40 | - |
| Black | 5 | 24 | 17 | 54 | - | 11 | 37 | 13 | 39 | - |
| Hispanic | 5 | 19 | 16 | 60 | - | 8 | 33 | 18 | 41 | - |
| EDUCATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| College Grad.+ | 1 | 4 | 8 | 87 | - | 6 | 23 | 23 | 48 | - |
| Some College | 2 | 7 | 11 | 80 | - | 8 | 30 | 20 | 42 | - |
| High School Grad. | 4 | 11 | 14 | 71 | * | 5 | 31 | 16 | 48 | * |
| < High School Grad. | 4 | 17 | 15 | 64 | - | 5 | 22 | 14 | 59 | - |
| FAMILY INCOME |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$75,000+ | 2 | 5 | 11 | 82 | * | 8 | 26 | 22 | 44 | - |
| \$50,000-\$74,999 | 2 | 7 | 10 | 81 | - | 5 | 28 | 21 | 46 | - |
| \$30,000-\$49,999 | 3 | 10 | 11 | 76 | * | 6 | 29 | 18 | 47 | * |
| \$20,000-\$29,999 | 2 | 11 | 13 | 74 | - | 5 | 30 | 18 | 47 | - |
| <\$20,000 | 4 | 15 | 16 | 65 | - | 7 | 29 | 15 | 49 | - |

QUESTION: Now, I'd like to know how often you read certain types of publications. As I read each, tell me if you read them regularly, sometimes, hardly ever or never ... (The National Enquirer, The Sun or The Star; Personality magazines such as People).

Tabloid Newspapers
Regu- Some- Hardly


TOTAL

REGION
East
Midwest
South
West
PARTY ID
Republican
Democrat
Independent
CABLE TV
Subscriber
Non-Subscriber
COMPUTER USER

| Computer User | 2 | 8 | 11 | 79 | $*$ | 7 | 30 | 20 | 43 | $*$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| On-Line User | 2 | 7 | 10 | 81 | $*$ | 7 | 31 | 20 | 42 | - |
| Not an Internet User | 4 | 12 | 13 | 71 | $*$ | 5 | 23 | 16 | 56 | $*$ |

LIFE CYCLE
Under 30:

| Single w/out Children | 2 | 10 | 11 | 77 | - | 9 | 36 | 15 | 40 | - |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\quad$ Married | 2 | 8 | 9 | 81 | - | 7 | 33 | 15 | 45 | - |
| 30-49: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\quad$ Single w/out Children | 3 | 9 | 13 | 75 | - | 7 | 30 | 19 | 44 | - |
| $\quad$ Married w/out Children | 2 | 8 | 12 | 78 | - | 4 | 28 | 19 | 49 | - |
| $\quad$ Married With Children | 2 | 7 | 9 | 82 | - | 5 | 29 | 22 | 44 | - |
| 50-64: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | - |
| $\quad$ Married | 2 | 9 | 11 | 77 | 1 | 6 | 23 | 18 | 53 | $*$ |
| $\quad$ Not Married | 4 | 11 | 14 | 71 | - | 6 | 26 | 18 | 50 | - |
| 65+: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\quad$ Married | 2 | 6 | 11 | 81 | - | 3 | 11 | 17 | 69 | - |
| Not Married | 6 | 10 | 11 | 73 | - | 5 | 21 | 14 | 60 | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Working Mothers | 2 | 10 | 16 | 72 | - | 9 | 35 | 21 | 35 | - |
| Single Parent | 4 | 13 | 19 | 64 | $*$ | 9 | 30 | 20 | 41 | - |

## READERSHIP OF LITERARY MAGAZINES

TOTAL

SEX
Male
Female
AGE
18-29
30-49
50-64
65+
AGE/SEX
Men Under 30
Women Under 30
Men 30-49
Women 30-49
Men 50+
Women 50+
RACE
White
Non-White
Black
Hispanic
EDUCATION
College Grad.+
Some College
High School Grad.
< High School Grad.
FAMILY INCOME
\$75,000+
\$50,000-\$74,999
\$30,000-\$49,999
\$20,000-\$29,999
<\$20,000

| $\frac{\text { Regularly }}{\%}$ | Sometimes <br> 2 |
| :---: | :---: |

Hardly ever
$\%$
11
Never
$\%$
80

Don't Know
$\%$
$*=100$ 79
*
$2 \quad 7$
12
80

- 5

5
7
8
8
11
80

12
8
-
$*$

- 

$9 \quad 80$
81
79
76
80
$4 \quad 12$

| 12 | 84 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 13 | 78 |
| 11 | 79 |
| 11 | 80 |
| 13 | 77 |
| 11 | 79 |


| 11 | 80 | $*$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 16 | 75 | - |
| 16 | 74 | - |
| 18 | 72 | - |


| 5 | 13 | 16 | 66 | - |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | 6 | 11 | 81 | $*$ |
| 1 | 4 | 9 | 86 | $*$ |
| 2 | 6 | 9 | 83 | - |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| 5 | 11 | 15 | 69 | - |
| 2 | 7 | 10 | 81 | - |
| 2 | 7 | 11 | 80 | $*$ |
| 2 | 5 | 10 | 83 | $*$ |
| 1 | 7 | 11 | 81 | - |

QUESTION: Now, I'd like to know how often you read certain types of publications. As I read each, tell me if you read them regularly, sometimes, hardly ever or never ... (Magazines such as The Atlantic Monthly, Harpers, or The New Yorker).

TOTAL

REGION
East
Midwest
South
West

PARTY ID
Republican
Democrat
Independent
CABLE TV
Subscriber
Non-Subscriber

COMPUTER USER
$\begin{array}{cc}\text { Computer User } & 3 \\ \text { On-Line User } & 3\end{array}$
Not an Internet User

LIFE CYCLE
Under 30:

| Single w/out Children | 1 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Married | 1 |
| 30-49: |  |
| Single w/out Children | 3 |
| Married w/out Children | 3 |
| Married With Children | 2 |
| 50-64: |  |
| Married | 3 |
| Not Married | 2 |
| 65+: | 2 |
| Married | 2 |
| Not Married |  |
|  | 2 |
| Working Mothers | 2 |
| Single Parent |  |

## LISTENERSHIP OF RADIO SHOWS

|  | National Public Radio |  |  |  |  | Political Talk Radio Shows |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- Some- Hardly |  |  |  |  | Regu- Some- Hardly |  |  |  |  |
|  | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 15 | 17 | 16 | 51 | $1=100$ | 14 | 23 | 23 | 40 | * $=100$ |
| SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 17 | 17 | 17 | 48 | 1 | 18 | 24 | 21 | 37 | * |
| Female | 14 | 17 | 15 | 53 | 1 | 11 | 21 | 25 | 43 | - |
| AGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18-29 | 12 | 15 | 15 | 58 | - | 11 | 27 | 26 | 36 | - |
| 30-49 | 17 | 17 | 16 | 49 | 1 | 17 | 23 | 22 | 38 | - |
| 50-64 | 15 | 20 | 17 | 47 | 1 | 16 | 21 | 23 | 40 | - |
| 65+ | 16 | 16 | 16 | 51 | 1 | 12 | 18 | 21 | 49 | - |
| AGE/SEX |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Men Under 30 | 11 | 14 | 15 | 60 | - | 11 | 22 | 30 | 37 | - |
| Women Under 30 | 12 | 16 | 16 | 56 | - | 12 | 31 | 22 | 35 | - |
| Men 30-49 | 19 | 17 | 17 | 46 | 1 | 20 | 28 | 16 | 36 | - |
| Women 30-49 | 16 | 17 | 15 | 52 | * | 12 | 19 | 28 | 41 | - |
| Men 50+ | 18 | 19 | 19 | 43 | 1 | 21 | 21 | 22 | 37 | - |
| Women 50+ | 13 | 18 | 14 | 54 | * | 8 | 19 | 23 | 50 | - |
| RACE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| White | 16 | 16 | 16 | 51 | 1 | 14 | 22 | 24 | 40 | - |
| Non-Whites | 13 | 23 | 15 | 49 | * | 14 | 26 | 19 | 41 | - |
| Black | 15 | 23 | 15 | 47 | * | 18 | 27 | 19 | 36 | - |
| Hispanic | 13 | 23 | 18 | 46 | - | 14 | 31 | 16 | 39 | - |
| EDUCATION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| College Grad.+ | 23 | 20 | 18 | 39 | * | 21 | 25 | 26 | 28 | - |
| Some College | 14 | 16 | 16 | 53 | 1 | 15 | 24 | 22 | 39 | - |
| High School Grad. | 12 | 16 | 16 | 55 | 1 | 12 | 21 | 24 | 43 | - |
| < High School Grad. | 13 | 16 | 14 | 56 | 1 | 8 | 21 | 16 | 55 | - |
| FAMILY INCOME |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \$75,000+ | 21 | 20 | 16 | 43 | * | 19 | 21 | 30 | 30 | - |
| \$50,000-\$74,999 | 16 | 16 | 17 | 51 | * | 20 | 26 | 22 | 32 | - |
| \$30,000-\$49,999 | 18 | 16 | 15 | 50 | 1 | 17 | 23 | 22 | 38 | - |
| \$20,000-\$29,999 | 11 | 17 | 15 | 56 | 1 | 9 | 26 | 21 | 44 | - |
| <\$20,000 | 15 | 16 | 15 | 53 | 1 | 8 | 27 | 18 | 47 | - |

QUESTION: Now, I'd like to know how often you listen to certain types TV and radio programs. For each that I read, tell if you watch or listen to it regularly, sometimes, hardly ever or never ... (National Public Radio).
How often, if ever, do you listen to radio shows that invite listeners to call in to discuss current events, public issues and politics- regularly, sometimes, rarely, or never?

|  | National Public Radio |  |  |  |  | Political Talk Radio Shows |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  | Regu- | Some- | Hardly |  |  |
|  | larly | times | Ever | Never | DK | larly | $\underline{\text { times }}$ | Ever | Never | DK |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| TOTAL | 15 | 17 | 16 | 51 | $1=100$ | 14 | 23 | 23 | 40 | * $=100$ |
| REGION |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| East | 15 | 17 | 16 | 51 | 1 | 12 | 25 | 23 | 40 | * |
| Midwest | 15 | 16 | 16 | 52 | 1 | 12 | 24 | 23 | 41 | - |
| South | 15 | 18 | 15 | 51 | 1 | 15 | 21 | 22 | 42 | - |
| West | 16 | 17 | 17 | 49 | 1 | 18 | 20 | 24 | 38 | - |
| PARTY ID |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Republican | 12 | 17 | 19 | 51 | 1 | 20 | 23 | 26 | 31 | - |
| Democrat | 18 | 17 | 15 | 49 | 1 | 11 | 24 | 20 | 45 | - |
| Independent | 16 | 17 | 15 | 52 | * | 13 | 23 | 23 | 40 | - |
| CABLE TV |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subscriber | 14 | 16 | 18 | 51 | 1 | 14 | 22 | 23 | 41 | - |
| Non-Subscriber | 18 | 19 | 12 | 50 | 1 | 14 | 23 | 23 | 40 | * |
| COMPUTER USER |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Computer User | 16 | 18 | 16 | 49 | 1 | 17 | 25 | 25 | 33 | - |
| On-Line User | 17 | 17 | 17 | 49 | * | 18 | 24 | 26 | 32 | - |
| Not an Internet User | 13 | 17 | 15 | 54 | 1 | 10 | 20 | 20 | 50 | * |
| LIFE CYCLE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Under 30: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 10 | 16 | 18 | 56 | - | 11 | 27 | 27 | 35 | - |
| Married | 11 | 14 | 14 | 61 | - | 13 | 23 | 24 | 40 | - |
| 30-49: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 19 | 15 | 18 | 46 | 2 | 16 | 29 | 22 | 33 | - |
| Married w/out Children | 19 | 14 | 15 | 52 | - | 16 | 19 | 13 | 52 | - |
| Married With Children | 17 | 18 | 16 | 48 | 1 | 17 | 24 | 25 | 34 | - |
| 50-64: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 15 | 21 | 17 | 46 | 1 | 20 | 17 | 23 | 40 | - |
| Not Married | 14 | 18 | 16 | 49 | 3 | 10 | 27 | 24 | 39 | - |
| 65+: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Married | 18 | 16 | 18 | 47 | 1 | 14 | 16 | 27 | 43 | - |
| Not Married | 14 | 16 | 15 | 55 | * | 10 | 19 | 16 | 55 | - |
| Working Mothers | 17 | 16 | 12 | 55 | * | 10 | 19 | 28 | 43 | - |
| Single Parent | 16 | 19 | 11 | 54 | * | 14 | 23 | 23 | 40 | - |

## AUDIENCE INTEREST PROFILE

Based on "Regular" Viewers, Listeners, Readers

| \% Who Follow Each "Very Closely" | Total | Daily Newspaper | Nightly Network News | Local TV News | $\begin{gathered} \text { TV } \\ \text { News } \\ \text { Mags. } \end{gathered}$ | TV <br> Morning Shows | CNN |  | CNBC | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MS- } \\ & \text { NBC } \end{aligned}$ | C-SPAN | NewsHour | NPR | Talk radio | (Read) News Mags. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Tell- } \\ \text { all } \\ \text { TV } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Day- <br> time <br> Talk | $\begin{gathered} \text { Local } \\ \text { Cable } \\ \text { TV News } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% | \% |
| News about political figures and events in Washington | 17 | 21 | 28 | 20 | 24 | 23 | 27 | 26 | 31 | 33 | 49 | 40 | 22 | 34 | 29 | 21 | 19 | 23 |
| Sports | 27 | 32 | 28 | 29 | 26 | 23 | 37 | 33 | 34 | 36 | 42 | 33 | 26 | 28 | 32 | 39 | 28 | 31 |
| Business \& finance | 14 | 18 | 20 | 15 | 15 | 14 | 24 | 18 | 34 | 30 | 26 | 21 | 20 | 23 | 24 | 12 | 11 | 15 |
| International affairs | 15 | 17 | 23 | 16 | 19 | 18 | 24 | 22 | 28 | 27 | 39 | 40 | 24 | 24 | 30 | 17 | 12 | 17 |
| Local government | 20 | 25 | 30 | 27 | 29 | 28 | 31 | 29 | 32 | 30 | 39 | 43 | 26 | 29 | 32 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| Religion | 21 | 22 | 25 | 24 | 26 | 26 | 25 | 28 | 24 | 26 | 32 | 37 | 25 | 25 | 21 | 27 | 32 | 28 |
| People/events in your own community | 26 | 31 | 35 | 35 | 35 | 38 | 34 | 38 | 34 | 33 | 33 | 42 | 32 | 27 | 32 | 41 | 43 | 41 |
| Entertainment | 15 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 18 | 18 | 19 | 22 | 20 | 19 | 22 | 24 | 17 | 17 | 17 | 42 | 28 | 21 |
| Science \& technology | 18 | 21 | 21 | 19 | 22 | 20 | 28 | 24 | 30 | 29 | 47 | 35 | 28 | 29 | 31 | 25 | 16 | 17 |
| Health | 29 | 33 | 41 | 35 | 40 | 42 | 36 | 35 | 46 | 41 | 46 | 47 | 35 | 28 | 41 | 36 | 45 | 38 |
| Crime | 30 | 32 | 39 | 39 | 41 | 37 | 40 | 47 | 41 | 40 | 41 | 48 | 28 | 34 | 33 | 58 | 44 | 43 |
| Consumer news | 12 | 15 | 18 | 15 | 18 | 17 | 20 | 18 | 22 | 21 | 24 | 26 | 17 | 16 | 22 | 17 | 18 | 15 |
| Culture \& the arts | 10 | 12 | 12 | 10 | 12 | 12 | 14 | 11 | 16 | 13 | 22 | 22 | 18 | 14 | 22 | 14 | 11 | 10 |

## SHARED AUDIENCES

Based on "Regular" Viewers, Listeners, Readers

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 19 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Daily Newspaper | 100 | 76 | 70 | 71 | 69 | 76 | 68 | 75 | 71 | 71 | 77 | 67 | 71 | 79 | 59 | 64 | 69 |
| Nightly Network News | 36 | 100 | 45 | 52 | 53 | 44 | 39 | 49 | 50 | 47 | 54 | 33 | 32 | 44 | 31 | 45 | 43 |
| Local TV News | 62 | 83 | 100 | 77 | 80 | 66 | 69 | 67 | 68 | 62 | 70 | 54 | 55 | 61 | 66 | 75 | 82 |
| TV News Magazines | 35 | 53 | 42 | 100 | 50 | 46 | 42 | 48 | 51 | 43 | 56 | 34 | 36 | 44 | 37 | 52 | 45 |
| TV Morning Shows | 22 | 35 | 29 | 32 | 100 | 25 | 25 | 31 | 33 | 24 | 25 | 18 | 21 | 22 | 27 | 43 | 28 |
| CNN | 26 | 31 | 25 | 32 | 26 | 100 | 35 | 49 | 46 | 67 | 42 | 27 | 23 | 36 | 21 | 21 | 34 |
| Fox News Channel | 19 | 23 | 22 | 24 | 23 | 29 | 100 | 36 | 38 | 46 | 28 | 20 | 29 | 22 | 37 | 28 | 30 |
| CNBC | 15 | 21 | 15 | 20 | 20 | 29 | 25 | 100 | 49 | 46 | 21 | 16 | 12 | 19 | 13 | 18 | 19 |
| MSNBC | 13 | 19 | 14 | 19 | 18 | 24 | 24 | 44 | 100 | 35 | 16 | 13 | 14 | 18 | 13 | 11 | 17 |
| C-SPAN | 4 | 6 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 12 | 10 | 14 | 12 | 100 | 14 | 8 | 7 | 9 | 5 | 3 | 6 |
| Newshour | 6 | 8 | 6 | 9 | 6 | 9 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 17 | 100 | 11 | 10 | 11 | 7 | 6 | 6 |
| NPR | 16 | 17 | 15 | 17 | 14 | 20 | 17 | 19 | 18 | 34 | 37 | 100 | 29 | 27 | 12 | 11 | 17 |
| Talk Radio | 8 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 12 | 7 | 9 | 14 | 15 | 13 | 100 | 9 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| (Read) News magazines | 16 | 18 | 14 | 18 | 13 | 21 | 15 | 19 | 20 | 29 | 29 | 22 | 15 | 100 | 12 | 12 | 12 |
| Tell-all TV | 7 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 7 | 15 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 12 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 100 | 25 | 12 |
| Daytime Talk TV | 11 | 15 | 14 | 18 | 22 | 10 | 16 | 15 | 10 | 7 | 14 | 7 | 9 | 10 | 35 | 100 | 15 |
| Local Cable TV News | 32 | 42 | 43 | 43 | 41 | 47 | 50 | 43 | 43 | 47 | 37 | 32 | 28 | 28 | 48 | 43 | 100 |

## PROFILE OF THE PUBLIC, ALL INVESTORS \& ACTIVE TRADERS

|  | General <br> $\frac{\text { Population }}{\%}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { All } \\ \frac{\text { Investors }}{}+ \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Active } \\ \frac{\text { Traders }}{}++ \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| SEX |  |  |  |
| Male | 48 | 52 | 64 |
| Female | $\underline{52}$ | 48 | 36 |
|  | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| AGE |  |  |  |
| 18-29 | 22 | 14 | 14 |
| 30-49 | 41 | 47 | 44 |
| 50-64 | 20 | 23 | 23 |
| 65+ | 16 | 14 | 16 |
| AGE/SEX |  |  |  |
| Men Under 30 | 11 | 7 | 10 |
| Women Under 30 | 11 | 7 | 4 |
| Men 30-49 | 20 | 25 | 28 |
| Women 30-49 | 20 | 22 | 16 |
| Men 50+ | 16 | 19 | 25 |
| Women 50+ | 20 | 18 | 14 |
| RACE |  |  |  |
| White | 83 | 88 | 89 |
| Non-White | 15 | 11 | 9 |
| Black | 11 | 6 | 3 |
| Hispanic ${ }^{\wedge}$ | 7 | 4 | 5 |
| EDUCATION |  |  |  |
| College Grad.+ | 24 | 37 | 47 |
| Some College | 24 | 27 | 27 |
| High School Grad. | 37 | 31 | 22 |
| <High School Grad. | 15 | 5 | 3 |
| FAMILY INCOME |  |  |  |
| \$75,000+ | 15 | 26 | 37 |
| \$50,000-\$74,999 | 14 | 19 | 18 |
| \$30,000-\$49,999 | 24 | 25 | 18 |
| \$20,000-\$29,999 | 13 | 8 | 5 |
| <\$20,000 | 16 | 5 | 4 |
|  | ( $\mathrm{N}=3142$ ) | ( $\mathrm{N}=1662$ ) | ( $\mathrm{N}=528$ ) |

Reading this Table: This table shows the percentage of each of these three groups - General Population, All Investors, and Active Traders - that are Men, Women, etc. For example, the first column shows that approximately 48\% of the General Population are men, while the second column shows that $52 \%$ of All Investors are men and the third column shows that $64 \%$ of Active Traders are men.

+ All Investors are defined as people who own stocks or shares in a mutual fund.
++ Active Traders are defined as people who have traded stocks within the past 6 months.
${ }^{\wedge}$ The designation Hispanic is unrelated to the white-black categorization.
Continued ...

|  | $\begin{array}{c}\text { General } \\ \text { Population }\end{array}$ <br> $\%$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { All } \\ \frac{\text { Investors+ }}{\%} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Active } \\ \text { Traders }^{++} \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| REGION |  |  |  |
| East | 20 | 21 | 20 |
| Midwest | 24 | 24 | 22 |
| South | 35 | 32 | 31 |
| West | 21 | 23 | 27 |
| PARTY ID |  |  |  |
| Republican | 28 | 35 | 44 |
| Democrat | 31 | 29 | 26 |
| Independent | 31 | 28 | 26 |
| CABLE TV |  |  |  |
| Subscriber | 67 | 71 | 73 |
| Non-Subscriber | 33 | 29 | 27 |
| COMPUTER USER |  |  |  |
| Computer User | 68 | 81 | 86 |
| On-Line User | 54 | 68 | 78 |
| Not an Internet User | 46 | 32 | 22 |
| LIFE CYCLE |  |  |  |
| Under 30: |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 13 | 8 | 10 |
| Married | 5 | 4 | 4 |
| 30-49: |  |  |  |
| Single w/out Children | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| Married w/out Children | 7 | 9 | 7 |
| Married With Children | 18 | 23 | 22 |
| 50-64: |  |  |  |
| Married | 12 | 16 | 16 |
| Not Married | 8 | 7 | 8 |
| 65+: |  |  |  |
| Married | 7 | 8 | 10 |
| Not Married | 9 | 6 | 6 |
| Working Mothers 11 | 11 | 8 |  |
| Single Parent | 10 | 7 | 5 |
| RELIGION AFFILIATION |  |  |  |
| Total White Protestant | 44 | 45 | 44 |
| White Protestant Evangelical | 21 | 19 | 16 |
| White Prot. Non-Evangelical | 23 | 26 | 28 |
| White Catholic | 18 | 22 | 22 |
| COMMUNITY SIZE |  |  |  |
| Large City | 20 | 20 | 23 |
| Suburb | 22 | 27 | 32 |
| Small City/Town | 35 | 32 | 30 |
| Rural Area | 22 | 20 | 15 |

## ABOUT THE SURVEYS

Results for the main survey on Media Consumption are based on telephone interviews conducted under the direction of Princeton Survey Research Associates among a nationwide sample of 3,142 adults, 18 years of age or older, during the period April 20-May 13, 2000. For results based on the total sample, one can say with $95 \%$ confidence that the error attributable to sampling and other random effects is plus or minus 2.5 percentage points. For results based on either Form $\mathrm{A}(\mathrm{N}=1,593)$ or Form $\mathrm{B}(\mathrm{N}=1,549)$, the sampling error is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

Results for the Believability Study are based on telephone interviews conducted under the direction of Princeton Survey Research Associates among two separate nationwide samples of adults, 18 years of age or older. The questions about believability of traditional print and broadcast news sources were asked of 911 adults, during the period May 5-16, 2000. For results based on this sample, the sampling error is plus or minus 4 percentage points. The questions about believability of online news sources were asked of 308 Internet users, during the period June 1-6, 2000. For results based on this sample, the sampling error is plus or minus 6 percentage 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.

## SURVEY METHODOLOGY IN DETAIL

The sample for this survey is a random digit sample of telephone numbers selected from telephone exchanges in the continental United States. The random digit aspect of the sample is used to avoid "listing" bias and provides representation of both listed and unlisted numbers (including not-yet-listed). The design of the sample ensures this representation by random generation of the last two digits of telephone numbers selected on the basis of their area code, telephone exchange, and bank number.

The telephone exchanges were selected with probabilities proportional to their size. The first eight digits of the sampled telephone numbers (area code, telephone exchange, bank number) were selected to be proportionally stratified by county and by telephone exchange within county. That is, the number of telephone numbers randomly sampled from within a given county is proportional to that county's share of telephone numbers in the U.S. Only working banks of telephone numbers are selected. A working bank is defined as 100 contiguous telephone numbers containing three or more residential listings.

The sample was released for interviewing in replicates. Using replicates to control the release of sample to the field ensures that the complete call procedures are followed for the entire sample. The use of replicates also insures that the regional distribution of numbers called is appropriate. Again, this works to increase the representativeness of the sample.

At least five attempts were made to complete an interview at every sampled telephone number. The calls were staggered over times of day and days of the week to maximize the chances of making a contact with a potential respondent. All interview breakoffs and refusals were re-contacted at least once in order to attempt to convert them to completed interviews. In each contacted household, interviewers asked to speak with the "youngest male 18 or older who is at home." If there is no eligible man at home, interviewers asked to speak with "the oldest woman 18 or older who is at home." This systematic respondent selection technique has been shown empirically to produce samples that closely mirror the population in terms of age and gender.

Non-response in telephone interview surveys produces some known biases in survey-derived estimates because participation tends to vary for different subgroups of the population, and these subgroups are likely to vary also on questions of substantive interest. In order to compensate for these known biases, the sample data are weighted in analysis.

The demographic weighting parameters are derived from a special analysis of the most recently available Census Bureau's Current Population Survey (March 1999). This analysis produced population parameters for the demographic characteristics of households with adults 18 or older, which are then compared with the sample characteristics to construct sample weights. The analysis only included households in the continental United States that contain a telephone.

The weights are derived using an iterative technique that simultaneously balances the distributions of all weighting parameters.

# PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE AND THE PRESS BIENNIAL MEDIA CONSUMPTION SURVEY <br> FINAL TOPLINE <br> April 20 - May 13, 2000 <br> (T) = Total sample [ $\mathrm{N}=3,142]$ <br> $(A)=$ Form $A[N=1,593]$ <br> $(B)=[\mathrm{N}=1,549]$ 

1 (T) All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?

|  | Satisfied | Dissatisfied | No Opinion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April, 2000 | 48 | 43 | $9=100$ |
| August, 1999 | 56 | 39 | $5=100$ |
| January, 1999 | 53 | 41 | $6=100$ |
| November, 1998 | 46 | 44 | $10=100$ |
| Early September, 1998 | 54 | 42 | $4=100$ |
| Late August, 1998 | 55 | 41 | $4=100$ |
| Early August, 1998 | 50 | 44 | $6=100$ |
| February, 1998 | 59 | 37 | $4=100$ |
| January, 1998 | 46 | 50 | $4=100$ |
| September, 1997 | 45 | 49 | $6=100$ |
| August, 1997 | 49 | 46 | $5=100$ |
| January, 1997 | 38 | 58 | $4=100$ |
| July, 1996 | 29 | 67 | $4=100$ |
| March, 1996 | 28 | 70 | $2=100$ |
| October, 1995 | 23 | 73 | $4=100$ |
| June, 1995 | 25 | 73 | $2=100$ |
| April, 1995 | 23 | 74 | $3=100$ |
| July, 1994 | 24 | 73 | $3=100$ |
| March, 1994 | 24 | 71 | $5=100$ |
| October, 1993 | 22 | 73 | $5=100$ |
| September, 1993 | 20 | 75 | $4=100$ |
| May, 1993 | 22 | 71 | $7=100$ |
| January, 1993 | 39 | 50 | $11=100$ |
| January, 1992 | 28 | 68 | $4=100$ |
| November, 1991 | 34 | 61 | $5=100$ |
| Late February, 1991 (Gallup) | 66 | 31 | $3=100$ |
| August, 1990 | 47 | 48 | $5=100$ |
| May, 1990 | 41 | 54 | $5=100$ |
| January, 1989 | 45 | 50 | $5=100$ |
| September, 1988 | 50 | 45 | $5=100$ |
| May, 1988 | 41 | 54 | $5=100$ |
| January, 1988 | 39 | 55 | $6=100$ |

Now a different kind of question about where you MIGHT go to get NEWS...
ASK FORM A ONLY:
2 (A) If you heard that the stock market had fallen 1,000 points, where would you go FIRST for more information about this, or wouldn't you be interested in getting more information? (OPEN-END; IF TV/TV NEWS, PROBE WITH: What kind of tv/tv news? ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES.)

Television
2 Network/TV News
1 ABC News
1 NBC News

* CBS News

1 Network News (unspecified)

* All other Network TV News mentions

14 Cable TV
9 CNN News
2 CNBC News
1 MSNBC News

* Cable TV channels

1 All other Cable TV mentions
10 Television (unspecified)
2 News program
2 Local TV News
1 FOX News (unspecified)

* All other Television mentions

Internet/Online
Newspaper/Magazine
7 Newspaper (unspecified)
2 Wall Street Journal
1 Local newspaper
1 All other Newspaper/Magazine mentions
3 Radio
2 Radio (unspecified)
1 National Public Radio/NPR

* All other Radio mentions

Miscellaneous
4 Contact my broker/stockbroker
2 Word of mouth/Talk with friends/family/co-workers

* Contact my bank/banker

2 All other miscellaneous mentions
None/Wouldn't want more information
Don't know/Refused

## ASK FORM B ONLY:

3 (B) If you heard that there had been a major terrorist attack on a large US city, where would you go FIRST for more information about this, or wouldn't you be interested in getting more information? (OPEN-END; IF TV/TV NEWS, PROBE WITH: What kind of tv/tv news? ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES.)

66 Television<br>9 Network/TV News<br>3 ABC News<br>3 NBC News<br>3 Network News (unspecified)<br>2 CBS News<br>* All other Network TV News mentions<br>24 Cable TV<br>22 CNN News<br>1 MSNBC News<br>1 CNBC News<br>1 Cable TV channels<br>1 All other Cable TV mentions<br>22 Television (unspecified)<br>4 News program<br>7 Local TV News<br>1 FOX News (unspecified)<br>1 All other Television mentions<br>10 Radio<br>8 Radio (unspecified)<br>1 National Public Radio/NPR<br>1 All other Radio mentions<br>10 Internet/Online<br>5 Newspaper/Magazine<br>4 Newspaper (unspecified)<br>* Local newspaper<br>* All other Newspaper/Magazine mentions<br>5 Miscellaneous<br>1 Contact government officials/representatives<br>1 Contact police/law enforcement<br>1 Word of mouth/Talk with friends/family/co-workers<br>2 All other miscellaneous mentions<br>6 None/Wouldn't want more information<br>6 Don't know/Refused

## ASK ALL:

On a different subject...
4 (T) Do you happen to read any daily newspaper or newspapers regularly, or not?

|  | $\frac{\text { Yes }}{}$ | $\frac{\text { No }}{}$ | $\frac{\text { Don't Know }}{*}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April, 2000 | 63 | 37 | $0=100$ |
| November, 1998 | 70 | 32 | $*=100$ |
| April, 1998 | 68 | 28 | $1=100$ |
| April, 1996 | 71 | 34 | $*=100$ |
| June, 1995 | 69 | 29 | $*=100$ |
| March, 1995 | 71 | 27 | $*=100$ |
| October, 1994 | 73 | 26 | $*=100$ |
| July, 1994 | 74 | 30 | $0=100$ |
| February, 1994 | 70 | 29 | $*=100$ |
| January, 1994 | 71 | 25 | $*=100$ |
| June, 1992 | 75 | 27 | $*=100$ |
| July, 1991 | 73 | 30 | $*=100$ |
| May, 1991 | 70 | 27 | $1=100$ |
| January, 1991 | 72 | 26 | $0=100$ |
| November, 1990 | 74 | 28 | $0=100$ |
| October, 1990 | 72 | 29 | $0=100$ |
| July, 1990 | 71 | 29 | $0=100$ |
| May, 1990 | 71 |  |  |

5 (T) Do you happen to watch any TV news programs regularly, or not?

April, 2000
April, 1998
April, 1996
June, 1995
March, 1995
October, 1994
July, 1994
February, 1994
January, 1994
June, 1992
July, 1991
May, 1991
January, 1991
November, 1990
October, 1990
July, 1990
May, 1990

| $\frac{\text { Yes }}{75}$ | $\frac{\text { No }}{25}$ | $\frac{\text { Don't Know }}{*=100}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 80 | 20 | $*=100$ |
| 81 | 19 | $0=100$ |
| 78 | 22 | $*=100$ |
| 82 | 18 | $*=100$ |
| 81 | 19 | $*=100$ |
| 81 | 19 | $*=100$ |
| 84 | 16 | $0=100$ |
| 85 | 15 | $*=100$ |
| 85 | 15 | $*=100$ |
| 84 | 16 | $*=100$ |
| 84 | 16 | $*=100$ |
| 88 | 12 | $*=100$ |
| 80 | 20 | $*=100$ |
| 81 | 19 | $0=100$ |
| 81 | 19 | $0=100$ |
| 80 | 20 | $0=100$ |

6 (T) Do you listen to news on the radio regularly, or not?

|  | $\frac{Y e s}{}$ | $\frac{\text { No }}{}$ | $\frac{\text { Don't Know }}{*=100}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\frac{46}{\text { April, 2000 }}$ | 52 | 48 | $*=100$ |
| April, 1998 | 51 | 49 | $*=100$ |
| April, 1996 | 50 | 50 | $*=100$ |
| June, 1995 | 54 | 46 | $*=100$ |
| March, 1995 | 51 | 49 | $*=100$ |
| October, 1994 | 52 | 48 | $0=100$ |
| July, 1994 | 53 | 47 | $0=100$ |
| February, 1994 | 52 | 48 | $*=100$ |
| January, 1994 | 54 | 46 | $*=100$ |
| June, 1992 | 53 | 47 | $*=100$ |
| May, 1991 | 55 | 45 | $*=100$ |
| January, 1991 | 55 | 45 | $*=100$ |
| November, 1990 | 54 | 46 | $0=100$ |
| October, 1990 | 56 | 44 | $*=100$ |
| May, 1990 |  |  |  |

7 (T) We're interested in how often people watch the major TV network evening news programs - by this we mean ABC World News Tonight with Peter Jennings, CBS Evening News with Dan Rather, and NBC Nightly News with Tom Brokaw. Do you happen to watch TV evening news programs regularly, or not?

|  |  | April | April | March | May | Aug | May |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\frac{1998}{59}$ | $\frac{1996}{59}$ | $\frac{1995}{65}$ | $\frac{1990}{67}$ | $\frac{1989}{67}$ | $\frac{1987}{71}$ |
| 50 | Yes | 41 | 41 | 35 | 32 | 33 | 28 |
| 50 | No | $\frac{*}{100}$ | $\frac{*}{100}$ | $\frac{*}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{*}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ |
| $\frac{*}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |  |  |  |  |  |  |

8 (T) Now I will read a list of some stories covered by news organizations this past month. As I read each item, tell me if you happened to follow this news story very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely?
[READ AND ROTATE LIST]


## Q. 8 CONTINUED ...

b. Recent major ups and downs in the U.S. stock market

$$
\text { April, } 2000
$$

March, 2000
March, 1999
January, 1999
Early September, 1998
Mid-August, 1998
January, 1998
November, $1997^{6}$
September, 1997
April, 1997
February, 1996

| Very <br> Closely | Fairly <br> Closely | Not too <br> Closely | Not at all <br> Closely | DK <br> (VOL.) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 18 | 28 |  |  |  |  |
| 19 | 29 | 23 | 31 | $*=100$ |  |
| 23 | 29 | 20 | 32 | $*=100$ |  |
| 18 | 29 | 21 | 26 | $1=100$ |  |
| 24 | 28 | 19 | 31 | $*=100$ |  |
| 32 | 31 | 20 | 28 | $1=100$ |  |
| 17 | 23 | 21 | 17 | $*=100$ |  |
| 21 | 25 | 23 | 39 | $*=100$ |  |
| 25 | 36 | 18 | 21 | $*=100$ |  |
| 14 | 22 | 23 | 40 | $1=100$ |  |
| 17 | 21 | 22 | 40 | $1=100$ |  |
| 12 | 20 | 25 | 42 | $1=100$ |  |

ITEM ASKED APRIL 20-23 ONLY [N=469]:
c. The debate over whether 6-year-old Elian Gonzalez should be returned to his father

April, 2000
February, $2000^{7}$
January, 2000

| 32 | 34 | 20 | 14 | $*=100$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 33 | 38 | 16 | 11 | $2=100$ |
| 37 | 41 | 15 | 6 | $1=100$ |
| 39 | 38 | 14 | 8 | $1=100$ |

## ITEM ASKED APRIL 24-MAY 13 ONLY [ $\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{2 , 6 7 3}$ ]:

c. Elian Gonzalez being returned to his father and the debate over what should happen next $31 \quad 3$ 35 19 $15 \quad *=100$

ASK ALL:
d. The one-year anniversary of the shootings at Columbine High School in Colorado 20

20

* $=100$

ITEM ASKED APRIL 20-27 ONLY [ $\mathbf{N}=1,363$ ]:
e. The protests in Washington, DC at the annual meetings of the World Bank $\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { and the International Monetary Fund } & 6 & 18 & 32 & 43 & 1=100\end{array}$

ITEM ASKED APRIL 28-MAY 14 ONLY [ $\mathbf{N}=1,015]$ :
f. The government's recommendation that the computer software company Microsoft should be broken up into two separate companies, because it $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { engaged in unfair business practices } & 16 & 33 & 26 & 25 & *=100\end{array}$

[^1]INTERVIEWER NOTE: FOR QUESTIONS 9 thru 13 PLEASE DETERMINE WHAT DAY OF THE WEEK IT IS. IF THE DAY OF THE WEEK IS SUNDAY, PLEASE READ "FRIDAY." IF THE DAY OF THE WEEK IS NOT SUNDAY, READ "YESTERDAY."

9 (T) Now, on another subject... Did you get a chance to read a daily newspaper yesterday, or not?
FORM A ONLY:
IF "YES" IN QUESTION 9, ASK:
10 (A) About how much time did you spend reading a daily newspaper yesterday? (DO NOT READ)

| $\frac{(T)}{46}$ | (A) | Read the paper | Late <br> Sept | Nov | April | Nov | April | June | March | Feb | Jan | March | Gallup |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 1999 | 1998 | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1995 | 1994 | 1994 | 1991 | $\underline{1965}$ |
|  | 47 |  | 47 | 47 | 48 | 50 | 50 | 52 | 45 | 58 | 49 | 56 | 71 |
|  |  | 9 Less than 15 min . | 9 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 9 | 7 | 7 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | n/a |
|  |  | 14 15-29 min. | 12 | 11 | 14 | 14 | 15 | 15 | 14 | 15 | 15 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | n/a |
|  |  | 16 30-59 min. | 16 | 16 | 17 | 17 | 18 | 18 | 16 | 21 | 17 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | n/a |
|  |  | 81 hour or more | 10 | 11 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 11 | 6 | 14 | 10 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | n/a |
|  |  | * Don't know | * | 1 | * | 1 | * | 1 | 0 | 1 | * | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | n/a |
| 54 | 53 | Didn't read paper | 53 | 53 | 52 | 50 | 50 | 48 | 55 | 42 | 50 | 44 | 29 |
| * | * | Don't know | * | * | * | $\underline{0}$ | * | * |  | $\underline{0}$ |  |  | $\underline{0}$ |
| 100 | 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

ASK ALL:
11 (T) Did you watch THE NEWS OR A NEWS PROGRAM on television yesterday, or not?
FORM A ONLY:
IF "YES" IN QUESTION 11, ASK:
12 (A) About how much time did you spend watching the news or any news programs on TV yesterday? (DO NOT READ)

| $\frac{(\mathrm{T})}{55}$ | (A) |  | 1999 | 1998 | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | $\underline{1995}$ | 1995 |  | 1994 | 1991 | $\underline{1965}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 56 | Watched TV News | 62 | 65 | 59 | 68 | 59 | 64 | 61 | 74 | 72 | 68 | 55 |
|  |  | 4 Less than 15 min . | 6 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |
|  |  | $8 \quad 15-29 \mathrm{~min}$. | 7 | 8 | 7 | 11 | 6 | 8 | 9 | 8 | 8 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |
|  |  | $20 \quad 30-59 \mathrm{~min}$. | 21 | 21 | 21 | 23 | 21 | 24 | 21 | 25 | 25 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |
|  |  | 231 hour or more | 28 | 30 | 28 | 30 | 29 | 28 | 27 | 37 | 36 | n/a | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |
|  |  | 1 Don't know | * | 1 | * | * | * | 1 | * | 1 | * | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |
| 44 | 44 | Did not watch | 37 | 35 | 41 | 31 | 40 | 35 | 38 | 26 | 27 | 32 | 45 |
| 1 | * | Don't know | 1 | * | * | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | $\underline{0}$ | 1 | * | $\underline{0}$ |
| 100 | 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

P. 1 Apart from news, did you watch anything else on television yesterday, or not?

IF "YES", ASK:
P. 2 About how much time did you spend watching TV yesterday, not including the news?

| Pew Internet ${ }^{8}$ |  | Nov | June | Feb |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1997 | 1995 | 1994 |
| 57 | Yes | 64 | 59 | 69 |
|  | 3 A half hour or less | 2 | 1 | 2 |
|  | 5 Thirty minutes or less than one hour | 5 | 4 | 3 |
|  | 10 About an hour or more | 15 | 10 | 11 |
|  | 8 More than one hour but less than two hours | 7 | 6 | 7 |
|  | 15 Two hours to less than three hours | 16 | 16 | 19 |
|  | 7 Three hours to less than four hours | 11 | 10 | 12 |
|  | 8 Four hours or more | 8 | 11 | 14 |
|  | * Don't know/Refused | * | 1 | 1 |
| 42 | Did not watch | 36 | 40 | 31 |
| 1 | Don't know | * | 1 | $\underline{0}$ |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 |

## ASK ALL:

13 (T) About how much time, if any, did you spend listening to any news on the radio yesterday, or didn't you happen to listen to the news on the radio yesterday? (DO NOT READ)

| 43 |  | Late <br> Sept $1999$ | Nov | April | Nov | April | June | March Feb |  | Jan March |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Gallup } \\ \underline{1965} \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 1998 | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | 1995 | 1995 | 1994 | 1994 | 1991 |  |
|  | Yes, listened | 44 | 41 | 49 | 44 | 44 | 42 | 47 | 47 | 47 | 44 | 58 |
|  | 14 Less than 15 min . | 12 | 13 | 16 | 12 | 12 | 13 | 16 | 14 | 15 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |
|  | $9 \quad 15-29 \mathrm{~min}$. | 8 | 8 | 9 | 9 | 11 | 9 | 12 | 11 | 10 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | n/a |
|  | $9 \quad 30-59 \mathrm{~min}$. | 10 | 8 | 10 | 9 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 10 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | n/a |
|  | 111 hour or more | 14 | 12 | 14 | 14 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 13 | 12 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | n/a |
| 56 | Didn't Listen | 56 | 57 | 51 | 55 | 55 | 56 | 52 | 52 | 52 | 56 | 42 |
| $\underline{1}$ | Don't know | * |  | * | 1 | 1 | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{1}$ |  |  |  | $\underline{0}$ |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

P. 3 Did you happen to go online yesterday? (IF YES, ASK: From where did you go online... home, work, school, or some combination of these?) (ENTER ALL THAT APPLY)

BASED ON ONLINE USERS [ $\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{1 , 6 9 0}$ ]

| Pew <br> Internet ${ }^{9}$ |  |  | Sept | Nov | Nov | Oct | June |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 1999 | 1998 | 1997 | 1996 | $\underline{1995}$ |
| 60 | Yes (NET) |  | 60 | 43 | 44 | 38 | 32 |
|  | n/a | Yes, home (INTERVIEWER: home |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | business/work at home would go here) | 37 | 32 | 27 | 26 | 19 |
|  | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | Yes, work | 21 | 12 | 20 | 15 | 15 |
|  | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | Yes, school | 4 | 2 | 6 | 3 | 2 |
|  | n/a | Yes, other locations | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 40 | No, didn't go online |  | 40 | 56 | 55 | 62 | 67 |
| * | Don't know/Refused |  | $\underline{0}$ | 1 | 1 | * | 1 |
| 100 |  |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

FORM A ONLY:
INTERVIEWER: IF THE DAY OF THE WEEK IS SUNDAY, BEGIN THIS SERIES WITH "Now, thinking about yesterday..." OTHERWISE BEGIN WITH "Again, thinking about yesterday..."
14 (A) Did you spend any time reading magazines?
IF RESPONDENT ANSWERED '1' YES, READ MAGAZINES IN QUESTION 14 ASK:
15 (A) About how much time did you spend reading magazines yesterday? (DO NOT READ)


[^2]ASK ALL:
16 (T) Now I'd like to know how often you watch or listen to certain TV and radio programs. For each that I read, tell me if you watch or listen to it regularly, sometimes, hardly ever, or never. (First) how often do you ... (READ AND ROTATE; ITEM d SHOULD ALWAYS DIRECTLY FOLLOW ITEM c; ITEMS u, v AND w SHOULD ALWAYS COME LAST WITH THE SPECIAL INTRO.) How often do you...

|  | Watch the national nightly network news on CBS, ABC or NBC? This is different from local news shows about the area where you live | Hardly |  |  |  | Don't <br> Know |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Regula | metimes | Ever | Never |  |
| a. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 30 | 28 | 16 | 25 | $1=100$ |
|  | August, 1999 | 40 | 33 | 16 | 11 | *=100 |
|  | April, 1998 | 38 | 29 | 15 | 18 | * $=100$ |
|  | February, 1997 | 41 | 31 | 14 | 14 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 42 | 29 | 15 | 14 | *=100 |
|  | March, 1995 | 48 | 28 | 14 | 10 | * $=100$ |
|  | May, 1993 | 60 | 28 | 5 | 6 | $1=100$ |
|  | February, 1993 | 58 | 23 | 10 | 9 | * $=100$ |

b. Watch the local news about your viewing area? This usually comes on before the national news and then later at night at 10 or 1156
April, $1998 \quad 64$

February, $1997 \quad 72$
April, $1996 \quad 65$
March, $1995 \quad 72$
May, 1993
77
6

February, 1993
76

| 24 | 9 | 11 | $*=100$ |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 22 | 6 | 8 | $*=100$ |
| 16 | 7 | 5 | $0=100$ |
| 23 | 7 | 5 | $*=100$ |
| 18 | 6 | 4 | $*=100$ |
| 16 | 5 | 4 | $*=100$ |
| 16 | 5 | 3 | $*=100$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| 34 | 16 | 29 | $*=100$ |
| 34 | 13 | 30 | $*=100$ |
| 30 | 14 | 28 | $0=100$ |
| 33 | 14 | 27 | $*=100$ |
| 28 | 13 | 28 | $1=100$ |
| 36 | 7 | 24 | $*=100$ |
| 32 | 8 | 29 | $*=100$ |
| 34 | 7 | 24 | $*=100$ |
| 32 | 10 | 27 | $1=100$ |
| 28 | 8 | 36 | $1=100$ |
| 27 | 6 | 37 | $*=100$ |
| 25 | 7 | 40 | $1=100$ |
| 29 | 7 | 37 | $1=100$ |
| 28 | 8 | 41 | $1=100$ |
| 29 | 8 | 40 | $0=100$ |
| 25 | 7 | 41 | $1=100$ |

d. Watch LOCAL all news cable channels, which feature news about the area where you live

29
$=100$

## Q. 16 CONTINUED ...

e. Watch C-SPAN

April, 1998
April, 1996
March, 1995
July, 1994
February, 1994
May, 1993
February, 1993
June, 1992
f. Listen to National Public Radio (NPR)

April, 1998

| Regularly | Hardly |  |  | Don't |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Sometimes | Ever | Never | Know |
| 4 | 17 | 22 | 56 | $1=100$ |
| 4 | 19 | 18 | 58 | $1=100$ |
| 6 | 21 | 18 | 53 | $2=100$ |
| 8 | 17 | 20 | 53 | $2=100$ |
| 9 | 26 | 12 | 52 | $1=100$ |
| 7 | 20 | 15 | 56 | $2=100$ |
| 11 | 25 | 13 | 48 | $3=100$ |
| 7 | 18 | 14 | 45 | $16=100$ |
| 6 | 19 | 18 | 54 | $3=100$ |
| 15 | 17 | 16 | 51 | $1=100$ |
| 15 | 17 | 18 | 49 | $1=100$ |
| 13 | 18 | 16 | 52 | $1=100$ |
| 15 | 17 | 21 | 46 | $1=100$ |
| 9 | 18 | 11 | 62 | * $=100$ |
| 9 | 13 | 12 | 65 | $1=100$ |
| 15 | 20 | 15 | 49 | $1=100$ |
| 7 | 16 | 17 | 59 | $1=100$ |
| 9 | 13 | 8 | 70 | * $=100$ |
| 9 | 10 | 11 | 69 | $1=100$ |
| 7 | 11 | 10 | 72 | * $=100$ |
| 7 | 12 | 9 | 71 | $1=100$ |
| 7 | 9 | 10 | 74 | * $=100$ |
| 8 | 10 | 8 | 74 | *=100 |
| 5 | 10 | 7 | 78 | * $=100$ |

g. Watch news magazine shows such as 60 Minutes, 20/20 or Dateline

| 41 | 15 | 13 | $*=100$ |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- |
| 40 | 16 | 9 | $*=100$ |
| 41 | 12 | 10 | $*=100$ |
| 38 | 15 | 11 | $*=100$ |
| 43 | 8 | 6 | $*=100$ |
| 36 | 11 | 8 | $0=100$ |
| 37 | 6 | 5 | $*=100$ |
| 32 | 11 | 8 | $*=100$ |
| 40 | 8 | 6 | $*=100$ |
| 38 | 8 | 8 | $*=100$ |
| 36 | 6 | 8 | $*=100$ |
| 37 | 8 | 10 | $*=100$ |
| 37 | 7 | 9 | $*=100$ |
| 42 | 7 | 10 | $*=100$ |
| 41 | 10 | 10 | $0=100$ |
| 40 | 8 | 9 | $*=100$ |

[^3] Considered."

11
In April 1996 and earlier, the question was asked "Watch news magazine shows such as 60 Minutes or 20/20."

## Q. 16 CONTINUED ...



## ASK FORM A ONLY:

i. (A) Watch TV shows such as Cops or America's Most Wanted
$18 \quad 27 \quad 20 \quad 35 \quad *=100$

ASK FORM B ONLY:
j. (B) Watch America's Most Wanted

February, 1997
16
$26 \quad 19 \quad 41 \quad *=100$

ASK ALL:
k. Watch CNBC

April, 1998

1. Watch the Fox News CABLE Channel

| 28 | 17 | 37 | $1=100$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 30 | 14 | 38 | $1=100$ |

m. Watch MSNBC

April, 1998

| 11 | 27 | 17 | 42 | $3=100$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

n. Watch the Weather Channel

32
April, 1998
33
$28 \quad 15$
$5 \quad 25 \quad *=100$
$27 \quad 13 \quad 27 \quad *=100$
o. Watch Sports News on ESPN

23
April, $1998^{13}$
20
$18 \quad 13 \quad 46 \quad *=100$
p. Watch documentaries on channels such as the History Channel or the Discovery Channel

## Q. 16 CONTINUED ...

## ASK FORM A ONLY

| q. (A) Watch Entertainment Tonight | 9 | 27 | 23 | 41 | $*=100$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April, 1998 | 8 | 27 | 24 | 41 | $*=100$ |
| February, 1997 | 9 | 29 | 23 | 39 | $*=100$ |
| June, 1992 | 11 | 30 | 24 | 35 | $*=100$ |
| April, 1990 | 14 | 30 | 17 | 39 | $*=100$ |
| March, 1990 | 15 | 31 | 15 | 39 | $*=100$ |
| February, 1990 | 11 | 31 | 16 | 42 | $0=100$ |
| January, 1990 | 11 | 34 | 16 | 39 | $0=100$ |

## ASK FORM B ONLY:

r. (B) Watch TV shows such as Entertainment $\begin{array}{llllll}\text { Tonight } \text { or Access Hollywood } & 8 & 26 & 22 & 44 & *=100\end{array}$

## ASK ALL:

s. Watch the Today Show, Good Morning America or The Early Show

20
April, $1998^{14}$
23

| Regularly Sometimes |  | Hardly |  | Don't <br> Know |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Ever | Never |  |
| 9 | 27 | 23 | 41 | * $=100$ |
| 8 | 27 | 24 | 41 | * $=100$ |
| 9 | 29 | 23 | 39 | * $=100$ |
| 11 | 30 | 24 | 35 | * $=100$ |
| 14 | 30 | 17 | 39 | * $=100$ |
| 15 | 31 | 15 | 39 | * $=100$ |
| 11 | 31 | 16 | 42 | $0=100$ |
| 11 | 34 | 16 | 39 | $0=100$ | 8

ASK ALL:
17 (T) Now I'd like to know how often you read certain types of publications. As I read each, tell me if you read them regularly, sometimes, hardly ever or never. (First,) how often do you read... (READ AND ROTATE) How about...

b. Business magazines such as Fortune and Forbes

April, 1998
April, 1996
July, 1994
February, 1994
June, 1992
July, 1990
June, 1990
May, 1990
April, 1990
March, 1990
February, 1990
January, 1990

| 5 | 15 | 15 | 65 | $*=100$ |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 5 | 16 | 15 | 64 | $*=100$ |
| 5 | 17 | 16 | 62 | $*=100$ |
| 5 | 21 | 21 | 53 | $0=100$ |
| 6 | 15 | 17 | 62 | $*=100$ |
| 5 | 17 | 21 | 57 | $*=100$ |
| 5 | 15 | 14 | 66 | $*=100$ |
| 6 | 16 | 16 | 62 | $*=100$ |
| 4 | 14 | 15 | 67 | $*=100$ |
| 5 | 15 | 14 | 66 | $*=100$ |
| 5 | 14 | 14 | 67 | $0=100$ |
| 4 | 12 | 14 | 70 | $*=100$ |
| 5 | 13 | 14 | 68 | $0=100$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | 9 | 12 | 76 | $*=100$ |
| 3 | 12 | 9 | 76 | $*=100$ |
| 5 | 6 | 12 | 77 | $0=100$ |
| 5 | 11 | 12 | 72 | $*=100$ |
| 5 | 13 | 16 | 66 | $*=100$ |
| 5 | 13 | 14 | 68 | $*=100$ |
| 5 | 15 | 13 | 67 | $*=100$ |
| 7 | 13 | 13 | 67 | $*=100$ |
| 7 | 12 | 13 | 68 | $0=100$ |

## Q. 17 CONTINUED ...

|  |  | Hardly |  |  |  | Don't |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Regularly | Sometimes | Ever | Never | Know |
| d. | Personality magazines such as People | 6 | 27 | 18 | 49 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 8 | 29 | 18 | 45 | $0=100$ |
|  | February, 1994 ${ }^{16}$ | 9 | 22 | 22 | 47 | * $=100$ |
|  | May, 1993 | 12 | 25 | 19 | 44 | * $=100$ |
|  | June, 1992 | 8 | 28 | 25 | 39 | * $=100$ |
|  | July, 1990 | 9 | 25 | 18 | 48 | * $=100$ |
|  | June, 1990 | 10 | 28 | 19 | 43 | * $=100$ |
|  | May, 1990 | 7 | 24 | 19 | 50 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1990 | 9 | 25 | 20 | 46 | * $=100$ |
|  | March, 1990 | 8 | 25 | 20 | 47 | * $=100$ |
|  | February, 1990 | 8 | 24 | 19 | 49 | * $=100$ |
|  | January, 1990 | 9 | 23 | 19 | 49 | $0=100$ |

e. Magazines such as The Atlantic Monthly, Harpers or The New Yorker

April, 1998
February, 1994
June, 1992
July, 1990
June, 1990
May, 1990
April, 1990
March, 1990
February, 1990
January, 1990

| 2 | 7 | 11 | 80 | $*=100$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | 8 | 11 | 79 | $0=100$ |
| 2 | 6 | 14 | 78 | $*=100$ |
| 2 | 9 | 16 | 73 | $*=100$ |
| 2 | 8 | 11 | 79 | $*=100$ |
| 2 | 8 | 13 | 77 | $*=100$ |
| 2 | 7 | 12 | 79 | $*=100$ |
| 2 | 6 | 12 | 80 | $*=100$ |
| 2 | 7 | 13 | 78 | $0=100$ |
| 2 | 7 | 10 | 81 | $*=100$ |
| 2 | 7 | 11 | 80 | $0=100$ |

## FORM B ONLY:

On another subject...
18 (B) How much do you enjoy keeping up with the news? (READ CATEGORIES)

|  |  | April | June | Feb |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1998 | 1995 | 1994 |
| 45 | A lot | 50 | 54 | 53 |
| 40 | Some | 37 | 34 | 35 |
| 12 | Not Much | 11 | 8 | 9 |
| 3 | Not at all | 2 | 3 | 2 |
| * | (DO NOT READ) Don't know/Refused | * | 1 | 1 |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 |

19 (B) How often, if ever, do you listen to radio shows that invite listeners to call in to discuss current events, public issues and politics - regularly, sometimes, rarely or never?

|  | Regularly | Sometimes | Rarely | Never | DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April, 2000 | 14 | 23 | 23 | 40 | *=100 |
| August, 1999 | 18 | 23 | 24 | 35 | * $=100$ |
| Early September, 1998 | 23 | 25 | 23 | 29 | *=100 |
| April, 1998 | 13 | 22 | 24 | 41 | * $=100$ |
| October, 1997 | 18 | 28 | 25 | 29 | *=100 |
| August, 1997 | 17 | 24 | 28 | 31 | * $=100$ |
| Early September, 1996 | 15 | 25 | 22 | 37 | $1=100$ |
| July, 1996 | 16 | 24 | 27 | 33 | *=100 |
| June, 1996 | 17 | 25 | 26 | 31 | $1=100$ |
| April, 1996 | 13 | 23 | 25 | 39 | * $=100$ |
| March, 1996 | 18 | 28 | 24 | 30 | *=100 |
| October, 1995 | 18 | 33 | 25 | 24 | *=100 |
| June, 1995 | 15 | 19 | 27 | 39 | *=100 |
| April, 1995 | 19 | 30 | 24 | 27 | *=100 |
| November, 1994 | 16 | 31 | 26 | 26 | $1=100$ |
| July, 1994 | 17 | 29 | 24 | 30 | * $=100$ |
| December, 1993 | 23 | 22 | 25 | 30 | $0=100$ |
| April, 1993 | 23 | 32 | 23 | 22 | * $=100$ |

20 (B) Some people say they feel overloaded with information these days, considering all the TV news shows, magazines, newspapers, and computer information services. Others say they like having so much information to choose from. How about you... do you feel overloaded, or do you like having so much information available?

|  |  | Nov | April | June |
| ---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\underline{1998}$ | $\frac{1998}{28}$ | $\frac{1995}{23}$ |
| 30 | Overloaded | 62 | 67 | 64 |
| 62 | Like it | 6 | 2 | 11 |
| 5 | Other (VOL) | $\underline{4}$ | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ |
| $\frac{3}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{100}$ | 100 | 100 |

## ASK ALL:

Now I would like to ask you a few questions about some things that have been in the news. Not everyone will have heard about them.

21 (T) Do you happen to know who Alan Greenspan is?

|  | May |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
|  |  | $\underline{1997}$ |
| 44 | Correct Answer (Chairman of the Federal Reserve; national financial <br> policy maker; in charge of interest rates; federal government economist) | 40 |
| $\frac{56}{100}$ | Any other answer/Don't know | $\underline{60}$ |

22 (T) Do you happen to know if the Federal Reserve Bank has raised or lowered interest rates in recent months, or have interest rates stayed the same?

|  |  | $\frac{\text { Feb } 1995}{54}$ |
| ---: | :--- | :---: |
| 3 | Raised rates (correct answer) | 68 |
| 7 | Lowered rates | 4 |
| $\underline{36}$ | Kept rates same | 7 |
| 100 | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{21}$ |

23 (T) Do you happen to know at what level the Dow Jones Industrial average is currently trading? Is it about (READ IN ORDER)?

| 5 | 3,000 |
| ---: | :--- |
| 4 | 5,000 |
| 28 | 10,000, OR (correct answer) |
| 1 | 20,000 |
| $\frac{62}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

## FORM A ONLY:

24 (A) Generally, how satisfied are you with the choice of things you can see on television these days? Are you ... (READ)

|  |  | April | Feb |
| ---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\frac{1998}{16}$ | $\frac{1994}{14}$ |
| 12 | Very Satisfied | 45 | 43 |
| 46 | Fairly Satisfied | 28 | 29 |
| 11 | Not Too Satisfied | 10 | 11 |
| 2 | Not At All Satisfied | (DO NOT READ) Does not apply/irrelevant/don't care | 1 |
| $\frac{1}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\frac{*}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ |

25 (A) And how satisfied are you with the choice of NEWS programs available to you on TV these days? Are you ... (READ)

|  | April | Feb |  |
| ---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 32 | Very Satisfied | $\frac{1998}{35}$ | $\frac{1994}{43}$ |
| 48 | Fairly Satisfied | 50 | 43 |
| 13 | Not Too Satisfied | 9 | 7 |
| 5 | Not At All Satisfied | 4 | 4 |
| 1 | (DO NOT READ) Does not apply/irrelevant/don't care | 1 | 2 |
| $\frac{1}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ |

## ASK ALL:

26 (T) Now, I'm going to read you a list of different types of news. Please tell me how closely you follow this type of news either in the newspaper, on television, or on radio...very closely, somewhat closely, not very closely, or not at all closely? First, (READ AND ROTATE)

|  |  | Very Closely | Somewhat Closely | Not Very Closely | Not at all Closely | Don't <br> Know |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | News about political figures |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | and events in Washington | 17 | 43 | 23 | 17 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 19 | 46 | 22 | 13 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 16 | 43 | 28 | 13 | * $=100$ |
| b. | Sports | 27 | 25 | 19 | 29 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 27 | 28 | 18 | 27 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 26 | 28 | 21 | 25 | * $=100$ |
| c. | Business and finance | 14 | 36 | 27 | 23 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 17 | 36 | 24 | 23 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 13 | 37 | 31 | 19 | * $=100$ |
| d. | International affairs | 14 | 45 | 24 | 17 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 16 | 46 | 23 | 15 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 16 | 46 | 26 | 12 | * $=100$ |
| e. | Local government | 20 | 43 | 21 | 16 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 23 | 44 | 20 | 13 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 24 | 43 | 21 | 12 | * $=100$ |
| f. | Religion | 21 | 32 | 24 | 23 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 18 | 33 | 25 | 24 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 17 | 31 | 29 | 23 | * $=100$ |
| g. | People and events in your own community | y 26 | 47 | 17 | 10 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 34 | 45 | 14 | 7 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 35 | 44 | 14 | 7 | * $=100$ |
| h. | Entertainment | 15 | 41 | 28 | 16 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 16 | 43 | 27 | 14 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 15 | 42 | 29 | 14 | * $=100$ |
| i. | Consumer news | 12 | 45 | 24 | 18 | $1=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 15 | 46 | 22 | 17 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 14 | 45 | 26 | 15 | * $=100$ |
| j. | Science and technology | 18 | 45 | 20 | 17 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 22 | 41 | 19 | 18 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 20 | 42 | 24 | 14 | * $=100$ |
| k. | Health | 29 | 45 | 15 | 11 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 34 | 46 | 12 | 8 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 34 | 44 | 14 | 7 | $1=100$ |

## Q. 26 CONTINUED ...

|  |  | Very | Somewhat | Not Very | Not at all | Don't |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Closely | Closely | Closely | Closely | Know |
| 1. | Crime | 30 | 45 | 16 | 9 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 36 | 44 | 13 | 7 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 41 | 43 | 10 | 6 | * $=100$ |
| m. | Culture and the arts | 10 | 32 | 28 | 29 | $1=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 12 | 33 | 29 | 26 | * $=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 9 | 34 | 32 | 25 | * $=100$ |

## ROTATE Q.27a THRU Q.27k

Overall...

## ASK THOSE WHO ANSWERED "VERY" OR "SOMEWHAT" CLOSELY IN Q.26a [N=1,926]:

27a (T) How satisfied are you with the media's coverage of news about political figures and events in Washington? Are you... (READ)?

| 15 | Very satisfied |
| ---: | :--- |
| 47 | Fairly Satisfied |
| 25 | Not Too Satisfied |
| 12 | Not At All Satisfied |
| $\frac{1}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

ASK THOSE WHO ANSWERED "VERY" OR "SOMEWHAT" CLOSELY IN Q.26c [N=1,623]:
27c (T) How satisfied are you with the media's coverage of business and finance? Are you... (READ)?

| 29 | Very satisfied |
| ---: | :--- |
| 57 | Fairly Satisfied |
| 9 | Not Too Satisfied |
| 3 | Not At All Satisfied |
| $\frac{2}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |

ASK ONLY FORM A RESPONDENTS WHO ANSWERED "VERY" OR "SOMEWHAT" CLOSELY IN Q. $26 g$ [ $\mathrm{N}=1,176$ ]:
27 g (A) How satisfied are you with the media's coverage of people and events in your own community? Are you... (READ)?

22
55
16

6 Not At All Satisfied
$\frac{1}{100}$ Don't know/Refused
Very satisfied
Fairly Satisfied
Not Too Satisfied

## ASK ONLY FORM B RESPONDENTS WHO ANSWERED "VERY" OR "SOMEWHAT" CLOSELY IN Q.26k [ $\mathrm{N}=1,152$ ]:

27k (B) How satisfied are you with the media's coverage of health news? Are you... (READ)?

| 22 | Very satisfied |
| ---: | :--- |
| 58 | Fairly Satisfied |
| 15 | Not Too Satisfied |
| 4 | Not At All Satisfied |
| $\frac{1}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |


#### Abstract

ASK ALL: ROTATE Q. 28 thru Q.30: 28 (T) Which of the following two statements best describes you: "I follow LOCAL COMMUNITY news closely ONLY when something important or interesting is happening" OR "I follow LOCAL COMMUNITY news closely most of the time, whether or not something important or interesting is happening"? |  |  | April |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
|  | Follow LOCAL COMMUNITY news closely ONLY when | $\underline{1998}$ |
| 40 | something important or interesting is happening | 38 |
| 58 | Follow LOCAL COMMUNITY news closely MOST of the time | 61 |
| $\frac{2}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\frac{1}{100}$ |


29 (T) Which of the following two statements best describes you: "I follow NATIONAL news closely ONLY when something important or interesting is happening" OR "I follow NATIONAL news closely most of the time, whether or not something important or interesting is happening"?

> April 1998
Follow NATIONAL news closely ONLY when something important or interesting is happening46

48 Follow NATIONAL news closely MOST of the time 52
$\underline{2}$ Don't know/Refused

2
100

30 (T) Which of the following two statements best describes you: "I follow INTERNATIONAL news closely ONLY when something important or interesting is happening" OR "I follow INTERNATIONAL news closely most of the time, whether or not something important or interesting is happening"?

|  |  | April |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
|  | Follow INTERNATIONAL news closely ONLY when | $\underline{1998}$ |
| 64 | something important or interesting is happening | 63 |
| 33 | Follow INTERNATIONAL news closely MOST of the time | 34 |
| $\frac{3}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{3}$ |
| 100 |  |  |

31 (T) Which of the following two statements best describes you: "I follow BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL news closely ONLY when something important or interesting is happening" OR "I follow BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL news closely most of the time, whether or not something important or interesting is happening"?

Follow BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL news closely ONLY when something important 60 33 $\frac{7}{100}$ or interesting is happening
Follow BUSINESS AND FINANCIAL news closely MOST of the time Don't know/Refused

On another subject...
32 (T) Do you currently live in an area where you could get Cable TV if you wanted it?

|  |  | April | April | Feb |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 91 | Yes | $\frac{1998}{91}$ | $\frac{1996}{92}$ | $\frac{1994}{89}$ |
| 9 | No | 9 | 8 | 10 |
| $\frac{9}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\frac{*}{4}$ | $\frac{*}{4}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ |

IF YES:
33 (T) Do you currently subscribe to Cable TV?

| BASED ON TOTAL RESPONDENTS: | April | April | Feb |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\underline{1998}$ | $\frac{1996}{67}$ | $\underline{1994}$ |
| 67 | Yes | 24 | 23 | 25 |
| 24 | No | $\underline{9}$ | $\underline{8}$ | $\underline{11}$ |
| $\frac{9}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused/No cable access | 100 | 100 | $\underline{100}$ |

34 (T) In general, would you describe your political views as ...(READ)

|  |  | Early |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  | Oct | Sept | April | June | June | April | July |
|  |  | $\frac{1999}{7}$ | $\frac{1998}{8}$ | $\frac{1998}{7}$ | $\frac{1997}{7}$ | $\frac{1996}{7}$ | $\frac{1996}{7}$ | $\frac{1994}{7}$ |
| 7 | Very conservative | 26 | 30 | 30 | 30 | 32 | 31 | 32 |
| 30 | Conservative | 41 | 38 | 37 | 40 | 38 | 39 | 39 |
| 36 | Moderate | 16 | 15 | 15 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 15 |
| 15 | Liberal, OR | 6 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| 6 | Very liberal? | $\underline{4}$ | $\frac{3}{10}$ | $\frac{5}{100}$ | $\underline{4}$ | $\frac{3}{10}$ | $\underline{4}$ | $\underline{3}$ |
| $\frac{6}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused (DO NOT READ) | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

35 (T) Thinking about the news again... In general, what is more important for you... getting news that gives you GENERAL INFORMATION about IMPORTANT events that are happening, OR getting news that is mostly about YOUR interests and what's important TO YOU?
$\begin{array}{cl}67 & \text { Getting news that gives general information about important events } \\ 28 & \text { Getting news that's mostly about your interests } \\ 4 & \text { Both equally (VOL.) } \\ \frac{1}{100} & \text { Don't know/Refused }\end{array}$

36 (T) Now I'm going to read a series of statements about the news. For each statement, please tell me if you completely agree with it, mostly agree with it, mostly disagree with it, or completely disagree with it. The first one is... (READ AND ROTATE)
a. News is not as important today

> as it once was
> April, 1998

|  | (VOL) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Don't |  |
| Completely Mostly Mostly Completely | Watch | DK/ |
| $\underline{\text { Agree }} \underline{\text { Agree }} \underline{\text { Disagree }}$ Disagree | the news | $\underline{\text { Ref. }}$ |


| 9 | 16 | 31 | 42 | $n / a$ | $2=100$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 7 | 16 | 29 | 46 | $n / a$ | $2=100$ |

b. I find that I often watch the news with my remote control in hand, flipping to other channels when I'm not interested in the topic 36

April, 1998
29

| 26 | 17 | 18 | 2 | $1=100$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 27 | 21 | 21 | 1 | $1=100$ |
| 33 | 28 | 18 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | $1=100$ |

c. I wish I had more time to follow the news 20
$33 \quad 28$ 18
d. People who decide what to put on TV news or in the newspapers are out of $\begin{array}{lllllll}\text { touch with people like me } & 18 & 35 & 34 & 10 & \text { n/a } & 3=100\end{array}$

37 (T) Do you use a computer at your workplace, at school, at home, or anywhere else on at least an occasional basis? ${ }^{17}$

|  | $\frac{\text { Yes }}{}$ | $\frac{\text { No }}{}$ | $\frac{\text { DK/Refused }}{*=100}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| April, 2000 | 68 | 32 | $0=100$ |
| March, 2000 | 72 | 28 | $*=100$ |
| February, 2000 | 67 | 33 | $*=100$ |
| January, 2000 | 68 | 32 | $*=100$ |
| December, 1999 | 67 | 33 | $*=100$ |
| October, 1999 | 67 | 33 | $*=100$ |
| Late September, 1999 | 68 | 32 | $*=100$ |
| September, 1999 | 70 | 30 | $*=100$ |
| August, 1999 | 67 | 33 | $*=100$ |
| July, 1999 | 68 | 32 | $1=100$ |
| June, 1999 | 64 | 35 | $1=100$ |
| May, 1999 | 66 | 33 | $*=100$ |
| April, 1999 | 71 | 29 | $*=100$ |
| March, 1999 | 68 | 32 | $*=100$ |
| February, 1999 | 68 | 32 |  |

## Q. 37 CONTINUED ...

| January, 1999 |  |  | 69 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 31 |  | $*=100$ |
| Early December, 1998 | 64 | 36 | $*=100$ |
| Early September, 1998 | 64 | 36 |  |
| Late August, 1998 | 66 | 34 | $0=100$ |
| Early August, 1998 | 66 | 34 | $*=100$ |
| April, 1998 | 61 | 39 | $*=100$ |
| January, 1998 | 65 | 35 | $*=100$ |
| November, 1997 | 66 | 34 | $*=100$ |
| June, 1997 | 60 | 40 | $0=100$ |
| Early September, 1996 | 56 | 44 | $*=100$ |
| July, 1996 | 56 | 44 | $*=100$ |
| April, 1996 | 58 | 42 | $*=100$ |
| March, 1996 | 61 | 39 | $*=100$ |
| February, 1996 | 60 | 40 | $0=100$ |
| January, 1996 | 59 | 41 | $0=100$ |

## IF YES:

38 (T) Do you ever go online to access the Internet or World Wide Web or to send and receive email?

## BASED ON TOTAL RESPONDENTS:

Goes Online Doesn't Go Online DK/Refused

| April, 2000 | 54 | 46 | * $=100$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| March, 2000 | 61 | 39 | $0=100$ |
| February, 2000 | 52 | 48 | $0=100$ |
| January, 2000 | 52 | 48 | * $=100$ |
| December, 1999 | 53 | 47 | $0=100$ |
| October, 1999 | 50 | 50 | $0=100$ |
| Late September, 1999 | 52 | 48 | * $=100$ |
| September, 1999 | 53 | 47 | $0=100$ |
| August, 1999 | 52 | 48 | $0=100$ |
| July, 1999 | 49 | 51 | $0=100$ |
| June, 1999 | 50 | 50 | * $=100$ |
| May, 1999 | 48 | 52 | $0=100$ |
| April, 1999 | 51 | 49 | * $=100$ |
| March, 1999 | 49 | 51 | * $=100$ |
| February, 1999 | 49 | 51 | * $=100$ |
| January, 1999 | 47 | 53 | * $=100$ |
| Early December, 1998 | 42 | 58 | $0=100$ |
| November, 1998 | 37 | 63 | * $=100$ |
| Early September, 1998 | 42 | 58 | * $=100$ |
| Late August, 1998 | 43 | 57 | * $=100$ |
| Early August, 1998 | 41 | 59 | * $=100$ |
| April, 1998 | 36 | 64 | $0=100$ |
| January, 1998 | 37 | 63 | $0=100$ |
| November, 1997 | 36 | 63 | $1=100$ |
| July, 1996 | 23 | 77 | $0=100$ |
| April, 1996 | 21 | 79 | * $=100$ |

## Q. 38 CONTINUED ...

March, 1996
February, 1996

| Goes Online | es | sed |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 22 | 78 | $0=100$ |
| 21 | 79 | *=100 |
| 21 | 79 | $0=100$ |
| 14 | 86 | * $=100$ |

## IF "YES" (GOES ONLINE) IN Q. 38 [N=1,803]:

39 (T) How frequently do you go online to get NEWS... would you say every day, 3 to 5 days per week, 1 or 2 days per week, once every few weeks, or less often?

|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Oct } \\ 1999 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Aug } \\ \underline{1999} \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 1999 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Early |  | Early |  |  | June |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | June |  |  | Dec | Nov | Sept | April |  |
|  |  | 1999 |  |  | 1998 | 1998 | 1998 | 1998 | $\underline{1995}$ |  |
| 27 | Everyday |  | 25 | 22 | 21 | 22 | 25 | 10 | 23 | 18 | 6 |
| 15 | 3-5 days per week |  | 14 | 15 | 15 | 18 | 17 | 11 | 16 | 17 | 9 |
| 19 | 1-2 days per week | 22 | 19 | 22 | 22 | 22 | 16 | 21 | 20 | 15 |
| 12 | Once every few weeks | 11 | 15 | 14 | 14 | 10 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 13 |
| 18 | Less often | 20 | 20 | 19 | 18 | 18 | 20 | 19 | 21 | 28 |
| 9 | No/Never (VOL.) | 8 | 9 | 9 | 7 | 8 | 30 | 7 | 9 | 29 |
| * | Don't know/Refused | * | * | $\underline{0}$ | 0 | * | * | * | * | * |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

## ASK OF RESPONDENTS WHO ANSWERED "EVERYDAY, 3-5 DAYS PER WEEK, OR 1-2 DAYS PER WEEK" IN Q. 39 [ $\mathbf{N}=1,109]$ :

40 (T) Since you started getting news online, are you using other sources of news MORE often, LESS often, or about the same as you used to?

|  |  | Oct | Nov | April | June |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\frac{1999}{9}$ | $\frac{1998}{16}$ | $\frac{1998}{8}$ | $\frac{1995}{4}$ |
| 10 | Yes, more often | 17 | 11 | 11 | 12 |
| 18 | Yes, less often | 6 | 10 | 5 | 8 |
| 14 | Yes, some more, others less | 68 | 63 | 76 | 76 |
| 58 | No, about the same | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $\underline{0}$ |
| $*$ | Don't know/Refused | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |

[^4]ASK RESPONDENTS WHO ANSWERED "YES, MORE OFTEN" IN Q. 40 [N=106]:
41 (T) Which sources are you using MORE often? [DO NOT READ LIST; ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES.] April June
$\frac{1998}{36} \quad \frac{1995}{60}$

24 Newspapers $36 \quad 60$
38 Television 4758
5 Magazines $7 \quad 23$
9 Radio $10 \quad 26$
30 Other $22 \quad 13$
9 Don't know/Refused 0

ASK RESPONDENTS WHO ANSWERED "YES, LESS OFTEN" OR "YES, SOME MORE, OTHERS LESS: IN Q. 40 [ $\mathrm{N}=353$ ]:
42 (T) Which sources are you using LESS often? [DO NOT READ LIST; ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES.] April June $\frac{1998}{43} \frac{1995}{43}$
35 Newspapers
$52 \quad 37$
41 Television
$13 \quad 14$
15 Radio $17 \quad 28$
8 Other $2 \quad 10$
9 Don't know/Refused 4

ASK ONLY THOSE WHO GO ONLINE FOR NEWS ("EVERYDAY, 3-5 DAYS PER WEEK, 1-2 DAYS PER WEEK, ONCE EVERY FEW WEEKS, OR LESS OFTEN" IN Q.39) [N=1,638]: 43 (T) Do you sometimes go online to get... (INSERT ITEM; ROTATE ITEMS)

## BASED ON THOSE WHO GO ONLINE FOR NEWS:

|  | Yes | No | DK |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| a. | Political news | $\frac{61}{}$ | $*=100$ |  |
|  | November, 1998 | 43 | 57 | $*=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 40 | 60 | $0=100$ |
|  | October, 1996 | 46 | 54 | $*=100$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| b. | 42 | 58 | $*=100$ |  |
|  | Sports news | 47 | 53 | $0=100$ |
|  | November, 1998 | 39 | 61 | $0=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 46 | 54 | $0=100$ |
|  | October, 1996 |  |  |  |
| c. | 45 | 55 | $*=100$ |  |
|  | International news | 47 | 53 | $0=100$ |
|  | November, 1998 | 41 | 59 | $0=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 45 | 55 | $0=100$ |
|  | October, 1996 |  |  |  |
| d. | News about science and health | 63 | 37 | $*=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 64 | 36 | $0=100$ |
|  | October, 1996 | 58 | 42 | $0=100$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| e. | News about technology | 59 | 41 | $0=100$ |
|  | November, 1998 | 59 | 41 | $0=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 60 | 40 | $0=100$ |
|  | October, 1996 | 64 | 36 | $*=100$ |

## Q. 43 CONTINUED ...

| f. | Weather | $\frac{\text { Yes }}{66}$ | $\frac{\text { No }}{34}$ | $\underline{0}=100$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | November, 1998 | 64 | 36 | $0=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 48 | 52 | $0=100$ |
|  | October, 1996 | 47 | 53 | $0=100$ |
| g. |  |  |  |  |
|  | Entertainment news | 44 | 56 | $*=100$ |
|  | November, 1998 | 58 | 42 | $*=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 45 | 55 | $0=100$ |
|  | October, 1996 | 50 | 50 | $*=100$ |
| h. |  |  |  |  |
|  | Local news | 37 | 63 | $0=100$ |
|  | November, 1998 | 42 | 58 | $0=100$ |
|  | April, 1998 | 28 | 72 | $0=100$ |
|  | October, 1996 | 27 | 73 | $0=100$ |
| i. | Business news | 53 | 47 | $*=100$ |
|  | November, 1998 | 58 | 42 | $0=100$ |
|  | October, 1996 | 53 | 47 | $*=100$ |

## ASK ALL:

On another subject...
44 (T) Do you currently own shares in a mutual fund that includes stock?
45 (T) Do you currently own stock in any individual companies besides a company that you or someone else in your household works for?

|  |  | Nov 1997 |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 49 | Yes, own mutual fund or stock (NET) | 40 |
|  | $45 \quad$ Yes, own mutual fund | 36 |
|  | $30 \quad$ Yes, own stocks | 22 |
| 50 | No, don't own | 58 |
| $\frac{1}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused | $\underline{2}$ |

46 (T) Do you, personally, ever trade stocks - that is, buy or sell individual stocks through a broker or online account? (IF YES, ASK: What type of broker do you use - a personal broker or an online trading account?)

13 Yes, with personal broker/brokerage firm
5 Yes, with online trading account
2 Yes, use both
79 No, do not trade
$\frac{1}{100}$ Don't know/Refused

IF YES (1-3 IN Q.46), ASK:
46a (T) When is the last time you bought or sold a stock? Was it within the last week, within the last month, within the last six months, within the last year, or more than a year ago?

| General <br> Public | All <br> Investors | Active <br> Traders |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 28 | 21 |  | 27 |$\quad$| Within last week |
| :--- |
| 28 |

## ASK ALL:

47 (T) In deciding how and where to invest your money, do you get most of your information and advice from a broker or financial advisor, OR do you get most of your information and advice on your own?

| General | All | Active |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Public | Investors ${ }^{+}$ | Traders++ |  |
| 24 | 38 | 33 | From a broker or financial advisor |
| 60 | 56 | 63 | On your own |
| 3 | 4 | 4 | (DO NOT READ) Other |
| 11 | 1 | * | (DO NOT READ) Don't invest |
| $\underline{2}$ | 1 | * | Don't know/Refused |
| 100 | 100 | 100 |  |
| ( $\mathrm{N}=3,142$ ) | ( $\mathrm{N}=1,662$ ) | $(\mathrm{N}=528)$ |  |

+ All Investors are defined as people who own stocks or shares in a mutual fund.
++ Active Traders are defined as people who have traded stocks within the past 6 months.

48 (T) How involved are you PERSONALLY in making decisions about how to manage and invest your money? Would you say you are extremely involved, somewhat involved, not too involved, or not at all involved?

| General <br> Public <br> 48 | All <br> Investors | Active <br> Traders |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 28 | 34 | 66 |  |
| 11 | 12 | 28 |  |
| 12 | 5 | 5 |  |
| Extremely involved |  |  |  |
| $\frac{1}{1}$ | $*$ | 1 | Not too involved |
| 100 | 100 | $\frac{*}{100}$ | Don't all involved |
| $(\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{3 , 1 4 2})$ | $(\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{1 , 6 6 2})$ | $(\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{5 2 8})$ |  |

Finally, a few questions about different TYPES of financial news...
49 (T) How often, if ever, do you get information from news sources about what's currently happening in the financial markets - that is, stock market updates and quotes for specific stocks or mutual funds? Do you do this ...
(READ)?

| General | All | Active |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Public | Investors | Traders |  |
| 16 | 26 | 45 | Every day |
| 12 | 16 | 24 | Several times a week |
| 14 | 17 | 13 | About once a week |
| 11 | 13 | 7 | About once a month OR |
| 26 | 21 | 9 | Less often |
| 20 | 7 | 2 | Never (VOL.) - GO TO Q. 58 |
| 1* | * |  | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) - GO TO Q. 58 |
| 100 | 100 | 100 |  |
| ( $\mathrm{N}=3,142$ ) | $(\mathrm{N}=1,662)$ | $(\mathrm{N}=528)$ |  |

IF "EVERYDAY, SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK, ABOUT ONCE A WEEK, ABOUT ONCE A MONTH, OR LESS OFTEN" ("1-5" IN Q.49), ASK:
50 (T) What is your MAIN NEWS SOURCE for stock market updates and quotes for specific stocks or mutual funds (READ; ROTATE ITEMS BUT KEEP IN SAME ORDER FOR SUBSEQUENT BLOCKS)...?
51 (T) (IF RESPONDENT GIVES A FIRST CHOICE, ASK:) What would you say is your SECOND most important source? (READ RESPONSES AGAIN IF NECESSARY, OMITTING FIRST CHOICE.)

| General Public |  | All Investors |  | Active Traders |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Main | Second | Main | Second | Main | Second |  |
| 24 | 30 | 26 | 30 | 21 | 27 | Newspapers |
| 37 | 28 | 30 | 30 | 24 | 32 | Television |
| 4 | 12 | 4 | 9 | 1 | 8 | Radio |
| 2 | 7 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 7 | Magazines |
| 21 | 13 | 28 | 13 | 45 | 14 | The Internet |
| 7 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 9 | Other (VOL.) |
| $\frac{5}{100}$ | $\frac{3}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{3}{100}$ | 100 | $\frac{3}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |
| $(\mathrm{N}=)\left(\begin{array}{c}100 \\ (2,527)\end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{gathered} 100 \\ (\mathbf{2}, 417) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100 \\ (\mathbf{1 , 5 4 3}) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 100 \\ (\mathbf{1 , 5 2 3}) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100 \\ & (513) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \overline{100} \\ \mathbf{( 5 1 1 )} \end{gathered}$ |  |

## IF ANSWERED "NEWSPAPERS" AS MAIN NEWS SOURCE FOR STOCK MARKET UPDATES AND QUOTES ("1" IN Q.50), ASK: <br> 52 (T) Thinking again about your main source, which of the following newspapers, if any, do you turn to most often for regular stock market updates and quotes for specific stocks or mutual funds... (READ; ROTATE)?

| General <br> Public | All <br> Investors | Active <br> Traders |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 15 | 12 |  | 25 | | The Wall Street Journal |
| :--- |
| 1 |

IF ANSWERED "TELEVISION" AS MAIN NEWS SOURCE FOR STOCK MARKET UPDATES AND QUOTES ("2" IN Q.50), ASK:
53 (T) Thinking again about your main source... Which of the following television outlets, if any, do you turn to most often for regular stock market updates and quotes for specific stocks or mutual funds... (READ; ROTATE)?

| General <br> Public | All <br> Investors | Active <br> Traders |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 13 | 19 | 36 |  | CNBC |
| 27 | 30 | 28 |  | CNN or CNN fn |
| 6 | 7 | 6 |  | MSNBC |
| 9 | 6 | 7 | The Fox News cable channel |  |
| 10 | 9 | 7 | Network television news |  |
| 26 | 21 | 7 | Local television news |  |
| 4 | 4 | 7 | Other (VOL.) |  |
| $\frac{5}{10}$ | $\underline{4}$ | $\underline{2}$ | Don't know/Refused |  |
| $\mathbf{( N = 8 9 5 )}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 0}$ | 100 |  |  |

## IF ANSWERED "MAGAZINES" AS MAIN NEWS SOURCE FOR STOCK MARKET UPDATES AND QUOTES ("4" IN Q.50), ASK:

54 (T) Thinking again about your main source... Which of the following magazines, if any, do you turn to most often for regular stock market updates and quotes for specific stocks or mutual funds... (READ; ROTATE)?

| General | All | Active |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Public | Investors | Traders |  |
| 25 | n/a | n/a | Business Week |
| 9 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | Forbes |
| 5 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | n/a | Fortune |
| 20 | n/a | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | Money Magazine |
| 4 | n/a | n/a | Smart Money |
| 20 | n/a | n/a | Other (VOL.) |
| 17 | n/a | n/a | Don't know/Refused |
| $\begin{gathered} 1 \overline{00} \\ (\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{6 0}) \end{gathered}$ | ( $\mathrm{N}=38$ ) | ( $\mathrm{N}=10$ ) |  |

## IF ANSWERED "INTERNET" AS MAIN NEWS SOURCE FOR STOCK MARKET UPDATES AND QUOTES

 ("5" IN Q.50), ASK:55 (T) Where do you go on the Internet for regular stock market updates and quotes for specific stocks or mutual funds... Do you mostly visit ONE SPECIFIC website, or do you visit a lot of different websites?

| General | All | Active |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Public | Investors | Traders |  |
| 56 | 57 | 55 | One specific website - GO TO Q.55a |
| 42 | 41 | 44 | Lots of different websites - GO TO Q. 56 |
| $\underline{2}$ | 2 | 1 | Don't know/Refused - GO TO Q. 56 |
| 100 | 100 | 100 |  |
| ( $\mathrm{N}=568$ ) | $(\mathrm{N}=443)$ | $(\mathrm{N}=236)$ |  |

## IF "ONE SPECIFIC WEBSITE" ("1" IN Q.55), ASK:

55 a (T) Is this the web page that comes up first each time you log on to the Internet, or is it some other page that you go to?

| General | All | Active |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Public | Investors | Traders |  |
| 46 | 46 | 41 | Yes, it's the opening page/home page |
| 54 | 54 | 58 | No, it's some other |
| * | * | 1 | Don't know/Refused |
| 100 | 100 | 100 |  |
| ( $\mathrm{N}=319$ ) | ( $\mathrm{N}=256$ ) | ( $\mathrm{N}=133$ ) |  |

ASK ALL INTERNET USERS WHO GET REGULAR STOCK UPDATES ("1" IN Q. 38 AND "1-5" IN Q.49):
56 (T) Do you have a customized web page online that gives you prices for the stocks or mutual funds that you personally own?

| General <br> $\frac{\text { Public }}{}$ | All <br> Investors | Active <br> Traders |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 74 | 34 | 58 | Yes |
| 74 | 65 | 42 | No |
| $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{10}$ | $\frac{*}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |
| $\mathbf{( N = 1 , 5 8 4 )}$ | $(\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{1 , 0 9 8})$ | $\mathbf{( N = 4 1 5 )}$ |  |

IF RESPONDENT HAS A CUSTOMIZED WEB PAGE FOR STOCK PRICES AND GOES TO ONE SPECIFIC SITE FOR STOCK UPDATES WHICH IS NOT HOME PAGE OR OPENING PAGE ("1" IN Q. 56 AND " 1 " IN Q. 55 AND "2" OR "'9" IN Q.55a), ASK:
56a (T) Is this the website you use most often for regular stock market updates and quotes for specific stocks or mutual funds, OR is there some other site?

| General <br> Public | All <br> Investors | Active <br> Traders |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 14 | 86 |  | 88 |  | That is the main source

## ASK THOSE WHO GET REGULAR STOCK UPDATES ("1-5" IN Q.49):

57 (T) Do you ever use a cell phone, a pager or any other type of wireless device to get regular stock market updates and quotes for specific stocks or mutual funds? (IF YES, ASK: Which do you use, a cell phone, a pager or some other device?) (ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES)

| General | All | Active |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Public | Investors | Traders |  |
| 4 | 6 | 11 | Yes, cell phone |
| 2 | 2 | 4 | Yes, pager |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | Yes, other |
| 93 | 92 | 86 | No |
| 1 | * | * | Don't know/Refused |
| ( $\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{2 , 5 2 7}$ ) | $(\mathrm{N}=1,543)$ | $(\mathrm{N}=513)$ |  |

ASK ALL:
58 (T) And next...How often, if ever, do you get information from news sources about INVESTING - that is, information that helps you decide how and where to invest your money? Do you do this... (READ)?

| General | All | Active |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Public | Investors | Traders |  |
| 4 | 7 | 17 | Every day |
| 5 | 8 | 19 | Several times a week |
| 9 | 12 | 16 | About once a week |
| 13 | 18 | 19 | About once a month OR |
| 38 | 38 | 19 | Less often |
| 29 | 16 | 9 | Never (VOL.) - GO TO Q. 65 |
| $\underline{2}$ | 1 | 1 | Don't know/Refused (VOL.) - GO TO Q. 65 |
| 100 | 100 | 100 |  |
| ( $\mathrm{N}=3,142$ ) | ( $\mathrm{N}=1,662$ ) | $(\mathrm{N}=528)$ |  |

## IF "EVERYDAY, SEVERAL TIMES A WEEK, ABOUT ONCE A WEEK, ABOUT ONCE A MONTH, OR LESS OFTEN" ("1-5" IN Q.58), ASK: <br> 59 (T) What is your MAIN NEWS SOURCE for information that helps you decide how and where to invest your money... (READ USING ORDER FROM Q.50)? <br> 60 (T) (IF RESPONDENT GIVES A FIRST CHOICE, ASK:) What would say is your SECOND most important source? (READ RESPONSES AGAIN IF NECESSARY, OMITTING FIRST CHOICE.)

| General Public |  | All Investors |  | Active Traders |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Main | Second | Main | Second | Main | Second |  |
| 23 | 27 | 24 | 28 | 18 | 29 | Newspapers |
| 26 | 26 | 21 | 26 | 19 | 25 | Television |
| 3 | 9 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 5 | Radio |
| 6 | 11 | 7 | 11 | 7 | 12 | Magazines |
| 18 | 15 | 22 | 15 | 35 | 17 | The Internet |
| 9 | 3 | 13 | 4 | 12 | 4 | Broker/Financial advisor (VOL |
| 8 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 6 | Other (VOL.) |
| 7 | 3 | 3 | 3 | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{2}$ | Don't know/Refused |
| 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 | 100 |  |
| $(\mathrm{N}=)(2,243)$ | $(2,104)$ | $(1,407)$ | $(1,360)$ | (480) | (472) |  |

IF ANSWERED "NEWSPAPERS" AS MAIN SOURCE THAT HELPS DECIDE HOW AND WHERE TO INVEST ("1" IN Q.59), ASK:
61 (T) Thinking again about your main source... Which of the following newspapers, if any, do you turn to most often for information that helps you decide how and where to invest your money... (READ; ROTATE)?

| General <br> Public | All <br> Investors | Active <br> Traders |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
|  | 24 |  | 40 |  |
| 2 | 2 | 4 |  | The Wall Street Journal |
| 3 | 2 | 4 |  | Investor's Business Daily |
| 9 | 8 | 7 |  | USA Today |
| 59 | 58 | 40 | Your daily newspaper |  |
| 4 | 5 | 4 |  | Other (VOL.) |
| $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ | $\frac{1}{100}$ | Don't know/Refused |  |
| $\mathbf{( N = 5 2 3 )}$ | $\mathbf{( N = 3 3 9 )}$ | $\mathbf{( N = 9 0 )}$ |  |  |

IF ANSWERED "TELEVISION" AS MAIN SOURCE THAT HELPS DECIDE HOW AND WHERE TO INVEST ("2" IN Q.59), ASK:
62 (T) Thinking again about your main source... Which of the following television outlets, if any, do you turn to most often for information that helps you decide how and where to invest your money... (READ; ROTATE)?

| General <br> Public | All <br> Investors | Active <br> Traders |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 14 | 18 | 31 |  | CNBC |
| 25 | 27 | 27 |  | CNN or CNN fn |
| 8 | 8 | 10 |  | MSNBC |
| 8 | 6 | 8 |  | The Fox News cable channel |
| 10 | 9 | 3 |  | Network television news |
| 27 | 25 | 13 |  | Local television news |
| 4 | 4 | 6 |  | Other (VOL.) |
| $\frac{4}{4}$ | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | Don't know/Refused |  |
| 100 | 100 | 100 |  |  |
| $\mathbf{( N = 5 5 3 )}$ | $\mathbf{( N = \mathbf { 2 8 0 } )}$ | $\mathbf{( N = 8 3 )}$ |  |  |

## IF ANSWERED "MAGAZINES" AS MAIN SOURCE THAT HELPS DECIDE HOW AND WHERE TO INVEST ("4" IN Q.59), ASK:

63 (T) Thinking again about your main source... Which of the following magazines, if any, do you turn to most often for information that helps you decide how and where to invest your money... (READ; ROTATE)?

| General <br> Public | All <br> Investors | Active <br> Traders |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| 21 | 14 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | Business Week |
| 9 | 10 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | Forbes |
| 10 | 10 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | Fortune |
| 28 | 33 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | Money Magazine |
| 8 | 8 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | Smart Money |
| 17 | 19 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | Other (VOL.) |
| $\frac{7}{100}$ | $\underline{6}$ | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | Don't know/Refused |
| $\mathbf{( N = 1 5 1 )}$ | $\mathbf{( N = 1 0 5 )}$ | $\mathbf{( N = 3 8 )}$ |  |

## IF ANSWERED "INTERNET" AS MAIN SOURCE THAT HELPS DECIDE HOW AND WHERE TO INVEST

 ("5" IN Q.59), ASK:64 (T) Where do you go on the Internet for information that helps you decide how and where to invest your money... Do you mostly visit ONE SPECIFIC website, or do you visit a lot of different websites?

| General <br> Public | All <br> Investors | Active <br> Traders |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| 63 |  | 36 |  | 34 |
|  |  | One specific website |  |  |
| $\frac{31}{}$ |  | 64 |  | Lots of different websites |
| 100 | $\frac{3}{100}$ |  | $\underline{2}$ |  |
| Don't know/Refused |  |  |  |  |
| $(\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{4 1 8})$ | $(\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{3 1 0})$ | $(\mathbf{N}=\mathbf{1 6 7})$ |  |  |

## ASK ALL:

Finally, I'd like to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.
65 (T) Do you have any type of personal computer, including laptops, in your home? These do not include game machines such as Nintendo or Sega.

|  |  | Nov 1998 ${ }^{19}$ | June 1995 | Feb 1994 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 59 | Yes | 43 | 36 | 31 |
| 41 | No | 57 | 64 | 69 |
| * | Don't know/Refused | * | * | $\underline{0}$ |
| 100 |  | 100 | 100 | 100 |

66 (T) Do you happen to have (READ; ROTATE), or not? How about...

| a. |  | $\underline{\text { Yes }}$ | $\underline{\text { No }}$ | DK/Ref |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | A cell phone | 53 | 47 | * $=100$ |
|  | June, 1995 ${ }^{20}$ | 24 | 76 | * $=100$ |
| b. | A pager | 24 | 76 | * $=100$ |
| c. | A satellite dish | 18 | 82 | *=100 |
|  | June, 1995 ${ }^{21}$ | 6 | 94 | *=100 |
|  | February, 1994 | 4 | 96 | * $=100$ |
| d. | A DVD player | 16 | 83 | $1=100$ |
| e. | A palm pilot | 5 | 91 | $4=100$ |

In November 1998 and earlier, the question was worded: "Do you have any type of personal computer, including laptops -such as an IBM PC or a Macintosh in your home? These do not include game machines such as Nintendo or Sega".

In June 1995, the question was worded: "Do you have a car phone or cellular telephone?"
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In June 1995 and earlier, the question was worded: "Do you have a satellite dish that is hooked up to your TV? [READ IF NECESSARY: "This is different than cable TV. It allows you to get reception directly from satellites."]"

## PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE \& THE PRESS MAY 2000 BELIEVABILITY STUDY -- FINAL TOPLINE --

## P. 1 ASKED MAY 5-16, 2000 [ $\mathbf{N}=911]$ :

Q.P1 Now, I'm going to read a list. Please rate how much you think you can BELIEVE each organization I name on a scale of 4 to 1 . On this four point scale, " 4 " means you can believe all or most of what the organization says. " 1 " means you believe almost nothing of what they say. How would you rate the believability of (READ ITEM. ROTATE LIST) on this scale of 4 to 1? (INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE")
a. USA Today May, 1998
April, 1996
February, 1993
August, 1989
June, 1985
b. ABC News

May, 1998
April, 1996
February, 1993
August, 1989
June, 1985
c. The Wall Street Journal

May, 1998
April, 1996
February, 1993
August, 1989
June, 1985
d. The daily newspaper you are most familiar with

May, 1998
April, 1996
February, 1993
August, 1989
June, 1985
e. The Associated Press

May, 1998
April, 1996
February, 1993
August, 1989
June, 1985

| Believe |  |  | Cannot Believe | Never Heard | Can't |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - 4 | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | 1 | of | Rate |
| 17 | 31 | 20 | 7 | 2 | $23=100$ |
| 18 | 35 | 21 | 5 | 2 | $19=100$ |
| 20 | 34 | 20 | 9 | 3 | $14=100$ |
| 20 | 36 | 21 | 7 | 1 | $15=100$ |
| 21 | 32 | 18 | 5 | 6 | $18=100$ |
| 13 | 26 | 13 | 2 | 4 | $42=100$ |
| 26 | 36 | 20 | 6 | * | $12=100$ |
| 28 | 43 | 18 | 4 | * | $7=100$ |
| 30 | 44 | 17 | 5 | * | $4=100$ |
| 34 | 42 | 17 | 4 | * | $3=100$ |
| 30 | 46 | 14 | 3 | 1 | $7=100$ |
| 32 | 51 | 11 | 1 | * | $5=100$ |
| 27 | 24 | 9 | 6 | 4 | $30=100$ |
| 30 | 30 | 9 | 4 | 2 | $25=100$ |
| 28 | 29 | 13 | 7 | 3 | $20=100$ |
| 30 | 32 | 14 | 6 | 2 | $16=100$ |
| 30 | 26 | 9 | 3 | 6 | $26=100$ |
| 25 | 23 | 6 | 2 | 1 | $43=100$ |

## Q.P1 CONTINUED ...

|  |  |  |  |  | Cannot | Never |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| f. | CNN | Believe |  |  | Believe | Heard | Can't |
|  |  | 4 | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | 1 | of | Rate |
|  |  | 33 | 32 | 14 | 5 | 1 | $15=100$ |
|  | May, 1998 | 37 | 35 | 11 | 4 | 1 | $12=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 34 | 37 | 14 | 4 | 1 | $10=100$ |
|  | February, 1993 | 41 | 35 | 10 | 4 | 2 | $8=100$ |
|  | August, 1989 | 33 | 31 | 11 | 2 | 8 | $16=100$ |
|  | June, 1985 | 20 | 24 | 7 | 1 | 10 | $38=100$ |
| g. | NBC News | 26 | 37 | 21 | 7 | * | $9=100$ |
|  | May, 1998 | 28 | 42 | 20 | 4 | * | $6=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 28 | 46 | 18 | 5 | * | $3=100$ |
|  | February, 1993 | 31 | 42 | 18 | 6 | * | $3=100$ |
|  | August, 1989 | 32 | 47 | 14 | 2 | * | $5=100$ |
|  | June, 1985 | 31 | 51 | 12 | 1 | * | $5=100$ |
| h. | CBS News | 26 | 37 | 20 | 7 | * | $10=100$ |
|  | May, 1998 | 26 | 43 | 21 | 4 | * | $6=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 30 | 42 | 17 | 6 | * | $5=100$ |
|  | February, 1993 | 31 | 44 | 16 | 5 | * | $4=100$ |
|  | August, 1989 | 29 | 45 | 16 | 4 | 1 | $5=100$ |
|  | June, 1985 | 33 | 51 | 11 | 1 | * | $4=100$ |
| i. | C-SPAN | 21 | 24 | 11 | 6 | 10 | $28=100$ |
|  | May, 1998 | 20 | 26 | 12 | 4 | 12 | $26=100$ |
|  | April, 1996 | 19 | 24 | 12 | 9 | 10 | $26=100$ |
| j. | Time Magazine | 22 | 30 | 16 | 6 | 2 | $24=100$ |
|  | May, 1998 | 21 | 38 | 17 | 4 | 1 | $19=100$ |
|  | June, 1985 | 27 | 38 | 10 | 2 | * | $23=100$ |
| k. | People Magazine | 8 | 18 | 30 | 20 | 2 | $22=100$ |
|  | May, 1998 | 8 | 21 | 34 | 16 | 1 | $20=100$ |
|  | June, 1985 | 8 | 22 | 28 | 12 | 1 | $29=100$ |
| 1. | Newsweek | 17 | 32 | 17 | 7 | 2 | $25=100$ |
|  | May, 1998 | 19 | 40 | 16 | 5 | 1 | $19=100$ |
|  | June, 1985 | 23 | 40 | 9 | 2 | * | $26=100$ |
| m. | The National Enquirer | 3 | 3 | 8 | 68 | 2 | $16=100$ |
|  | May, 1998 | 3 | 4 | 11 | 69 | 1 | $12=100$ |
|  | June, 1985 | 4 | 7 | 11 | 54 | 1 | $23=100$ |
| n. | The NewsHour with Jim Lehrer | 13 | 18 | 13 | 8 | 18 | $30=100$ |
|  | May, 1998 | 15 | 21 | 12 | 5 | 19 | $28=100$ |
|  | June, 1985 ${ }^{22}$ | 18 | 17 | 6 | 2 | 29 | $28=100$ |
| o. | Your local TV news | 30 | 39 | 19 | 6 | * | $6=100$ |
|  | May, 1998 | 32 | 38 | 19 | 6 | * | $4=100$ |
|  | June, 1985 | 34 | 47 | 13 | 1 | * | $5=100$ |

## Q.P1 CONTINUED ...

|  | Believe |  |  | Cannot Never |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Believe | Heard | Can't |
|  | 4 | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | 1 | of | Rate |
| p. Dateline NBC | 26 | 31 | 19 | 6 | 2 | 16=100 |
| May, 1998 | 23 | 39 | 19 | 5 | 2 | $13=100$ |
| q. 60 Minutes | 31 | 37 | 17 | 7 | * | $8=100$ |
| May, 1998 | 32 | 37 | 20 | 4 | * | $7=100$ |
| r. MSNBC | 19 | 29 | 15 | 6 | 8 | $23=100$ |
| [FORM 1 N=460] |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| s.F1 National Public Radio | 16 | 21 | 18 | 8 | 13 | $24=100$ |
| May, 1998 | 13 | 34 | 17 | 7 | 7 | $22=100$ |
| [FORM $2 \mathrm{~N}=451$ ] |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| t.F2 "All Things Considered" on |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| National Public Radio | 14 | 26 | 20 | 10 | 10 | $20=100$ |
| May, 1998 | 14 | 31 | 24 | 4 | 11 | $16=100$ |
| June, 1985 | 10 | 21 | 9 | 1 | 32 | $27=100$ |
| u. The Fox News CABLE Channel | 19 | 28 | 19 | 9 | 3 | $22=100$ |

## P. 2 ASKED JUNE 1-6, 2000:

Q.P2 Now I am going to read a list of ONLINE news sources. Please rate how much you think you can BELIEVE each site I name on a scale of 4 to 1 . On this four point scale, " 4 " means you can believe all or most of what you see on the site. " 1 " means you believe almost nothing of what you see. How would you rate the believability of (READ ITEM. ROTATE LIST) on this scale of 4 to 1? (INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN "NEVER HEARD OF" AND "CAN'T RATE.")

BASED ON ONLINE USERS [N=308]:

|  |  | Believe |  |  | Cannot Never |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Believe | Heard | Can't |
|  |  | 4 | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | 1 | of | Rate |
| a. | AOL News Channel |  |  |  | 13 | 26 | 10 | 6 | 22 | $23=100$ |
| b. | ABCNews.com | 29 | 27 | 7 | 4 | 11 | $22=100$ |
| c. | CNN.com | 39 | 23 | 5 | 4 | 10 | $19=100$ |
| d. | MSNBC.com | 28 | 26 | 12 | 3 | 11 | $20=100$ |
| e. | CBSNews.com | 28 | 30 | 7 | 3 | 11 | $21=100$ |
| f. | FoxNews.com | 20 | 21 | 14 | 3 | 16 | $26=100$ |
| g . | Salon | 2 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 65 | $19=100$ |
| h. | Slate | 1 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 68 | $18=100$ |
| i. | About.com | 3 | 7 | 7 | 5 | 55 | $23=100$ |

## Q.P2 CONTINUED ...

j. Yahoo
k. Netscape

1. Lycos.com
m. Go Network
n. CNET.com
o. ZDNet.com
p. USAToday.com

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q. New York Times.com

| Believe |  |  | Cannot Believe | Never |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Heard | Can't |
| $\underline{4}$ | $\underline{3}$ | $\underline{2}$ | $\underline{1}$ | of | Rate |
| 21 | 33 | 17 | 3 | 8 | $18=100$ |
| 17 | 22 | 13 | 4 | 20 | $24=100$ |
| 7 | 17 | 10 | 5 | 38 | $23=100$ |
| 5 | 9 | 7 | 5 | 49 | $25=100$ |
| 8 | 13 | 9 | 5 | 41 | $24=100$ |
| 7 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 56 | $19=100$ |
| 24 | 27 | 10 | 3 | 12 | $24=100$ |
| 24 | 19 | 8 | 5 | 16 | $28=100$ |


[^0]:    1 Based on multiple regression analysis.
    2 Based on a daily tracking survey conducted throughout the month of March by the Pew Internet \& American Life Project.

[^1]:    6 In November 1997, April 1997 and February 1996, the story was listed as "Recent major ups and downs in the stock market."
    $7 \quad$ In February 2000 and January 2000, the story was listed as "The debate over whether a 6-year-old boy rescued at sea should be returned to his father in Cuba."

[^2]:    9
    Pew Internet \& American Life Project, March 2000. The question was worded as follows, "Did you happen to go online or check your email YESTERDAY?"

[^3]:    In previous months the question was asked "Programs on National Public Radio, such as Morning Edition or All Things

[^4]:    The 1995 figure combines responses from two separate questions:
    (1) Do you or anyone in your household ever use a modem to connect to any computer bulletin boards, information services such as CompuServe or Prodigy, or other computers at other locations? (IF YES, PROBE: Is that you, someone else or both?)
    (2) Do you, yourself, ever use a computer at (work) (school) (work or school) to connect with computer bulletin boards, information services such as America Online or Prodigy, or other computers over the Internet?

