



## Marquette Law School Poll – October 21-25, 2020

Good (afternoon/evening), I'm \_\_\_\_\_ calling on behalf of Marquette University. We're conducting a survey about your views on issues in Wisconsin today. Your participation is completely voluntary and your responses will be kept confidential. No one will ever try to sell you anything as a result of your responses.

(READ ONLY IF NEEDED: This survey should only take a few minutes of your time.)

**\*\*Author note: Program so that odds of being asked for male adult are 4 out of 11 times. Represent correct gender in question wording based on selection.\*\***

S1. May I please speak with the (male/female) adult member of your household, currently at home, age 18 or older, with the most recent birthday?

(IF SELECTED RESPONDENT NOT CURRENTLY AT HOME AND AVAILABLE, ASK FOR THE (FEMALE/MALE) CURRENTLY AT HOME.)

- 1 Correct household member on phone (CONTINUE)
- 2 Will put correct member of household on phone (RE-READ INTRO AND CONTINUE WITH S2.)
- 3 No household member age 18 or over is currently available (PLACE HOUSEHOLD INTO CALLBACK)
- 4 No one in household age 18 or older (TERMINATE)

S2. Record Gender: (DO NOT ASK. RECORD ONLY ONE RESPONSE)

- 1 Male
- 2 Female

**\*\*Author note: If respondent in overquota, go to overquota/callback script and have interviewer place respondent in specified callback for future day.\*\***

S3a. Do you currently live in Wisconsin? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

- 1 Yes
- 2 No (TERMINATE)

S3b. In what county in Wisconsin do you live?

\_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Author note: Insert county list on screen.\*\***

**\*\*Author note: If respondent lives in Milwaukee County or County is Don't Know/Other, continue to**

S4. If respondent lives in any Wisconsin county besides Milwaukee, place in appropriate quota group and skip to S5. If Cell sample and S3b=997 or 998, terminate. If over quota, thank and terminate.\*\*

S4. Do you currently live within Milwaukee city limits? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)  
(RECORD ONE ANSWER)

- 1 Yes (Milwaukee City quota group)
- 2 No (Milwaukee DMA quota group)

S5. Some people are registered to vote and others are not. Are you registered to vote in the precinct or ward where you now live, or aren't you? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

- 1 Yes, Registered to Vote (SKIP TO Q.1)
- 2 No, Not Registered to Vote (ASK S6)  
(DO NOT READ)
- 9 No Answer/Don't Know/Refused (ASK S6)

\*\* Author note: If 2 or 9 in S5 ask S6\*\*

S6. Do you plan to register to vote, or is there a chance that you may not register? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

- 1 Plan to Register
- 2 Chance May Not Register (TERMINATE)  
(DO NOT READ)
- 9 Don't know/Refused (TERMINATE)

Q1. Some people seem to follow what's going on in politics most of the time, whether there's an election going on or not. Others aren't that interested. Would you say you follow what's going on in politics most of the time, some of the time, only now and then, or hardly at all? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

- 1 Most of the time
- 2 Some of the time
- 3 Only now and then
- 4 Hardly at all  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

Q2. What are the chances that you will vote in the November 2020 general election for president, Congress, and other offices -- are you absolutely certain to vote, very likely to vote, are the chances 50-50, don't you think you will vote, or have you already voted either by absentee ballot or early in person voting?

(READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

- 1 Absolutely certain
- 2 Very Likely
- 3 50-50
- 4 Will not vote
- 5 Already voted (absentee or early in person)  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

\*\*AUTHOR NOTE: Scramble so half get Q3-Q4 BEFORE Q5-Q7 and half get Q5-Q7 before Q3-Q4.\*\*

\*\*AUTHOR NOTE: RECORD WHICH QUESTION ORDER IS USED AS A VARIABLE.\*\*

Q3. Over the past year, do you feel the economy has gotten better, gotten worse, or stayed about the same? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

- 1 Gotten better
- 2 Gotten worse
- 3 Stayed the same  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

Q4. Looking ahead, over the next year do you expect the economy to get better, get worse, or stay about the same? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

- 1 Get better
- 2 Get worse
- 3 Stay the same  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

**\*\*Randomize order of Q5 and Q6 and record order as a variable. Keep Q7 last.\*\***

Q5. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

[GET ANSWER, THEN ASK: Do you strongly or somewhat (approve/disapprove)?]

- 1 Strongly approve
- 2 Somewhat approve
- 3 Somewhat disapprove
- 4 Strongly disapprove  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

Q6. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way Tony Evers (**EE-vers**) is handling his job as Governor of Wisconsin? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

[GET ANSWER, THEN ASK: Do you strongly or somewhat (approve/disapprove)?]

- 1 Strongly approve
- 2 Somewhat approve
- 3 Somewhat disapprove
- 4 Strongly disapprove  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

Q7. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way the Wisconsin legislature is handling its job? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

[GET ANSWER, THEN ASK: Do you strongly or somewhat (approve/disapprove)?]

- 1 Strongly approve
- 2 Somewhat approve
- 3 Somewhat disapprove
- 4 Strongly disapprove  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

Transition Screen:

I'm going to read you a list of people and groups. Please tell me if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of each of them or if you haven't heard enough about them yet to have an opinion.

\*\* Author note: Keep Q8-Q9 first, followed by Q10-Q12, then Q13-Q14. Then Q15-Q18\*\*

\*\* Author note: scramble Q8-Q9. \*\*

(PRESENT EACH ON OWN SCREEN)

The first name/next name is ... [INSERT NAME]

READ IF NECESSARY: Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of [INSERT NAME] or haven't you heard enough about them yet?

- 1 Favorable
- 2 Unfavorable
- 3 Haven't heard enough  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

Q8. Ron Johnson  
Q9. Tammy Baldwin

\*\* Author note: scramble Q10-Q12. \*\*

Q10. Joe Biden  
Q11. Kamala (Comma-la) Harris  
Q12. Mike Pence

\*\* Author note: scramble Q13-Q14. \*\*

Q13. Tony Evers (EE-vers)  
Q14. Donald Trump

\*\* Author note: scramble Q15-Q18. \*\*

Q15. The police  
Q16. The Black Lives Matter movement  
Q17. Barack Obama  
Q18. George W. Bush

**\*\*Author Note: Scramble order of Q19-Q21\*\***

Q19. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the economy? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

[GET ANSWER, THEN ASK: Do you strongly or somewhat (approve/disapprove)?]

- 1 Strongly approve
- 2 Somewhat approve
- 3 Somewhat disapprove
- 4 Strongly disapprove  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

Q20. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the response to protests since the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

[GET ANSWER, THEN ASK: Do you strongly or somewhat (approve/disapprove)?]

- 1 Strongly approve
- 2 Somewhat approve
- 3 Somewhat disapprove
- 4 Strongly disapprove  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

Q21. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling the coronavirus outbreak? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

[GET ANSWER, THEN ASK: Do you strongly or somewhat (approve/disapprove)?]

- 1 Strongly approve
- 2 Somewhat approve
- 3 Somewhat disapprove
- 4 Strongly disapprove  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

Q22. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Tony Evers (EE-vers) is handling the coronavirus outbreak here in Wisconsin? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

[GET ANSWER, THEN ASK: Do you strongly or somewhat (approve/disapprove)?]

- 1 Strongly approve
- 2 Somewhat approve
- 3 Somewhat disapprove
- 4 Strongly disapprove  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

**\*\*Scramble order of Democrat and Republican but keep Libertarian 3rd\*\***  
**\*\* Keep same order in Q23b**

**\*\*Author note: If Q2=5 (already voted), use Q23 alternate wording and show code 5.**

(ASK ALL)

Q23. If the election for president were being held today and the candidates were Joe Biden the Democrat, Donald Trump the Republican, and Jo Jorgensen the Libertarian, for whom would you vote?

**Q2=5 (already voted):** In the election for president did you vote for Joe Biden the Democrat, Donald Trump the Republican, or Jo Jorgensen the Libertarian?

1. Joe Biden
2. Donald Trump
3. Jo Jorgensen  
(DO NOT READ)
4. None of these/someone else (VOL)
5. Did not vote for president (VOL) (**Show only if Q2=5**)
8. Don't know
9. Refused

**\*\*Author note: If Q2=1-4, 8, 9 and Q23=4 or 8, Ask Q23b (do not ask Q23b if already voted)**

Q23b. Would you say you lean toward Biden or toward Trump or toward Jorgensen?

1. Biden
2. Trump
3. Jorgensen  
(DO NOT READ)
4. None of these/someone else (VOL)
8. Don't know
9. Refused

Q24. Is your mind made up about who you will vote for (for president in 2020), or is it possible you would change your mind?

1. Mind made up
2. Possible would change  
(DO NOT READ)
8. Don't know
9. Refused

**\*\*Scramble order of Trump and Biden first or second\*\***

Q25. Who do you think will win the presidential election? Trump by a lot, Trump by a little, Biden by a little or Biden by a lot?

1. Trump by a lot
2. Trump by a little
3. Biden by a little
4. Biden by a lot  
(DO NOT READ)
8. Don't know
9. Refused

Q26. How confident are you that, across the country, the votes for president will be accurately cast and counted in this year's election? Very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, not at all confident.

1. Very confident
2. Somewhat confident
3. Not too confident
4. Not at all confident  
(DO NOT READ)
8. Don't know
9. Refused

Q27. Do you think that Donald Trump has changed the Republican Party for the better or for the worse or don't you think he has changed the Republican Party much either way?

1. Changed for the better
2. Changed for the worse
3. Hasn't changed Republican Party much either way  
(DO NOT READ)
8. Don't know
9. Refused



\*\*Author comment: Scramble order of Q28-Q29 \*\*

Q28. Please tell me whether the following statement describes Donald Trump, or not . . . He is someone who cares about people like me.

1. Describes him
2. Does not describe him  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

Q29. Please tell me whether the following statement describes Joe Biden, or not . . . He is someone who cares about people like me.

1. Describes him
2. Does not describe him  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

Q30. Do you think the decision last spring to close schools and businesses and to restrict the size of public gatherings was an appropriate response to the coronavirus outbreak or was it an overreaction that did more harm than good? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

1. Appropriate response
2. Overreaction  
(DO NOT READ)
8. Don't know
9. Refused

Q31. Taking into consideration both your risk of contracting it and the seriousness of the illness, how worried are you personally about experiencing coronavirus? (READ LIST)

1. Very worried
2. Somewhat worried
3. Not very worried
4. Not worried at all  
(DO NOT READ)
5. Have already had coronavirus/COVID-19 (VOL)
8. Don't know
9. Refused

Q32. When you go out to a public place do you personally wear a mask all the time, most of the time, only now and then or never?

1. All the time
2. Most of the time
3. Only now and then
4. Never  
(DO NOT READ)
8. Don't know
9. Refused

Q32b. As of now, do you feel comfortable or uncomfortable eating inside at a restaurant?

- 1 Comfortable doing this
- 2 Uncomfortable doing this  
(DO NOT READ)
8. Don't know
9. Refused

Q32c. If you had a vote in the Senate, would you support or oppose the nomination of Amy Coney (Cone-ee) Barrett to the Supreme Court?

1. Support
2. Oppose  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

Q33. Do you approve or disapprove of the mass protests that have been held since the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis?

[GET ANSWER, THEN ASK: Do you strongly or somewhat (approve/disapprove)?]

- 1 Strongly approve
- 2 Somewhat approve
- 3 Somewhat disapprove
- 4 Strongly disapprove  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

\*\*If 1-4, 8, 9 in Q2 ask Q34\*\*

Q34. In the election this November, do you plan to vote in person on election day, vote in person during the early voting period, vote absentee by mail, or do you think you might not vote this time? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

1. In person on election day
2. In person during early voting
3. Absentee by mail
4. Might not vote this time  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

\*\*If 5 in Q2 ask Q34b\*\*

Q34b. You mentioned that you have already voted. Did you vote by absentee by mail or by early in-person voting?

1. Absentee by mail
2. Early in-person  
(DO NOT READ)
3. Returned absentee ballot in person (VOL)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

Q35. Thinking about your family's financial situation, would you say you are living comfortably, just getting by, or struggling to make ends meet? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

1. Living comfortably
2. Just getting by
3. Struggling  
(DO NOT READ)
8. Don't know
9. Refused

Q36. How enthusiastic are you about voting in this November's elections? Would you say you are very, somewhat, not too, or not at all enthusiastic? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

1. Very enthusiastic
2. Somewhat enthusiastic
3. Not too enthusiastic
4. Not at all enthusiastic  
(DO NOT READ)
7. Won't vote in November (VOL)
8. Don't Know
9. Refused

Q37. Would you favor or oppose a decision by the U.S. Supreme Court to strike down the 2010 health care reform law, also called Obamacare, by declaring it unconstitutional?

1. Favor
2. Oppose  
(DO NOT READ)
8. Don't know
9. Refused

Q38. When it comes to keeping up with the news, which of these national news sources, if any, do you watch or listen to most often? (READ LIST; SELECT ONE ANSWER)

01. Network news such as on NBC, ABC or CBS
02. Fox News Channel
03. CNN
04. MSNBC
05. PBS NewsHour
06. National Public Radio (NPR)  
(DO NOT READ)
07. Some other national news source (specify) (VOL)
08. Do not watch/listen to national news source (VOL)
98. Don't know
99. Refused

F1. Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, or an Independent? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

- 1 Republican
- 2 Democrat
- 3 Independent  
(DO NOT READ)
- 4 Other/No preference
- 8 Don't Know
- 9 Refused

\*\*Author note: Ask QF2 IF 3,4, or 8 in F1\*\*

F2. Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party or to the Democratic Party? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

- 1 Republican
- 2 Democrat  
(DO NOT READ)
- 3 Neither/Just Independent (VOL)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

F3. What is the highest level of education you completed? (READ LIST)

- 01 Elementary school only
- 02 Some high school but did not finish
- 03 Completed high school
- 04 Some college but didn't finish
- 05 Two year college degree
- 06 Four year college degree
- 07 Some graduate work
- 08 Completed masters or professional degree
- 09 Advanced graduate work or PhD  
(DO NOT READ)
- 98 Don't know
- 99 Refused

F4. What is your age? (Record actual age in years).

- 99 Refused [ASK F4A]

F4A. [If Refused] Are you... (READ LIST)

- 1 18-29 years old
- 2 30-44 years old
- 3 45-59 years old
- 4 60 years old or more  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

F5. Are you currently married, living with a partner but not married, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

- 1 Married
- 2 Living with a partner but not married
- 3 Widowed
- 4 Divorced
- 5 Separated
- 6 Never Married  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

**\*\*THERE IS NO F6 IN THIS INSTRUMENT\*\***

F7. Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban or some other Spanish background? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

- 1 Yes
- 2 No  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

F8. Would you describe yourself as White, African American or Black, Asian, Native American, of more than one race or some other race? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

- 01 White
- 02 African American or Black
- 03 Asian, South Asian, or Pacific Islander
- 04 Native American or American Indian
- 05 More than one race
- 97 Other, Specify  
(DO NOT READ)
- 06 Hispanic or Latino
- 98 Don't know
- 99 Refused

F9. Before the coronavirus epidemic, aside from weddings and funerals, how often did you attend religious services... more than once a week, once a week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, seldom, or never? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

- 1 More than once a week
- 2 Once a week
- 3 Once or twice a month
- 4 A few times a year
- 5 Seldom
- 6 Never  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

F10. What is your religious preference – are you Protestant, Roman Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, another religion or no religion? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

IF RESPONDENT NAMES ANYTHING ELSE, ASK:

Would that fall under the general category of Protestant religions, is it a Christian religion, but not Protestant, or is it something else?

- 01 Protestant
- 02 Roman Catholic
- 03 Jewish
- 04 Muslim/Islam
- 05 Mormon/Latter-Day Saints
- 06 Other Christian Religion
- 07 Other Non-Christian Religion
- 08 No Religion/Atheist/Agnostic  
(DO NOT READ)
- 98 DON'T KNOW
- 99 REFUSED

\*\*Author note: IF 01 or 06 in F10 Ask F11.\*\*

F11. Would you describe yourself as a "born-again" or evangelical Christian, or not? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

- 1. Yes, would
- 2. No, would not  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 DON'T KNOW
- 9 REFUSED

F12. Last year, that is in 2019, what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category. (READ LIST.)

- 01 Less than \$10,000
- 02 10 to under \$20,000
- 03 20 to under \$30,000
- 04 30 to under \$40,000
- 05 40 to under \$50,000
- 06 50 to under \$75,000
- 07 75 to under \$100,000
- 08 100 to under \$150,000
- 09 150,000 to under \$200,000
- 10 Over \$200,000  
(DO NOT READ)
- 98 Don't know
- 99 Refused

\*\*There is no F13 in this instrument\*\*

F14. Would you describe the place where you live as urban, suburban or rural?

(INTERVIEWER, IF NECESSARY: "Urban is a big city like Milwaukee, Madison or Green Bay. Suburban is a built up place close to a big city and rural is less built up with fewer people and further away from a big city") (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

1. Urban
2. Suburban
3. Rural
- (DO NOT READ)
8. Don't know
9. Refused

\*\*There is no F15 in this instrument\*\*

F16. In general, would you describe your political views as... (READ LIST)

- 1 Very conservative
- 2 Conservative
- 3 Moderate
- 4 Liberal
- 5 Very liberal
- (DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

F17. Are you or any member of your household a member of a local, state or national labor union?  
(READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

- 1 Yes, respondent
- 2 Yes, another household member
- 3 Yes, both respondent and another household member
- 4 No, nobody in household
- (DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

\*\*Author note: Require 5-digit response.\*\*

F18. What is your zip code?

Enter 5 digit zip code.

99999=Refused

INTERVIEWER: READ BACK AND CONFIRM CORRECT ZIP CODE



F19. Of all the personal telephone calls that you receive, do you get...? (READ LIST)

- 1 All or almost all on a cell phone
- 2 Some on a cell phone and some on a home phone
- 3 All or almost all on a regular home phone  
(DO NOT READ)
- 8 Don't know
- 9 Refused

F20. Is this phone a cell phone? (READ LIST IF NECESSARY)

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

(CLOSING)

Thank you very much. Have a great day/evening!