## PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE REACTIONS

Results are based on telephone interviews conducted October 4-5, 16-17 and 23-24 with random samples of approximately 1,000 adults each, aged 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia.

	First Debate: Oct 4-5	Second Debate: Oct 16-17	Third Debate: Oct 23-24
National adults	1,013	1,007	1,033
Debate watchers	749	813	746

For results based on the total samples of national adults, one can say with 95% confidence that the margin of error is  $\pm 4$  percentage points.

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- 1. Did you happen to watch or listen to the nationally televised presidential debate between Mitt Romney and Barack Obama last/Wednesday night, or not?
- 2. (Asked of those who did not see the debate) Did you happen to see, hear, or read any <u>news coverage</u> of last/Wednesday night's presidential debate, or not?

## **COMBINED RESPONSES (Q.1-2)**

	2012 Oct 23-24 ^	2012 Oct 17-18	2012 Oct 4-5
Yes, watched or listened to the debate	69	76	67
No, did not watch/listen to the debate	31	24	33
(Saw news coverage)	(15)	(11)	(16)
(Did not see news coverage)	(16)	(13)	(17)