

The logo for the CNN | ORC POLL. It features the CNN logo in a stylized, outlined font on the left, followed by a vertical bar and the letters "ORC" in a bold, sans-serif font. Below this, the word "POLL" is written in large, bold, white capital letters on a black rectangular background.

Interviews with 381 registered voters who watched the vice-presidential debate conducted by telephone by ORC International on October 11, 2012. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 5 percentage points.

Survey respondents were first interviewed as part of a random national sample on October 8-10, 2012. In those interviews, respondents indicated they planned to watch tonight's debate and were willing to be re-interviewed after the debate.

The sample includes 303 interviews among landline respondents and 78 interviews among cell phone respondents.

Some questions were asked of each respondent both in the pre-debate questionnaire on October 8-10 and on tonight's questionnaire. Where applicable, results for tonight's respondents from both the pre-debate survey and the post-debate survey are reported.

33% of the respondents who participated in tonight's survey identified themselves as Republicans, 31% identified themselves as Democrats, and 34% identified themselves as Independents.

1. Regardless of which candidate you happen to support, who do you think did the best job in the debate – Joe Biden or Paul Ryan?

	<u>Oct. 11 2012</u>
Biden	44%
Ryan	48%
Neither (vol.)	2%
Both (vol.)	6%
No opinion	1%

**FOR COMPARISON -- DATA ON BARACK OBAMA AND MITT ROMNEY FROM
OCTOBER 3, 2012**

Regardless of which candidate you happen to support, who do you think did the best job in the debate --
Barack Obama or Mitt Romney?

	<u>Oct. 3, 2012</u>
Romney	67%
Obama	25%
Neither (vol.)	3%
Both (vol.)	5%
No opinion	*

CNN/ORC AND CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

	<u>Biden</u>	<u>Palin</u>	<u>Neither (vol.)</u>	<u>Both (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<u>BIDEN/PALIN 2008</u> 2008 Oct 2	51	36	2	11	*

QUESTION WORDING: Regardless of which candidate you happen to support, who do you think did the better job in the (vice presidential) debate (October 2, 2008)—Joe Biden or Sarah Palin?

	<u>Gore</u>	<u>Kemp</u>	<u>Neither (vol.)</u>	<u>Both (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<u>GORE/KEMP 1996</u> 1996 Oct 9	57	28	1	13	1

QUESTION WORDING: Regardless of which candidate you happen to support, who do you think did the better job in the (vice presidential) debate (October 9, 1996)--Al Gore or Jack Kemp?

	<u>Quayle</u>	<u>Gore</u>	<u>Stockdale</u>	<u>None in particular (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<u>QUAYLE/GORE/STOCKDALE 1992</u> 1992 Oct 9-11	19	61	5	1	14

QUESTION WORDING: As you may know, the (1992) vice-presidential candidates will participate in a televised debate next Tuesday (October 12, 1992). Who do you think is likely to do the best job in the debate--Dan Quayle, Al Gore or James Stockdale?

(QUESTIONS 2 AND 3 ROTATED)

2. Did Joe Biden do a better or worse job than you expected?

	<u>Oct. 11</u> <u>2012</u>
Better	55%
Worse	26%
Same (vol.)	18%
No opinion	1%

**FOR COMPARISON -- DATA ON BARACK OBAMA FROM
OCTOBER 3, 2012**

Did Barack Obama do a better or worse job than you expected?

	<u>Oct. 3, 2012</u>
Better	21%
Worse	61%
Same(vol.)	16%
No opinion	2%

3. Did Paul Ryan do a better or worse job than you expected?

	<u>Oct. 11</u> <u>2012</u>
Better	51%
Worse	19%
Same (vol.)	28%
No opinion	3%

**FOR COMPARISON -- DATA ON MITT ROMNEY FROM
OCTOBER 3, 2012**

Did Mitt Romney do a better or worse job than you expected?

	<u>Oct. 3, 2012</u>
Better	82%
Worse	10%
Same(vol.)	7%
No opinion	1%

CNN/ORC AND CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

	<u>Better</u>	<u>Worse</u>	Same (vol.)	No opinion
<u>JOE BIDEN</u> 2008 Oct 2	64	14	20	1
<u>SARAH PALIN</u> 2008 Oct 2	84	7	8	1
<u>AL GORE</u> 1996 Oct 9	58	11	30	1
<u>JACK KEMP</u> 1996 Oct 9	46	27	21	6

(QUESTIONS 4 AND 5 ROTATED)

4. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Joe Biden?

	(Post Debate) Oct. 11 <u>2012</u>	(Pre-Debate) Oct. 8-10 <u>2012</u>
Favorable opinion	50%	47%
Unfavorable opinion	49%	48%
No opinion	1%	4%

5. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Paul Ryan?

	(Post Debate) Oct. 11 <u>2012</u>	(Pre-Debate) Oct. 8-10 <u>2012</u>
Favorable opinion	61%	58%
Unfavorable opinion	37%	39%
No opinion	3%	3%

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	Favorable (Post-Debate)	Favorable (Pre-Debate)	Unfavorable (Post-Debate)	Unfavorable (Pre-Debate)
<u>BIDEN</u> 2008 Oct 2	69	58	28	35
<u>PALIN</u> 2008 Oct 2	56	48	42	47

(QUESTIONS 6 AND 7 ROTATED)

6. Based on what you know about Joe Biden, do you think he is qualified to serve as president if it becomes necessary, or not?

	Oct. 11 <u>2012</u>
Yes	57%
No	42%
No opinion	1%

7. Based on what you know about Paul Ryan, do you think he is qualified to serve as president if it becomes necessary, or not?

	Oct. 11 <u>2012</u>
Yes	60%
No	38%
No opinion	2%

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	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
<u>BIDEN</u> 2008 Oct 2	87	12
<u>PALIN</u> 2008 Oct 2	46	53

8. Thinking about the following characteristics and qualities, please say whether you think each one better described Joe Biden or Paul Ryan during tonight's debate. (RANDOM ORDER)

	<u>Biden</u>	<u>Ryan</u>	<u>Both Equally (vol.)</u>	<u>Neither (vol.)</u>	<u>No Opinion</u>
Expressed his views more clearly					
October 11, 2012	41%	50%	8%	1%	*
Spent more time attacking his opponent					
October 11, 2012	70%	19%	8%	2%	1%
Was more likeable					
October 11, 2012	43%	53%	3%	1%	*
Was more in touch with the needs and problems of people like you					
October 11, 2012	44%	51%	2%	2%	1%
Did the better job defending his running mate					
October 11, 2012	43%	49%	6%	*	1%

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	<u>Biden</u>	<u>Palin</u>	<u>Both equally (vol.)</u>	<u>Neither (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
Expressed their views more clearly					
2008 Oct 2	52	36	11	*	1
Spent more time attacking their opponent					
2008 Oct 2	43	36	16	4	1
Was more likeable					
2008 Oct 2	36	54	9	1	*
Was more in touch with the needs and problems of people like you					
2008 Oct 2	50	44	4	2	1

9. Overall, did tonight's debate make you more likely to vote for Barack Obama or more likely to vote for Mitt Romney, or did tonight's debate not affect how you are likely to vote?

	<u>Oct. 11 2012</u>
More likely to vote for Obama	21%
More likely to vote for Romney	28%
No effect on vote	50%
No opinion	1%