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**Watergate Coverage
 Believed 'Too Much'**

By George Gallup

PRINCETON, N.J. — A majority of Americans, 53 per cent, believe the mass media — newspapers, television and radio — are providing "too much" coverage of Watergate.

Four times as many in the current survey say "too much" as say "too little." Another 3 persons in 10 (30 per cent) believe the coverage of Watergate to be "about right."

The proportion who believe Watergate coverage is in excess has increased from one year ago, when 44 per cent said the media was providing too much coverage, 12 per cent said too little and 36 per cent believed it to be "about right."

Here is the question asked:

With regard to the Watergate affair, do you think the mass media—that is, newspapers, television and radio—

have provided too much coverage, about the right amount, or too little?

Here are the latest national findings compared with those from the earlier survey:

	June 1973	June 1974
Too much	44%	53%
Too little	12	13
About right	36	30
No opinion	8	4

The following table shows the change in the percentage who believe the media coverage of Watergate is "too much":

	June 1973	June 1974
National	44%	53%
College	44	48
High school	44	54
Grade school	42	53
Under 30 years	38	43
30-49 years	44	57
50 and over	48	56
East	42	47
Midwest	44	55
South	50	56
West	39	53
Professional & business	45	54
Clerical & Sales	41	56
Manual workers	42	52
Republicans	66	75
Democrats	31	43
Independents	43	51

The Gallup Poll findings reported today are based on a nationwide survey of 1,509 adults, 18 and older, interviewed in person in more than 300 localities during the period June 21-24.

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**Pro-Nixon Letters
 Flood Lawmaker**

CINCINNATI, July 6 (UPI) —Rep. Charles W. Whalen, (R.-Ohio), says constituent mail has suddenly flip-flopped and is now running 20-1 against impeachment of President Nixon, but he believes it reflects industriousness rather than a trend.

"I don't think the current mail includes anti-Nixon person changing their minds," Whalen said. "It's just the pro-Nixon people who have seen the impeachment inquiry undertaken and are now sounding off."