

# A Gallup Poll on '76 Favorites

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Senator Henry Jackson runs neck-and-neck with Vice President Gerald Ford, 42 to 42 per cent, in an early presidential trial heat between possible 1976 contenders. About one person in six (16 per cent) does not make a choice.

In matching Ford, Jackson wins the support of six in ten of his fellow Democrats (60 per cent), 11 per cent of Republicans and one-third independent voters.

Governor George Wallace, tested as a Democrat in a parallel trial heat in the same survey, fares less well than Jackson against Ford. Wallace wins the support of 37 per cent of registered voters to 51 per cent for Ford.

While Wallace wins 20 per cent of the Republican vote

and receives a healthy share of the vote of independents, he does not match Jackson's strength among Democrats (winning 47 per cent of their support, compared with 60 per cent for Jackson).

In the Jackson-Ford "test election," Jackson leads the vice president in the West, Ford is ahead in the Midwest, and the two men are

in close contention in the East and South.

In the Wallace-Ford trial heat, Ford leads in all regions except the South, where the vote is about equally divided.

Ford is currently the top choice of Republican voters for their party's nomination in 1976, as reported by the Gallup poll in June.

The most recent Gallup survey of Democratic nomination choices showed Sena-

tor Edward Kennedy leading the field. Wallace was second while Jackson was third in the rankings, in a virtual tie with Senators Edmund Muskie and George McGovern.

Here are the results of the latest poll:

Jackson vs. Ford  
(Choices of Registered Voters)

	Jackson	Ford	Other, Undec.
	%	%	%
Nationwide	42	42	16
East	41	38	20
Midwest	40	46	14
South	41	45	14
West	45	37	18
Republicans	11	74	15
Democrats	60	26	14
Independnts	36	44	20

Wallace vs. Ford  
(Choices of Registered Voters)

	Wallace	Ford	Other, Undec.
	%	%	%
Nationwide	37	51	12
East	28	54	18
Midwest	38	51	11
South	46	45	9
West	37	53	10
Republicans	20	72	8
Democrats	47	38	15
Independnts	35	54	11

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