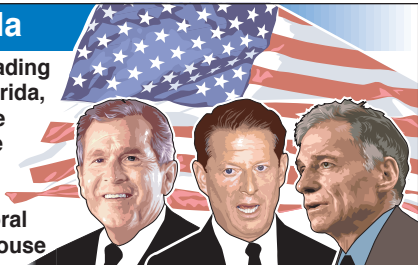


Bush leads Gore in Florida

GOP candidate George W. Bush is leading Democrat Al Gore by 300 votes in Florida, after results from all 67 counties were tallied. Overseas absentee ballots are due Friday. The winner of the presidential contest in Florida gets the state's 25 votes in the Electoral College – and with them, the White House



<i>National result</i>	<i>Popular vote</i>	<i>States won</i>	<i>Electoral votes</i>
Gore Democrat	49,398,018	19	255
Bush Republican	49,200,916	29	246
Nader Green	2,716,231	0	0

Gore leads popular vote by more than 197,000 votes – winner needs 270 of 538 electoral votes. States yet to declare: Florida 25, New Mexico 5, Oregon 7

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