



## OVERVIEW

The study was conducted for CNN via web and telephone on the SSRS Opinion Panel, a nationally representative panel of U.S. adults ages 18 or older recruited using probability-based sampling techniques. SSRS is an independent research company. Surveys were obtained **May 17-20, 2023** with a representative sample of **n=1,227** respondents. The margin of sampling error for total respondents is +/- **3.7** at the 95% confidence level. The design effect is **1.72**. More information about SSRS can be obtained by visiting [www.ssrs.com](http://www.ssrs.com).

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### NOTE ABOUT RESULTS

Unless otherwise noted, results beginning with the August 3-6, 2017 survey and ending with the April 21-26, 2021 survey are from polls conducted by SSRS via telephone only. For more information about other trend data included in this topline, please see the "More on Methodology" section at the end of this document.

Results beginning with the March 31-April 2, 2006 survey and ending with the April 22-25, 2017 survey are from telephone surveys conducted by ORC International. Results before March 31, 2006 are from telephone surveys conducted by Gallup.

Question text noted in parentheses was rotated or randomized. Values less than 0.5 percent are indicated by an asterisk (\*).

### NOTE ABOUT CROSSTABS

Surveys were conducted among a representative sample of the adult population, age 18 or older, of the United States. Members of demographic groups not shown in the published crosstabs are represented in the results for each question in the poll. Crosstabs on the pages that follow only include results for subgroups with a minimum N=125 unweighted cases. Results for subgroups with fewer than N=125 unweighted cases are not displayed and instead are denoted with "**SN**" because samples of that size carry larger margins of sampling error and can be too small to be projectable with confidence to their true values in the population.



A2. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling (INSERT ITEM)? [ITEMS ASKED IN RANDOM ORDER]

<b>Gun policy</b>	<b>Approve</b>	<b>Disapprove</b>	<b>No opinion</b>
<b>May 17-20, 2023</b>	30%	70%	*
<b>March 1-31, 2023</b>	37%	62%	1%
<b>December 1-7, 2022</b>	39%	60%	1%
<b>Sept. 3-Oct. 5, 2022</b>	37%	63%	1%
<b>June 13-July 13, 2022</b>	39%	60%	1%
<b>April 21-26, 2021</b>	40%	51%	9%



G1. Do you favor or oppose stricter gun control laws?

	<b>Favor</b>	<b>Oppose</b>	<b>No opinion</b>
<b>May 17-20, 2023</b>	64%	36%	*
<b>June 13-July 13, 2022</b>	66%	33%	1%
<b>August 15-18, 2019</b>	60%	36%	4%
<b>February 20-23, 2018</b>	70%	27%	4%
<b>October 12-15, 2017</b>	52%	44%	4%
<b>June 16-19, 2016</b>	55%	42%	3%
<b>Oct. 14-17, 2015</b>	46%	52%	3%
<b>June 26-28, 2015</b>	49%	49%	1%
<b>Sept. 5-7, 2014</b>	44%	55%	1%
<b>Nov. 18-20, 2013</b>	49%	50%	1%
<b>April 5-7, 2013</b>	53%	45%	2%
<b>Jan. 14-15, 2013</b>	55%	44%	1%

CNN/TIME TRENDS FOR COMPARISON

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2003 May 21-22	52%	43%	5%
2002 Oct 23-24	51%	43%	6%
2000 Jan 12-13	59%	35%	6%
1999 May 26-27	62%	34%	4%
1996 Feb 24-27	48%	47%	5%
1995 Oct 31-Nov 6	59%	34%	7%
1993 Dec 2	70%	27%	3%
1993 Mar 18	68%	29%	3%
1989 Dec 15-22	51%	38%	11%
1989 Feb 13-14	65%	28%	7%



G1. Do you favor or oppose stricter gun control laws?

**(Respondents who favor stricter gun control laws, n=769)**

G1a. Would you say you strongly favor stricter gun control laws, or only moderately favor them?

**(Respondents who oppose stricter gun control laws, n=457)**

G1b. Would you say you strongly oppose stricter gun control laws, or only moderately oppose them?

G1/G1A/G1B COMBO TABLE

Total Respondents	NET Strongly/Mod-erately favor	Strongly favor	Mod-erately favor	NET Strongly/Mod-erately oppose	Strongly oppose	Mod-erately oppose	No opinion
<b>May 17-20, 2023</b>	<b>64%</b>	46%	18%	<b>36%</b>	20%	15%	*
<b>June 13-July 13, 2022</b>	<b>66%</b>	52%	14%	<b>33%</b>	19%	14%	<b>1%</b>
<b>August 15-18, 2019</b>	<b>60%</b>	41%	19%	<b>35%</b>	21%	14%	<b>6%</b>
<b>February 20-23, 2018</b>	<b>69%</b>	52%	17%	<b>26%</b>	12%	14%	<b>5%</b>
<b>October 12-15, 2017</b>	<b>51%</b>	36%	15%	<b>43%</b>	27%	16%	<b>4%</b>

CNN/ORC TRENDS FOR COMPARISON

<u>Total Respondents</u>	NET Strongly/Mod-erately favor	Strongly favor	Mod-erately favor	NET Strongly/Mod-erately oppose	Strongly oppose	Mod-erately oppose	No opinion
2016 June 16-19	55%	37%	18%	42%	23%	19%	3%
2014 Sept 5-7	44%	29%	15%	55%	36%	19%	1%
2013 Nov 18-20	49%	31%	18%	50%	32%	18%	1%
2013 Apr 5-7	56%	36%	17%	45%	29%	16%	2%
2013 Jan 14-15	55%	37%	18%	44%	27%	17%	1%



Q11. Do you think having stricter gun control laws would reduce the number of gun-related deaths in the country, or not?

	Yes	No	No opinion
<b>May 17-20, 2023</b>	54%	46%	*
<b>June 13-July 13, 2022</b>	58%	42%	*
<b>August 15-18, 2019</b>	49%	48%	3%
<b>February 20-23, 2018</b>	56%	42%	2%
<b>October 12-15, 2017</b>	46%	51%	3%

CNN/ORC TRENDS FOR COMPARISON

	Yes	No	No opinion
2015 Jun 26-28*	40%	60%	*

\*Asked of a half sample

Q12. Generally speaking, do you think that allowing gun owners to carry their guns in public places: **[FIRST TWO RESPONSES ROTATED IN ORDER FOR HALF/IN REVERSE ORDER FOR HALF]**

	Makes public places safer	Makes public places less safe	Makes no difference in how safe a public place is	No opinion
<b>May 17-20, 2023</b>	32%	36%	32%	*

CNN/ORC TRENDS FOR COMPARISON

	Makes public places safer	Makes public places less safe	Makes no difference	No opinion
2015 Oct. 14-17	35%	33%	32%	1%

QUESTION WORDING: Generally speaking, do you think that allowing gun owners to carry their guns in public places makes those places safer, less safe, or makes no difference in how safe a public place is?

Q14. Thinking about mass shootings in the U.S., which of the following statements comes closer to your overall view? **[RESPONSES ROTATED IN ORDER FOR HALF/IN REVERSE ORDER FOR HALF]**

	The government can take actions that would be effective in preventing mass shootings	Mass shootings will happen regardless of what action the government takes	No opinion
<b>May 17-20, 2023</b>	58%	42%	*



Q14X. Please indicate whether you would generally favor or oppose each of the following proposals which some people have made to reduce the amount of gun violence. [ITEMS ASKED IN RANDOM ORDER]

A ban on the manufacture, sale and possession of rifles capable of semi-automatic fire, such as the AR-15	Favor	Oppose	No opinion
May 17-20, 2023	59%	41%	*
February 20-23, 2018*	57%	39%	4%

\*QUESTION WORDING: Please tell me whether you would generally favor or oppose each of the following proposals which some people have made to reduce the amount of gun violence.

COMPARE TO:

A ban on the manufacture, sale and possession of high-powered rifles capable of semi-automatic fire, such as the AR-15	Favor	Oppose	No opinion
October 12-15, 2017	49%	49%	3%

QUESTION WORDING: Please tell me whether you would generally favor or oppose each of the following proposals which some people have made to reduce the amount of gun violence.

CNN/ORC TRENDS FOR COMPARISON

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 April 5-7*	51%	48%	1%
2016 June 16-19**	54%	44%	2%
2013 Jan 14-15**	56%	44%	1%
2012 Dec 17-18**	56%	44%	1%
2012 August 7-8**	57%	42%	1%
2011 Jan 14-16**	61%	37%	2%

QUESTION WORDING: Please tell me whether you would generally favor or oppose each of the following proposals which some people have made to reduce the amount of gun violence. (RANDOM ORDER)

\*ITEM WORDING: A ban on the manufacture, sale and possession of so-called assault rifles, capable of semi-automatic fire, such as the AR-15

\*\*ITEM WORDING: A ban on the manufacture, sale and possession of semi-automatic assault guns, such as the AK-47

CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS FOR COMPARISON

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>Mixed</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
1993 Dec 17-21*	77%	20%	1%	2%

QUESTION WORDING: Please tell me whether you would generally favor or oppose each of the following proposals which some people have made to reduce the amount of gun violence. (RANDOM ORDER)

\*ITEM WORDING: A ban on the manufacture, sale and possession of semi-automatic assault guns, such as the AK-47



Q14X. Please indicate whether you would generally favor or oppose each of the following proposals which some people have made to reduce the amount of gun violence. [ITEMS ASKED IN RANDOM ORDER] (CONTINUED)

Preventing certain people, such as convicted felons or people with mental health problems, from owning guns	Favor	Oppose	No opinion
May 17-20, 2023	94%	6%	*
February 20-23, 2018*	87%	11%	2%

\*QUESTION WORDING: Please tell me whether you would generally favor or oppose each of the following proposals which some people have made to reduce the amount of gun violence.

CNN/ORC TRENDS FOR COMPARISON

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2016 June 16-19**	87%	12%	1%
2012 Dec 17-18**	92%	8%	1%
2012 August 7-8**	91%	8%	1%
2008 June 4-5*	88%	12%	1%

\*\*QUESTION WORDING: Please tell me whether you would generally favor or oppose each of the following proposals which some people have made to reduce the amount of gun violence. (RANDOM ORDER)

\*QUESTION WORDING JUNE 2008: Thinking about specific ways that the government has dealt with guns in the past, do you favor or oppose each of the following.

Preventing people under the age of 21 from buying any type of gun	Favor	Oppose	No opinion
May 17-20, 2023	80%	20%	0%
February 20-23, 2018	71%	27%	1%



**MORE ON METHODOLOGY**

A total of n=1,227 adults were surveyed via web and phone on the SSRS Opinion Panel, a nationally representative panel of U.S. adults ages 18 or older recruited using probability-based sampling techniques. Surveys were conducted in English and Spanish.

Results for the full sample have a margin of sampling error of +/- 3.7 percentage points.

Among the entire sample, **29%** described themselves as Democrats, **30%** described themselves as Republicans, and **41%** described themselves as independents or members of another party.

The entire sample was weighted to reflect national Census figures for gender, race, age, education, region of country, population density, civic engagement, and voter registration, and Pew Research Center's NPORS figures for religious affiliation and frequency of internet use. The sample was also weighted for self-reported party identification (including leaners) crossed by each of the following: self-reported political ideology, race and education, and self-reported voter registration. The benchmarks for these party identification crosses were taken from CNN's national poll conducted by SSRS via web and phone from March 1-31, 2023, which implemented a full probability design via Address-Based Sampling (ABS).

Surveys were conducted among a representative sample of the adult population, age 18 or older, of the United States. Members of demographic groups not shown in the published crosstabs are represented in the results for each question in the poll. Crosstabs on the pages that follow only include results for subgroups with a minimum n=125 unweighted cases. Results for subgroups with fewer than n=125 unweighted cases are not displayed and instead are denoted with "SN" because samples of that size carry larger margins of sampling error and can be too small to be projectable with confidence to their true values in the population.

**NOTE ON TRENDS**

All included trend points were based on surveys conducted using probability-based sampling methods. Some surveys included as trend points in this document were conducted using different methodologies, or with different combinations of sponsors. Unless otherwise noted, results beginning with the August 3-6, 2017 survey and ending with the April 21-26, 2021 survey are from polls conducted by SSRS via telephone only. Here are more details on the methodology behind each CNN poll conducted by SSRS using other methods.

Address-Based Sampling	Probability Panel: Web + Phone	Probability Panel: Web only	Probability Panel: SMS only
August 3-September 7, 2021	November 1-4, 2021	March 25-26, 2019	February 25-26, 2022
January 10-February 6, 2022	December 8-12, 2021	September 21-22, 2020	May 12-13, 2022
June 13-July 13, 2022	January 13-18, 2022	October 7-11, 2021	March 31-April 1, 2023
September 3-October 5, 2022	April 28-May 1, 2022	February 23-26, 2022	
March 1-31, 2023	October 26-31, 2022	May 3-5, 2022	
	December 1-7, 2022	July 22-24, 2022	
	January 19-23, 2023		
	March 8-12, 2023		
	May 17-20, 2023		

Results beginning with the March 31-April 2, 2006 survey and ending with the April 22-25, 2017 survey are from telephone surveys conducted by ORC International. Results before March 31, 2006 are from telephone surveys conducted by Gallup.





CNN/SSRS Poll -- May 17, 2023 to May 20, 2023 - Total Respondents

TABLE 005

Question A2Q

A2q. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling gun policy?

Base: Total Respondents

	Total	Men	Women	White	Ppl of Color		
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Approve	30%	31%	28%	26%	37%		
Disapprove	70%	68%	72%	74%	63%		
Don't know/Refused	*	*	0%	0%	0%		
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.2	5.2	4.4	6.6		

  

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	<45	45+
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Approve	30%	27%	32%	29%	33%	29%	31%
Disapprove	70%	73%	68%	71%	67%	71%	69%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	0%	*	0%	0%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	7.9	6.8	6.9	7.3	5.8	4.6

  

	Total	<\$50K	\$50K+	Non-coll. grad.	Coll. grad.	White Non-coll. grad.	White coll. grad.
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Approve	30%	29%	31%	26%	37%	21%	35%
Disapprove	70%	71%	69%	74%	63%	79%	65%
Don't know/Refused	*	*	0%	*	0%	0%	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	4.8	4.6	6.0	5.4	7.3

  

	Total	Demo-crat	Indep endnt Other	Repub lican	Lib-eral	Mode-rate	Con serva tive
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Approve	30%	59%	25%	9%	51%	36%	7%
Disapprove	70%	41%	75%	91%	49%	64%	93%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	*	0%	0%	0%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	6.8	5.9	6.3	8.5	5.2	6.5

  

	Total	Lean Demo-crat	Lean Repub lican	Reg. Voter	Biden Ap- prove	Biden Disap prove
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Approve	30%	57%	8%	32%	60%	10%
Disapprove	70%	43%	92%	68%	40%	90%
Don't know/Refused	*	*	0%	*	0%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	5.4	4.0	5.9	4.7



CNN/SSRS Poll -- May 17, 2023 to May 20, 2023 - Total Respondents

TABLE 019  
 Question G1  
 G1. Do you favor or oppose stricter gun control laws?  
 Base: Total Respondents

	Total	Men	Women	White	Ppl of Color		
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	64%	58%	69%	56%	78%		
Oppose	36%	42%	31%	43%	22%		
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	*	*	0%		
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.2	5.2	4.4	6.6		

  

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	<45	45+
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	64%	64%	69%	62%	62%	67%	62%
Oppose	36%	36%	31%	38%	37%	33%	38%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	7.9	6.8	6.9	7.3	5.8	4.6

  

	Total	<\$50K	\$50K+	Non-coll. grad.	Coll. grad.	White Non-coll. grad.	White coll. grad.
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	64%	63%	65%	58%	75%	48%	69%
Oppose	36%	37%	35%	42%	25%	52%	31%
Don't know/Refused	*	*	0%	*	0%	*	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	4.8	4.6	6.0	5.4	7.3

  

	Total	Demo-cratic	Indep endnt Other	Repub lican	Lib-eral	Mode-rate	Con serva tive
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	64%	92%	65%	36%	88%	73%	35%
Oppose	36%	8%	35%	64%	12%	27%	65%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	*	0%	0%	*	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	6.8	5.9	6.3	8.5	5.2	6.5

  

	Total	Lean Demo-cratic	Lean Repub lican	Reg. Voter	Biden Ap-prove	Biden Disap prove
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	64%	90%	36%	64%	92%	46%
Oppose	36%	9%	64%	36%	8%	54%
Don't know/Refused	*	*	0%	0%	0%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	5.4	4.0	5.9	4.7



CNN/SSRS Poll -- May 17, 2023 to May 20, 2023 - Total Respondents

TABLE 022

Question G1/G1A/G1B COMBO TABLE

G1. Do you favor or oppose stricter gun control laws?

G1a. Would you say you strongly favor stricter gun control laws, or only moderately favor them?

G1b. Would you say you strongly oppose stricter gun control laws, or only moderately oppose them?

Base: Total Respondents

	Total	Men	Women	White	Ppl of Color
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor stricter gun control laws	64%	58%	69%	56%	78%
Strongly favor	46%	40%	52%	38%	61%
Moderately favor	18%	18%	17%	19%	16%
Oppose stricter gun control laws	36%	42%	31%	43%	22%
Strongly oppose	20%	26%	16%	25%	12%
Moderately oppose	15%	16%	15%	19%	10%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	*	*	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.2	5.2	4.4	6.6

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	<45	45+
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor stricter gun control laws	64%	64%	69%	62%	62%	67%	62%
Strongly favor	46%	47%	51%	42%	45%	49%	45%
Moderately favor	18%	17%	17%	20%	17%	18%	17%
Oppose stricter gun control laws	36%	36%	31%	38%	37%	33%	38%
Strongly oppose	20%	20%	15%	24%	23%	16%	24%
Moderately oppose	15%	16%	16%	14%	15%	17%	14%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	7.9	6.8	6.9	7.3	5.8	4.6

	Total	<\$50K	\$50K+	Non- coll. grad.	Coll. grad.	White Non- coll. grad.	White coll. grad.
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor stricter gun control laws	64%	63%	65%	58%	75%	48%	69%
Strongly favor	46%	45%	48%	41%	56%	30%	50%
Moderately favor	18%	18%	17%	17%	18%	18%	19%
Oppose stricter gun control laws	36%	37%	35%	42%	25%	52%	31%
Strongly oppose	20%	20%	21%	24%	14%	31%	16%
Moderately oppose	15%	17%	14%	18%	11%	21%	15%
Don't know/Refused	*	*	0%	*	0%	*	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	4.8	4.6	6.0	5.4	7.3

	Total	Demo- crat	Indep endnt Other	Repub lican	Lib- eral	Mode- rate	Con serva tive
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor stricter gun control laws	64%	92%	65%	36%	88%	73%	35%
Strongly favor	46%	80%	45%	16%	77%	50%	21%
Moderately favor	18%	12%	20%	20%	11%	23%	14%
Oppose stricter gun control laws	36%	8%	35%	64%	12%	27%	65%
Strongly oppose	20%	3%	17%	42%	4%	12%	44%
Moderately oppose	15%	6%	18%	22%	8%	15%	21%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	*	0%	0%	*	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	6.8	5.9	6.3	8.5	5.2	6.5

	Total	Lean Demo- crat	Lean Repub lican	Reg. Voter	Biden Ap- prove	Biden Disap prove
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor stricter gun control laws	64%	90%	36%	64%	92%	46%
Strongly favor	46%	74%	18%	46%	79%	25%
Moderately favor	18%	16%	18%	18%	13%	21%
Oppose stricter gun control laws	36%	9%	64%	36%	8%	54%
Strongly oppose	20%	3%	41%	22%	2%	32%
Moderately oppose	15%	6%	23%	14%	6%	22%
Don't know/Refused	*	*	0%	0%	0%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	5.4	4.0	5.9	4.7



CNN/SSRS Poll -- May 17, 2023 to May 20, 2023 - Total Respondents

TABLE 023

Question 11

11. Do you think having stricter gun control laws would reduce the number of gun-related deaths in the country, or not?

Base: Total Respondents

	Total	Men	Women	White	Ppl of Color		
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Yes	54%	47%	58%	45%	68%		
No	46%	53%	41%	55%	32%		
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	*	*	0%		
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.2	5.2	4.4	6.6		

  

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	<45	45+
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Yes	54%	61%	56%	49%	46%	60%	48%
No	46%	39%	44%	51%	53%	40%	52%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	7.9	6.8	6.9	7.3	5.8	4.6

  

	Total	<\$50K	\$50K+	Non-coll. grad.	Coll. grad.	White Non-coll. grad.	White coll. grad.
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Yes	54%	53%	55%	48%	64%	36%	58%
No	46%	47%	45%	52%	36%	63%	42%
Don't know/Refused	*	*	0%	*	0%	*	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	4.8	4.6	6.0	5.4	7.3

  

	Total	Democrat	Indep endnt Other	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Yes	54%	87%	52%	24%	86%	60%	22%
No	46%	13%	48%	76%	14%	39%	78%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	*	0%	0%	*	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	6.8	5.9	6.3	8.5	5.2	6.5

  

	Total	Lean Democrat	Lean Republican	Reg. Voter	Biden Ap-prove	Biden Disap-prove
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Yes	54%	86%	24%	52%	86%	32%
No	46%	14%	76%	48%	14%	68%
Don't know/Refused	*	*	0%	0%	0%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	5.4	4.0	5.9	4.7



CNN/SSRS Poll -- May 17, 2023 to May 20, 2023 - Total Respondents

TABLE 025

Question 12

12. Generally speaking, do you think that allowing gun owners to carry their guns in public places:

Base: Total Respondents

	Total	Men	Women	White	Ppl of Color		
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Makes public places safer	32%	40%	24%	39%	20%		
Makes public places less safe	36%	33%	39%	34%	40%		
Makes no difference in how safe a public place is	32%	27%	37%	27%	40%		
Don't know/Refused	*	*	0%	*	0%		
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.2	5.2	4.4	6.6		

  

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	<45	45+
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Makes public places safer	32%	29%	31%	36%	33%	28%	35%
Makes public places less safe	36%	39%	37%	33%	35%	38%	35%
Makes no difference in how safe a public place is	32%	32%	32%	31%	32%	34%	30%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	0%	0%	*	0%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	7.9	6.8	6.9	7.3	5.8	4.6

  

	Total	<\$50K	\$50K+	Non-coll. grad.	White Coll. grad.	White Non-coll. grad.	White Coll. grad.
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Makes public places safer	32%	28%	35%	36%	24%	46%	29%
Makes public places less safe	36%	30%	42%	28%	50%	25%	48%
Makes no difference in how safe a public place is	32%	42%	23%	35%	26%	30%	23%
Don't know/Refused	*	*	0%	0%	*	0%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	4.8	4.6	6.0	5.4	7.3

  

	Total	Democrat	Indep endnt Other	Republican	Liberal	Mod-erate	Con serva tive
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Makes public places safer	32%	8%	29%	60%	6%	24%	61%
Makes public places less safe	36%	62%	34%	13%	69%	37%	14%
Makes no difference in how safe a public place is	32%	30%	37%	27%	24%	39%	26%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	*	0%	*	0%	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	6.8	5.9	6.3	8.5	5.2	6.5

  

	Total	Lean Demo-crat	Lean Repub lican	Reg. Voter	Biden Ap- prove	Biden Disap prove
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Makes public places safer	32%	8%	57%	33%	9%	47%
Makes public places less safe	36%	63%	14%	36%	60%	21%
Makes no difference in how safe a public place is	32%	29%	29%	31%	31%	32%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	0%	*	0%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	5.4	4.0	5.9	4.7



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TABLE 026

Question 14

14. Thinking about mass shootings in the US, which of the following statements comes closer to your overall view?

Base: Total Respondents

	Total =====	Men =====	Women =====	White =====	Ppl of Color =====
The government can take actions that would be effective in preventing mass shootings.....	58%	57%	58%	52%	68%
Mass shootings will happen regardless of what action the government takes.....	42%	43%	42%	48%	32%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	*	0%	1%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.2	5.2	4.4	6.6

	Total =====	18-34 =====	35-49 =====	50-64 =====	65+ =====	<45 =====	45+ =====
The government can take actions that would be effective in preventing mass shootings.....	58%	72%	62%	47%	48%	69%	49%
Mass shootings will happen regardless of what action the government takes.....	42%	28%	38%	53%	51%	31%	51%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	7.9	6.8	6.9	7.3	5.8	4.6

	Total =====	<\$50K =====	\$50K+ =====	Non-coll. grad. =====	Coll. grad. =====	White Non-coll. grad. =====	White coll. grad. =====
The government can take actions that would be effective in preventing mass shootings.....	58%	55%	60%	53%	67%	45%	63%
Mass shootings will happen regardless of what action the government takes.....	42%	45%	40%	47%	33%	55%	37%
Don't know/Refused	*	*	0%	*	0%	0%	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	4.8	4.6	6.0	5.4	7.3

	Total =====	Demo-cratic =====	Indep endnt Other =====	Repub lican =====	Lib-eral =====	Mode-rate =====	Con serva tive =====
The government can take actions that would be effective in preventing mass shootings.....	58%	79%	61%	34%	81%	63%	35%
Mass shootings will happen regardless of what action the government takes.....	42%	20%	39%	66%	19%	37%	65%
Don't know/Refused	*	1%	0%	0%	0%	*	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	6.8	5.9	6.3	8.5	5.2	6.5

	Total =====	Lean Demo-cratic =====	Lean Repub lican =====	Reg. Voter =====	Biden Ap- prove =====	Biden Disap prove =====
The government can take actions that would be effective in preventing mass shootings.....	58%	79%	35%	56%	80%	43%
Mass shootings will happen regardless of what action the government takes.....	42%	20%	65%	44%	19%	57%
Don't know/Refused	*	1%	0%	*	1%	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	5.4	4.0	5.9	4.7



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TABLE 027

Question 14X\_1

14Xa. Please indicate whether you would generally favor or oppose each of the following proposals which some people have made to reduce the amount of gun violence:

A ban on the manufacture, sale and possession of rifles capable of semi-automatic fire, such as the AR-15

Base: Total Respondents

	Total	Men	Women	White	Ppl of Color
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	59%	47%	70%	54%	66%
Oppose	41%	53%	30%	45%	34%
Don't know/Refused	*	*	*	*	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.2	5.2	4.4	6.6

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	<45	45+
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	59%	55%	60%	58%	62%	57%	60%
Oppose	41%	45%	40%	42%	37%	43%	39%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	7.9	6.8	6.9	7.3	5.8	4.6

	Total	<\$50K	\$50K+	Non- coll. grad.	Coll. grad.	White non- coll. grad.	White coll. grad.
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	59%	56%	61%	52%	72%	46%	68%
Oppose	41%	44%	39%	48%	28%	54%	32%
Don't know/Refused	*	*	0%	*	0%	*	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	4.8	4.6	6.0	5.4	7.3

	Total	Demo- crat	Indep endnt Other	Repub lican	Lib- eral	Mode- rate	Con serva tive
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	59%	86%	57%	34%	84%	64%	34%
Oppose	41%	13%	43%	66%	16%	36%	66%
Don't know/Refused	*	*	*	0%	*	*	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	6.8	5.9	6.3	8.5	5.2	6.5

	Total	Lean Demo- crat	Lean Repub lican	Reg. Voter	Biden Ap- prove	Biden Disap prove
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	59%	84%	35%	59%	83%	43%
Oppose	41%	16%	65%	40%	17%	57%
Don't know/Refused	*	*	0%	*	*	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	5.4	4.0	5.9	4.7



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TABLE 028

Question 14X\_2

14Xb. Please indicate whether you would generally favor or oppose each of the following proposals which some people have made to reduce the amount of gun violence:

Preventing certain people, such as convicted felons or people with mental health problems, from owning guns

Base: Total Respondents

	Total	Men	Women	White	Ppl of Color		
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	94%	95%	93%	95%	93%		
Oppose	6%	4%	7%	5%	7%		
Don't know/Refused	*	*	0%	*	0%		
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.2	5.2	4.4	6.6		

  

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	<45	45+
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	94%	92%	94%	96%	95%	93%	95%
Oppose	6%	8%	6%	4%	5%	7%	5%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	0%	0%	*	0%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	7.9	6.8	6.9	7.3	5.8	4.6

  

	Total	<\$50K	\$50K+	Non-coll. grad.	Coll. grad.	White non-coll. grad.	White coll. grad.
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	94%	90%	97%	93%	96%	94%	96%
Oppose	6%	10%	3%	7%	4%	6%	4%
Don't know/Refused	*	*	0%	0%	*	0%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	4.8	4.6	6.0	5.4	7.3

  

	Total	Demo-cratic	Indep endnt Other	Repub lican	Lib-eral	Mode-rate	Con serva tive
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	94%	95%	92%	96%	94%	96%	91%
Oppose	6%	5%	8%	4%	5%	4%	9%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	*	0%	*	0%	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	6.8	5.9	6.3	8.5	5.2	6.5

  

	Total	Lean Demo-cratic	Lean Repub lican	Reg. Voter	Biden Ap-rove	Biden Disap prove
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	94%	95%	94%	94%	96%	93%
Oppose	6%	5%	6%	5%	4%	7%
Don't know/Refused	*	0%	0%	*	0%	*
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	5.4	4.0	5.9	4.7





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TABLE 029

Question 14X\_3

14Xc. Please indicate whether you would generally favor or oppose each of the following proposals which some people have made to reduce the amount of gun violence:

Preventing people under the age of 21 from buying any type of gun

Base: Total Respondents

	Total	Men	Women	White	Ppl of Color		
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	80%	74%	85%	75%	88%		
Oppose	20%	26%	15%	25%	12%		
Don't know/Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%		
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.2	5.2	4.4	6.6		

  

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	<45	45+
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	80%	84%	86%	76%	74%	85%	76%
Oppose	20%	16%	14%	24%	26%	15%	24%
Don't know/Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	7.9	6.8	6.9	7.3	5.8	4.6

  

	Total	<\$50K	\$50K+	Non-coll. grad.	Coll. grad.	White non-coll. grad.	White coll. grad.
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	80%	80%	80%	78%	83%	74%	78%
Oppose	20%	20%	20%	22%	17%	26%	22%
Don't know/Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	4.8	4.6	6.0	5.4	7.3

  

	Total	Demo-cratic	Indep-ent Other	Repub-lican	Lib-eral	Mode-rate	Con-serva-tive
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	80%	94%	80%	66%	91%	85%	66%
Oppose	20%	6%	20%	34%	9%	15%	34%
Don't know/Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	6.8	5.9	6.3	8.5	5.2	6.5

  

	Total	Lean Demo-cratic	Lean Repub-lican	Reg. Voter	Biden Ap-prove	Biden Disap-prove
	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====	=====
Favor	80%	92%	67%	78%	91%	73%
Oppose	20%	8%	33%	22%	9%	27%
Don't know/Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Sampling Error (+/-)	3.7	5.7	5.4	4.0	5.9	4.7