American Community Life Topline Questionnaire

Total N = 5,058 adults. Interview dates: June 11–August 16, 2021.

Note: All results shown are percentages. An asterisk (*) replaces percentages greater than zero but less than 0.5 percent. Responses may not total to 100 percent due to rounding.

ASK ALL:
Q.1 Overall, how would you rate your community as a place to live?

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Q.2 Looking ahead 5 years, do you expect things in the community where you live to...

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Q.3 In a normal year, that is not including the past 12 months, how often do you do the following?

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b. Have friends, family, or neighbors over to your home

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c. Attend a local event or community meeting

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d. Take a walk around your neighborhood

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e. Spend time at a local park, dog park, playground, or community garden

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f. Have a conversation with someone in your community you did not know well

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g. Go to a local coffee shop or café

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h. Spend time at a local bar or cocktail lounge
3    More than once a week
5    Once a week
13   Once or twice a month
14   A few times a year
21   Seldom
43   Never
1    Refused

i. Have dinner out at a restaurant in your community
9    More than once a week
20   Once a week
34   Once or twice a month
20   A few times a year
11   Seldom
6    Never
*    Refused

j. Attend religious services
8    More than once a week
19   Once a week
6    Once or twice a month
11   A few times a year
20   Seldom
36   Never
1    Refused

k. Do volunteer work in the community
3    More than once a week
4    Once a week
8    Once or twice a month
17   A few times a year
29   Seldom
38   Never
*    Refused

Q.4 These days, how closely do you follow....

a. News about your local community
19   Very closely
46   Somewhat closely
26   Not very closely
8    Not at all closely
*    Refused

b. News about national politics
26   Very closely
41   Somewhat closely
24   Not very closely
9    Not at all closely
*    Refused
Q.5 How closely connected do you feel to your neighborhood and the people who live there?

- 9 Very close
- 42 Somewhat close
- 38 Not too close
- 10 Not at all close
- * Refused

Q.6 If you counted the number of people you consider to be your close friend and who, in turn, would also consider you to be their close friend, how many people would that be?

- 5 None
- 7 One
- 15 Two
- 17 Three
- 13 Four
- 13 Five
- 8 Six
- 3 Seven
- 4 Eight
- 1 Nine
- 13 Ten or more
- * Refused

Q.7 Thinking about your close friends, would you say that they generally have...

- 17 Mostly liberal political views
- 42 A mix of liberal and conservative political views
- 20 Mostly conservative political views
- 20 Not sure
- * Refused

Q.8 Do you have a close friend or immediate family member who... [RANDOMIZE]

a. Is black

- 29 Yes, close friend
- 6 Yes, immediate family member
- 16 Yes, both close friend and family member
- 48 No
- 1 Refused

b. Voted for Donald Trump

- 20 Yes, close friend
- 15 Yes, immediate family member
- 33 Yes, both close friend and family member
- 31 No
- 2 Refused

c. Is white

- 31 Yes, close friend
- 8 Yes, immediate family member
- 49 Yes, both close friend and family member
- 12 No
- 1 Refused
d. Voted for Joe Biden

24  Yes, close friend
13  Yes, immediate family member
39  Yes, both close friend and family member
23  No
2   Refused

e. Is Muslim

9   Yes, close friend
2   Yes, immediate family member
3   Yes, both close friend and family member
85  No
1   Refused

f. Is an atheist

18  Yes, close friend
8   Yes, immediate family member
12  Yes, both close friend and family member
61  No
1   Refused

g. Is Jewish

17  Yes, close friend
3   Yes, immediate family member
5   Yes, both close friend and family member
75  No
1   Refused

h. Is Hispanic

25  Yes, close friend
8   Yes, immediate family member
16  Yes, both close friend and family member
51  No
1   Refused

i. Is Asian or Pacific Islander

18  Yes, close friend
4   Yes, immediate family member
7   Yes, both close friend and family member
70  No
1   Refused

j. Did not go to college

22  Yes, close friend
15  Yes, immediate family member
40  Yes, both close friend and family member
22  No
1   Refused
k. Is an evangelical Christian

15  Yes, close friend
10  Yes, immediate family member
21  Yes, both close friend and family member
52  No
  1  Refused

l. Is Mormon

  7  Yes, close friend
  3  Yes, immediate family member
  3  Yes, both close friend and family member
  86 No
  1  Refused

m. Is transgender

  8  Yes, close friend
  4  Yes, immediate family member
  3  Yes, both close friend and family member
  85 No
  1  Refused

Thinking about your neighborhood or the place where you live...

Q.9 Do you personally know someone who is very active in your neighborhood or your local community and regularly coordinates neighborhood activities and events?

37  Yes, know someone like this
63  No, do not know anyone like this
  *  Refused

ASK IF KNOW SOMEONE, RANDOM 20% OF SAMPLE [N=362]:

Q.10 Can you share a bit more about who this person is and what kinds of things they do in the neighborhood?

OPEN-END

ASK ALL:

Q.11 How often do you get local news and information from local online forums or discussion groups, such as community Facebook groups or Nextdoor?

21  Often
32  Sometimes
22  Hardly ever
24  Never
  *  Refused
Q.12 What local news topics and information are you generally MOST interested in?

26 Local crime
7 Real estate in the area
10 Local arts and culture, such as museums, concerts and theater
10 Things to buy or sell
5 Local sports
4 Local jobs and employment opportunities
22 Local community activities and gatherings, such as festivals
4 Something else [SPECIFY]
10 None of these
1 Refused

Q.13 In your local community, do you have a local coffee shop, bar, restaurant, park, or other public place that you go to regularly?

56 Yes
44 No
* Refused

ASK IF HAVE A REGULAR PUBLIC PLACE [N=2,921]:

Q.14a When you go there, do you generally recognize other people from your community who go there, or do you not generally recognize other people there?

63 Yes, recognize other people there
36 No, do not recognize other people there
* Refused

Q.14b How would you describe this place? Is it a...

29 Coffee shop or cafe
5 Book store, corner store, or other commercial space
29 Bar or restaurant
2 Barbershop, hair salon, or nail salon
24 Public park, dog park, or community garden
2 Community center
3 Library
3 Gym or fitness center
1 School
2 Other [SPECIFY]
* Refused

Q.14c How often would you say you go there?

24 More than once a week
27 Once a week
35 Once or twice a month
10 A few times a year
2 Seldom
1 Never
* Refused
ASK ALL:

Q.15 How willing to help their neighbors are people in your area?

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Q.16 Thinking about the people in your neighborhood, would you say that the people there generally have…

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Q.17 How would you describe the current place you live?

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Q.18 What best describes your neighborhood or the place where you live…

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<td>A dense urban area that includes a mix of apartment and condo buildings, row houses, or small single-family homes</td>
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<td>A neighborhood or area with exclusively single-family homes, large yards or properties that are farther apart</td>
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Q.19 What do you think is the MOST important problem in your local community?

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Q.20 If you could live in anywhere in the United States that you wanted to, where would you prefer to live? [LIST IN ORDER]

9  Big city
16 Small city
19 Suburb of a big city
14 Suburb of a small city
15 Town
27 Rural area
1 Refused

Q.21 Would you prefer to live in...

57 A community where the houses are larger and farther apart, but schools, stores, and restaurants are several miles away
42 A community where the houses are smaller and closer to each other, but schools, stores, and restaurants are within walking distance
1 Refused

Q.22 Are you the parent or legal guardian of any minors under the age of 18 living with you?

31 Yes
69 No
* Refused

Q.23 How far away do you live from the following? [New]

ASK IF PARENT OF CHILD(REN) UNDER 18 [N=1,583]:
  a. Where your child (or children) goes to school

27 Walking distance
43 Very short trip by car or public transportation (5-10 minutes)
20 Short trip by car or public transportation (10-20 minutes)
7 A moderate trip by car or public transportation (20-30 Minutes)
2 A longer trip by car or public transportation (30 Minutes to an hour)
* More than an hour
1 Refused

ASK IF ATTEND AT LEAST SELDOM [N=3,185]:
  b. Where you attend church or religious services

15 Walking distance
38 Very short trip by car or public transportation (5-10 minutes)
27 Short trip by car or public transportation (10-20 minutes)
12 A moderate trip by car or public transportation (20-30 Minutes)
4 A longer trip by car or public transportation (30 Minutes to an hour)
2 More than an hour
2 Refused
ASK ALL:

c. Your favorite restaurant, bar, or coffee shop

14  Walking distance
41  Very short trip by car or public transportation (5-10 minutes)
27  Short trip by car or public transportation (10-20 minutes)
11  A moderate trip by car or public transportation (20-30 Minutes)
  A longer trip by car or public transportation (30 Minutes to an hour)
  More than an hour
  Refused

d. Your favorite form of entertainment, such as a movie theater, music performance space, arcade, bowling alley, or something similar

6  Walking distance
26  Very short trip by car or public transportation (5-10 minutes)
34  Short trip by car or public transportation (10-20 minutes)
20  A moderate trip by car or public transportation (20-30 Minutes)
  A longer trip by car or public transportation (30 Minutes to an hour)
  More than an hour
  Refused

e. A local park, community garden, or recreation area

34  Walking distance
36  Very short trip by car or public transportation (5-10 minutes)
19  Short trip by car or public transportation (10-20 minutes)
  A moderate trip by car or public transportation (20-30 Minutes)
  A longer trip by car or public transportation (30 Minutes to an hour)
  More than an hour
  Refused

f. A community center or library

18  Walking distance
47  Very short trip by car or public transportation (5-10 minutes)
24  Short trip by car or public transportation (10-20 minutes)
  A moderate trip by car or public transportation (20-30 Minutes)
  A longer trip by car or public transportation (30 Minutes to an hour)
  More than an hour
  Refused

g. A grocery store, corner market or place where you regularly buy groceries

[N=4,213]1

23  Walking distance
54  Very short trip by car or public transportation (5-10 minutes)
17  Short trip by car or public transportation (10-20 minutes)
5  A moderate trip by car or public transportation (20-30 Minutes)
  A longer trip by car or public transportation (30 Minutes to an hour)
  More than an hour
  Refused

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1 Due to an error, items G and H were left off the initial survey. These questions were re-asked to the all original respondents From August 6 to August 16.
h. Regardless of if you go or are a member, the nearest gym/fitness or indoor recreation center [N=4,213]

15 Walking distance
46 Very short trip by car or public transportation (5-10 minutes)
26 Short trip by car or public transportation (10-20 minutes)
9 A moderate trip by car or public transportation (20-30 Minutes)
2 A longer trip by car or public transportation (30 Minutes to an hour)
1 More than an hour
1 Refused

ASK ALL:
Q.24 Thinking about the place you currently live, is there...

47 A sidewalk running directly in front of my home
22 Sidewalks nearby where I live, but not directly in front of my home
30 No sidewalks near where I live
* Refused

Q.25 How much time if any do you spend outside your home, including working in the garden or in the yard, playing or spending time on a porch or stoop?

56 Often
27 Once in a while
14 Rarely
4 Never
* Refused

Q.26 Are there certain places in your neighborhood or local area where you do not feel welcome or do you feel you would be welcome pretty much everywhere?

21 Certain places do not feel welcome
78 Feel welcome pretty much everywhere
1 Refused

Q.27 How much of a say do you feel you have on the decisions that are made about what happens in your neighborhood or the area you live?

9 A lot
50 A little
41 None at all
1 Refused

Q.28 When you walk around your neighborhood do you see garbage, litter, broken glass, or graffiti…?

3 Everywhere
9 In a lot of places
17 Only in certain areas
32 In very few places
38 Not anywhere close to where I live
* Refused
Q.29 What is your current relationship status? Are you...
17 Single and never married
5 In a committed relationship, but not living together
10 Living with a partner
51 Married
9 Divorced
2 Separated
5 Widowed
* Refused

ASK IF HAS SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN [N=1,583]:
Q.30 What type of school does your child(ren) attend, if any? [SELECT ALL THAT APPLY]
71 Public
3 Public magnet
6 Private-parochial/religious
3 Private nonreligious
6 Charter
9 Homeschool
* Other [SPECIFY]
6 Daycare, preschool, too young to attend
2 Refused

Q.31 During a normal school year, how often, if at all, do you attend the following types of school events?

a. School sporting event, concert, performance, or similar event

7 More than once a week
7 Once a week
14 Once or twice a month
30 A few times a year
17 Seldom
25 Never
1 Refused

b. PTA meeting

1 More than once a week
2 Once a week
8 Once or twice a month
15 A few times a year
20 Seldom
53 Never
1 Refused

c. Bake sale or other school fundraising activity

1 More than once a week
1 Once a week
7 Once or twice a month
27 A few times a year
23 Seldom
40 Never
1 Refused
ASK ALL:
RELIG  What is your present religion, if any?

28  Protestant (Baptist, Methodist, Non-denominational, Lutheran, Presbyterian,
    Pentecostal, Episcopalian, Reformed, Church of Christ, Jehovah’s Witness, etc.)
17  Roman Catholic (Catholic)
  2  Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints/LDS)
  1  Orthodox (Greek, Russian, or some other orthodox church)
  1  Jewish (Judaism)
  1  Muslim (Islam)
  1  Buddhist
  1  Hindu
  6  Atheist (do not believe in God)
  6  Agnostic (not sure if there is a God)
 12  Nothing in particular
 22  Just Christian
  *  Unitarian Universalist
  1  Something else [SPECIFY]
  1  Refused

ASK IF ATHEIST, AGNOSTIC OR NOTHING IN PARTICULAR [N=1,193]:
Q.JID  Do you consider yourself to be Jewish for any reason?

  1  Yes
  99  No
  *  Refused

ASK IF PROTESTANT, JUST CHRISTIAN OR SOMETHING ELSE [N=2,302]:
BORN  Would you describe yourself as a “born-again” or evangelical Christian, or not?

  49  Yes
  50  No
  *  Refused

IF PROTESTANT OR JUST CHRISTIAN, ASK [N=2,171]:
DENOM  As far as your present religion, what denomination or church, if any, do you identify
        with most closely? Are you…

  28  Baptist
  7  Methodist
  7  Lutheran
  5  Presbyterian
  7  Pentecostal (such as Assemblies of God)
  2  Episcopal or Anglican
  7  Church of Christ, or Disciples of Christ (Christian Church)
  1  Congregational or United Church of Christ
  1  Holiness (Nazarenes, Wesleyan Church, Salvation Army)
  1  Reformed (include Reformed Church in America; Christian Reformed) Church of God
 19  Nondenominational or Independent Church
  3  Something else (SPECIFY)
 12  Or none in particular
  *  Refused
ASK ALL:

Q.32 Even if you don’t identify as religious, would you say you still feel a connection to a religion as part of your ethnic background or cultural heritage?

70 Yes
29 No
1 Refused

Q.33 Even if you do not attend religious services regularly, are you personally a member of a local church, synagogue, mosque, temple, or other house of worship, or not?

42 Yes, I am
56 No, I am not
1 Refused

IF ATTEND AT LEAST A FEW TIMES A YEAR, ASK: [N=2,213]

Q.34 Typically when you attend religious services, what is the race or ethnicity of most of the other people attending?

52 All or most are White
14 All or most are Black or African American
3 All or most are Asian, Pacific Islander, or Asian American
7 All or most are Hispanic or Latino
4 All or most are some other race or ethnicity
19 No one racial group makes up a majority
1 Refused

Q.35a Thinking about the place of worship you attend services most often, would you say that the people there generally have...

5 Mostly liberal political views
40 A mix of liberal and conservative political views
25 Mostly conservative political views
30 Not sure
1 Refused

ASK IF ATTEND SELDOM OR NEVER [N=2,815]:

Q.35b Even if you do not regularly attend religious services, would you say that the people regularly attending religious services in your local community generally have... [New]

5 Mostly liberal political views
30 A mix of liberal and conservative political views
24 Mostly conservative political views
40 Not sure
* Refused

ASK ALL:

Q.36 How closely connected do you feel to people who are... [INSERT RELIG RESPONSE; IF IDENTIFY AS “NOTHING IN PARTICULAR” INSERT: “NOT RELIGIOUS”; IF IDENTIFY AS SOMETHING ELSE INSERT: “"]?

24 Very close
47 Somewhat close
18 Not too close
1 Not at all close
1 Refused
ASK IF ATTEND AT LEAST A FEW TIMES A YEAR [N=2,213]:

Q.37 How often do you spend time with people at your church or place of worship outside of formal services?

11  More than once a week
17  Once a week
18  Once or twice a month
23  A few times a year
20  Seldom
11  Never
 1  Refused

ASK ALL:

Q.38 How much, if at all, do churches and houses of worship where you live contribute to the local community? Would you say they contribute…

22  A lot
36  Some
14  Not too much
 5  Not at all
22  Not sure
 1  Refused

Q.39 How much do you favor or oppose the following?

a. Changing the names of streets, schools, military bases, and other public buildings that are named after Confederate leaders

20  Strongly favor
22  Favor
29  Oppose
28  Strongly oppose
 2  Refused

b. Cutting some funding from police departments in your community and shifting it to social services

14  Strongly favor
23  Favor
27  Oppose
35  Strongly oppose
 2  Refused

c. Giving blacks and other minorities preference in college admissions to make up for past inequalities

11  Strongly favor
27  Favor
30  Oppose
30  Strongly oppose
 2  Refused
d. Having police more regularly patrol your neighborhood

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e. Building more housing for low-income people in your community

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f. Deporting all immigrants who are living in the US illegally back to their home country

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**ASK ALL:**

**Q.40** In general, how much do you trust the following groups to do the right thing?

a. People in your neighborhood or the immediate local area where you live

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ASK IF ATTEND AT LEAST ONCE OR TWICE A YEAR, ASK [N=2,213]:
  b. People at your church or place of worship

  41  A great deal
  47  A fair amount
   9  Not too much
   2  Not at all
   1  Refused

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=2,494]:
  c. Federal government

  4  A great deal
  33  A fair amount
  43  Not too much
  19  Not at all
   1  Refused

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=2,564]:
  d. Local government in your area

   6  A great deal
   51  A fair amount
   33  Not too much
   8  Not at all
   2  Refused

ASK ALL:
  e. The local news media

   6  A great deal
   43  A fair amount
   34  Not too much
   17  Not at all
   1  Refused

  f. The police in your local community

  23  A great deal
  51  A fair amount
  19  Not too much
   7  Not at all
   1  Refused

Q.41 Please tell me which of these statements you agree with more....

  68  Most people who want to get ahead can make it if they’re willing to work hard
  31  Hard work and determination are no guarantee of success for most people
   1  Refused

Q.42 Which statement comes closer to your views?

  44  Ordinary citizens can do a lot to influence the government in Washington if they are willing to make the effort
  54  There’s not much ordinary citizens can do influence the government in Washington
   2  Refused
Q.43 How comfortable or uncomfortable would you feel about the following...?

a. Drinking unfiltered tap water in your home

30       Very comfortable
24       Somewhat comfortable
21       Somewhat uncomfortable
26       Very uncomfortable
*       Refused

b. Taking a walk after dark by yourself around your neighborhood

33       Very comfortable
33       Somewhat comfortable
19       Somewhat uncomfortable
14       Very uncomfortable
*       Refused

c. Leaving the door to your home unlocked when you are home

28       Very comfortable
25       Somewhat comfortable
20       Somewhat uncomfortable
27       Very uncomfortable
*       Refused

Q.44 Generally speaking, would you say...

3       People can almost always be trusted
46       People can usually be trusted
38       You usually can’t be too careful in dealing with people
12       You almost always can’t be too careful in dealing with people
1       Refused

Q.45 Now, read each statement and please say how much you agree or disagree with each one.

[Randomize list of items]

Ask form 1 only [N=2,494]:

a. People with very strong religious beliefs are often too intolerant of others

16       Completely agree
44       Somewhat agree
29       Somewhat disagree
9        Completely disagree
1        Refused

Ask form 2 only [N=2,564]:

b. People with very strong political beliefs are often too intolerant of others

22       Completely agree
50       Somewhat agree
21       Somewhat disagree
4        Completely disagree
2        Refused
ASK ALL:

c. It’s really a matter of some people not trying hard enough; if blacks would only try harder they could be just as well off as whites

10 Completely agree
27 Somewhat agree
28 Somewhat disagree
32 Completely disagree
2 Refused

d. Immigrants coming to the US today burden local communities by using more than their share of social services

18 Completely agree
29 Somewhat agree
30 Somewhat disagree
21 Completely disagree
2 Refused

e. If people work hard they almost always get what they want

13 Completely agree
48 Somewhat agree
28 Somewhat disagree
10 Completely disagree
1 Refused

f. Police officers generally treat blacks and other minorities the same as whites

12 Completely agree
26 Somewhat agree
33 Somewhat disagree
28 Completely disagree
1 Refused

Q.46 Please choose the statement that comes closer to your own views...

76 The economic system in this country unfairly favors powerful interest
23 The economic system in this country is generally fair to most Americans
1 Refused

Q.47 How often in the past 4 weeks have you felt that... [RANDOMIZE LIST]

a. You are left out

6 Very often
8 Often
24 Sometimes
32 Rarely
30 Never
1 Refused
b. You are isolated from others

6  Very often
9  Often
25  Sometimes
27  Rarely
32  Never
1  Refused

c. You lack companionship

6  Very often
8  Often
23  Sometimes
27  Rarely
34  Never
1  Refused

d. There are people you feel close to

38  Very often
29  Often
21  Sometimes
8  Rarely
3  Never
1  Refused

e. There is nowhere you really belong

6  Very often
7  Often
21  Sometimes
27  Rarely
39  Never
1  Refused

f. There are people you can talk to

36  Very often
30  Often
21  Sometimes
9  Rarely
3  Never
1  Refused

g. There are people you can turn to

34  Very often
30  Often
23  Sometimes
9  Rarely
3  Never
1  Refused
Q.48 When you think about yourself and what makes you who you are, how important are the following?

a. Your racial or ethnic background

11 One of the most important
19 Very important
29 Somewhat important
22 Not too important
18 Not at all important
  1 Refused

b. Your gender

12 One of the most important
26 Very important
29 Somewhat important
18 Not too important
14 Not at all important
  1 Refused

c. Your sexual orientation

11 One of the most important
21 Very important
26 Somewhat important
21 Not too important
20 Not at all important
  1 Refused

d. Your religious beliefs or identity

17 One of the most important
21 Very important
23 Somewhat important
18 Not too important
21 Not at all important
  1 Refused

e. Your political views

7 One of the most important
20 Very important
35 Somewhat important
22 Not too important
15 Not at all important
  1 Refused

f. Your hometown or where you are from

6 One of the most important
20 Very important
32 Somewhat important
24 Not too important
17 Not at all important
  1 Refused
g. Your job or what you do for a living

10 One of the most important
25 Very important
32 Somewhat important
17 Not too important
15 Not at all important
1 Refused

Q.49 How long have you lived at your current address?

10 Less than one year
14 1–2 years
17 3–4 years
18 5–9 years
42 10 or more years
* Refused
Survey Methodology

The survey was designed and conducted by the American Enterprise Institute. Interviews were conducted among a random sample of 5,058 adults (age 18 and older), with oversamples of Church of the Latter-Day Saints (Mormon) and Jewish respondents living in the United States, including all 50 states and the District of Columbia. Interviews were conducted both online using a self-administered design and by telephone using live interviewers. All interviews were conducted among participants using a probability-based panel designed to be representative of the national US adult population run by NORC at the University of Chicago. Interviewing was conducted between June 11 and August 16, 2021.

Weighting was accomplished in two separate stages. First, panel base weights were calculated for every household based on the probability of selection from the NORC National Frame, the sampling frame that is used to sample housing units for AmeriSpeak. Household level weights were then assigned to each eligible adult in every recruited household. In the second stage, sample demographics were balanced to match target population parameters for gender, age, education, race and Hispanic ethnicity, division (US Census definitions), housing type, telephone usage, and religion. The parameter for religious affiliation was derived from the 2020 American National Social Network Survey. The telephone usage parameter came from an analysis of the National Health Interview Survey. All other weighting parameters were derived from an analysis of the US Census Bureau’s Current Population Survey. The sample weighting was accomplished using an iterative proportional fitting (IPF) process that simultaneously balances the distributions of all variables. Weights were trimmed to prevent individual interviews from having too much influence on the results.

The use of survey weights in statistical analyses ensures that the demographic characteristics of the sample closely approximate the demographic characteristics of the target population. The margin of error for the survey is +/− 1.86 percentage points at the 95 percent level of confidence. The design effect for the survey is 1.82.

1 The National Frame is representative of over 97 percent of US households and includes additional coverage of hard-to-survey population segments, such as rural and low-income households, that are underrepresented in other sample frames. AmeriSpeak uses US mail notifications, NORC telephone interviewers, and in-person field interviewers to recruit panel households.