



January 2023 American Perspectives Survey Topline Questionnaire

Total N=5,055 adults. | Interview dates: December 9–18, 2022.

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 What is your current relationship status? Are you...

21	Single or not currently in a relationship
4	In a committed relationship, but not living together
10	Living with a partner
55	Married
5	Divorced
1	Separated
4	Widowed
1	Refused

Q.2 How satisfied are you, if at all, with the following? **[RANDOMIZE LIST OF ITEMS]**

A. Treatment of women in the US today

8	Completely satisfied
17	Very satisfied
38	Somewhat satisfied
25	Not too satisfied
11	Not at all satisfied
2	Refused

B. The way things are going in your life

11	Completely satisfied
36	Very satisfied
37	Somewhat satisfied
11	Not too satisfied
4	Not at all satisfied
1	Refused

C. How things are going in the country today

2	Completely satisfied
4	Very satisfied
26	Somewhat satisfied
38	Not too satisfied
28	Not at all satisfied
1	Refused

IF CURRENTLY MARRIED OR IN A RELATIONSHIP, ASK:

D. Your relationship with your significant other, partner or spouse

38	Completely satisfied
38	Very satisfied
19	Somewhat satisfied
4	Not too satisfied
1	Not at all satisfied
*	Refused

IF CURRENTLY SINGLE OR NOT CURRENTLY IN A RELATIONSHIP, ASK:

Q.3 Which of these best describes your dating status? Would you say you are...

11	Casually dating one person
2	Casually dating more than one person
42	Not currently dating anyone, but open to it
41	Not currently dating anyone and not looking to date
2	Other [SPECIFY]
1	Refused

IF NOT CURRENTLY DATING ANYONE, BUT OPEN TO IT OR NOT CURRENTLY DATING ANYONE AND NOT LOOKING TO DATE, ASK:

Q.4 Please indicate if each of the following is a reason or not a reason why you are not currently looking for a relationship or dates?

A. Enjoy being single more than being in a relationship

27	Major reason
32	Minor reason
40	Not a reason
1	Refused

B. People aren't interested in dating me

20	Major reason
22	Minor reason
57	Not a reason
1	Refused

C. Cannot find someone who meets my expectations

30	Major reason
27	Minor reason
42	Not a reason
1	Refused

D. Find it difficult to meet people

36 Major reason
28 Minor reason
35 Not a reason
1 Refused

E. Not ready to date after ending a relationship

8 Major reason
11 Minor reason
80 Not a reason
1 Refused

F. Have more important priorities right now

36 Major reason
29 Minor reason
34 Not a reason
1 Refused

ASK ALL:

Q.5 Would you say you are physically attracted to...

44 Women only
2 Mostly women, but men too
2 Men and women equally
4 Mostly men, but women too
45 Men only
1 Other [SPECIFY]
1 Refused

IF CURRENTLY MARRIED OR IN A RELATIONSHIP, ASK:

Q.6 How long have you been [MARRIED/IN A COMMITTED REALTIONSHIP]...

2 Less than 6 months
2 6 months to less than 1 year
7 1 year to less than 3 years
7 3 years to less than 5 years
14 5 years to less than 10 years
20 10 years to less than 20 years
47 20 years or more
* Refused

Q.7 Which of the following are you most likely to argue with your [SPOUSE/PARTNER OR SIGNIFICANT OTHER] about? **[RANDOMIZE LIST OF ITEMS]**

17 Money
6 Children
22 Household chores and responsibilities
6 Sex
11 Other family members
6 Politics or current events
12 How you spend your time together
6 We don't argue
9 Other [SPECIFY]
4 Refused

Q.8 When did you first find out what [SPOUSE'S/PARTNER OR SIGNIFICANT OTHER'S] political views were? ...

20 Before we started dating
53 Early on in the relationship
17 Later in the relationship
10 Still not sure of their political views
1 Refused

Q.9 How did you meet your current [SPOUSE/PARTNER OR SIGNIFICANT OTHER]?
[RANDOMIZE LIST OF ITEMS]

5 At church, a place of worship, or a religious function
17 At work or a work-related event
17 At school
26 Through friends or family
11 An online dating site or through a dating app
8 At a bar, night club, or party
10 In your neighborhood or community
5 Other [SPECIFY]
1 Refused

Q.10 How would you describe your relationship with your [SPOUSE/PARTNER OR SIGNIFICANT OTHER] before you started dating?

14 Close friends
15 Friends, but not that close
25 Casual acquaintances
45 Did not know each other before dating
1 Refused

IF CURRENTLY SINGLE, ASK:

Q.11 Even if you're not currently dating, thinking about the political views of the people who you might be willing to date...

Would you be willing to date someone with the following political views?

[SELECT ALL THAT APPLY]

14 Extremely liberal
23 Very liberal
31 Slightly liberal
44 Moderate
29 Slightly conservative
16 Very conservative
8 Extremely conservative
29 Any, do not care about their politics
2 Refused

IF CURRENTLY MARRIED OR IN A RELATIONSHIP, ASK:

Q.12 Do you think most people would say that you are more attractive than your [SPOUSE/PARTNER OR SIGNIFICANT OTHER], or would they say your [SPOUSE/PARTNER OR SIGNIFICANT OTHER] is more attractive?

17 You are more attractive
26 Spouse or partner is more attractive
55 About equally attractive
2 Refused

ASK ALL:

Q.13 Even if you are not currently using an online dating site or a dating app, have you ever used an online dating site or a dating app?

23	Yes, have used
76	No, have not used
1	Refused

IF HAVE USED AN ONLINE DATING SITE OR APP, ASK:

Q.14 Have you ever gone on a date with someone who you met through an online dating website or dating app?

77	Yes
23	No
*	Refused

Q.15 Overall, would you say your OWN personal experiences with online dating sites or dating apps have been...

12	Very positive
41	Somewhat positive
34	Somewhat negative
12	Very negative
1	Refused

IF SINGLE AND SOMEWHAT/VERY NEGATIVE ONLINE DATING SITE OR APPS EXPERIENCE, ASK:

Q.16 In just a few words, can you share a personal experience you had dating online that was negative?

OPEN-END

ASK ALL:

Q.17 When it comes to dating today, do you think it is more difficult for men, more difficult for women, or is there no difference?

17	More difficult for men
19	More difficult for women
62	Neither/No difference
2	Refused

Q.18 Please tell me how much discrimination there is against each of these groups in our society today. How about...

A. Women

23	A lot
47	Some
17	Only a little
11	None at all
2	Refused

B. Men

7	A lot
31	Some
37	Only a little
23	None at all
2	Refused

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=2,523]:

C. Gay and lesbian people

43	A lot
35	Some
11	Only a little
9	None at all
2	Refused

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=2,532]:

D. Bisexual people

31	A lot
43	Some
14	Only a little
11	None at all
2	Refused

ASK ALL:

Q.19 Even if you are not currently single or dating... When considering whether you would want to date someone, would you be more likely or less likely to date the following types of people, or would these things make no difference?

If the person....

A. Lives with their parents

2	A lot more likely
2	Somewhat more likely
44	Makes no difference
24	Somewhat less likely
27	A lot less likely
2	Refused

B. Is a feminist

7	A lot more likely
8	Somewhat more likely
40	Makes no difference
19	Somewhat less likely
23	A lot less likely
3	Refused

C. Lives in another state

1	A lot more likely
2	Somewhat more likely
26	Makes no difference
33	Somewhat less likely
35	A lot less likely
2	Refused

D. Is unemployed

2	A lot more likely
2	Somewhat more likely
25	Makes no difference
28	Somewhat less likely
41	A lot less likely
2	Refused

E. Did not go to college

2	A lot more likely
2	Somewhat more likely
69	Makes no difference
15	Somewhat less likely
10	A lot less likely
2	Refused

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=2,523]:

F. Has children from a previous relationship

1	A lot more likely
2	Somewhat more likely
52	Makes no difference
25	Somewhat less likely
18	A lot less likely
2	Refused

G. Is much taller than you

7	A lot more likely
8	Somewhat more likely
63	Makes no difference
14	Somewhat less likely
6	A lot less likely
2	Refused

H. Does not believe in God

7	A lot more likely
5	Somewhat more likely
38	Makes no difference
17	Somewhat less likely
32	A lot less likely
2	Refused

I. Is a Democrat

13	A lot more likely
11	Somewhat more likely
48	Makes no difference
10	Somewhat less likely
15	A lot less likely
2	Refused

J. Smokes cigarettes

1	A lot more likely
1	Somewhat more likely
18	Makes no difference
19	Somewhat less likely
58	A lot less likely
2	Refused

K. Is a Trump supporter

7	A lot more likely
6	Somewhat more likely
33	Makes no difference
10	Somewhat less likely
42	A lot less likely
2	Refused

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=2,532]:

L. Does not want children

9	A lot more likely
5	Somewhat more likely
44	Makes no difference
14	Somewhat less likely
25	A lot less likely
3	Refused

M. Is very religious

9	A lot more likely
11	Somewhat more likely
36	Makes no difference
21	Somewhat less likely
21	A lot less likely
2	Refused

N. Does not trust vaccines

5	A lot more likely
5	Somewhat more likely
39	Makes no difference
18	Somewhat less likely
31	A lot less likely
2	Refused

O. Is a Republican

9	A lot more likely
9	Somewhat more likely
46	Makes no difference
12	Somewhat less likely
21	A lot less likely
2	Refused

P. Is a vegan

1	A lot more likely
2	Somewhat more likely
54	Makes no difference
24	Somewhat less likely
16	A lot less likely
2	Refused

Q. Is much shorter than you

2	A lot more likely
3	Somewhat more likely
59	Makes no difference
19	Somewhat less likely
15	A lot less likely
2	Refused

ASK ALL:

Q.20 Even if you are not currently single or dating, how difficult would it be for you personally to date someone who does NOT share your own views on the issue of abortion?

14	Impossible
19	Very difficult
32	Somewhat difficult
23	Not too difficult
10	Not at all difficult
2	Refused

ASK ALL:

Q.21 Now, read each statement and please say whether you agree or disagree with each one.
[RANDOMIZE LIST OF ITEMS]

A. American society today has a problem with traditionally masculine men

14	Completely agree
34	Somewhat agree
34	Somewhat disagree
15	Completely disagree
3	Refused

B. The gains women have made in recent years have generally come at the expense of men

5	Completely agree
22	Somewhat agree
38	Somewhat disagree
32	Completely disagree
3	Refused

C. The country would be better off if we had more women in political office

18	Completely agree
43	Somewhat agree
27	Somewhat disagree
8	Completely disagree
3	Refused

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=2,523]:

D. It is generally difficult for men and women to be friends

4	Completely agree
22	Somewhat agree
40	Somewhat disagree
32	Completely disagree
2	Refused

E. Fewer single men today are interested in getting married

11	Completely agree
50	Somewhat agree
31	Somewhat disagree
5	Completely disagree
3	Refused

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=2,532]:

F. Fewer single women today are interested in getting married

11	Completely agree
53	Somewhat agree
29	Somewhat disagree
4	Completely disagree
4	Refused

G. Marriage has become old fashioned and out of date

6	Completely agree
25	Somewhat agree
32	Somewhat disagree
35	Completely disagree
2	Refused

ASK ALL:

Q.22 Even if it did not happen recently, have you ever had any of the following experiences?

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=2,523]:

A. You sent a sexually explicit image of yourself to someone you were dating

19	Yes, had this experience
79	No, never had this experience
2	Refused

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=2,532]:

B. Someone sending you explicit images that you did not ask for

25	Yes, had this experience
73	No, never had this experience
2	Refused

C. Someone you were dating suddenly stopped talking to you without explanation

24	Yes, had this experience
74	No, never had this experience
2	Refused

D. Been physically intimate with someone of the same gender

11 Yes, had this experience
87 No, never had this experience
2 Refused

E. Been cheated on by a partner or spouse

40 Yes, had this experience
58 No, never had this experience
2 Refused

F. Been in an open relationship

7 Yes, had this experience
91 No, never had this experience
2 Refused

ASK RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE [N=2,526]:

Q.23 As you may know, recent studies have found that people who are LGBT are four times more likely to be victims of violence than people who are straight.

How much, if at all, do you think negative statements about LGBT people made by political conservatives contributes to violence against LGBT people? Would you say...

42 A lot
26 A little
29 Not at all
3 Refused

ASK ALL:

Q.24 Which of these options best describes your sexual orientation?

89 Straight or heterosexual
3 Lesbian or gay
4 Bisexual
1 Queer
1 Asexual or aromantic
1 Something else
2 Refused

IF NOT STRAIGHT/HETEROSEXUAL, ASK:

Q.25 How important is being [LESBIAN OR GAY/BISEXUAL/QUEER/ASEXUAL OR AROMANTIC] to you?

19 Extremely important
19 Very important
25 Somewhat important
23 Not that important
14 Not important at all
* Refused

ASK ALL:

Q.26 How many of your close friends are LGBTQ?

- 1 All of them
- 3 Most of them
- 17 Some of them
- 35 Only a few of them
- 43 None of them
- 2 Refused

Q.27 What does the word "queer" mean to you?

OPEN-END

Q.28 In general, do you think of yourself as...

- 5 Extremely liberal
- 16 Liberal
- 9 Slightly liberal
- 35 Moderate, middle of the road
- 11 Slightly conservative
- 17 Conservative
- 5 Extremely conservative
- 3 Refused

Survey Methodology

The survey was designed and conducted by the Survey Center on American Life. Interviews were conducted among a random sample of 5,055 adults (age 18 and up) living in the United States, including all 50 states and the District of Columbia. All interviews were conducted among participants of the Ipsos KnowledgePanel, a probability-based panel designed to be representative of the US general population, not just the online population. Interviewing was conducted between December 9 and December 18, 2022. Interviews were conducted in Spanish and English.

Initially, participants were chosen scientifically by a random selection of telephone numbers and residential addresses. Persons in selected households were then invited by telephone or mail to participate in the Ipsos KnowledgePanel. For those who agreed to participate but did not already have internet access, Ipsos provided a laptop and internet service provider connection for free. People who already had computers and internet service were permitted to participate using their own equipment. Panelists then received unique log-in information for accessing surveys online and then were sent emails throughout each month inviting them to participate in research.

The data were weighted to adjust for gender by age, race, education, Census region by metropolitan status, and household income. The sample weighting was accomplished using an iterative proportional fitting (IFP) process that simultaneously balances the distributions of all variables.

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 qualified survey sample is ± 1.5 percentage points at the 95 percent level of confidence. The design effect for the survey is 1.7.