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1. Personal gun ownership
Do you or does anyone in your household own a gun?

		Ge	nder		Α	ge			3 Point Party ID	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Personally own a gun Don't personally own a gun, but someone in the household owns a	23%	30%	16%	11%	15%	33%	30%	20%	20%	32%
gun No one in the	13%	8%	18%	21%	13%	9%	13%	13%	14%	14%
household owns a gun	58%	57%	59%	65%	64%	55%	50%	63%	61%	47%
Not sure	6%	5%	7%	3%	9%	4%	8%	4%	6%	7%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(991)	(475)	(516)	(186)	(289)	(367)	(149)	(349)	(401)	(241)

			Race		F	amily Income)		Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Personally own a gun Don't personally own a gun, but someone in the household owns a	23%	25%	16%	14%	17%	28%	30%	11%	23%	28%	22%
gun No one in the	13%	14%	12%	13%	12%	12%	11%	15%	12%	17%	9%
household owns a gun	58%	57%	66%	60%	66%	55%	57%	66%	57%	50%	66%
Not sure	6%	4%	6%	12%	5%	5%	1%	9%	8%	5%	3%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (991)	100% (757)	100% (101)	100% (133)	100% (363)	100% (293)	100% (185)	100% (122)	100% (190)	100% (346)	100% (333)

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2. Should People Be Allowed to Own Firearms

In general, do you think that people should or should not be allowed to own firearms?

		Gender			Α	ge	3 Point Party ID			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Should	76%	80%	73%	72%	67%	85%	80%	69%	76%	87%
Should not	15%	13%	16%	17%	19%	10%	15%	21%	13%	10%
Not sure	9%	6%	11%	10%	15%	6%	5%	10%	11%	3%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (1,000)	100% (482)	100% (518)	100% (188)	100% (289)	100% (371)	100% (152)	100% (350)	100% (404)	100% (246)

			Race		F	amily Income	•		Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Should	76%	81%	62%	62%	74%	76%	82%	66%	75%	80%	79%
Should not	15%	12%	18%	27%	16%	15%	12%	23%	13%	12%	14%
Not sure	9%	7%	20%	12%	10%	9%	7%	11%	12%	7%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,000)	(765)	(101)	(134)	(366)	(293)	(185)	(124)	(190)	(349)	(337)

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3. Should People Be Allowed to Carry Firearms in Public

In general, do you think that people should or should not be allowed to carry firearms in public places?

		Ge	nder		А	ge			3 Point Party ID	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Should	41%	49%	34%	38%	34%	48%	43%	21%	43%	67%
Should not	45%	41%	50%	46%	53%	38%	47%	66%	42%	23%
Not sure	14%	10%	17%	16%	13%	14%	11%	13%	15%	11%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (992)	100% (477)	100% (515)	100% (185)	100% (287)	100% (369)	100% (151)	100% (349)	100% (400)	100% (243)

			Race		F	amily Income	•		Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Should	41%	46%	25%	29%	32%	46%	49%	26%	50%	41%	45%
Should not	45%	42%	58%	54%	51%	43%	46%	58%	34%	46%	45%
Not sure	14%	12%	17%	17%	16%	11%	6%	16%	16%	14%	11%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(992)	(760)	(100)	(132)	(363)	(291)	(184)	(122)	(190)	(344)	(336)

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4. Prefer Open or Concealed Carry

When it comes to carrying firearms in public, do you prefer 'open carry', when firearms are visible, or 'concealed carry', when firearms being carried are not visible?

		Ge	nder	Age				3 Point Party ID			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican	
Open carry	37%	35%	39%	30%	32%	43%	41%	38%	37%	36%	
Concealed carry	40%	45%	36%	46%	37%	36%	45%	36%	38%	50%	
Not sure	23%	21%	25%	24%	31%	20%	14%	26%	26%	14%	
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (993)	100% (480)	100% (513)	100% (186)	100% (289)	100% (370)	100% (148)	100% (346)	100% (401)	100% (246)	

			Race		F	amily Income			Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Open carry	37%	39%	34%	29%	42%	36%	33%	37%	36%	39%	36%
Concealed carry	40%	39%	42%	47%	34%	44%	46%	33%	42%	42%	42%
Not sure	23%	22%	23%	24%	24%	20%	21%	30%	23%	20%	22%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(993)	(760)	(101)	(132)	(364)	(292)	(183)	(123)	(188)	(349)	(333)

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5. Comfortable around Public Firearms – A handgun in a holster

How comfortable would you feel seeing someone carry the following in public?

		Ge	nder		Α	ge			3 Point Party ID	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Very comfortable	29%	33%	26%	20%	27%	36%	33%	14%	32%	45%
Somewhat comfortable	23%	23%	22%	28%	20%	23%	19%	21%	22%	27%
Somewhat										
uncomfortable	21%	18%	25%	29%	18%	19%	20%	26%	20%	18%
Very uncomfortable	22%	19%	24%	17%	26%	20%	25%	34%	19%	9%
Not sure	5%	7%	2%	6%	8%	2%	2%	5%	6%	1%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(989)	(477)	(512)	(183)	(284)	(370)	(152)	(345)	(399)	(245)

			Race		F	amily Income	•		Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Very comfortable	29%	33%	15%	23%	26%	31%	31%	24%	36%	29%	29%
Somewhat comfortable	23%	23%	30%	18%	22%	25%	19%	16%	23%	27%	22%
Somewhat											
uncomfortable	21%	22%	20%	17%	23%	22%	22%	27%	20%	20%	20%
Very uncomfortable	22%	20%	26%	29%	24%	20%	28%	26%	16%	20%	26%
Not sure	5%	2%	9%	14%	4%	1%	1%	8%	4%	5%	3%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(989)	(761)	(98)	(130)	(360)	(292)	(183)	(123)	(189)	(347)	(330)

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6. Comfortable around Public Firearms – A hunting rifle

How comfortable would you feel seeing someone carry the following in public?

		Ge	nder		Α	ge			3 Point Party ID	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Very comfortable	17%	21%	13%	10%	14%	23%	19%	9%	17%	27%
Somewhat comfortable	19%	26%	12%	27%	14%	15%	21%	11%	20%	25%
Somewhat										
uncomfortable	23%	18%	28%	25%	23%	25%	16%	20%	24%	26%
Very uncomfortable	35%	27%	43%	29%	37%	34%	42%	54%	30%	18%
Not sure	6%	8%	5%	9%	11%	3%	1%	6%	8%	3%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(987)	(477)	(510)	(182)	(282)	(371)	(152)	(347)	(395)	(245)

			Race		F	amily Income)		Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Very comfortable	17%	18%	13%	16%	11%	22%	19%	10%	20%	17%	20%
Somewhat comfortable	19%	19%	18%	14%	16%	16%	25%	22%	14%	22%	15%
Somewhat											
uncomfortable	23%	24%	19%	20%	22%	27%	23%	19%	27%	25%	20%
Very uncomfortable	35%	34%	39%	38%	43%	33%	32%	40%	33%	33%	38%
Not sure	6%	5%	10%	12%	7%	2%	2%	9%	6%	4%	7%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(987)	(761)	(98)	(128)	(358)	(293)	(183)	(123)	(188)	(344)	(332)

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7. Comfortable around Public Firearms – A semi-automatic rifle

How comfortable would you feel seeing someone carry the following in public?

		Ge	Gender		Age				3 Point Party ID			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican		
Very comfortable	11%	16%	6%	8%	9%	15%	10%	5%	11%	18%		
Somewhat comfortable Somewhat	9%	11%	6%	11%	5%	9%	11%	3%	8%	17%		
uncomfortable	18%	18%	18%	20%	13%	19%	20%	11%	17%	29%		
Very uncomfortable	57%	48%	65%	53%	62%	54%	59%	75%	56%	33%		
Not sure	6%	7%	5%	7%	11%	3%	1%	6%	7%	3%		
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%		
(Unweighted N)	(985)	(476)	(509)	(183)	(282)	(370)	(150)	(343)	(397)	(245)		

			Race			Family Income			Region				
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West		
Very comfortable	11%	11%	10%	12%	7%	15%	11%	6%	15%	10%	12%		
Somewhat comfortable	9%	9%	12%	7%	7%	9%	11%	6%	9%	12%	6%		
Somewhat													
uncomfortable	18%	19%	11%	16%	14%	20%	22%	17%	19%	21%	13%		
Very uncomfortable	57%	58%	55%	53%	65%	54%	53%	64%	50%	53%	63%		
Not sure	6%	3%	12%	13%	6%	2%	2%	8%	7%	4%	6%		
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%		
(Unweighted N)	(985)	(761)	(98)	(126)	(356)	(292)	(183)	(123)	(188)	(343)	(331)		

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8. Average American Trusted with a Firearm
Do you think that the average American can be trusted with a firearm?

		Gender			А	ge	3 Point Party ID			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Yes	48%	55%	41%	36%	37%	60%	57%	32%	49%	69%
No	35%	32%	37%	44%	47%	23%	28%	50%	32%	18%
Not sure	17%	13%	21%	20%	16%	18%	15%	18%	19%	13%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (1,000)	100% (482)	100% (518)	100% (188)	100% (289)	100% (371)	100% (152)	100% (350)	100% (404)	100% (246)

		Race			Family Income			Region			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Yes	48%	54%	32%	30%	38%	58%	56%	36%	50%	52%	48%
No	35%	29%	48%	57%	41%	28%	32%	48%	33%	29%	36%
Not sure	17%	18%	20%	13%	21%	15%	12%	16%	18%	19%	16%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,000)	(765)	(101)	(134)	(366)	(293)	(185)	(124)	(190)	(349)	(337)

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9. More Safe if More People Carried Guns

Would people be more safe, just as safe as they are now, or less safe if more people carried guns with them?

	Total	Ge	Gender		Α	ge	3 Point Party ID			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
More safe	33%	39%	27%	21%	23%	43%	44%	13%	33%	61%
Just as safe as they are										
now	21%	21%	22%	29%	26%	16%	16%	25%	20%	19%
Less safe	33%	31%	35%	33%	37%	30%	32%	50%	31%	12%
Not sure	13%	9%	16%	16%	14%	12%	8%	12%	16%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(996)	(481)	(515)	(186)	(289)	(370)	(151)	(348)	(403)	(245)

	Total	Race			F	Family Income			Region				
		White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West		
More safe Just as safe as they are	33%	38%	15%	25%	25%	40%	37%	24%	39%	33%	35%		
now Less safe Not sure	21% 33% 13%	20% 30% 12%	27% 36% 22%	23% 42% 11%	26% 34% 16%	19% 31% 10%	20% 35% 9%	23% 36% 17%	20% 27% 14%	23% 32% 13%	19% 36% 10%		
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (996)	100% (764)	100% (100)	100% (132)	100% (364)	100% (293)	100% (185)	100% (123)	100% (190)	100% (347)	100% (336)		

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10. Strict gun laws
In general, do you feel the laws covering the sale of handguns should be made more strict than they are now?

	Total	Ge	Gender		Α	ge	3 Point Party ID			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Make gun laws more										
strict	51%	46%	56%	51%	50%	52%	50%	74%	46%	28%
No change	27%	28%	27%	25%	30%	24%	33%	15%	28%	44%
Make gun laws less										
strict	13%	21%	7%	11%	11%	17%	14%	3%	17%	22%
Not sure	8%	6%	10%	12%	9%	7%	3%	8%	9%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(996)	(482)	(514)	(186)	(288)	(371)	(151)	(349)	(401)	(246)

		Race			F	amily Income	•	Region				
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West	
Make gun laws more												
strict	51%	46%	61%	69%	54%	48%	54%	62%	40%	52%	50%	
No change	27%	32%	13%	15%	28%	29%	28%	21%	32%	31%	24%	
Make gun laws less												
strict	13%	15%	10%	9%	10%	16%	13%	10%	15%	11%	18%	
Not sure	8%	7%	16%	7%	9%	7%	5%	7%	13%	6%	8%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
(Unweighted N)	(996)	(763)	(101)	(132)	(364)	(293)	(185)	(123)	(190)	(349)	(334)	