



CRITICAL ISSUES POLL

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American Public Attitudes on Race, Ethnicity, and Religion

Survey Methodology

The survey was carried out May 6-16, 2022, online from a nationally representative sample of Nielsen Scarborough's probability-based panel, originally recruited by mail and telephone using a random sample of adults. The national poll was conducted among 2,091 respondents, with a margin of error of +/- 2.14%. Overall, the sample was adjusted to reflect population estimates (Scarborough USA+/Gallup) for Americans. The survey variables balanced through weighting were: age, gender, race/ethnicity, household income, level of education, census regional division, and political party affiliation.

Note: These questions were fielded as part of a larger poll on foreign and domestic issues. Participants in this study were provided by Nielsen from Nielsen's sample of respondents.

Q18. What is your attitude about each of the following?

The Muslim People

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. Very favorable	17%	22%	48%	32%
2. Somewhat favorable	47	51	44	46
3. Somewhat unfavorable	30	20	7	18
4. Very unfavorable	7	7	1	4

The Muslim Religion

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. Very favorable	8%	15%	30%	19%
2. Somewhat favorable	24	39	41	34
3. Somewhat unfavorable	43	26	23	32
4. Very unfavorable	26	20	6	16

Q19. In your life, how familiar are you with people who are Muslim?

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. I don't know any	27%	24%	20%	24%
2. I know some, but not very well	53	52	62	57
3. I know some very well	20	24	18	20

Q20N. If, as expected, the Supreme Court moves ahead to reverse Roe v. Wade, would this make it more or less likely that you will vote in the 2022 midterm elections?

	Rep	Dem	Ind	Total
5. Much more likely	27%	57%	27%	41%
6. Somewhat more likely	7	10	7	8
7. Neither more nor less likely	63	31	59	48
8. Somewhat less likely	1	1	2	1
9. Much less likely	3	1	5	2

Q21. Do you think the U.S. Constitution would or would not allow the U.S. government to declare the United States a Christian nation?

	Rep	Dem	Ind	Total
1. Would allow	43%	19%	28%	30%
2. Would not allow	57	81	73	70

Q22. Would you favor or oppose the United States officially declaring the United States to be a Christian nation?

	Rep	Dem	Ind	Total
1. Favor	61%	17%	36%	38%
2. Oppose	39	83	64	62

Presidential Candidate Religious Identity

Q23. Assuming that you agree with the general positions of the presidential candidates on issues that are important to you, would you vote for that candidate if he/she were:

Q23A. Evangelical Christian

	Rep	Dem	Ind	Total
1. Yes	79%	48%	50%	61%
2. No	5%	34	18	20
3. Don't know/Not sure	15	19	32	19

Q23B. Jewish

	Rep	Dem	Ind	Total
4. Yes	77%	81%	60%	77%
5. No	7	5	11	7
6. Don't know/Not sure	16	14	28	17

23C. Muslim

	Rep	Dem	Ind	Total
1. Yes	30%	68%	39%	49%
2. No	44	9	26	26
3. Don't know/Not sure	26	23	35	26

Q23D. Mainline Protestant

	Rep	Dem	Ind	Total
1. Yes	70%	64%	53%	65%
2. No	8	11	11	10
3. Don't know/Not sure	22	25	36	25

Q23E. Catholic

	Rep	Dem	Ind	Total
1. Yes	79%	75%	57%	74%
2. No	5	11	14	9
3. Don't know/Not sure	17	14	29	17

Q23F. Mormon

	Rep	Dem	Ind	Total
1. Yes	56%	50%	45%	52%
2. No	19	27	23	23
3. Don't know/Not sure	25	23	32	25

Q23G. Hindu

	Rep	Dem	Ind	Total
1. Yes	39%	69%	45%	53%
2. No	32	8	18	19
3. Don't know/Not sure	30	23	38	27

Q23H. Buddhist

	Rep	Dem	Ind	Total
1. Yes	41%	73%	48%	57%
2. No	30	6	17	18
3. Don't know/Not sure	29	21	35	26

Q23I. Agnostic

	Rep	Dem	Ind	Total
1. Yes	39%	69%	49%	54%
2. No	36	9	19	22
3. Don't know/Not sure	25	22	32	24

Q23J. Atheist

	Rep	Dem	Ind	Total
1. Yes	30%	65%	48%	48%
2. No	51	19	26	34
3. Don't know/Not sure	19	16	27	18

Q25. Compared to 5 years ago and based on your own experience, including interactions with others, how much racial/ethnic/religious discrimination (such as actions that discriminate against a person because of their race, ethnicity, or religion), if any, would you say exists against each of the following groups in the U.S. today? **[ROTATE]**

Q25A. White Americans

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
3. A lot more	50%	20%	5%	25%
4. A little more	21	16	10	15
5. About the same	21	32	38	30
6. A little less	2	6	11	6
7. A lot less	5	14	33	19
8. Don't know	2	12	4	4

Q25B. Black Americans

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. A lot more	12%	28%	43%	28%
2. A little more	12	20	22	17
3. About the same	30	30	22	26
4. A little less	18	6	8	12
5. A lot less	26	8	4	13
6. Don't know	3	9	1	3

Q25C. Latino Americans

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. A lot more	7%	19%	33%	21%
2. A little more	13	20	27	20
3. About the same	42	42	29	36
4. A little less	17	5	6	11

5. A lot less	16	6	3	9
6. Don't know	4	9	3	4

Q25D. Asian Americans

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. A lot more	18%	26%	48%	33%
2. A little more	29	29	29	29
3. About the same	30	28	16	23
4. A little less	8	5	3	5
5. A lot less	10	3	2	5
6. Don't know	5	10	2	4

Q25E. Muslim Americans

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. A lot more	12%	19%	34%	23%
2. A little more	18	26	30	24
3. About the same	38	32	23	31
4. A little less	12	9	6	9
5. A lot less	15	4	3	8
6. Don't know	5	11	4	5

Q25F. Christian Americans

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. A lot more	30%	16%	6%	17%
2. A little more	29	14	7	17
3. About the same	29	42	43	37
4. A little less	4	6	7	6
5. A lot less	6	11	29	17
6. Don't know	2	12	7	6

Q25G. Jewish Americans

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. A lot more	23%	14%	22%	22%
2. A little more	24	24	28	26
3. About the same	39	42	34	37
4. A little less	5	4	6	6
5. A lot less	5	3	5	5
6. Don't know	4	13	6	6

Q27. Would you say that, in general, the number of: **[ROTATE]**

Q27A. Asian Americans

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. Strengthen American Society	55%	53%	75%	64%
2. Weaken American Society	3	5	2	3

3. Have no impact	30	20	14	22
4. Don't know	12	21	9	12

Q27B. African Americans

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. Strengthen American Society	36%	50%	75%	56%
2. Weaken American Society	18	13	3	11
3. Have no impact	34	16	13	22
4. Don't know	13	21	8	12

Q27C. Latino Americans

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. Strengthen American Society	41%	52%	76%	58%
2. Weaken American Society	14	13	4	9
3. Have no impact	32	14	11	20
4. Don't know	14	20	10	13

Q27D. Muslim Americans

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. Strengthen American Society	21%	37%	66%	44%
2. Weaken American Society	32	18	5	18
3. Have no impact	28	20	16	22
4. Don't know	18	26	14	17

Q27E. Jewish Americans

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. Strengthen American Society	49%	46%	71%	59%
2. Weaken American Society	3	10	1	3
3. Have no impact	31	20	16	23
4. Don't know	17	23	11	15

Q29. How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Q29A. Many minorities have overcome prejudice and worked their way up. Every group should do the same without any special favors.

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. Strongly agree	62%	37%	16%	38%
2. Somewhat agree	24	26	21	23
3. Neither agree nor disagree	7	20	15	12
4. Somewhat disagree	5	10	26	15

5. Strongly disagree	2	7	22	12
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Q29B. Generations of slavery and discrimination have created conditions that make it difficult for Black Americans to work their way out of the lower class.

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. Strongly agree	4%	18%	54%	29%
2. Somewhat agree	12	25	28	21
3. Neither agree nor disagree	8	20	6	9
4. Somewhat disagree	25	12	7	15
5. Strongly disagree	51	25	5	27

Q29C. Over the past few years, Black Americans have not received the societal benefits they deserve.

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. Strongly agree	3%	14%	42%	22%
2. Somewhat agree	6	18	27	17
3. Neither agree nor disagree	10	28	17	15
4. Somewhat disagree	21	15	10	15
5. Strongly disagree	62	26	5	31

Q29D. It's really a matter of some people not trying hard enough; if Black Americans would only try harder, they could be just as well off as White Americans.

	Rep	Ind	Dem	Total
1. Strongly agree	26%	10%	5%	14%
2. Somewhat agree	32	16	7	18
3. Neither agree nor disagree	23	32	12	19
4. Somewhat disagree	10	16	18	14
5. Strongly disagree	10	26	59	34