



## American National Social Network Survey Topline Questionnaire

Total N=4,067 adults. | Interview dates: July 31–August 11, 2020.

*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** In general, do you think America's best days are ahead of us or behind us?

54	Ahead of us
46	Behind us
*	Refused

**Q.2** During the next twelve months, do you think that the nation's economy will...

32	Get better
26	Stay about the same
41	Get worse
*	Refused

**Q.3** How often would you say you vote in national elections?

58	Always
16	Nearly always
9	In about half of elections
7	Seldom
10	Never
*	Refused

**Q.4** How closely have you been following news about the following... **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

A. The 2020 presidential election?

37	Very closely
37	Fairly closely
19	Not too closely
6	Not at all closely
*	Refused

B. The coronavirus outbreak known as COVID-19?

48 Very closely  
39 Fairly closely  
10 Not too closely  
2 Not at all closely  
\* Refused

C. Protests in response to black Americans being mistreated or killed by police

33 Very closely  
43 Fairly closely  
17 Not too closely  
6 Not at all closely  
\* Refused

**REGISTI** Are you registered to vote at your present address, or not?

84 Yes, currently registered to vote at your present address  
12 No, not currently registered to vote at your present address  
4 Not sure  
\* Refused

**Q.5** If the (2020) election for president were being held today, and the candidates were Joe Biden the Democrat and Donald Trump the Republican, for whom would you vote?

48 Joe Biden  
37 Donald Trump  
5 Someone else  
10 Would not vote  
1 Refused

**Q.6** Would you say it has been hard to make a decision about who to vote for this year (2020), or has it been easy to make a decision?

78 Easy  
22 Hard  
\* Refused

**Q.7** At this point in the campaign, how certain do you feel about how you would vote in the 2020 presidential election? Do you feel...

67 Absolutely certain  
18 Fairly certain  
9 Not too certain  
6 Not at all certain  
\* Refused

**Q.8** Regardless of how you might vote, how likely is it that Donald Trump wins the 2020 presidential election this year?

23	Very likely
39	Somewhat likely
27	Not too likely
10	Not at all likely
1	Refused

**Q.9** All in all, do you have a favorable or unfavorable view of...? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

A. Joe Biden

14	Very favorable
33	Somewhat favorable
24	Somewhat unfavorable
29	Very unfavorable
1	Refused

B. Donald Trump

18	Very favorable
19	Somewhat favorable
16	Somewhat unfavorable
47	Very unfavorable
1	Refused

C. The Republican Party

10	Very favorable
27	Somewhat favorable
31	Somewhat unfavorable
32	Very unfavorable
1	Refused

D. The Democratic Party

12	Very favorable
33	Somewhat favorable
25	Somewhat unfavorable
29	Very unfavorable
1	Refused

**Q.10** Do you have a(n) [INSERT RESPONSE Q9B] view of Trump more because of what he's done as president or more because of who he is and what he stands for?

60	More for what he's done as president
39	More for who he is and what he stands for
1	Refused

**Q.11a** Do you feel that the policies of the Republican Party generally...

31	Move the country in the right direction
30	Are somewhat misguided but not dangerous
38	Are so misguided they pose a serious threat to the country
1	Refused

**Q.11b** Do you feel that the policies of the Democratic Party generally...

27	Move the country in the right direction
34	Are somewhat misguided but not dangerous
37	Are so misguided they pose a serious threat to the country
1	Refused

**Q.12** Do you think an elected official who commits an immoral act in their personal life can still behave ethically and fulfill their duties in their public and professional life?

54	Yes
45	No
1	Refused

**Q.13** How upset would you be if you had a son or daughter who married [IF FAVORABLE VIEW OF TRUMP, INSERT: "SOMEONE WHO STRONGLY OPPOSES DONALD TRUMP"; IF UNFAVORABLE VIEW OF TRUMP INSERT: "SOMEONE WHO STRONGLY SUPPORTS DONALD TRUMP"]?

20	Very upset
28	Somewhat upset
30	Not that upset
22	Not at all upset
1	Refused

**Q.14** Please indicate if you have done each of the following activities in the last 12 months or not.  
**[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

A. Contacted an elected official

23	Yes, in the last 12 months
76	No, not in the last 12 months
*	Refused

B. Wore a shirt, hat, or other piece of clothing with a political message

15	Yes, in the last 12 months
84	No, not in the last 12 months
*	Refused

C. Publicly expressed your support for a political campaign on Facebook, Twitter, or other social media

33 Yes, in the last 12 months  
66 No, not in the last 12 months  
\* Refused

D. Attended a political rally, protest, speech, or campaign event

12 Yes, in the last 12 months  
87 No, not in the last 12 months  
\* Refused

E. Donated money to a political cause or candidate

19 Yes, in the last 12 months  
80 No, not in the last 12 months  
\* Refused

F. Displayed a sign in my yard or home supporting a political cause or campaign

12 Yes, in the last 12 months  
87 No, not in the last 12 months  
\* Refused

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=2,018]:**

G. Had a political disagreement with a friend or family member

58 Yes, in the last 12 months  
42 No, not in the last 12 months  
\* Refused

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=2,049]:**

H. Had a political disagreement with someone you didn't know well

34 Yes, in the last 12 months  
66 No, not in the last 12 months  
1 Refused

**ASK ALL:**

**Q.15** What is your current relationship status? Are you...

22	Single
4	In a committed relationship, but not living together
10	Living with a partner
52	Married
6	Divorced
2	Separated
4	Widowed
*	Refused

**We're interested in learning a little more about you.**

Q.16 From time to time, most people discuss important personal matters or concerns with other people. These may be friends, family members, coworkers, neighbors or others. Thinking about the last six months, please provide the first names or initials of the people with whom you discussed these issues that were important to you. If two people share the same name, please include an initial to tell them apart (e.g. Sally Z. and Sally A.)

8	One person
11	Two people
14	Three people
12	Four people
9	Five people
6	Six people
22	Seven people
17	Do not discuss important matters with others
1	Refused

**ASK IF DO NOT DISCUSS IMPORTANT MATTERS WITH OTHERS [N=608]:**

**Q.16Z** Is the reason you have not discussed important personal matters with other people recently because of the coronavirus outbreak, or is for some other reason?

33	Yes, because of coronavirus
66	No, some other reason
1	Refused

**ASK IF DISCUSSES IMPORTANT MATTERS WITH OTHERS [N=3,416]:**

Now, please describe a few characteristics of the people you have listed with whom you discuss important matters. Even if you are not completely sure, please provide your best guess.

**Q.17a** How is [Q16\_n] related to you?

	First person	Second person	Third person	Fourth person	Fifth person	Sixth person	Seventh person
Spouse or partner	43	6	6	3	3	1	2
Parent	10	17	12	10	9	7	5
Child	6	14	12	12	9	8	5
Sibling	7	12	12	11	11	12	9
Friend, church or place of worship	2	3	4	4	4	4	4
Friend, work	7	12	13	13	14	15	15
Friend, school	2	3	4	4	5	5	6
Friend, other	17	24	25	29	31	35	36
Other relative	5	9	11	13	13	12	17
Refused	1	1	1	1	1	2	2

**Q.17b** What is [Q16\_n]'s gender?

	First person	Second person	Third person	Fourth person	Fifth person	Sixth person	Seventh person
Male	47	44	45	46	49	46	46
Female	50	54	53	51	49	51	51
Refused	2	2	2	3	3	3	2

**Q.17c** What is [Q16\_n]'s age? Your best guess is fine.

	First person	Second person	Third person	Fourth person	Fifth person	Sixth person	Seventh person
Under the age of 18	1	2	3	3	3	2	3
18 to 29	13	15	16	16	14	15	14
30 to 39	18	17	17	17	16	19	18
40 to 49	18	17	17	15	18	15	15
50 to 59	19	19	17	16	18	17	17
60 to 69	19	16	16	15	15	16	16
70 to 79	9	10	9	11	10	10	11
80 or over	2	3	3	4	3	4	4
Refused	1	1	2	2	2	2	2

**Q.17d** What is [Q16\_n]'s current religious preference?

	First person	Second person	Third person	Fourth person	Fifth person	Sixth person	Seventh person
Protestant (Christian)	23	25	25	24	25	26	29
Roman Catholic	18	17	20	19	16	21	16
Mormon	2	3	2	3	3	3	2
Orthodox Christian	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Jewish	1	2	2	2	2	2	3
Muslim	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Buddhist	1	*	1	1	1	*	1
Hindu	1	1	1	1	1	1	*
No religion	21	20	18	18	21	16	17
Just Christian	25	25	25	27	25	23	23
Other religion [Specify]	2	2	1	1	1	1	2
Refused	3	4	3	3	4	4	4

**Q.17e** What is [Q16\_n]'s race or ethnicity?

	First person	Second person	Third person	Fourth person	Fifth person	Sixth person	Seventh person
White, non-Hispanic	70	69	69	71	71	68	68
Black, non-Hispanic	11	11	11	9	9	10	11
Asian or Pacific Islander, non-Hispanic	4	5	5	4	4	3	2
Hispanic or Latino	10	10	11	10	9	11	10
Multi-race	3	3	2	4	3	5	5
Other race [Specify]	1	*	*	1	1	1	1
Refused	2	2	2	2	2	2	3

**Q.17f** In the upcoming 2020 presidential election, is [Q16\_n] currently supporting or leaning towards supporting Donald Trump or Joe Biden?

	First person	Second person	Third person	Fourth person	Fifth person	Sixth person	Seventh person
Joe Biden	51	51	49	49	49	51	48
Donald Trump	40	39	41	41	41	40	42
Other candidate [Specify]	7	6	6	6	7	5	5
Refused	2	3	4	4	4	4	4

**Q.17g** What is [Q16\_n]'s sexual orientation or gender identity?

	First person	Second person	Third person	Fourth person	Fifth person	Sixth person	Seventh person
Straight or heterosexual	93	92	92	90	90	92	90
Gay or Lesbian	3	3	3	3	4	3	4
Bisexual	2	2	2	3	3	3	2
Other [Specify]	1	*	*	1	*	1	1
Refused	2	2	3	3	3	2	4



**Q.17h** As far as you know, what is the highest level of education [Q16\_n] has completed?

	First person	Second person	Third person	Fourth person	Fifth person	Sixth person	Seventh person
Did not complete high school	5	5	6	5	5	4	5
High school graduate	25	27	26	27	26	23	26
Some college	21	18	19	17	18	17	16
Trade school, or Vocational training	7	7	7	8	8	9	7
Four-year college graduate	24	27	26	27	24	27	26
Post-graduate	15	13	14	14	15	17	16
Refused	3	3	3	3	2	3	3

**Q.17i** How often do you talk to [Q16\_n]?

	First person	Second person	Third person	Fourth person	Fifth person	Sixth person	Seventh person
At least once a day	72	44	39	32	26	23	21
Once a week	19	39	38	40	38	39	37
Once or twice month	6	13	17	19	27	25	28
A few times a year	1	2	3	5	6	9	10
Seldom	*	1	1	1	1	1	1
Never	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Refused	1	2	2	2	2	1	2

The remaining questions will all be referring to you, and not those you have discussed issues with in the past 6 months.

**ASK ALL:**

**Q.18** In general, how much do you learn about politics and current events from your friends and family?

20	A lot
67	A little
12	Nothing at all
*	Refused

**Q.19** When you talk with your friends and family about the news, do you tend to...

73	Listen to the conversation more than lead
26	Lead the conversation more than I listen
1	Refused

**Q.20** Which of the following statements comes closer to your view?

35	I consider myself to be loyal to the news source(s) I get my news from
64	I am not particularly loyal to the news source(s) I get my news from
1	Refused

**Q.21** Do you think most reporters...

59	Have a personal or political agenda
41	Try to report the news fairly and accurately
1	Refused

**Q.22** When was the last time someone you know personally... **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

A. Asked you to attend a worship service

4	Happened in the past 24 hours
10	Happened in the past week
9	Happened in the past month
12	Happened in the past 6 months
12	Happened in the past 12 months
24	Happened, but not in the past 12 months
30	Never happened
1	Refused

B. Asked you to volunteer for a community group

2	Happened in the past 24 hours
5	Happened in the past week
8	Happened in the past month
10	Happened in the past 6 months
10	Happened in the past 12 months
18	Happened, but not in the past 12 months
45	Never happened
1	Refused

C. Asked you to attend a political protest or rally

1	Happened in the past 24 hours
3	Happened in the past week
6	Happened in the past month
7	Happened in the past 6 months
4	Happened in the past 12 months
11	Happened, but not in the past 12 months
67	Never happened
1	Refused

- D. Encouraged you to vote in an election
- 6 Happened in the past 24 hours
  - 12 Happened in the past week
  - 13 Happened in the past month
  - 12 Happened in the past 6 months
  - 9 Happened in the past 12 months
  - 13 Happened, but not in the past 12 months
  - 34 Never happened
  - 1 Refused
- E. Encouraged you to donate money to a political candidate or cause
- 3 Happened in the past 24 hours
  - 5 Happened in the past week
  - 7 Happened in the past month
  - 7 Happened in the past 6 months
  - 5 Happened in the past 12 months
  - 9 Happened, but not in the past 12 months
  - 63 Never happened
  - 1 Refused
- F. Invited you over to their home to have dinner or socialize
- 6 Happened in the past 24 hours
  - 20 Happened in the past week
  - 20 Happened in the past month
  - 19 Happened in the past 6 months
  - 13 Happened in the past 12 months
  - 8 Happened, but not in the past 12 months
  - 12 Never happened
  - 1 Refused
- G. Asked you to borrow money or for financial support
- 3 Happened in the past 24 hours
  - 6 Happened in the past week
  - 9 Happened in the past month
  - 11 Happened in the past 6 months
  - 7 Happened in the past 12 months
  - 24 Happened, but not in the past 12 months
  - 39 Never happened
  - 1 Refused

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=2,057]:**

H. Asked you to share your opinion about a political issue or current event

9 Happened in the past 24 hours  
20 Happened in the past week  
19 Happened in the past month  
12 Happened in the past 6 months  
7 Happened in the past 12 months  
7 Happened, but not in the past 12 months  
24 Never happened  
1 Refused

I. Made a remark or joke that was racially insensitive

5 Happened in the past 24 hours  
12 Happened in the past week  
12 Happened in the past month  
13 Happened in the past 6 months  
10 Happened in the past 12 months  
18 Happened, but not in the past 12 months  
30 Never happened  
1 Refused

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=2,010]:**

J. Made a remark or joke that was sexist

6 Happened in the past 24 hours  
11 Happened in the past week  
13 Happened in the past month  
14 Happened in the past 6 months  
11 Happened in the past 12 months  
16 Happened, but not in the past 12 months  
28 Never happened  
1 Refused

K. Criticized or attacked you for expressing a political opinion

3 Happened in the past 24 hours  
8 Happened in the past week  
11 Happened in the past month  
12 Happened in the past 6 months  
7 Happened in the past 12 months  
13 Happened, but not in the past 12 months  
45 Never happened  
1 Refused

**ASK ALL:**

Thinking about politics and our political system...

**Q.23** When it comes to politics today, do you think... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

48	One side wins, the other loses
51	Everyone can get something they want
1	Refused

**Q.24** On the issues you care most about, do you think it is possible to compromise and find common ground with people who disagree with you or would you say this is not possible?

79	Possible to find common ground
19	Not possible
1	Refused

**Q.25** In your experience, when you talk about politics with people who you disagree with, do you usually find that...

37	You have more in common politically than you thought
61	You have less in common politically than you thought
2	Refused

**RELIGI** What is your present religion, if any?

27	Protestant (Baptist, Methodist, Non-denominational, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Pentecostal, Episcopalian, Reformed, Church of Christ, Jehovah's Witness, etc.)
17	Roman Catholic (Catholic)
1	Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints/LDS)
0	Orthodox (Greek, Russian, or some other orthodox church)
2	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
23	Just Christian
2	Something else [Specify]
1	Refused

**ASK IF PROTESTANT, JUST CHRISTIAN, OR SOMETHING ELSE [N=2,068]:**

**BORNI** Would you describe yourself as a "born-again" or evangelical Christian, or not?

46	Yes
53	No
1	Refused

**ASK ALL:**

**ATTENDI** Aside from weddings and funerals and not counting the last few months, how often do you attend religious services?

- 6 More than once a week
- 20 Once a week
- 7 Once or twice a month
- 13 A few times a year
- 25 Seldom
- 28 Never
- \* Refused

**Q.26** Think for a moment about your beliefs regarding the existence of God and how certain you are in those beliefs. Please place yourself on the following scale:

- 6 I do NOT believe in God and have no doubts
- 5
- 3
- 3
- 7
- 4
- 5
- 7
- 7
- 53 I believe in God and have no doubts
- 1 Refused

**ASK IF AFFILIATED WITH A RELIGION [N=3,010]:**

**Q.27** Thinking about your religion, which of the following statements comes CLOSEST to your view? My church denomination should...

- 47 Preserve its traditional beliefs and practices
- 38 Adjust traditional beliefs and practices in light of new circumstances
- 14 Adopt modern beliefs and practices
- 2 Refused

**ASK ALL:**

**Q.28** Which of the following statements comes closest to your own view?

- 37 America has always been and is currently a Christian nation
- 42 America was a Christian nation in the past but is not now
- 19 America has never been a Christian nation
- 2 Refused

**Q.29** Do you think of yourself as a member of a minority because of your religious beliefs, or not?

- 27 Yes
- 72 No
- 1 Refused

**ASK IF CHRISTIAN [N=2,742]:**

**Q.30** In recent years, has it become more difficult to be a Christian in the U.S., has it become easier, or hasn't it changed very much?

7	Become easier
39	Become more difficult
53	Has not changed
*	Refused

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=2,025]:**

**Q.31** When it comes to American culture and way of life, who would you say has more influence? Would you say that generally...

26	Liberals have more influence
19	Conservatives have more influence
53	Both have about equal influence
2	Refused

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=2,042]:**

**Q.32** When it comes to American politics and government, who would you say has more influence? Would you say that generally...

22	Liberals have more influence
28	Conservatives have more influence
49	Both have about equal influence
2	Refused

**ASK ALL:**

**Q.33** Just your impression, in the United States today, is there a lot of discrimination against the following groups, or not?

A. Hispanics

66	Yes
33	No
1	Refused

B. Asian people

50	Yes
50	No
1	Refused

C. Black people

71	Yes
29	No
1	Refused

D.	White people
30	Yes
68	No
1	Refused
E.	Atheists
24	Yes
75	No
2	Refused
F.	Mormons
27	Yes
72	No
2	Refused
G.	Jews
49	Yes
50	No
1	Refused
H.	Muslims
71	Yes
28	No
1	Refused
I.	Gay and lesbian people
65	Yes
34	No
1	Refused
J.	Transgender people
70	Yes
29	No
1	Refused

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=2,032]:**

K.	Christians
29	Yes
69	No
2	Refused



**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=2,035]:**

L. Evangelical Christians

28	Yes
70	No
1	Refused

**ASK ALL:**

**Q.34** Which is the bigger problem for the country today?

42	People seeing discrimination where it really does NOT exist
58	People not seeing discrimination where it really does exist
1	Refused

**Q.35** Which comes closer to your own views – even if neither is exactly right?

47	People need to be more careful about the language they use to avoid offending people with different religious backgrounds
52	Too many people are easily offended these days over the language that others use
1	Refused

**Q.36** In your experience, when you talk about politics with people who you disagree with, do you generally find it to be... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

42	Interesting and informative
57	Stressful and frustrating
1	Refused

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=2,060]:**

**Q.37** When you have different political views than your friends and family, do you generally think it's better to... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

43	Talk about these differences, in order to try to find common ground
57	Avoid talking about these differences, because it usually makes things worse
1	Refused

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=2,007]:**

**Q.38** When you have different religious beliefs than your friends and family, do you generally think it's better to... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

46	Talk about these differences, in order to try to find common ground
52	Avoid talking about these differences, because it usually makes things worse
2	Refused

**ASK ALL:**

**Q.39** On achieving the 'American Dream', do you believe you have achieved the American Dream, you're on your way to achieving it, or is it out of reach for you? **[ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

29	Have achieved it
42	On my way to achieving it
28	Out of reach
1	Refused

**Q.40** Which comes closer to your opinion? In America today... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

56	Anyone can start a successful business
43	Starting a successful business is something only people with money and connections can do
1	Refused

**Q.41** Now, read each statement and please say whether you agree or disagree with each one. **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

A. Even if I do not know much about a subject I feel it's important to share my opinion

8	Completely agree
28	Somewhat agree
40	Somewhat disagree
23	Completely disagree
1	Refused

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

21	Completely agree
44	Somewhat agree
25	Somewhat disagree
9	Completely disagree
2	Refused

C. A person's political views say a lot about what kind of person they are

17	Completely agree
47	Somewhat agree
25	Somewhat disagree
11	Completely disagree
1	Refused

D.	It is necessary to believe in God in order to be moral and have good values
19	Completely agree
22	Somewhat agree
22	Somewhat disagree
37	Completely disagree
1	Refused
E.	Police officers generally treat Blacks and other minorities the same as whites
14	Completely agree
26	Somewhat agree
28	Somewhat disagree
31	Completely disagree
1	Refused
F.	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
12	Completely agree
26	Somewhat agree
23	Somewhat disagree
38	Completely disagree
1	Refused
G.	It bothers me when I come into contact with immigrants who speak little or no English
9	Completely agree
25	Somewhat agree
23	Somewhat disagree
42	Completely disagree
1	Refused
H.	Professional athletes should be required to stand during the national anthem at sporting events
32	Completely agree
17	Somewhat agree
16	Somewhat disagree
35	Completely disagree
1	Refused
I.	Orders requiring me to wear a mask in all public spaces to prevent the spread of COVID-19 threaten my basic freedoms
13	Completely agree
15	Somewhat agree
13	Somewhat disagree
59	Completely disagree
1	Refused

- J. The values of Islam are at odds with American values and way of life
- |    |                     |
|----|---------------------|
| 18 | Completely agree    |
| 28 | Somewhat agree      |
| 29 | Somewhat disagree   |
| 23 | Completely disagree |
| 3  | Refused             |
- K. Today, discrimination against whites has become as big a problem as discrimination against Black people and other minorities
- |    |                     |
|----|---------------------|
| 20 | Completely agree    |
| 23 | Somewhat agree      |
| 19 | Somewhat disagree   |
| 37 | Completely disagree |
| 1  | Refused             |
- L. Efforts to increase diversity almost always come at the expense of whites
- |    |                     |
|----|---------------------|
| 14 | Completely agree    |
| 28 | Somewhat agree      |
| 25 | Somewhat disagree   |
| 31 | Completely disagree |
| 2  | Refused             |

**Q.42** Do you think recent killings of African American men by police are... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

- |    |                           |
|----|---------------------------|
| 43 | Isolated incidents        |
| 56 | Part of a broader pattern |
| 1  | Refused                   |

**Q.43** Do you see monuments to Confederate soldiers more as symbols of Southern pride or more as symbols of racism?

- |    |                   |
|----|-------------------|
| 55 | Southern pride    |
| 43 | Symbols of racism |
| 2  | Refused           |

**Q.44** Which of the following statements is closer to your opinion about what kind of country you think the United States should be?

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| 45 | A country with an essential American culture and values that immigrants take on when they arrive |
| 53 | A country made up of many cultures and values that change as new people arrive                   |
| 2  | Refused  |

**Q.45** How much do you favor or oppose the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

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

22 Strongly favor  
23 Somewhat favor  
25 Somewhat oppose  
28 Strongly oppose  
1 Refused

B. Making the use of marijuana legal

34 Strongly favor  
33 Somewhat favor  
18 Somewhat oppose  
14 Strongly oppose  
1 Refused

C. Giving Blacks and other minorities preference in college admissions to make up for past inequalities

11 Strongly favor  
27 Favor  
32 Oppose  
29 Strongly oppose  
1 Refused

**Q.46** Which of the following statements comes closest to your own view?

48 Our country has made changes needed to give gay and lesbian people equal rights with other Americans  
50 Our country needs to continue making changes to give gay and lesbian people equal rights with other Americans  
2 Refused

**Q.47** All in all, do you think abortion should be...

24 Legal in all cases  
35 Legal in most cases  
28 Illegal in most cases  
12 Illegal in all cases  
1 Refused

**Q.48** Which punishment do you prefer for people convicted of murder?

41 The death penalty  
57 Life in prison with no chance of parole  
2 Refused

**Q.49** Which statement comes closest to your own view...

47	I hardly ever question whether my political views are the right ones
51	I sometimes question whether my political views are the right ones
2	Refused

**Q.50** When I talk to people with different political views than my own, I...

39	Find myself questioning some of my assumptions
58	Become more certain that my own views are right
3	Refused

**Q.51** In general, how would you describe your own health?

13	Excellent
39	Very good
34	Good
12	Fair
2	Poor
*	Refused

**Q.52** Do you personally know anyone in the United States who has tested positive for the coronavirus?  
**[SELECT ALL THAT APPLY]**

2	Yes, myself
3	Yes, someone in my household
52	Yes, someone outside my household
44	No, do not know anyone
2	Refused

## Survey Methodology

The survey was designed and conducted by the American Enterprise Institute. Interviews were conducted among a random sample of 4,067 adults (age 18 and older) 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 July 31 and August 11, 2020.

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.<sup>1</sup> 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, and telephone usage. 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 +/- 2.0 percentage points at the 95 percent level of confidence. The design effect for the survey is 1.83.

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<sup>1</sup> 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.