

# The April 2021 AP-NORC Center Poll

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Interviews: 4/29-5/03/2021 1,842 adults

Margin of sampling error: +/- 3.2 percentage points at the 95% confidence level among all adults

NOTE: All results show percentages among all respondents, unless otherwise labeled.

## CUR1. Generally speaking, would you say things in this country are heading in the...

				SKIPPED
AP-NORC			DON'T	ON WEB/
All adults	Right direction	Wrong direction	KNOW	REFUSED
4/29-5/3/2021 (N=1,842)	54	44	1	1
White (N=791)	44	55	1	1
Black (N=411)	72	26	1	1
3/25-29/2021 (N= 1,166)	50	50	*	*
2/25-3/1/2021 (N=1,434)	48	51	*	1
1/28-2/1/2021 (N=1,055)	49	49	1	1
12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	37	62	1	1
10/8-12/2020 (N=1,121)	25	74	1	1
9/11-14/2020 (N = 1,108)	27	72	*	1
8/17-19/2020 (N=1,075)	23	75	1	*
7/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	20	80	*	*
6/11-15/2020 (N=1,310)	24	74	1	1
5/14-18/2020 (N=1,056)	33	65	1	1
4/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	36	63	1	-
3/26-29/2020 (N=1,057)	42	58	*	*
2/13-16/2020 (N=1,074)	41	59	*	*
1/16-21/2020 (N=1,353)	38	62	*	*
12/5-9/2019 (N=1,053)	36	63	*	*
10/24-28/2019 (N=1,075)	39	60	1	1
9/20-23/2019 (N=1,286)	38	60	1	1
8/15-18/2019 (N=1,059)	33	66	*	1
6/13-17/2019 (N=1,116)	36	63	*	1
5/17-20/2019 ( <i>N=1,137</i> )	35	62	2	1
4/11-14/2019 ( <i>N=1,108</i> )	37	62	*	*
3/14-18/2019 (N=1,063)	35	63	*	1
1/16-20/2019 (N=1,062)	28	70	1	*
12/13-16/2018 (N=1,067)	39	59	*	1
10/11-14/2018 (N=1,152)	39	60	*	1
8/16-20/2018 (N=1,055)	38	62	*	*
6/13-18/2018 (N=1,109)	40	58	1	1
4/11-16/2018 (N=1,140)	39	60	*	*
3/14-19/2018 (N=1,222)	37	62	1	1
2/15-19/2018 (N=1,337)	32	68	*	*
12/7-11/2017 (N=1,020)	30	69	1	*
9/28-10/2/2017 (N=1,150)	24	74	1	*
6/8-11/2017 (N=1,068)	34	65	2	*
3/23-27/2017 (N=1,110)	37	62	1	*

#### CUR2. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president?

If don't know, skipped, or refused in CUR2

CUR3. If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president?

*If approve in CUR2* 

CUR3A. Would you say you approve of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president strongly or do you approve just somewhat?

*If disapprove in CUR2* 

CUR3B. Would you say you disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president strongly or do you disapprove just somewhat?

					Do						
				Lean	not		Lean	Some-			
				toward	lean	Dis-	toward	what	Strongly		
AP-NORC	Approve	Strongly	Somewhat	approv	either	approve	disapp-	dis-	dis-		SKP
All adults	NET	approve	approve	-ing	way	NET	roving	approve	approve	DK	/REF
4/29-5/3/2021											
(N=1,842)	63	34	29	*	1	36	*	11	25	*	*
White (N=791)	52	27	25	*	*	47	1	13	34	1	-
Black <i>(N=411)</i>	87	55	32	*	1	12	-	6	6	*	-
3/25-29/2021											
(N= 1,166)	61	31	29	*	*	38	*	13	25	-	1
2/25-3/1/2021	60	32	28	*	*	40	*	15	24	*	*
(N=1,434)	00	52	28	•	•	40	·	12			
1/28-2/1/2021	61	35	26	*	1	38	*	11	26	*	*
(N=1,055)	01				•				20		

## CURY2. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling...?

AP-NORC		Approve	Disapprove	DK	SKP/REF
The economy	4/29-5/3/2021				
	(N=1,842)	57	42	*	2
	White (N=791)	48	50	*	2
	Black (N=411)	85	13	*	1
	3/25-29/2021				
	(N= 1,166)	60	39	*	1
	2/25-3/1/2021				
	(N=1,434)	55	44	*	1
The coronavirus pandemic	4/29-5/3/2021				
	(N=1,842)	71	27	*	1
	White (N=791)	63	35	1	1
	Black (N=411)	88	11	*	1
	3/25-29/2021				
	(N= 1,166)	73	26	*	1
	2/25-3/1/2021				
	(N=1,434)	70	29	*	1
Health care	4/29-5/3/2021				
	(N=1,842)	62	35	1	2
	White (N=791)	53	43	2	2
	Black (N=411)	83	15	1	2
	3/25-29/2021				
	(N= 1,166)	62	36	*	1
	2/25-3/1/2021				
	(N=1,434)	58	41	*	1
Immigration	4/29-5/3/2021				
	(N=1,842)	43	54	1	2
	White (N=791)	33	64	*	3
	Black (N=411)	72	24	1	2
	3/25-29/2021				
	(N= 1,166)	42	56	*	2
Foreign policy	4/29-5/3/2021				
	(N=1,842)	54	41	2	3
	White (N=791)	47	48	2	3
	Black (N=411)	73	21	3	2
	3/25-29/2021				
	(N= 1,166)	55	43	*	1
Gun Policy	4/29-5/3/2021				
	(N=1,842)	48	49	1	2
	White (N=791)	41	55	1	3
	Black (N=411)	66	31	2	2
	3/25-29/2021				
	(N= 1,166)	45	52	*	2

		Approve	Disapprove	DK	SKP/REF
Race relations	4/29-5/3/2021				
	(N=1,842)	59	38	1	2
	White (N=791)	51	46	1	2
	Black (N=411)	77	20	1	2
	3/25-29/2021				
	(N= 1,166)	61	38	*	1
Policing	4/29-5/3/2021				
	(N=1,842)	52	44	1	2
	White (N=791)	45	51	2	2
	Black (N=411)	72	25	1	2

RACE1. Do you think that the things Joe Biden is doing as president have been good, bad, or neither good nor bad for each of the following groups in the United States?

## [GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

		Very/		Some-	Neither	Very/	Some-			
		somewhat	Very	what	good	somewhat	what	Very		SKP/
AP-NORC		good NET	good	good	nor bad	bad NET	bad	bad	DK	REF
Black Americans	4/29-5/3/2021	800000	8	8						1
	N=1,842	50	20	30	27	22	10	12	*	1
	White,									
	N=791	46	16	30	24	29	13	16	*	1
	Black,									
	N=411	61	31	30	28	10	3	6	*	1
Hispanic	4/29-5/3/2021									
Americans	N=1,842	46	16	30	30	22	11	11	*	1
	White,									
	N=791	41	12	29	29	29	14	15	*	1
	Black,									
	N=411	56	28	28	33	9	5	4	*	1
Asian Americans	4/29-5/3/2021	46	16	31	33	20	10	10	*	1
	N=1,842									
	White,	42	11	30	32	25	12	13	*	1
	N=791									
	Black,									
	N=411	62	31	32	30	6	4	2	*	2
White	4/29-5/3/2021									
Americans	N=1,842	43	18	25	30	26	11	15	*	1
	White,									
	N=791	39	14	25	26	35	14	21	*	*
	Black,									
	N=411	57	30	27	33	8	6	2	*	2

VIRUS2. How worried are you about you or someone in your family being infected with...

## [GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

AP-NORC		Extremely /Very worried NET	Extremely worried	Very worried	Some- what worried	Not too/Not at all worried NET	Not too worried	Not at all worried	DK	SKP/ REF
The	4/29-5/3/2021	1421	Worrica	Worrica	Worrica	IVE	Worrica	Worrica	DK	IVEI
coronavirus	(N=1,842)	24	10	14	29	47	31	15	_	*
	White (N=791)	18	5	13	27	54	37	17	-	-
	Black (N=411)	32	14	17	33	35	22	14	-	1
	3/25-29/2021 (N= 1,166)	35	17	18	34	32	24	7	-	-
	2/25-3/1/2021 (N=1,434)	31	16	15	36	33	24	9	-	*
	1/28-2/1/2021 (N=1,055)	43	22	20	30	27	19	8	-	*
	12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	43	22	21	34	23	16	8	-	*
	10/8-12/2020 (N=1,121)	42	22	19	32	26	18	8	-	*
	9/11-14/2020 (N = 1,108)	38	19	19	31	31	22	9	-	*
	8/17-19/2020 (N=1,075)	42	20	22	31	26	17	9	*	*
	7/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	49	25	24	31	19	11	8	*	*
	6/11-15/2020 (N=1,310)	32	16	16	35	32	22	9	-	1
	5/14-18/2020 (N=1,056)	42	21	21	31	25	18	7	*	1
	4/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	43	23	20	35	22	17	5	*	1
	03/26-29/2020 (N=1,057)	50	28	22	34	16	13	3	-	*
	03/12-16/2020 (N=1,003)	31	14	17	35	33	23	10	*	1
	2/13-16/2020 (N=1,074)	22	11	11	23	55	37	19	-	*

		Extremely /Very worried NET	Extremely worried	Very worried	Some- what worried	Not too/Not at all worried NET	Not too worried	Not at all worried	DK	SKP/ REF
The flu	4/29-5/3/2021	9	3	6	21	70	42	27	-	*
	(N= 1,842) White (N=791)	5	*	4	17	78	47	31		*
	Black ( <i>N</i> =411)	19	8	12	29	52	30	22	-	*
	3/25-29/2021 (N= 1,166)	13	6	8	27	59	42	18	-	*
	2/25-3/1/2021 (N=1,434)	12	5	7	29	59	39	20	ı	*
	1/28-2/1/2021 (N=1,055)	14	6	7	29	58	40	17	-	*
	12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	17	8	9	31	52	39	13	-	-
	10/8-12/2020 (N=1,121)	20	9	10	34	47	33	14	*	*
	9/11-14/2020 (N = 1,108)	21	8	12	33	46	32	14	-	*
	8/17-19/2020 (N=1,075)	16	7	9	31	52	37	15	-	1
	7/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	19	9	10	34	47	33	15	-	*
	6/11-15/2020 (N=1,310)	15	7	9	27	56	41	16	-	1
	5/14-18/2020 (N=1,056)	17	7	10	28	54	38	15	-	1
	4/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	22	10	13	30	47	35	12	-	*
	3/26-29/2020 (N=1,057)	22	11	12	35	43	34	8	-	*
	3/12-16/2020 (N=1,003)	15	6	9	33	50	37	13	ı	1
	2/13-16/2020 (N=1,074)	23	10	14	40	37	29	7	-	*

APVAX3. Have you received a COVID-19 vaccine?

				SKIP/
AP-NORC	Yes	No	DK	REF
4/29-5/3/2021	64	35	*	*
White (N=791)	66	34	-	-
Black (N=411)	52	47	-	1
3/25-29/2021	41	59	-	*
(N=1,166)				
2/25-3/1/2021	22	77	-	1
(N=1,434)				
1/28-2/1/2021	13	86	-	*
(N=1,055)				

If No or Refused in APVAX3

## APVAX7. Will you...

				Definitely/	5 1 11			
	_			probably	Probably			
	Definitely/		Probably	not get a	<u>not</u> get	Definitely		
	probably get a	Definitely get	get a	vaccine	a	<u>not</u> get a		SKIP/
AP-NORC	vaccine NET	a vaccine	vaccine	NET	vaccine	vaccine	DK	REF
4/29-5/3/2021								
(N=583)	38	11	27	61	27	34	*	*
White (N=238)	34	11	24	65	28	37	*	*
Black (N=182)	43	12	31	56	24	32	1	1
3/25-29/2021								
(N=637)	57	30	27	43	23	20	-	*
2/25-3/1/2021								
(N=1,103)	61	38	22	39	20	20	*	*
1/28-2/1/2021								
(N=914)	62	40	22	37	20	17	*	*

### **Combined APVAX3 and APVAX7:**

AP-NORC	Overall	White	Black
4/29-5/3/2021			
Already received vaccine	64	66	52
Definitely/probably get a			
vaccine NET	14	12	20
Definitely get a vaccine	4	4	6
Probably get a vaccine	10	8	14
Definitely/probably not get a			
vaccine NET	22	23	26
Probably <u>not</u> get a vaccine	10	10	11
Definitely <u>not</u> get a vaccine	12	13	15
DON'T KNOW	1	*	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-	-	-

## VIRUS7. Because of the coronavirus pandemic, how often are you:

AP-NORC		Always/ often	Always	Often	Some- times	Rarely/ never	Rarely	Never	DK	SKP/ REF
Avoiding	4/29-5/3/2021	orten	Aiways	Orten	tilles	lievei	Nately	Nevei	DK	NEF
nonessential	N=1,842	61	38	23	17	22	11	11	*	*
travel	White (N=791)	55	31	24	18	27	12	15	_	*
davei	Black (N=411)	67	44	23	21	12	8	4	*	1
	2/25-3/1/2021	07	44	23	21	12	0	4		
	N= 1,434	72	50	22	13	14	8	6	*	1
Staying away	4/29-5/3/2021	12	30	22	13	14	0	U		1
from large	N=1,842	68	43	25	16	16	8	8	_	*
groups					-	_	9			
groups	White (N=791)	64	38	27	15	20		12	-	*
	Black (N=411)	76	49	27	16	8	6	2	-	T
	2/25-3/1/2021					_				
	N= 1,434	77	55	23	13	9	5	4	-	1
	4/29-5/3/2021									
Avoiding other	N=1,842	50	24	26	24	26	15	11	*	*
people as	White (N=791)	43	17	27	25	32	17	14	*	-
much as	Black (N=411)	60	33	27	24	15	10	5	-	*
possible	2/25-3/1/2021									
	N= 1,434	66	35	31	19	15	10	5	-	1
Wearing a face	4/29-5/3/2021									
mask when	N=1,842	78	56	22	12	10	5	5	-	*
you're around	White (N=791)	75	48	26	13	12	6	6	-	-
other people	Black (N=411)	84	68	16	11	5	4	1	-	-
outside your	2/25-3/1/2021									
home	N= 1,434	82	65	17	10	8	5	3	-	1

## APVAX9. How confident are you that the coronavirus vaccines:

					Some-	Not at	Not	Not at		
		Extremely		Very	what	all/not	very	all		
		/ very	Extremely	con-	con-	very	con-	con-	D	SKP/
AP-NORC		confident	confident	fident	fident	confident	fident	fident	K	REF
Were properly	4/29-									
tested for safety	5/3/2021									
and effectiveness	N=1,842	45	14	31	30	25	11	14	*	1
	White									at.
	(N=791)	47	14	34	26	26	10	16	-	*
	Black									
	(N=411)	37	12	25	39	22	11	11	*	*
	2/25-									
	3/1/2021									
	N= 1,434	39	14	25	35	25	15	10	*	1
Are being	4/29-									
distributed fairly	5/3/2021									
	N=1,842	46	14	32	38	16	11	5	*	*
	White									
	(N=791)	48	14	34	37	15	10	4	*	-
	Black								*	_
	(N=411)	41	13	28	40	18	9	9	*	1
	2/25-									
	3/1/2021								*	_
	N= 1,434	25	8	17	43	31	23	8	*	1
Are being	4/29-									
distributed	5/3/2021		4-	0.0					*	*
quickly and safely	N=1,842	53	17	36	32	14	9	6	*	*
	White		4.0						*	*
	(N=791)	56	18	38	28	16	10	6	*	*
	Black			22		4=		_	*	
	(N=411)	45	14	32	39	15	8	7	*	1
	2/25-									
	3/1/2021	20	0	40		24	40	_	*	
	N= 1,434	28	9	19	47	24	18	7	*	1

### RACE2. How serious a problem do you think racism is in the United States?

## [HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	Not at	Not at	Not		Very/				
	all/not too	all	too	Moderately	extremely	Very	Extremely		SKIP/
AP-NORC	serious	serious	serious	serious	serious	serious	serious	DK	REF
4/29-5/3/2021 N=1,842	16	5	12	25	59	29	30	*	*
White, <i>N=791</i>	20	5	14	29	51	28	23	*	*
Black, <i>N=411</i>	4	3	1	13	84	24	60	-	-
06/11-15/2020 N=1,310	12	3	9	26	61	27	34	*	1
White, <i>N=634</i>	14	3	11	29	57	29	28	-	1
Black, <i>N=377</i>	2	-	2	7	90	20	70	-	1

## RACE3. How much discrimination do you think each of the following groups face in the United States today?

		A great			Α	Not at				
AP-NORC		deal/	A great	Quite	moderate	all/only a	Only a	Not at		SKP/
4/29-5/3/2021		quite a bit	deal	a bit	amount	little	little	all	DK	REF
Black Americans	All adults,									
	N=1,842	60	35	25	23	16	13	4	*	1
	White, <i>N=791</i>	53	27	26	26	20	16	4	*	1
	Black, <i>N=411</i>	84	67	16	11	5	3	3	-	*
Hispanic	All adults,									
Americans	N=1,842	47	19	28	33	18	15	4	*	1
	White, <i>N=791</i>	40	14	27	36	23	18	4	*	*
	Black, <i>N=411</i>	60	31	29	30	10	7	2	*	*
Asian Americans	All adults,									
	N=1,842	45	19	26	33	21	16	5	*	1
	White, <i>N=791</i>	41	15	26	36	22	18	4	*	1
	Black, <i>N=411</i>	61	32	29	23	16	11	4	*	*
White	All adults,									
Americans	N=1,842	18	8	10	22	59	32	27	*	1
	White, <i>N=791</i>	21	10	11	23	55	35	20	*	1
	Black, <i>N=411</i>	7	3	4	18	74	28	46	-	1

# RACE4. Compared to a year ago, do you think discrimination against each of the following groups in the United States has increased, stayed about the same or decreased?

AP-NORC 4/29- 5/3/2021		Increased a lot/ increased somewhat	Increased a lot	Increased somewhat	Stayed about the same	Decreased a lot/ decreased somewhat	Decreased a lot	Decreased somewhat	D K	SKP / REF
Black Americans	All adults,									
7	N=1,842	43	22	21	42	14	11	3	*	1
	White, <i>N=791</i>	37	15	22	45	17	13	4	*	1
	Black, <i>N=411</i>	68	52	16	26	5	3	2	-	1
Hispanic Americans	All adults,									
	<i>N=1,842</i> White,	31	11	21	58	9	8	2	*	1
	N=791	26	7	19	65	9	8	1	*	1
	Black, <i>N=411</i>	45	21	24	45	9	7	2	-	1
Asian Americans	All adults, N=1,842	60	27	32	33	6	4	2	*	1
	White, <i>N=791</i>	59	24	35	35	5	4	1	*	1
	Black, <i>N=411</i>	66	38	28	26	7	5	3	*	1
White Americans	All adults,									
	N=1,842	33	14	19	59	8	3	4	*	1
	White, <i>N=791</i>	40	17	23	56	3	2	1	*	1
	Black, <i>N=411</i>	13	3	10	62	23	5	18	1	1

# RACE5. In each of the following situations, how often would you say you personally have been discriminated against because of your race?

## [GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED, HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

AP-NORC 4/29-5/3/2021		Often/ sometimes	Often	Sometimes	Never/ rarely	Rarely	Never	DK	SKP/ REF
When applying	All adults, <i>N=1,842</i>	25	6	19	75	18	57	*	1
for jobs	White, <i>N=791</i>	13	2	11	86	14	72	1	*
	Black, <i>N=411</i>	58	20	37	42	20	22	*	*
In stores or	All adults, N=1,842	22	5	16	78	20	58	*	1
shopping malls	White, <i>N=791</i>	8	1	6	92	15	76	*	*
	Black, <i>N=411</i>	59	20	39	40	27	14	*	*
When getting	All adults, <i>N=1,842</i>	15	3	12	84	17	67	1	1
healthcare	White, <i>N=791</i>	7	1	6	93	11	82	-	1
from doctors and hospitals	Black, <i>N=411</i>	43	14	28	57	24	32	-	1
When dealing	All adults, N=1,842	20	6	14	79	16	63	*	1
with the police	White, <i>N=791</i>	7	1	6	92	13	80	*	*
	Black, <i>N=411</i>	60	26	34	40	20	20	*	*
When applying	All adults, N=1,842	18	6	13	80	15	66	*	1
for housing or	White, <i>N=791</i>	8	2	6	92	11	81	*	1
a loan	Black, <i>N=411</i>	53	23	30	46	18	28	-	1
In your	All adults, N=1,842	20	4	16	79	21	58	*	*
community	White, <i>N=791</i>	10	1	9	90	16	73	-	*
	Black, <i>N=411</i>	44	10	34	56	31	25	-	-

### CRIM1. Thinking about the criminal justice system in the United States, would you say:

	It needs a	It needs	It needs	Changes do		
	complete	major	minor	not need		SKP/
AP-NORC	overhaul	changes	changes	to be made	DK	REF
4/29-5/3/2021, <i>N=1,842</i>	25	43	27	4	*	1
White, <i>N=791</i>	20	44	32	3	1	*
Black, <i>N=411</i>	48	36	13	2	-	*
6/11-15/2020, <i>N=1,310</i>	29	40	25	5	*	1
White, <i>N=634</i>	26	39	30	5	*	*
Black, <i>N=377</i>	57	35	5	2	-	1

## CRIM2. Do you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose each of the following policies?

		Strongly			Neither	Strongly				
		/ some-		Some-	favor	/ some-	Some-			SKP
AP-NORC		what	Strongly	what	nor	what	what	Strongly	D	/
4/29-5/3/2021		favor	favor	favor	oppose	oppose	oppose	oppose	Κ	REF
Allowing first-time	All adults,									
offenders who are	N=1,842	44	21	23	25	31	18	13	*	*
charged with a	White,									
non-violent crime	N=791	44	20	23	21	35	21	14	*	*
to be released										
without paying										
bail while they	Black,									
await trial	N=411	51	31	20	29	19	13	6	*	1
Establishing	All adults,									
programs to help	N=1,842	79	48	31	16	5	3	2	*	*
people who are	White,									
released from	N=791	82	48	34	13	5	3	1	*	*
prison reintegrate	Black,									
into society	N=411	75	55	21	18	6	2	3	*	1
Allowing all first-	All adults,									
time offenders	N=1,842	70	32	37	17	13	8	5	*	1
who are charged	White,									
with a non-violent	N=791	73	33	40	13	14	10	4	*	1
crime to serve a										
sentence outside										
of prison, such as										
drug										
rehabilitation,										
home arrest, or										
community	Black,									
service	N=411	65	38	27	24	10	7	3	-	1
Shortening	All adults,									
sentences for	N=1,842	65	30	35	22	12	8	4	*	1
first-time	White,									
offenders who are	N=791	66	29	38	19	14	10	5	*	*
charged with a	Black,									
non-violent crime	N=411	68	43	25	23	7	3	4	-	1

## [ORDER OF POL1/POL2 ROTATED]

POL1. How serious a problem do you think police violence against the <u>public</u> is in the United States?

	Not at all/	Not at	Not		Very/				
	Not too	all	too	Moderately	Extremely	Very	Extremely		SKIP/
AP-NORC	serious NET	serious	serious	serious	serious NET	serious	serious	DK	REF
4/29-5/3/2021									
N=1,842	28	8	20	27	45	24	21	*	1
White, <i>N=791</i>	36	10	26	28	36	21	15	*	*
Black, <i>N=411</i>	5	3	2	17	77	27	50	-	1
09/11-14/2020									
N=1,108	29	11	18	26	44	23	22	-	*
White, <i>N=738</i>	36	13	23	28	35	22	14	-	-
Black, <i>N=111</i>	6	5	1	18	76	27	49	-	-
06/11-15/2020									
N=1,310	21	4	16	31	48	25	23	*	1
White, <i>N=634</i>	26	5	21	35	39	23	16	*	*
Black, <i>N=377</i>	2	*	2	14	83	30	53	-	1
09/20-23/2019									
N=1,286	30	10	20	33	36	20	16	1	*
White, <i>N=669</i>	36	11	25	36	26	17	9	1	*
Black, <i>N=126</i>	7	2	5	21	72	32	39	*	*
07/17-20/2015									
N=1,223	33	7	26	34	32	19	12	*	*
White, <i>N=628</i>	41	7	34	39	19	15	4	*	*
Black, N=311	6	1	4	22	73	40	33	*	*

POL2. How serious a problem do you think violence against the <u>police</u> is in the United States?

AP-NORC	Not at all/ not too serious NET	Not at all serious	Not too serious	Moderately serious	Very/ extremely serious NET	Very serious	Extremely serious	DK	SKIP/ REF
4/29-5/3/2021,	24	7	17	33	42	25	17	*	1
N=1,842 White, N=791	20	5	15	33	47	27	17 20	*	<u>1</u>
Black, <i>N=411</i>	36	12	24	36	27	13	14	*	1
09/11-14/2020, N=1,108	23	9	14	28	48	23	25	*	*
White, <i>N=738</i>	21	7	14	29	49	24	26	_	*
Black, N=111	36	14	22	31	33	17	16	-	-
06/11-15/2020, N=1,310	24	6	17	37	39	25	14	-	1
White, <i>N=634</i>	21	5	16	41	38	26	12	-	*
Black, <i>N=377</i>	41	13	28	26	33	18	15	-	1
09/20-23/2019, N=1,286	19	5	15	33	46	25	22	*	*
White, <i>N=669</i>	18	3	14	34	47	24	23	*	*
Black, <i>N=126</i>	28	11	18	29	41	23	18	1	1
07/17-20/2015, N=1,223	19	3	15	42	38	28	11	*	*
White, N=628	14	2	12	44	41	31	10	*	*
Black, N=311	32	8	23	33	34	20	14	*	-

POL3. In general, do you think the police in most communities are more likely to use deadly force against a black person, or more likely to use it against a white person, or don't you think race affects police use of deadly force?

	Deadly force against	Deadly force against	Race does not		SKP/
AP-NORC	a black person	a white person	affect deadly force	DK	REF
4/29-5/3/2021,					
N=1,842	56	3	40	1	1
White, <i>N=791</i>	46	3	50	1	1
Black, <i>N=411</i>	90	2	7	*	1
09/11-14/2020,					
N=1,108	50	3	46	*	1
White, <i>N=738</i>	42	3	54	*	1
Black, <i>N=111</i>	84	6	11	-	-
06/11-15/2020,					
N=1,310	61	3	35	*	1
White, <i>N=634</i>	54	2	43	*	1
Black, <i>N=377</i>	92	3	4	*	1
09/20-23/2019,					
N=1,286	55	3	41	*	1
White, <i>N=699</i>	46	1	52	1	*
Black, <i>N=245</i>	84	3	11	-	2
09/28-10/02/2017,					
N=1,223	52	3	43	1	1
White, <i>N=737</i>	43	3	52	1	1
Black, <i>N=136</i>	81	4	11	2	1
07/17-20/2015,					
N=1,223	49	1	48	*	*
White, <i>N=628</i>	39	*	58	1	2
Black, N=311	85	-	13	1	*

POL4. How do you think police officers who cause injury or death in the course of their job are treated by the criminal justice system?

### [HALF SAMPLE ASKED OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

AP-NORC	Too leniently	Fairly	Too harshly	DK	SKP/ REF
4/29-5/3/2021, <i>N=1,842</i>	51	33	14	1	1
White, <i>N=791</i>	45	36	17	1	1
Black, N=411	72	18	8	-	2
09/11-14/2020, N=1,108	52	34	14	*	1
White, <i>N=738</i>	47	36	17	*	*
Black, N=111	74	21	4	-	*
06/11-15/2020, N=1,310	65	28	6	*	1
White, <i>N=634</i>	62	32	5	*	1
Black, <i>N=377</i>	84	9	6	-	1
07/17-20/2015, N=1,223	41	40	17	*	*
White, <i>N=628</i>	32	46	21	*	*
Black, <i>N=311</i>	71	20	8	*	*

POL5. Do you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose each of the following policies intended to prevent police violence?

		Strongly /			Neither	Some-				
		some-		Some-	favor	what/	Some			SKP
		what	Strongly	what	nor	strongly	what	Strongly	D	/
AP-NORC		favor	favor	favor	oppose	oppose	oppose	oppose	K	REF
Requiring on-	4/29-									
duty police	5/3/2021									
officers to	N=1,842	84	66	18	11	4	3	1	*	1
wear video	White,									
cameras that	N=791	86	64	22	11	3	2	1	*	*
would record	Black,									
their	N=411	79	71	8	11	8	5	3	-	3
interactions	06/11-									
with the public	15/2020									
as they occur	N=1,310	88	71	17	7	4	3	2	-	1
	White,									
	N=634	91	71	19	5	4	3	1	-	*
	Black,									
	N=377	90	83	7	5	3	1	2	-	1

		Strongly / some- what favor	Strongly favor	Some- what favor	Neither favor nor oppose	Some- what/ strongly oppose	Some what oppose	Strongly oppose	D K	SKP / REF
Prosecuting police officers	4/29- 5/3/2021				2 2					
who use	N=1,842	75	51	24	17	8	5	3	*	1
excessive force	White, <i>N=791</i>	75	48	27	16	9	5	4	*	*
	Black, <i>N=411</i>	79	67	13	13	6	2	4	-	1
	06/11- 15/2020 <i>N=1,310</i>	84	63	22	9	6	3	3	*	1
	White, <i>N=634</i>	86	63	24	9	4	2	1	*	1
	Black, <i>N=377</i>	86	79	7	6	6	2	5	-	1
Limiting police use of military equipment	4/29- 5/3/2021 <i>N=1,842</i>	45	29	16	30	24	12	13	1	1
	White, <i>N=791</i>	41	27	14	28	30	15	15	1	*
	Black, <i>N=411</i>	58	37	21	29	11	7	4	*	1
	06/11- 15/2020 <i>N=1,310</i>	50	30	20	23	26	16	10	*	1
	White, <i>N=634</i>	50	28	22	23	26	16	10	*	1
	Black, <i>N=377</i>	58	39	18	21	20	9	11	-	1
Reducing the criminal justice	4/29- 5/3/2021 <i>N=1,842</i>	43	20	23	30	25	16	9	1	1
system's focus on policing	White, N=791	43	19	24	27	29	18	11	1	1
and prosecuting low-level	Black, N=411	51	31	21	31	15	9	6	*	2
offenses	06/11- 15/2020 <i>N=1,310</i>	46	22	24	27	25	15	10	*	1
	White, N=634	43	20	23	29	27	18	10	*	*
	Black, <i>N=377</i>	59	33	26	23	16	8	8	1	1

		Strongly / some- what favor	Strongly favor	Some- what favor	Neither favor nor oppose	Some- what/ strongly oppose	Some what oppose	Strongly oppose	DK	SKP / REF
Reducing funding for law enforce-	4/29- 5/3/2021 <i>N=1,842</i>	21	11	10	20	58	15	43	*	1
ment agencies	White, <i>N=791</i>	16	7	9	14	69	16	53	*	*
	Black, <i>N=411</i>	35	22	13	34	29	11	18	*	2
	06/11- 15/2020 <i>N=1,310</i>	25	13	12	21	53	19	34	*	1
	White, <i>N=634</i>	22	10	12	17	60	19	41	1	*
	Black, <i>N=377</i>	43	25	18	25	30	16	14	*	2
Penalizing police supervisors for	4/29- 5/3/2021, <i>N=1,842</i>	60	34	26	24	15	9	6	*	1
racially-biased policing by	White, <i>N=791</i>	56	29	27	24	19	11	8	*	*
their subordinate	Black, N=411	68	50	18	19	12	8	3	*	2
officers	06/11- 15/2020 <i>N=1,310</i>	69	42	27	18	12	8	4	*	1
	White, <i>N=634</i>	66	37	29	21	12	9	3	*	1
	Black, <i>N=377</i>	78	60	19	11	9	3	6	1	1
Penalizing officers for racially-biased	4/29- 5/3/2021 <i>N=1,842</i>	75	51	25	16	7	4	3	1	1
policing	White, <i>N=791</i>	75	47	29	16	8	4	4	1	*
	Black, <i>N=411</i>	79	69	9	13	6	3	3	-	3
	06/11- 15/2020 <i>N=1,310</i>	69	42	27	18	12	8	4	*	1
	White, <i>N=634</i>	66	37	29	21	12	9	3	*	1
	Black, <i>N=377</i>	78	60	19	11	9	3	6	1	1

		Strongly / some- what favor	Strongly favor	Some- what favor	Neither favor nor oppose	Some- what/ strongly oppose	Some what oppose	Strongly oppose	D K	SKP / REF
Establishing clear standards for	4/29- 5/3/2021 <i>N=1,842</i>	82	60	22	12	5	2	2	*	1
the use of force by police	White, <i>N=791</i>	85	60	25	10	4	2	2	1	*
officers	Black, N=411	75	65	11	16	6	1	4	*	2
	06/11- 15/2020 <i>N=1,310</i>	86	67	19	9	4	2	2	*	1
	White, <i>N=634</i>	89	68	22	8	2	1	1	*	*
	Black, <i>N=377</i>	81	72	9	10	7	3	4	*	1
Requiring officers to report	4/29- 5/3/2021 <i>N=1,842</i>	80	55	25	14	5	3	2	*	*
misconduct by their peers	White, <i>N=791</i>	81	51	30	14	5	3	2	*	*
	Black, N=411	79	66	14	14	5	2	4	*	1
	06/11- 15/2020 <i>N=1,310</i>	87	64	23	8	4	2	2	-	1
	White, <i>N=634</i>	88	65	23	8	2	1	1	-	1
	Black, <i>N=377</i>	87	79	8	8	4	1	3	-	1
Requiring all police officers participate in	4/29- 5/3/2021 <i>N=1,842</i>	70	47	22	19	10	6	5	*	1
more extensive	White, <i>N=791</i>	66	43	23	21	13	7	6	*	*
racial bias training	Black, N=411	75	68	8	16	6	3	3	-	2
	06/11- 15/2020 <i>N=1,310</i>	80	60	20	14	5	3	2	*	1
	White, <i>N=634</i>	79	56	23	15	5	3	2	-	1
	Black, <i>N=377</i>	88	80	8	5	5	2	3	1	1

		Strongly / some- what favor	Strongly favor	Some- what favor	Neither favor nor oppose	Some- what/ strongly oppose	Some what oppose	Strongly oppose	D K	SKP / REF
Requiring law enforcement agencies to	4/29- 5/3/2021 <i>N=1,842</i>	71	42	28	20	8	5	3	*	1
have indepen- dent review	White, N=791	73	41	32	19	8	5	3	*	*
boards	Black, N=411	67	54	13	19	12	7	4	-	2

PRO6. In the past year, do you think the attention on police violence against Black Americans has mostly led to change for the better, change for the worse, or hasn't it led to much change either way?

### [HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

AP-NORC 4/29-5/3/2021	Mostly change for the better	Mostly change for the worse	Hasn't made much difference	DK	SKP/ REF
All adults, N=1,842	24	31	44	*	1
White, <i>N=791</i>	22	35	41	1	1
Black, <i>N=411</i>	22	22	54	-	1

TRIAL1. How much have you heard or read about the trial of former Minneapolis police officer Derek Chauvin, who was found guilty of the murder of George Floyd?

AP-NORC								
4/29-	Α			Only a little/	Only a	Nothing		SKP/
5/3/2021	lot/some	A lot	Some	nothing at all	little	at all	DK	REF
All adults, N=1,842	78	44	34	21	18	3	*	1
White,	80	45	35	19	17	2	*	1
N=791	80	40	33	19	17	2		1
Black, N=411	81	56	24	18	16	3	-	1

TRIAL2. Has the verdict in the Derek Chauvin trial increased or decreased your confidence in the criminal justice system, or hasn't it made much difference?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

AP-NORC 4/29-5/3/2021	In- creased a lot/ some- what	In- creased a lot	In- creased some- what	Hasn't made much differ- ence	De- creased a lot/ some- what	De- creased some- what	De- creased a lot	DK	SKP/ REF
All adults, N=1,842	35	6	30	51	12	8	5	*	1
White, N=791	36	5	31	49	14	8	6	1	1
Black, N=411	28	7	21	61	8	4	4	*	3

### RELIG. What is your present religion, if any?

	AP-NORC
	4/29-5/3/2021
Protestant	26
Roman Catholic	18
Mormon	2
Orthodox	1
Jewish	1
Muslim	1
Buddhist	1
Hindu	1
Atheist	5
Agnostic	7
Nothing in particular	17
Just Christian	18
Unitarian	*
Something else	3
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*
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N= 1,842

If Religion is Protestant, Roman Catholic, Mormon, Orthodox, Christian, or something else: BORN. Would you describe yourself as a 'born-again' or evangelical Christian, or not?

	AP-NORC 4/29-5/3/2021
Yes	36
No	64
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*

PID1. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent or none of these?

If Democrat:

PIDA. Do you consider yourself a strong or not so strong Democrat? *If Republican:* 

PIDB. Do you consider yourself a strong or not so strong Republican?

If independent, none of these, don't know, skipped, or refused:

PIDI. Do you lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

Combines PID1, PIDI, PIDA, and PIDB.

	AP-NORC 4/29-5/3/2021
Democrat NET	46
Strong Democrat	21
Not so strong Democrat	14
Lean Democrat	10
Independent/None – Don't lean	17
Republican NET	37
Lean Republican	10
Not so strong Republican	12
Strong Republican	15

N= 1,842

D3. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself to be a liberal, moderate, or conservative?

If liberal:

D4. Do you consider yourself very liberal or somewhat liberal?

If conservative:

D5. Do you consider yourself very conservative or somewhat conservative?

#### Combines D3, D4, D5:

	AP-NORC 4/29-5/3/2021
Liberal NET	23
Very liberal	10
Somewhat liberal	12
Moderate	49
Conservative NET	26
Somewhat conservative	14
Very conservative	12
DON'T KNOW	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	2

### DM5. How would you describe the community you live in now?

	AP-NORC
	4/29-5/3/2021
Urban	24
Suburban	47
Rural	28
DON'T KNOW	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1
N=	1,842

VAX13. How concerned are you about having any side effects from the COVID-19 vaccine?

	AP-NORC
	4/29-5/3/2021
Very/somewhat concerned	40
Very concerned	22
Somewhat concerned	18
Slightly/not concerned	59
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Slightly/not concerned59Slightly concerned24Not concerned36DON'T KNOW-SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED\*

N= 1,214

**AGE** 

	AP-NORC
	4/29-5/3/2021
18-29	19
30-39	18
40-59	33
60-64	8
65+	22
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N= 1,842

**GENDER** 

	AP-NORC
	4/29-5/3/2021
Male	48
Female	52
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## RACE/ETHNICITY

	AP-NORC
	4/29-5/3/2021
White	62
Black or African American	12
Hispanic	16
Asian	7
Other	3
N=	1,842

### **MARITAL STATUS**

	AP-NORC
	4/29-5/3/2021
Married	49
Not married	51
N=	1,842

## **EDUCATION**

	AP-NORC
	4/29-5/3/2021
Less than a high school diploma	9
High school graduate or equivalent	28
Some college	27
College graduate or above	21
Post grad study/professional	
degree	15
N=	1,842

### **INCOME**

	AP-NORC 4/29-5/3/2021
Under \$10,000	7
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	7
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	12
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	11
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	8
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	17
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	15
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	14
\$150,000 or more	8

#### **Study Methodology**

This survey was conducted by The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research and with funding from The Associated Press and NORC at the University of Chicago.

Data were collected using the AmeriSpeak Omnibus®, a monthly multi-client survey using NORC's probability-based panel designed to be representative of the U.S. household population. The survey was part of a larger study that included questions about other topics not included in this report. During the initial recruitment phase of the panel, randomly selected U.S. households were sampled with a known, non-zero probability of selection from the NORC National Sample Frame and then contacted by U.S. mail, email, telephone, and field interviewers (face-to-face). The panel provides sample coverage of approximately 97 percent of the U.S. household population. Those excluded from the sample include people with P.O. Box only addresses, some addresses not listed in the USPS Delivery Sequence File, and some newly constructed dwellings.

Interviews for this survey were conducted between April 29<sup>th</sup> and May 3<sup>rd</sup>, with adults age 18 and over representing the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Panel members were randomly drawn from AmeriSpeak, and 1,842 completed the survey—1,726 via the web and 116 via telephone. Interviews were conducted in both English and Spanish, depending on respondent preference. The final stage completion rate is 21.2 percent, the weighted household panel response rate is 19.1 percent, and the weighted household panel retention rate is 75.0 percent, for a cumulative response rate of 3.0 percent. The overall margin of sampling error is +/-3.2 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level, including the design effect. The margin of sampling error may be higher for subgroups.

In addition, Black and Asian respondents were sampled at a higher rate than their proportion of the population for reasons of analysis. The overall margin of sampling error for the 411 completed interviews with Black respondents is +/-6.0 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level including the design effect. The overall margin of sampling error for the 344 completed interviews with Asian respondents is +/-7.2 percentage points.

Once the sample has been selected and fielded, and all the study data have been collected and made final, a poststratification process is used to adjust for any survey nonresponse as well as any noncoverage or under and oversampling resulting from the study specific sample design. Poststratification variables included age, gender, census division, race/ethnicity, and education. Weighting variables were obtained from the 2020 Current Population Survey. The weighted data reflect the U.S. population of adults age 18 and over. The sample is also weighted to match the average of self-identified party identification in the previous two waves of the AmeriSpeak Omnibus survey and this current survey.

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