



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...

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

AP-NORC All adults	Right direction	Wrong direction	DON'T KNOW	SKIPPED ON WEB/ REFUSED
4/29-5/3/2021 (N=1,842)	54	44	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 (N=1,137)	35	62	2	1
4/11-14/2019 (N=1,108)	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?

[HALF SAMPLE ASKED RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]

	Approve NET	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Lean toward approving	Do not lean either way	Dis-approve NET	Lean toward disapproving	Some-what dis-approve	Strongly dis-approve	DK	SKP /REF
AP-NORC All adults											
4/29-5/3/2021 (N=1,842)	63	34	29	*	1	36	*	11	25	*	*
3/25-29/2021 (N= 1,166)	61	31	29	*	*	38	*	13	25	-	1
2/25-3/1/2021 (N=1,434)	60	32	28	*	*	40	*	15	24	*	*
1/28-2/1/2021 (N=1,055)	61	35	26	*	1	38	*	11	26	*	*

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

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

AP-NORC		Approve	Disapprove	DK	SKP/REF
The economy	4/29-5/3/2021 (N=1,842)	57	42	*	2
	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
	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
	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
	3/25-29/2021 (N= 1,166)	42	56	*	2
Foreign policy	4/29-5/3/2021 (N=1,842)	54	41	2	3
	3/25-29/2021 (N= 1,166)	55	43	*	1
Gun Policy	4/29-5/3/2021 (N=1,842)	48	49	1	2
	3/25-29/2021 (N= 1,166)	45	52	*	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 coronavirus	4/29-5/3/2021 (N=1,842)	24	10	14	29	47	31	15	-	*
	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	*	-
	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 (N= 1,842)	9	3	6	21	70	42	27	-	*
	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	-	*
	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	-	1
2/13-16/2020 (N=1,074)	23	10	14	40	37	29	7	-	*	

APVAX3. Have you received a COVID-19 vaccine?

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

If No or Refused in APVAX3

APVAX7. Will you...

AP-NORC	Definitely/ probably get a vaccine NET	Definitely get a vaccine	Probably get a vaccine	Definitely/ probably not get a vaccine NET	Probably <u>not</u> get a vaccine	Definitely <u>not</u> get a vaccine	DK	SKIP/ REF
4/29-5/3/2021 (N=583)	38	11	27	61	27	34	*	*
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 4/29-5/3/2021	
Already received vaccine	64
Definitely/probably get a vaccine NET	14
Definitely get a vaccine	4
Probably get a vaccine	10
Definitely/probably not get a vaccine NET	22
Probably <u>not</u> get a vaccine	10
Definitely <u>not</u> get a vaccine	12
DON'T KNOW	1
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-

N=

1,842

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

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

AP-NORC		Always/ often	Always	Often	Some- times	Rarely/ never	Rarely	Never	DK	SKP/ REF
Avoiding nonessential travel	4/29-5/3/2021 N=1,842	61	38	23	17	22	11	11	*	*
	2/25-3/1/2021 N= 1,434	72	50	22	13	14	8	6	*	1
Staying away from large groups	4/29-5/3/2021 N=1,842	68	43	25	16	16	8	8	-	*
	2/25-3/1/2021 N= 1,434	77	55	23	13	9	5	4	-	1
Avoiding other people as much as possible	4/29-5/3/2021 N=1,842	50	24	26	24	26	15	11	*	*
	2/25-3/1/2021 N= 1,434	66	35	31	19	15	10	5	-	1
Wearing a face mask when you're around other people outside your home	4/29-5/3/2021 N=1,842	78	56	22	12	10	5	5	-	*
	2/25-3/1/2021 N= 1,434	82	65	17	10	8	5	3	-	1

APVAX9. How confident are you that the coronavirus vaccines:

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

AP-NORC		Extremely / very confident	Extremely confident	Very confident	Some-what confident	Not at all/not very confident	Not very confident	Not at all confident	D K	SKP/ REF
Were properly tested for safety and effectiveness	4/29-5/3/2021 N=1,842	45	14	31	30	25	11	14	*	1
	2/25-3/1/2021 N= 1,434	39	14	25	35	25	15	10	*	1
Are being distributed fairly	4/29-5/3/2021 N=1,842	46	14	32	38	16	11	5	*	*
	2/25-3/1/2021 N= 1,434	25	8	17	43	31	23	8	*	1
Are being distributed quickly and safely	4/29-5/3/2021 N=1,842	53	17	36	32	14	9	6	*	*
	2/25-3/1/2021 N= 1,434	28	9	19	47	24	18	7	*	1

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	*

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	*

N=

1,199

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
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,842</i>

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
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,842</i>

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
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,842</i>

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
Slightly concerned	24
Not concerned	36
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,214</i>

AGE

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

GENDER

	AP-NORC 4/29-5/3/2021
Male	48
Female	52
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,842</i>

RACE/ETHNICITY

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

MARITAL STATUS

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

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 29th and May 3rd, 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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