



# The September 2021 AP-NORC Center Poll

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*Interviews: 9/23-27/2021*

*1,099 adults*

*Margin of sampling error: +/- 4.2 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
9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	34	64	*	1
8/12-16/2021 (N=1,729)	39	61	*	*
7/15-19/2021 (N=1,308)	44	55	1	1
6/10-14/2021 (N=1,125)	46	53	*	1
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]**

AP-NORC All adults	<b>Approve NET</b>	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Lean toward approv- ing	<b>Do not lean either way</b>	<b>Dis- approve NET</b>	Lean toward disapp- roving	Some- what dis- approve	Strongly dis- approve	DK	SKP /REF
9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	<b>50</b>	18	31	1	<b>1</b>	<b>49</b>	*	17	32	*	*
8/12-16/2021 (N=1,729)	<b>54</b>	24	30	*	*	<b>46</b>	*	15	30	*	*
7/15-19/2021 (N=1,308)	<b>59</b>	25	33	1	*	<b>41</b>	1	14	26	-	*
6/10-14/2021 (N=1,125)	<b>55</b>	26	29	*	<b>1</b>	<b>44</b>	1	14	29	-	-
4/29-5/3/2021 (N=1,842)	<b>63</b>	34	29	*	<b>1</b>	<b>36</b>	*	11	25	*	*
3/25-29/2021 (N= 1,166)	<b>61</b>	31	29	*	*	<b>38</b>	*	13	25	-	1
2/25-3/1/2021 (N=1,434)	<b>60</b>	32	28	*	*	<b>40</b>	*	15	24	*	*
1/28-2/1/2021 (N=1,055)	<b>61</b>	35	26	*	<b>1</b>	<b>38</b>	*	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	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	47	51	1	1
	8/12-16/2021 (N=1,729)	49	49	*	1
	7/15-19/2021 (N=1,308)	52	47	*	*
	6/10-14/2021 (N=1,125)	51	47	*	2
	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	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	57	43	*	1
	8/12-16/2021 (N=1,729)	54	45	*	1
	7/15-19/2021 (N=1,308)	66	33	1	*
	6/10-14/2021 (N=1,125)	68	31	*	1
	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
National security	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	46	52	*	2
	8/12-16/2021 (N=1,729)	52	46	1	1
Foreign policy	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	43	54	1	2
	8/12-16/2021 (N=1,729)	47	51	*	2
	6/10-14/2021 (N=1,125)	50	47	*	3
	4/29-5/3/2021 (N=1,842)	54	41	2	3
	3/25-29/2021 (N= 1,166)	55	43	*	1
The situation in Afghanistan	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	34	65	*	1

		Approve	Disapprove	DK	SKP/REF
Climate change	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	52	46	1	2
Immigration	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	35	64	1	1
	6/10-14/2021 (N=1,125)	40	59	-	2
	4/29-5/3/2021 (N=1,842)	43	54	1	2
	3/25-29/2021 (N= 1,166)	42	56	*	2
Relationships with U.S. allies	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	50	48	*	2

**B1A. How would you describe the nation's economy these days? Would you say...**

*If neither good nor poor, don't know, Skipped, or Refused in B1A:*

**B1B. If you had to choose, do you lean more toward the nation's economy being good or the nation's economy being poor?**

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

AP-NORC All adults	Very/ Somewhat/ Lean toward good NET	Very good	Some- what good	Lean toward good	Neither good nor poor	Very/ Somewhat/ Lean toward poor NET	Lean toward poor	Some- what poor	Very poor	DK	SKP /REF
9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	<b>45</b>	2	27	16	-	<b>54</b>	17	25	12	*	-
7/15-19/2021 (N=1,308)	<b>45</b>	4	28	13	<b>1</b>	<b>54</b>	15	28	11	-	*
6/10-14/2021 (N=1,125)	<b>47</b>	3	27	17	*	<b>53</b>	14	26	13	-	-
3/25-29/2021 (N= 1,166)	<b>46</b>	2	25	19	*	<b>54</b>	16	27	11	-	-
2/25-3/1/2021 (N=1,434)	<b>37</b>	1	22	14	*	<b>63</b>	16	34	12	-	*
1/28-2/1/2021 (N=1,055)	<b>31</b>	1	17	12	*	<b>69</b>	15	37	17	-	-
12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	<b>38</b>	5	22	11	*	<b>62</b>	11	34	17	*	-
10/8-12/2020 (N=1,121)	<b>39</b>	6	22	11	*	<b>61</b>	10	31	20	-	*
9/11-14/2020 (N=1,108)	<b>40</b>	6	24	11	*	<b>60</b>	10	33	16	-	-
8/17-19/2020 (N=1,075)	<b>37</b>	4	21	12	*	<b>62</b>	12	32	18	-	-
7/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	<b>38</b>	4	22	12	-	<b>62</b>	11	30	21	-	-
6/11-15/2020 (N=1,310)	<b>36</b>	5	19	12	*	<b>63</b>	14	28	21	-	1

	<b>Very/ Somewhat/ Lean toward good NET</b>	Very good	Some- what good	Lean toward good	<b>Neither good nor poor</b>	<b>Very/ Somewhat/ Lean toward poor NET</b>	Lean toward poor	Some- what poor	Very poor	DK	SKP /REF
5/14-18/2020 (N=1,056)	<b>29</b>	3	13	13	*	<b>70</b>	9	31	30		
4/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	<b>29</b>	3	15	11	-	<b>71</b>	8	30	33	-	-
03/26-29/2020 (N=1,057)	<b>39</b>	9	17	12	*	<b>60</b>	10	29	21	-	-
1/16-21/2020 (N=1,353)	<b>67</b>	21	36	10	*	<b>33</b>	13	15	5	-	*
9/20-23/2019 (N=1,286)	<b>61</b>	18	31	11	*	<b>38</b>	11	19	8	1	*
6/13-17/2019 (N=1,116)	<b>63</b>	15	35	14	*	<b>36</b>	13	16	7	-	1

**AFGH1. Do you approve, disapprove, or neither approve nor disapprove of the decision that removed all U.S. troops from Afghanistan at the end of August?**

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

AP-NORC All adults	<b>Approve NET</b>	Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Neither approve nor disapprove	<b>Dis- approve NET</b>	Some- what dis- approve	Strongly dis- approve	DK	SKP/ REF
9/23-27/2021	<b>45</b>	20	26	<b>14</b>	<b>39</b>	20	19	1	*

*N = 1,099*

**AFGH2. Would you favor, oppose, or neither favor nor oppose the United States accepting each of the following groups of people who were evacuated from Afghanistan as refugees if they pass security checks?**

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

AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021	<b>Strongly/ Somewhat favor NET</b>	Strongly favor	Some- what favor	<b>Neither favor nor oppose</b>	<b>Strongly/ Somewhat oppose NET</b>	Some- what oppose	Strongly oppose	DK	SKP /REF
People who worked with the U.S. or Afghan governments during the war	<b>72</b>	42	30	<b>18</b>	<b>9</b>	5	4	*	*
Other people who fear living in Afghanistan under Taliban rule	<b>42</b>	16	26	<b>31</b>	<b>26</b>	17	9	*	*

*N=1,099*

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

**[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED]**

AP-NORC		<b>Extremely /Very worried NET</b>	Extremely worried	Very worried	<b>Some- what worried</b>	<b>Not too/Not at all worried NET</b>	Not too worried	Not at all worried	DK	SKP/ REF
The coronavirus	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	<b>33</b>	16	17	<b>36</b>	<b>31</b>	20	11	-	*
	8/12-16/2021 (N=1,729)	<b>41</b>	22	19	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	21	9	-	*
	7/15-19/2021 (N= 1,308)	<b>27</b>	14	13	<b>27</b>	<b>45</b>	29	16	*	*
	6/10-14/2021 (N= 1,125)	<b>21</b>	10	11	<b>25</b>	<b>54</b>	34	20	-	*
	4/29-5/3/2021 (N=1,842)	<b>24</b>	10	14	<b>29</b>	<b>47</b>	31	15	-	*
	3/25-29/2021 (N= 1,166)	<b>35</b>	17	18	<b>34</b>	<b>32</b>	24	7	-	-
	2/25-3/1/2021 (N=1,434)	<b>31</b>	16	15	<b>36</b>	<b>33</b>	24	9	-	*
	1/28-2/1/2021 (N=1,055)	<b>43</b>	22	20	<b>30</b>	<b>27</b>	19	8	-	*
	12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	<b>43</b>	22	21	<b>34</b>	<b>23</b>	16	8	-	*
	10/8-12/2020 (N=1,121)	<b>42</b>	22	19	<b>32</b>	<b>26</b>	18	8	-	*
	9/11-14/2020 (N = 1,108)	<b>38</b>	19	19	<b>31</b>	<b>31</b>	22	9	-	*
	8/17-19/2020 (N=1,075)	<b>42</b>	20	22	<b>31</b>	<b>26</b>	17	9	*	*
	7/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	<b>49</b>	25	24	<b>31</b>	<b>19</b>	11	8	*	*
	6/11-15/2020 (N=1,310)	<b>32</b>	16	16	<b>35</b>	<b>32</b>	22	9	-	1
	5/14-18/2020 (N=1,056)	<b>42</b>	21	21	<b>31</b>	<b>25</b>	18	7	*	1
	4/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	<b>43</b>	23	20	<b>35</b>	<b>22</b>	17	5	*	-
	03/26-29/2020 (N=1,057)	<b>50</b>	28	22	<b>34</b>	<b>16</b>	13	3	-	*
	03/12-16/2020 (N=1,003)	<b>31</b>	14	17	<b>35</b>	<b>33</b>	23	10	*	1
	2/13-16/2020 (N=1,074)	<b>22</b>	11	11	<b>23</b>	<b>55</b>	37	19	-	*

		<b>Extremely /Very worried NET</b>	Extremely worried	Very worried	<b>Some- what worried</b>	<b>Not too/Not at all worried NET</b>	Not too worried	Not at all worried	DK	SKP/ REF
The flu	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	<b>12</b>	4	8	<b>31</b>	<b>57</b>	39	18	-	*
	8/12-16/2021 (N=1,729)	<b>15</b>	8	7	<b>26</b>	<b>58</b>	41	17	-	*
	7/15-19/2021 (N= 1,308)	<b>13</b>	5	8	<b>24</b>	<b>63</b>	41	23	-	*
	6/10-14/2021 (N= 1,125)	<b>10</b>	3	7	<b>22</b>	<b>69</b>	44	25	-	*
	4/29-5/3/2021 (N= 1,842)	<b>9</b>	3	6	<b>21</b>	<b>70</b>	42	27	-	*
	3/25-29/2021 (N= 1,166)	<b>13</b>	6	8	<b>27</b>	<b>59</b>	42	18	-	*
	2/25-3/1/2021 (N=1,434)	<b>12</b>	5	7	<b>29</b>	<b>59</b>	39	20	-	*
	1/28-2/1/2021 (N=1,055)	<b>14</b>	6	7	<b>29</b>	<b>58</b>	40	17	-	*
	12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	<b>17</b>	8	9	<b>31</b>	<b>52</b>	39	13	-	-
	10/8-12/2020 (N=1,121)	<b>20</b>	9	10	<b>34</b>	<b>47</b>	33	14	*	*
	9/11-14/2020 (N = 1,108)	<b>21</b>	8	12	<b>33</b>	<b>46</b>	32	14	-	*
	8/17-19/2020 (N=1,075)	<b>16</b>	7	9	<b>31</b>	<b>52</b>	37	15	-	1
	7/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	<b>19</b>	9	10	<b>34</b>	<b>47</b>	33	15	-	*
	6/11-15/2020 (N=1,310)	<b>15</b>	7	9	<b>27</b>	<b>56</b>	41	16	-	1
	5/14-18/2020 (N=1,056)	<b>17</b>	7	10	<b>28</b>	<b>54</b>	38	15	-	1
	4/16-20/2020 (N=1,057)	<b>22</b>	10	13	<b>30</b>	<b>47</b>	35	12	-	*
	3/26-29/2020 (N=1,057)	<b>22</b>	11	12	<b>35</b>	<b>43</b>	34	8	-	*
	3/12-16/2020 (N=1,003)	<b>15</b>	6	9	<b>33</b>	<b>50</b>	37	13	-	1
	2/13-16/2020 (N=1,074)	<b>23</b>	10	14	<b>40</b>	<b>37</b>	29	7	-	*



**DELTA1. How confident are you that the COVID-19 vaccines will be effective against new variants of the coronavirus?**

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

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021	AP-NORC 8/12-16/2021	AP-NORC 7/15-19/2021
<b>Extremely/very confident NET</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>28</b>
Extremely confident	5	7	6
Very confident	21	19	22
<b>Somewhat confident</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>41</b>
<b>Not at all/not too confident NET</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>30</b>
Not too confident	19	18	17
Not at all confident	12	16	13
DON'T KNOW	*	-	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	*	*
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,099</i>	<i>1,729</i>	<i>1,308</i>

**COR8. How much do you trust each of the following sources for information about coronavirus vaccines?**

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

AP-NORC		<b>A great deal/ Quite a bit NET</b>	A great deal	Quite a bit	<b>A moderate amount</b>	<b>Only a little /Not at all NET</b>	Only a little	Not at all	DK	SKP/REF
The Food and Drug Administration or FDA	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	<b>38</b>	13	25	<b>32</b>	<b>30</b>	17	13	*	*
	12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	<b>41</b>	13	27	<b>34</b>	<b>25</b>	17	8	-	*
The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services or HHS	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	<b>35</b>	12	23	<b>32</b>	<b>32</b>	19	13	*	*
	12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	<b>38</b>	14	24	<b>36</b>	<b>26</b>	18	7	*	*
The World Health Organization or WHO	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	<b>34</b>	11	23	<b>28</b>	<b>38</b>	18	20	*	*
	12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	<b>36</b>	14	22	<b>28</b>	<b>35</b>	18	17	1	*
Joe Biden	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	<b>27</b>	10	17	<b>25</b>	<b>47</b>	14	34	*	*
	12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	<b>33</b>	14	19	<b>21</b>	<b>45</b>	19	27	*	1
Dr. Anthony Fauci	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	<b>37</b>	20	17	<b>21</b>	<b>40</b>	16	24	*	1
	12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	<b>48</b>	25	23	<b>21</b>	<b>30</b>	16	14	*	*
Pharmaceutical companies	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	<b>17</b>	5	13	<b>35</b>	<b>47</b>	26	21	*	*
	12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	<b>20</b>	5	15	<b>38</b>	<b>42</b>	25	17	1	*

		<b>A great deal/ Quite a bit NET</b>	A great deal	Quite a bit	<b>A moderate amount</b>	<b>Only a little /Not at all NET</b>	Only a little	Not at all	DK	SKP/ REF
The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention or CDC	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	<b>45</b>	20	25	<b>26</b>	<b>29</b>	15	14	*	*
	12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	<b>46</b>	20	26	<b>32</b>	<b>21</b>	15	6	1	*
Health professionals, including doctors, nurses, and pharmacists	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	<b>53</b>	19	34	<b>30</b>	<b>16</b>	10	6	*	*
	12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	<b>58</b>	24	34	<b>28</b>	<b>14</b>	11	3	*	*
News media	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	<b>12</b>	3	9	<b>27</b>	<b>61</b>	29	31	-	*
	12/3-7/2020 (N=1,117)	<b>16</b>	4	11	<b>27</b>	<b>56</b>	27	29	*	1

**COVID3. Do you approve, disapprove, or neither approve nor disapprove of the Biden administration’s plan to require that most U.S. workers either get vaccinated or tested weekly for COVID-19?**

**[HALF SAMPLE SHOWN RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]**

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021
<b>Strongly/somewhat approve NET</b>	<b>51</b>
Strongly approve	35
Somewhat approve	17
<b>Neither approve nor disapprove</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>Strongly/somewhat disapprove NET</b>	<b>34</b>
Somewhat disapprove	11
Strongly disapprove	23
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*

N= 1,099

**EMPLOY1. Which of the following describes your current employment status?**

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021
Working <u>remotely</u> – as a paid employee	13
Working <u>in-person</u> – as a paid employee	36
Working – self-employed	7
Not working – temporarily laid off or furloughed since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic	3
Not working – permanently laid off at any time since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic	1
Not working – unemployed looking for work since before the COVID-19 pandemic	2
Not working – retired	21
Not working – disabled	8
Not working – other	8
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*

N=

1,099

**HAR1. How serious a problem would you say sexual misconduct is at each of the following places?**

[ITEMS RANDOMIZED]

		Extremely / very serious NET	Extremely serious	Very serious	Some- what serious	Not very/not at all serious NET	Not very serious	Not at all serious	DK	SKP /REF
AP-NORC										
Colleges and universities	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	55	24	31	34	10	9	1	1	*
	12/7-11/2017 N=1,020	67	36	31	25	8	7	1	1	*
Workplaces or businesses in general	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	35	15	20	47	17	16	1	*	*
	12/7-11/2017 N=1,020	56	27	29	32	11	9	2	*	*
<i>If employed</i> Your workplace	9/23-27/2021 N=591	17	10	7	14	68	34	34	-	*
	12/7-11/2017 N=652	32	19	12	13	55	24	31	-	1
The government	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	44	18	26	42	13	11	2	*	1
The U.S. military	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	49	25	24	35	14	13	2	1	1
	12/7-11/2017 N=1,020	61	30	32	27	11	9	1	1	*

		<b>Extremely / very serious NET</b>	Extremely serious	Very serious	<b>Some- what serious</b>	<b>Not very/not at all serious NET</b>	Not very serious	Not at all serious	DK	SKP /REF
Hollywood and the entertainment industry	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	<b>67</b>	34	33	<b>25</b>	<b>6</b>	5	1	*	1
	12/7-11/2017 N=1,020	<b>74</b>	39	35	<b>19</b>	<b>6</b>	5	2	1	*
Social media	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	<b>58</b>	24	34	<b>32</b>	<b>9</b>	7	2	1	1

**HAR2. Do you think the following are doing too much, too little or the right amount to address the problem of sexual misconduct?**

**[ITEMS RANDOMIZED]**

		<b>Too much/ somewhat too much NET</b>	Too much	Some- what too much	<b>Right amount</b>	<b>Some- what too little/too little NET</b>	Some- what too little	Too little	DK	SKP/ REF
AP-NORC Colleges and universities	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	<b>7</b>	3	4	<b>26</b>	<b>65</b>	39	27	1	1
	12/7-11/2017 N=1,020	<b>8</b>	3	5	<b>31</b>	<b>61</b>	39	22	*	*
Workplaces or businesses in general	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	<b>5</b>	2	3	<b>40</b>	<b>53</b>	38	15	*	1
	12/7-11/2017 N=1,020	<b>7</b>	2	4	<b>38</b>	<b>54</b>	36	18	1	1
<i>If employed</i> Your workplace	9/23-27/2021 N=591	<b>6</b>	1	5	<b>77</b>	<b>16</b>	10	6	-	2
	12/7-11/2017 N=652	<b>6</b>	3	3	<b>67</b>	<b>24</b>	15	10	1	1
The government	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	<b>5</b>	1	4	<b>29</b>	<b>65</b>	39	26	*	1
The U.S. military	9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	<b>4</b>	1	3	<b>30</b>	<b>64</b>	33	31	1	1
	12/7-11/2017 N=652	<b>4</b>	1	3	<b>36</b>	<b>59</b>	32	27	1	1
Hollywood and the entertain- ment industry	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	<b>6</b>	2	4	<b>16</b>	<b>76</b>	34	42	1	1
	12/7-11/2017 N=652	<b>12</b>	5	8	<b>22</b>	<b>65</b>	28	37	1	*
Law enforcement	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	<b>4</b>	1	3	<b>38</b>	<b>56</b>	32	24	*	1
Social media companies	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	<b>6</b>	3	4	<b>20</b>	<b>72</b>	36	36	1	1

**HAR4. In the United States, how often do you think people are falsely accused of sexual misconduct in the workplace?**

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

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021	AP-NORC 12/7-11/2017
<b>All/most of the time NET</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>14</b>
All the time	3	5
Most of the time	8	8
<b>Some of the time</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>69</b>
<b>Hardly ever/never NET</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>16</b>
Hardly ever	18	16
Never	*	*
DON'T KNOW	*	1
SKIP/REFUSED	*	*

N=

1,099

1,020

**HAR5. Do you think each of the following is happening as a result of high-profile sexual misconduct cases, or not?**

**[ITEMS RANDOMIZED]**

AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021	Yes, is happening	No, is not happening	DK	SKP/REF
More people are speaking out about being the victim of sexual misconduct	88	12	*	*
More people are speaking out when they witness sexual misconduct	70	30	*	*
Companies are developing stricter policies against sexual misconduct	76	23	1	*

N=1,099

**DISCRIM4. Would you say the recent attention to sexual misconduct in the United States has generally had a positive impact or negative impact on each of the following, or has it not had much impact?**

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

AP-NORC		<b>Very/ Some- what positive</b>	Very positive	Some- what positive	<b>Not much impact</b>	<b>Very/ Some- what negative</b>	Some- what negative	Very negative	DK	SKP/ REF
The country overall	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	<b>45</b>	7	38	<b>30</b>	<b>24</b>	19	5	1	1
	01/16-21/2020 N=1,353	<b>33</b>	7	26	<b>28</b>	<b>38</b>	30	8	*	1
Women in the United States	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	<b>61</b>	15	46	<b>19</b>	<b>19</b>	15	4	1	*
	01/16-21/2020 N=1,353	<b>45</b>	11	35	<b>24</b>	<b>30</b>	22	8	*	1

		<b>Very/ Some- what positive</b>	Very positive	Some- what positive	<b>Not much impact</b>	<b>Very/ Some- what negative</b>	Some- what negative	Very negative	DK	SKP/ REF
Men in the United States	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	<b>25</b>	4	20	<b>34</b>	<b>41</b>	31	9	*	*
	01/16-21/2020 N=1,353	<b>19</b>	3	16	<b>34</b>	<b>46</b>	34	12	*	1
You personally	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	<b>27</b>	8	19	<b>65</b>	<b>8</b>	5	3	*	1
	01/16-21/2020 N=1,353	<b>16</b>	5	12	<b>69</b>	<b>14</b>	9	4	*	1
LGBT people in the United States	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	<b>37</b>	7	30	<b>42</b>	<b>19</b>	11	7	1	1
Women of color in the United States	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	<b>41</b>	9	32	<b>39</b>	<b>18</b>	12	6	1	1
Men of color in the United States	9/23-27/2021 N=1,099	<b>25</b>	5	20	<b>45</b>	<b>28</b>	20	8	1	1

**HAR10. Have you personally been the victim of sexual misconduct or not?**

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021
Yes	23
No	77
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIP/REFUSED	*

N=

1,099

**HAR14. Do you ever worry that you will be the victim of sexual misconduct, or not?**

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021	AP-NORC 12/7-11/2017
<b>Worry a great deal/somewhat NET</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>23</b>
Worry a great deal	6	4
Worry somewhat	24	19
<b>Don't worry</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>77</b>
DON'T KNOW	*	-
SKIP/REFUSED	*	*

N=

1,099

**HAR16. How concerned are you that you may have said or done something that could be considered sexual misconduct, even unintentionally?**

**[HALF SAMPLE SHOWN RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER]**

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021
<b>Extremely/very concerned NET</b>	<b>6</b>
Extremely concerned	3
Very concerned	3
<b>Moderately concerned</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Not very/not at all concerned</b>	<b>75</b>
Not very concerned	31
Not at all concerned	44
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIP/REFUSED	*

*N= 1,099*

**MISCON1. As a result of recent attention to sexual misconduct, would you say you are more likely or less likely to, or has there been no change?**

**[ITEMS RANDOMIZED]**

AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021	More likely	No change	Less likely	DK	SKP/REF
Speak out if you are a victim of sexual misconduct	54	40	6	-	1
Speak out if you witness sexual misconduct	58	37	4	*	1

*N= 1,099*

**MISCON2. Have you done any of the following in the past year as a result of recent attention to sexual misconduct, or not?**

**[ITEMS RANDOMIZED]**

AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021	Yes	No	DK	SKP/REF
Talked with other people about sexual misconduct	34	65	-	1
Changed how you interacted with other people	26	74	-	*
<i>If employed</i> Received training on harassment in the workplace <i>N=591</i>	54	46	-	*

*N= 1,099*

**MISCON3. As a result of recent attention to sexual misconduct, has your definition of what is sexual misconduct changed a lot, changed a little, or not changed at all?**

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021
<b>Changed NET</b>	<b>50</b>
Changed a lot	11
Changed a little	39
<b>Not changed at all</b>	<b>50</b>
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIP/REFUSED	*

*N= 1,099*



**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 9/23-27/2021
<b>Democrat NET</b>	<b>46</b>
Strong Democrat	21
Not so strong Democrat	14
Lean Democrat	11
<b>Independent/None – Don't lean</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Republican NET</b>	<b>36</b>
Lean Republican	10
Not so strong Republican	13
Strong Republican	13

N=

1,099

**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 9/23-27/2021
<b>Liberal NET</b>	<b>22</b>
Very liberal	11
Somewhat liberal	11
<b>Moderate</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Conservative NET</b>	<b>25</b>
Somewhat conservative	15
Very conservative	10
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	2

N=

1,099

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

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021
Urban	24
Suburban	50
Rural	26
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*

*N=1,099*

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

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021
Protestant	26
Roman Catholic	19
Mormon	2
Orthodox	*
Jewish	2
Muslim	2
Buddhist	1
Hindu	*
Atheist	4
Agnostic	5
Nothing in particular	13
Just Christian	21
Unitarian	1
Something else	3
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*

*N=*

*1,099*

*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 9/23-27/2021
Yes	38
No	62
DON'T KNOW	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-

*N=*

*1,099*

**VAX3. Have you received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine?**

AP-NORC	Yes	No	DK	SKIP/ REF
9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	76	24	1	*
8/12-16/2021 (N=1,729)	71	29	-	1
7/15-19/2021 (N=1,308)	67	32	-	1
6/10-14/2021 (N=1,125)	64	36	*	*
4/29-5/3/2021 <sup>1</sup> (N=1,842)	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 Yes in VAX3:*

**VAX46. Once people are fully vaccinated against COVID-19, some people will get an additional dose called a booster. How likely are you to get a COVID-19 booster vaccine once it becomes available to you?**

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021
Definitely will get a booster vaccine	48
Probably will get a booster vaccine	21
Not sure about getting a booster vaccine	20
Probably <u>will not</u> get a booster vaccine	6
Definitely <u>will not</u> get a booster vaccine	5
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	-

N=

1,099

<sup>1</sup> Prior to June 2021, question read: Have you received a COVID-19 vaccine?

If Yes in VAX3:

**VAX47. If boosters are recommended for you, how important do you think getting a COVID-19 booster vaccine is to protect yourself against COVID-19?**

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021
Not at all important	6
A little important	15
Moderately important	25
Very important	54
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*

N=

1,099

**WAGE1. If you were offered a new job, what is the lowest wage or salary you would be willing to accept? Please enter a number only. You can answer in dollars per hour or per year.**

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021	AP-NORC 8/12-16/2021	AP-NORC 7/15-19/2021	AP-NORC 6/10-14/2021
Would not take a new job for any wage or salary	17	16	16	18
Less than \$15 an hour	11	10	13	11
\$15 to under \$20 an hour	19	19	17	19
\$20 to under \$25 an hour	8	9	8	8
\$25 an hour or more	13	12	10	10
Less than \$50,000 a year	6	5	5	4
\$50,000 to under \$75,000 a year	9	10	10	9
\$75,000 to under \$100,000 a year	6	7	5	6
\$100,000 to under \$150,000 a year	5	5	6	5
\$150,000 or more a year	4	4	5	3
DON'T KNOW	*	*	1	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	3	4	5

N=

1,099

1,729

1,308

1,125

If respondent provided a valid monetary response for WAGE1:

**WAGE2. In the last month, have you seen any available jobs that you think you could be hired for but are not willing to apply for, or not?**

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021	AP-NORC 8/12-16/2021	AP-NORC 7/15-19/2021	AP-NORC 6/10-14/2021
Yes	39	34	34	29
No	60	64	65	68
DON'T KNOW	-	*	*	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	1	1	1	3

N=

1,099

1,446

1,105

556

If No in WAGE2:

**WAGE3. Which of the following best describes why you are not willing to apply for those jobs?**

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021	AP-NORC 8/12-16/2021	AP-NORC 7/15-19/2021	AP-NORC 6/10-14/2021
The wages are too low	28	18	18	22
Not interested in the type of work	15	20	22	23
The schedule or location doesn't work for me	26	25	19	20
Some other reason	31	36	41	35
DON'T KNOW	-	*	-	-
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	*	1	*	-
N=	1,099	527	380	176

**WAGE4. Are you or someone in your household currently receiving unemployment benefits?**

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021	AP-NORC 8/12-16/2021	AP-NORC 7/15-19/2021	AP-NORC 6/10-14/2021
I am	1	4	4	4
I am not, but someone else in my household is	3	4	5	4
No	95	92	90	91
DON'T KNOW	*	-	-	-
SKIPPED/REFUSED	1	1	1	1
N=	1,099	1,729	1,308	1,125

If No or Refused in VAX3:

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
9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	24	4	20	76	31	45	-	*
8/12-16/2021 (N=440)	20	3	18	79	30	49	-	1
7/15-19/2021 (N=427)	19	3	16	81	35	45	*	*
6/10-14/2021 (N=311)	23	7	15	75	29	46	2	1
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 VAX3 and APVAX7:

AP-NORC	Already received the vaccine	Definitely/ probably not 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	SKP /REF
9/23-27/2021 (N=1,099)	76	6	1	5	18	7	11	1	-
8/12-16/2021 (N=1,729)	71	6	1	5	23	9	14	1	-
7/15-19/2021 (N=1,308)	67	6	1	5	26	11	15	1	-
6/10-14/2021 (N=1,125)	64	8	3	6	27	11	16	1	-
4/29-5/3/2021 (N=1,842)	64	14	4	10	22	10	12	1	-
3/25-29/2021 (N= 1,166)	41	33	18	16	25	13	12	-	-
2/25-3/1/2021 (N=1,434)	22	47	30	17	30	15	15	1	-
1/28-2/1/2021 (N=1,055)	13	54	35	19	32	17	15	1	-

**AGE**

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021
18-29	20
30-44	26
45-59	23
60+	30
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,099</i>

**GENDER**

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021
Male	48
Female	52
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,099</i>

**RACE/ETHNICITY**

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021
White	62
Black or African American	12
Hispanic	17
Other	9
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,099</i>

**MARITAL STATUS**

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021
Married	55
Not married	45
<i>N=</i>	<i>1,099</i>

## EDUCATION

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021
Less than a high school diploma	9
High school graduate or equivalent	29
Some college	27
College graduate or above	21
Post grad study/professional degree	14

*N*=

*1,099*

## INCOME

	AP-NORC 9/23-27/2021
Under \$10,000	5
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	10
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	12
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	9
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	7
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	20
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	15
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	12
\$150,000 or more	9

*N*=

*1,099*



## 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 September 23<sup>rd</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, with adults aged 18 and over representing the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Panel members were randomly drawn from AmeriSpeak, and 1,099 completed the survey—1,036 via the web and 63 via telephone. Interviews were conducted in both English and Spanish, depending on respondent preference. The final stage completion rate is 17.7 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 2.5 percent. The overall margin of sampling error is +/-4.2 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level, including the design effect. The margin of sampling error may be higher for subgroups.

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 2021 Current Population Survey. The weighted data reflect the U.S. population of adults aged 18 and over. The sample is also adjusted to match the benchmark of the percent of adults who have received at least one dose of a vaccine by Census region as of September 27, 2021, according to the CDC COVID-19 Vaccine Tracker data.

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