



# The May 2025 AP-NORC Center Poll

Conducted by The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research  
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*Interviews: 05/15-19/2025  
1,122 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.*

**TRANS. Do you think transgender girls and women should or should not be allowed to participate in each of the following girls and women's sports?**

**[GRID ITEMS RANDOMIZED]**

AP-NORC 05/15-19/2025	Should	Should not	DK	SKIP/REF
Professional sports	26	73	*	1
College sports	26	73	*	1
High school sports	27	72	*	1

*N=1,122*

**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.**

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

	AP-NORC 05/15-19/2025
<b>Democrat NET</b>	<b>37</b>
Strong Democrat	14
Not so strong Democrat	12
Lean Democrat	10
<b>Independent/None – Don't lean</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>Republican NET</b>	<b>38</b>
Lean Republican	9
Not so strong Republican	13
Strong Republican	15

*N=*

*1,122*

**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:*

**IDEO. Do you consider yourself very conservative or somewhat conservative?**

**Combines D3, D4, D5:**

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

	AP-NORC 05/15-19/2025
<b>Liberal NET</b>	<b>1</b>
Very liberal	10
Somewhat liberal	8
<b>Moderate</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>Conservative NET</b>	<b>28</b>
Somewhat conservative	15
Very conservative	13
DON'T KNOW	*
SKIPPED ON WEB/REFUSED	2
N=	1,122

**AGE**

	AP-NORC 05/15-19/2025
18-29	20
30-44	26
45-59	23
60+	31
N=	1,122

**GENDER**

	AP-NORC 05/15-19/2025
Male	49
Female	51
N=	1,122

**RACE/ETHNICITY**

	AP-NORC 05/15-19/2025
White, non-Hispanic	60
Black or African American	12
Hispanic	18
Other	10
<i>N</i> =	1,122

**MARITAL STATUS**

	AP-NORC 05/15-19/2025
Married	46
Not married	54
<i>N</i> =	1,122

**EMPLOYMENT STATUS**

	AP-NORC 05/15-19/2025
Employed	65
Not employed	35
<i>N</i> =	1,122

**EDUCATION**

	AP-NORC 05/15-19/2025
Less than a high school diploma	9
High school graduate or equivalent	28
Some college	26
Bachelor's degree	23
Post graduate study or professional degree	14
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## CENSUS REGION

	AP-NORC 05/15-19/2025
<b>Northeast NET</b>	<b>17</b>
New England	5
Mid-Atlantic	13
<b>Midwest NET</b>	<b>20</b>
East North Central	14
West North Central	6
<b>South NET</b>	<b>39</b>
South Atlantic	21
East South Central	6
West South Central	12
<b>West NET</b>	<b>24</b>
Mountain	8
Pacific	16

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## HOME OWNERSHIP

	AP-NORC 05/15-19/2025
Owned or being bought by you or someone in your household	63
Rented for cash	33
Occupied without payment of cash rent	4

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## VOTE 2024

	AP-NORC 05/15-19/2025
Voted for Kamala Harris	29
Voted for Donald Trump	30
Voted for someone else	1
Didn't vote	41

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## INCOME

	AP-NORC 05/15-19/2025
Under \$10,000	6
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	9
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	9
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	9
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	10
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	18
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	13
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	14
\$150,000 or more	12
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## 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 bi-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 May 15 through May 19, 2025, with adults aged 18 and over representing the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Panel members were randomly drawn from AmeriSpeak, and 1,122 completed the survey—1,033 via the web and 89 by telephone. Panel members were invited by email or by phone from an NORC telephone interviewer. Interviews were conducted in English. Respondents were offered a small monetary incentive for completing the survey. The final stage completion rate is 15.5 percent, the weighted household panel response rate is 26.1 percent, and the weighted household panel retention rate is 77.8 percent, for a cumulative response rate of 3.1 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. For example, the margin of sampling error is 6.1 percentage points for Democrats and 6.4 percentage points for Republicans and 9.9 percentage points for independents. Sampling error is only one of many potential sources of error and there may be other unmeasured error in this or any other survey.

Quality assurance checks were conducted to ensure data quality. In total, -87 interviews were removed for nonresponse to at least 50% of the questions asked of them, for completing the survey in less than one-third the median interview time for the full sample, or for straight-lining all grid questions asked of them. These interviews were excluded from the data file prior to weighting.

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, education, and 2024 presidential vote. Weighting variables were obtained from the 2024 Current Population Survey and the final results for 2024 presidential vote turnout and vote choice. The weighted data reflect the U.S. population of adults age 18 and over.

Complete questions and results are available at: [apnorc.org](https://apnorc.org).

Additional information on the AmeriSpeak Panel methodology is available at:  
<https://amerispeak.norc.org/about-amerispeak/Pages/Panel-Design.aspx>.

For more information, email [info@apnorc.org](mailto:info@apnorc.org).

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