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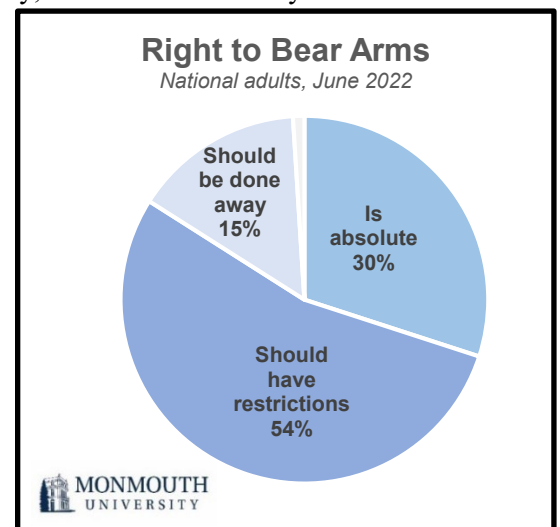
NATIONAL: PUBLIC DISAGREES WITH SCOTUS ON GUNS

Most say states should be able to limit concealed weapon permits

West Long Branch, NJ – A majority of Americans say individual states should be able to determine who can carry concealed weapons – an opinion that is at odds with a recent ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court. The *Monmouth (“Mon-muth”) University Poll* finds that public support for certain gun safety measures – such as comprehensive background checks, red flag laws and a national gun registry – remains high. Few Americans have heard a lot about the new federal gun safety law enacted last week, but most agree with gun advocates that the nation’s mental health crisis is a bigger contributor to mass shootings than the ease of obtaining firearms.

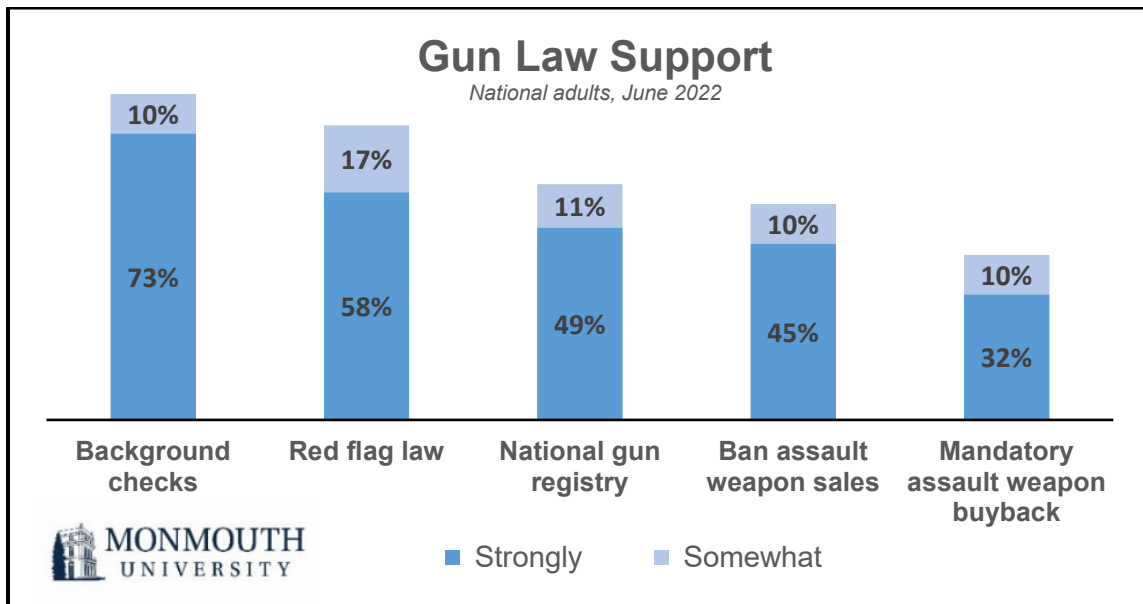
The American public differs from the U.S. Supreme Court when it comes to the nation’s approach to gun laws. Specifically, 56% of Americans say that individual states should be allowed to limit who can carry a concealed handgun by requiring permit applicants to demonstrate that they need the weapon for their work or for protection. Another 42% side with the court’s recent decision and say states should not be able to do this. In six states impacted by the high court’s ruling abolishing “may issue” permit laws – California, Hawaii, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Jersey, and New York – only 26% of residents endorse the court’s position. In these six states, 42% of residents say the high court’s recent ruling against these permit laws will make the public less safe where they live, while 19% say the public will be more safe and 39% say the ruling will have no impact on public safety where they live.

“Both the Supreme Court and the American public are bitterly divided on the question of gun access. The big difference, though, is a majority of the public comes down on the opposite side of the issue from a majority of the court,” said Patrick Murray, director of the independent Monmouth University Polling Institute.



Just 30% of Americans see the Second Amendment as offering an absolute right to bear arms. More than half (54%) say the right is important but should have restrictions, while 15% say it would be better for the country to do away with the right to bear arms entirely. Among current gun owners, 49% view the Second Amendment as an absolute right while 47% say the right to bear arms should have some restrictions.

An overwhelming majority of the public (83%) supports a comprehensive background check requirement for all gun purchasers. This includes 76% of current gun owners. Three in four Americans (75%) – including 60% of gun owners – support a federal red flag law that would allow police to temporarily take away the guns of someone who poses a threat to themselves or others. Majorities also support establishing a national gun ownership database (60%) and a ban on the future sale of assault weapons (55%) – although current gun owners are less supportive (41% back having a national database and 33% support banning future assault weapon sales). Less than half of the American public (42%) – and 18% of gun owners – back banning and a mandatory buyback of currently owned assault weapons. The vast majority of people who back these measures say they strongly support them. Support levels for the gun measures are virtually unchanged from a Monmouth poll taken in 2019.



The federal bipartisan gun safety bill enacted on the heels of the Supreme Court decision was touted as the most significant gun reform legislation in a generation. However, a third of the public has not heard anything about it. Among the rest, more approve (36%) than disapprove (19%) of the legislation. A third of the public (32%) says the gun safety measures in the new law do not go far enough. Just 9% say they do go far enough and 15% say they go too far. Over 4 in 10 (44%), though, have not heard about the bill or have no opinion of it.

When asked which factor is more responsible for the number of recent mass shootings in the U.S., 55% say it is a mental health crisis in the country while 33% say the ease of getting guns is more to blame. Just over half of the public (53%) expects the frequency of mass shootings in the country will increase in the next five years. Just 9% say the frequency will decrease and 35% say the mass shooting rate will remain about the same.

There are huge partisan differences on these questions. The vast majority of Republicans (80%) point to mental health issues as the problem while most Democrats (62%) say gun access is the prime culprit. Moreover, 64% of Democrats expect gun violence to increase in the next five years. Fewer Republicans (39%) feel the same, although it is interesting that only 15% of Republicans actually expect it to decrease.

“Other countries with similar public mental health challenges experience far less gun violence than the U.S. These results may indicate that gun advocates’ messaging about mental health being at the root of these mass shootings has been fairly effective with the American public. This new gun safety law, and its focus on mental health remedies, reinforces that message,” said Murray.

The number of self-reported gun owners, as well as the reasons they give for having a weapon, have remained steady over the past four years. Currently, 35% of American adults say they own a gun, pistol, or rifle – including 49% of men and 21% of women. The top reasons for owning a gun are personal safety (71% major reason) and to protect property (62%). Just under half say a major reason for having a gun is to go hunting (47%) or target shooting (43%). These top reasons are largely in line with responses current and former gun owners gave in a 2018 Monmouth poll. Purposes that are less likely to be cited as major reasons for owning a gun include to collect as a hobby (32%), to defend against possible government tyranny (28%) or as a job requirement (17%) – although each of these results is 5 to 6 points higher than in 2018.

The *Monmouth University Poll* was conducted by telephone from June 23 to 27, 2022 with 978 adults in the United States. The question results in this release have a margin of error of +/- 3.1 percentage points. The poll was conducted by the Monmouth University Polling Institute in West Long Branch, NJ.

QUESTIONS AND RESULTS

(* Some columns may not add to 100% due to rounding.)

[Q1-4 & 6-21 held for future release.]

[Q5 & 22-28 previously released.]

29. Which of the following statements comes closest to your view of the Second Amendment of the Constitution?

	June 2022
The right to bear arms is an absolute right and should not be limited	30%
The right to bear arms is important, but should have restrictions	54%
It would be better for the country if we did away with the right to bear arms entirely	15%
(VOL) Don't know	1%
(n)	(978)

30. Do you support or oppose requiring comprehensive background checks for all gun purchasers, including private sales between two individuals? [Do you support/oppose that strongly or somewhat?]

TREND:	June 2022	Aug. 2019	March 2018
Strongly support	73%	68%	68%
Somewhat support	10%	15%	15%
Somewhat oppose	6%	4%	5%
Strongly oppose	11%	9%	11%
(VOL) Don't know	1%	3%	2%
(n)	(978)	(800)	(803)

31. Do you support or oppose establishing a national gun ownership database to register all guns in the country? [Do you support/oppose that strongly or somewhat?]

TREND:	June 2022	Aug. 2019	March 2018
Strongly support	49%	49%	52%
Somewhat support	11%	13%	13%
Somewhat oppose	7%	8%	7%
Strongly oppose	31%	25%	25%
(VOL) Don't know	2%	5%	3%
(n)	(978)	(800)	(803)

32. Do you support or oppose banning the future sale of assault weapons? [Do you support/oppose that strongly or somewhat?]

TREND:	June 2022	Aug. 2019
Strongly support	45%	44%
Somewhat support	10%	12%
Somewhat oppose	10%	10%
Strongly oppose	32%	28%
(VOL) Don't know	3%	6%
(n)	(978)	(800)

33. Do you support or oppose banning the ownership of assault weapons so that current owners have to turn in their guns to a mandatory buyback program? [Do you support/oppose that strongly or somewhat?]

	June 2022	Aug. 2019
TREND:		
Strongly support	32%	33%
Somewhat support	10%	10%
Somewhat oppose	11%	13%
Strongly oppose	45%	40%
(VOL) Don't know	2%	4%
(n)	(978)	(800)

34. Do you support or oppose a federal red flag law that would allow police to temporarily take away the guns of someone who poses a threat to themselves or others? [Do you support/oppose that strongly or somewhat?]

	June 2022	Aug. 2019
TREND:		
Strongly support	58%	53%
Somewhat support	17%	22%
Somewhat oppose	6%	7%
Strongly oppose	18%	13%
(VOL) Don't know	1%	4%
(n)	(978)	(800)

35. Do you agree or disagree that individual states should be allowed to limit who can carry a concealed handgun by requiring permit applicants to demonstrate that they need the weapon for their work or for protection?

	June 2022
Agree	56%
Disagree	42%
(VOL) Don't know	3%
(n)	(978)

35A. On Thursday, the Supreme Court ruled that states cannot impose limitations on who is allowed to carry a concealed handgun in public. Based on current gun measures in your state, do you think this ruling will make the public more safe, less safe, or will it have no impact on public safety where you live?

	June 2022
More safe	22%
Less safe	34%
No impact	41%
(VOL) Don't know	3%
(n)	(978)

36. Do you think the number of recent mass shootings in the U.S. is due more to the ease of getting guns or due more to a mental health crisis in the country?

	June 2022
Ease of getting guns	33%
Mental health crisis	55%
(VOL) Both equally	9%
(VOL) Don't know	3%
(n)	(978)

37. Over the next five years, do you expect that the frequency of mass shootings in the country will increase, decrease, or stay about the same?

	June 2022
Increase	53%
Decrease	9%
Stay about the same	35%
(VOL) Don't know	3%
(n)	(978)

38. Congress just passed a new bipartisan gun safety bill. How much have you heard about this bill – a lot, a little, or nothing at all?

	June 2022
A lot	22%
A little	42%
Nothing at all	35%
(n)	(978)

38A. Do you approve or disapprove of the bipartisan gun safety bill?

	June 2022
Approve	36%
Disapprove	19%
(VOL) Don't know	10%
Not heard about (from Q38)	35%
(n)	(978)

38B. Do you think the gun safety measures in the bill go far enough, do not go far enough, or go too far?

	June 2022
Go far enough	9%
Do not go far enough	32%
Go too far	15%
(VOL) Don't know	9%
Not heard about (from Q38)	35%
(n)	(978)

39. Do you or anyone in your household own a gun, rifle, or pistol? [If YES: Is that you or someone else in your household?]

TREND:	June 2022	Aug. 2019	March 2018
Yes, self	20%	19%	17%
Yes, someone else	13%	10%	12%
Yes, both self and someone else	15%	15%	17%
No, nobody in household owns a gun	44%	51%	47%
(VOL) Don't know	8%	5%	7%
(n)	(978)	(800)	(803)

[The following question was asked of current and former gun owners; n=467; moe = +/- 4.5%]

40. There are many reasons why people own guns. For each one I read, please tell me if this is a major reason, minor reason, or not a reason why you own [owned] a gun. [ITEMS WERE ROTATED]

For personal safety to protect against an attacker

TREND:	June 2022	March 2018
Major reason	71%	68%
Minor reason	14%	18%
Not a reason	14%	13%
(VOL) Don't know	0%	0%
(n)	(467)	(376)

To protect my property

TREND:	June 2022	March 2018
Major reason	62%	61%
Minor reason	22%	23%
Not a reason	16%	16%
(VOL) Don't know	0%	0%
(n)	(467)	(376)

For hunting

TREND:	June 2022	March 2018
Major reason	47%	48%
Minor reason	21%	19%
Not a reason	32%	33%
(VOL) Don't know	0%	1%
(n)	(467)	(376)

For target shooting

TREND:	June 2022	March 2018
Major reason	43%	47%
Minor reason	32%	24%
Not a reason	24%	29%
(VOL) Don't know	1%	0%
(n)	(467)	(376)

Need it for my job or work

TREND:	June 2022	March 2018
Major reason	17%	11%
Minor reason	10%	12%
Not a reason	72%	76%
(VOL) Don't know	1%	1%
(n)	(467)	(376)

To defend against possible government tyranny

TREND:	June 2022	March 2018
Major reason	28%	23%
Minor reason	23%	23%
Not a reason	48%	51%
(VOL) Don't know	1%	2%
(n)	(467)	(376)

To collect as a hobby

TREND:	June 2022	March 2018
Major reason	32%	27%
Minor reason	28%	30%
Not a reason	40%	43%
(VOL) Don't know	0%	0%
(n)	(467)	(376)

METHODOLOGY

The *Monmouth University Poll* was sponsored and conducted by the Monmouth University Polling Institute from June 23 to 27, 2022 with a probability-based national random sample of 978 adults age 18 and older. This includes 343 contacted by a live interviewer on a landline telephone and 635 contacted by a live interviewer on a cell phone, in English. Telephone numbers were selected through a mix of random digit dialing and list-based sampling. Landline respondents were selected with a modified Troldahl-Carter youngest adult household screen. Interviewing services were provided by Braun Research, with sample obtained from Dynata (RDD, n=565), Aristotle (list, n=168) and a panel of prior Monmouth poll participants (n=245). Monmouth is responsible for all aspects of the survey design, data weighting and analysis. The full sample is weighted for region, age, education, gender and race based on US Census information (ACS 2018 one-year survey). For results based on this sample, one can say with 95% confidence that the error attributable to sampling has a maximum margin of plus or minus 3.1 percentage points (unadjusted for sample design). Sampling error can be larger for sub-groups (see table below). In addition to sampling error, one should bear in mind that question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of opinion polls.

<i>DEMOGRAPHICS (weighted)</i>
<i>Self-Reported</i>
26% Republican
43% Independent
31% Democrat
49% Male
51% Female
30% 18-34
33% 35-54
37% 55+
63% White
12% Black
16% Hispanic
9% Asian/Other
69% No degree
31% 4 year degree

MARGIN OF ERROR		unweighted sample	moe (+/-)
TOTAL		978	3.1%
REGISTERED VOTER	Yes	910	3.3%
	No	68	11.9%
SELF-REPORTED PARTY ID	Republican	249	6.2%
	Independent	414	4.8%
	Democrat	306	5.6%
IDEOLOGY	Liberal	262	6.1%
	Moderate	348	5.3%
	Conservative	337	5.3%
GENDER	Male	482	4.5%
	Female	496	4.4%
AGE	18-34	187	7.2%
	35-54	351	5.2%
	55+	437	4.7%
CHILDREN IN HOME	Yes	258	6.1%
	No	719	3.7%
RACE	White, non-Hispanic	698	3.7%
	Other	249	6.2%
COLLEGE GRADUATE	No degree	435	4.7%
	4 year degree	540	4.2%
WHITE COLLEGE	White, no degree	307	5.6%
	White, 4 year degree	391	5.0%
GUN OWNER	Current	356	5.2%
	Former	111	9.3%
	Never	455	4.6%

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		TOTAL	REGISTERED TO VOTE		PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		
			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
29. Which of the following statements comes closest to your view of the Second Amendment of the Constitution: [READ]	The right to bear arms is an absolute right and should not be limited	30%	31%	28%	58%	31%	6%	6%	25%	54%
	The right to bear arms is important, but should have restrictions	54%	55%	50%	38%	57%	62%	61%	67%	38%
	It would be better for the country if we did away with the right to bear arms entirely	15%	14%	22%	3%	10%	31%	32%	6%	8%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%	2%	0%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
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	The right to bear arms is important, but should have restrictions	46%	62%	53%	54%	55%	55%	54%	54%	56%
	It would be better for the country if we did away with the right to bear arms entirely	12%	16%	24%	8%	12%	8%	17%	11%	22%
	[VOL] Dont know	2%	1%	1%	0%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		GUN OWNER		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	Current	Former	Never
29. Which of the following statements comes closest to your view of the Second Amendment of the Constitution: [READ]	The right to bear arms is an absolute right and should not be limited	33%	24%	41%	23%	49%	42%	11%
	The right to bear arms is important, but should have restrictions	53%	57%	51%	59%	47%	44%	64%
	It would be better for the country if we did away with the right to bear arms entirely	13%	18%	7%	17%	2%	14%	24%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	0%	1%	2%	0%	1%

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30. Do you support or oppose requiring comprehensive background checks for all gun purchasers, including private sales between two individuals? [PROBE:] Do you support/oppose that strongly or somewhat?	Strongly support	73%	73%	73%	66%	66%	89%	90%	78%	54%
	Somewhat support	10%	9%	13%	14%	11%	3%	6%	8%	15%
	Somewhat oppose	6%	6%	2%	9%	7%	2%	0%	4%	12%
	Strongly oppose	11%	11%	12%	9%	14%	6%	4%	9%	17%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	0%	0%	1%	2%

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	Somewhat support	12%	8%	10%	8%	10%	9%	10%	10%	9%
	Somewhat oppose	7%	4%	3%	11%	4%	8%	5%	7%	4%
	Strongly oppose	18%	4%	9%	15%	9%	16%	9%	10%	10%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%

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		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	Current	Former	Never
30. Do you support or oppose requiring comprehensive background checks for all gun purchasers, including private sales between two individuals? [PROBE:] Do you support/oppose that strongly or somewhat?	Strongly support	72%	75%	70%	76%	63%	64%	84%
	Somewhat support	9%	10%	10%	9%	13%	13%	7%
	Somewhat oppose	7%	4%	9%	5%	9%	6%	3%
	Strongly oppose	11%	10%	10%	10%	14%	17%	6%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	2%	1%

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31. Do you support or oppose establishing a national gun ownership database to register all guns in the country? [PROBE:] Do you support/oppose that strongly or somewhat?	Strongly support	49%	49%	48%	30%	42%	76%	77%	49%	28%
	Somewhat support	11%	10%	26%	11%	15%	7%	13%	13%	8%
	Somewhat oppose	7%	7%	3%	8%	8%	5%	5%	10%	5%
	Strongly oppose	31%	32%	19%	48%	34%	10%	4%	28%	55%
	[VOL] Dont know	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	1%	1%	0%	3%

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	Somewhat support	10%	13%	14%	11%	9%	17%	9%	13%	9%
	Somewhat oppose	8%	6%	6%	8%	7%	4%	8%	8%	5%
	Strongly oppose	44%	18%	25%	31%	35%	35%	29%	35%	22%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	3%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%

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	Strongly oppose	32%	28%	39%	27%	48%	30%	14%
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	Somewhat oppose	10%	10%	12%	16%	12%	5%	7%	12%	11%
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	[VOL] Dont know	3%	3%	1%	4%	3%	2%	1%	3%	4%

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	Somewhat oppose	11%	11%	15%	8%	12%	14%	15%	13%	7%
	Strongly oppose	45%	46%	40%	75%	50%	14%	10%	45%	71%
	[VOL] Dont know	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%

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		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		GUN OWNER		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	Current	Former	Never
33. Do you support or oppose banning the ownership of assault weapons so that current owners have to turn in their guns to a mandatory buyback program? [PROBE:] Do you support/oppose that strongly or somewhat?	Strongly support	30%	37%	23%	37%	14%	26%	48%
	Somewhat support	9%	12%	7%	13%	4%	7%	16%
	Somewhat oppose	12%	10%	13%	9%	10%	21%	10%
	Strongly oppose	48%	38%	56%	39%	71%	44%	24%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%

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34. Do you support or oppose a federal red flag law that would allow police to temporarily take away the guns of someone who poses a threat to themselves or others? [PROBE:] Do you support/oppose that strongly or somewhat?	Strongly support	58%	57%	61%	44%	51%	79%	76%	60%	41%
	Somewhat support	17%	17%	21%	16%	21%	12%	16%	15%	20%
	Somewhat oppose	6%	6%	4%	9%	7%	1%	1%	7%	8%
	Strongly oppose	18%	18%	14%	29%	19%	7%	5%	16%	29%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	2%	0%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
34. Do you support or oppose a federal red flag law that would allow police to temporarily take away the guns of someone who poses a threat to themselves or others? [PROBE:] Do you support/oppose that strongly or somewhat?	Strongly support	49%	66%	60%	51%	62%	51%	60%	52%	70%
	Somewhat support	17%	18%	19%	18%	16%	22%	16%	20%	13%
	Somewhat oppose	6%	5%	6%	7%	5%	7%	5%	8%	2%
	Strongly oppose	26%	10%	14%	23%	15%	19%	17%	19%	15%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	0%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		GUN OWNER		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	Current	Former	Never
34. Do you support or oppose a federal red flag law that would allow police to temporarily take away the guns of someone who poses a threat to themselves or others? [PROBE:] Do you support/oppose that strongly or somewhat?	Strongly support	58%	57%	49%	57%	43%	55%	73%
	Somewhat support	17%	19%	21%	19%	17%	16%	18%
	Somewhat oppose	5%	8%	8%	8%	10%	8%	2%
	Strongly oppose	19%	14%	21%	14%	29%	17%	6%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	4%	1%

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35. Do you agree or disagree that individual states should be allowed to limit who can carry a concealed handgun by requiring permit applicants to demonstrate that they need the weapon for their work or for protection?	Agree	56%	56%	55%	41%	50%	77%	79%	58%	37%
	Disagree	42%	42%	40%	57%	48%	20%	17%	40%	61%
	[VOL] Dont know	3%	2%	5%	2%	2%	3%	4%	2%	2%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
35. Do you agree or disagree that individual states should be allowed to limit who can carry a concealed handgun by requiring permit applicants to demonstrate that they need the weapon for their work or for protection?	Agree	51%	61%	63%	48%	58%	44%	60%	52%	66%
	Disagree	48%	36%	35%	49%	39%	51%	38%	46%	31%
	[VOL] Dont know	2%	3%	2%	3%	3%	4%	2%	3%	2%

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		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		GUN OWNER		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	Current	Former	Never
35. Do you agree or disagree that individual states should be allowed to limit who can carry a concealed handgun by requiring permit applicants to demonstrate that they need the weapon for their work or for protection?	Agree	56%	57%	48%	58%	37%	57%	73%
	Disagree	41%	41%	48%	40%	61%	40%	24%
	[VOL] Dont know	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%	3%	3%

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			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
35A. [SCOTUS ruled states cannot impose limitations on who can carry concealed handguns.] Based on current gun measures in your state, do you think this ruling will make the public more safe, less safe, or will it have no impact on public safety where you	More safe	22%	22%	19%	31%	24%	12%	8%	15%	38%
	Less safe	34%	33%	43%	13%	30%	56%	61%	36%	12%
	No impact	41%	42%	32%	52%	45%	28%	27%	46%	49%
	[VOL] Dont know	3%	2%	5%	4%	1%	3%	4%	3%	1%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
35A. [SCOTUS ruled states cannot impose limitations on who can carry concealed handguns.] Based on current gun measures in your state, do you think this ruling will make the public more safe, less safe, or will it have no impact on public safety where you	More safe	27%	18%	16%	25%	24%	28%	20%	22%	20%
	Less safe	27%	41%	33%	35%	34%	27%	37%	31%	43%
	No impact	45%	38%	48%	39%	39%	43%	41%	45%	35%
	[VOL] Dont know	2%	3%	3%	2%	3%	2%	3%	3%	2%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		GUN OWNER		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	Current	Former	Never
35A. [SCOTUS ruled states cannot impose limitations on who can carry concealed handguns.] Based on current gun measures in your state, do you think this ruling will make the public more safe, less safe, or will it have no impact on public safety where you	More safe	25%	14%	26%	13%	27%	27%	15%
	Less safe	33%	37%	27%	38%	20%	32%	47%
	No impact	39%	47%	44%	48%	51%	40%	34%
	[VOL] Dont know	3%	2%	4%	1%	2%	0%	3%

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36. Do you think the number of recent mass shootings in the U.S. is due more to the ease of getting guns or due more to a mental health crisis in the country?	Ease of getting guns	33%	32%	38%	9%	25%	62%	61%	31%	13%
	Mental health crisis	55%	56%	47%	80%	62%	25%	25%	53%	80%
	(VOL) Both equally	9%	9%	15%	6%	10%	12%	14%	12%	4%
	[VOL] Dont know	3%	3%	0%	5%	3%	1%	1%	3%	4%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
36. Do you think the number of recent mass shootings in the U.S. is due more to the ease of getting guns or due more to a mental health crisis in the country?	Ease of getting guns	28%	37%	37%	27%	34%	27%	35%	27%	43%
	Mental health crisis	63%	47%	48%	61%	55%	61%	53%	59%	46%
	(VOL) Both equally	5%	14%	13%	9%	8%	6%	11%	10%	10%
	[VOL] Dont know	4%	2%	2%	4%	3%	6%	2%	4%	1%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		GUN OWNER		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	Current	Former	Never
36. Do you think the number of recent mass shootings in the U.S. is due more to the ease of getting guns or due more to a mental health crisis in the country?	Ease of getting guns	29%	41%	20%	42%	17%	27%	47%
	Mental health crisis	59%	46%	65%	47%	72%	65%	38%
	(VOL) Both equally	9%	11%	9%	10%	7%	6%	13%
	[VOL] Dont know	3%	2%	5%	1%	4%	2%	2%

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			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
37. Over the next five years, do you expect that the frequency of mass shootings in the country will increase, decrease, or stay about the same?	Increase	53%	51%	65%	39%	53%	64%	73%	50%	40%
	Decrease	9%	10%	7%	15%	7%	7%	5%	7%	14%
	Stay about the same	35%	36%	24%	42%	37%	26%	20%	39%	42%
	[VOL] Dont know	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%	2%	2%	3%	4%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
37. Over the next five years, do you expect that the frequency of mass shootings in the country will increase, decrease, or stay about the same?	Increase	48%	58%	59%	46%	54%	48%	55%	50%	61%
	Decrease	11%	8%	8%	9%	11%	11%	9%	9%	8%
	Stay about the same	40%	30%	33%	42%	29%	40%	33%	38%	29%
	[VOL] Dont know	2%	4%	0%	3%	6%	1%	4%	3%	2%

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		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	Current	Former	Never
37. Over the next five years, do you expect that the frequency of mass shootings in the country will increase, decrease, or stay about the same?	Increase	52%	56%	48%	54%	46%	47%	60%
	Decrease	11%	5%	11%	6%	11%	10%	8%
	Stay about the same	34%	36%	39%	37%	41%	37%	29%
	[VOL] Dont know	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%	6%	3%

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			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
38. Congress just passed a new bipartisan gun safety bill. How much have you heard about this bill – a lot, a little, or nothing at all?	A lot	22%	23%	11%	13%	24%	27%	25%	25%	18%
	A little	42%	43%	40%	44%	43%	41%	44%	43%	42%
	Nothing at all	35%	34%	49%	44%	33%	32%	31%	33%	40%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
38. Congress just passed a new bipartisan gun safety bill. How much have you heard about this bill – a lot, a little, or nothing at all?	A lot	26%	19%	16%	21%	28%	16%	24%	20%	27%
	A little	42%	43%	35%	46%	45%	40%	43%	46%	36%
	Nothing at all	32%	39%	49%	33%	27%	44%	32%	34%	37%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		GUN OWNER		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	Current	Former	Never
38. Congress just passed a new bipartisan gun safety bill. How much have you heard about this bill – a lot, a little, or nothing at all?	A lot	19%	30%	15%	30%	25%	18%	20%
	A little	40%	48%	44%	50%	43%	41%	41%
	Nothing at all	41%	22%	41%	20%	32%	40%	39%

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			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
38A. Do you approve or disapprove of the bipartisan gun safety bill?	Approve	36%	37%	22%	19%	35%	51%	53%	42%	17%
	Disapprove	19%	19%	16%	25%	23%	9%	6%	16%	32%
	[VOL] Dont know	10%	10%	13%	12%	10%	8%	10%	9%	11%
	[Q38] Not heard of	35%	34%	49%	44%	33%	32%	31%	33%	40%

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		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
38A. Do you approve or disapprove of the bipartisan gun safety bill?	Approve	34%	37%	29%	34%	42%	29%	38%	34%	40%
	Disapprove	25%	13%	13%	23%	20%	20%	19%	22%	14%
	[VOL] Dont know	8%	12%	9%	10%	11%	8%	11%	10%	9%
	[Q38] Not heard of	32%	39%	49%	33%	27%	44%	32%	34%	37%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		GUN OWNER		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	Current	Former	Never
38A. Do you approve or disapprove of the bipartisan gun safety bill?	Approve	29%	50%	25%	52%	31%	30%	42%
	Disapprove	19%	18%	24%	18%	25%	21%	10%
	[VOL] Dont know	10%	10%	10%	9%	11%	8%	9%
	[Q38] Not heard of	41%	22%	41%	20%	32%	40%	39%

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			Yes	No	Rep	Ind	Dem	Lib	Mod	Con
38B. Do you think the gun safety measures in the bill go far enough, do not go far enough, or go too far?	Go far enough	9%	9%	6%	12%	9%	5%	4%	11%	9%
	Do not go far enough	32%	33%	25%	10%	28%	56%	56%	36%	10%
	Go too far	15%	15%	9%	22%	19%	3%	0%	10%	31%
	[VOL] Dont know	9%	9%	10%	12%	11%	4%	8%	10%	10%
	[Q38] Not heard of	35%	34%	49%	44%	33%	32%	31%	33%	40%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
38B. Do you think the gun safety measures in the bill go far enough, do not go far enough, or go too far?	Go far enough	10%	7%	8%	7%	10%	9%	8%	8%	10%
	Do not go far enough	28%	36%	27%	29%	39%	23%	35%	31%	35%
	Go too far	20%	10%	8%	19%	16%	14%	15%	18%	10%
	[VOL] Dont know	10%	8%	7%	12%	8%	10%	9%	9%	8%
	[Q38] Not heard of	32%	39%	49%	33%	27%	44%	32%	34%	37%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		GUN OWNER		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	Current	Former	Never
38B. Do you think the gun safety measures in the bill go far enough, do not go far enough, or go too far?	Go far enough	9%	9%	8%	7%	11%	5%	8%
	Do not go far enough	26%	45%	23%	47%	23%	33%	40%
	Go too far	15%	14%	19%	15%	22%	15%	6%
	[VOL] Dont know	8%	11%	9%	11%	11%	7%	8%
	[Q38] Not heard of	41%	22%	41%	20%	32%	40%	39%

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39. Do you or anyone in your household own a gun, rifle, or pistol? [IF YES, ASK:] Is that you or someone else in your household?	Yes, self	20%	21%	11%	31%	18%	13%	8%	28%	21%
	Yes, someone else	13%	12%	21%	12%	13%	14%	18%	14%	9%
	Yes, both self and someone else	15%	16%	8%	22%	17%	8%	7%	17%	20%
	No, nobody in household owns a gun	44%	42%	54%	26%	39%	64%	66%	37%	32%
	[VOL] Dont know	8%	9%	6%	10%	12%	2%	1%	4%	17%

		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY			CHILDREN IN HOME		RACE	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Yes	No	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth
39. Do you or anyone in your household own a gun, rifle, or pistol? [IF YES, ASK:] Is that you or someone else in your household?	Yes, self	32%	8%	12%	23%	22%	22%	19%	21%	19%
	Yes, someone else	5%	21%	19%	11%	11%	12%	14%	14%	13%
	Yes, both self and someone else	17%	13%	11%	19%	15%	17%	14%	19%	10%
	No, nobody in household owns a gun	36%	51%	51%	37%	44%	39%	45%	38%	54%
	[VOL] Dont know	10%	7%	7%	9%	9%	9%	8%	9%	4%

		COLLEGE GRAD		WHITE COLLEGE DEGREE		GUN OWNER		
		No degree	4 yr degree	White no degree	White college	Current	Former	Never
39. Do you or anyone in your household own a gun, rifle, or pistol? [IF YES, ASK:] Is that you or someone else in your household?	Yes, self	21%	17%	23%	16%	56%	0%	0%
	Yes, someone else	14%	12%	15%	12%	0%	12%	24%
	Yes, both self and someone else	16%	15%	20%	16%	44%	0%	0%
	No, nobody in household owns a gun	42%	48%	33%	48%	0%	66%	73%
	[VOL] Dont know	8%	8%	9%	8%	0%	22%	3%

		TOTAL	GENDER		RACE		GUN OWNER	
			Male	Female	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	Current	Former
40A. Reason why you own [owned] a gun: For personal safety to protect against an attacker?	Major reason	71%	72%	70%	70%	74%	77%	53%
	Minor reason	14%	14%	14%	14%	15%	11%	23%
	Not a reason	14%	14%	15%	15%	11%	11%	23%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%

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			Male	Female	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	Current	Former
40B. Reason why you own [owned] a gun: To protect my property?	Major reason	62%	67%	55%	63%	62%	66%	50%
	Minor reason	22%	19%	27%	18%	28%	20%	26%
	Not a reason	16%	14%	18%	18%	9%	14%	22%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	2%

		TOTAL	GENDER		RACE		GUN OWNER	
			Male	Female	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	Current	Former
40C. Reason why you own [owned] a gun: For hunting?	Major reason	47%	51%	39%	54%	33%	50%	36%
	Minor reason	21%	23%	17%	18%	26%	18%	29%
	Not a reason	32%	26%	44%	28%	41%	31%	35%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

		TOTAL	GENDER		RACE		GUN OWNER	
			Male	Female	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	Current	Former
40D. Reason why you own [owned] a gun: For target shooting?	Major reason	43%	47%	36%	46%	39%	46%	36%
	Minor reason	32%	29%	37%	32%	31%	29%	42%
	Not a reason	24%	22%	26%	21%	29%	25%	20%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%

		TOTAL	GENDER		RACE		GUN OWNER	
			Male	Female	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	Current	Former
40E. Reason why you own [owned] a gun: Need it for my job or work?	Major reason	17%	18%	14%	14%	22%	18%	14%
	Minor reason	10%	12%	5%	11%	7%	9%	14%
	Not a reason	72%	69%	78%	74%	70%	73%	71%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	0%	2%	0%	2%	1%	2%

		TOTAL	GENDER		RACE		GUN OWNER	
			Male	Female	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	Current	Former
40F. Reason why you own [owned] a gun: To defend against possible government tyranny?	Major reason	28%	35%	15%	32%	21%	30%	21%
	Minor reason	23%	21%	26%	24%	20%	24%	18%
	Not a reason	48%	43%	57%	43%	57%	44%	59%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%

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			Male	Female	White non-Hisp	Hsp-Blk-Asn-Oth	Current	Former
40G. Reason why you own [owned] a gun: To collect as a hobby?	Major reason	32%	38%	21%	32%	30%	32%	31%
	Minor reason	28%	26%	32%	30%	25%	29%	27%
	Not a reason	40%	36%	47%	37%	45%	40%	41%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	2%