

1. Most important issues

Which two of these issues are the MOST important to you? Select up to TWO issues.

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
The economy	37%	41%	33%	22%	39%	43%	38%	36%	36%	45%	38%
Foreign policy	7%	8%	5%	9%	4%	6%	9%	9%	1%	2%	3%
The environment	12%	10%	15%	14%	15%	11%	10%	14%	6%	8%	14%
Immigration	21%	26%	17%	21%	16%	20%	30%	23%	13%	25%	16%
Health care	43%	39%	46%	37%	37%	49%	44%	43%	54%	32%	26%
Social issues	11%	12%	11%	16%	16%	8%	8%	10%	16%	8%	26%
Gun policies	15%	13%	16%	15%	14%	18%	9%	14%	13%	26%	8%
The way things work in											
Washington	14%	18%	11%	8%	10%	14%	27%	17%	7%	7%	16%
Voting rights	5%	5%	5%	2%	4%	5%	9%	5%	6%	1%	5%
Infrastructure	6%	10%	2%	7%	8%	4%	5%	6%	1%	8%	15%
President Trump's relationship with											
Russia	7%	6%	8%	4%	7%	9%	8%	7%	12%	6%	2%
Not sure	7%	3%	11%	12%	10%	5%	1%	6%	11%	8%	6%
Unweighted N	1,000	423	577	150	275	379	196	762	102	80	56

	Total	Party ID			Family Income (3 category)				Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
The economy	37%	28%	34%	52%	34%	47%	40%	29%	34%	38%	38%	36%
Foreign policy	7%	7%	5%	8%	6%	8%	10%	6%	8%	4%	7%	7%
The environment	12%	17%	12%	7%	11%	12%	19%	13%	12%	16%	10%	13%
Immigration	21%	7%	25%	31%	22%	19%	21%	23%	20%	15%	25%	23%
Health care	43%	53%	40%	34%	43%	46%	41%	37%	44%	56%	38%	35%
Social issues	11%	19%	9%	5%	15%	9%	6%	11%	12%	12%	12%	9%
Gun policies	15%	18%	13%	13%	15%	15%	17%	11%	19%	10%	16%	14%

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		Dem	Ind	Rep	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
The way things work in												
Washington	14%	10%	15%	18%	11%	12%	23%	21%	13%	7%	21%	12%
Voting rights	5%	8%	4%	2%	3%	5%	10%	6%	5%	7%	4%	3%
Infrastructure	6%	2%	6%	10%	3%	12%	6%	6%	5%	9%	5%	5%
President Trump's relationship with												
Russia	7%	14%	5%	2%	8%	5%	7%	9%	11%	6%	8%	4%
Not sure	7%	3%	12%	3%	9%	3%	0%	12%	3%	7%	4%	15%
Unweighted N	1,000	343	390	267	423	284	131	162	164	242	385	209

2. More or less strict laws

Do you think gun control laws should be made more or less strict than they are now?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
More strict	49%	44%	54%	48%	46%	54%	47%	46%	60%	61%	36%
No change	30%	35%	25%	29%	23%	27%	42%	32%	15%	25%	43%
Less strict	10%	14%	7%	10%	11%	12%	6%	11%	8%	9%	14%
Not sure	11%	7%	14%	13%	20%	7%	4%	11%	16%	5%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	998	423	575	149	275	378	196	761	102	80	55

	Party ID				Family Income (3 category)				Census Region			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
More strict	49%	79%	40%	28%	52%	46%	53%	43%	65%	51%	43%	45%
No change	30%	10%	31%	52%	25%	39%	31%	28%	19%	29%	35%	29%
Less strict	10%	4%	13%	12%	11%	8%	11%	11%	6%	10%	11%	13%
Not sure	11%	7%	15%	8%	11%	8%	5%	18%	11%	10%	10%	13%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	998	343	388	267	422	284	131	161	164	242	384	208

3. Serious problem

How serious of a problem do you think gun violence in America is?

	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)				
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Very serious	56%	49%	63%	49%	50%	61%	63%	55%	72%	59%	35%
Somewhat serious	24%	26%	22%	28%	21%	24%	25%	26%	10%	23%	39%
Not very serious	10%	14%	6%	13%	9%	11%	7%	11%	4%	8%	18%
Not at all serious	3%	5%	1%	2%	5%	3%	3%	4%	0%	4%	2%
Not sure	6%	6%	7%	8%	14%	2%	3%	5%	14%	6%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	998	423	575	149	274	379	196	760	102	80	56

	Party ID			Family Income (3 category)				Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Very serious	56%	84%	51%	32%	61%	49%	59%	51%	70%	55%	56%	47%
Somewhat serious	24%	8%	25%	42%	19%	37%	19%	21%	17%	26%	27%	23%
Not very serious	10%	5%	9%	17%	10%	8%	11%	13%	7%	12%	10%	11%
Not at all serious	3%	0%	5%	4%	3%	2%	8%	2%	4%	2%	3%	5%
Not sure	6%	2%	10%	5%	7%	4%	2%	13%	3%	6%	4%	15%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	998	343	388	267	423	283	131	161	164	242	383	209

4. Can be stopped

Do you think that mass shootings are something that can be stopped or just a fact of life in America today?

	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)				
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Mass shootings are something that can be stopped	42%	39%	44%	41%	46%	43%	33%	40%	43%	52%	35%
Mass shootings are a fact of life in America today	37%	43%	31%	35%	33%	37%	42%	38%	34%	29%	36%
Not sure	22%	18%	25%	23%	21%	20%	25%	21%	24%	19%	29%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	998	423	575	150	274	378	196	760	102	80	56

	Party ID			Family Income (3 category)				Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Mass shootings are something that can be stopped	42%	59%	36%	30%	42%	35%	52%	41%	41%	43%	41%	40%
Mass shootings are a fact of life in America today	37%	25%	34%	55%	35%	45%	35%	30%	36%	36%	40%	31%
Not sure	22%	16%	30%	15%	23%	20%	12%	29%	22%	20%	19%	30%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	998	341	390	267	422	283	131	162	164	242	384	208

5. Effect of Sandy Hook

As you may remember, in December 2012, 26 people were killed in a mass shooting at an elementary school in Connecticut. Since then, do you think American society has:

	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)				
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Gotten better at preventing gun violence	12%	18%	6%	13%	10%	13%	11%	11%	12%	14%	12%
Not changed in its ability to prevent gun violence	51%	56%	47%	52%	42%	51%	63%	52%	46%	43%	69%
Gotten worse at preventing gun violence	28%	19%	35%	22%	34%	30%	22%	28%	27%	35%	13%
Not sure	9%	7%	11%	13%	15%	7%	4%	9%	15%	8%	6%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	999	423	576	150	274	379	196	761	102	80	56

	Party ID			Family Income (3 category)				Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Gotten better at preventing gun violence	12%	5%	15%	15%	15%	8%	11%	8%	10%	13%	11%	14%
Not changed in its ability to prevent gun violence	51%	46%	48%	64%	47%	60%	47%	52%	55%	51%	53%	46%
Gotten worse at preventing gun violence	28%	44%	23%	15%	28%	27%	34%	22%	28%	29%	27%	27%
Not sure	9%	5%	14%	6%	9%	5%	8%	18%	7%	7%	10%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	999	343	389	267	423	283	131	162	164	242	384	209

6. Possible to enact

Regardless of whether you support or oppose stricter gun laws, do you think that it is currently politically possible or impossible to pass stricter gun laws?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Possible	37%	33%	41%	38%	36%	43%	27%	32%	53%	56%	26%
Impossible	40%	48%	33%	35%	38%	34%	58%	44%	21%	31%	61%
Not sure	23%	20%	25%	27%	26%	22%	15%	24%	26%	13%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	997	423	574	150	274	377	196	760	101	80	56

	Party ID				Family Income (3 category)				Census Region			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Possible	37%	47%	30%	36%	43%	35%	26%	29%	46%	35%	33%	39%
Impossible	40%	36%	42%	42%	37%	44%	61%	32%	39%	41%	40%	40%
Not sure	23%	17%	27%	22%	20%	21%	13%	39%	15%	23%	27%	22%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	997	342	389	266	422	283	130	162	164	242	382	209

7. Effect of stricter gun laws

Do you think stricter gun control laws would:

	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)				
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Increase the number of shootings in the United States	12%	17%	7%	11%	18%	10%	8%	10%	15%	16%	14%
Reduce the number of shootings in the United States	40%	36%	45%	43%	39%	43%	36%	38%	41%	59%	29%
Not affect the number of shootings in the United States	35%	40%	31%	31%	25%	37%	49%	39%	23%	22%	40%
Not sure	13%	8%	17%	16%	18%	10%	7%	12%	22%	3%	17%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	998	423	575	150	273	379	196	761	101	80	56

	Party ID			Family Income (3 category)				Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Increase the number of shootings in the United States	12%	6%	10%	21%	11%	16%	8%	9%	12%	11%	11%	15%
Reduce the number of shootings in the United States	40%	67%	33%	21%	40%	38%	51%	39%	44%	43%	37%	39%
Not affect the number of shootings in the United States	35%	18%	38%	52%	33%	37%	39%	35%	31%	30%	44%	30%
Not sure	13%	9%	19%	6%	16%	9%	1%	17%	13%	16%	8%	16%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	998	342	389	267	423	282	131	162	164	241	384	209

8. Most likely to prevent

Which of the following would you say is most likely to help prevent shootings from occurring in the United States?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Stricter gun control laws and enforcement	46%	40%	52%	46%	47%	48%	43%	43%	50%	63%	40%
Allowing more private citizens to carry guns for protection	31%	42%	22%	27%	31%	31%	37%	35%	20%	23%	27%
Not sure	22%	18%	26%	27%	22%	21%	21%	22%	30%	14%	33%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	997	422	575	149	275	379	194	760	102	80	55

	Total	Party ID			Family Income (3 category)				Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Stricter gun control laws and enforcement	46%	74%	40%	24%	48%	43%	53%	41%	52%	49%	44%	43%
Allowing more private citizens to carry guns for protection	31%	10%	31%	58%	28%	39%	34%	28%	26%	26%	37%	31%
Not sure	22%	16%	29%	19%	24%	18%	14%	31%	22%	25%	19%	26%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	997	343	389	265	422	283	131	161	162	242	385	208

9. Legislation effectiveness

Which comes closer to your opinion?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Members of Congress should take action to reduce mass shootings	41%	37%	45%	44%	42%	45%	31%	39%	43%	55%	40%
Mass shootings cannot be reduced through legislation	43%	52%	34%	30%	41%	42%	60%	47%	30%	34%	38%
Not sure	16%	11%	21%	26%	18%	13%	9%	15%	26%	11%	22%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	994	421	573	150	274	376	194	757	101	80	56

	Total	Party ID			Family Income (3 category)				Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Members of Congress should take action to reduce mass shootings	41%	72%	31%	20%	44%	40%	45%	33%	46%	44%	37%	41%
Mass shootings cannot be reduced through legislation	43%	18%	45%	70%	39%	46%	53%	42%	39%	41%	47%	41%
Not sure	16%	10%	24%	10%	17%	14%	1%	25%	15%	14%	16%	18%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	994	342	388	264	420	283	131	160	163	240	383	208

10. Gun laws and protect rights

Which comes closer to your view?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
It would be possible to enact some kinds of new gun regulations while maintaining Americans' right to bear arms	53%	50%	56%	48%	48%	57%	58%	54%	56%	48%	40%
Enacting any new gun regulations would violate Americans' right to bear arms	29%	41%	18%	27%	33%	26%	32%	32%	15%	27%	35%
Not sure	18%	10%	25%	25%	20%	17%	10%	14%	29%	25%	25%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	996	422	574	149	274	378	195	759	101	80	56

	Total	Party ID			Family Income (3 category)				Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
It would be possible to enact some kinds of new gun regulations while maintaining Americans' right to bear arms	53%	78%	42%	42%	55%	55%	62%	41%	68%	54%	46%	52%
Enacting any new gun regulations would violate Americans' right to bear arms	29%	13%	30%	48%	27%	32%	32%	27%	16%	30%	36%	26%
Not sure	18%	10%	28%	10%	18%	13%	6%	31%	16%	16%	18%	22%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	996	343	389	264	422	282	130	162	163	242	382	209

11. Gun ownership

Do you or does anyone in your household own a gun?

	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)				
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
I personally own a gun	22%	33%	12%	12%	16%	25%	35%	27%	7%	9%	29%
I don't personally own a gun, but someone in the household owns a gun	14%	8%	19%	22%	17%	8%	12%	14%	12%	15%	12%
No one in the household owns a gun	55%	50%	59%	47%	57%	62%	48%	52%	67%	67%	41%
Not sure	9%	9%	10%	19%	10%	5%	5%	8%	14%	8%	18%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	990	417	573	150	273	376	191	754	102	80	54

	Party ID			Family Income (3 category)				Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
I personally own a gun	22%	14%	23%	32%	19%	24%	39%	18%	15%	21%	24%	26%
I don't personally own a gun, but someone in the household owns a gun	14%	12%	13%	19%	16%	18%	7%	7%	13%	15%	16%	10%
No one in the household owns a gun	55%	70%	51%	42%	59%	53%	51%	48%	66%	56%	50%	53%
Not sure	9%	4%	14%	7%	7%	5%	3%	26%	6%	8%	10%	11%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	990	343	384	263	420	283	130	157	162	238	382	208

HuffPost: Gun Control

October 2 - 3, 2017 - 1000 US Adults



Interviewing Dates	October 2 - 3, 2017
Target population	U.S. citizens, aged 18 and over.
Sampling method	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by gender, age, race, education, geographic region, and voter registration) was selected from the 2014 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2014 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement.
Weighting	The sample was weighted based on gender, age, race, education, 2012 and 2016 Presidential votes. The weights range from 0.101 to 6.084, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.918.
Number of respondents	1000
Margin of error	± 4.2% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	47 questions not reported.