

GALLUP NEWS SERVICE

GALLUP POLL SOCIAL SERIES: CRIME

-- FINAL TOPLINE --

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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted October 12-15, 2014 with a random sample of **-1,017-** adults, aged 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia. For results based on this sample of national adults, the margin of sampling error is ± 4 percentage points at the 95% confidence level.

For results based on the sample of **--909--** registered voters, the margin of sampling error is ± 4 percentage points.

Interviews are conducted with respondents on landline telephones and cellular phones, with interviews conducted in Spanish for respondents who are primarily Spanish-speaking. Each sample of national adults includes a minimum quota of 50% cell phone respondents and 50% landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas by region. Landline and cell phone telephone numbers are selected using random digit dial methods. Landline respondents are chosen at random within each household on the basis of which member had the most recent birthday.

Samples are weighted to correct for unequal selection probability, non-response, and double coverage of landline and cell users in the two sampling frames. They are also weighted to match the national demographics of gender, age, race, Hispanic ethnicity, education, region, population density, and phone status (cell phone-only/landline only/both and cell phone mostly). Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2013 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the July-December 2013 National Health Interview Survey. Population density targets are based on the 2010 census. All reported margins of sampling error include the computed design effects for weighting.

In addition to sampling error, question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of public opinion polls.

21. Do you think having a gun in the house makes it -- [ROTATED: a safer place to be (or) a more dangerous place to be]?

	<u>Safer</u>	<u>More dangerous</u>	<u>Depends (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Oct 12-15	63	30	6	1
2006 Oct 9-12	47	43	7	3
2004 Oct 11-14	42	46	10	2
2000 Aug 29-Sep 5	35	51	11	3

For comparison: Which of the following comes closer to your view: having a gun in the house makes it a safer place to be because you can protect yourself from violent intruders or, having a gun in the house makes it a more dangerous place to be because you increase the risk from gun accidents and domestic violence?

	<u>Safer</u>	<u>More dangerous</u>	<u>Depends (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
1993 Dec 17-21	42	52	5	1

Now, thinking about your own situation,

22. Do you have a gun in your home?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>No opinion</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Oct 12-15	42	53	4	1997 Aug 22-25	42	57	1
				1996 Nov 21-24	44	54	2
2013 Oct 3-6	37	59	4	1996 Jul 25-28	38	60	2
2012 Dec 19-22	43	54	3	1993 Dec 17-21	49	50	*
2011 Oct 6-9	45	53	1	1993 Oct 13-18	51	48	1
2010 Oct 7-10	39	59	2	1993 Mar 12-14	48	51	1
2009 Oct 1-4	40	57	4	1991 May 16-19	46	53	1
2008 Oct 3-5	42	56	2	1991 Mar 21-24	48	51	1
2007 Oct 4-7	42	57	1	1990 Sep 10-11	47	52	1
2006 Oct 9-12	43	54	3	1989 Feb 28-Mar 2	47	51	2
2005 Oct 13-16	40	59	1	1985 Apr 12-15	44	55	1
2004 Oct 11-14	38	61	1	1983 May 13-16	40	58	2
2003 Oct 6-8	43	56	1	1980 Jan 2	45	53	2
2002 Oct 14-17	41	58	1	1975 Oct 3-6	44	54	2
2001 Oct 11-14	40	59	1	1972 May 23	43	55	2
2000 Aug 29-Sep 5	39	60	1	1968	50	50	--
2000 Apr 7-9	42	57	1	1965 Jan 7-12	48	52	--
1999 Apr 26-27	34	64	2	1959 Jul 23-28	49	51	--
1999 Feb 8-9	36	62	2				

23. *(Asked of those who do not have a gun in their home)* Do you have a gun anywhere else on your property such as in your garage, barn, shed or in your car or truck?

COMBINED RESPONSES (Q.22-23): BASED ON NATIONAL ADULTS

	<u>Gun in home</u>	<u>Gun elsewhere</u>	<u>No gun</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2014 Oct 12-15	42	2	52	4
2013 Oct 3-6	37	2	57	4
2012 Dec 19-22	43	1	53	3
2011 Oct 6-9	45	2	51	1
2010 Oct 7-10	39	2	57	2
2009 Oct 1-4	40	2	55	4
2008 Oct 3-5	42	1	55	1
2007 Oct 4-7	42	2	55	1
2005 Oct 13-16	40	2	57	1
2004 Oct 11-14	38	2	59	1
2003 Oct 6-8	43	2	54	1
2002 Oct 14-17	41	3	55	1
2000 Aug 29-Sep 5	39	2	58	1
1999 Feb 8-9	36	6	56	2
1996 Nov 21-24	44	1	53	2
1996 Jul 25-28	38	2	58	2
1993 Dec 17-21	49	5	45	*
1991 May 16-19	46	4	49	1