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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted May 3-18, 2021 with a random sample of –1,016—adults, ages 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 –512—national adults in Form A, the margin of sampling error is ± 5 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of –504—national adults in Form B, the margins of sampling error is ± 5 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 70% cell phone respondents and 30% landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas by time zone within region. Landline and cell phone telephone numbers are selected using random digit dial methods. Gallup obtained sample for this study from Dynata. Landline respondents are chosen at random within each household on the basis of which member has the next 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 2019 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the July-December 2019 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. For questions about how this survey was conducted, please contact galluphelp@gallup.com.

Now, we have some questions on the issue of abortion --

11. Do you think abortions should be legal under any circumstances, legal only under certain circumstances, or illegal in all circumstances?

	Legal under any	Legal under certain	Illegal in all	No opinion		Legal under any	Legal under certain	Illegal in all	No opinion
2021 May 3-18	32	48	19	2	2001 Aug 10-12	26	56	17	1
					2001 May 10-14	26	58	15	5
2020 May 1-13	29	50	20	2	2001 Mar 26-28	26	51	18	2
2019 May 1-12	25	53	21	2	2000 Mar 30-Apr 2	28	51	19	2
2018 May 1-10	29	50	18	2	2000 Jan 13-16	26	56	15	3
2017 May 3-7	29	50	18	3	1999 Apr 30-May 2	27	55	16	2
2016 May 4-8	29	50	19	2	1998 Jan 16-18	23	59	17	1
2015 May 6-10	29	51	19	1	1997 Nov 6-9	26	55	17	2
2014 May 8-11	28	50	21	2	1997 Aug 12-13	22	61	15	2
2013 May 2-7	26	52	20	2	1996 Sep 20-22 ^	24	52	17	7
2012 Dec 27-30	28	52	18	3	1996 Jul 25-28	25	58	15	2
2012 May 3-6	25	52	20	3	1995 Sep 22-24	31	54	12	3
2011 Jul 15-17	26	51	20	1	1995 Feb 24-26	33	50	15	2
2011 Jun 9-12	26	52	21	2	1994 Sep 6-7	33	52	13	2
2011 May 5-8	27	50	22	3	1994 Mar 28-30	31	51	15	3
2010 May 3-6	24	54	19	4	1993 Mar 12-14	32	51	13	4
2009 Jul 17-19	21	57	18	2	1992 Jul 23-24 ^†	34	48	15	3
2009 May 7-10	22	53	23	2	1992 Jan 16-19	31	53	14	2
2008 May 8-11	28	54	17	1	1991 Sep 5-8	33	49	14	4
2007 May 10-13	26	55	18	2	1991 May 30-Jun 2	32	50	17	1
2006 May 8-11	30	53	15	2	1990 Apr 5-20	31	53	12	4
2005 Nov 11-13	26	56	16	1	1989 Jul 6-9	29	51	17	3
2005 Jun 24-26	24	55	20	2	1989 Jul 6-7	29	51	17	3
2005 May 2-5	23	53	22	2	1989 Apr 12-13 †	27	50	18	5
2005 Mar 21-23	23	55	20	1	1988 Sep 25-Oct 1	24	57	17	2
2004 May 2-4	24	56	19	2	1985 Jan 3-4 †	21	55	21	3
2003 Oct 24-26	26	55	17	1	1983 Jun 24-27	23	58	16	3
2003 May 5-7	23	57	19	1	1981 May 8-11	23	52	21	4
2003 Jan 10-12	24	57	18	2	1980 Jul 11-14	25	53	18	4
2002 May 6-9	25	51	22	1	1979 Feb 23-26	22	54	19	5
2002 Mar 22-24	27	53	19	2	1977 Dec 9-12	22	55	19	4
2002 Feb 8-10	26	54	18	1	1975 Apr 4-7	21	54	22	3

^ Based on registered voters.

† Gallup/Newsweek poll.

12. *(Asked of those who say abortion should be legal under certain circumstances)* Do you think abortion should be legal in most circumstances or only in a few circumstances?

COMBINED RESPONSES (Q.11-12): BASED ON FULL SAMPLE

	<u>Legal under any circumstances</u>	<u>Legal under most circumstances</u>	<u>Legal only in a few circumstances</u>	<u>Illegal in all circumstances</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2021 May 3-18	32	13	33	19	3
2020 May 1-13	29	14	35	20	3
2019 May 1-12	25	13	39	21	3
2018 May 1-10	29	14	35	18	3
2017 May 3-7	29	13	36	18	4
2016 May 4-8	29	12	37	19	3
2015 May 6-10	29	13	36	19	2
2014 May 8-11	28	11	37	21	3
2013 May 2-7	26	13	38	20	3
2012 Dec 27-30	28	13	38	18	4
2012 May 3-6	25	13	39	20	4
2011 Jul 15-17	26	13	38	20	4
2011 Jun 9-12	26	12	38	21	2
2011 May 5-8	27	10	39	22	3
2010 May 3-6	24	15	37	19	5
2009 Jul 17-19	21	13	42	18	6
2009 May 7-10	22	15	37	23	3
2008 May 8-11	28	13	40	17	3
2007 May 10-13	26	15	40	18	1
2006 May 8-11	30	13	39	15	3
2005 Nov 11-13	26	16	39	16	3
2005 Jun 24-26	24	15	40	20	1
2005 May 2-5	23	12	40	22	3
2005 Mar 21-23	23	14	39	20	4
2004 May 2-4	24	13	42	19	2
2003 Oct 24-26	26	14	40	17	3
2003 May 5-7	23	15	42	19	1
2003 Jan 10-12	24	14	42	18	2
2002 May 6-9	25	12	39	22	2
2002 Mar 22-24	27	12	40	19	2
2001 Aug 10-12	26	12	43	17	2
2001 May 10-14	26	15	41	15	3
2001 Mar 26-28	26	13	38	18	5
2000 Mar 30-Apr 2	28	11	38	19	4
2000 Jan 13-16	26	17	39	15	3
1999 Apr 30-May 2	27	12	42	16	3
1998 Jan 16-18	23	16	42	17	2
1997 Nov 6-9	26	15	40	17	2
1997 Aug 12-13	22	12	48	15	3
1996 Jul 25-28	25	13	43	15	4
1995 Sep 22-24	31	14	39	12	4
1995 Feb 24-26	32	9	41	15	3
1994 Sep 6-7	33	13	38	13	3

13. With respect to the abortion issue, would you consider yourself to be pro-choice or pro-life?

Trend from polls where pro-life/pro-choice was asked following question on legality of abortion.

	<u>Pro-choice</u>	<u>Pro-life</u>	<u>Mixed/ Neither (vol.)</u>	<u>Don't know what terms mean (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2021 May 3-18	49	47	2	1	1
2020 May 1-13	48	46	4	2	*
2019 May 1-12	46	49	2	2	2
2018 May 1-10	48	48	2	2	1
2017 May 3-7	49	46	2	2	1
2016 May 4-8	47	46	3	3	2
2015 May 6-10	50	44	3	2	1
2014 May 8-11	47	46	3	3	*
2013 May 2-7	45	48	3	3	2
2012 Dec 27-30	48	44	3	4	1
2012 May 3-6	41	50	4	3	3
2011 Jul 15-17	47	47	2	3	1
2011 Jun 9-12	46	48	2	3	2
2011 May 5-8	49	45	3	2	2
2010 May 3-6	45	47	2	4	3
2009 Jul 17-19	46	47	3	2	2
2009 May 7-10	42	51	2	4	1
2008 May 8-11	50	44	1	2	2
2007 May 10-13	49	45	3	2	2
2006 May 8-11	51	41	4	2	3
2005 May 2-5	48	44	3	3	2
2004 May 2-4	49	44	2	3	2
2003 Oct 24-26	48	45	3	3	1
2003 May 5-7	48	45	2	4	1
2002 May 6-9	47	46	3	3	1
2001 Aug 10-12	46	46	3	3	2
2001 May 10-14	48	42	4	4	2
2001 Mar 26-28	47	41	4	6	2
2000 Mar 30-Apr 2	48	43	2	4	3
1999 Apr 30-May 2	48	42	3	4	3
1998 Jan 16-18	48	45	3	2	2
1997 Nov 6-9	51	40	3	3	3
1997 Aug 12-13	47	44	3	3	3
1996 Jul 25-28	53	36	5	3	3
1995 Sep 22-24	56	33	5	3	3

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Q.13 (ABORTION SELF-IDENTIFICATION) CONTINUED

Trend from polls where pro-life/pro-choice was asked as a stand-alone question.

	<u>Pro-choice</u>	<u>Pro-life</u>	Mixed/ Neither (vol.)	Don't know what terms mean (vol.)	<u>No opinion</u>
2019 Jun 3-16	52	43	4	1	*
2018 Jun 1-13	49	45	3	1	2
2015 Oct 7-11	49	44	2	2	2
2012 Sep 24-27	47	46	3	2	2
2010 Mar 26-28	45	46	4	2	3
2009 Nov 20-22	48	45	2	2	3
2008 Sep 5-7	51	43	2	1	3
2007 Jun 11-14	51	43	2	2	2
2007 Jun 1-3	52	39	4	2	2
2006 Jan 6-8	53	42	1	2	2
2005 Aug 28-30	54	38	3	2	3
2005 Jul 22-24	51	42	3	3	1
2004 Oct 14-16	52	41	2	3	2
2001 Aug 3-5	52	39	4	3	2
2001 Jul 10-11	50	40	4	3	3
2001 Feb 9-11	55	38	5	1	1
2000 Oct 6-9	47	45	3	2	3
2000 Jul 14-16	50	40	4	2	4
1996 Jul 18-21	48	40	5	4	3
1996 Mar 15-17	56	37	3	2	2

19. Next, I'm going to read you a list of issues. Regardless of whether or not you think it should be legal, for each one, please tell me whether you personally believe that in general it is morally acceptable or morally wrong. How about -- [RANDOM ORDER]?

A. Abortion

	<u>Morally acceptable</u>	<u>Morally wrong</u>	<u>Depends on situation (vol.)</u>	<u>Not a moral issue (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2021 May 3-18	47	46	6	*	1
2020 May 1-13	44	47	9	*	1
2019 May 1-12	42	50	6	*	1
2018 May 1-10	43	48	7	--	1
2017 May 3-7	43	49	7	*	2
2016 May 4-8	43	47	9	*	2
2015 May 6-10	45	45	8	1	1
2014 May 8-11	42	48	8	*	1
2013 May 2-7	42	49	8	*	2
2012 May 3-6	38	51	9	*	2
2011 May 5-8	39	51	7	*	3
2010 May 3-6	38	50	9	*	3
2009 May 7-10	36	56	6	*	1
2008 May 8-11	40	48	10	*	2
2007 May 10-13	40	51	7	*	1
2006 May 8-11	43	44	11	*	2
2005 May 2-5	40	51	8	--	1
2004 May 2-4	40	50	8	*	2
2003 May 5-7	37	53	9	*	1
2002 May 6-9	38	53	8	*	1
2001 May 10-14	42	45	11	1	1

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QN11: Abortion Legality Circumstances BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Ideology

		Gender			Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Ideology		
		Total	Male	Female	White	Non-white	18-34	35-54	55+	College Grad	Some College	HS Grad or Less	Republican	Independent	Democrat	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Total	Unweighted n	1016	545	471	753	246	194	279	532	459	319	235	317	348	322	387	333	272
	Weighted n	1016	500	516	669	331	271	327	406	359	285	370	291	352	338	356	351	281
Legal under any		327	143	184	222	102	111	104	109	155	93	79	43	111	170	35	128	162
		32%	29%	36%	33%	31%	41%	32%	27%	43%	33%	21%	15%	32%	50%	10%	37%	58%
Legal under certain		483	251	232	330	145	98	165	213	165	146	171	157	168	140	189	183	92
		48%	50%	45%	49%	44%	36%	50%	52%	46%	51%	46%	54%	48%	41%	53%	52%	33%
Illegal in all		190	95	95	107	78	54	53	82	37	43	108	90	61	27	131	31	24
		19%	19%	19%	16%	23%	20%	16%	20%	10%	15%	29%	31%	17%	8%	37%	9%	8%
(DK)/(Refused)		15	11	4	9	6	8	4	2	2	3	11	2	11	2	1	9	3
		2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	3%	1%	1%	0%	1%	3%	1%	3%	1%	0%	2%	1%

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QN11QN12COMBO: Abortion Opinion (Detail) BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Ideology

		Gender			Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Ideology		
		Total	Male	Female	White	Non-white	18-34	35-54	55+	College Grad	Some College	HS Grad or Less	Republican	Independent	Democrat	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Total	Unweighted n	1016	545	471	753	246	194	279	532	459	319	235	317	348	322	387	333	272
	Weighted n	1016	500	516	669	331	271	327	406	359	285	370	291	352	338	356	351	281
Legal in all circumstances		327	143	184	222	102	111	104	109	155	93	79	43	111	170	35	128	162
		32%	29%	36%	33%	31%	41%	32%	27%	43%	33%	21%	15%	32%	50%	10%	37%	58%
Legal in most		137	58	79	97	39	29	48	54	70	41	26	24	49	63	24	55	56
		13%	12%	15%	14%	12%	11%	15%	13%	19%	14%	7%	8%	14%	19%	7%	16%	20%
Legal in certain-unspecified		8	1	6	4	3	-	5	2	5	3	-	-	5	2	2	3	2
		1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	-	2%	1%	1%	1%	-	-	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Legal in only a few		339	192	147	230	103	68	112	156	91	102	146	133	114	74	162	125	34
		33%	38%	29%	34%	31%	25%	34%	39%	25%	36%	39%	46%	33%	22%	45%	36%	12%
Illegal in all		190	95	95	107	78	54	53	82	37	43	108	90	61	27	131	31	24
		19%	19%	19%	16%	23%	20%	16%	20%	10%	15%	29%	31%	17%	8%	37%	9%	8%
No opinion		15	11	4	9	6	8	4	2	2	3	11	2	11	2	1	9	3
		2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	3%	1%	1%	0%	1%	3%	1%	3%	1%	0%	2%	1%

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QN13: Pro-choice or Pro-life BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Ideology

		Gender		Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Ideology			
		Total	Male	Female	White	Non-white	18-34	35-54	55+	College Grad	Some College	HS Grad or Less	Republican	Independent	Democrat	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Total	Unweighted n	1016	545	471	753	246	194	279	532	459	319	235	317	348	322	387	333	272
	Weighted n	1016	500	516	669	331	271	327	406	359	285	370	291	352	338	356	351	281
Pro-choice		493	223	270	335	155	149	160	176	233	140	121	65	187	236	64	197	224
		49%	45%	52%	50%	47%	55%	49%	43%	65%	49%	33%	22%	53%	70%	18%	56%	80%
Pro-life		474	252	222	305	158	106	146	219	115	129	228	214	144	88	277	134	47
		47%	50%	43%	46%	48%	39%	45%	54%	32%	45%	62%	74%	41%	26%	78%	38%	17%
(Don't know what the terms mean) (vol.)		14	6	8	7	7	6	5	3	2	3	9	7	6	-	5	9	-
		1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%	-	1%	3%	-
(Mixed/Both/Neither) (vol.)		25	14	11	17	8	5	14	6	6	8	10	5	7	12	9	6	10
		2%	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%	4%	2%	2%	3%	3%	2%	2%	4%	3%	2%	3%
(Unsure)		4	1	3	4	-	3	-	1	1	4	-	-	4	1	0	4	-
		0%	0%	1%	1%	-	1%	-	0%	0%	1%	-	-	1%	0%	0%	1%	-
(Refused)		5	4	1	2	3	2	2	1	2	1	2	-	3	1	1	1	0
		0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	-	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%

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QN19A: Morally Acceptable Abortion BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Ideology

		Gender		Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Ideology			
		Total	Male	Female	White	Non-white	18-34	35-54	55+	College Grad	Some College	HS Grad or Less	Republican	Independent	Democrat	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Total	Unweighted n	1016	545	471	753	246	194	279	532	459	319	235	317	348	322	387	333	272
	Weighted n	1016	500	516	669	331	271	327	406	359	285	370	291	352	338	356	351	281
Morally acceptable		478	235	243	324	148	138	160	172	227	129	121	75	178	215	67	193	206
		47%	47%	47%	48%	45%	51%	49%	42%	63%	45%	33%	26%	51%	64%	19%	55%	73%
Morally wrong		466	232	235	295	163	117	145	202	114	125	226	195	149	104	261	132	64
		46%	46%	46%	44%	49%	43%	44%	50%	32%	44%	61%	67%	42%	31%	73%	38%	23%
Depends on the situation (vol.)		66	28	37	46	18	14	20	31	16	28	21	21	21	19	26	25	11
		6%	6%	7%	7%	5%	5%	6%	8%	4%	10%	6%	7%	6%	6%	7%	7%	4%
Not a moral issue (vol.)		1	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
		0%	0%	-	0%	-	-	-	0%	0%	-	-	-	-	0%	-	0%	-
(DK)/(Refused)		5	5	0	3	2	2	3	1	1	2	2	-	5	-	2	0	-
		1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	-	1%	-	1%	0%	-