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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted October 1-19, 2021 with a random sample of –823—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 – 290 – gun owners, the margin of sampling error is ± 7 percentage points at the 95% confidence level.

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.

On the subject of crime,

Q.9-10 ROTATED

9. Is there more crime in your area than there was a year ago, or less?

	<u>More</u>	<u>Less</u>	<u>Same (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2021 Oct 1-19	51	29	18	2
2020 Sep 30-Oct 15	38	39	22	1
2019 Oct 1-13	43	40	16	2
2018 Oct 1-10	39	42	16	4
2017 Oct 5-11	40	38	20	3
2016 Oct 5-9	45	33	20	2
2015 Oct 7-11	46	33	18	3
2014 Oct 12-15	44	32	19	5
2013 Oct 3-6	41	33	21	4
2011 Oct 6-9	48	29	18	5
2010 Oct 7-10	49	30	16	5
2009 Oct 1-4	51	29	16	4
2008 Oct 3-5	44	31	19	5
2007 Oct 4-7	51	29	17	4
2006 Oct 9-12	51	30	15	4
2005 Oct 13-16	47	33	18	2
2004 Oct 11-14	37	37	22	4
2003 Oct 6-8	40	39	19	2
2002 Oct 14-17	37	34	24	5
2001 Oct 11-14	26	52	18	4
2000 Aug 29-Sep 5	34	46	15	5
1998 Oct 23-25	31	48	16	5
1997 Aug 22-25	46	32	20	2
1996 Jul 25-28	46	24	25	5
1992 Feb 28-Mar 1	54	19	23	4
1990 Sep 10-11	51	18	24	8
1989 Jun 8-11	53	18	22	7
1989 Jan 24-28	47	21	27	5
1983 Jan 28-31	37	17	36	10
1981 Jan 9-12	54	8	29	9
1977 Nov 18-21	43	17	32	8
1975 Jun 27-30	50	12	29	9
1972 Dec 8-11	51	10	27	12

10. Is there more crime in the U.S. than there was a year ago, or less?

	<u>More</u>	<u>Less</u>	<u>Same (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2021 Oct 1-19	74	17	7	2
2020 Sep 30-Oct 15	78	14	6	3
2019 Oct 1-13	64	24	9	3
2018 Oct 1-10	60	25	8	7
2017 Oct 5-11	68	19	9	5
2016 Oct 5-9	70	20	6	4
2015 Oct 7-11	70	18	8	4
2014 Oct 12-15	63	21	9	7
2013 Oct 3-6	64	19	9	7
2011 Oct 6-9	68	17	8	8
2010 Oct 7-10	66	17	8	9
2009 Oct 1-4	74	15	6	5
2008 Oct 3-5	67	15	9	9
2007 Oct 4-7	71	14	8	6
2006 Oct 9-12	68	16	8	8
2005 Oct 13-16	67	21	9	3
2004 Oct 11-14	53	28	14	5
2003 Oct 6-8	60	25	11	4
2002 Oct 14-17	62	21	11	6
2001 Oct 11-14	41	43	10	6
2000 Aug 29-Sep 5	47	41	7	5
1998 Oct 23-25	52	35	8	5
1997 Aug 22-25	64	25	6	5
1996 Jul 25-28	71	15	8	6
1993 Oct 13-18	87	4	5	4
1992 Feb 28-Mar 1	89	3	4	4
1990 Sep 10	84	3	7	6
1989 Jan 24-28	84	5	5	6

11. Is there any area near where you live - that is, within a mile - where you would be afraid to walk alone at night?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2021 Oct 1-19	37	63	*
2020 Sep 30-Oct 15	29	70	*
2019 Oct 1-13	37	63	*
2018 Oct 1-10	33	66	1
2017 Oct 5-11	30	69	1
2016 Oct 5-9	35	64	1
2015 Oct 7-11	35	64	*
2014 Oct 12-15	37	63	*
2013 Oct 3-6	34	65	1
2011 Oct 6-9	38	61	*
2010 Oct 7-10	37	63	*
2009 Oct 1-4	34	66	*
2008 Oct 3-5	37	63	*
2007 Oct 4-7	37	62	*
2006 Oct 9-12	37	63	*
2005 Oct 13-16	38	62	*
2004 Oct 11-14	32	67	1
2003 Oct 6-8	36	64	*
2002 Oct 14-17	35	64	1
2001 Oct 11-14	30	69	1
2000 Aug 29-Sep 5	34	66	*
1997 Aug 22-25	38	61	1
1996 Jul 25-28	39	60	1
1994 Dec 19-26	39	60	--
1993 Oct 13-18	43	56	1
1992 Feb 28-Mar 1	44	56	--
1990 Sep 10-11	40	59	--
1989 Jan 24-28	43	57	--
1983 Jan 28-31	45	55	*
1982 Jan 22-25	48	52	*
1981 Jan 9-12	45	55	--
1979 Nov 2-5	42	58	--
1977 Nov 18-21	45	55	--
1975 Jun 27-30	45	55	--
1972 Dec 8-11	42	57	1
1968 Sep 19-24	35	62	3
1967 Aug 3-8	31	67	3
1965 Apr 2-7	34	66	--

12. Overall, how would you describe the problem of crime [ROTATED: in the United States/in the area where you live] -- is it extremely serious, very serious, moderately serious, not too serious, or not serious at all?

A. In the United States

	<u>Extremely serious</u>	<u>Very serious</u>	<u>Moderately serious</u>	<u>Not too serious</u>	<u>Not serious at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2021 Oct 1-19	21	33	36	9	1	1
2020 Sep 30-Oct 15	18	33	41	7	*	*
2019 Oct 1-13	20	32	41	6	1	1
2018 Oct 1-10	16	32	41	7	1	2
2017 Oct 5-11	26	33	34	6	1	1
2016 Oct 5-9	20	40	32	7	*	1
2015 Oct 7-11	21	38	35	4	1	1
2014 Oct 12-15	18	37	39	4	1	1
2013 Oct 3-6	19	36	38	4	1	2
2011 Oct 6-9	18	36	39	5	1	1
2010 Oct 7-10	21	39	35	3	1	2
2009 Oct 1-4	20	35	40	3	*	1
2008 Oct 3-5	16	35	43	5	*	1
2007 Oct 4-7	20	37	39	2	*	1
2006 Oct 9-12	17	39	41	2	*	1
2005 Oct 13-16	19	30	46	4	*	1
2004 Oct 11-14	13	29	52	5	*	1
2003 Oct 6-8	17	37	40	4	1	1
2000 Aug 29-Sep 5	22	38	35	3	1	1

B. In the area where you live

	<u>Extremely serious</u>	<u>Very serious</u>	<u>Moderately serious</u>	<u>Not too serious</u>	<u>Not serious at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2021 Oct 1-19	5	9	32	36	18	1
2020 Sep 30-Oct 15	3	7	28	40	22	*
2019 Oct 1-13	4	9	37	31	19	*
2018 Oct 1-10	2	7	32	36	22	1
2017 Oct 5-11	4	8	29	36	22	1
2016 Oct 5-9	5	9	33	34	20	1
2015 Oct 7-11	4	8	32	38	18	*
2014 Oct 12-15	6	10	34	33	17	*
2013 Oct 3-6	5	8	35	33	18	1
2011 Oct 6-9	4	7	41	32	15	1
2010 Oct 7-10	4	9	37	33	16	1
2009 Oct 1-4	4	8	36	35	16	*
2008 Oct 3-5	3	8	32	35	22	1
2007 Oct 4-7	5	10	34	34	17	1
2006 Oct 9-12	3	9	35	35	18	*
2005 Oct 13-16	5	7	30	39	19	*
2004 Oct 11-14	2	6	31	37	24	*
2003 Oct 6-8	4	7	33	35	21	*
2000 Aug 29-Sep 5	3	9	35	35	18	*

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QN9: Crime in Your Area BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Ideology

		Total	Gender		Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Ideology		
			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	823	454	369	581	223	155	220	429	367	281	172	234	335	222	328	277	190
	Weighted n	823	406	417	541	268	221	261	328	290	231	301	217	360	215	297	301	202
More		416	193	223	289	118	114	127	168	142	115	159	145	172	86	171	146	84
		51%	48%	54%	53%	44%	51%	49%	51%	49%	50%	53%	67%	48%	40%	58%	49%	42%
Less		242	133	109	130	110	79	66	92	73	74	95	32	114	84	70	87	82
		29%	33%	26%	24%	41%	36%	25%	28%	25%	32%	32%	15%	32%	39%	24%	29%	41%
Same (vol.)		149	68	81	112	34	21	65	62	68	40	41	38	63	44	53	58	33
		18%	17%	19%	21%	13%	9%	25%	19%	24%	17%	14%	17%	18%	20%	18%	19%	16%
(DK)/(Refused)		16	12	4	10	6	7	3	6	7	3	6	3	11	2	3	10	2
		2%	3%	1%	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%	1%	3%	1%

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QN10: Crime in the U.S. BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Ideology

		Total	Gender		Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Ideology		
			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	823	454	369	581	223	155	220	429	367	281	172	234	335	222	328	277	190
	Weighted n	823	406	417	541	268	221	261	328	290	231	301	217	360	215	297	301	202
More		608	292	316	413	183	153	191	254	197	180	230	193	260	133	241	217	131
		74%	72%	76%	76%	68%	69%	73%	78%	68%	78%	76%	89%	72%	62%	81%	72%	65%
Less		137	76	61	73	63	54	31	52	61	31	45	11	57	64	25	56	56
		17%	19%	15%	14%	24%	24%	12%	16%	21%	14%	15%	5%	16%	30%	8%	19%	28%
Same (vol.)		59	28	31	39	20	11	31	15	27	14	17	6	32	16	21	20	12
		7%	7%	7%	7%	7%	5%	12%	5%	9%	6%	6%	3%	9%	8%	7%	7%	6%
(DK)/(Refused)		19	10	9	16	2	3	9	7	5	6	9	7	10	2	10	7	2
		2%	3%	2%	3%	1%	1%	3%	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%	3%	1%	3%	2%	1%

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QN11: Afraid to Walk Alone at Night 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	823	454	369	581	223	155	220	429	367	281	172	234	335	222	328	277	190
	Weighted n	823	406	417	541	268	221	261	328	290	231	301	217	360	215	297	301	202
Yes		302	108	194	202	96	104	85	111	100	94	107	80	136	82	111	119	67
		37%	27%	46%	37%	36%	47%	32%	34%	34%	41%	36%	37%	38%	38%	37%	40%	33%
No		517	295	222	338	169	117	177	213	189	136	192	136	221	133	184	181	134
		63%	73%	53%	62%	63%	53%	68%	65%	65%	59%	64%	63%	62%	62%	62%	60%	67%
(DK)/(Refused)		4	3	1	1	3	-	-	3	1	1	1	1	2	0	2	0	1
		0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	-	-	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%

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QN12A: Description of Crime in the U.S. 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	823	454	369	581	223	155	220	429	367	281	172	234	335	222	328	277	190
	Weighted n	823	406	417	541	268	221	261	328	290	231	301	217	360	215	297	301	202
Extremely serious		175	73	102	121	46	35	43	92	48	64	63	80	56	35	102	46	22
		21%	18%	24%	22%	17%	16%	17%	28%	17%	28%	21%	37%	15%	16%	34%	15%	11%
Very serious		268	133	135	194	73	50	84	128	92	68	108	81	117	58	99	99	63
		33%	33%	32%	36%	27%	22%	32%	39%	32%	29%	36%	37%	33%	27%	34%	33%	31%
Moderately serious		296	154	143	190	103	108	107	80	125	89	82	55	152	84	71	135	82
		36%	38%	34%	35%	38%	49%	41%	24%	43%	39%	27%	25%	42%	39%	24%	45%	41%
Not too serious		71	40	31	34	36	22	25	23	24	7	40	1	28	34	20	19	28
		9%	10%	7%	6%	14%	10%	10%	7%	8%	3%	13%	0%	8%	16%	7%	6%	14%
Not serious at all		7	4	3	-	7	4	1	3	1	1	5	-	4	3	1	-	6
		1%	1%	1%	-	3%	2%	0%	1%	0%	0%	2%	-	1%	2%	0%	-	3%
(DK)/(Refused)		6	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	4	1	2	2	1
		1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%

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QN12B: Description of Crime Where You Live 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	823	454	369	581	223	155	220	429	367	281	172	234	335	222	328	277	190
	Weighted n	823	406	417	541	268	221	261	328	290	231	301	217	360	215	297	301	202
Extremely serious		39	20	19	18	21	6	17	17	6	17	15	11	14	14	14	18	7
		5%	5%	5%	3%	8%	3%	6%	5%	2%	8%	5%	5%	4%	7%	5%	6%	3%
Very serious		72	30	42	47	23	10	28	30	27	19	26	29	22	18	32	27	11
		9%	7%	10%	9%	9%	5%	11%	9%	9%	8%	9%	14%	6%	8%	11%	9%	5%
Moderately serious		262	123	139	200	58	77	75	107	88	84	89	79	123	49	96	103	58
		32%	30%	33%	37%	22%	35%	29%	33%	30%	36%	30%	36%	34%	23%	32%	34%	29%
Not too serious		298	149	149	189	106	88	90	116	119	70	109	72	129	86	98	102	91
		36%	37%	36%	35%	39%	40%	34%	36%	41%	30%	36%	33%	36%	40%	33%	34%	45%
Not serious at all		148	83	65	85	58	40	51	54	47	41	60	26	70	45	55	51	34
		18%	20%	16%	16%	22%	18%	19%	17%	16%	18%	20%	12%	19%	21%	18%	17%	17%
(DK)/(Refused)		5	2	3	2	2	-	1	3	3	1	1	-	2	2	1	1	2
		1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	-	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	-	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%