

## GALLUP NEWS SERVICE

### GALLUP POLL SOCIAL SERIES: ENVIRONMENT

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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted March 1-18, 2022, with a random sample of **–1,017–** 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  $\pm 4$  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 75% cell phone respondents and 25% 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 2021 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the July-December 2020 National Health Interview Survey. Population density targets are based on the 2020 census. All reported margins of sampling error include the computed design effects for weighting.

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7. Next, I'm going to read a list of problems facing the country. For each one, please tell me if you personally worry about this problem a great deal, a fair amount, only a little, or not at all? First, how much do you personally worry about -- [RANDOM ORDER]?

**H. The availability and affordability of energy**

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Fair amount</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2022 Mar 1-18	47	30	17	5	*
2021 Mar 1-15	37	36	18	9	*
2020 Mar 2-13	22	32	29	16	*
2019 Mar 1-10	28	29	25	18	*
2018 Mar 1-8	25	34	28	12	1
2017 Mar 1-5	27	32	30	11	*
2016 Mar 2-6	27	34	25	13	*
2015 Mar 5-8	28	35	25	12	1
2014 Mar 6-9 ^	37	30	24	9	*
2013 Mar 7-10 ^	35	32	27	7	*
2012 Mar 8-11 ^	48	31	15	6	*
2011 Mar 3-6	46	33	14	7	*
2010 Mar 4-7	38	37	18	6	*
2008 Mar 6-9	47	35	13	4	1
2007 Mar 11-14	43	34	17	6	*
2006 Mar 13-16	48	35	12	5	*
2005 Mar 7-10	39	26	26	8	1
2004 Mar 8-11	35	28	25	11	1
2003 Mar 24-25	27	36	25	11	1
2002 Mar 4-7	32	30	29	9	*
2001 Mar 5-7	46	31	16	6	1

^ Asked of a half sample

Next,

13. With which one of these statements about the environment and energy production do you most agree – [ROTATED: protection of the environment should be given priority, even at the risk of limiting the amount of energy supplies -- such as oil, gas and coal -- which the United States produces (or) development of U.S. energy supplies -- such as oil, gas and coal -- should be given priority, even if the environment suffers to some extent]?

	<u>Environ- ment</u>	<u>Develop- ment of U.S. energy supplies</u>	<u>Both/ equally (vol.)</u>	<u>Neither/ other (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2022 Mar 1-18	50	46	2	1	2
2018 Mar 1-8	59	34	3	2	2
2017 Mar 1-5	59	34	2	*	4
2016 Mar 2-6	59	34	2	1	3
2015 Mar 5-8	49	39	4	2	5
2014 Mar 6-9	51	40	4	2	3
2013 Mar 7-10	45	46	3	3	3
2012 Mar 8-11	44	47	3	2	4
2011 Mar 3-6	41	50	4	1	4
2010 May 24-25	55	39	3	1	2
2010 Mar 4-7	43	50	2	2	3
2009 Mar 5-8	47	46	3	1	3
2008 Mar 6-9	50	41	4	2	3
2007 Mar 11-14	58	34	3	2	3
2006 Mar 13-16	49	42	4	2	3
2005 Mar 7-10	52	39	4	2	3
2004 Mar 8-11	48	44	3	1	4
2003 Mar 3-5	49	40	5	2	4
2002 Mar 4-7	52	40	3	2	3
2001 Mar 5-7	52	36	6	2	4

Now turning to the subject of energy,

15. How serious would you say the energy situation is in the United States--very serious, fairly serious, or not at all serious?

	<u>Very serious</u>	<u>Fairly serious</u>	<u>Not at all serious</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2022 Mar 1-18	44	46	10	1
2021 Mar 1-15	32	51	15	1
2018 Mar 1-8	25	51	22	2
2017 Mar 1-5	23	51	23	3
2016 Mar 2-6	28	48	23	2
2015 Mar 5-8	28	50	20	1
2014 Mar 6-9	32	50	16	2
2013 Mar 7-10	36	51	10	2
2012 Mar 8-11	42	49	7	2
2011 Mar 3-6	45	47	7	2
2010 Mar 4-7	33	54	11	1
2009 Mar 5-8	42	51	5	1
2008 Mar 6-9	46	49	5	1
2007 Mar 11-14	37	55	7	1
2006 Mar 13-16	41	51	7	1
2005 Mar 7-10	31	56	10	3
2004 Mar 8-11	29	57	12	2
2003 Mar 3-5	28	59	11	2
2002 Mar 4-7	22	63	12	3
2001 Jun 28-Jul 1	47	43	8	2
2001 May 7-9	58	36	4	2
2001 Mar 5-7	31	59	9	1
1991 Feb 7-10	40	44	14	2
1990 Sep 27-30	32	46	19	3
1990 Sep 10-11	28	48	21	3
1990 Aug 9-12	28	45	23	4
1979 Aug 3-6	47	35	16	3
1979 Jun 1-4	37	36	24	3
1979 Apr 27-May 4	44	36	16	4
1979 Feb 23-26	43	42	13	2
1978 Mar 31-Apr 3	41	39	15	5
1977 Nov 18-21	40	42	14	4
1977 Sep 30-Oct 3	40	40	16	4
1977 Aug 5-8	38	43	13	6
1977 Jun 3-6	40	42	13	5
1977 Apr 29-May 2	44	40	11	5
1977 Apr 1-4	41	39	16	4

16. Do you think that the United States is or is not likely to face a critical energy shortage during the next five years?

	<u>Yes, is</u>	<u>No, is not</u>	<u>Already facing one (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2022 Mar 1-18	55	42	*	2
2021 Mar 1-15	53	46	*	1
2016 Mar 2-6	31	66	1	2
2012 Mar 8-11	50	46	1	2
2011 Mar 3-6	61	36	1	2
2010 Mar 4-7	45	51	*	3
2008 Mar 6-9	62	34	1	2
2007 Mar 11-14	53	44	*	3
2006 Mar 13-16	56	39	1	4
2005 Mar 7-10	52	45	*	3
2004 Mar 8-11	49	47	1	3
2003 Mar 3-5	56	40	1	3
2002 Mar 4-7	48	49	1	2
2001 Mar 5-7	60	36	1	3
1978 Nov 10-13	45	41	4	10

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**QN7H: Worry About Energy Availability/Affordability 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	718	403	310	535	169	129	211	364	317	235	162	221	283	200	296	239	168
	Weighted n	719	351	361	462	245	186	229	290	254	190	273	195	296	212	262	247	188
A great deal		338	194	142	223	109	89	103	140	88	95	154	129	143	59	168	106	57
		47%	55%	39%	48%	44%	48%	45%	48%	35%	50%	56%	66%	48%	28%	64%	43%	30%
A fair amount		216	88	125	138	77	52	77	83	92	49	74	41	97	77	60	87	65
		30%	25%	35%	30%	31%	28%	34%	29%	36%	26%	27%	21%	33%	36%	23%	35%	34%
Only a Little		124	50	73	81	42	35	42	44	61	32	31	20	43	55	24	46	48
		17%	14%	20%	17%	17%	19%	18%	15%	24%	17%	12%	10%	15%	26%	9%	18%	26%
Not at all		38	17	20	19	18	9	7	22	13	14	11	5	13	19	10	8	19
		5%	5%	6%	4%	7%	5%	3%	8%	5%	7%	4%	3%	4%	9%	4%	3%	10%
(DK)/(Refused)		2	2	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	-
		0%	1%	-	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	1%	-	-	1%	-	-	-

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**QN13: Priority: Environment or Energy 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	1017	563	446	757	241	198	289	508	451	344	216	322	388	288	413	340	243
	Weighted n	1017	492	515	661	341	275	318	404	361	285	368	282	404	309	363	347	283
Protect environment, even at the risk of limiting energy supplies		504	215	282	275	219	169	157	167	207	130	164	49	198	241	81	177	230
		50%	44%	55%	42%	64%	61%	49%	41%	57%	46%	45%	17%	49%	78%	22%	51%	81%
Developing energy supplies given priority		466	255	209	355	106	103	140	219	143	140	182	220	189	54	263	154	44
		46%	52%	41%	54%	31%	37%	44%	54%	39%	49%	49%	78%	47%	17%	73%	44%	16%
(Both Equally) [Volunteered]		24	14	11	16	9	2	8	12	9	8	7	9	9	5	13	5	5
		2%	3%	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%	3%	3%	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%	4%	2%	2%
(Neither/Other) [Volunteered]		7	-	6	5	1	1	3	3	1	-	6	-	6	0	1	3	1
		1%	-	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	-	2%	-	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%
(DK)/(Refused)		16	9	8	10	5	-	11	3	2	7	8	4	2	9	4	7	3
		2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	-	3%	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	1%

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**QN15: Energy Situation 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	1017	563	446	757	241	198	289	508	451	344	216	322	388	288	413	340	243
	Weighted n	1017	492	515	661	341	275	318	404	361	285	368	282	404	309	363	347	283
Very serious		443	238	201	301	134	95	133	209	125	124	192	180	153	94	227	123	82
		44%	48%	39%	46%	39%	35%	42%	52%	35%	44%	52%	64%	38%	30%	62%	35%	29%
Fairly serious		468	198	266	292	172	143	158	156	193	135	139	87	197	179	111	190	156
		46%	40%	52%	44%	50%	52%	50%	39%	53%	48%	38%	31%	49%	58%	30%	55%	55%
Not at all serious		98	52	43	62	33	31	27	36	39	22	37	15	49	34	25	33	40
		10%	11%	8%	9%	10%	11%	9%	9%	11%	8%	10%	5%	12%	11%	7%	9%	14%
(DK)/(Refused)		9	4	4	6	1	6	-	2	4	3	1	0	5	2	0	2	5
		1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	2%	-	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	2%

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**QN16: Critical Energy Shortage 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	1017	563	446	757	241	198	289	508	451	344	216	322	388	288	413	340	243
	Weighted n	1017	492	515	661	341	275	318	404	361	285	368	282	404	309	363	347	283
Yes, is		563	265	293	388	168	150	180	226	170	174	218	183	239	133	220	203	126
		55%	54%	57%	59%	49%	55%	57%	56%	47%	61%	59%	65%	59%	43%	61%	59%	45%
No, is not		431	221	207	258	166	118	133	169	187	103	139	92	159	170	135	141	150
		42%	45%	40%	39%	49%	43%	42%	42%	52%	36%	38%	33%	39%	55%	37%	41%	53%
Already facing one (vol.)		4	3	1	4	0	2	-	3	1	2	2	3	1	4	-	-	-
		0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	-	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	-	1%	-	-
(DK)/(Refused)		19	3	15	11	6	6	5	6	3	6	10	4	5	6	4	3	7
		2%	1%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	3%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%