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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted October 2-23, 2023, with a random sample of **–1,009—** 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 **-- 498 --** national adults in Form A and the sample of **–511--** national adults in Form B, the margin of sampling error is **±5** percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **– 478 –** U.S. adults with a gun in their household, the margin of sampling error is **±5** 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 80% cell phone respondents and 20% 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 most recent Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the most recent 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.

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.

Turning to a different subject,

7. Are you in favor of the death penalty for a person convicted of murder?

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>		<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2023 Oct 2-23	53	44	2	2000 Jun 23-25	66	26	8
				2000 Feb 14-15	66	28	6
2022 Oct 3-20	55	42	3	1999 Feb 8-9	71	22	7
2021 Oct 1-19	54	43	3	1995 May 11-14	77	13	10
2020 Sep 30-Oct 15	55	43	2	1994 Sep 6-7	80	16	4
2019 Oct 1-13	56	42	2	1991 Jun 13-16	76	18	6
2018 Oct 1-10	56	41	4	1988 Sep 25-Oct 1	79	16	5
2017 Oct 5-11	55	41	3	1988 Sep 9-11	79	16	5
2016 Oct 5-9	60	37	3	1986 Jan 10-13	70	22	8
2015 Oct 7-11	61	37	2	1985 Nov 11-18	75	17	8
2014 Oct 12-15	63	33	4	1985 Jan 11-14	72	20	8
2013 Oct 3-6	60	35	5	1981 Jan 30-Feb 2	66	25	9
2012 Dec 19-22	63	32	6	1978 Mar 3-6	62	27	11
2011 Oct 6-9	61	35	4	1976 Apr 9-12	66	26	8
2010 Oct 7-10 ^	64	29	6	1972 Nov 10-13	57	32	11
2009 Oct 1-4	65	31	5	1972 Mar 3-5	50	41	9
2008 Oct 3-5	64	30	5	1971 Oct 29-Nov 2	49	40	11
2007 Oct 4-7	69	27	4	1969 Jan 23-28	51	40	9
2006 Oct 9-12	67	28	5	1967 Jun 2-7	54	38	8
2006 May 5-7 ^	65	28	7	1966 May 19-24	42	47	11
2005 Oct 13-16	64	30	6	1965 Jan 7-12	45	43	12
2004 Oct 11-14	64	31	5	1960 Mar 2-7	53	36	11
2003 Oct 6-8	64	32	4	1957 Aug 29-Sep 4	47	34	18
2003 May 19-21	70	28	2	1956 Mar 29-Apr 3	53	34	13
2002 Oct 14-17	70	25	5	1953 Nov 1-5	68	25	7
2001 Oct 11-14	68	26	6	1937 Dec 1-6	60	33	7
2001 Feb 19-21 ^	67	25	8	1936 Dec 2-7	59	38	3
2000 Aug 29-Sep 5	67	28	5				

^ Asked of half sample.

8. In your opinion, is the death penalty imposed -- [ROTATED: too often, about the right amount, or not often enough]?

	<u>Too often</u>	<u>About the right amount</u>	<u>Not enough</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2023 Oct 2-23	28	28	39	5
2018 Oct 1-10	29	28	37	6
2017 Oct 5-11	26	26	39	8
2016 Oct 5-9	26	26	41	7
2015 Oct 7-11	27	27	40	5
2014 Oct 12-15	24	28	40	9
2013 Oct 3-6	22	26	44	9
2011 Oct 6-9	25	27	40	8
2010 Oct 7-10	18	26	49	7
2009 Oct 1-4	20	24	49	7
2008 Oct 3-5	21	23	48	8
2007 Oct 4-7	21	26	49	4
2006 May 8-11	21	25	51	3
2005 May 2-5	20	24	53	3
2004 May 2-4	23	25	48	4
2003 May 5-7	23	26	48	3
2002 May 6-9	22	24	47	7
2001 May 10-14	21	34	38	7

9. Generally speaking, do you believe the death penalty is applied fairly or unfairly in this country today?

	<u>Fairly</u>	<u>Unfairly</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2023 Oct 2-23	47	50	3
2018 Oct 1-10	49	45	6
2017 Oct 5-11	51	43	7
2016 Oct 5-9	50	44	5
2015 Oct 7-11	53	41	6
2014 Oct 12-15	51	42	7
2013 Oct 3-6	52	40	8
2011 Oct 6-9	52	41	6
2010 Oct 7-10	58	36	7
2009 Oct 1-4	57	34	9
2008 Oct 3-5	54	38	8
2007 Oct 4-7	57	38	5
2006 May 8-11	60	35	4
2005 May 2-5	61	35	4
2004 May 2-4	55	39	6
2003 May 5-7	60	37	3
2002 May 6-9	53	40	7
2000 Jun 23-25	51	41	8

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QN7: Death Penalty: Favor BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Household Income

		Gender			Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Household Income		
		Total	Male	Female	White	Non-white	18-34	35-54	55+	College Grad	Some College	HS Grad or Less	Republican	Independent	Democrat	Less than \$50,000	\$50,000-100,000	\$100,000+
Total	Unweighted n	1009	550	448	738	242	214	270	510	425	345	228	301	419	255	291	301	300
	Weighted n	1009	492	502	648	339	275	337	385	352	271	380	271	441	268	336	290	277
Yes, in favor		540	285	252	388	141	110	182	238	158	165	213	218	227	86	174	156	153
		53%	58%	50%	60%	42%	40%	54%	62%	45%	61%	56%	81%	51%	32%	52%	54%	55%
No, not in favor		447	196	238	250	188	158	151	137	183	101	160	50	206	175	156	130	121
		44%	40%	47%	39%	55%	57%	45%	36%	52%	37%	42%	18%	47%	65%	46%	45%	44%
(DK)/(Refused)		22	10	12	10	10	7	4	10	10	4	7	3	9	8	6	5	2
		2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%	1%	3%	3%	2%	2%	1%	2%	3%	2%	2%	1%

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QN8: Death Penalty Used Too Often BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Household Income

		Gender			Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Household Income		
		Total	Male	Female	White	Non-white	18-34	35-54	55+	College Grad	Some College	HS Grad or Less	Republican	Independent	Democrat	Less than \$50,000	\$50,000-100,000	\$100,000+
Total	Unweighted n	1009	550	448	738	242	214	270	510	425	345	228	301	419	255	291	301	300
	Weighted n	1009	492	502	648	339	275	337	385	352	271	380	271	441	268	336	290	277
Too often		284	120	154	184	94	81	98	104	147	51	86	26	113	141	69	83	99
		28%	24%	31%	28%	28%	29%	29%	27%	42%	19%	23%	10%	26%	52%	20%	28%	36%
About the right amount		287	143	141	182	100	98	97	86	82	81	121	67	143	64	100	86	77
		28%	29%	28%	28%	29%	36%	29%	22%	23%	30%	32%	25%	32%	24%	30%	30%	28%
Not often enough		391	209	180	257	125	79	129	178	109	127	154	169	163	52	148	110	94
		39%	43%	36%	40%	37%	29%	38%	46%	31%	47%	40%	62%	37%	20%	44%	38%	34%
(DK)/(Refused)		47	19	28	26	20	17	12	18	14	12	19	9	22	11	20	12	7
		5%	4%	6%	4%	6%	6%	4%	5%	4%	5%	5%	3%	5%	4%	6%	4%	2%

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QN9: Death Penalty Applied Fairly BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Household Income

		Gender			Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Household Income		
		Total	Male	Female	White	Non-white	18-34	35-54	55+	College Grad	Some College	HS Grad or Less	Republican	Independent	Democrat	Less than \$50,000	\$50,000-100,000	\$100,000+
Total	Unweighted n	1009	550	448	738	242	214	270	510	425	345	228	301	419	255	291	301	300
	Weighted n	1009	492	502	648	339	275	337	385	352	271	380	271	441	268	336	290	277
Fairly		472	254	216	323	136	137	155	171	138	132	200	185	199	75	159	138	126
		47%	52%	43%	50%	40%	50%	46%	44%	39%	49%	53%	68%	45%	28%	47%	48%	46%
Unfairly		506	222	271	308	191	129	170	204	204	130	171	80	224	192	171	143	145
		50%	45%	54%	48%	56%	47%	51%	53%	58%	48%	45%	30%	51%	72%	51%	49%	53%
(DK)/(Refused)		31	16	15	16	12	9	11	11	10	9	10	6	18	2	6	9	5
		3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%	4%	1%	2%	3%	2%

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