

# GALLUP NEWS SERVICE

## GALLUP POLL SOCIAL SERIES: CRIME

-- FINAL TOPLINE --

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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](mailto:galluphelp@gallup.com).

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Turning now to the assassination of John F. Kennedy in 1963,

35. Do you think that one man was responsible for the assassination of President Kennedy, or do you think that others were involved in a conspiracy?

	<u>One man</u>	<u>Others involved</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2023 Oct 2-23	29	65	6
2013 Nov 7-10	30	61	10
2003 Nov 10-12 ^	19	75	6
2001 Mar 26-28	13	81	6
1993 Nov 15-16	15	75	10
1992 Feb †	10	77	13
1983 Oct †	11	74	15
1976 Dec ‡	11	81	9
1966 Dec ‡	36	50	15
1963 Nov ‡	29	52	19

^ Asked of a half sample

† Wording included "one man, Lee Harvey Oswald,..."

‡ Slight variations in wording:

1963 - "Do you think that the man who shot President Kennedy acted on his own, or was some group or element also responsible?"

1966 - "Do you think that one man was responsible for the assassination of President Kennedy, or do you think others were involved?"

1976 - "Do you think that one man was responsible for the assassination of President Kennedy, or do you think others were involved?"

36. *(Asked of those who think others were involved in Kennedy's assassination)* Just your best guess, what other specific people or groups were involved in the assassination of President Kennedy? [OPEN-ENDED]

**BASED ON --645-- WHO THINK OTHERS WERE INVOLVED IN KENNEDY'S ASSASSINATION; ±5 PCT PTS**

	<i>2023 Oct 2-23</i>	<i>2013 Nov 7-10</i>
U.S. government/Federal government (non-specific)	20	13
CIA	16	7
Mafia/Organized crime/Gangsters	11	13
FBI/J. Edgar Hoover	6	1
Fidel Castro/Cuba	3	5
Special interests who disagreed with his policies (non-specific)	3	5
Political groups (non-specific)	2	4
Lyndon Johnson	2	3
Soviet Union/Russia/Communists	2	3
Another country/foreign government	2	2
Ku Klux Klan/Racist groups	1	3
Multiple people/More than one (non-specific)	1	2
Secret Service	1	1
Military-Industrial complex	1	1
Big business/Oil/Financial interests	*	2
Anti-government/Right wing groups	*	1
Labor unions/Teamsters	--	1
Other	5	5
No opinion	39	40

**GALLUP POLL SOCIAL SURVEY  
October 2023  
Public Release Data**

**QN35: President Kennedy Assassination 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
One man		289	137	144	222	64	71	97	117	158	54	76	67	111	105	72	85	107
		29%	28%	29%	34%	19%	26%	29%	30%	45%	20%	20%	25%	25%	39%	21%	29%	39%
Others involved		656	321	328	405	239	189	217	244	179	206	268	193	300	147	235	194	164
		65%	65%	65%	62%	70%	69%	64%	63%	51%	76%	70%	71%	68%	55%	70%	67%	59%
(DK)/(Refused)		64	33	30	21	37	14	24	25	14	10	36	11	31	16	29	11	5
		6%	7%	6%	3%	11%	5%	7%	6%	4%	4%	10%	4%	7%	6%	9%	4%	2%

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