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**GALLUP POLL SOCIAL SERIES:
VALUES AND BELIEFS**

-- FINAL TOPLINE --

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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted May 1-17, 2026, with a random sample of **~1,001**—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.

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. 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, party identification, 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. Party identification targets are based on the average of the three most recent Gallup polls. 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.

21. 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]?

EACH ITEM ASKED OF APPROXIMATELY 750 RESPONDENTS; ±5 PCT PTS

P. Gay or Lesbian Relations

	<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>
2026 May 1-17	62	33	1	1	3
2025 May 1-18	64	33	*	1	3
2024 May 1-23	64	33	1	1	1
2023 May 1-24	64	33	*	1	1
2022 May 2-22	71	25	1	1	2
2021 May 3-18	69	30	*	*	1
2020 May 1-13	66	32	1	*	1
2019 May 1-12	63	35	*	--	1
2018 May 1-10	67	30	1	1	1
2017 May 3-7	63	33	1	1	2
2016 May 4-8	60	37	1	1	2
2015 May 6-10	63	34	1	1	2
2014 May 8-11	58	38	2	1	2
2013 May 2-7	59	38	1	*	2
2012 May 3-6	54	42	1	1	3
2011 May 5-8	56	39	1	1	3
2010 May 3-6	52	43	1	*	4
2009 May 7-10	49	47	1	1	3
2008 May 8-11†	48	48	1	1	2
2007 May 10-13 †	47	49	2	*	2
2006 May 8-11 †	44	51	1	1	2
2005 May 2-5 ^	45	51	1	--	3
2004 May 2-4 ‡	42	54	1	1	2
2003 May 5-7 ‡	44	52	2	*	2
2002 May 6-9 ‡	38	55	2	1	4
2001 May 10-14 ‡	40	53	3	1	3

^ Asked of a half sample.

† WORDING: Homosexual relations

‡ WORDING: Homosexual behavior

V. Changing one's gender

	<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>
2026 May 1-17	38	57	3	*	2
2025 May 1-18	40	54	2	1	2
2024 May 1-23	44	51	2	1	2
2023 May 1-24	43	55	2	*	1
2021 May 3-18	46	51	2	*	*

Next,

22. Do you think marriages between same-sex couples should or should not be recognized by the law as valid, with the same rights as traditional marriages?

	<u>Should be valid</u>	<u>Should not be valid</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2026 May 1-17	65	32	3
2025 May 1-18	68	29	3
2024 May 1-23	69	29	2
2023 May 1-24	71	28	1
2022 May 2-22	71	28	1
2021 May 3-18	70	29	1
2020 May 1-13	67	31	1
2019 May 1-12	63	36	1
2018 May 1-10	67	31	2
2017 May 3-7	64	34	2
2016 May 4-8	61	37	2
2015 Jul 8-12	58	40	2
2015 May 6-10	60	37	3
2014 May 8-11	55	42	3
2013 July 8-11	54	43	3
2013 May 2-7	53	45	3
2012 Nov 26-29	53	46	2
2012 May 3-6	50	48	2
2011 Dec 15-18	48	48	4
2011 May 5-8	53	45	3
2010 May 3-6	44	53	3
2009 May 7-10	40	57	3
2008 May 8-11 †	40	56	4
2007 May 10-13	46	53	1
2006 May 8-11 †	42	56	2
2006 May 8-11 ^†	39	58	4
2005 Aug 22-25 ^	37	59	4
2004 May 2-4 ^	42	55	3
1999 Feb 8-9 ^	35	62	3
1996 Mar 15-17 ^	27	68	5

TRENDS FOR COMPARISON: Polls in which gay marriage question NOT preceded by question(s) on gay/lesbian rights and relations

	<u>Should be valid</u>	<u>Should not be valid</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2005 Apr 29-May 1	39	56	5
2005 Mar 18-20 †	28	68	4
2004 Jul 19-21 †	32	62	6
2004 Mar 5-7	33	61	6
2004 Feb 16-17	32	64	4
2004 Feb 6-8 †	36	59	5
2003 Dec 15-16	31	65	4
2003 Oct 24-26	35	61	4
2003 Jun 27-29	39	55	6
2000 Jan 13-16	34	62	4

^ WORDING: Do you think marriages between homosexuals should or should not be recognized by the law as valid, with the same rights as traditional marriages?

† Asked of a half sample.

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QN21V: Morality: Changing One's Gender BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Household Income

	Total	Gender		Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Household Income		
		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+
Morally acceptable	38%	34%	38%	38%	39%	57%	40%	24%	51%	38%	26%	5%	42%	60%	35%	39%	45%
Morally wrong	57%	60%	57%	57%	54%	36%	58%	70%	45%	57%	68%	93%	53%	31%	63%	55%	50%
Depends on the situation (vol.)	3%	3%	3%	2%	4%	4%	3%	2%	1%	3%	5%	1%	3%	3%	2%	3%	3%
Not a moral issue (vol.)	0%	1%	-	0%	1%	1%	-	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	-
DONT KNOW/REFUSED	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	0%	4%	3%	2%	2%	1%	1%	5%	-	3%	1%

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QN21P: Morality: Same-sex Relations BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Household Income

	Total	Gender		Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Household Income		
		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+
Morally acceptable	62%	61%	62%	61%	64%	81%	64%	48%	68%	64%	55%	35%	65%	81%	59%	55%	75%
Morally wrong	33%	32%	35%	34%	31%	15%	32%	46%	27%	32%	40%	60%	30%	16%	39%	37%	23%
Depends on the situation (vol.)	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	-	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%
Not a moral issue (vol.)	1%	2%	-	1%	-	3%	-	0%	-	-	2%	-	1%	-	-	2%	-
DONT KNOW/REFUSED	3%	5%	2%	3%	4%	2%	3%	5%	4%	3%	3%	4%	3%	2%	2%	5%	2%

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QN22: Same-sex Marriage BY Total + Gender + Race I + Age + Education + Party I.D. + Household Income

	Total	Gender		Race I		Age			Education			Party I.D.			Household Income		
		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+
Should be valid	65%	63%	66%	66%	66%	78%	70%	52%	73%	65%	59%	37%	67%	87%	64%	64%	75%
Should not be valid	32%	33%	31%	31%	30%	19%	27%	44%	25%	31%	38%	60%	30%	12%	33%	33%	24%
DONT KNOW/REFUSED	3%	4%	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%	4%	2%	4%	3%	3%	4%	1%	4%	2%	1%