

PRRI August 2011 Survey
August 11-14, 2011
N=1,006

Q.1 All in all, do you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose allowing gay and lesbian couples to marry legally?

27	Strongly favor
20	Favor
14	Oppose
32	Strongly oppose
<u>7</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

IF OPPOSE SAME-SEX MARRIAGE OR DK (Q1=3,4,9), ASK [N=527]:

Q.2 Please tell me if you completely agree, mostly agree, mostly disagree, or completely disagree with the following statement.

If the law only provided for civil marriages like you get at city hall for gay couples, I would support allowing them to have a civil marriage.

7	Completely agree
15	Mostly agree
15	Mostly disagree
56	Completely disagree
<u>8</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

ASK ALL:

Q.3 Now, thinking about what have been called 'hate crimes'--those crimes committed because the criminal hates the group of people to which the victim belongs...

Congress recently expanded federal hate crime laws to include crimes committed on the basis of the victim's gender, sexual orientation or gender identity. Do you favor or oppose expanding the federal hate crime laws in this way?

74	Favor
22	Oppose
<u>4</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.4 How familiar are you with the term transgender? Do you know what this term means, have you heard of it but are not sure what it means, or have you never heard of the term transgender before?

70	Know what the term means
24	Heard of it but not sure what it means
5	Never heard of the term before
<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

READ TO FORM 1 ONLY:

The term 'transgender' applies to people who live out their gender in a way that does not match the sex listed on their original birth certificate, or who physically change their sex.

ASK ALL:

Q.5 As I read a few statements about transgender people, please tell me whether you completely agree, mostly agree, mostly disagree or completely disagree with each one. The first statement is [INSERT]. Next . . . [INSERT NEXT]. [RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

a. Transgender people deserve the same rights and protections as other Americans

<u>Combined</u>	<u>Form 1</u>	<u>Form 2</u>	
67	66	68	Completely agree
22	23	22	Mostly agree
4	4	5	Mostly disagree
3	4	3	Completely disagree
<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	Total

b. Legal protections that apply to gay and lesbian people should also apply to transgender people

<u>Combined</u>	<u>Form 1</u>	<u>Form 2</u>	
49	49	48	Completely agree
32	32	33	Mostly agree
7	7	6	Mostly disagree
6	6	6	Completely disagree
<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	Total

c. Congress should pass laws to protect transgender people from job discrimination

<u>Combined</u>	<u>Form 1</u>	<u>Form 2</u>	
48	48	47	Completely agree
27	26	29	Mostly agree
7	8	5	Mostly disagree
14	13	14	Completely disagree
<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	Total

d. I feel I am well informed about transgender persons and issues

<u>Combined</u>	<u>Form 1</u>	<u>Form 2</u>	
30	30	29	Completely agree
37	36	38	Mostly agree
18	19	17	Mostly disagree
12	11	13	Completely disagree
<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	Total

Q.6 Now thinking about the people that you know...Please tell me whether you have a close friend or family member who is **[INSERT]**? And do you have a close friend or family member who is **[INSERT]**? **[ROTATE ITEMS]**

a. Gay or lesbian

58	Yes
39	No
<u>2</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

b. Transgender

11	Yes
86	No
<u>3</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Note: Numbers may not add to 100% due to rounding

PRRI September 2011 Survey
September 14-18, 2011
N=1,013

ASK RANDOMIZED QUARTER SAMPLE [N=257]:

Q.1 Have you ever heard of the term transgender?

91	Yes
7	No
<u>1</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

IF HEARD OF TRANSGENDER (Q1=1), ASK [N=235]:

Q.2 In just a few words, what do you think the word 'transgender' means?

[INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: If respondent is struggling or uncomfortable read: "It is ok if you do not know or do not want to answer."]

	<i>Person who....</i>
39	Switches from one gender to another (General)
7	Switches from one gender to another (Surgical/Medical)
10	Is born the wrong sex/born in the wrong body
9	Has Identified with both genders
6	Acts/lives like the opposite gender
5	Identifies more with the opposite gender
2	Has different sexual preference/orientation
2	Has both sexual organs
8	Other Miscellaneous Responses
<u>11</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Note: Numbers may not add to 100% due to rounding

Methodology

PRRI RELIGION AND POLITICS TRACKING SURVEY, AUGUST 2011

The survey was designed and conducted by Public Religion Research Institute. Results of the survey were based on RDD telephone interviews conducted between August 11, 2011 and August 14, 2011 by professional interviewers under the direction of Opinion Research Corporation. Interviews were conducted among a random sample of 1,006 adults 18 years of age or older living in private households in the continental United States.

The final sample was weighted to five different parameters—age, sex, geographic region, education and race—to ensure reliable and accurate representation of the total adult population.

The margin of error for the survey is +/- 3.0 percentage points at the 95% level of confidence. In addition to sampling error, surveys may also be subject to error or bias due to question wording, context and order effects.

PRRI RELIGION AND POLITICS TRACKING SURVEY, SEPTEMBER 2011

The survey was designed and conducted by Public Religion Research Institute. Results of the survey were based on bilingual (Spanish and English) RDD telephone interviews conducted between September 14, 2011 and September 18, 2011 by professional interviewers under the direction of Social Science Research Solutions (SSRS). Interviews were conducted among a random sample of 1,013 adults 18 years of age or older in the continental United States (301 respondents were interviewed on a cell phone).

The final sample was weighted to six different parameters—age, sex, race, geographic region, education, and telephone usage¹—to ensure reliable and accurate representation of the total adult population.

The margin of error for the survey is +/- 3.0 percentage points at the 95% level of confidence. In addition to sampling error, surveys may also be subject to error or bias due to question wording, context and order effects.

¹ Telephone usage refers to whether respondents have only a landline telephone, only a cell phone or both types and the frequency with which they use each type.