

**PRRI April 2019 Survey**  
**Total = 1,100 (432 Landline, 668 Cell phone)**  
**April 9 – 20, 2019**

Q.1 Now, we would like to get your views on some issues that are being discussed in the country today. Do you strongly favor, favor, oppose or strongly oppose **[INSERT RANDOMIZE]**? What about **[INSERT NEXT; RANDOMIZE]**? **[READ AS NECESSARY: Do you strongly favor, favor, oppose or strongly oppose this?]**

a. Allowing gay and lesbian couples to marry legally

	<u>Strongly favor</u>	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>Strongly oppose</u>	<u>Don't know/ Refused (VOL.)</u>
Apr. 2019	25	37	20	13	5=100
July 2018	35	29	13	15	8=100
Mar. 2018	28	32	19	14	7=100
Oct. 2017	31	30	17	16	5=100
Aug. 2017	38	28	12	16	6=100
Feb. 2017	36	27	15	19	4=100
Jan. 2017	30	30	17	14	9=100
Dec. 2016	29	29	19	15	8=100
Nov. 2016	33	26	17	15	10=100
Oct. 2016	31	26	16	19	8=100
Late Sept. 2016	34	30	16	18	1=100
Early Sept. 2016	28	29	16	16	11=100
Late Aug. 2016	31	31	15	15	8=100
Early Aug. 2016	29	28	19	14	11=100
July 2016	28	28	21	13	10=100
June 2016	25	30	20	15	10=100
Late May 2016	25	30	17	19	8=100
Early May 2016	32	30	18	18	2=100
Dec. 2015	22	30	19	19	10=100
Nov. 2015	32	24	17	20	8=100
Late Oct. 2015	27	28	19	19	6=100
Early Oct. 2015	31	29	17	22	1=100
Sept. 2015	28	27	16	21	7=100
Late Aug. 2015	26	29	15	20	9=100
Early Aug. 2015	28	25	16	23	8=100
July 2015	24	28	16	24	8=100
June 2015	27	28	18	19	9=100
May 2015	26	27	20	19	9=100

Dec. 2014	25	32	18	18	7=100
Nov. 2014	25	29	20	19	7=100
Oct. 2014	24	32	18	17	9=100
Sept. 2014	22	33	18	19	8=100
Late Aug. 2014	24	25	20	22	9=100
Early Aug. 2014	28	28	17	20	7=100
July 2014	24	29	18	20	10=100
June 2014	25	28	14	26	7=100
May 2014	26	24	19	21	10=100
April 2014	27	27	18	22	5=100
Dec. 2013	22	31	21	20	5=100
Oct. 2013	25	27	19	25	4=100
June 2013	22	30	21	20	7=100
May 2013	24	28	22	21	5=100
March 2013	23	27	18	21	10=100
Feb. 2013	25	27	19	23	7=100
Sept. 2012	24	25	18	27	7=100
Aug. 2012	24	25	17	28	6=100
June 2012	25	24	18	26	7=100
March 2012	22	30	19	25	5=100
Oct. 2011	24	24	20	26	6=100
Aug. 2011	19	29	21	25	6=100
July 2011	18	29	21	26	6=100

b. Allowing a small business owner in your state to refuse to provide products or services to gay or lesbian people, if doing so violates their religious beliefs

	Strongly <u>favor</u>	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	Strongly <u>oppose</u>	Don't know/ Refused (VOL.)
Apr. 2019	13	25	33	24	5=100
Sept. 2018	17	20	24	34	5=100
July 2018	17	25	25	24	9=100
Mar. 2018	15	22	26	31	6=100
Oct. 2017	13	19	29	34	5=100
Aug. 2017	16	23	24	32	5=100
Feb. 2017	16	16	24	40	4=100
Jan. 2017	12	17	29	34	8=100
Dec. 2016	14	14	30	35	8=100
Nov. 2016	11	16	26	36	11=100
Oct. 2016	14	17	25	37	7=100
Sept. 2016	10	21	25	33	11=100
Late Aug. 2016	14	16	28	35	7=100
Early Aug. 2016	9	20	31	30	9=100
July 2016	9	22	29	31	8=100
June 2016	13	17	29	31	9=100

May 2016	13	21	28	32	6=100
Dec. 2015	15	21	32	26	7=100
Nov. 2015	15	20	23	36	7=100
Oct. 2015	14	20	27	32	6=100
Sept. 2015	17	18	28	32	5=100
Late Aug. 2015	14	21	29	28	8=100
Early Aug. 2015	17	21	28	28	5=100
July 2015	17	19	27	28	7=100
June 2015	16	18	28	32	5=100
May 2015	14	18	30	32	5=100

c. Laws that would protect gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people against discrimination in jobs, public accommodations, and housing

	<u>Strongly favor</u>	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>Strongly oppose</u>	<u>Don't know/Refused (VOL.)</u>
Apr. 2019	31	40	15	10	4=100
July 2018	38	33	12	10	7=100
Mar. 2018	34	36	16	9	5=100
Oct. 2017	38	32	15	11	4=100
Aug. 2017	42	30	13	11	5=100
Feb. 2017	42	28	11	15	5=100
Aug. 2016	38	34	13	10	5=100
Dec. 2015	32	37	16	10	5=100
Nov. 2015	39	33	12	11	6=100
Oct. 2015	34	35	15	11	4=100
Sept. 2015	37	34	15	10	4=100
Late Aug. 2015	37	33	15	9	6=100
Early Aug. 2015	35	36	13	11	5=100
July 2015	34	34	14	11	6=100
June 2015	40	29	13	12	6=100
May 2015	35	36	15	9	5=100

d. Laws that require transgender individuals to use bathrooms that correspond to their sex at birth rather than their current gender identity

<u>Apr. 2019</u>	<u>Aug. 2017</u>	<u>Feb. 2017</u>	<u>Aug. 2016</u>	
17	19	19	15	Strongly favor
28	19	20	20	Favor
29	22	22	23	Oppose
18	28	31	30	Strongly oppose
<u>8</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>12</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	100	Total

e. Allowing transgender people to serve in the U.S. military

<u>Apr.</u> <u>2019</u>	<u>Aug.</u> <u>2017</u>	
22	32	Strongly favor
41	32	Favor
18	14	Oppose
14	16	Strongly oppose
<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	Total

f. Allowing licensed professionals like doctors, lawyers, teachers, and social workers in your state to refuse to provide services to particular groups of people, if doing so violates their religious beliefs.

9	Strongly favor
19	Favor
35	Oppose
32	Strongly oppose
<u>6</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

g. Allowing religiously affiliated agencies that receive federal funding to refuse to place children with qualified gay and lesbian couples.

10	Strongly favor
23	Favor
32	Oppose
28	Strongly oppose
<u>8</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.2 Would you say your overall opinion of Donald Trump is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable?

	<u>Very favorable</u>	<u>Mostly favorable</u>	<u>Mostly unfavorable</u>	<u>Very unfavorable</u>	<u>Have not heard of (VOL.)</u>	<u>Refused (VOL.)</u>
Apr. 2019	21	23	18	34	1	3=100
Dec. 2018	14	22	16	44	-	4=100
Oct. 2018	14	21	13	47	2	2=100
Sept. 2018	20	22	15	37	1	5=100
July 2018	16	25	17	36	*	5=100
June 2018	14	23	19	41	-	2=100
Mar. 2018	13	29	18	36	*	3=100
Jan. 2018	14	23	17	42	*	5=100

Oct. 2017	15	26	18	37	*	3=100
Aug. 2017	18	20	15	41	1	5=100
Feb. 2017	16	27	16	34	*	6=100
Jan. 2017	17	26	17	35	1	5=100
Sept. 2016	10	23	15	50	2	1=100
May 2016	10	18	16	53	1	1=100
Apr. 2016	8	16	18	52	*	6=100
Jan. 2016	12	19	22	42	*	5=100
Nov. 2015	11	16	21	44	2	6=100
Oct. 2015	9	21	21	45	3	1=100

Q.3 Based on what you have read or heard, do you believe that President Donald Trump should be impeached and removed from office, or don't you feel that way?

<u>Apr. 2019</u>	<u>Oct. 2018</u>	<u>Oct. 2017</u>	<u>Aug. 2017</u>	<u>Feb. 2017</u>	
40	47	40	40	30	Should be impeached
54	51	56	53	65	Don't feel that way
<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	100	100	Total

Q.4 To the best of your knowledge, is it currently LEGAL or NOT LEGAL under FEDERAL LAW **[INSERT, RANDOMIZE]** because they are gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgender? What about **[INSERT, RANDOMIZE]**?

a. for a business to fire or refuse to hire someone

<u>Apr. 2019</u>	<u>Aug. 2016</u>	<u>Dec. 2013</u>	
28	14	15	Legal
67	80	75	Not legal
<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	Total

b. for a property owner to refuse to rent a house or apartment to someone

35	Legal
60	Not Legal
<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

c. for a business owner to refuse to provide products or services to someone

39	Legal
55	Not Legal
<u>6</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

d. for a doctor or other health care professional to refuse to treat someone

16	Legal
79	Not Legal
<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

e. for a church or religious organization to refuse to perform a wedding for a couple

51	Legal
38	Not Legal
<u>11</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.5 *Withheld for future analysis.*

Q.6 If a business owner provides wedding services, such as catering, flowers or wedding cakes, should that business owner... **[ROTATE OPTIONS]**

<u>April 2019</u>	<u>July 2018</u>	<u>Aug. 2017</u>	
40	46	41	Be allowed to refuse to provide those services to same-sex couples if it violates their religious beliefs
55	48	53	Be required to provide the same services to same-sex couples as they would to all other customers
<u>4</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	100	100	Total

Q.7 Have you ever made a decision whether or not to buy a certain product or service because the company that provides it shares your views of LGBT (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender) rights?

17	Yes
80	No, have never done this
<u>3</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

**IF Q7=1, ASK:**

Q7a. And was that decision one you made in the last 12 months or was it longer ago than that?

42	Made in last 12 months
52	Made longer ago
<u>6</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

**ASK ALL:**

Q.8 How much stigma or negative social judgment, if any, do you think a [INSERT, RANDOMIZE] person faces in your community?

a. gay or lesbian

24	A lot
50	A little
22	None at all
<u>4</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

b. transgender

38	A lot
41	A little
17	None at all
<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

c. bisexual

21	A lot
49	A little
25	None at all
<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.9 Compared to your views five years ago, are your current views about rights for transgender people generally much more supportive, more supportive, more opposed, or much more opposed?

13	Much more supportive
49	More supportive
17	More opposed
8	Much more opposed
<u>13</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.10 How comfortable or uncomfortable do you think you would be **[INSERT, RANDOMIZE]**? Would you be very comfortable with that, somewhat comfortable, somewhat uncomfortable or very uncomfortable?

a. Having a close friend tell you they're transgender

36	Very comfortable
27	Somewhat comfortable
24	Somewhat Uncomfortable
12	Very Uncomfortable
<u>2</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

b. Learning that a teacher in your local elementary school is transgender

26	Very comfortable
30	Somewhat comfortable
24	Somewhat Uncomfortable
17	Very Uncomfortable
<u>3</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

c. Having your own child tell you they're transgender

24	Very comfortable
24	Somewhat comfortable
24	Somewhat Uncomfortable
24	Very Uncomfortable
<u>4</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total



Q.11 **[ROTATE ORDER]** Do you think (there are only two possible gender identities, man or woman); or do you think (there is a range of many possible gender identities)? Do you feel that way strongly, or somewhat?

43	Only two genders, strongly
12	Only two genders, not strongly
16	Range of genders, not strongly
24	Range of genders, strongly
<u>5</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.12 Now thinking about the people that you know, do you have a close friend or family member who is... **[INSERT, RANDOMIZE]** **[Check all that apply]**

a. transgender

	<u>Yes, myself</u>	<u>Yes, close friend</u>	<u>Yes, family member</u>	<u>Net Yes close friend or family member</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know/Refused (VOL.)</u>
Apr. 2019	0	18	7	24	75	1
Feb. 2017	-	-	-	21	77	2
June 2015	-	-	-	11	85	4
Dec. 2013	-	-	-	9	89	2
Aug. 2011	-	-	-	11	86	3

*Note: Multiple responses accepted. Numbers do not add up to 100 percent.*

b. gay or lesbian

	<u>Yes, myself</u>	<u>Yes, close friend</u>	<u>Yes, family member</u>	<u>Net Yes close friend or family member</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know/Refused (VOL.)</u>
Apr. 2019	3	48	34	68	30	1
Feb. 2017	-	-	-	70	30	2
June 2015	-	-	-	65	34	1
Dec. 2013	-	-	-	58	35	2
May 2011	-	-	-	54	45	1

*Note: Multiple responses accepted. Numbers do not add up to 100 percent.*

## c. bisexual

	<u>Yes, myself</u>	<u>Yes, close friend</u>	<u>Yes, family member</u>	<i>Net</i> <u>Yes close friend or family member</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Don't know/ Refused (VOL.)</u>
Apr. 2019	2	33	20	46	50	3
June 2015	-	-	-	35	58	7

*Note: Multiple responses accepted. Numbers do not add up to 100 percent.*

## Survey Methodology

The survey was designed and conducted by PRRI. The survey was made possible by generous grants from the Arcus Foundation and the E. Rhodes and Leona B. Carpenter Foundation. Results of the survey were based on bilingual (Spanish and English) RDD telephone interviews conducted between April 9 and April 20, 2019, by professional interviewers under the direction of SSRS. Interviews were conducted among a random sample of 1,100 adults 18 years of age or older living in the United States (668 respondents were interviewed on a cell phone). The survey also over-sampled those living in Texas (150). The selection of respondents within households was accomplished by randomly requesting to speak with the youngest adult male or female currently living in the household.

Data collection is based on stratified, single-stage, random-digit-dialing (RDD) sample of landline telephone households and randomly generated cell phone numbers. The sample is designed to represent the total U.S. adult population and includes respondents from all 50 states, including Hawaii and Alaska. The landline and cell phone samples are provided by Marketing Systems Group.

This SSRS Omnibus insert was weighted to provide nationally representative and projectable estimates of the adult population 18 years of age and older as well as the adult population in Texas. The weighting process took into account the disproportionate probabilities of household and respondent selection due to the number of separate telephone landlines and cellphones answered by respondents and their households, as well as the probability associated with the random selection of an individual household member. Following application of the above weights, the sample was post-stratified and balanced by key demographics such as age, race, sex, region, and education. The sample was also weighted to reflect the distribution of phone usage in the general population, meaning the proportion of those who are cell phone only, landline only, and mixed users.

With the base-weight applied, the sample underwent the process of iterative proportional fitting (IPF), in which the sample was balanced to match known adult-population parameters based on the most recent March Supplement of the U.S. Census Bureau's Current Population Survey (CPS)<sup>1</sup>. This process of weighting was repeated until the root mean square error for the differences between the sample and the population parameters was 0 or near-zero. Two raking groups were used to account for the National and the oversample of Texas.

The National population parameters used for post-stratification are: Age (18-29; 30-49; 50-64; 65+) by Gender, Census region (Northeast, North-Central, South, West)

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<sup>1</sup> Sarah Flood, Miriam King, Renae Rodgers, Steven Ruggles, and J. Robert Warren. Integrated Public Use Microdata Series, Current Population Survey: Version 6.0 [dataset]. Minneapolis, MN: IPUMS, 2018. <https://doi.org/10.18128/D030.V6.0>

by Gender, Education (less than high school, high school graduate, some college, four-year college or more), Race/ethnicity (white non-Hispanic; Black non-Hispanic; Hispanic and born in the U.S.; Hispanic and born outside of the U.S.<sup>2</sup>; Other non-Hispanic), Marital status (married/not married), Population density (divided into quintiles) and Phone-usage (cell phone only, landline only, both).

The Texas parameters used for post-stratification are: Age (TX 18-29; TX 30-49; TX 50-64; TX 65+), Gender (TX Male; TX Female), Education (TX less than high school, TX high school graduate, TX some college, TX four-year college or more), Race/Ethnicity (TX white non-Hispanic; TX Black non-Hispanic; TX Hispanic and born in the U.S.; TX Hispanic and born outside of the U.S.; TX Other non-Hispanic), and Phone-usage (TX cell phone only; TX landline only; TX both).

The sample weighting is accomplished using an iterative proportional fitting (IFP) process that simultaneously balances the distributions of all variables. Weights were trimmed to prevent individual interviews from having too much influence on the final results. The use of these weights in statistical analysis ensures that the demographic characteristics of the sample closely approximate the demographic characteristics of the target populations.

The margin of error for the survey is +/- 3.5 percentage points at the 95% level of confidence. The design effect for the survey is 1.39. In addition to sampling error, surveys may also be subject to error or bias due to question wording, context and order effects.

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<sup>2</sup> Since this is meant to address the percent of Spanish speakers in the weighted sample, respondents born in Puerto Rico are included with those born outside of the U.S.

## Appendix

**Table 1. Demographic, Political, and Religious,  
Subgroup Sample Sizes**  
*(All figures are unweighted)*

	<u>General Public</u>
Total sample	1,100
Male	594
Female	506
Republican	352
Independent	359
Democrat	328
White, non-Hispanic	759
Hispanic	152
Age 18-29	144
30-49	322
50-64	262
65+	369
White evangelical Protestant	207
White mainline Protestant	185
Nonwhite Protestant	121
Catholic	252
<i>White Catholic</i>	<i>149</i>
<i>Nonwhite Catholic</i>	<i>103</i>
Religiously unaffiliated	225