



**PRRI 2022 American Values Survey**  
**Total = 2,523 online**  
**September 1-11, 2022**

**Q1.** In general, do you think things in this country are going in the right direction or do you feel things are going in the wrong direction?

**[Flip scale 1-2;2-1]**

	<u>Right direction</u>	<u>Wrong direction</u>	<u>Mixed</u>	<u>Skipped/ Refused</u>
Sept. 2022	24	74	-	2=100
Sept. 2020	32	67	-	1=100
Sept. 2019	36	64	-	0=100
June 2018	35	64	-	1=100
Sept. 2016	25	74	-	1=100
May 2016	28	72	-	1=100
Dec. 2013	26	65	-	8=100
Sept. 2012	34	57	5	4=100
July 2011	21	71	-	8=100
May 2011	29	65	-	7=100

**Q2.** Since the 1950s, do you think American culture and way of life has: {PRRI trend}

**[Flip scale 1-2;2-1]**

	<u>Mostly changed for the better</u>	<u>Mostly changed for the worse</u>	<u>Both/ Neither</u>	<u>Skipped/ Refused</u>
Sept. 2022	49	49	-	2=100
Sept. 2021	47	52	-	1=100
Sept. 2020	55	44	-	1=100
Oct. 2018	50	47	-	3=100
Sept. 2016	48	51	-	1=100
May 2016	49	50	-	1=100
Oct. 2015	46	53	-	1=100
Dec. 2013	44	46	7	3=100
Feb. 2013	40	54	3	3=100

**Q3. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable view of each of the following:<sup>1</sup>  
[RANDOMIZE]**

**Q3a. Joe Biden**

	<u>Very favorable</u>	<u>Somewhat favorable</u>	<u>Somewhat unfavorable</u>	<u>Very unfavorable</u>	<u>Have not heard of</u>	<u>Skipped/Refused</u>
Sept. 2022	13	27	16	39	2	2=100
Sept. 2021	21	31	14	32	1	1=100
Aug. 2021	21	35	14	28	1	1=100
Jan. 2021	26	29	19	24	1	2=100
Sept. 2020	16	33	18	31	2	1=100
Aug. 2020	15	36	22	23	2	3=100
July 2020	14	34	20	25	3	4=100
Oct. 2019	17	25	21	22	13	1=100
Sept. 2019	13	35	24	21	4	1=100
Sept. 2013	9	31	22	26	8	4=100
Sept. 2012	16	28	21	24	4	8=100

**Q3c. Donald Trump**

	<u>Very favorable</u>	<u>Somewhat favorable</u>	<u>Somewhat unfavorable</u>	<u>Very unfavorable</u>	<u>Have not heard of</u>	<u>Skipped/Refused</u>
Sept. 2022	15	20	14	48	2	2=100
Sept. 2021	18	18	11	51	1	1=100
Aug. 2021	17	17	13	51	2	1=100
Jan. 2021	15	16	13	54	1	1=100
Sept. 2020	15	21	13	49	1	*=100
Aug. 2020	16	22	18	41	*	3=100
July 2020	18	20	21	38	*	3=100
July 2020	15	20	19	42	*	3=100
May 2020	18	23	19	36	0	3=100
Apr. 2020	17	26	20	34	*	2=100
Mar. 2020	24	25	17	29	*	4=100
Feb. 2020	20	20	17	39	*	4=100
Dec. 2019	20	20	18	37	*	3=100
Nov. 2019	19	21	16	39	*	5=100
Oct. 2019	18	21	16	39	*	6=100
Sept. 2019	15	20	16	48	-	1=100
Apr. 2019	21	23	18	34	1	3=100
Dec. 2018	14	22	16	44	-	4=100

<sup>1</sup> In previous years, responses to these questions include: (1) Very favorable (2) Mostly favorable (3) Mostly unfavorable (4) Very unfavorable (5) Have not heard of

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

**Q3e. Ron DeSantis**

	<u>Very favorable</u>	<u>Somewhat favorable</u>	<u>Somewhat unfavorable</u>	<u>Very unfavorable</u>	<u>Have not heard of</u>	<u>Skipped/Refused</u>
Sept. 2022	15	11	14	27	30	2=100

**Q4. Do you approve or disapprove of...[RANDOMIZE b-e; Anchor a first]**

**Q4a. The job President Biden is doing as president [Anchor]**

	<u>Strongly approve</u>	<u>Somewhat approve</u>	<u>Somewhat disapprove</u>	<u>Strongly disapprove</u>	<u>Skipped/Refused</u>
Sept. 2022	12	31	17	36	3=100
Sept. 2021	19	33	15	33	1=100

**Q4c. The job President Biden is doing handling immigration**

	<u>Strongly approve</u>	<u>Somewhat approve</u>	<u>Somewhat disapprove</u>	<u>Strongly disapprove</u>	<u>Skipped/Refused</u>
Sept. 2022	6	31	21	38	4=100
Sept. 2021	10	31	21	37	2=100

**Q8. How important are the following issues to your vote in November's elections?  
[RANDOMIZE] [N=2,218]**

**Q8c. Jobs and unemployment**

	<u>Critical issue</u>	One among many_important <u>issues</u>	Not that important <u>an issue</u>	Skipped/ Refused
Sept. 2022	33	56	11	1=100
Sept. 2021	41	52	6	2=100
Oct. 2020	54	38	7	1=100
Sept. 2020	52	42	5	*=100
Sept. 2019	45	48	7	*=100
Sept. 2016	61	36	3	*=100
May 2016	55	41	3	*=100
Oct. 2015	60	35	4	1=100
Dec. 2013	62	29	8	2=100

**Q8d. Immigration**

	<u>Critical issue</u>	One among many_important <u>issues</u>	Not that important <u>an issue</u>	Skipped/ Refused
Sept. 2022	40	47	12	1=100
Sept. 2021	44	44	9	2=100
Sept. 2020	33	52	14	*=100
Sept. 2019	49	42	9	1=100
Sept. 2016	44	43	12	1=100
May 2016	43	44	12	*=100
Oct. 2015	46	40	13	1=100
Dec. 2013	34	39	24	2=100

**Q8h. Crime**

	<u>Critical issue</u>	One among many_important <u>issues</u>	Not that important <u>an issue</u>	Skipped/ Refused
Sept. 2022	47	44	8	1=100
Sept. 2021	43	49	6	2=100
Sept. 2020	46	46	7	1=100
Sept. 2019	45	48	7	*=100
Apr. 2017	54	39	7	1=100
Sept. 2016	54	39	7	*=100
May 2016	48	45	7	*=100
Oct. 2015	53	39	8	1=100

**Q8n.** The health of our democracy

	<u>Critical issue</u>	One among many important <u>issues</u>	Not that important an <u>issue</u>	Skipped/ <u>Refused</u>
Sept. 2022	57	36	6	1=100

**Q20.** How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE]**  
**[FLIP SCALE 1-4; 4-1]**

**Q20c.** The government, media, and financial worlds in the U.S. are controlled by a group of Satan-worshipping pedophiles who run a global child sex trafficking operation

	<u>Completely agree</u>	<u>Mostly agree</u>	<u>Mostly disagree</u>	<u>Completely disagree</u>	Skipped/ <u>Refused</u>
Sept. 2022	5	12	22	55	5=100
March 2022	5	13	23	56	3=100
Sept. 2021	6	12	21	57	5=100
Aug. 2021	6	12	21	60	2=100
June 2021	6	12	21	59	3=100
March 2021	5	10	19	63	3=100

**Q20d.** There is a storm coming soon that will sweep away the elites in power and restore the rightful leaders

	<u>Completely agree</u>	<u>Mostly agree</u>	<u>Mostly disagree</u>	<u>Completely disagree</u>	Skipped/ <u>Refused</u>
Sept. 2022	7	18	32	38	6=100
March 2022	7	20	32	38	3=100
Sept. 2021	6	15	31	43	4=100
Aug. 2021	7	17	30	43	3=100
June 2021	6	17	29	45	3=100
March 2021	6	14	27	50	3=100

**Q20e.** Because things have gotten so far off track, true American patriots may have to resort to violence in order to save our country.

	<u>Completely agree</u>	<u>Mostly agree</u>	<u>Mostly disagree</u>	<u>Completely disagree</u>	Skipped/ <u>Refused</u>
Sept. 2022	5	14	26	51	5=100
March 2022	5	14	26	52	2=100

Sept. 2021	5	13	26	52	3=100
Aug. 2021	5	14	23	56	2=100
June 2021	5	12	25	55	2=100
March 2021	4	11	23	59	2=100

**Q21a.** Would you say that, in general, the growing number of newcomers from other countries: **[ROTATE]**

	Threatens traditional American customs <u>and values</u>	Strengthens American <u>society</u>	Other <u>(SPECIFY)</u>	Neither/ Both equally <u>(VOL.)</u>	Skipped/ <u>Refused</u>
Sept. 2022	40	55	-	-	5=100
Sept. 2021	40	56	-	-	3=100
Oct. 2018	37	60	-	-	3=100
Sept. 2016	46	44	6	1	2=100
Dec. 2015	35	48	-	11	7 =100
Nov. 2015	36	51	-	7	7=100
Oct. 2015	37	51	-	6	5=100
Sept. 2015	34	51	-	9	6=100
Late Aug. 2015	36	48	-	10	6=100
Early Aug. 2015	32	49	-	12	8=100
July 2015	35	50	-	9	8=100
Late June 2015	33	54	-	7	7=100
Early June 2015	34	51	-	6	9=100
May 2015	29	50	-	10	10=100
Nov. 2014	45	48	-	5	3=100
April 2013	36	55	-	5	4=100
Feb. 2013	40	54	-	3	3=100
Aug. 2011	42	53	-	2	3=100

**Q22.** In general, how well do you think each of the following describes immigrants coming to the U.S. today? **[RANDOMIZE LIST]**

**Q22a.** They make an effort to learn English

	Very well	Somewhat well	Not too well	Not at all well	Skipped/ Refused
Sept. 2022	17	40	25	15	3=100
Sept. 2020	14	42	29	14	1=100
Sept. 2019	17	39	26	16	2=100
Oct. 2018	15	41	29	13	2=100
May-16	13	38	31	17	1=100
Aug. 2011	15	32	30	21	2=100

**Q22b.** They increase crime in local communities

	Very well	Somewhat well	Not too well	Not at all well	Skipped/Refused
Sept. 2022	11	24	35	26	4=100
Sept. 2020	10	28	38	22	2=100
Sept. 2019	11	27	38	22	1=100
Oct. 2018	9	30	39	20	2=100
May 2016	10	30	40	18	3=100

**Q22c.** They burden local communities by using more than their share of social services

	Very well	Somewhat well	Not too well	Not at all well	Skipped/Refused
Sept. 2022	19	27	29	22	4=100
Sept. 2020	17	31	32	18	1=100
Sept. 2019	20	29	32	17	1=100
Oct. 2018	16	33	32	17	2=100

**Q22d.** They take jobs from Americans

	Very well	Somewhat well	Not too well	Not at all well	Skipped/Refused
Sept. 2022	11	23	32	30	4=100

**Q23.** Currently, children brought illegally to the U.S. by their parents are eligible for temporary legal status, which must be renewed every two years. Which of the following comes closest to your view about this policy: **[FLIP ORDER 1-3;3-1]**

	The policy should be changed to allow children of undocumented immigrants to apply for citizenship or permanent resident status	The policy should be left as it is, requiring children of undocumented immigrants to reapply every two years to stay in the country	These immigrants should be identified and deported	Skipped/Refused
Sept. 2022	41	32	22	4=100

**Q24.** Do you favor or oppose each of the following?

**Q24a1. [FORM 1 ONLY] Accepting more refugees from Afghanistan into the U.S. [N=1,270]**

	Strongly favor	Somewhat favor	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Skipped/Refused
Sept. 2022	12	33	29	22	5=100

**Q24a2. [FORM 2 ONLY] Accepting more refugees from Ukraine into the U.S. [N=1,253]**

	Strongly favor	Somewhat favor	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Skipped/Refused
Sept. 2022	19	41	22	13	5=100

**Q24b1. [FORM 1 ONLY] Accepting more highly skilled immigrants into the U.S. [N=1,270]**

	Strongly favor	Somewhat favor	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Skipped/Refused
Sept. 2022	28	41	15	11	4=100

**Q24b2. [FORM 2 ONLY] Accepting more low-skilled immigrants into the U.S. [N=1,253]**

	Strongly favor	Somewhat favor	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Skipped/Refused
Sept. 2022	9	30	34	22	5=100

**Q24c. Accepting more immigrants into the U.S. based on what types of jobs are available**

	Strongly favor	Somewhat favor	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Skipped/Refused
Sept. 2022	13	40	25	18	4=100

**Q25. Which statement comes closest to your view about how the immigration system should deal with immigrants who are currently living in the U.S. illegally? [ROTATE]**

Allow them a way to become citizens provided they meet certain requirements	Allow them to become permanent legal residents, but <u>not</u> citizens	Identify and <u>deport</u> them	None of <u>these</u> (VOL.)	Skipped/Refused
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Sept. 2022	57	13	25		4=100
Sept. 2021	62	14	22	-	2=100
Sept. 2020	64	16	19	-	1=100
Sept. 2019	67	13	20	-	1=100
Dec. 2018	62	16	18	-	3=100
Oct. 2018	62	16	21	-	2=100
Oct. 2016	63	16	17	1	2=100
Sept. 2016	65	15	16	2	2=100
Late Aug. 2016	64	14	18	1	3=100
Early Aug. 2016	66	13	16	1	4=100
July 2016	61	13	21	1	3=100
June 2016	64	14	17	1	4=100
Late May 2016	62	16	18	1	3=100
Early May 2016	61	17	21	-	1=100
Dec. 2015	63	15	18	2	2=100
Nov. 2015	64	14	16	1	5=100
Oct. 2015	66	13	19	1	2=100
Sept. 2015	63	12	21	1	3=100
Late Aug. 2015	63	16	19	1	2=100
Early Aug. 2015	60	16	19	2	3=100
July 2015	64	14	17	2	3=100
Late June 2015	64	15	16	1	4=100
Early June 2015	61	17	18	2	3=100
May 2015	60	14	21	1	3=100
Feb. 2015	59	19	18	1	3=100
Dec. 2014	65	18	15	1	1=100
Late Nov. 2014	58	19	20	1	2=100
Early Nov. 2014	59	16	22	1	3=100
Oct. 2014	60	17	20	1	2=100
Sept. 2014	57	17	23	1	2=100
Aug. 2014	57	19	21	1	2=100
Late July 2014	58	17	22	1	2=100
Early July 2014	58	18	19	2	4=100
June 2014	61	16	20	1	2=100
May 2014	64	16	17	1	2=100
April 2014	61	16	20	1	2=100
Nov. 2013	63	14	18	1	4=100
Aug. 2013	63	12	19	1	4=100
Feb. 2013	63	14	21	1	1=100

**Q35.** How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following? [RANDOMIZE]

**Q35a.** God intended America to be a new promised land where European Christians could create a society that could be an example to the rest of the world.

	Completely <u>Agree</u>	Mostly <u>Agree</u>	Mostly <u>Disagree</u>	Completely <u>Disagree</u>	Skipped/ <u>Refused</u>
Sept. 2022	10	21	20	43	7=100
June 2022	11	24	19	41	5=100
Aug. 2021	10	20	20	47	3=100

**Q35b.** Immigrants are invading our country and replacing our cultural and ethnic background. {PRRI trend}

	Completely agree	Mostly agree	Mostly disagree	Completely disagree	Skipped/ Refused
Sept. 2022	11	19	31	33	5=100
Aug. 2021	11	18	26	43	2=100
Sept. 2020	9	22	31	37	*=100
Sept. 2019	13	23	27	35	1=100

**Q35c.** The American way of life needs to be protected from foreign influence

	Completely agree	Mostly agree	Mostly disagree	Completely disagree	Skipped/ Refused
Sept. 2022	19	28	26	22	6=100
Sep. 2021	20	34	28	16	2=100
Oct. 2018	19	31	27	21	2=100
Oct. 2016	29	26	23	19	3=100
May 2016	21	34	27	17	1=100
Feb. 2013	27	26	24	21	2=100

**Q38.** Do you have a close friend or family member who: **[select all that apply]**

**Q38a.** is an immigrant from another country living in the US legally

	Yes, <u>myself</u>	Yes, close <u>friend</u>	Yes, family <u>member</u>	Yes, another <u>acquaintance</u>	<u>No</u>	Skipped/ <u>Refused</u>
Sept. 2022	7	16	11	28	35	3

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

**Q38b.** is an immigrant from another country living in the US illegally

	<u>Yes, myself</u>	<u>Yes, close friend</u>	<u>Yes, family member</u>	<u>Yes, another acquaintance</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Skipped/Refused</u>
Sept. 2022	2	4	2	17	72	3

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

**Q38e.** votes for a different political party than you

	<u>Yes, close friend</u>	<u>Yes, family member</u>	<u>Yes, another acquaintance</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Skipped/Refused</u>
Sept. 2022	24	35	20	17	4

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

**Q38f.** is a different race or ethnicity than you

	<u>Yes, close friend</u>	<u>Yes, family member</u>	<u>Yes, another acquaintance</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Skipped/Refused</u>
Sept. 2022	40	14	31	12	3

*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 through the generous support of the Carnegie Corporation of New York, with additional support from the Unitarian Universalist Veatch Program at Shelter Rock. The survey was conducted among a representative sample of 2,523 adults (age 18 and up) living in all 50 states in the United States, who are part of Ipsos's Knowledge Panel. Interviews were conducted online between September 1-11, 2022.

Respondents are recruited to the KnowledgePanel using an addressed-based sampling methodology from the Delivery Sequence File of the USPS – a database with full coverage of all delivery addresses in the U.S. As such, it covers all households regardless of their phone status, providing a representative online sample. Unlike opt-in panels, households are not permitted to "self-select" into the panel; and are generally limited to how many surveys they can take within a given time period.

The initial sample drawn from the KnowledgePanel was adjusted using pre-stratification weights so that it approximates the adult U.S. population defined by the latest March supplement of the Current Population Survey. Next, a probability proportional to size (PPS) sampling scheme was used to select a representative sample.

To reduce the effects of any non-response bias, a post-stratification adjustment was applied based on demographic distributions from the most recent American Community Survey (ACS). The post-stratification weight rebalanced the sample based on the following benchmarks: age, race and ethnicity, gender, Census division, metro area, education, and income. The sample weighting was 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. In addition to an overall national weight, separate weights were computed for each state to ensure that the demographic characteristics of the sample closely approximate the demographic characteristics of the target populations. The state-level post-stratification weights rebalanced the sample based on the following benchmarks: age, race and ethnicity, gender, education, and income.

The margin of error for the national survey is +/- 2.3 percentage points at the 95% level of confidence, including the design effect for the survey of 1.35. In addition to sampling error, surveys may also be subject to error or bias due to question wording, context, and order effects. Additional details about the KnowledgePanel can be found on the Ipsos website: <https://www.ipsos.com/en-us/solution/knowledgepanel>

## Appendix

**Table 1. Demographic, Political, Religious, and Geographic Subgroup Sample Sizes**  
*(Unweighted)*

	N=
Total Sample	2,523
Male	1,249
Female	1,274
Republican	704
Independent	807
Democrat	781
Other/Don't know	231
White, non-Hispanic	1,771
Black, non-Hispanic	240
Hispanic	305
Multiracial	81
Other	126
Age 18-29	326
30-49	734
50-64	691
65+	772
White evangelical Protestant	373
White mainline Protestant	384
Black Protestant	158
Hispanic Protestant	53
White Catholic	390
Hispanic Catholic	153
Other Christian	189
Non-Christian religion	138
Religiously unaffiliated	648
Northeast	465
Midwest	509
South	950
West	599