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1. Gay marriage

Do you favor or oppose allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally?

	Total	Knows/Does not know: Committed gay couple		Knows/Does not know: Married gay couple	
		Yes	No	Yes	No
Strongly favor	30%	39%	19%	49%	25%
Somewhat favor	14%	14%	15%	13%	15%
Somewhat oppose	13%	15%	11%	7%	15%
Strongly oppose	31%	23%	40%	21%	33%
Not sure	11%	8%	15%	10%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,000)	(636)	(360)	(294)	(702)

	Total	Age				Race			Gender		Education		
		18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Male	Female	HS or less	Some college	College graduate
Strongly favor	30%	44%	29%	25%	21%	29%	34%	31%	26%	35%	24%	29%	44%
Somewhat favor	14%	10%	17%	15%	16%	14%	8%	26%	14%	15%	16%	11%	17%
Somewhat oppose	13%	13%	11%	13%	18%	14%	7%	18%	16%	10%	14%	15%	9%
Strongly oppose	31%	20%	32%	35%	38%	32%	38%	11%	35%	26%	35%	32%	21%
Not sure	11%	14%	11%	12%	7%	11%	14%	14%	9%	14%	11%	14%	10%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,000)	(157)	(232)	(486)	(125)	(767)	(126)	(107)	(494)	(506)	(344)	(334)	(322)

2. Authority to set same-sex marriage policies

Should states be permitted to set their own policies when it comes to same-sex marriage, or is this something that should only be handled by the federal government?

	Total	Knows/Does not know: Committed gay couple		Knows/Does not know: Married gay couple	
		Yes	No	Yes	No
States should be permitted	44%	47%	39%	39%	45%
Should only be handled by federal government	37%	37%	37%	43%	35%
Not sure	19%	15%	24%	18%	20%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (997)	100% (634)	100% (359)	100% (294)	100% (699)

	Total	Age				Race			Gender		Education		
		18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Male	Female	HS or less	Some college	College graduate
States should be permitted	44%	42%	40%	46%	51%	48%	31%	32%	45%	43%	41%	48%	44%
Should only be handled by federal government	37%	41%	43%	32%	28%	34%	45%	46%	39%	35%	37%	32%	44%
Not sure	19%	18%	16%	22%	21%	18%	24%	21%	16%	22%	22%	20%	13%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (997)	100% (157)	100% (232)	100% (485)	100% (123)	100% (765)	100% (125)	100% (107)	100% (494)	100% (503)	100% (343)	100% (332)	100% (322)

3. Should Supreme Court overturn the Defense of Marriage Act

In 1996, the federal government passed a law that says the government will only recognize marriages between a man and a woman. It was called the Defense of Marriage Act, or DOMA. This law means that married same-sex couples could not receive federal benefits when it comes to taxes or entitlements like Social Security and Medicare. The Supreme Court is now hearing arguments on whether this law is constitutional. Several lower courts have said it is not. Do you think the Supreme Court should uphold DOMA and only recognize heterosexual marriages, or should it overturn the law and let the federal government recognize same-sex marriages, too?

	Total	Knows/Does not know: Committed gay couple		Knows/Does not know: Married gay couple	
		Yes	No	Yes	No
This law should be upheld.	40%	34%	47%	32%	42%
This law should be overturned.	44%	53%	32%	58%	39%
Not sure	17%	13%	21%	10%	19%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (996)	100% (635)	100% (357)	100% (293)	100% (699)

	Total	Age				Race			Gender		Education		
		18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Male	Female	HS or less	Some college	College graduate
This law should be upheld.	40%	29%	42%	44%	46%	41%	43%	28%	47%	33%	40%	45%	30%
This law should be overturned.	44%	56%	45%	36%	36%	43%	41%	50%	41%	46%	41%	38%	57%
Not sure	17%	15%	13%	20%	17%	16%	16%	22%	12%	21%	19%	17%	13%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (996)	100% (157)	100% (232)	100% (482)	100% (125)	100% (764)	100% (126)	100% (106)	100% (493)	100% (503)	100% (341)	100% (333)	100% (322)

4. Effect of gay marriage on traditional marriage

What would be the impact of legalizing same sex marriages on the institution of traditional male-female marriages?

	Total	Knows/Does not know: Committed gay couple		Knows/Does not know: Married gay couple	
		Yes	No	Yes	No
Benefit	10%	11%	8%	15%	8%
Have no impact	57%	60%	52%	62%	55%
Threaten	33%	28%	39%	23%	37%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(994)	(635)	(355)	(294)	(696)

	Total	Age				Race			Gender		Education		
		18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Male	Female	HS or less	Some college	College graduate
Benefit	10%	15%	11%	8%	4%	7%	16%	21%	10%	10%	10%	7%	15%
Have no impact	57%	57%	54%	59%	55%	57%	49%	62%	49%	64%	58%	53%	60%
Threaten	33%	29%	36%	32%	40%	36%	35%	17%	41%	26%	33%	39%	24%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(994)	(157)	(230)	(482)	(125)	(762)	(126)	(106)	(490)	(504)	(342)	(333)	(319)

5. Attitude toward homosexual lifestyle

Which of these statements comes closer to your opinion:

	Total	Knows/Does not know: Committed gay couple			Knows/Does not know: Married gay couple		
		Yes	No		Yes	No	
Homosexuality is a way of life that should be accepted by society.	59%	68%	48%		76%	54%	
Homosexuality is a way of life that should be discouraged by society	41%	32%	52%		24%	46%	
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (984)	100% (628)	100% (352)		100% (290)	100% (690)	

	Total	Age					Race			Gender		Education		
		18-29	30-44	45-64	65+		White	Black	Hispanic	Male	Female	HS or less	Some college	College graduate
Homosexuality is a way of life that should be accepted by society.	59%	62%	60%	51%	68%		58%	58%	63%	51%	67%	53%	63%	63%
Homosexuality is a way of life that should be discouraged by society	41%	38%	40%	49%	32%		42%	42%	37%	49%	33%	47%	37%	37%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (984)	100% (156)	100% (229)	100% (475)	100% (124)		100% (757)	100% (120)	100% (107)	100% (488)	100% (496)	100% (333)	100% (334)	100% (317)

6. Ability to choose sexual orientation

Do you think being homosexual is something a person is born with, or do you think it is something a person chooses to be?

	Total	Knows/Does not know: Committed gay couple		Knows/Does not know: Married gay couple	
		Yes	No	Yes	No
Homosexuality is a choice	42%	35%	51%	29%	46%
Homosexuality is not a choice	58%	65%	49%	71%	54%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (981)	100% (627)	100% (350)	100% (291)	100% (686)

	Total	Age				Race			Gender		Education		
		18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Male	Female	HS or less	Some college	College graduate
Homosexuality is a choice	42%	39%	46%	48%	27%	40%	53%	41%	45%	40%	48%	41%	35%
Homosexuality is not a choice	58%	61%	54%	52%	73%	60%	47%	59%	55%	60%	52%	59%	65%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (981)	100% (154)	100% (229)	100% (477)	100% (121)	100% (754)	100% (122)	100% (105)	100% (484)	100% (497)	100% (333)	100% (331)	100% (317)

7. Will gay marriage be legal in entire country in thirty years

Do you think gay marriage will be legal in the entire country thirty years from now?

	Total	Knows/Does not know: Committed gay couple		Knows/Does not know: Married gay couple	
		Yes	No	Yes	No
Yes	71%	77%	65%	80%	69%
No	29%	23%	35%	20%	31%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (993)	100% (636)	100% (353)	100% (294)	100% (695)

	Total	Age				Race			Gender		Education		
		18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Male	Female	HS or less	Some college	College graduate
Yes	71%	72%	67%	75%	71%	74%	60%	66%	68%	74%	67%	72%	78%
No	29%	28%	33%	25%	29%	26%	40%	34%	32%	26%	33%	28%	22%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (993)	100% (157)	100% (231)	100% (481)	100% (124)	100% (762)	100% (125)	100% (106)	100% (491)	100% (502)	100% (340)	100% (332)	100% (321)