

**1. People Imprisoned**

Does the United States imprison too many, too few, or the right number of people who have committed crimes?

	Gender			Age				Party ID - 3 Point		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Too many	39%	46%	33%	50%	38%	36%	34%	55%	37%	21%
The right number	17%	19%	15%	23%	15%	15%	16%	15%	14%	25%
Too few	23%	21%	25%	13%	19%	31%	29%	15%	23%	36%
Not sure	20%	14%	26%	14%	28%	18%	21%	14%	27%	17%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (999)	100% (479)	100% (520)	100% (146)	100% (263)	100% (423)	100% (167)	100% (353)	100% (380)	100% (266)

	Race			Household Income				Region				
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under \$50K	\$50K - \$100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Too many	39%	40%	43%	30%	37%	45%	36%	41%	34%	44%	38%	42%
The right number	17%	16%	15%	25%	17%	19%	23%	11%	16%	16%	16%	20%
Too few	23%	24%	18%	25%	24%	22%	28%	20%	27%	22%	24%	20%
Not sure	20%	20%	24%	20%	23%	14%	13%	28%	22%	18%	22%	18%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (999)	100% (802)	100% (108)	100% (89)	100% (465)	100% (269)	100% (121)	100% (144)	100% (166)	100% (217)	100% (379)	100% (237)

**2. Revert to 1972**

In 1972 there were 161 convicts in prison or jail for every 100,000 people. Today that rate is 716 per 100,000. Do you think that the United States should aim to reduce its prison population to what it was in 1972?

	Gender			Age				Party ID - 3 Point		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Definitely	24%	24%	23%	31%	25%	21%	18%	30%	25%	12%
Probably	26%	31%	21%	35%	21%	24%	24%	29%	25%	23%
Probably not	19%	18%	19%	13%	16%	23%	20%	17%	17%	23%
Definitely not	15%	14%	15%	5%	14%	17%	22%	9%	12%	28%
Not sure	18%	13%	22%	16%	24%	14%	16%	15%	21%	15%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (998)	100% (479)	100% (519)	100% (145)	100% (263)	100% (423)	100% (167)	100% (353)	100% (380)	100% (265)

	Race				Household Income				Region			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under \$50K	\$50K - \$100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Definitely	24%	21%	32%	30%	25%	25%	18%	20%	20%	23%	25%	24%
Probably	26%	28%	23%	16%	23%	31%	27%	22%	20%	32%	21%	33%
Probably not	19%	19%	19%	17%	18%	17%	26%	18%	18%	16%	21%	16%
Definitely not	15%	16%	11%	9%	16%	13%	20%	11%	18%	14%	17%	9%
Not sure	18%	16%	16%	29%	18%	13%	10%	29%	25%	15%	16%	17%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (998)	100% (801)	100% (108)	100% (89)	100% (465)	100% (269)	100% (121)	100% (143)	100% (166)	100% (217)	100% (378)	100% (237)

**3. Reduce Prison Pop by Reducing NV Sentencing**

Thinking about how the prison population could be reduced, do you think it is possible to significantly reduce America's prison population just by reducing or eliminating prison sentences for non-violent criminals?

	Gender			Age				Party ID - 3 Point		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Definitely	28%	31%	25%	36%	28%	26%	19%	34%	29%	16%
Probably	38%	35%	41%	32%	31%	43%	43%	42%	35%	36%
Probably not	11%	11%	11%	9%	11%	11%	13%	7%	12%	16%
Definitely not	9%	9%	9%	7%	7%	10%	15%	7%	5%	20%
Not sure	14%	14%	14%	16%	23%	9%	9%	10%	18%	12%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (997)	100% (479)	100% (518)	100% (146)	100% (264)	100% (421)	100% (166)	100% (353)	100% (379)	100% (265)

	Race				Household Income				Region			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under \$50K	\$50K - \$100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Definitely	28%	27%	33%	27%	27%	35%	25%	19%	24%	29%	23%	38%
Probably	38%	39%	37%	34%	40%	34%	40%	36%	28%	42%	41%	36%
Probably not	11%	12%	9%	8%	11%	11%	12%	10%	12%	13%	10%	10%
Definitely not	9%	10%	10%	7%	9%	8%	12%	11%	10%	5%	12%	9%
Not sure	14%	13%	11%	23%	13%	12%	10%	24%	26%	11%	14%	7%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (997)	100% (801)	100% (108)	100% (88)	100% (463)	100% (269)	100% (121)	100% (144)	100% (166)	100% (215)	100% (379)	100% (237)

**4. Support for Reducing Prison Population**

Would you support efforts to reduce America's prison population, even if it meant that violent criminals spent less time in prison?

*Asked of those who think the United States imprisons too many people who have committed crimes*

	Gender			Age				Party ID - 3 Point		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Definitely	8%	9%	7%	6%	6%	10%	11%	10%	8%	2%
Probably	20%	21%	18%	16%	30%	18%	15%	21%	20%	15%
Probably not	34%	35%	34%	42%	29%	31%	37%	32%	34%	43%
Definitely not	29%	27%	31%	22%	23%	35%	37%	30%	25%	36%
Not sure	9%	8%	10%	15%	12%	6%	1%	7%	13%	4%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (433)	100% (239)	100% (194)	100% (81)	100% (115)	100% (177)	100% (60)	100% (217)	100% (156)	100% (60)

	Race			Household Income				Region				
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under \$50K	\$50K - \$100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Definitely	8%	7%	13%	7%	11%	5%	1%	9%	13%	4%	9%	6%
Probably	20%	20%	34%	5%	18%	22%	34%	13%	14%	23%	20%	22%
Probably not	34%	38%	16%	32%	32%	43%	32%	24%	38%	34%	34%	32%
Definitely not	29%	28%	30%	30%	30%	28%	26%	28%	18%	35%	27%	33%
Not sure	9%	7%	8%	26%	9%	2%	6%	26%	18%	4%	10%	7%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (433)	100% (347)	100% (52)	100% (34)	100% (204)	100% (126)	100% (47)	100% (56)	100% (66)	100% (96)	100% (153)	100% (118)

**5. Main Purpose of Prison**

What do you think SHOULD be the main purpose of sending people who have committed a crime to prison?

	Total	Gender		Age				Party ID - 3 Point		
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Punish the criminal and teach him or her a lesson	15%	17%	14%	21%	14%	14%	13%	13%	14%	21%
Get violent criminals off the street	47%	42%	52%	39%	41%	52%	57%	50%	46%	46%
Rehabilitate the morals and skills or criminals	19%	23%	16%	26%	19%	17%	17%	28%	17%	11%
Act as a deterrent to crime	10%	10%	9%	6%	9%	11%	13%	5%	11%	14%
Not sure	8%	8%	9%	8%	17%	6%	1%	4%	12%	8%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (994)	100% (476)	100% (518)	100% (145)	100% (262)	100% (420)	100% (167)	100% (350)	100% (378)	100% (266)

	Total	Race			Household Income				Region			
		White	Black	Hispanic	Under \$50K	\$50K - \$100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Punish the criminal and teach him or her a lesson	15%	15%	15%	18%	18%	13%	18%	9%	13%	9%	18%	19%
Get violent criminals off the street	47%	49%	43%	42%	49%	45%	43%	50%	46%	53%	45%	46%
Rehabilitate the morals and skills or criminals	19%	19%	22%	15%	19%	24%	20%	13%	13%	23%	18%	24%
Act as a deterrent to crime	10%	10%	7%	7%	7%	10%	18%	10%	10%	9%	10%	9%
Not sure	8%	6%	12%	17%	7%	8%	2%	18%	18%	6%	8%	3%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (994)	100% (798)	100% (107)	100% (89)	100% (463)	100% (267)	100% (120)	100% (144)	100% (164)	100% (216)	100% (379)	100% (235)

**6. Rehabilitation vs Punishment**

What do you think is more important, rehabilitating the morals and skills of criminals or punishing criminals?

	Gender			Age				Party ID - 3 Point		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Rehabilitation	47%	47%	47%	54%	44%	46%	44%	57%	48%	30%
Punishment	36%	38%	35%	31%	34%	37%	44%	29%	32%	56%
Not sure	17%	15%	19%	15%	22%	16%	12%	14%	21%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(999)	(478)	(521)	(146)	(264)	(422)	(167)	(354)	(380)	(265)

	Race			Household Income				Region				
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under \$50K	\$50K - \$100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Rehabilitation	47%	46%	59%	37%	44%	52%	52%	43%	47%	51%	44%	48%
Punishment	36%	37%	26%	41%	38%	35%	40%	31%	32%	33%	40%	37%
Not sure	17%	16%	14%	22%	18%	13%	8%	26%	21%	17%	16%	15%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(999)	(801)	(109)	(89)	(465)	(269)	(121)	(144)	(166)	(217)	(380)	(236)

**7. NV Prison Sentences**

Do you think that prison sentences for non-violent criminals are too long or too short in the United States?

	Gender			Age				Party ID - 3 Point		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Too long	45%	47%	43%	53%	38%	49%	39%	58%	42%	31%
About right	19%	21%	18%	16%	21%	17%	25%	16%	18%	28%
Too short	10%	11%	9%	14%	6%	10%	11%	5%	11%	14%
Not sure	25%	21%	29%	17%	34%	25%	24%	20%	29%	27%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (1,000)	100% (479)	100% (521)	100% (146)	100% (264)	100% (423)	100% (167)	100% (354)	100% (380)	100% (266)

	Race			Household Income				Region				
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under \$50K	\$50K - \$100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Too long	45%	44%	52%	45%	46%	47%	41%	43%	38%	46%	46%	48%
About right	19%	20%	10%	27%	19%	21%	23%	16%	21%	19%	21%	16%
Too short	10%	11%	11%	4%	11%	9%	10%	10%	10%	6%	10%	13%
Not sure	25%	25%	28%	23%	25%	24%	25%	32%	31%	28%	24%	22%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (1,000)	100% (802)	100% (109)	100% (89)	100% (466)	100% (269)	100% (121)	100% (144)	100% (166)	100% (217)	100% (380)	100% (237)

**8. Violent Prison Sentences**

Do you think that prison sentences for violent criminals are too long or too short in the United States?

	Gender			Age				Party ID - 3 Point		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Too long	7%	8%	7%	12%	7%	7%	1%	10%	7%	4%
About right	29%	34%	24%	37%	27%	26%	28%	39%	24%	23%
Too short	45%	42%	47%	33%	35%	53%	59%	36%	45%	57%
Not sure	19%	16%	21%	18%	31%	14%	12%	15%	24%	16%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(997)	(477)	(520)	(145)	(264)	(421)	(167)	(353)	(378)	(266)

	Race			Household Income				Region				
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under \$50K	\$50K - \$100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Too long	7%	6%	6%	15%	6%	8%	14%	5%	5%	3%	9%	9%
About right	29%	28%	41%	25%	32%	31%	25%	18%	23%	32%	28%	32%
Too short	45%	49%	31%	32%	44%	45%	47%	47%	49%	50%	44%	39%
Not sure	19%	17%	22%	27%	18%	16%	13%	31%	22%	15%	19%	20%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(997)	(801)	(109)	(87)	(464)	(268)	(121)	(144)	(165)	(216)	(379)	(237)



**9. Violent Sentences in UK**

Do you think that violent criminals tend to receive longer or shorter prison sentences in the United States than they do in other western countries, such as the UK?

	Gender			Age				Party ID - 3 Point		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Longer sentences	18%	22%	15%	28%	12%	18%	15%	25%	17%	10%
Similar sentences	16%	21%	12%	20%	20%	14%	13%	15%	15%	20%
Shorter sentences	19%	15%	22%	17%	13%	23%	21%	21%	15%	21%
Not sure	47%	42%	52%	36%	55%	45%	51%	39%	52%	49%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(996)	(478)	(518)	(145)	(261)	(423)	(167)	(353)	(378)	(265)

	Race			Household Income				Region				
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under \$50K	\$50K - \$100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Longer sentences	18%	17%	24%	17%	15%	24%	23%	17%	14%	24%	15%	21%
Similar sentences	16%	16%	21%	16%	18%	17%	16%	12%	12%	13%	17%	20%
Shorter sentences	19%	19%	23%	13%	19%	16%	22%	18%	19%	13%	21%	19%
Not sure	47%	48%	33%	54%	49%	43%	40%	53%	54%	50%	47%	39%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(996)	(799)	(108)	(89)	(466)	(268)	(121)	(141)	(163)	(217)	(379)	(237)

**10. Average UK Murder Sentence**

In the United Kingdom the average time a convicted murderer spends in prison is 17 years. Do you think this is too long or too short a sentence?

	Gender			Age				Party ID - 3 Point		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Too long	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	0%	1%	2%	2%
About right	24%	25%	24%	35%	27%	19%	18%	27%	25%	18%
Too short	58%	57%	58%	45%	46%	65%	74%	55%	53%	69%
Not sure	17%	17%	17%	18%	25%	15%	7%	17%	20%	11%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (997)	100% (478)	100% (519)	100% (146)	100% (263)	100% (422)	100% (166)	100% (353)	100% (379)	100% (265)

	Race			Household Income				Region				
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under \$50K	\$50K - \$100K	\$100K+	Prefer not to say	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Too long	1%	1%	1%	3%	1%	3%	1%	0%	0%	2%	2%	1%
About right	24%	22%	36%	28%	28%	22%	24%	15%	23%	22%	26%	24%
Too short	58%	63%	40%	41%	57%	59%	64%	53%	53%	62%	56%	61%
Not sure	17%	14%	23%	27%	14%	16%	10%	31%	23%	14%	17%	14%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (997)	100% (799)	100% (109)	100% (89)	100% (465)	100% (268)	100% (120)	100% (144)	100% (166)	100% (217)	100% (378)	100% (236)