

# Daily Survey: Free Speech



Sample 1000 U.S. Adult Citizens  
Conducted March 21 - 23, 2022  
Margin of Error  $\pm 3.7\%$

<b>1. Do you think Americans are generally free to express their views?</b>	
Yes	64%
No	26%
Not sure	10%
<b>2. Freedom of speech does not mean freedom from consequences of that speech</b>	
Agree	70%
Disagree	14%
Not sure	16%
<b>3. The truth is most likely to emerge when ideas can compete in unregulated public discourse</b>	
Agree	52%
Disagree	14%
Not sure	35%
<b>4. The biggest threat to free speech is the government</b>	
Agree	45%
Disagree	32%
Not sure	23%
<b>5. The norms of socially acceptable speech are changing too quickly to keep up with</b>	
Agree	52%
Disagree	26%
Not sure	22%
<b>6. Sometimes limiting the speech of a small number of people expands freedom of speech for people overall</b>	
Agree	28%
Disagree	46%
Not sure	26%
<b>7. I often worry that a view I express will be misinterpreted in a negative way</b>	
Agree	49%
Disagree	32%
Not sure	19%
<b>8. Part of exercising free speech is having to deal with people who disagree with you</b>	
Agree	84%
Disagree	6%
Not sure	10%

9. People who test the limits of free speech by sharing controversial views I disagree with are making a positive contribution to society

Agree .....	41%
Disagree .....	22%
Not sure .....	36%

10. What matters is the intent of the person speaking, not how what they say is understood

Agree .....	40%
Disagree .....	31%
Not sure .....	29%

11. It isn't always a bad thing when people avoid publicly expressing views that may offend others

Agree .....	61%
Disagree .....	18%
Not sure .....	20%

12. We should generally discourage people from expressing views that advocate removing the civil rights of others

Agree .....	54%
Disagree .....	26%
Not sure .....	20%

<b>Interviewing Dates</b>	March 21 - 23, 2022
<b>Target population</b>	U.S. Citizens, aged 18 and over.
<b>Sampling method</b>	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by gender, age, race, education, geographic region, and voter registration) was selected from the 2018 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2018 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement.
<b>Weighting</b>	The sample was weighted based on gender, age, race, education, news interest, and 2020 Presidential vote (or non-vote). The weights range from 0.346 to 6.56, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.624.
<b>Number of respondents</b>	1000
<b>Margin of error</b>	± 3.7% (adjusted for weighting)
<b>Survey mode</b>	Web-based interviews
<b>Questions not reported</b>	79 questions not reported.