

**2023 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL**  
**WAVE 125 MARCH 2023**  
**FINAL TOPLINE**  
**MARCH 27 – APRIL 2, 2023**  
**N=5,079**

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

**ASK ALL:**

ABRTLGL Do you think abortion should be... **[RANDOMIZE DISPLAY OF OPTIONS 1-4 AND 4-1]**

	Legal in all <u>cases</u>	Legal in most <u>cases</u>	Illegal in most <u>cases</u>	Illegal in all <u>cases</u>	No answer	<b>NET</b> <i>Legal in all/most</i>	<b>NET</b> <i>Illegal in all/most</i>
Mar 27-Apr 2, 2023	27	35	27	9	2	<b>62</b>	<b>36</b>
Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022	29	33	28	8	2	62	36
Mar 7-13, 2022	25	36	27	10	2	61	37
Apr 5-11, 2021	25	34	26	13	2	59	39
Jan 22-Feb 2, 2020	25	35	27	11	2	60	38
Jul 22-Aug 4, 2019	27	34	26	12	1	61	38

**PHONE TREND FOR COMPARISON:**

	Legal in all <u>cases</u>	Legal in most <u>cases</u>	Illegal in most <u>cases</u>	Illegal in all <u>cases</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> DK/Ref	<b>NET</b> <i>Legal in all/most</i>	<b>NET</b> <i>Illegal in all/most</i>
Jul 10-15, 2019	24	34	24	15	3	58	39
Sep 18-24, 2018	25	34	22	15	5	58	37
Jun 8-18, 2017	25	33	24	16	3	57	40
Oct 20-25, 2016	22	36	23	14	4	59	37
Mar 17-26, 2016	24	33	24	16	3	56	41
Sep 22-27, 2015	20	31	25	18	6	51	43
Sep 2-9, 2014	22	34	26	14	5	55	40
Jul 17-21, 2013	20	34	24	15	7	54	40
Oct 24-28, 2012	23	32	25	13	7	55	39
Apr 4-15, 2012	23	31	23	16	7	53	39
Nov 9-14, 2011	20	31	26	17	6	51	43
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	19	35	25	16	5	54	41
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	18	36	26	16	4	54	42
Jul 21-Aug 5, 2010	17	33	27	17	7	50	44
Aug 11-27, 2009	16	31	27	17	8	47	45
April, 2009	18	28	28	16	10	46	44
Late October, 2008	18	35	24	16	7	53	40
Mid-October, 2008	19	38	22	14	7	57	36
August, 2008	17	37	26	15	5	54	41
June, 2008	19	38	24	13	6	57	37
November, 2007	18	33	29	15	5	51	44
October, 2007	21	32	24	15	8	53	39
August, 2007	17	35	26	17	5	52	43
AP/Ipsos-Poll: February, 2006	19	32	27	16	6	51	43
ABC/WaPo: December, 2005	17	40	27	13	3	57	40
ABC/WaPo: April, 2005	20	36	27	14	3	56	41
ABC/WaPo: December, 2004	21	34	25	17	3	55	42
ABC/WaPo: May, 2004	23	31	23	20	2	54	43
ABC/WaPo: January, 2003	23	34	25	17	2	57	42
ABC/WaPo: August, 2001	22	27	28	20	3	49	48
ABC/BeliefNet: June, 2001	22	31	23	20	4	53	43

**PHONE TREND FOR COMPARISON CONTINUED:**

	Legal in all <u>cases</u>	Legal in most <u>cases</u>	Illegal in most <u>cases</u>	Illegal in all <u>cases</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>	NET <i>Legal in all/most</i>	NET <i>Illegal in all/most</i>
ABC/WaPo: January, 2001	21	38	25	14	1	59	39
ABC/WaPo: September, 2000 (RVs)	20	35	25	16	3	55	41
ABC/WaPo: July, 2000	20	33	26	17	4	53	43
ABC/WaPo: September, 1999	20	37	26	15	2	57	41
ABC/WaPo: March, 1999	21	34	27	15	3	55	42
ABC/WaPo: July, 1998	19	35	29	13	4	54	42
ABC/WaPo: August, 1996	22	34	27	14	3	56	41
ABC/WaPo: June, 1996	24	34	25	14	2	58	39
ABC/WaPo: October, 1995	26	35	25	12	3	61	37
ABC: September, 1995	24	36	25	11	4	60	36
ABC/WaPo: July, 1995	27	32	26	14	1	59	40

**ASK ALL:**

ABORTION2 Thinking about abortion policies around the country, which is your greater concern?

**[RANDOMIZE]**

Mar 27- Apr 2, <u>2023</u>		July 22- Aug 4 <u>2019</u>
62	That some states are making it too DIFFICULT for people to be able to get an abortion	59
35	That some states are making it too EASY for people to be able to get an abortion	39
3	No answer	2

**ASK ALL:**

ABORTION3 Thinking about the area where you live, how easy or difficult do you think it would be for someone to obtain an abortion near you? **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE ORDER FOR 1-4 OR 4-1 FOR RANDOM HALF SAMPLE]**

Mar 27- Apr 2 <u>2023</u>		July 22- Aug 4 <u>2019</u>
14	Very difficult	8
27	Somewhat difficult	24
35	Somewhat easy	43
18	Very easy	22
5	No answer	3

**ASK ALL:**

ABORTION4 Still thinking about the area where you live, do you think that obtaining an abortion should be... **[REVERSE ORDER OF 1 AND 2 FOR RANDOM HALF SAMPLE]**

Mar 27- Apr 2, <u>2023</u>		July 22- Aug 4 <u>2019</u>
27	Harder than it is now	33
34	Easier than it is now	26
35	About what it is now <b>[ANCHOR]</b>	39
4	No answer	3

**ASK ALL:**

ABRTN\_CHNGE Have your personal views about abortion changed in any way over the past year or so?

Mar 27- Apr 2, <u>2023</u>	
6	Changed a lot
13	Changed a little
80	Stayed about the same
2	No answer

**ASK IF ABRTN\_CHNGE=1 OR 2:**

ABRTN\_CHNGE\_OE In a few brief sentences, please explain how and why your views about abortion have changed over the past year or so.

**OPEN-ENDED RESPONSES NOT SHOWN. ASKED FOR QUALITATIVE PURPOSES ONLY.**

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**ASK ALL:**

PARTY In politics today, do you consider yourself a:

**ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE (PARTY=3 or 4) OR MISSING:**

PARTYLN	As of today do you lean more to... <sup>1</sup>					<i>Lean</i>	<i>Lean</i>
	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<u>Something</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Rep</u>	<u>Dem</u>
	28	28	27	14	2	18	19

<sup>1</sup> PARTY and PARTYLN asked in a prior survey.