# 2019 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL WAVE 50 JUNE FINAL TOPLINE JUNE 25 - JULY 8, 2019 TOTAL N=9,834

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## [RANDOMIZE FAMSURV2M AND FAMSURV2W; KEEP SAME ORDER OF ITEMS FOR FAMSURV2M AND FAMSURV2W WITHIN EACH RESPONDENT]

#### **ASK ALL:**

FAMSURV2M In general, how important, if at all, is each of the following in order for A MAN to live a fulfilling life? [RANDOMIZE ITEMS; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]

		Important,					
		Essential	but not essential	Not important	No answer		
<b>AS</b> l	K FORM 1 [n=4,927]:  Being married						
۵.	Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	16	54	29	1		
<b>AS</b> lb.	K FORM 2 [n=4,907]:  Being in a committed romantic relationship						
	Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	26	59	14	1		
с.	Having children Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	16	58	25	1		
d.	Having a job or career they enjoy Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	57	39	3	1		
e.	Having a lot of money Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	20	65	14	1		

#### **ASK ALL:**

FAMSURV2W In general, how important, if at all, is each of the following in order for A WOMAN to live a fulfilling life? [RANDOMIZE ITEMS; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]

	<u>Essential</u>	Important, but not <u>essential</u>	Not <u>important</u>	No <u>answer</u>
<b>ASK FORM 1 [n=4,927]:</b> a. Being married Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	17	54	28	1
ASK FORM 2 [n=4,907]: b. Being in a committed romantic relationship				
Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	30	57	13	1
c. Having children Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	22	57	21	1
d. Having a job or career they enjoy Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	46	48	5	1
e. Having a lot of money Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	15	68	16	1

#### **ASK FORM 1 [n=4,927]:**

FAMSURV3 Do you think it is ever acceptable for an unmarried couple to live together?

Jun 25Jul 8
2019
69 Yes, even if they don't plan to get married
16 Yes, but only if they plan to get married
14 No, never acceptable
1 No answer

#### **ASK FORM 2 [n=4,907]:**

FAMSURV4 Which statement comes closer to your view — even if neither is exactly right?

Jun 25- Jul 8 <u>2019</u>	
53	Society is better off if couples who want to stay together long-term eventually get married
46	Society is just as well off if couples who want to stay together long-term decide not to marry
1	No answer

#### **ASK ALL:**

FAMSURV5

Here are some things that people may want out of life. In general, who do you think has it easier when it comes to achieving each of the following goals? [RANDOMIZE ITEMS; RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2 WITH 3 ALWAYS LAST, KEEP SAME ORDER OF RESPONSE OPTIONS FOR ITEMS A, B, C AND D]

		An unmarried person living with a partner has it easier	A married person <u>has it easier</u>	Doesn't make much <u>difference</u>	No <u>answer</u>
a.	Being financially secure Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	8	39	53	*
b.	Having a fulfilling sex life Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	12	26	62	*
c.	Having social status Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	8	31	60	*
d.	Being happy Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	7	23	70	*

#### **ASK ALL:**

FAMSURV6

How do you feel about allowing unmarried couples to enter into legal agreements that would give them the same rights as married couples when it comes to things like health insurance, inheritance or tax benefits? [REVERSE ORDER OF RESPONSE OPTIONS FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE]

Jun 25-	
Jul 8	
<u>2019</u>	
33	Strongly favor
32	Somewhat favor
19	Somewhat oppose
15	Strongly oppose
1	No answer

#### **ASK ALL:**

FAMSURV7

Compared with couples who don't live together before marriage, do you think couples who DO live together before marriage have a... [RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2 WITH 3 ALWAYS LAST]

Jun 25-	
Jul 8	
<u> 2019</u>	
48	Better chance of having a successful marriage
13	Worse chance of having a successful marriage
38	Doesn't make much difference
*	No answer

#### **ASK ALL:**

FAMSURV8 Which statement comes closer to your view — even if neither is exactly right?

#### [RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]

Jun 25Jul 8
2019

Couples who are married do a better job of
40
raising children than couples who are living
together but not married
Couples who are living together but are not
married can raise children just as well as
married couples

No answer

#### **ASK FORM 1 [n=4,927]:**

FAMSURV9 How important, if at all, do you think it is for a person to do each of the following BEFORE getting married? [RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

		Very <u>important</u>	Somewhat <u>important</u>	Not too important	Not at all important	No <u>answer</u>
a.	Be financially stable Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	44	46	8	2	*
b.	Have a steady job Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	62	30	5	2	*
c.	Buy a house Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	9	24	41	25	*
NO	ITEM D					
e.	Be completely committed to their partner Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	90	8	1	1	*

#### **ASK FORM 2 [n=4,907]:**

FAMSURV10 If a person decides to move in with a partner without being married, how important, if at all, do you think it is for that person to do each of the following BEFORE moving in with their partner? [RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

		Very <u>important</u>	Somewhat important	Not too important	Not at all important	No <u>answer</u>
a.	Be financially stable Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	49	43	6	3	*
b.	Have a steady job Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	60	32	4	3	*
c.	Buy a house Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	9	22	38	30	*

#### NO ITEM D

#### **FAMSURV10 CONTINUED ...**

		Very <u>important</u>	Somewhat important	Not too important	Not at all important	No <u>answer</u>
e.	Be completely committed to their partner					
	Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	81	15	2	1	*

#### **ASK ALL:**

MARITALMOD Which of these best describes your current marital status?

Jun 25Jul 8
2019
52 Married
13 Divorced
3 Separated
5 Widowed
28 Never been married
\* No answer

#### ASK IF NOT CURRENTLY MARRIED OR NO ANSWER (MARITALMOD=2-5,99) [n=4,255]:

ENG Are you currently engaged to be married?

Jun 25Jul 8
2019
8 Yes, engaged
91 No, not engaged
\* No answer

#### ASK IF NOT CURRENTLY MARRIED OR NO ANSWER (MARITALMOD=2-5,99) [n=4,255]:

LWPT Are you currently living with a partner or boyfriend or girlfriend? By living together we mean that you are in a relationship and neither of you have a separate residence.

Jun 25-Jul 8 <u>2019</u> 26 Yes 74 No 1 No answer

## ASK IF NOT CURRENTLY MARRIED OR NO ANSWER AND NOT LIVING WITH PARTNER OR NO ANSWER AND NOT ENGAGED OR NO ANSWER (MARITALMOD=2-5,99 AND LWPT=2,99 AND ENG=2,99) [n=3,306]:

MAR2 Are you currently in a committed romantic relationship?

Jun 25-Jul 8 <u>2019</u> 18 Yes 81 No 1 No answer

#### **ASK ALL:** FAMSURV17 Thinking about the adults in your life, who is the person you feel closest to? [RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 THROUGH 7 WITH 8 AND 9 ALWAYS LAST] Jun 25-Jul 8 2019 40 [IF MARITALMOD=1] Your spouse 10 [(LWPT=1 OR ENG=1 OR MAR2=1)] Your partner or boyfriend or girlfriend 6 [(F\_KIDS2=1)] An adult child 9 [IF SIB=1 or 2] A sibling 12 [IF MOTHER=1] Your mother 2 [IF FATHER=1] Your father 12 A friend [IF SAW ANY RESPONSE 3-6 insert: Another; otherwise insert: A] family member 6 2 Someone else [SPECIFY: \_\_\_\_] No answer **ASK IF MARRIED (MARITALMOD=1) [n=5,579]:** LWPSP Did you live with your [IF REMARR=1: current] spouse before getting married? Jun 25-Jul 8 2019 58 Yes 42 No No answer ASK IF MARRIED AND LIVED WITH CURRENT SPOUSE BEFORE MARRIAGE (LWPSP=1) [n=2,987]: FAMSURV18A When you started living with your spouse did you think about it as a step toward marriage? Jun 25-Jul 8 2019 72 Yes, thought of it as a step toward marriage 27 No, did not think of it as a step toward marriage No answer ASK IF MARRIED AND LIVED WITH CURRENT SPOUSE BEFORE MARRIAGE (LWPSP=1) [n=2,987]: FAMSURV18B Were you and your spouse engaged to be married before you moved in together? Jun 25-Jul 8

2019 26

73

Yes, were engaged first No, were not engaged first

No answer

## ASK IF IN A RELATIONSHIP OR LIVING WITH PARTNER BUT NOT ENGAGED OR NO ANSWER ((MAR2=1 OR LWPT=1) AND ENG=2,99) [n=1,236]:

ROMRELSER How serious would you say your current romantic relationship is?

Jun 25Jul 8
2019
61 Very serious
29 Somewhat serious
6 Not too serious
3 Not at all serious
\* No answer

#### ASK IF MARRIED OR LIVING WITH PARTNER (MARITALMOD=1 OR LWPT=1) [n=6,459]:

FAMSURV19 Overall, would you say that things in your [IF MARITALMOD=1: marriage; IF LWPT=1: relationship] are going...

Jun 25Jul 8
2019
54 Very well
39 Fairly well
5 Not too well
1 Not at all well
\* No answer

#### ASK IF LIVING WITH PARTNER (LWPT=1) [n=880]:

FAMSURV20 When you started living with your partner did you think about it as a step toward marriage?

Jun 25Jul 8
2019
45 Yes, thought of it as a step toward marriage
54 No, did not think of it as a step toward marriage
1 No answer

#### ASK IF LIVING WITH PARTNER AND ENGAGED (LWPT=1 AND ENG=1) [n=229]:

FAMSURV21 Were you and your partner engaged to be married before you moved in together?

Jun 25Jul 8
2019
16 Yes, were engaged first
84 No, were not engaged first
0 No answer

#### **ASK IF MARRIED (MARITALMOD=1) [n=5,579]:**

FAMSURV22 Thinking back to when you got married, how much, if at all, was each of the following a reason you decided to get married? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]** 

			Major <u>reason</u>	Minor <u>reason</u>	Not a <u>reason</u>	No <u>answer</u>
a.	Love	Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	90	8	2	*

#### **FAMSURV22 CONTINUED ...**

		Major <u>reason</u>	Minor <u>reason</u>	Not a <u>reason</u>	No <u>answer</u>
b.	Companionship Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	66	21	13	*
c.	You or your partner were pregnant Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	6	5	89	1
d.	Wanted to have children someday Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	31	23	45	*
e.	It made sense financially Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	13	27	60	*
f.	It was convenient Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	10	21	69	*
g.	Wanted to make a formal commitment Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	63	22	15	*

#### ASK IF LIVING WITH PARTNER (LWPT=1) [n=880]:

FAMSURV23 Thinking back to when you started living with your partner, how much, if at all, was each of the following a reason you decided to move in together? [RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

	Lave	Major <u>reason</u>	Minor <u>reason</u>	Not a <u>reason</u>	No <u>answer</u>
a.	Love Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	73	19	8	*
b.	Companionship Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	61	27	13	*
c.	You or your partner were pregnant Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	11	5	84	*
d.	Wanted to have children someday Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	14	17	68	*
e.	It made sense financially Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	38	27	35	*
f.	It was convenient Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	37	29	34	*
g.	Wanted to test your relationship Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	23	23	54	*

## ASK IF NEVER MARRIED AND NOT ENGAGED OR NO ANSWER (MARITALMOD=5 AND ENG=2,99) [n=1,918]:

MARRYPREF1 Thinking about the future, would you say you...

Jun 25Jul 8
2019
53 Want to get married someday
13 Don't want to get married
33 Are not sure if you want to get married
No answer

## ASK IF DIVORCED OR WIDOWED AND NOT ENGAGED OR NO ANSWER (MARITALMOD=2,4 AND ENG=2,99) [n=1,840]:

MARRYPREF2 Thinking about the future, would you say you...

Jun 25Jul 8
2019
18 Want to get married again someday
47 Don't want to get married again
35 Are not sure if you want to get married again
\* No answer

## ASK IF LIVING WITH PARTNER AND NOT ENGAGED AND WANTS TO GET MARRIED OR NOT SURE (LWPT=1 AND (MARRYPREF1=1,3 OR MARRYPREF2=1,3)) [n=466]:

FAMSURV25 How likely, if at all, is it that you and your partner will get married someday?

Jun 25Jul 8
2019
32 Very likely
40 Somewhat likely
17 Not too likely
10 Not at all likely
1 No answer

#### ASK IF LIVING WITH PARTNER AND NOT ENGAGED (LWPT=1 AND ENG=2) [n=648]:

FAMSURV26 How much pressure, if any, do you feel from each of the following to marry your partner? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]** 

		A lot of pressure	Some <u>pressure</u>	Not too much <u>pressure</u>	No pressure <u>at all</u>	No <u>answer</u>
a.	Your partner Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	4	13	19	63	1
b.	Family members Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	6	19	18	56	1
c.	Your friends Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	3	8	18	70	1
d.	Society Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	7	19	21	52	1

## ASK IF LIVING WITH PARTNER AND GOT ENGAGED AFTER MOVING IN TOGETHER (FAMSURV21=2) [n=193]:

FAMSURV27 How much pressure, if any, did you feel from each of the following to marry your partner after you moved in together? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]** 

		A lot of pressure	Some pressure	Not too much <u>pressure</u>	No pressure <u>at all</u>	No <u>answer</u>
a.	Your partner Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	4	21	17	59	0
b.	Family members Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	8	19	18	55	0
C.	Your friends Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	1	10	14	74	0
d.	Society Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	5	13	18	62	1

#### ASK IF MARRIED OR LIVING WITH PARTNER (MARITALMOD=1 OR LWPT=1) [n=6,459]:

FAMSURV28 Would you say most people in your family consider your [IF MARITALMOD=1: spouse; IF LWPT=1: partner] to be part of their family?

Jun 25-Jul 8 <u>2019</u> 92 Yes 8 No \* No answer

#### ASK IF LIVING WITH PARTNER AND NOT ENGAGED (LWPT=1 AND ENG=2) [n=648]:

FAMSURV29 How often, if ever, do you and your partner talk about getting married?

Jun 25Jul 8
2019
8 Often
29 Sometimes
35 Rarely
28 Never
0 No answer

## ASK IF LIVING WITH PARTNER AND NOT ENGAGED AND WANTS TO GET MARRIED OR NOT SURE (LWPT=1 AND (MARRYPREF1=1,3 OR MARRYPREF2=1,3)) [n=466]:

FAMSURV30 How much, if at all, is each of the following a reason why you are not engaged or married to your current partner? [RANDOMIZE ITEMS; RANDOMIZE ITEMS A-B/C-D/E-F IN BLOCKS, WITH A-B BLOCK ALWAYS BEFORE C-D BLOCK]

		Major	Minor	Not a	No
		<u>reason</u>	reason	reason	answer
a.	Your partner is not ready financially				
	Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	24	18	56	1

#### FAMSURV30 CONTINUED ...

		Major <u>reason</u>	Minor <u>reason</u>	Not a <u>reason</u>	No <u>answer</u>
b.	You are not ready financially Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	22	24	53	1
C.	Your partner is not ready to make that kind of commitment Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	19	19	60	2
d.	You are not ready to make that kind of commitment Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	23	28	48	1
e.	You are not far enough along in your job or career Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	16	18	65	1
f.	You are not sure your partner is the right person for you Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	20	23	55	1

ASK IF MARRIED OR LIVING WITH PARTNER (MARITALMOD=1 OR LWPT=1) [n=6,459]:
FAMSURV32 How do you feel about each of the following? [RANDOMIZE ITEMS; SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS SATLIFE]

		Very <u>satisfied</u>	Somewhat satisfied	Somewhat dissatisfied	Very <u>dissatisfied</u>	No answer
a.	The way household chores are divided between you and your [IF MARITALMOD=1: spouse; IF LWPT=1: partner]					
	Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	44	34	13	8	*
b.	Your sex life Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	36	35	17	10	2
c.	How well you and your [IF MARITALMOD=1: spouse; IF LWPT=1: partner] communicate with each other					
	Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	41	39	13	6	*

## ASK IF SPOUSE/PARTNER IS EMPLOYED FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME (E5MOD=1,2) [n=4,276]:

d. How well your [IF MARITALMOD=1:

spouse; IF LWPT=1:
partner] balances work and
their personal life

Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019 42 38 13 6 \*

#### **FAMSURV 32 CONTINUED ...**

	Very	Somewhat	Somewhat	Very	No		
	satisfied	<u>satisfied</u>	<u>dissatisfied</u>	dissatisfied	<u>answer</u>		
ASK IF HAS CHILDREN <18 IN HOUSEHOLD (F_PARENT=1) [n=2,113]:							
e. Your [IF MARITALMOD=1:							
spouse's; IF LWPT=1:							
partner's] approach to							
parenting							
Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	47	36	11	5	1		

ASK IF MARRIED OR LIVING WITH PARTNER (MARITALMOD=1 OR LWPT=1) [n=6,459]:
FAMSURV33 How much, if at all, do you trust your [IF MARITALMOD=1: spouse; IF LWPT=1: partner] to... [RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

		A great <u>deal</u>	A fair <u>amount</u>	Not <u>much</u>	Not <u>at all</u>	No <u>answer</u>
a.	Always tell you the truth Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	65	27	6	2	*
b.	Be faithful to you Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	82	13	3	2	*
c.	Handle money responsibly Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	53	32	11	5	*
d.	Act in your best interest Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	71	23	4	1	*

ASK IF MARRIED OR LIVING WITH PARTNER (MARITALMOD=1 OR LWPT=1) [n=6,459]:

FAMSURV38 For each of the following, who would you say does more? [RANDOMIZE ITEMS;

RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2 WITH 3 ALWAYS LAST, KEEP SAME

ORDER OF RESPONSE OPTIONS FOR ITEMS A, B AND C]

	You do more than your [IF MARITAL MOD=1: spouse; IF LWPT=1: partner]	Your [IF MARITAL MOD=1: spouse; IF LWPT=1: partner] does more than you	Both about equally	No answer
a. Household chores and responsibilities Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	40	22	37	*
b. Managing household finances Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	50	24	26	*
ASK IF HAS CHILDREN <18 IN HOUSEHOLD (F_PARENT=1) [n=2,113]:  c. Managing your child(ren)'s schedule and activities Jun 25-Jul 8, 2019	47	30	23	1
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## ASK IF MARRIED OR LIVING WITH PARTNER (MARITALMOD=1 OR LWPT=1) [n=6,459]: SPOUSESEX Is your spouse or partner of the opposite sex as you or the same sex as you?

Jun 25-	
Jul 8	
<u>2019</u>	
97	Opposite sex
3	Same sex
*	No answer

# 2019 PEW RESEARCH CENTER SOCIAL & DEMOGRAPHIC TRENDS FAMILY PHONE SURVEY JUNE 2019 FINAL TOPLINE JUNE 25 - 30, 2019 TOTAL N=1,015

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		Margin of error at
	Sample size	95% confidence level
U.S. adults	1,015	+/- 3.35% points

#### **ASK ALL:**

PEW2 Some people say that the present institution of marriage is becoming obsolete. Do you agree or disagree?

		CBS News:	
Jun 25-30		Jan 27-21,	Oct 1-21,
<u>2019</u>		<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
43	Agree	37	39
51	Disagree	57	58
6	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	6	4

#### TREND AMONG REGISTERED VOTERS [n=855]:

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		CBS News:		Skelly & White:
Jun 25-30		Jan 27-21,	Oct 1-21,	Mar 14-30,
<u>2019</u>		<u>2011</u>	2010	<u>1978</u>
43	Agree	36	36	28
52	Disagree	59	61	72
6	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	4	3	0