

**2021 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL  
WAVE 95 SEPTEMBER 2021  
FINAL TOPLINE  
SEPTEMBER 13-19, 2021  
N=10,371**

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****ASK ALL:**

JAN6LE\_IMP Thinking about the riot that took place at the U.S. Capitol on January 6 while Congress was in the process of certifying Electoral College votes...

How important, if at all, do you think it is for federal law enforcement agencies to find and prosecute the individuals who broke into and rioted at the U.S. Capitol on January 6?

Sep 13-19 <u>2021</u>		Mar 1-7 <u>2021</u> <sup>1</sup>
56	Very important	69
21	Somewhat important	18
12	Not too important	8
9	Not at all important	4
1	No answer	1

**ASK ALL:**

JAN6PEN\_A3 Now thinking about the criminal penalties the individuals who broke into the Capitol and rioted have been receiving.

All in all, are these penalties... **[RANDOMIZE OPTIONS 1 AND 2 WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

Sep 13-19 <u>2021</u>	
20	Too severe
48	Not severe enough
29	About right <b>[ANCHOR]</b>
3	No answer

**TREND FOR COMPARISON:**

*Thinking about law enforcement efforts to prosecute those who broke into the U.S. Capitol on January 6, do you think the criminal penalties the rioters will receive are likely to be...*

	Mar 1-7 <u>2021</u>
More severe than they should be	22
Less severe than they should be	47
About as severe as they should be	29
No answer	2

<sup>1</sup> In the March 2021 survey, the question read, "How important, if at all, do you think it is for federal law enforcement agencies to find and prosecute those who broke into the U.S. Capitol on January 6?"

**ASK ALL:**

JAN6ATTN Overall, how much attention would you say has been paid to the riot at the U.S. Capitol and its impacts?

Sep 13-19 <u>2021</u>		Mar 1-7 <u>2021</u>
29	Too much attention	28
35	Too little attention	27
34	About the right amount of attention	44
1	No answer	1

**ASK ALL:**

JAN6CMTHEAR As you may know, a committee in the House of Representatives is investigating the January 6 Capitol riot.

How much, if anything, have you heard or read about this committee and the investigation?

Sep 13-19 <u>2021</u>	
11	A lot
57	A little
31	Nothing at all
1	No answer

**ASK ALL:**

JAN6CONFCEM How confident are you that the committee's investigation will be fair and reasonable?

Sep 13-19 <u>2021</u>	
11	Very confident
34	Somewhat confident
32	Not too confident
22	Not at all confident
1	No answer

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****ASK ALL:**

PARTY In politics today, do you consider yourself a:

**ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE (PARTY=3 or 4) OR MISSING [N=3,764]:**

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to...<sup>2</sup>

<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<u>Something else</u>	<u>No answer</u>	<u>Lean Rep</u>	<u>Lean Dem</u>
26	32	26	13	2	16	19

<sup>2</sup> PARTY and PARTYLN asked in a prior survey.

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WAVE 91 JUNE 2021  
FINAL TOPLINE  
JUNE 14-27, 2021  
TOTAL N=10,606**

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As you may know, Donald Trump contested the results of the 2020 election through legal challenges in various states and the Supreme Court. Those challenges were not successful.

Who do you think won the 2020 election – that is, who received the most votes cast by eligible voters in enough states to win the election?

**[REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF RESPONDENTS]**

	<u>Joe Biden definitely won</u>	<u>Joe Biden probably won</u>	<u>Donald Trump probably won</u>	<u>Donald Trump definitely won</u>	<u>No answer</u>
Jun 14-27, 2021	52	14	17	15	2
Jan 8-12, 2021	53	13	17	16	1

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PARTY

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

PARTYLN

As of today do you lean more to...<sup>3</sup>

<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<u>Something else</u>	<u>No answer</u>	<u>Lean Rep</u>	<u>Lean Dem</u>
25	31	28	15	2	19	20

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