

**2022 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL  
WAVE 110 JULY 2022  
FINAL TOPLINE  
JUNE 27-JULY 4, 2022  
N=6,174**

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

**ASK ALL:**

SENGUN22A As you may know, Congress passed a bill that Joe Biden signed into law to address gun violence that will expand background checks for gun purchases and put new limits on gun ownership for people convicted of domestic abuse. It will also increase funding for mental health programs, school security, and state "red flag laws" to remove guns from people who may be dangerous.

How much, if anything, have you heard about this law?

Jun 27-Jul 4,

2022

25	A lot
54	A little
20	Nothing at all
*	No answer

**ASK ALL:**

SENGUN22B All in all, do you approve or disapprove of this new gun law? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS 1-4 AND 4-1]**

Jun 27-Jul 4,

2022

32	Strongly approve
32	Somewhat approve
10	Somewhat disapprove
11	Strongly disapprove
15	Not sure
*	No answer

**[ASK FORM 1 (XFORM=1), SENGUN22C FIRST AND SENGUN22D SECOND ON SEPARATE SCREENS;  
ASK FORM 2 (XFORM=2), SENGUN22D FIRST AND SENGUN22C SECOND ON SEPARATE SCREENS]**

**ASK ALL:**

SENGUN22C Do you think this new gun law will do...

Jun 27-Jul 4,

2022

7	A lot to reduce gun violence
42	A little to reduce gun violence
36	Nothing at all to reduce gun violence
14	Not sure
*	No answer

**ASK ALL:**

SENGUN22D After this new gun law, would you like to see Congress pass another round of legislation to address gun violence?

Jun 27-Jul 4,  
2022

63	Yes
35	No
2	No answer

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

RGHTCNTRL What do you think is more important?

	To protect the right of Americans <u>to own guns</u>	Control <u>gun ownership</u>	No <u>answer</u>
Jun 27-Jul 4, 2022	47	52	1
Sep 3-15, 2019	47	53	1
Aug 16-Sep 12, 2016 <sup>1</sup>	53	46	1

**PHONE TREND FOR COMPARISON:**

What do you think is more important – to protect the right of Americans to own guns, OR to control gun ownership?

	Protect right of Americans <u>to own guns</u>	Control <u>gun ownership</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>
Sep 5-16, 2019	46	51	3
Sep 18-24, 2018	44	52	4
Apr 5-11, 2017	47	51	2
Aug 9-16, 2016	52	46	3
Jul 14-20, 2015	47	50	3
Dec 3-7, 2014	52	46	3
Jan 23-Feb 9, 2014	49	48	3
May 1-5, 2013	48	50	2
Feb 13-18, 2013 (U)	46	50	4
Jan 9-13, 2013	45	51	5
Dec 17-19, 2012	42	49	9
July 26-29, 2012	46	47	6
Apr 4-15, 2012	49	45	6
Sep 22-Oct 4, 2011	47	49	5
Feb 22-Mar 1, 2011	48	47	6
Jan 13-16, 2011	49	46	6
Aug 25-Sep 6, 2010	46	50	4
Mar 10-14, 2010	46	46	7
Mar 31-Apr 21, 2009	45	49	6
April, 2008	37	58	5
November, 2007	42	55	3
April, 2007	32	60	8

<sup>3</sup> In W20, question was called GUNOWN.

**RGHTCNTRL PHONE TREND FOR COMPARISON CONTINUED ...**

	Protect right of Americans <u>to own guns</u>	Control <u>gun ownership</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
February, 2004	37	58	5
June, 2003	42	54	4
May, 2000	38	57	5
April, 2000	37	55	8
March, 2000	29	66	5
June, 1999	33	62	5
May, 1999	30	65	5
December, 1993	34	57	9

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=3,085]**

MOREGUNIMPACT If more Americans owned guns, do you think there would be... **[RANDOMIZE PUNCHES 1 AND 2 FOR RANDOM HALF SAMPLE; ALWAYS DISPLAY THIRD OPTION LAST]**

Jun 27-Jul 4, <u>2022</u>		Apr 5-11 <u>2021</u>	Sep 24- Oct 7 <u>2018</u>	Mar 13- Mar 27 <u>2017</u>
41	More crime	34	37	35
24	Less crime	31	29	33
34	No difference	34	33	32
1	No answer	1	1	1

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=3,089]:**

MASSTRICT If it was harder for people to legally obtain guns in the United States, do you think there would be ... **[RANDOMIZE PUNCHES 1 AND 2 FOR RANDOM HALF SAMPLE; ALWAYS DISPLAY THIRD OPTION LAST]**

Jun 27-Jul 4, <u>2022</u>		Apr 5-11 <u>2021</u>	Sep 24- Oct 7 <u>2018</u>	Mar 13- Mar 27 <u>2017<sup>2</sup></u>
49	Fewer mass shootings	49	47	47
7	More mass shootings	9	6	13
44	No difference	42	46	39
1	No answer	*	*	1

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE****ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED****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...

<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	Something <u>else</u>	No <u>answer</u>	Lean <u>Rep</u>	Lean <u>Dem</u>
24	28	30	16	2	19	23

**Key to Pew Research trends noted in the topline:**

(U) Pew Research Center/USA Today polls

<sup>2</sup> In March 2017, third answer option read "Not make a difference"