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# How Hispanic Americans Get Their News

U.S.-born Latinos overwhelmingly prefer to get their news in English; about half of immigrant Latinos prefer it in Spanish

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Pew Research Center conducted this study to understand Hispanic Americans' habits around news and information, including the languages in which they consume news and their engagement with Hispanic media outlets.

Most of the questions in this report are from Pew Research Center's 2023 National Survey of Latinos, a survey of 5,078 U.S. Hispanic adults conducted Nov. 6-19, 2023. This includes 1,524 Hispanic adults on the Center's <u>American Trends Panel</u> (ATP) and 3,554 Hispanic adults on Ipsos' <u>KnowledgePanel</u>. Respondents on both panels are recruited through national, random sampling of residential addresses. Recruiting panelists by phone or mail ensures that nearly all U.S. adults have a chance of selection. This gives us confidence that any sample can represent the whole population, or in this case the whole U.S. Hispanic population. (For more information, watch our <u>Methods 101 explainer</u> on random sampling.)

To further ensure the survey reflects a balanced cross-section of the nation's Hispanic adults, the data is weighted to match the U.S. Hispanic adult population by age, gender, education, nativity, Hispanic origin group and other categories. Read more about the <u>ATP's methodology</u>. Refer to the topline for the <u>questions used for our National Survey of Latinos</u>, along with responses, and to the <u>methodology</u> for more details.

The questions about how often people get news from various platforms, which platforms they prefer for getting news, and which social media sites people get news from are from an ATP survey of 8,842 U.S. adults, including 1,193 Hispanic adults, conducted Sept. 25-Oct. 1, 2023. Refer to the topline for the <u>questions used for this survey</u>, along with responses, and to the <u>methodology</u> for more details.

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### Terminology

The terms Hispanic and Latino are used interchangeably in this report.

**Hispanic/Latino Americans, Hispanic/Latino adults**, and **Hispanics/Latinos** are used interchangeably in this report to refer to survey respondents who self-identify as Hispanic or Latino in the United States. They include those who say their race is White, Black, Asian or some other race and those who identify as multiracial. Hispanic/Latino Americans live in the U.S. but are not necessarily U.S. citizens.

**U.S. born** refers to people born in the 50 states or the District of Columbia.

**Immigrant** refers to people born outside the 50 states or D.C. For the purposes of this report, immigrants include those born in Puerto Rico or another U.S. territory. Although individuals born in Puerto Rico are U.S. citizens by birth, they are grouped with immigrant respondents because they were born into a Spanish-dominant culture and because on many points their attitudes, views and beliefs more closely resemble those of Hispanics born outside the U.S. than Hispanics born in the 50 states or D.C., and even U.S.-born Hispanics who identify as being of Puerto Rican origin.

**Second generation** refers to people born in the 50 states or D.C. who have at least one parent born in a different country, Puerto Rico or another U.S. territory.

**Third generation or higher** refers to people born in the 50 states or D.C. who have two parents born in the 50 states or D.C.

Language dominance is a composite measure based on self-described assessments of speaking and reading abilities. Spanish-dominant people are more proficient in Spanish than in English (i.e., they speak and read Spanish "very well" or "pretty well" but rate their English ability lower). Bilingual refers to people who are proficient in both English and Spanish. English-dominant people are more proficient in English than in Spanish.

**"Middle income**" is defined here as two-thirds to double the median annual family income for panelists on the American Trends Panel. **"Lower income"** falls below that range; **"upper income"** falls above it. Refer to the methodology for more details.

**Hispanic news outlets** are those outlets that focus on providing news and information specifically to Hispanic audiences. These can include newspapers, radio or TV stations, podcasts,

or social media accounts created for and by Hispanic people. Their content could be in Spanish, English, both languages or another language.

**Country of origin** refers to the country that survey respondents, their parents or their Hispanic ancestors came from.

### How Hispanic Americans Get Their News

U.S.-born Latinos overwhelmingly prefer to get their news in English; about half of immigrant Latinos prefer it in Spanish

Just over half of U.S. Hispanic adults (54%) get their news mostly in English – far higher than the share who get their news mostly in Spanish (21%). About a quarter of Hispanic Americans (23%) say they consume news in both languages about equally.

There is an almost identical pattern on the question of *preferred* language for news: 51% prefer to get their news in English, 24% prefer Spanish and 23% say they do not have a preference.

But a new Pew Research Center survey of adults who identify as Hispanic or Latino finds **major differences in news consumption habits** from other countries

# About half of U.S. Latinos get news mostly in English and prefer it that way

% of U.S. Latino adults who say they ...



Note: Latino adults are of any race. Respondents who said some other language or did not answer are not shown.

Source: National Survey of Latinos conducted Nov. 6-19, 2023. "How Hispanic Americans Get Their News"

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news consumption habits between U.S.-born Hispanics and those who immigrated from other countries.

While U.S.-born Latinos overwhelmingly get their news in English, and prefer it in English, those born outside the United States have much more varied habits: 41% get their news mostly in Spanish, 26% get it primarily in English and 31% do both about equally. Similarly, 47% of Latino immigrants prefer to get their news in Spanish, while 22% prefer English and 31% do not express a preference.

Among Latino immigrants, those who have spent more years in the U.S. are less inclined than more recent arrivals to get news in Spanish, and more inclined to get it in English. There is little difference in the shares who get news in both languages about equally.

#### Jump to more information on the languages in which U.S. Latinos consume news.

We asked these questions to better understand how <u>a group that makes up nearly one-in-five</u> <u>Americans</u> stays informed, especially as its demographics and use of Spanish continue to change. <u>Immigrants are declining as a share of all U.S. Hispanics</u>, and the share of Hispanics who speak Spanish at home has also dropped – even though the *number* of Hispanics who speak Spanish at home <u>has increased due to overall growth</u> in the Hispanic population.

Other key findings about Hispanics' news consumption include:

#### Most Latino adults prefer digital devices for news

Latinos get their news from a variety of sources, but most say they prefer to use digital devices over other platforms. Nearly nine-in-ten (87%) say they get news from digital devices at least sometimes, and 65% say they prefer this form of news over TV, radio or print. Digital devices have become an increasingly common source for news among Latinos – and among Americans overall – in recent

#### Most Latinos prefer digital devices for news

% of U.S. Latino adults who say they prefer \_\_\_\_\_ for getting news



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decades, a shift driven by the rise of the internet.

Latinos are more likely than White Americans (55%) and Black Americans (50%) to prefer getting news from digital devices. Latinos also are more likely than White and Black adults to get news from social media, at least in part because <u>Latino adults tend to be younger</u> than other groups, and young adults are more inclined to use social media for news.

Nearly three-quarters of Latino adults under 50 (73%) prefer to get their news on digital devices, including 27% who prefer social media specifically.

#### Jump to more information on the platforms where U.S. Latinos get news.

#### Attention to news is declining among U.S. Latinos

About one-in-five Latino adults (22%) say they follow the news all or most of the time, while an additional 36% follow the news some of the time. The share of Latinos who follow the news all or most of the time has fluctuated in recent years but has dropped by 9 percentage points between 2020 (31%) and 2023 (22%), similar to a <u>pattern seen across the general U.S. public</u>.

In recent years, Hispanic Americans have followed the news less closely than Black and White Americans. Again, the high share of young adults within the Hispanic population plays a role, because young people are less likely to follow the news closely. Among Hispanic adults ages 18 to 29, just 10% say they follow the news all or most of the time – far below the share of Hispanics ages 65 and older who do so (44%).

Jump to more information on U.S. Hispanics' news consumption habits.

#### Attention to news has declined since 2020 among U.S. Hispanics

% of U.S. Hispanic adults who say they follow the news **all or most of the time** 





Note: Hispanic adults are of any race. Source: National Survey of Latinos conducted Nov. 6-19, 2023. "How Hispanic Americans Get Their News"

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#### Half of Hispanic adults get news from Hispanic news outlets

Half of U.S. Hispanic adults say they at least sometimes get news from Hispanic news outlets – those that specifically cater to Hispanic audiences. This includes 21% who say they do this extremely or very often. Just over half of Hispanics (54%) get news about their or their family's country of origin at least sometimes, including 24% who do this often.

Hispanic immigrants are much more likely than U.S.-born Hispanics to get news from Hispanic outlets and about their origin country. In both cases, about seven-in-ten immigrants say they at least sometimes get these types of news: 69% get news from Hispanic outlets and 72% get news about their country of origin. Among Hispanic adults who were born in the U.S., 33% at least sometimes get news from Hispanic outlets, and 38% get news about their family's country of origin.

There are further differences among U.S.-born Hispanics: Those whose parents were also born in the U.S. are even less likely than those with one or more immigrant parent to get these types of news.

#### U.S.-born Hispanics less likely than immigrants to get news from Hispanic news outlets and about origin countries

% of U.S. Hispanic adults who say they \_\_\_\_ **at least** sometimes



#### Get news about their or their family's country of origin



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Jump to more information on Hispanic news outlets and news about Hispanic Americans' origin countries.

### **1.** Hispanic Americans' news habits and sources

About one-in-five Hispanic adults (22%) say they follow the news all or most of the time, down from 28% in 2022. The share of U.S. adults overall who say they closely follow the news <u>also has been declining</u>.

Although we did not ask this question of the overall U.S. population in 2023, Latinos were less likely than White and

#### About 1 in 5 U.S. Latinos follow the news closely

% of U.S. Latino adults who say they follow the news ...

ll or most f the time	Some of the time	Only now and then	Hardly ever
22%	36	23	17

Note: Latino adults are of any race. Respondents who did not answer are not shown. Source: National Survey of Latinos conducted Nov. 6-19, 2023. "How Hispanic Americans Get Their News"

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Black Americans to say they closely follow the news in previous years. In 2022, for example, 43% of White adults and 35% of Black adults said they follow the news all or most of the time, compared with 28% of Latino adults.

These differences are at least partially due to age. Hispanic adults <u>tend to be younger</u> than White and Black adults, and <u>younger people are less likely to follow the news closely</u>.

Like the general population, most U.S. Latinos say they follow the news less than closely: Around a third (36%) say they follow the news some of the time, while 23% say they do so only now and then. And 17% of Latinos say they hardly ever follow the news.

Demographic patterns in news consumption among Latino adults parallel those seen in the broader U.S. population:

- Older Latino adults are much more likely than their younger counterparts to say they follow the news all or most of the time.
- Latino adults with higher levels of income and formal education are more likely than those with lower levels of income and education to say they closely follow the news. These patterns persist even when accounting for age.

There also are modest differences by language of news consumption. A quarter of Latinos who get their news mostly in English say they follow the news all or most of the time, compared with 19% of those who get news mostly in Spanish.

And 21% of Latinos who get news in both languages equally say they closely follow the news.

There are no significant differences by overall language proficiency. English-dominant (22%), Spanish-dominant (21%) and bilingual (24%) Latinos closely follow the news at similar rates.

## Older Hispanic Americans more likely to follow the news closely

% of U.S. Hispanic adults who say they follow the news **all or most of the time** 



Note: Hispanic adults are of any race. Family income tiers are based on adjusted 2022 earnings. "Some college" includes those with an associate degree and those who attended college but did not obtain a degree.

Source: National Survey of Latinos conducted Nov. 6-19, 2023 "How Hispanic Americans Get Their News"

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# Where do Hispanic Americans get news?

In a <u>separate Center survey from fall 2023</u>, we looked at how often U.S. adults get news from different platforms. Hispanic Americans and other racial and ethnic groups say they turn to various platforms for news at similar rates.

By far the most common way that U.S. Hispanics – and Americans overall – get news is from a smartphone, computer or tablet. Nearly nine-in-ten Hispanic adults (87%) say they often or sometimes get news from **digital devices**. This includes getting news from search engines (74% say they do so at least sometimes), news websites or apps (60%), social media (56%) and podcasts (31%).

About six-in-ten Hispanic adults (62%) say they get news from **television** at least sometimes. Nearly half (48%) turn to **radio** at least sometimes for news, and 32% say the same about **print publications**.

#### U.S. Hispanics' news consumption across platforms roughly similar to that of other racial and ethnic groups

% of U.S. adults who say they get news **at least sometimes** from ...



 $\ast$  Estimates for Asian adults are representative of English speakers only.

Note: White, Black and Asian adults include those who report being only one race and are not Hispanic; Hispanic adults are of any race. Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted Sept. 25-Oct. 1, 2023. "How Hispanic Americans Get Their News"

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The survey also asked people how they *prefer* to get news. On that question, **Hispanic Americans are somewhat more likely than Black and White Americans to prefer digital devices for news**: Nearly two-thirds of Hispanic adults (65%) say they prefer to get news on a digital device over other platforms, compared with 55% of White adults and 50% of Black adults. (At 78%, English-speaking Asian adults are even more likely to prefer digital devices.)

#### Hispanic Americans also are more likely than Black and White Americans to prefer social media in particular for

**news.** Roughly one-in-five Hispanic adults (21%) say they prefer social media for getting news, while 13% of Black Americans and 10% of White Americans say the same. English-speaking Asian Americans prefer social media at a similar rate to Hispanic Americans (19%).

Some differences extend to specific social media sites, too. For example, 29% of Hispanic adults say they <u>regularly get news on Instagram</u>, and 25% say the same about TikTok. Just 9% of White Americans say they regularly get news on each site.

# About 1 in 5 Hispanic Americans prefer social media to other platforms for news

% who say they prefer **social media** for getting news



\* Estimates for Asian adults are representative of English speakers only.

Note: White, Black and Asian adults include those who report being only one race and are not Hispanic; Hispanic adults are of any race. Source: Survey of U.S. adults conducted Sept. 25-Oct. 1, 2023. "How Hispanic Americans Get Their News"

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**Once again, these patterns are at least partially due to the relatively young age of the Latino population.** Younger people prefer <u>digital devices</u> and <u>social media</u> for news at higher rates. Among Latino adults ages 18 to 49, 73% prefer to get their news on digital devices, including 27% who prefer social media specifically. Among Latinos ages 50 and older, 43% prefer digital devices and just 5% prefer social media.

Similar shares of Latino adults under 50 and all U.S. adults under 50 prefer digital devices for news. But these younger Latinos are somewhat more likely than all U.S. adults under 50 to prefer social media (27% vs. 20%).

# 2. English- and Spanish-language news consumption among Hispanics

While two-thirds of U.S. Latinos say they can read a newspaper or book in Spanish at least pretty well, just 21% say they mostly consume news in Spanish.

Just over half of Hispanics (54%) report getting news mostly in English, while 23% say they consume news in both languages about equally. Only 1% say they mostly get news in a language that isn't English or Spanish.

The survey also asked respondents what language they *prefer* for their news, regardless of their actual news consumption habits.

The results are similar: 51% say they prefer to get news in English, while 24% prefer Spanish and 23% say they don't have a preference between the two. Fewer than 1% prefer to get news in a language other than Spanish or English.

# Just over half of U.S. Hispanics get news predominantly in English ...

% of U.S. Hispanic adults who say they mostly get news in ...

English	Spanish	Both about equally
54%	21%	23%

#### ... and a similar share prefer it this way

% of U.S. Hispanic adults who say they **prefer** to get news in ...

English	Spanish	No preference
51%	24%	23%

Note: Hispanic adults are of any race. Respondents who said some other language or did not answer are not shown. Source: National Survey of Latinos conducted Nov. 6-19, 2023. "How Hispanic Americans Get Their News"

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Given the variety of language preferences and habits among U.S. Latinos, some news outlets offer multiple options for Spanish-speaking and Latino audiences. These include <u>Spanish-language</u> <u>newscasts</u> and <u>translations of English-language news stories into Spanish</u>. Some outlets like the Los Angeles Times provide not only <u>Spanish-language news</u> but also <u>news specific to English-dominant Latinos</u>.

### Major differences between U.S.-born Latinos and immigrants

Latino immigrants are much more likely than U.S.-born Latinos to say they mainly consume news in Spanish. On the other hand, those born in the U.S. overwhelmingly turn to English-language news.

- Spanish-language news: 41% of Latino immigrants say they mostly get news in Spanish, compared with just 2% of U.S.-born Latinos.
- English-language news: 81% of U.S.-born Latinos say they mainly get news in English, while 26% of Latino immigrants say this.
- Both about equally: Latino immigrants are about twice as likely as those born in the U.S. to say they get news in both Spanish and English about equally (31% vs. 16%).

# Hispanic immigrants more likely to primarily get news in Spanish than those born in the U.S.

% of U.S. Hispanic adults who say they mostly get news in ...



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Latino immigrants who have spent more time in the U.S. are less likely than more recent arrivals to mostly consume news in Spanish, and they are more inclined to turn to English-language news instead.

Just over half of Latino adults who arrived in the U.S. in the past 10 years (56%) say they get news mostly in Spanish, while just 10% say they get news primarily in English. By contrast, among those who arrived more than 20 years ago, similar shares consume news mainly in Spanish (32%) and mainly in English (35%). About three-in-ten in both groups say they consume news in both languages equally.

Although a large majority of U.S.-born Hispanics consume news primarily in English, those whose

parents were also born in the U.S. are especially likely to do this. While 73% of secondgeneration Hispanics (those with at least one immigrant parent) get news mainly in English, 92% of Hispanics who are third generation or higher (U.S.-born Hispanics with U.S.-born parents) say the same.

Second-generation Hispanics are more likely than those who are third generation or higher to get news about equally in both English and Spanish (22% vs. 5%). Very small shares of both groups get news mostly in Spanish (3% vs. 1%).

There are similar patterns across these groups on the question about which language Latinos prefer for news. It is worth noting, however, that Latino immigrants who came to the U.S. in the last 10 years are more likely to say they *prefer* news in Spanish than actually *get* news mostly in Spanish (68% vs. 56%).

# U.S. Hispanics who recently immigrated mostly prefer to get news in Spanish

% of U.S. Hispanics who say they prefer to get news in ...

	English %	Spanish %	No preference %
All Hispanic adults	51	24	23
Immigrant	22	47	31
U.S. born	79	3	17
Among immigrants:			
0-10 years in U.S.	4	68	26
11-20 years	10	57	32
21+ years	32	36	32
Among U.S. born:			
2nd generation	70	3	26
3rd gen. or higher	93	2	4

Note: Hispanic adults are of any race. Respondents who said some other language or did not answer are not shown.

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### Bilingual Hispanics much more likely to get news in English than Spanish

The primary language of news consumption among Latino Americans largely aligns with whether they are Spanish dominant, bilingual or English dominant (definitions for these terms are available in <u>the Terminology section</u>). But about a third of Spanish-dominant U.S. Latinos report consuming *at least* as much news in English as in Spanish.

- Nine-in-ten Englishdominant Hispanics consume news mostly in English, while 7% get news in English and Spanish about equally. Very few (1%) get mostly Spanishlanguage news.
- A smaller majority of Spanishdominant Hispanics (64%) say they get news mainly in Spanish, while 29% consume about the same amount of news in English and Spanish and 5% get most of their news in English.

• Among **bilingual** Hispanics,

## 29% of Spanish-dominant Latinos get news in Spanish and English about equally

% of U.S. Latino adults who say they mostly get news in ...



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55% report getting news mostly in English, much higher than the share who say they primarily consume news in Spanish (9%). Roughly a third of bilingual Hispanics (34%) report consuming news in Spanish and English equally.

# **3. News consumption from Hispanic news outlets and about origin countries**

Half of Hispanic Americans say that they at least sometimes get news from Hispanic news outlets – outlets that focus on providing news and information specifically to Hispanic audiences, whether in Spanish, English or another language. This includes about 21% who say they get news from Hispanic news outlets extremely or very often.

Although the survey did not gauge respondents' interaction with any specific Hispanic

# Half of Hispanic Americans get news from Hispanic news outlets at least sometimes

% of U.S. Hispanic adults who say they get news ...

	Extremely/ Very often	Sometimes	Rarely/Never
From Hispanic news outlets	21%	28%	49%
About their or their family's country of origin	-74	30	45

Note: Figures may not add to 100% due to rounding. Hispanic adults are of any race. Hispanic news outlets are those outlets that focus on providing news and information specifically to Hispanic audiences. These can include newspapers, radio or TV stations, podcasts, or social media accounts created for and by Hispanic people. Their content could be in Spanish, English, both languages or another language. Respondents who did not answer are not shown. Source: National Survey of Latinos conducted Nov. 6-19, 2023.

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news outlets, a <u>previous Pew Research Center study</u> found that both of the largest Spanishlanguage television networks – Univision and Telemundo – have experienced declines in viewership in recent years, despite the continued <u>growth of the U.S. Hispanic population</u>.

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The survey also asked U.S. Latinos, who <u>trace their roots to many different countries</u>, how often they get news about their country of origin or the country their Hispanic ancestors came from. Just over half of Latino Americans say they at least sometimes get news about their origin country, including 24% who do this extremely or very often.

### U.S.-born Hispanics less likely to engage with Hispanic news outlets

Hispanic immigrants are roughly twice as likely as those born in the U.S. to get news from Hispanic outlets and to get news about their ancestral homeland.

- Hispanic news outlets: 69% of Hispanic immigrants say they at least sometimes get news from Hispanic news outlets, compared with a third of those born in the U.S.
- News about origin countries: 72% of Hispanic immigrants at least sometimes get news about their country of origin, versus 38% of U.S.born Hispanics who say the same about their ancestors' country.

The shares of Hispanic immigrants who get news from Hispanic outlets and

# Hispanic immigrants about twice as likely to get news from Hispanic news outlets and about origin countries

% of U.S. Hispanic adults who say they \_\_\_\_ at least sometimes



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news about their country of origin are relatively stable regardless of how many years they have been in the U.S. For instance, 75% of Hispanic immigrants who have been in the U.S. for 10 years or fewer say they get news about their country of origin at least sometimes, compared with 70% of those who have lived in the U.S. for more than 20 years.

However, there are differences among U.S.-born Latinos based on how long their family has been in the country. Second-generation Latinos (who have at least one immigrant parent) are about

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twice as likely as those who are third generation or higher (who have U.S.-born parents) to get news from Hispanic news outlets and news about their family's country of origin.

- 43% of second-generation Latinos say they get news from Hispanic news outlets at least sometimes, compared with just 19% of Latinos who are third generation or higher.
- And nearly half of second-generation Latinos (48%) say they get news about their family's country of origin at least sometimes, whereas only about a quarter of Latino Americans who are third generation or higher say the same (24%).

# Latinos with lower levels of income more likely to get news from Hispanic outlets and about origin countries

Latinos who have lower incomes are more likely than those who have higher levels of income to get news from Hispanic media outlets and about their country of origin.

- While 57% of Hispanic adults with lower incomes say they get news from Hispanic media outlets at least sometimes, just 29% of upper-income Hispanic adults get news from these outlets.
- 58% of lower-income Hispanics say they get news about their ancestral homeland at least sometimes, compared with 50% among middle-income Hispanics and 45% among upper-income Hispanics.

## Latinos with lower incomes more likely to get news from Hispanic media ...

% of U.S. Latino adults who say they get news from Hispanic news outlets **at least sometimes** 



#### ... and about their country of origin

% of U.S. Latino adults who say they get news about their or their family's country of origin **at least sometimes** 



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### Who gets news from Hispanic outlets and about origin countries?

We can also look at these questions from the opposite direction: For example, among Latinos who get news from Hispanic news outlets at least sometimes, how many mostly consume news in Spanish or English?

While Latino adults who get news from Hispanic outlets are generally similar to the overall Latino population in the U.S. in terms of age, gender and other demographic factors, they differ in some key ways: what languages they speak, in what languages they consume news and where they were born.

Spanish-speaking

 Latinos, including
 those who are
 bilingual, make up the
 majority of the
 audience for Hispanic
 media outlets. About

#### Nearly two-thirds of Latinos who get news from Hispanic media outlets are immigrants

% of U.S. Latino adults in each group who (are) ...

For example, among Latino adults who get news from Hispanic news outlets at least sometimes, 16% are English dominant



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four-in-ten Latinos who say they get news from these outlets at least sometimes are predominantly Spanish speakers (43%), and a similar share are bilingual (41%). By contrast, among Latinos who rarely or never get news from Hispanic news outlets, a majority (60%) are predominantly English speakers.

 But news consumers of Hispanic media outlets are diverse in their language of news consumption. About a third of those who use these outlets at least sometimes (34%) get their news mostly in Spanish, while 29% get their news mainly in English and 35% consume news about equally in both languages. Latino adults who rarely or never get news from Hispanic outlets, meanwhile, overwhelmingly get their news in English (81%).

• Nearly two-thirds of Latinos who get news from Hispanic media outlets (63%) are immigrants. Among Latinos who do not get news from these outlets, 29% are immigrants.

Similar patterns arise when looking at **those who get news about their or their family's country of origin.** 

- 39% of Latinos who at least sometimes get news about their ancestral homeland are predominantly Spanish speaking, and a similar share (40%) are bilingual. Just 20% are predominantly English speaking. Among Latinos who rarely or never consume news about their origin country, 59% primarily speak English.
- 30% of Latinos who get news about their or their family's country of origin mainly get their news in Spanish, while 38% get their news in English and 31% get their news in both English and Spanish equally. Latinos who rarely or never get such news, meanwhile, tend to consume their news in English (76%).
- 62% of Latinos who get news about their or their family's country of origin are immigrants, compared with 27% among Latinos who rarely or never get news about their origin country.

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### Methodology

### The American Trends Panel survey methodology

#### **Overview**

The American Trends Panel (ATP), created by Pew Research Center, is a nationally representative panel of randomly selected U.S. adults. Panelists participate via self-administered web surveys. Panelists who do not have internet access at home are provided with a tablet and wireless internet connection. Interviews are conducted in both English and Spanish. The panel is being managed by Ipsos.

Most of the data in this report is drawn from ATP Wave 138, conducted from Nov. 6 to Nov. 19, 2023, among a sample of U.S. adults who identify as Hispanic. A total of 5,078 panelists responded out of 8,720 who were sampled, for a response rate of 61% (AAPOR RR3). This included 1,524 respondents from the ATP and an additional 3,554 from Ipsos' KnowledgePanel (KP). The cumulative response rate accounting for nonresponse to the recruitment surveys and attrition is 1%. The break-off rate among panelists who logged on to the survey and completed at least one item is 3%. The margin of sampling error for the full sample of 5,078 respondents is plus or minus 2.0 percentage points.

The questions about how often people get news from various platforms, which platforms they prefer for getting news and which social media sites they get news from are from a different survey of 8,842 U.S. adults, including 1,193 Hispanic adults, conducted from Sept. 25 to Oct. 1, 2023, entirely on the ATP (Wave 135). <u>Refer to the methodology for more details</u>.

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#### **Panel recruitment**

The ATP was created in 2014, with the first cohort of panelists invited to join the panel at the end of a large, national, landline and cellphone random-digit-dial survey that was conducted in both English and Spanish. Two additional recruitments were conducted using the same method in 2015 and 2017, respectively. Across these three surveys, a total of 19,718 adults were invited to join the ATP, of whom 9,942 (50%) agreed to participate.

In August 2018, the ATP switched from telephone to address-based sampling (ABS) recruitment. A study cover letter and a pre-incentive are mailed to a stratified, random sample of households selected from the U.S. Postal Service's **Delivery Sequence File.** This Postal Service file has been estimated to cover as much as 98% of the population, although some studies suggest that the coverage could be in the low 90% range.1 Within each sampled household, the adult with the next birthday is asked to participate. Other details of the ABS recruitment protocol have changed over time but are available upon request.<sup>2</sup>

#### **American Trends Panel recruitment surveys**

Recruitment dates	Mode	Invited	Joined	Active panelists remaining
Jan. 23 to March 16, 2014	Landline/ cell RDD	9,809	5,338	1,393
Aug. 27 to Oct. 4, 2015	Landline/ cell RDD	6,004	2,976	832
April 25 to June 4, 2017	Landline/ cell RDD	3,905	1,628	405
Aug. 8 to Oct. 31, 2018	ABS	9,396	8,778	3,851
Aug. 19 to Nov. 30, 2019	ABS	5,900	4,720	1,388
June 1 to July 19, 2020; Feb. 10 to March 31, 2021	ABS	3,197	2,812	1,441
May 29 to July 7, 2021; Sept. 16 to Nov. 1, 2021	ABS	1,329	1,162	731
May 24 to Sept. 29, 2022	ABS	3,354	2,869	1,460
April 17 to May 30, 2023	ABS	686	576	435
	Total	43,580	30,859	11,936

Note: RDD is random-digit dial; ABS is address-based sampling. Approximately once per year, panelists who have not participated in multiple consecutive waves or who did not complete an annual profiling survey are removed from the panel. Panelists also become inactive if they ask to be removed from the panel.

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We have recruited a national sample of U.S. adults to the ATP approximately once per year since 2014. In some years, the recruitment has included additional efforts (known as an "oversample") to boost sample size with underrepresented groups. For example, Hispanic adults, Black adults and Asian adults were oversampled in 2019, 2022 and 2023, respectively.

Across the six address-based recruitments, a total of 23,862 adults were invited to join the ATP, of whom 20,917 agreed to join the panel and completed an initial profile survey. Of the 30,859 individuals who have ever joined the ATP, 11,936 remained active panelists and continued to receive survey invitations at the time this survey was conducted.

The American Trends Panel never uses breakout routers or chains that direct respondents to additional surveys.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> AAPOR Task Force on Address-based Sampling. 2016. <u>"AAPOR Report: Address-based Sampling."</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Email <u>pewsurveys@pewresearch.org</u>.

#### Sample design

The overall target population for this survey was noninstitutionalized persons ages 18 and older living in the U.S., including Alaska and Hawaii who identify as Hispanic. All eligible members of the ATP and a random subsample of eligible members from Ipsos' KnowledgePanel were invited to participate in this wave.

#### **Questionnaire development and testing**

The questionnaire was developed by Pew Research Center in consultation with Ipsos. The web program was rigorously tested on both PC and mobile devices by the Ipsos project management team and Pew Research Center researchers. The Ipsos project management team also populated test data that was analyzed in SPSS to ensure the logic and randomizations were working as intended before launching the survey.

#### Incentives

All ATP respondents were offered a post-paid incentive for their participation. ATP respondents could choose to receive the post-paid incentive in the form of a check or a gift code to Amazon.com or could choose to decline the incentive. Incentive amounts ranged from \$5 to \$20 depending on whether the respondent belongs to a part of the population that is harder or easier to reach. Differential incentive amounts were designed to increase panel survey participation among groups that traditionally have low survey response propensities.

Ipsos operates an ongoing modest incentive program for KnowledgePanel to encourage participation and create member loyalty. The incentive program includes special raffles and sweepstakes with both cash rewards and other prizes to be won. Typically, panel members are assigned no more than one survey per week. On average, panel members complete two to three surveys per month with durations of 10 to 15 minutes per survey. An additional incentive is usually provided for longer surveys. For this survey, during the last few days of data collection, KnowledgePanel members who self-identified as Black were offered 10,000 points (equivalent to \$10) in addition to the regular incentive program in an attempt to boost the number of responses from panel members who identified as Black American.

#### **Data collection protocol**

The data collection field period for this survey was Nov. 6-19, 2023. Postcard notifications were mailed to all ATP panelists with a known residential address on Nov. 6.

Invitations were sent out in two separate launches: soft launch and full launch. Sixty ATP panelists and 409 KP panelists were included in the soft launch, which began with an initial invitation sent

on Nov 6. The ATP panelists chosen for the initial soft launch were known responders who had completed previous ATP surveys within one day of receiving their invitation. All remaining English- and Spanish-speaking sampled panelists were included in the full launch and were sent an invitation on Nov. 7.

Invitation and reminder dates, ATP Wave 138 Soft launch Full launch

address received an email invitation and up to four email reminders if they did not respond to the survey. All ATP panelists who consented to SMS messages received an SMS invitation and up to four SMS reminders.

All panelists with an email

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Final reminder
Third reminder
Second reminder
First reminder
Initial invitation

on	November 6, 2023
er	November 10, 2023
nder	November 13, 2023
er	November 16, 2023
er	November 18, 2023
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Full launch		
November 7, 2023		
November 10, 2023		
November 13, 2023		
November 16, 2023		
November 18, 2023		

#### **Data quality checks**

To ensure high-quality data, the Center's researchers performed data quality checks to identify any respondents showing clear patterns of satisficing. This includes checking for whether respondents left questions blank at very high rates or always selected the first or last answer presented. As a result of this checking, six respondents were removed from the survey dataset prior to weighting and analysis. Another four respondents were removed from the survey dataset after providing feedback that they were not Hispanic, and therefore not eligible for the survey.

#### Weighting

The ATP data is weighted in a multistep process that accounts for multiple stages of sampling and nonresponse that occur at different points in the survey process. First, each panelist begins with a base weight that reflects their probability of selection for their initial recruitment survey. These weights are then rescaled and adjusted to account for changes in the design of ATP recruitment surveys from year to year. Finally, the weights are calibrated to align with the population benchmarks in the accompanying table to correct for nonresponse to recruitment surveys and panel attrition. If only a subsample of panelists was invited to participate in the wave, this weight is adjusted to account for selection.

Among the panelists who completed the survey, this weight is then calibrated again to align with the population benchmarks identified in the accompanying table and trimmed at the 1st and 99th percentiles to reduce the loss in precision stemming from variance in the weights. Sampling errors and tests of statistical significance take into account the effect of weighting.

Variable	Benchmark source
Age x Gender	2022 American Community Survey
Education x Gender	(ACS)
Education x Age	
Hispanic origin	
Place of birth	
Citizenship	
Years lived in the U.S.	
Black (alone or in combination)	
Census region	
Metropolitan status	
Volunteerism	2021 CPS Volunteering & Civic Life Supplement
Party affiliation	2023 National Public Opinion
Frequency of internet use	Reference Survey (NPORS)
Religious affiliation	
Note: All estimates are based on Hispanics. Esti	mates from the ACS are further based on
noninstitutionalized adults.	
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The following table shows the unweighted sample sizes and the error attributable to sampling that would be expected at the 95% level of confidence for different groups in the survey.

#### Sample sizes and margins of error, ATP Wave 138

Group	Unweighted sample size	Plus or minus
All Hispanic adults	5,078	2.0 percentage points
Immigrant (including those born in Puerto Rico and other U.S. territories)	2,314	3.0 percentage points
0-10 years in U.S.	423	7.0 percentage points
11-20 years in U.S.	482	6.6 percentage points
More than 20 years in U.S.	1,367	3.9 percentage points
Born in the 50 United States or the District of Columbia	2,668	2.8 percentage points
Second generation	1,573	3.6 percentage points
Third generation or higher	1,091	4.4 percentage points
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Sample sizes and sampling errors for other subgroups are available upon request. In addition to sampling error, one should bear in mind that question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of opinion polls.

#### **Dispositions and response rates**

#### Final dispositions, ATP Wave 138

	AAPOR code	ATP	KP	Total
Completed interview	1.1	1,524	3,554	5,078
Logged on to survey; broke off	2.12	3	154	157
Logged on to survey; did not complete any items	2.1121	4	73	77
Never logged on (implicit refusal)	2.11	60	3,134	3,194
Survey completed after close of the field period	2.27	1	0	1
Completed interview but was removed for data quality	2.3	1	5	6
Completed interview but was removed for ineligibility		3	1	4
Screened out	4.7	0	203	203
Total panelists sampled for the survey		1,596	7,124	8,720
Completed interviews	I	1,524	3,554	5,078
Partial interviews	Р	0	0	0
Refusals	R	67	154	221
Non-contact	NC	1	0	1
Other	0	1	5	6
Unknown household	UH	0	0	0
Unknown other	UO	0	3,207	3,207
Not eligible	NE	3	1	4
Screen out	SO	0	203	203
Total		1,596	7,124	8,720
Est. eligibility rate among unscreened: e = (I+R)/(I+R+SO)		100%	95%	96%
AAPOR RR1 = I / (I+P+R+NC+O+UH+UO)		96%	51%	60%
AAPOR RR3 = I / (I+R+[e*U0])		96%	53%	61%

#### Cumulative response rate as of ATP Wave 138

	ATP	KP	Total
Weighted response rate to recruitment surveys	11%	9%	9%
% of recruitment survey respondents who agreed to join the panel, among those invited	71%	50%	54%
% of those agreeing to join who were active panelists at start of Wave 138	46%	38%	40%
Response rate to Wave 138 survey	96%	53%	61%
Cumulative response rate	3%	1%	1%
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#### How family income tiers are calculated

Family income data reported in this study is adjusted for household size and cost-of-living differences by geography. Panelists then are assigned to income tiers that are based on the median adjusted family income of all American Trends Panel members. The process uses the following steps:

- 1. First, panelists are assigned to the midpoint of the income range they selected in a family income question that was measured on either the most recent annual profile survey or, for newly recruited panelists, their recruitment survey. This provides an approximate income value that can be used in calculations for the adjustment.
- 2. Next, these income values are adjusted for the cost of living in the geographic area where the panelist lives. This is calculated using price indexes published by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis. These indexes, known as <u>Regional Price Parities</u> (RPP), compare the prices of goods and services across all U.S. metropolitan statistical areas as well as non-metro areas with the national average prices for the same goods and services. The most recent available data at the time of the annual profile survey is from 2021. Those who fall outside of metropolitan statistical areas are assigned the overall RPP for their state's non-metropolitan area.
- 3. Family incomes are further adjusted for the number of people in a household using the methodology from Pew Research Center's previous work on <u>the American middle class</u>. This is done because a four-person household with an income of say, \$50,000, faces a tighter budget constraint than a two-person household with the same income.
- 4. Panelists are then assigned an income tier. "Middle-income" adults are in families with adjusted family incomes that are between two-thirds and double the median adjusted family income for the full ATP at the time of the most recent annual profile survey. The median adjusted family income for the panel is roughly \$71,800. Using this median income, the middle-income range is about \$47,900 to \$143,600. Lower-income families have adjusted incomes less than \$47,900 and upper-income families have adjusted incomes greater than \$143,600 (all figures expressed in 2022 dollars and scaled to a household size of three). If a panelist did not provide their income and/or their household size, they are assigned "no answer" in the income tier variable.

Two examples of how a given area's cost-of-living adjustment was calculated are as follows: the Anniston-Oxford metropolitan area in Alabama is a relatively inexpensive area, with a price level

that is 16.2% less than the national average. The San Francisco-Oakland-Berkeley metropolitan area in California is one of the most expensive areas, with a price level that is 19.8% higher than the national average. Income in the sample is adjusted to make up for this difference. As a result, a family with an income of \$41,900 in the Anniston-Oxford area is as well off financially as a family of the same size with an income of \$59,900 in San Francisco.

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#### **PEW RESEARCH CENTER 2023 NATIONAL SURVEY OF LATINOS** FINAL TOPLINE **NOVEMBER 6-19, 2023** LATINO ADULTS TOTAL N=5,078

#### ASK ALL:

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How well, if at all, would you say you can read a newspaper or book in Spanish?

U.S. born

25

22

27

25

1

#### Nov 6-19 <u>2023</u> <u>Immigrant</u> 48 Very well 74 Pretty well 17 19 17 Just a little 5 2 14 Not at all 3 2 No answer

#### ASK ALL:

FOLNEWS Would you say you follow the news...

Nov 6-19			
<u>2023</u>		<u>Immigrant</u>	<u>U.S. born</u>
22	All or most of the time	23	22
36	Some of the time	38	35
23	Only now and then	22	25
17	Hardly ever	16	18
1	No answer	1	1

#### ASK ALL:

NEWSLANG Do you mostly get news in...? [RANDOMIZE 1 AND 2, WITH 3 AND 4 ALWAYS LAST]

Nov 6-19		Tananinan	
<u>2023</u>		<u>Immigrant</u>	<u>U.S. born</u>
21	Spanish	41	2
54	English	26	81
23	About equally in English and Spanish	31	16
1	Some other language	1	<1
2	No answer	1	1

#### ASK ALL:

LANGPREF Do you prefer to get news in...? [RANDOMIZE 1 AND 2 SAME AS NEWSLANG, WITH 3

#### AND 4 ALWAYS LAST]

Nov 6-19 <u>2023</u>		Immigrant	U.S. born
24	Spanish	47	3
51	English	22	79
	I don't have a preference between		
23	English and Spanish	31	17
<1	Some other language	<1	<1
1	No answer	1	1

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#### ASK ALL: HISPNEWS

How often do you get news from Hispanic news outlets – those outlets that focus on providing news and information specifically to Hispanic audiences? This can include newspapers, radio or TV stations, podcasts, or social media accounts that are created for and by Hispanic people. [RANDOMIZE ORDER OF RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1 IN SAME ORDER AS ENOUGHTIME]

#### Nov 6-19

<u>2023</u>		<u>Immigrant</u>	<u>U.S. born</u>
5	Extremely often	7	3
16	Very often	28	6
28	Sometimes	33	24
24	Rarely	21	27
25	Never	9	39
1	No answer	<1	1

#### ASK ALL:

ORIGINNEWS Thinking about your family's heritage, how often do you get news about the country you, your parents or your Hispanic ancestors came from? [RANDOMIZE ORDER OF RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1 IN SAME ORDER AS ENOUGHTIME]

Nov 6-19 <u>2023</u>		Immigrant	U.S. born
5	Extremely often	8	3
19	Very often	31	8
30	Sometimes	34	27
25	Rarely	19	30
20	Never	8	30
2	No answer	1	1

#### ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE