

**2024 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL  
WAVE 142 TOPLINE  
FEBRUARY 7-11, 2024  
N=10,133**

**THE QUESTIONS PRESENTED BELOW ARE PART OF A LARGER SURVEY CONDUCTED ON THE AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL. OTHER QUESTIONS ON THIS SURVEY HAVE BEEN RELEASED OR ARE BEING HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE.**

**NOTE: ALL NUMBERS ARE PERCENTAGES UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. THE PERCENTAGES LESS THAN 0.5% ARE REPLACED BY AN ASTERISK (\*). ROWS/COLUMNS MAY NOT TOTAL 100% DUE TO ROUNDING.**

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|             | <b>Sample size</b> | <b>Margin of error at 95%<br/>confidence level</b> |
| U.S. adults | 10,133             | +/- 1.5 percentage points                          |

**ASK ALL:**

SNSRATE

Overall, what effect would you say social media has on the way things are going in this country today?

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|    |                                      |
|----|--------------------------------------|
| 10 | Mostly positive effect               |
| 64 | Mostly negative effect               |
| 26 | Neither positive nor negative effect |
| *  | No answer                            |

Jul 13-19, 2020

|    |
|----|
| 10 |
| 64 |
| 25 |
| 1  |

**ASK ALL:**

TECHPOW

How much power and influence in politics today do social media companies have? **[RANDOMIZE 1-2; ITEM 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

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|    |                                |
|----|--------------------------------|
| 78 | Too much power and influence   |
| 4  | Not enough power and influence |
| 16 | About the right amount         |
| 2  | No answer                      |

Jun 16-22, 2020

|    |
|----|
| 72 |
| 6  |
| 21 |
| 2  |

**ASK ALL:**

TC5

Thinking about the role of the government in regulating major technology companies, do you think they should be regulated... **[RANDOMIZE 1-2; ITEM 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

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|    |                          |
|----|--------------------------|
| 51 | More than they are now   |
| 16 | Less than they are now   |
| 31 | The same as they are now |
| 2  | No answer                |

Apr 25-May 1,

2022

44

Apr 12-18,

2021

56

Jun 16-22,

2020

47

May 29-Jun

11, 2018

51

9

38

1

**ASK ALL:**

TC6b

Do you think major technology companies tend to support the views of...

**[RANDOMIZE 1 AND 2, ITEM 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

| <u>Feb 7-11, 2024</u> |                             | <u>Apr 25-May 1, 2022</u> | <u>Jun 16-22, 2020</u> | <u>May 29-Jun 11, 2018</u> |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|
| 44                    | Liberals over conservatives | 44                        | 43                     | 43                         |
| 15                    | Conservatives over liberals | 15                        | 13                     | 11                         |
| 37                    | Both equally                | 37                        | 39                     | 43                         |
| 3                     | No answer                   | 5                         | 4                      | 3                          |

**ASK ALL:**

SM7

How likely, if at all, do you think it is that social media sites intentionally censor political viewpoints that they find objectionable?

| <u>Feb 7-11, 2024</u> |                   | <u>Apr 25-May 1, 2022</u> | <u>Jun 16-22, 2020</u> | <u>May 29-Jun 11, 2018</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|
| 45                    | Very likely       | 41                        | 37                     | 35                         |
| 38                    | Somewhat likely   | 35                        | 36                     | 37                         |
| 13                    | Not very likely   | 17                        | 19                     | 19                         |
| 3                     | Not at all likely | 5                         | 6                      | 8                          |
| 1                     | No answer         | 2                         | 2                      | 1                          |

**ASK ALL:**

PARTY

In politics today, do you consider yourself a:

**ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE (PARTY=3,4) 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> |
|-------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 28                | 29              | 27                 | 13                    | 2                | 17              | 19              |

<sup>3</sup> PARTY and PARTYLN asked in a prior survey.