

**2025 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
WAVE 172 POLITICS SURVEY
FINAL QUESTIONNAIRE
JUNE 2-8, 2025**

Note: The questions presented below are part of a larger survey conducted on the American Trends Panel. For all questions, the 98 ("don't know" in phone mode) and 99 (refusal in phone mode and no answer in web mode) codes are combined in the data for analytical purposes.

PN = Programming note

CODEBOOK FOR ATP SAMPLE VARIABLES TO BE USED IN SURVEY PROGRAMMING LOGIC

X_FORM

- 1 Form 1
- 2 Form 2

Note: Flag to randomly assign panelists to one of two forms (Form 1, Form 2) and weight within form
Source: Randomly assigned for each survey.

 -----**MAIN QUESTIONNAIRE BEGINS HERE**-----

OTHER QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

QUE: HIROSHIMA

ASK IF FORM 1 (X_FORM=1):

As you may know, the United States dropped atomic bombs on the Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki [**PN: IF CATI:** (**PRONO: HEE-row-SHEE-mah and naa-guh-SAA-kee**)] in August 1945 near the end of World War II.

Looking back, would you say using the atomic bomb on Japanese cities in 1945 was justified or was it not justified?

[**PN: IF CATI:**] (**READ LIST**)

1 Justified

2 Not justified

[**PN: INSERT LINE OF SPACE**]

3 [**PN: IF WEB:**] Not sure [**PN: IF CATI:**] Or are you not sure?

99 [**PN: IF WEB:**] Web blank / [**PN: IF CATI:**] (**DO NOT READ**) Refused

QUE: HIROSHIMAKN

ASK IF FORM 1 (X_FORM=1):

How much would you say you know about the events surrounding the United States' use of atomic bombs near the end of World War II against the Japanese cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki [**PN: IF CATI:** (**PRONO: HEE-row-SHEE-mah and naa-guh-SAA-kee**)]?

[**PN: IF CATI:**] (**READ LIST**)

1 A lot

2 A little

3 Nothing at all

98 [**PN: IF CATI:**] (**DO NOT READ**) Don't know

99 [**PN: IF WEB:**] Web blank / [**PN: IF CATI:**] (**DO NOT READ**) Refused

BAT: NUKESAFE**ASK IF FORM 2 (X_FORM=2):****[PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS; ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-2/2-1, HOLDING 3 AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION AND ROTATION IN DATA FILE]**

[**PN: IF WEB:**] Do you think the development of nuclear weapons has made each of the following more or less safe?

[**PN: IF CATI: READ FOR FIRST ITEM:**] Do you think the development of nuclear weapons has made each of the following more or less safe? First, **(INSERT ITEM)**. **(READ LIST)**

[**PN: IF CATI: READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS:**] What about **(INSERT ITEM)**? **(READ AS NECESSARY: Do you think the development of nuclear weapons has made (INSERT ITEM)... (READ LIST))**

BATTERY ITEMS:

- a The U.S.
- b The world

RESPONSE CATEGORIES:

- 1 More safe
- 2 Less safe

[PN: INSERT LINE OF SPACE]

- 3 [**PN: IF WEB:**] Not sure [**PN: IF CATI:**] Or are you not sure?
- 99 [**PN: IF WEB:**] Web blank / [**PN: IF CATI:**] **(DO NOT READ)** Refused

QUE: NUKEDISARM**ASK IF FORM 2 (X_FORM=2):****[PN: ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5/5-1 IN SAME ORDER AS VACA2MOD, HOLDING 98 AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE ROTATION IN DATA FILE]**

How important do you think it is for the U.S. to be a world leader in international efforts to reduce nuclear weapons?

[**PN: IF CATI:**] **(READ LIST)**

- 1 Extremely important
- 2 Very important
- 3 Somewhat important
- 4 Not too important
- 5 Not at all important
- 98 [**PN: IF CATI:**] **(DO NOT READ)** Don't know
- 99 [**PN: IF WEB:**] Web blank / [**PN: IF CATI:**] **(DO NOT READ)** Refused