Questionnaire

2025 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
Wave 174: National Survey of Black Americans
June 16-29, 2025

QUESTIONNAIRE

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

TXT
SAMPLE SOURCE FOR SURVEY PROGRAMMING LOGIC

X_PANEL
1=ATP (SSRS SampSource=7)
2=SSRS OP (SSRS SampSource=2)

CODEBOOK FOR GENERIC ROTATION VARIABLE TO BE USED IN SURVEY PROGRAMMING LOGIC

ROTATION_GEN
1 Scale in ascending order (1-5)
2 Scale in descending order (5-1)
Note: Flag created by programmers to assign panelists' rotation orders for the following questions: FAMFINHURT, FAMFINHELP, BLK_LEARNMAN, BLK_LEARNWOMAN, BLK_MEDIAMAN, BLK_MEDIAWOMAN, PRESMAN, PRESWOMAN, DATINGINFL
Source: Created by programmers and randomly assigned to all sampled panelists.

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

X_ATPBLACK
1 ATP Black
2 ATP non-Black
Note: Flag to identify ATP Black and non-Black panelists for welcome and closing messages.
Source: Frame file variable F_RACEMOD_2. If F_RACEMOD_2=1, X_ATPBLACK=1. Otherwise X_ATPBLACK=2.

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

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

QUE: COMMREL
ASK IF NOT MARRIED OR LIVING WITH A PARTNER (MARITAL=3,4,5,6,98,99):

Are you currently in a committed romantic relationship?

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

1 Yes
2 No
98 **[PN: IF CATI:]** **(DO NOT READ)** Don't know
99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Web blank / **[PN: IF CATI:]** **(DO NOT READ)** Refused

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QUE: SEEKING

ASK IF NOT MARRIED, NOT LIVING WITH A PARTNER OR NOT IN A COMMITTED RELATIONSHIP (COMMREL=2):

Which of these best describes what you are looking for right now?

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

1 A committed romantic relationship only
2 Casual dates only
3 Either a committed romantic relationship or casual dates
4 Not currently looking for a relationship or casual dates
98 **[PN: IF CATI:]** **(DO NOT READ)** Don't know
99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Web blank / **[PN: IF CATI:]** **(DO NOT READ)** Refused

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BAT: QUALSPOUSE

ASK IF BLACK (ATPBLACK=1 OR X_PANEL=2):
[PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS ACROSS TWO SCREENS; ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5/5-1 IN SAME ORDER AS SATLIFE_MOD HOLDING 98 AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION AND ROTATION IN DATA FILE]
[PN: SHOW "READ FOR FIRST ITEM" AND "READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS" ON THE FIRST SCREEN; ON THE FIRST SCREEN, BETWEEN THE QUESTION TEXT AND THE GRID, INCLUDE AN INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: "[INTERVIEWER NOTE: QUESTION CONTINUES ON NEXT PAGE]"; ONLY SHOW "READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS" ON THE SECOND SCREEN]

[PN: IF WEB:] Some people have different ideas about what makes a good spouse or partner. How important is it to you that a good spouse or partner...

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR FIRST ITEM:] Some people have different ideas about what makes a good spouse or partner. How important is it to you that a good spouse or partner **(INSERT ITEM)**? **(READ LIST)**

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS:] Next, how about **(INSERT ITEM)**? **(READ AS NECESSARY:** How important is it to you that a good spouse or partner **(INSERT ITEM)**? **(READ LIST IF NECESSARY))**

BATTERY ITEMS:
a Is financially stable
b Helps with household chores
c Has a college degree
d Is caring and compassionate
e Is romantic
f Has a close relationship with their family
g Believes in God
h Wants to have children

RESPONSE CATEGORIES:
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

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BAT: DATEREASON
ASK IF BLACK, NOT WIDOWED AND NOT IN A COMMITTED RELATIONSHIP ((ATPBLACK=1 OR X_PANEL=2) AND MARITAL=3,4,6,98,99 AND COMMREL=2):
[PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS ACROSS TWO SCREENS;; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION IN DATA FILE]
[PN: SHOW "READ FOR FIRST ITEM" AND "READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS" ON THE FIRST SCREEN; ON THE FIRST SCREEN, BETWEEN THE QUESTION TEXT AND THE GRID, INCLUDE AN INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: "[INTERVIEWER NOTE: QUESTION CONTINUES ON NEXT PAGE]"; ONLY SHOW "READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS" ON THE SECOND SCREEN]

[PN: IF WEB:] Please indicate if each of the following is a reason why you are not currently in a relationship.

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR FIRST ITEM:] Please indicate if each of the following is a reason why you are not currently in a relationship. First, **(INSERT ITEM)**. **(READ LIST)**

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS:] Next, **(INSERT ITEM)**.
(READ AS NECESSARY: Is this a reason why you are not currently in a relationship? **(READ LIST))**

BATTERY ITEMS:
a Just like being single
b Just like dating without commitment
c **[PN: IF WEB:]** Feel like I am too old **[PN: IF CATI:]** Feel like you are too old
d Not financially stable enough
e Haven't had luck with dating or relationships in the past
f Too busy
g **[PN: IF WEB:]** Feel like no one would be interested in me **[PN: IF CATI:]** Feel like no one would be interested in you
h Not ready after ending a relationship

RESPONSE CATEGORIES:
1 Major reason
2 Minor reason
3 Not a reason
98 **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Don't know
99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Web blank **/ [PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Refused

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BAT: DATECON
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[PN: SHOW "READ FOR FIRST ITEM" AND "READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS" ON THE FIRST SCREEN; ON THE FIRST SCREEN, BETWEEN THE QUESTION TEXT AND THE GRID, INCLUDE AN INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: "[INTERVIEWER NOTE: QUESTION CONTINUES ON NEXT PAGE]"; ONLY SHOW "READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS" ON THE SECOND SCREEN]

[PN: IF WEB:] Would you ever consider being in a committed relationship with someone who...

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR FIRST ITEM:] Would you ever consider being in a committed relationship with someone who **(INSERT ITEM)**? **(READ LIST)**

[PN: IF CATI: READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS:] How about someone who **(INSERT ITEM)**?
(READ AS NECESSARY: Would you ever consider being in a committed relationship with someone who **(INSERT ITEM)**? **(READ LIST IF NECESSARY))**

BATTERY ITEMS:
a Has different religious views than you
b Is of a different race or ethnicity than you
c Has a significant amount of debt
d Is raising children from another relationship
e Lives far away from you
f Makes significantly more money than you
g Makes significantly less money than you
h Does not vote

RESPONSE CATEGORIES:
1 Definitely would consider
2 Probably would consider
3 Probably would not consider
4 Definitely would not consider
[PN: INSERT A LINE OF SPACE]
5 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Have already done this **[PN: IF CATI:]** Or have you already done this?
98 **[PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Don't know
99 **[PN: IF WEB:]** Web blank **/ [PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ)** Refused

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