

**PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE & THE PRESS  
2009 VALUES SURVEY  
FINAL TOPLINE**

Survey A: March 31-April 6, 2009 N=1,506

Survey B: April 14-21, 2009 N=1,507

Combined: N=3,013

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1,521]:**

Thinking about another topic...

Q.12F2 Do you think abortion should be **(READ)**

**(PLEASE READ CATEGORIES IN REVERSE ORDER FOR HALF THE SAMPLE)**

	Legal in all <u>cases</u>	Legal in most <u>cases</u>	Illegal in most <u>cases</u>	Illegal in all <u>cases</u>	<b>(VOL.)</b> <u>DK/Ref</u>	<i>Legal in</i> <u>all/most</u>	<i>Illegal in</i> <u>all/most</u>
April, 2009	18	28	28	16	10=100	46	44
Late October, 2008	18	35	24	16	7=100	53	40
Mid-October, 2008	19	38	22	14	7=100	57	36
August, 2008	17	37	26	15	5=100	54	41
June, 2008	19	38	24	13	6=100	57	37
November, 2007	18	33	29	15	5=100	51	44
October, 2007	21	32	24	15	8=100	53	39
August, 2007	17	35	26	17	5=100	52	43
February, 2006 <i>AP/Ipsos-Poll</i>	19	32	27	16	6=100	51	43
December 2005 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	17	40	27	13	3=100	57	40
April 2005 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	20	36	27	14	3=100	56	41
December 2004 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	21	34	25	17	3=100	55	42
May 2004 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	23	31	23	20	2=99	54	43
January 2003 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	23	34	25	17	2=100	57	42
August 2001 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	22	27	28	20	3=100	49	48
June 2001 <i>ABC/BeliefNet</i>	22	31	23	20	4=100	53	43
January 2001 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	21	38	25	14	1=99	59	39
September 2000 <i>(RVs) ABC/Wash Post</i>	20	35	25	16	3=99	55	41
July 2000 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	20	33	26	17	4=100	53	43
September 1999 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	20	37	26	15	2=100	57	41
March 1999 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	21	34	27	15	3=100	55	42
July 1998 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	19	35	29	13	4=100	54	42
August 1996 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	22	34	27	14	3=100	56	41
June 1996 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	24	34	25	14	2=99	58	39
October 1995 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	26	35	25	12	3=100	61	37
September 1995 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	24	36	25	11	4=100	60	36
July 1995 <i>ABC/Wash Post</i>	27	32	26	14	1=100	59	40

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1,521]:**

Q.14F2 What do you think is more important – to protect the right of Americans to own guns, OR to control gun ownership?

		April 2008	Nov 2007	April 2007	Feb 2004	June 2003	May 2000	April 2000	March 2000	June 1999	May 1999	Dec 1993
45	Protect rights of Americans to own guns	37	42	32	37	42	38	37	29	33	30	34
49	Control gun ownership	58	55	60	58	54	57	55	66	62	65	57
<u>6</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)	<u>5</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>9</u>
100		100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

**ASK ALL:**

Q.35 And just a few questions about you... [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]

**ITEMS A-D HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

		<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>(VOL.) DK/Ref</u>
<b>ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=1,521]:</b>				
e.F2	Do you happen to have any guns, rifles or pistols in your home?			
	April, 2009	33	63	4=100
	April, 2007	37	61	2=100
	January, 2007	33	64	3=100
	December, 2004	37	60	3=100
	Mid-October, 2004	39	59	2=100
	Mid-July, 2003 <sup>1</sup>	34	63	3=100
	August, 2002	35	62	3=100
	April, 2000	35	62	3=100
	June, 1997	40	57	3=100
	December, 1993	45	53	2=100

<sup>1</sup> From 1997 to 2003, the question asked about “guns or revolvers in your home.” In 1993, the question asked about “guns in this household.”