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1. Frequency of Flying
How often do you travel by airplane?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
More than once a week	1%	1%	1%	4%	2%	0%	0%	1%	1%	*	*
Once a week	3%	3%	3%	4%	7%	0%	0%	2%	3%	*	*
Once every few weeks	3%	2%	3%	2%	7%	1%	0%	2%	4%	*	*
Once a month	2%	3%	2%	3%	7%	1%	0%	2%	3%	*	*
Once every few months	11%	11%	11%	12%	12%	8%	15%	11%	8%	*	*
Once a year	13%	13%	13%	18%	14%	12%	11%	12%	17%	*	*
Less than once a year	32%	30%	34%	16%	20%	37%	50%	35%	26%	*	*
Never	22%	23%	20%	19%	17%	29%	18%	22%	17%	*	*
Not applicable - I have never flown	8%	8%	8%	12%	10%	8%	3%	8%	13%	*	*
Not sure	5%	5%	5%	10%	4%	4%	2%	4%	8%	*	*
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	*	*
Unweighted N	(983)	(427)	(556)	(187)	(222)	(338)	(236)	(721)	(114)	(79)	(69)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
More than once a week	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	0%	1%	3%	2%	0%	2%	1%
Once a week	3%	3%	2%	4%	2%	4%	1%	2%	7%	6%	2%	2%	2%
Once every few weeks	3%	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%	1%	3%	6%	2%	2%	3%	3%
Once a month	2%	3%	3%	2%	3%	2%	1%	4%	5%	3%	1%	3%	4%
Once every few months	11%	13%	9%	11%	14%	10%	5%	15%	19%	7%	11%	10%	16%
Once a year	13%	15%	10%	16%	16%	12%	8%	19%	17%	21%	7%	11%	17%
Less than once a year	32%	31%	29%	36%	35%	40%	35%	40%	23%	25%	37%	32%	31%
Never	22%	19%	26%	18%	15%	21%	32%	13%	7%	23%	29%	21%	14%

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		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Not applicable - I have never flown	8%	7%	10%	7%	7%	5%	11%	2%	7%	8%	8%	10%	6%
Not sure	5%	3%	8%	2%	2%	2%	5%	1%	6%	4%	4%	5%	6%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	98%	99%	99%	100%	100%	101%	101%	99%	100%
Unweighted N	(983)	(350)	(368)	(265)	(355)	(320)	(409)	(257)	(218)	(178)	(183)	(399)	(223)

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2. Airplane Armrest Claim

In a row of three airplane seats, should the middle seat have more, less, or equal claim to armrests than those in an aisle seat or window seat?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
More	16%	14%	18%	17%	21%	13%	13%	15%	14%	*	*
Equal	61%	62%	60%	49%	45%	70%	76%	63%	58%	*	*
Less	7%	7%	7%	10%	14%	4%	1%	6%	4%	*	*
Not sure	16%	17%	15%	24%	20%	13%	10%	15%	24%	*	*
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	*	*
Unweighted N	(980)	(426)	(554)	(186)	(221)	(338)	(235)	(719)	(114)	(79)	(68)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
More	16%	17%	15%	16%	19%	15%	13%	17%	23%	15%	13%	15%	19%
Equal	61%	63%	55%	68%	66%	66%	66%	66%	48%	63%	59%	61%	62%
Less	7%	8%	5%	9%	5%	11%	5%	7%	11%	9%	6%	8%	5%
Not sure	16%	12%	26%	7%	9%	8%	16%	10%	17%	13%	22%	15%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	101%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Unweighted N	(980)	(348)	(367)	(265)	(354)	(319)	(408)	(256)	(217)	(178)	(182)	(397)	(223)

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3. Window Shade Claim

In your opinion, should the person sitting nearest to the window have exclusive power over the window shade?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Yes, they should	35%	39%	32%	34%	40%	40%	25%	38%	25%	*	*
No, they should not	43%	38%	48%	42%	36%	40%	57%	43%	45%	*	*
Not sure	21%	23%	20%	24%	24%	20%	19%	19%	30%	*	*
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	*	*
Unweighted N	(982)	(426)	(556)	(186)	(221)	(339)	(236)	(721)	(113)	(79)	(69)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Yes, they should	35%	40%	26%	43%	37%	43%	30%	38%	47%	35%	35%	32%	41%
No, they should not	43%	45%	40%	45%	48%	43%	48%	46%	34%	41%	40%	47%	42%
Not sure	21%	15%	34%	12%	15%	15%	22%	16%	19%	24%	25%	21%	17%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(982)	(350)	(366)	(266)	(355)	(321)	(410)	(257)	(217)	(178)	(183)	(398)	(223)

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4. Stranger Talk
In general, when seated next to a stranger on a plane, what is your preferred level of conversation?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
I prefer not to speak with them at all	11%	12%	10%	25%	8%	10%	5%	10%	11%	*	*
I prefer to exchange pleasantries, but nothing more	35%	32%	38%	23%	32%	38%	45%	36%	29%	*	*
I prefer to converse with them a little bit	29%	27%	32%	19%	23%	31%	43%	33%	25%	*	*
I prefer to converse with them a lot	7%	9%	5%	10%	11%	5%	2%	6%	5%	*	*
I prefer to converse with them for the entire flight	4%	5%	2%	6%	8%	1%	0%	3%	7%	*	*
Not sure	14%	15%	13%	17%	19%	14%	5%	13%	22%	*	*
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	99%	100%	101%	99%	*	*
Unweighted N	(979)	(424)	(555)	(186)	(220)	(337)	(236)	(720)	(112)	(78)	(69)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
I prefer not to speak with them at all	11%	14%	11%	8%	15%	7%	11%	9%	10%	14%	12%	9%	12%
I prefer to exchange pleasantries, but nothing more	35%	35%	31%	41%	37%	39%	37%	37%	34%	26%	36%	37%	38%
I prefer to converse with them a little bit	29%	30%	26%	33%	30%	36%	31%	34%	23%	28%	29%	30%	29%
I prefer to converse with them a lot	7%	8%	6%	6%	5%	7%	4%	9%	8%	12%	5%	6%	5%

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		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
I prefer to converse with them for the entire flight	4%	6%	1%	4%	5%	3%	2%	4%	8%	5%	1%	3%	5%
Not sure	14%	8%	25%	7%	8%	7%	15%	7%	16%	14%	16%	15%	11%
Totals	100%	101%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	99%	99%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(979)	(350)	(365)	(264)	(355)	(319)	(407)	(256)	(218)	(177)	(183)	(396)	(223)

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5A. Acceptable To Ask To Switch Seats — Worse than the one they are in?
In general, how acceptable or unacceptable do you think it is for someone to ask a stranger to switch seats on an airplane so they can sit with their traveling companions, when the stranger is traveling alone and being offered a seat that is. . .

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Completely acceptable	9%	10%	8%	7%	12%	10%	6%	10%	6%	*	*
Somewhat acceptable	22%	22%	21%	21%	28%	20%	17%	21%	16%	*	*
Somewhat unacceptable	24%	26%	23%	29%	24%	19%	29%	27%	15%	*	*
Completely unacceptable	28%	25%	31%	21%	14%	35%	39%	28%	28%	*	*
Not sure	17%	17%	17%	24%	21%	16%	9%	15%	35%	*	*
Totals	100%	100%	100%	102%	99%	100%	100%	101%	100%	*	*
Unweighted N	(968)	(418)	(550)	(183)	(220)	(333)	(232)	(712)	(110)	(79)	(67)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Completely acceptable	9%	7%	9%	11%	10%	11%	10%	8%	10%	15%	10%	8%	7%
Somewhat acceptable	22%	23%	18%	24%	23%	23%	20%	27%	21%	20%	18%	21%	26%
Somewhat unacceptable	24%	27%	21%	26%	23%	25%	21%	26%	29%	18%	21%	25%	31%
Completely unacceptable	28%	31%	25%	28%	32%	32%	30%	27%	24%	28%	35%	26%	24%
Not sure	17%	12%	26%	11%	12%	9%	19%	12%	15%	20%	16%	19%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	101%	100%	99%	100%
Unweighted N	(968)	(345)	(364)	(259)	(350)	(316)	(403)	(252)	(215)	(175)	(180)	(392)	(221)

5B. Acceptable To Ask To Switch Seats — Just as good as the one they are in?
In general, how acceptable or unacceptable do you think it is for someone to ask a stranger to switch seats on an airplane so they can sit with their traveling companions, when the stranger is traveling alone and being offered a seat that is. . .

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Completely acceptable	32%	31%	33%	19%	24%	37%	44%	34%	22%	*	*
Somewhat acceptable	36%	38%	34%	46%	32%	31%	40%	36%	36%	*	*
Somewhat unacceptable	11%	11%	10%	14%	15%	10%	5%	10%	10%	*	*
Completely unacceptable	6%	6%	6%	3%	8%	8%	5%	6%	3%	*	*
Not sure	15%	14%	16%	18%	21%	15%	7%	13%	27%	*	*
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	101%	101%	99%	98%	*	*
Unweighted N	(971)	(420)	(551)	(184)	(220)	(332)	(235)	(716)	(110)	(79)	(66)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Completely acceptable	32%	32%	30%	35%	33%	36%	34%	38%	23%	29%	34%	31%	33%
Somewhat acceptable	36%	41%	31%	38%	40%	38%	32%	39%	41%	38%	31%	35%	40%
Somewhat unacceptable	11%	11%	10%	12%	12%	11%	11%	9%	14%	10%	13%	11%	9%
Completely unacceptable	6%	6%	5%	7%	5%	7%	6%	7%	6%	8%	7%	6%	5%
Not sure	15%	10%	24%	8%	10%	8%	18%	7%	17%	15%	15%	17%	13%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(971)	(346)	(365)	(260)	(351)	(318)	(401)	(256)	(216)	(175)	(180)	(395)	(221)

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5C. Acceptable To Ask To Switch Seats — Better than the one they are in?
In general, how acceptable or unacceptable do you think it is for someone to ask a stranger to switch seats on an airplane so they can sit with their traveling companions, when the stranger is traveling alone and being offered a seat that is. . .

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Completely acceptable	38%	39%	38%	32%	24%	43%	52%	42%	25%	*	*
Somewhat acceptable	28%	26%	29%	34%	32%	21%	26%	25%	33%	*	*
Somewhat unacceptable	11%	14%	8%	11%	17%	10%	5%	11%	11%	*	*
Completely unacceptable	8%	6%	10%	5%	8%	11%	8%	9%	4%	*	*
Not sure	15%	15%	15%	18%	19%	15%	8%	13%	27%	*	*
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	*	*
Unweighted N	(969)	(417)	(552)	(184)	(219)	(334)	(232)	(713)	(110)	(79)	(67)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Completely acceptable	38%	40%	37%	38%	41%	44%	36%	46%	32%	37%	39%	37%	42%
Somewhat acceptable	28%	29%	25%	29%	30%	26%	27%	28%	28%	31%	24%	26%	31%
Somewhat unacceptable	11%	14%	6%	12%	12%	10%	10%	11%	14%	12%	9%	9%	14%
Completely unacceptable	8%	6%	7%	13%	7%	12%	9%	7%	9%	5%	12%	11%	4%
Not sure	15%	11%	24%	8%	10%	8%	17%	8%	17%	16%	16%	18%	10%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	101%	100%	101%	101%
Unweighted N	(969)	(345)	(363)	(261)	(350)	(318)	(401)	(256)	(214)	(175)	(179)	(394)	(221)

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6A. Would You Switch Seats — Worse than the one you are in?
In general, if you were traveling alone on an airplane and someone asked you to switch seats to sit with their traveling companions, do you think you would agree to change seats if you were being offered a seat that is . . .

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Yes	23%	27%	19%	27%	30%	22%	15%	26%	12%	*	*
No	46%	45%	48%	47%	41%	42%	56%	44%	52%	*	*
Not sure	31%	28%	33%	26%	29%	36%	28%	30%	36%	*	*
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	*	*
Unweighted N	(965)	(420)	(545)	(186)	(214)	(333)	(232)	(713)	(109)	(77)	(66)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Yes	23%	27%	18%	26%	24%	23%	20%	26%	31%	26%	20%	23%	24%
No	46%	48%	44%	47%	50%	49%	47%	45%	41%	47%	46%	43%	51%
Not sure	31%	25%	38%	27%	26%	27%	33%	29%	28%	27%	34%	34%	26%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(965)	(344)	(359)	(262)	(349)	(315)	(404)	(252)	(211)	(177)	(179)	(391)	(218)

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6B. Would You Switch Seats — Just as good as the one you are in?
In general, if you were traveling alone on an airplane and someone asked you to switch seats to sit with their traveling companions, do you think you would agree to change seats if you were being offered a seat that is . . .

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Yes	64%	63%	66%	62%	52%	65%	80%	68%	53%	*	*
No	15%	17%	14%	16%	25%	15%	5%	13%	15%	*	*
Not sure	20%	20%	21%	22%	24%	21%	15%	19%	32%	*	*
Totals	99%	100%	101%	100%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%	*	*
Unweighted N	(971)	(422)	(549)	(186)	(217)	(334)	(234)	(716)	(110)	(77)	(68)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Yes	64%	70%	54%	72%	71%	73%	63%	70%	63%	60%	65%	64%	67%
No	15%	17%	15%	13%	13%	12%	15%	15%	18%	17%	16%	13%	16%
Not sure	20%	13%	31%	14%	15%	16%	22%	14%	19%	22%	19%	23%	16%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	99%	99%	101%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%
Unweighted N	(971)	(346)	(361)	(264)	(352)	(319)	(403)	(253)	(217)	(177)	(178)	(395)	(221)

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6C. Would You Switch Seats — Better than the one you are in?
In general, if you were traveling alone on an airplane and someone asked you to switch seats to sit with their traveling companions, do you think you would agree to change seats if you were being offered a seat that is . . .

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Yes	67%	65%	68%	61%	48%	73%	83%	72%	50%	*	*
No	14%	17%	12%	18%	25%	9%	6%	13%	18%	*	*
Not sure	19%	17%	20%	21%	27%	17%	10%	15%	32%	*	*
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	*	*
Unweighted N	(966)	(419)	(547)	(185)	(215)	(334)	(232)	(713)	(110)	(76)	(67)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< $50K	$50-100K	$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Yes	67%	71%	60%	72%	73%	76%	67%	73%	64%	66%	70%	63%	71%
No	14%	16%	11%	17%	13%	14%	13%	14%	20%	16%	15%	13%	15%
Not sure	19%	13%	29%	12%	14%	10%	20%	14%	17%	18%	16%	24%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	101%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(966)	(343)	(359)	(264)	(347)	(317)	(404)	(250)	(214)	(176)	(179)	(391)	(220)

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Interviewing Dates	November 18 - 21, 2022
Target population	U.S. citizens, aged 18 and over.
Sampling method	Respondents were selected from YouGov's opt-in Internet panel using sample matching. A random sample (stratified by gender, age, race, education, geographic region, and voter registration) was selected from the 2019 American Community Survey.
Weighting	The sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, education, 2020 election turnout and Presidential vote, baseline party identification, and current voter registration status. Demographic weighting targets come from the 2019 American Community Survey. Baseline party identification is the respondent's most recent answer given prior to March 15, 2022, and is weighted to the estimated distribution at that time (33% Democratic, 28% Republican). The weights range from 0.265 to 5.046, with a mean of 1 and a standard deviation of 0.5.
Number of respondents	1000
Margin of error	$\pm$ 3.5% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	85 questions not reported.