

Daily Survey: Drugs

Sample 1000 U.S. Adult Citizens
 Conducted July 19 - 25, 2023
 Margin of Error ±3.6%

1. Legal drugs are fully permitted and regulated, while decriminalized drugs won't lead to criminal charges for small amounts but aren't entirely legal. In the United States, do you think that the following should be...?

	Illegal	Decrimi- nalized	Legal	Not sure
Alcohol	16%	8%	66%	9%
Cocaine	71%	15%	7%	8%
Crack cocaine	75%	13%	4%	7%
DMT	41%	11%	6%	42%
Ecstasy	63%	17%	8%	12%
Heroin	77%	12%	4%	8%
LSD	63%	16%	8%	12%
Marijuana	26%	18%	46%	9%
Psilocybin (mushrooms)	45%	19%	19%	17%
Tobacco	22%	13%	53%	11%

2. Which of the following have you ever tried? Select all that apply.

Alcohol	66%
Cocaine	17%
Crack cocaine	7%
DMT	2%
Ecstasy	7%
Heroin	4%
LSD	12%
Marijuana	46%
Psilocybin (mushrooms)	12%
Tobacco	49%
None of the above	20%
Prefer not to say	4%

3. Generally speaking, do you think that legalizing drugs increases or decreases the following?

	Increases	Decreases	Has no effect	Not sure
The number of accidental overdoses from drugs	49%	19%	13%	19%
The number of drug-related driving incidents	55%	10%	15%	19%
The number of people in prison for drug-related offenses	28%	50%	9%	14%
The number of people who use drugs	53%	9%	21%	17%
The power of illegal drug cartels	33%	40%	10%	17%

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The quality and safety of drugs on the market	46%	18%	16%	20%
The rate of drug-related violence in communities	42%	27%	13%	18%
The size of racial disparities in drug-related arrests	27%	27%	23%	23%
The number of minors who use drugs	55%	12%	15%	19%

Interviewing Dates	July 19 - 25, 2023
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 0.108 to 4.425, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.557.
Number of respondents	1000
Margin of error	± 3.6% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	64 questions not reported.

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1A. Legal Status of Drugs — Alcohol

Legal drugs are fully permitted and regulated, while decriminalized drugs won't lead to criminal charges for small amounts but aren't entirely legal. In the United States, do you think that the following should be...?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Illegal	16%	14%	18%	18%	20%	15%	12%	15%	17%	18%	20%
Decriminalized	8%	9%	8%	13%	8%	7%	7%	8%	9%	9%	14%
Legal	66%	65%	67%	53%	64%	71%	73%	69%	56%	61%	62%
Not sure	9%	11%	8%	16%	8%	7%	8%	8%	18%	12%	4%
Totals	99%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(999)	(436)	(563)	(162)	(234)	(395)	(208)	(684)	(126)	(144)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Illegal	16%	15%	18%	16%	12%	14%	19%	14%	14%	15%	11%	16%	21%
Decriminalized	8%	9%	8%	8%	10%	9%	9%	10%	7%	8%	7%	9%	8%
Legal	66%	67%	63%	69%	71%	71%	61%	71%	73%	68%	72%	63%	64%
Not sure	9%	9%	11%	7%	8%	7%	12%	5%	5%	9%	9%	11%	6%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	101%	101%	101%	100%	99%	100%	99%	99%	99%
Unweighted N	(999)	(340)	(356)	(303)	(386)	(344)	(398)	(302)	(196)	(162)	(219)	(390)	(228)

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1B. Legal Status of Drugs — Cocaine

Legal drugs are fully permitted and regulated, while decriminalized drugs won't lead to criminal charges for small amounts but aren't entirely legal. In the United States, do you think that the following should be... ?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Illegal	71%	66%	75%	63%	65%	71%	83%	70%	78%	70%	61%
Decriminalized	15%	16%	13%	14%	16%	18%	8%	16%	6%	14%	15%
Legal	7%	10%	4%	11%	9%	6%	2%	6%	7%	6%	18%
Not sure	8%	8%	8%	12%	10%	5%	6%	8%	9%	10%	6%
Totals	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(1,000)	(437)	(563)	(162)	(234)	(395)	(209)	(685)	(126)	(144)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Illegal	71%	65%	62%	90%	62%	87%	71%	74%	67%	70%	72%	74%	65%
Decriminalized	15%	16%	19%	6%	21%	7%	14%	15%	19%	11%	15%	13%	18%
Legal	7%	9%	8%	2%	9%	3%	6%	9%	5%	12%	4%	5%	9%
Not sure	8%	9%	11%	2%	7%	4%	8%	3%	9%	7%	9%	8%	8%
Totals	101%	99%	100%	100%	99%	101%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(1,000)	(340)	(357)	(303)	(386)	(344)	(399)	(302)	(196)	(163)	(219)	(390)	(228)

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1C. Legal Status of Drugs — Crack cocaine

Legal drugs are fully permitted and regulated, while decriminalized drugs won't lead to criminal charges for small amounts but aren't entirely legal. In the United States, do you think that the following should be... ?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Illegal	75%	72%	78%	59%	70%	80%	90%	76%	80%	75%	61%
Decriminalized	13%	15%	11%	17%	16%	12%	7%	14%	7%	11%	16%
Legal	4%	6%	2%	8%	6%	3%	0%	3%	4%	5%	13%
Not sure	7%	7%	8%	16%	8%	4%	3%	6%	9%	9%	10%
Totals	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(998)	(437)	(561)	(162)	(234)	(395)	(207)	(683)	(126)	(144)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Illegal	75%	66%	73%	90%	68%	89%	79%	77%	68%	70%	80%	76%	74%
Decriminalized	13%	17%	15%	6%	20%	7%	11%	13%	21%	12%	11%	12%	17%
Legal	4%	6%	4%	2%	4%	2%	5%	5%	2%	6%	3%	5%	3%
Not sure	7%	11%	8%	2%	8%	3%	5%	5%	9%	12%	6%	7%	6%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(998)	(339)	(357)	(302)	(385)	(343)	(399)	(302)	(196)	(163)	(219)	(389)	(227)

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1D. Legal Status of Drugs — DMT

Legal drugs are fully permitted and regulated, while decriminalized drugs won't lead to criminal charges for small amounts but aren't entirely legal. In the United States, do you think that the following should be...?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Illegal	41%	40%	41%	36%	39%	44%	41%	39%	53%	38%	36%
Decriminalized	11%	14%	9%	20%	16%	7%	4%	11%	9%	10%	17%
Legal	6%	9%	4%	8%	11%	5%	0%	6%	5%	10%	6%
Not sure	42%	37%	47%	36%	35%	43%	55%	44%	34%	42%	42%
Totals	100%	100%	101%	100%	101%	99%	100%	100%	101%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(997)	(436)	(561)	(162)	(233)	(395)	(207)	(683)	(125)	(144)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Illegal	41%	33%	41%	50%	31%	51%	43%	43%	33%	40%	39%	42%	41%
Decriminalized	11%	14%	13%	6%	14%	6%	11%	12%	16%	12%	9%	11%	12%
Legal	6%	6%	8%	4%	6%	4%	7%	6%	6%	3%	6%	5%	10%
Not sure	42%	48%	38%	41%	49%	39%	39%	39%	45%	44%	47%	42%	37%
Totals	100%	101%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	101%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(997)	(339)	(357)	(301)	(386)	(342)	(397)	(302)	(196)	(162)	(219)	(388)	(228)

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1E. Legal Status of Drugs — Ecstasy

Legal drugs are fully permitted and regulated, while decriminalized drugs won't lead to criminal charges for small amounts but aren't entirely legal. In the United States, do you think that the following should be... ?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Illegal	63%	59%	68%	46%	49%	71%	83%	65%	60%	62%	53%
Decriminalized	17%	19%	15%	25%	24%	14%	7%	18%	12%	16%	22%
Legal	8%	11%	4%	9%	13%	6%	2%	7%	10%	6%	16%
Not sure	12%	10%	13%	19%	13%	9%	8%	10%	18%	16%	9%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(1,000)	(437)	(563)	(162)	(234)	(395)	(209)	(685)	(126)	(144)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Illegal	63%	53%	56%	86%	53%	83%	67%	64%	57%	61%	65%	66%	58%
Decriminalized	17%	22%	20%	7%	23%	8%	15%	19%	25%	16%	18%	15%	20%
Legal	8%	8%	11%	3%	10%	5%	6%	11%	7%	12%	5%	6%	9%
Not sure	12%	16%	14%	4%	14%	4%	12%	6%	11%	10%	12%	12%	13%
Totals	100%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	99%	100%
Unweighted N	(1,000)	(340)	(357)	(303)	(386)	(344)	(399)	(302)	(196)	(163)	(219)	(390)	(228)

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1F. Legal Status of Drugs — Heroin

Legal drugs are fully permitted and regulated, while decriminalized drugs won't lead to criminal charges for small amounts but aren't entirely legal. In the United States, do you think that the following should be... ?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Illegal	77%	75%	79%	62%	74%	82%	86%	77%	80%	77%	71%
Decriminalized	12%	15%	9%	13%	15%	12%	6%	13%	6%	8%	14%
Legal	4%	4%	4%	7%	6%	2%	1%	4%	4%	6%	2%
Not sure	8%	6%	9%	17%	5%	4%	6%	6%	11%	10%	13%
Totals	101%	100%	101%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	101%	101%	100%
Unweighted N	(998)	(436)	(562)	(162)	(234)	(393)	(209)	(684)	(126)	(143)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Illegal	77%	68%	73%	93%	67%	91%	78%	80%	74%	76%	78%	78%	74%
Decriminalized	12%	17%	13%	3%	19%	4%	11%	12%	14%	9%	11%	11%	15%
Legal	4%	6%	4%	2%	6%	2%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	3%
Not sure	8%	9%	10%	2%	8%	3%	7%	4%	8%	11%	7%	6%	8%
Totals	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Unweighted N	(998)	(340)	(356)	(302)	(386)	(343)	(398)	(302)	(196)	(163)	(219)	(388)	(228)

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1G. Legal Status of Drugs — LSD

Legal drugs are fully permitted and regulated, while decriminalized drugs won't lead to criminal charges for small amounts but aren't entirely legal. In the United States, do you think that the following should be... ?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Illegal	63%	60%	67%	51%	52%	68%	82%	64%	69%	60%	53%
Decriminalized	16%	18%	15%	21%	18%	17%	10%	17%	7%	15%	29%
Legal	8%	11%	6%	9%	15%	7%	2%	9%	8%	7%	5%
Not sure	12%	12%	12%	20%	15%	8%	6%	10%	15%	18%	14%
Totals	99%	101%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(997)	(436)	(561)	(162)	(233)	(395)	(207)	(684)	(126)	(143)	(44)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Illegal	63%	55%	57%	82%	55%	82%	67%	66%	55%	61%	66%	68%	55%
Decriminalized	16%	20%	19%	8%	24%	8%	15%	16%	24%	17%	15%	14%	21%
Legal	8%	10%	11%	3%	12%	4%	8%	10%	8%	9%	7%	7%	11%
Not sure	12%	14%	14%	7%	9%	6%	10%	9%	13%	13%	11%	10%	13%
Totals	99%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%
Unweighted N	(997)	(338)	(357)	(302)	(383)	(344)	(398)	(301)	(196)	(163)	(218)	(389)	(227)

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1H. Legal Status of Drugs — Marijuana

Legal drugs are fully permitted and regulated, while decriminalized drugs won't lead to criminal charges for small amounts but aren't entirely legal. In the United States, do you think that the following should be... ?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Illegal	26%	27%	26%	28%	24%	24%	31%	27%	32%	21%	21%
Decriminalized	18%	19%	18%	19%	18%	15%	23%	19%	11%	16%	29%
Legal	46%	47%	46%	37%	52%	55%	36%	47%	46%	49%	37%
Not sure	9%	8%	10%	15%	7%	6%	9%	7%	11%	14%	13%
Totals	99%	101%	100%	99%	101%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(998)	(436)	(562)	(162)	(233)	(395)	(208)	(684)	(125)	(144)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Illegal	26%	19%	23%	40%	15%	40%	24%	30%	28%	29%	24%	26%	28%
Decriminalized	18%	16%	17%	24%	17%	25%	17%	20%	20%	21%	15%	22%	14%
Legal	46%	56%	50%	30%	60%	28%	50%	44%	47%	40%	53%	43%	50%
Not sure	9%	9%	10%	7%	9%	7%	9%	5%	6%	10%	7%	9%	8%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	101%	101%	100%	100%	99%	101%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(998)	(339)	(357)	(302)	(385)	(343)	(397)	(302)	(196)	(162)	(219)	(389)	(228)

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11. Legal Status of Drugs — Psilocybin (mushrooms)

Legal drugs are fully permitted and regulated, while decriminalized drugs won't lead to criminal charges for small amounts but aren't entirely legal. In the United States, do you think that the following should be... ?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Illegal	45%	44%	45%	38%	37%	48%	54%	46%	48%	45%	33%
Decriminalized	19%	19%	19%	19%	20%	21%	18%	21%	15%	12%	27%
Legal	19%	22%	16%	25%	27%	17%	8%	18%	17%	23%	28%
Not sure	17%	14%	19%	18%	16%	14%	19%	16%	20%	20%	12%
Totals	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(999)	(437)	(562)	(162)	(234)	(395)	(208)	(684)	(126)	(144)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Illegal	45%	40%	38%	60%	34%	59%	47%	51%	36%	44%	47%	49%	36%
Decriminalized	19%	22%	21%	14%	25%	16%	19%	21%	23%	19%	16%	21%	20%
Legal	19%	21%	24%	11%	26%	12%	17%	19%	25%	19%	18%	14%	29%
Not sure	17%	17%	17%	15%	15%	13%	18%	9%	16%	18%	19%	15%	15%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Unweighted N	(999)	(340)	(357)	(302)	(386)	(343)	(399)	(302)	(196)	(163)	(219)	(390)	(227)

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1J. Legal Status of Drugs — Tobacco

Legal drugs are fully permitted and regulated, while decriminalized drugs won't lead to criminal charges for small amounts but aren't entirely legal. In the United States, do you think that the following should be... ?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Illegal	22%	22%	23%	30%	23%	20%	19%	20%	32%	23%	28%
Decriminalized	13%	14%	13%	21%	11%	10%	12%	13%	7%	19%	13%
Legal	53%	55%	52%	33%	55%	62%	58%	58%	42%	43%	51%
Not sure	11%	10%	12%	16%	11%	8%	11%	9%	19%	15%	8%
Totals	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(999)	(437)	(562)	(162)	(234)	(395)	(208)	(684)	(126)	(144)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Illegal	22%	27%	21%	18%	26%	17%	23%	22%	20%	25%	16%	22%	28%
Decriminalized	13%	15%	13%	11%	15%	10%	14%	16%	13%	17%	14%	14%	9%
Legal	53%	45%	55%	61%	48%	64%	52%	54%	58%	45%	62%	52%	54%
Not sure	11%	13%	10%	10%	11%	8%	11%	8%	9%	13%	9%	12%	9%
Totals	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(999)	(339)	(357)	(303)	(385)	(344)	(399)	(302)	(196)	(163)	(219)	(389)	(228)

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2. Drugs Tried

Which of the following have you ever tried? Select all that apply.

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Alcohol	66%	66%	67%	43%	68%	73%	78%	72%	61%	52%	52%
Cocaine	17%	19%	14%	6%	13%	29%	13%	19%	8%	14%	17%
Crack cocaine	7%	8%	7%	1%	8%	14%	3%	8%	4%	4%	8%
DMT	2%	3%	2%	2%	3%	2%	1%	3%	1%	0%	3%
Ecstasy	7%	10%	5%	5%	10%	9%	3%	8%	4%	8%	9%
Heroin	4%	5%	3%	3%	4%	5%	3%	4%	2%	3%	9%
LSD	12%	16%	9%	6%	10%	22%	6%	14%	3%	10%	16%
Marijuana	46%	49%	43%	26%	50%	59%	40%	49%	35%	36%	48%
Psilocybin (mushrooms)	12%	16%	9%	7%	17%	17%	6%	15%	3%	11%	12%
Tobacco	49%	54%	44%	25%	48%	62%	54%	55%	33%	31%	52%
None of the above	20%	18%	21%	36%	19%	15%	13%	17%	22%	33%	21%
Prefer not to say	4%	4%	4%	9%	3%	4%	2%	4%	5%	5%	5%
Unweighted N	(1,000)	(437)	(563)	(162)	(234)	(395)	(209)	(685)	(126)	(144)	(45)

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	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Alcohol	66%	63%	65%	73%	72%	74%	65%	72%	73%	60%	72%	66%	67%
Cocaine	17%	16%	20%	13%	16%	15%	22%	15%	13%	14%	16%	17%	19%
Crack cocaine	7%	7%	8%	6%	7%	6%	11%	5%	6%	8%	6%	7%	8%
DMT	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%	1%	4%	2%	2%	1%	3%	2%	3%
Ecstasy	7%	7%	10%	4%	7%	6%	9%	6%	8%	5%	6%	8%	10%
Heroin	4%	4%	5%	3%	5%	2%	6%	3%	3%	2%	4%	4%	4%
LSD	12%	10%	18%	7%	10%	11%	17%	9%	11%	9%	12%	12%	16%
Marijuana	46%	46%	48%	42%	51%	42%	48%	47%	48%	41%	55%	40%	50%
Psilocybin (mushrooms)	12%	10%	16%	10%	13%	12%	15%	11%	15%	11%	12%	10%	18%
Tobacco	49%	43%	49%	56%	47%	53%	54%	51%	45%	45%	52%	49%	48%
None of the above	20%	20%	20%	18%	14%	19%	20%	17%	16%	25%	14%	22%	19%
Prefer not to say	4%	3%	8%	1%	4%	2%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	8%
Unweighted N	(1,000)	(340)	(357)	(303)	(386)	(344)	(399)	(302)	(196)	(163)	(219)	(390)	(228)

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3A. Effects of Legalizing Drugs — The number of accidental overdoses from drugs

Generally speaking, do you think that legalizing drugs increases or decreases the following?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Increases	49%	53%	46%	47%	44%	49%	58%	49%	46%	61%	38%
Decreases	19%	17%	20%	14%	22%	21%	16%	20%	14%	15%	21%
Has no effect	13%	12%	14%	12%	13%	14%	14%	14%	15%	9%	14%
Not sure	19%	18%	19%	27%	21%	17%	12%	17%	25%	16%	26%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	101%	99%
Unweighted N	(997)	(434)	(563)	(161)	(234)	(395)	(207)	(682)	(126)	(144)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Increases	49%	36%	47%	68%	32%	71%	45%	53%	52%	45%	43%	51%	55%
Decreases	19%	29%	18%	7%	31%	9%	18%	19%	23%	21%	22%	16%	18%
Has no effect	13%	15%	13%	12%	16%	11%	16%	13%	11%	12%	13%	14%	13%
Not sure	19%	20%	22%	12%	21%	10%	21%	14%	15%	21%	21%	19%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	101%	100%	99%	101%	99%	99%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(997)	(340)	(356)	(301)	(385)	(342)	(399)	(301)	(196)	(163)	(218)	(389)	(227)

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3B. Effects of Legalizing Drugs — The number of drug-related driving incidents

Generally speaking, do you think that legalizing drugs increases or decreases the following?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Increases	55%	59%	51%	44%	48%	59%	68%	57%	52%	58%	38%
Decreases	10%	9%	12%	17%	11%	8%	8%	10%	7%	10%	22%
Has no effect	15%	15%	15%	14%	21%	14%	12%	16%	12%	11%	22%
Not sure	19%	17%	22%	26%	20%	20%	12%	18%	28%	20%	17%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	101%	100%	101%	100%	101%	99%	99%	99%
Unweighted N	(995)	(436)	(559)	(162)	(233)	(391)	(209)	(683)	(125)	(142)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Increases	55%	44%	51%	74%	42%	76%	50%	58%	63%	50%	54%	58%	55%
Decreases	10%	15%	10%	5%	13%	4%	12%	11%	7%	16%	9%	9%	10%
Has no effect	15%	18%	16%	11%	20%	11%	14%	19%	17%	13%	13%	15%	19%
Not sure	19%	23%	24%	10%	25%	9%	24%	12%	14%	20%	24%	18%	16%
Totals	99%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(995)	(338)	(354)	(303)	(383)	(342)	(398)	(300)	(195)	(163)	(218)	(387)	(227)

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3C. Effects of Legalizing Drugs — The number of people in prison for drug-related offenses

Generally speaking, do you think that legalizing drugs increases or decreases the following?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Increases	28%	31%	25%	34%	25%	24%	31%	24%	38%	40%	22%
Decreases	50%	47%	52%	36%	51%	58%	49%	54%	30%	41%	54%
Has no effect	9%	7%	11%	11%	6%	9%	10%	9%	7%	7%	11%
Not sure	14%	15%	12%	19%	18%	9%	10%	12%	24%	12%	13%
Totals	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(995)	(435)	(560)	(162)	(233)	(393)	(207)	(684)	(125)	(141)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Increases	28%	25%	24%	36%	21%	32%	30%	29%	24%	30%	26%	28%	28%
Decreases	50%	53%	52%	43%	62%	47%	47%	53%	54%	45%	55%	51%	45%
Has no effect	9%	9%	8%	10%	7%	12%	8%	9%	12%	10%	5%	8%	14%
Not sure	14%	13%	16%	11%	10%	9%	15%	9%	10%	15%	14%	12%	14%
Totals	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	101%
Unweighted N	(995)	(338)	(356)	(301)	(383)	(344)	(395)	(302)	(195)	(163)	(219)	(387)	(226)

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3D. Effects of Legalizing Drugs — The number of people who use drugs

Generally speaking, do you think that legalizing drugs increases or decreases the following?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Increases	53%	57%	50%	49%	46%	56%	62%	53%	51%	62%	46%
Decreases	9%	10%	8%	11%	13%	7%	4%	8%	7%	9%	18%
Has no effect	21%	18%	23%	16%	20%	23%	24%	23%	19%	12%	17%
Not sure	17%	15%	19%	25%	21%	14%	10%	15%	23%	17%	19%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(1,000)	(437)	(563)	(162)	(234)	(395)	(209)	(685)	(126)	(144)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Increases	53%	45%	50%	68%	44%	70%	51%	59%	58%	52%	46%	58%	54%
Decreases	9%	12%	9%	5%	9%	5%	11%	8%	6%	12%	8%	9%	5%
Has no effect	21%	24%	21%	16%	27%	17%	21%	24%	21%	16%	24%	18%	25%
Not sure	17%	19%	20%	10%	20%	9%	18%	10%	15%	19%	22%	14%	15%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	101%	101%	101%	100%	99%	100%	99%	99%
Unweighted N	(1,000)	(340)	(357)	(303)	(386)	(344)	(399)	(302)	(196)	(163)	(219)	(390)	(228)

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3E. Effects of Legalizing Drugs — The power of illegal drug cartels

Generally speaking, do you think that legalizing drugs increases or decreases the following?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Increases	33%	38%	29%	34%	28%	34%	36%	33%	39%	37%	15%
Decreases	40%	40%	41%	33%	41%	46%	39%	43%	27%	35%	50%
Has no effect	10%	9%	11%	6%	11%	9%	14%	10%	9%	9%	13%
Not sure	17%	13%	20%	26%	21%	11%	10%	14%	24%	20%	23%
Totals	100%	100%	101%	99%	101%	100%	99%	100%	99%	101%	101%
Unweighted N	(996)	(436)	(560)	(162)	(233)	(394)	(207)	(684)	(124)	(143)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Increases	33%	29%	29%	44%	22%	45%	34%	32%	33%	36%	30%	35%	31%
Decreases	40%	45%	43%	31%	56%	31%	37%	48%	43%	40%	43%	38%	42%
Has no effect	10%	8%	9%	13%	7%	13%	10%	11%	11%	9%	11%	8%	13%
Not sure	17%	18%	19%	12%	15%	10%	19%	9%	14%	15%	16%	19%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(996)	(338)	(356)	(302)	(385)	(344)	(397)	(301)	(196)	(163)	(218)	(388)	(227)

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3F. Effects of Legalizing Drugs — The quality and safety of drugs on the market

Generally speaking, do you think that legalizing drugs increases or decreases the following?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Increases	46%	46%	47%	42%	46%	51%	44%	48%	43%	44%	40%
Decreases	18%	19%	17%	20%	16%	15%	22%	18%	12%	17%	25%
Has no effect	16%	16%	16%	12%	14%	16%	21%	16%	15%	16%	14%
Not sure	20%	20%	21%	27%	24%	18%	13%	18%	30%	23%	22%
Totals	100%	101%	101%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(997)	(437)	(560)	(162)	(232)	(395)	(208)	(685)	(125)	(142)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Increases	46%	52%	47%	39%	54%	38%	48%	46%	49%	45%	48%	46%	46%
Decreases	18%	16%	15%	23%	15%	23%	17%	20%	20%	17%	16%	19%	17%
Has no effect	16%	13%	16%	19%	13%	23%	12%	21%	16%	18%	14%	15%	17%
Not sure	20%	20%	22%	19%	18%	16%	23%	13%	15%	19%	22%	20%	20%
Totals	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(997)	(338)	(356)	(303)	(384)	(344)	(396)	(302)	(196)	(163)	(219)	(387)	(228)

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3G. Effects of Legalizing Drugs — The rate of drug-related violence in communities

Generally speaking, do you think that legalizing drugs increases or decreases the following?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Increases	42%	44%	40%	41%	36%	42%	50%	42%	40%	48%	31%
Decreases	27%	27%	26%	25%	32%	26%	23%	26%	25%	20%	42%
Has no effect	13%	14%	13%	11%	11%	15%	14%	14%	10%	12%	13%
Not sure	18%	15%	21%	24%	21%	17%	13%	18%	25%	20%	13%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%
Unweighted N	(997)	(437)	(560)	(162)	(233)	(394)	(208)	(683)	(126)	(143)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Increases	42%	29%	38%	63%	26%	62%	42%	44%	41%	39%	38%	44%	44%
Decreases	27%	37%	27%	13%	40%	14%	26%	27%	28%	31%	27%	26%	23%
Has no effect	13%	14%	13%	12%	16%	14%	12%	15%	16%	12%	14%	12%	15%
Not sure	18%	20%	22%	12%	18%	10%	21%	13%	15%	18%	20%	18%	18%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(997)	(338)	(357)	(302)	(384)	(343)	(397)	(301)	(196)	(163)	(218)	(389)	(227)

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3H. Effects of Legalizing Drugs — The size of racial disparities in drug-related arrests

Generally speaking, do you think that legalizing drugs increases or decreases the following?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Increases	27%	27%	26%	31%	26%	24%	28%	24%	42%	32%	23%
Decreases	27%	28%	26%	22%	32%	31%	21%	30%	15%	20%	37%
Has no effect	23%	25%	20%	15%	17%	25%	33%	25%	15%	24%	13%
Not sure	23%	19%	27%	32%	24%	20%	18%	22%	28%	24%	27%
Totals	100%	99%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(998)	(436)	(562)	(162)	(234)	(395)	(207)	(684)	(126)	(143)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Increases	27%	29%	22%	31%	24%	27%	29%	26%	27%	26%	21%	31%	26%
Decreases	27%	34%	31%	13%	40%	16%	28%	27%	31%	27%	30%	24%	29%
Has no effect	23%	17%	22%	32%	18%	36%	19%	28%	24%	21%	22%	25%	21%
Not sure	23%	20%	25%	25%	17%	21%	24%	18%	17%	26%	27%	20%	24%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	101%	99%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(998)	(339)	(357)	(302)	(385)	(343)	(398)	(302)	(196)	(163)	(219)	(388)	(228)

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3I. Effects of Legalizing Drugs — The number of minors who use drugs

Generally speaking, do you think that legalizing drugs increases or decreases the following?

	Total	Gender		Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Increases	55%	58%	52%	47%	48%	55%	67%	55%	55%	53%	50%
Decreases	12%	11%	12%	17%	14%	10%	6%	11%	7%	13%	26%
Has no effect	15%	16%	14%	10%	19%	18%	12%	16%	13%	15%	9%
Not sure	19%	15%	23%	25%	19%	16%	15%	18%	26%	19%	15%
Totals	101%	100%	101%	99%	100%	99%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(995)	(434)	(561)	(161)	(234)	(392)	(208)	(681)	(126)	(143)	(45)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Increases	55%	45%	49%	74%	42%	74%	51%	57%	61%	53%	53%	61%	47%
Decreases	12%	14%	13%	6%	14%	6%	13%	12%	9%	13%	10%	10%	14%
Has no effect	15%	19%	16%	11%	20%	12%	15%	17%	18%	14%	12%	13%	23%
Not sure	19%	23%	22%	10%	24%	8%	21%	14%	11%	19%	25%	16%	17%
Totals	101%	101%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(995)	(337)	(357)	(301)	(384)	(343)	(397)	(301)	(194)	(162)	(217)	(389)	(227)

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Interviewing Dates	July 19 - 25, 2023
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 0.108 to 4.425, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.557.
Number of respondents	1000
Margin of error	± 3.6% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	64 questions not reported.