

1. Objective of prison sentences

Generally speaking, do you think the goal of sentences given to people convicted of crimes should be more about rehabilitation or more about punishment?

	Gender			Age				Party ID		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Rehabilitation	15%	15%	14%	20%	13%	13%	13%	20%	15%	7%
Punishment	22%	25%	19%	23%	23%	24%	15%	15%	23%	32%
Both equally	57%	54%	61%	44%	56%	62%	70%	60%	54%	59%
Not sure	6%	6%	6%	13%	8%	1%	2%	5%	8%	2%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (999)	100% (492)	100% (507)	100% (144)	100% (260)	100% (389)	100% (196)	100% (348)	100% (423)	100% (228)

	Race				Family Income				Region			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80-100	100+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Rehabilitation	15%	15%	15%	16%	15%	16%	14%	13%	14%	19%	13%	15%
Punishment	22%	21%	19%	27%	20%	25%	21%	17%	20%	23%	24%	19%
Both equally	57%	59%	55%	48%	57%	53%	65%	69%	58%	54%	57%	60%
Not sure	6%	5%	11%	8%	7%	6%	1%	1%	7%	4%	6%	6%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (999)	100% (787)	100% (113)	100% (99)	100% (347)	100% (294)	100% (91)	100% (114)	100% (192)	100% (212)	100% (346)	100% (249)

	Objective of prison sentences				
	Total	Rehabilitation	Punishment	Both equally	Not sure
Rehabilitation	15%	100%	—	—	—
Punishment	22%	—	100%	—	—
Both equally	57%	—	—	100%	—
Not sure	6%	—	—	—	100%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (999)	100% (153)	100% (229)	100% (569)	100% (48)

2. Life in prison without parole

Do you think there are circumstances under which a person convicted of a crime should be sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole, or not?

	Gender			Age				Party ID		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Yes	84%	85%	83%	71%	78%	92%	94%	79%	85%	89%
No	7%	7%	6%	15%	8%	2%	2%	9%	5%	4%
Not sure	9%	9%	10%	14%	14%	6%	4%	12%	9%	6%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (998)	100% (492)	100% (506)	100% (144)	100% (260)	100% (389)	100% (195)	100% (347)	100% (423)	100% (228)

	Race				Family Income				Region			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80-100	100+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Yes	84%	88%	71%	75%	80%	85%	86%	97%	85%	91%	83%	79%
No	7%	5%	11%	12%	9%	6%	6%	2%	7%	2%	8%	8%
Not sure	9%	8%	17%	13%	11%	9%	8%	1%	8%	7%	9%	13%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (998)	100% (786)	100% (113)	100% (99)	100% (347)	100% (293)	100% (91)	100% (114)	100% (191)	100% (212)	100% (346)	100% (249)

	Total	Objective of prison sentences			
		Rehabilitation	Punishment	Both equally	Not sure
Yes	84%	74%	91%	89%	37%
No	7%	17%	5%	4%	10%
Not sure	9%	9%	4%	7%	53%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (998)	100% (153)	100% (229)	100% (568)	100% (47)

3. Life without parole for certain crimes – Repeated convictions for drug possession

Do you think it should be possible for a person to be sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole for any of the following reasons?

	Gender			Age				Party ID		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Yes	19%	17%	20%	12%	22%	19%	22%	19%	15%	27%
No	68%	70%	66%	68%	64%	73%	62%	72%	70%	55%
Not sure	13%	13%	14%	19%	14%	8%	16%	9%	15%	18%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (993)	100% (491)	100% (502)	100% (144)	100% (258)	100% (387)	100% (194)	100% (347)	100% (419)	100% (227)

	Race				Family Income				Region			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80-100	100+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Yes	19%	18%	22%	23%	26%	16%	12%	13%	16%	20%	23%	14%
No	68%	70%	60%	63%	60%	74%	75%	77%	73%	67%	63%	71%
Not sure	13%	12%	18%	14%	14%	10%	13%	10%	12%	12%	13%	15%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (993)	100% (781)	100% (112)	100% (100)	100% (346)	100% (293)	100% (91)	100% (114)	100% (191)	100% (211)	100% (345)	100% (246)

	Total	Objective of prison sentences			
		Rehabilitation	Punishment	Both equally	Not sure
Yes	19%	6%	30%	19%	13%
No	68%	81%	60%	70%	37%
Not sure	13%	13%	10%	11%	50%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (993)	100% (153)	100% (227)	100% (566)	100% (46)

4. Life without parole for certain crimes – A conviction for cocaine or heroin distribution

Do you think it should be possible for a person to be sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole for any of the following reasons?

	Gender			Age				Party ID		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Yes	32%	35%	29%	22%	27%	38%	38%	25%	31%	44%
No	53%	52%	55%	62%	54%	49%	48%	63%	53%	37%
Not sure	15%	14%	17%	16%	19%	12%	14%	12%	16%	20%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (994)	100% (491)	100% (503)	100% (144)	100% (257)	100% (387)	100% (196)	100% (347)	100% (420)	100% (227)

	Race				Family Income				Region			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80-100	100+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Yes	32%	30%	28%	43%	36%	31%	34%	23%	32%	31%	33%	30%
No	53%	55%	58%	42%	49%	56%	60%	60%	55%	53%	52%	54%
Not sure	15%	15%	13%	15%	15%	13%	6%	17%	13%	16%	15%	17%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (994)	100% (782)	100% (112)	100% (100)	100% (347)	100% (292)	100% (91)	100% (114)	100% (191)	100% (211)	100% (345)	100% (247)

	Total	Objective of prison sentences			
		Rehabilitation	Punishment	Both equally	Not sure
Yes	32%	15%	43%	33%	16%
No	53%	73%	47%	52%	37%
Not sure	15%	12%	10%	15%	47%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (994)	100% (153)	100% (228)	100% (566)	100% (46)

5. Life without parole for certain crimes – Repeated convictions for shoplifting

Do you think it should be possible for a person to be sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole for any of the following reasons?

	Gender			Age				Party ID		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Yes	9%	10%	8%	12%	14%	6%	5%	12%	7%	11%
No	81%	80%	82%	74%	74%	90%	87%	80%	83%	80%
Not sure	9%	10%	9%	14%	12%	4%	8%	8%	10%	9%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (992)	100% (489)	100% (503)	100% (143)	100% (258)	100% (387)	100% (194)	100% (347)	100% (420)	100% (225)

	Race				Family Income				Region			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80-100	100+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Yes	9%	8%	8%	16%	12%	8%	9%	8%	11%	5%	13%	6%
No	81%	84%	74%	72%	75%	84%	83%	88%	83%	88%	76%	82%
Not sure	9%	8%	18%	11%	13%	8%	8%	4%	6%	7%	11%	11%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (992)	100% (780)	100% (112)	100% (100)	100% (346)	100% (291)	100% (91)	100% (114)	100% (190)	100% (210)	100% (345)	100% (247)

	Total	Objective of prison sentences			
		Rehabilitation	Punishment	Both equally	Not sure
Yes	9%	8%	19%	7%	6%
No	81%	84%	75%	86%	49%
Not sure	9%	8%	7%	7%	45%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (992)	100% (153)	100% (226)	100% (566)	100% (46)

6. Life without parole for certain crimes – A conviction for marijuana distribution

Do you think it should be possible for a person to be sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole for any of the following reasons?

	Gender			Age				Party ID		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Yes	11%	11%	12%	9%	12%	9%	16%	9%	11%	17%
No	79%	80%	77%	78%	76%	87%	71%	85%	79%	68%
Not sure	10%	8%	11%	13%	11%	4%	13%	6%	11%	15%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (993)	100% (491)	100% (502)	100% (143)	100% (258)	100% (386)	100% (196)	100% (345)	100% (420)	100% (228)

	Race				Family Income				Region			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80-100	100+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Yes	11%	11%	10%	16%	14%	9%	10%	6%	12%	12%	14%	7%
No	79%	82%	72%	69%	70%	86%	84%	91%	80%	84%	73%	82%
Not sure	10%	8%	18%	14%	15%	5%	6%	2%	8%	5%	13%	11%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (993)	100% (782)	100% (111)	100% (100)	100% (347)	100% (293)	100% (90)	100% (113)	100% (190)	100% (210)	100% (346)	100% (247)

	Total	Objective of prison sentences			
		Rehabilitation	Punishment	Both equally	Not sure
Yes	11%	6%	21%	10%	8%
No	79%	88%	73%	82%	48%
Not sure	10%	5%	7%	9%	44%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (993)	100% (152)	100% (228)	100% (566)	100% (46)

7. Juvenile life in prison without parole

Do you think there are circumstances under which a person convicted of a crime when they are under 18 years old should be sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole, or not?

	Gender			Age				Party ID		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Yes	46%	52%	41%	30%	49%	53%	48%	36%	51%	52%
No	30%	28%	32%	40%	27%	27%	29%	38%	25%	28%
Not sure	24%	20%	27%	30%	23%	20%	23%	26%	23%	20%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (996)	100% (492)	100% (504)	100% (142)	100% (259)	100% (389)	100% (196)	100% (347)	100% (422)	100% (227)

	Race				Family Income				Region			
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80-100	100+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Yes	46%	49%	29%	47%	45%	47%	46%	52%	49%	49%	45%	44%
No	30%	28%	40%	34%	30%	31%	32%	31%	28%	25%	33%	31%
Not sure	24%	23%	31%	19%	25%	22%	22%	17%	23%	26%	22%	25%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (996)	100% (783)	100% (113)	100% (100)	100% (347)	100% (292)	100% (91)	100% (114)	100% (191)	100% (211)	100% (346)	100% (248)

	Objective of prison sentences				
	Total	Rehabilitation	Punishment	Both equally	Not sure
Yes	46%	35%	61%	47%	16%
No	30%	45%	24%	30%	20%
Not sure	24%	21%	15%	23%	64%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (996)	100% (153)	100% (227)	100% (569)	100% (46)