

Daily Survey: Life and Society

February 23 - 26, 2022 - 1000 US Adult Citizens



1. Is Entertainment a Meritocracy

Do you think the entertainment business operates as a meritocracy, with the most talented people rising to the top?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Yes	22%	25%	19%	28%	22%	22%	16%	22%	26%	24%	14%
No	45%	47%	43%	39%	49%	47%	44%	47%	39%	35%	52%
Not sure	33%	28%	38%	33%	29%	31%	40%	31%	35%	41%	34%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(998)	(450)	(548)	(217)	(147)	(408)	(226)	(740)	(112)	(74)	(72)

	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	22%	30%	15%	24%	26%	23%	25%	22%	25%	21%	19%	23%	24%
No	45%	36%	51%	45%	39%	52%	40%	47%	46%	45%	49%	44%	42%
Not sure	33%	34%	34%	31%	34%	24%	35%	31%	29%	34%	32%	33%	34%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(998)	(321)	(402)	(275)	(393)	(350)	(450)	(253)	(182)	(168)	(207)	(390)	(233)

2A. Why Do Actors Kids Act — Genes - their parents passed down traits that predispose them to being good at acting

A disproportionately high share of famous actors have parents who are also famous actors. How much do you think each of the following contributes to this?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A lot	19%	21%	18%	27%	23%	14%	16%	19%	24%	18%	14%
A little	48%	43%	54%	43%	44%	55%	49%	49%	45%	50%	47%
None at all	32%	37%	28%	29%	33%	31%	36%	32%	31%	32%	39%
Totals	99%	101%	100%	99%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(977)	(442)	(535)	(210)	(142)	(403)	(222)	(728)	(109)	(71)	(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
A lot	19%	21%	16%	22%	16%	20%	24%	13%	19%	16%	18%	22%	19%
A little	48%	53%	47%	45%	54%	46%	44%	54%	48%	56%	48%	43%	52%
None at all	32%	26%	36%	32%	30%	34%	32%	33%	33%	29%	34%	35%	29%
Totals	99%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(977)	(315)	(391)	(271)	(388)	(346)	(444)	(251)	(178)	(163)	(204)	(382)	(228)

2B. Why Do Actors Kids Act — Socialization - they learn how to be successful actors by watching their parents

A disproportionately high share of famous actors have parents who are also famous actors. How much do you think each of the following contributes to this?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A lot	46%	45%	47%	36%	47%	49%	49%	47%	49%	39%	38%
A little	41%	46%	37%	44%	36%	41%	44%	42%	36%	40%	43%
None at all	13%	9%	16%	20%	16%	10%	7%	10%	15%	21%	19%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(978)	(444)	(534)	(211)	(142)	(402)	(223)	(728)	(110)	(71)	(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
A lot	46%	53%	45%	40%	51%	44%	43%	49%	51%	37%	51%	45%	48%
A little	41%	39%	41%	45%	41%	44%	42%	44%	39%	42%	39%	43%	41%
None at all	13%	8%	14%	15%	8%	12%	15%	7%	10%	21%	10%	12%	11%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(978)	(316)	(390)	(272)	(389)	(345)	(446)	(249)	(179)	(163)	(203)	(382)	(230)

2C. Why Do Actors Kids Act — Encouragement - their parents encourage them to go into the same line of work

A disproportionately high share of famous actors have parents who are also famous actors. How much do you think each of the following contributes to this?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A lot	36%	41%	31%	31%	43%	35%	34%	36%	39%	28%	42%
A little	51%	49%	52%	46%	38%	56%	60%	54%	41%	48%	44%
None at all	13%	10%	17%	22%	18%	9%	6%	10%	20%	24%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(975)	(440)	(535)	(210)	(141)	(402)	(222)	(727)	(110)	(70)	(68)

		Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
A lot	36%	35%	33%	41%	36%	41%	35%	43%	37%	29%	40%	37%	35%
A little	51%	52%	54%	45%	51%	48%	47%	49%	54%	51%	51%	50%	52%
None at all	13%	13%	13%	14%	12%	12%	18%	8%	9%	21%	9%	13%	13%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(975)	(314)	(390)	(271)	(387)	(346)	(444)	(247)	(179)	(164)	(203)	(380)	(228)

2D. Why Do Actors Kids Act — Networking - their parents provide them with connections needed to get ahead in acting

A disproportionately high share of famous actors have parents who are also famous actors. How much do you think each of the following contributes to this?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
A lot	68%	69%	66%	48%	65%	76%	76%	73%	53%	56%	64%
A little	23%	22%	25%	39%	18%	19%	21%	21%	29%	35%	20%
None at all	9%	10%	9%	14%	18%	5%	3%	7%	18%	9%	16%
Totals	100%	101%	100%	101%	101%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(979)	(442)	(537)	(211)	(142)	(404)	(222)	(729)	(110)	(70)	(70)

	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
A lot	68%	70%	69%	62%	73%	70%	58%	74%	80%	69%	71%	69%	62%
A little	23%	25%	22%	23%	22%	19%	30%	20%	13%	19%	24%	20%	30%
None at all	9%	5%	9%	15%	5%	10%	13%	6%	7%	12%	5%	11%	8%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(979)	(316)	(391)	(272)	(389)	(347)	(444)	(249)	(180)	(163)	(203)	(382)	(231)

3. Keep Academic Tenure

In order to protect academic freedom, do you support allowing public universities to offer professors tenure, which prevents them from being fired except under extraordinary circumstances?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Yes	32%	34%	30%	39%	32%	27%	32%	31%	40%	30%	27%
No	38%	42%	35%	26%	30%	46%	46%	42%	21%	30%	44%
Not sure	30%	24%	35%	34%	38%	27%	22%	27%	39%	40%	29%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(993)	(448)	(545)	(214)	(145)	(408)	(226)	(736)	(111)	(74)	(72)

	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	32%	50%	27%	19%	52%	15%	31%	32%	41%	29%	35%	32%	32%
No	38%	22%	38%	56%	22%	65%	34%	44%	39%	37%	39%	37%	40%
Not sure	30%	28%	34%	25%	26%	19%	35%	24%	20%	34%	27%	31%	28%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(993)	(319)	(400)	(274)	(392)	(349)	(450)	(253)	(180)	(166)	(205)	(389)	(233)

4. Crypto Laundering

Do you think that cryptocurrency makes it easier or harder for criminals to launder money?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Easier	36%	43%	29%	30%	27%	39%	45%	39%	23%	29%	41%
Neither easier nor harder	23%	25%	21%	33%	30%	16%	14%	19%	34%	28%	29%
Harder	6%	6%	5%	5%	8%	7%	3%	5%	6%	12%	1%
Not sure	36%	26%	45%	32%	35%	37%	38%	37%	37%	30%	29%
Totals	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%
Unweighted N	(990)	(446)	(544)	(214)	(145)	(406)	(225)	(733)	(111)	(74)	(72)

		Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Easier	36%	37%	31%	42%	44%	41%	34%	39%	41%	36%	35%	36%	37%
Neither easier nor harder	23%	22%	27%	16%	21%	18%	25%	20%	20%	30%	17%	22%	24%
Harder	6%	6%	6%	6%	4%	4%	6%	5%	7%	4%	8%	5%	6%
Not sure	36%	35%	36%	37%	30%	37%	35%	36%	32%	30%	40%	38%	33%
Totals	101%	100%	100%	101%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%
Unweighted N	(990)	(318)	(400)	(272)	(391)	(349)	(447)	(252)	(180)	(165)	(206)	(387)	(232)

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5. Weed vs. Alcohol

Would it be good or bad if the average American drank less alcohol but also used more marijuana?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Good	22%	23%	20%	23%	25%	20%	18%	22%	19%	13%	32%
Neither good nor bad	40%	40%	40%	40%	31%	47%	38%	39%	43%	42%	39%
Bad	22%	22%	23%	18%	18%	21%	34%	25%	22%	15%	12%
Not sure	16%	15%	17%	19%	26%	12%	10%	14%	16%	30%	17%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(988)	(447)	(541)	(213)	(144)	(407)	(224)	(734)	(110)	(74)	(70)

	Total	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region			
		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Good	22%	29%	22%	13%	30%	12%	25%	20%	22%	14%	21%	24%	23%
Neither good nor bad	40%	45%	36%	42%	45%	40%	45%	37%	34%	43%	39%	38%	42%
Bad	22%	14%	22%	32%	12%	34%	18%	24%	30%	21%	21%	21%	27%
Not sure	16%	13%	20%	13%	14%	13%	13%	19%	13%	21%	20%	18%	7%
Totals	100%	101%	100%	100%	101%	99%	101%	100%	99%	99%	101%	101%	99%
Unweighted N	(988)	(317)	(396)	(275)	(389)	(350)	(446)	(252)	(180)	(166)	(204)	(387)	(231)

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Interviewing Dates	February 23 - 26, 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 2018 American Community Study. Voter registration was imputed from the November 2018 Current Population Survey Registration and Voting Supplement.
Weighting	The sample was weighted based on gender, age, race, education, news interest, and 2020 Presidential vote (or non-vote). The weights range from 0.202 to 6.578, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.725.
Number of respondents	1000
Margin of error	± 3.8% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	64 questions not reported.