

# Daily Survey: Twitter Free Speech

April 6 - 8, 2022 - 1000 US Adult Citizens



## 1. Freedom of speech does not mean freedom from consequences of that speech

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "Free speech is essential to a functioning democracy."

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Agree	84%	85%	83%	66%	82%	90%	95%	89%	70%	72%	80%
Disagree	4%	5%	3%	11%	5%	0%	2%	2%	9%	12%	5%
Not sure	12%	9%	14%	23%	13%	10%	3%	9%	21%	16%	15%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(996)	(466)	(530)	(172)	(178)	(416)	(230)	(718)	(119)	(90)	(69)

	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Agree	84%	88%	76%	92%	92%	93%	82%	88%	87%	86%	88%	80%	85%
Disagree	4%	4%	6%	1%	2%	1%	5%	6%	1%	5%	5%	5%	1%
Not sure	12%	8%	18%	7%	6%	5%	13%	6%	12%	9%	7%	15%	14%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(996)	(344)	(407)	(245)	(402)	(338)	(397)	(281)	(213)	(191)	(203)	(382)	(220)

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## 2. Free Speech Should Twitter

Would you approve or disapprove of Twitter adhering rigorously to the following principle? “Free speech is essential to a functioning democracy.”

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Strongly approve	34%	40%	29%	22%	26%	40%	46%	39%	21%	24%	26%
Somewhat approve	27%	26%	28%	29%	30%	24%	26%	28%	31%	23%	19%
Somewhat disapprove	9%	7%	10%	7%	10%	8%	8%	8%	10%	7%	14%
Strongly disapprove	9%	11%	7%	17%	9%	6%	7%	7%	11%	18%	14%
Not sure	21%	17%	26%	25%	25%	22%	13%	18%	27%	29%	27%
Totals	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%
Unweighted N	(993)	(465)	(528)	(170)	(179)	(414)	(230)	(716)	(120)	(88)	(69)

	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Strongly approve	34%	23%	35%	48%	25%	58%	32%	36%	36%	32%	35%	33%	37%
Somewhat approve	27%	35%	24%	20%	36%	17%	28%	27%	30%	31%	28%	25%	26%
Somewhat disapprove	9%	11%	8%	6%	13%	4%	9%	9%	8%	7%	9%	9%	9%
Strongly disapprove	9%	8%	10%	8%	6%	8%	8%	13%	8%	11%	10%	9%	7%
Not sure	21%	23%	22%	18%	20%	13%	23%	16%	18%	19%	18%	24%	22%
Totals	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%
Unweighted N	(993)	(341)	(408)	(244)	(401)	(337)	(397)	(280)	(211)	(189)	(203)	(383)	(218)

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### 3. Free Speech Twitter

“Free speech is essential to a functioning democracy.” Do you believe Twitter rigorously adheres to this principle?

	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Yes	20%	23%	18%	32%	26%	15%	11%	18%	19%	37%	16%
No	43%	49%	38%	31%	39%	48%	52%	47%	31%	33%	48%
Not sure	36%	28%	44%	37%	35%	37%	37%	35%	49%	30%	36%
Totals	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(993)	(463)	(530)	(169)	(178)	(416)	(230)	(718)	(119)	(89)	(67)

	Party ID			2020 Vote		Family Income (3 category)			Census Region				
	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Yes	20%	31%	16%	12%	28%	9%	21%	24%	22%	19%	17%	22%	21%
No	43%	29%	44%	64%	29%	74%	42%	46%	41%	45%	44%	45%	39%
Not sure	36%	41%	40%	24%	43%	17%	37%	30%	37%	36%	39%	33%	40%
Totals	99%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(993)	(342)	(406)	(245)	(402)	(338)	(397)	(280)	(212)	(190)	(202)	(382)	(219)

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## 4. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? The internet should be a free speech zone, where speech should be uncensored

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	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Agree	43%	54%	33%	36%	42%	46%	45%	47%	31%	41%	32%
Disagree	30%	26%	33%	30%	30%	29%	31%	27%	40%	26%	40%
Not sure	27%	21%	34%	34%	28%	25%	24%	26%	30%	33%	28%
Totals	100%	101%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(988)	(462)	(526)	(167)	(177)	(415)	(229)	(715)	(116)	(89)	(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
Agree	43%	28%	44%	61%	24%	68%	44%	44%	40%	44%	44%	44%	39%
Disagree	30%	49%	21%	18%	50%	13%	30%	31%	32%	29%	33%	26%	33%
Not sure	27%	23%	35%	21%	26%	19%	26%	25%	27%	27%	23%	30%	28%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(988)	(339)	(404)	(245)	(399)	(338)	(395)	(279)	(210)	(190)	(201)	(379)	(218)

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## 5. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? Free speech does not mean that social media platforms are obligated to amplify or widely distribute every person's views

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	Gender			Age (4 category)				Race (4 category)			
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hispanic	Other
Agree	58%	60%	55%	49%	56%	60%	63%	57%	58%	58%	57%
Disagree	16%	18%	14%	22%	14%	15%	15%	17%	14%	16%	15%
Not sure	26%	21%	31%	29%	30%	25%	22%	26%	28%	27%	28%
Totals	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	101%	100%
Unweighted N	(991)	(462)	(529)	(168)	(177)	(416)	(230)	(715)	(119)	(89)	(68)

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		Dem	Ind	Rep	Biden	Trump	< \$50K	\$50-100K	\$100K+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Agree	58%	72%	52%	47%	77%	42%	57%	59%	58%	57%	56%	55%	65%
Disagree	16%	10%	17%	23%	6%	30%	14%	18%	18%	19%	19%	16%	11%
Not sure	26%	18%	31%	30%	16%	28%	29%	23%	23%	24%	26%	29%	24%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	100%	100%	99%	100%	101%	100%	100%
Unweighted N	(991)	(341)	(405)	(245)	(401)	(338)	(394)	(280)	(212)	(189)	(202)	(381)	(219)

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<b>Interviewing Dates</b>	April 6 - 8, 2022
<b>Target population</b>	U.S. Citizens, aged 18 and over.
<b>Sampling method</b>	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.
<b>Weighting</b>	The sample was weighted based on gender, age, race, education, news interest, and 2020 Presidential vote (or non-vote). The weights range from 0.247 to 6.506, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.537.
<b>Number of respondents</b>	1000
<b>Margin of error</b>	± 3.5% (adjusted for weighting)
<b>Survey mode</b>	Web-based interviews
<b>Questions not reported</b>	76 questions not reported.