

YouGov Survey: Abortion Policy



Sample 1000 U.S. Adult Citizens
Conducted July 5 - 7, 2022
Margin of Error ±3.3%

1. Which comes closest to your position on abortion? Do you think abortion should be...

Legal in all cases	27%
Legal in most cases	28%
Illegal in most cases	27%
Illegal in all cases	10%
Not sure	8%

2. Which comes closest to the current legal status of abortion within your state? Is abortion...

Legal in all cases	19%
Legal in most cases	26%
Illegal in most cases	19%
Illegal in all cases	12%
Not sure	24%

3. Do you support or oppose the Supreme Court's decision to overturn Roe v. Wade, a ruling which established a constitutional right to abortion?

Support overturning Roe v. Wade	34%
Oppose overturning Roe v. Wade	52%
Not sure	14%

4. Which of the following do you think should get credit for Roe v. Wade being overturned? Select all that apply.

Asked of those who support overturning Roe v. Wade

The Democratic Party	9%
The Republican Party	23%
Joe Biden	7%
Donald Trump	24%
The Supreme Court	62%
Anti-abortion activists	19%
Someone else	10%
None of the above	9%

5. Which of the following do you blame for Roe v. Wade being overturned? Select all that apply.

Asked of those who oppose overturning Roe v. Wade

The Democratic Party	15%
The Republican Party	63%
Joe Biden	15%
Donald Trump	46%
The Supreme Court	76%
Anti-abortion activists	40%
Someone else	10%
None of the above	4%

6. Would you support or oppose it if states that ban abortion also pass laws that prevent people from traveling to other states to seek abortions?

Support	20%
Oppose	62%
Not sure	18%

7. Would you support or oppose it if states that ban abortion also pass laws that prevent people from traveling to other states to seek abortions?

Strongly support	10%
Somewhat support	10%
Somewhat oppose	13%
Strongly oppose	52%
Not sure	16%

8. Would you support or oppose a law in your state that allows private citizens to bring a lawsuit against anyone who performs or assists someone in getting an abortion?

Support	22%
Oppose	57%
Not sure	21%

9. Would you support or oppose a law in your state that allows private citizens to bring a lawsuit against anyone who performs or assists someone in getting an abortion?

Strongly support	12%
Somewhat support	11%
Somewhat oppose	8%
Strongly oppose	50%
Not sure	18%

10. Would you support or oppose states where abortion is legal passing laws that would prevent authorities from adhering to another state's request to investigate or punish anyone involved in facilitating a legal abortion?

Support	41%
Oppose	30%
Not sure	28%

11. Would you support or oppose states where abortion is legal passing laws that would prevent authorities from adhering to another state's request to investigate or punish anyone involved in facilitating a legal abortion?

Strongly support	30%
Somewhat support	11%
Somewhat oppose	14%
Strongly oppose	20%
Not sure	25%

12. Would you support or oppose states where abortion is legal passing laws that would protect providers prescribing abortion medication across state lines?

Support	51%
Oppose	26%
Not sure	23%

13. Would you support or oppose states where abortion is legal passing laws that would protect providers prescribing abortion medication across state lines?

Strongly support	39%
Somewhat support	12%
Somewhat oppose	11%
Strongly oppose	16%
Not sure	21%

14. Would you support or oppose states where abortion is legal investing money to provide abortion services for people who seek abortions there from out of state?

Support	45%
Oppose	35%
Not sure	20%

15. Would you support or oppose states where abortion is legal investing money to provide abortion services for people who seek abortions there from out of state?

Strongly support	34%
Somewhat support	11%
Somewhat oppose	14%
Strongly oppose	22%
Not sure	19%

16. Would you support or oppose the federal government allowing abortions to be performed on federal lands (such as national parks) inside states that ban abortion?

Support	38%
Oppose	42%
Not sure	20%

17. Would you support or oppose the federal government allowing abortions to be performed on federal lands (such as national parks) inside states that ban abortion?

Strongly support	27%
Somewhat support	10%
Somewhat oppose	9%
Strongly oppose	33%
Not sure	20%

18. Would you support or oppose big companies with offices in multiple states paying moving costs for employees who want to leave states where abortion is banned?

Support	49%
Oppose	28%
Not sure	23%

19. Would you support or oppose big companies with offices in multiple states paying moving costs for employees who want to leave states where abortion is banned?

Strongly support	35%
Somewhat support	13%
Somewhat oppose	11%
Strongly oppose	19%
Not sure	22%

20. Would you support or oppose charging with murder people who perform illegal abortions?

Support	33%
Oppose	45%
Not sure	21%

21. Would you support or oppose charging with murder people who perform illegal abortions?

Strongly support	19%
Somewhat support	16%
Somewhat oppose	12%
Strongly oppose	38%
Not sure	16%

22. Would you support or oppose charging with murder people who have illegal abortions?

Support	27%
Oppose	52%
Not sure	21%

23. Would you support or oppose charging with murder people who have illegal abortions?

Strongly support	13%
Somewhat support	15%
Somewhat oppose	13%
Strongly oppose	45%
Not sure	14%

24. Would you support or oppose making it illegal to communicate over the phone or on the internet about abortion medication?

Support	15%
Oppose	62%
Not sure	22%

25. Would you support or oppose making it illegal to communicate over the phone or on the internet about abortion medication?

Strongly support	9%
Somewhat support	7%
Somewhat oppose	11%
Strongly oppose	54%
Not sure	19%

26. Would you support or oppose committing women who have abortions to mandatory psychiatric custody?

Support	13%
Oppose	66%
Not sure	21%

27. Would you support or oppose committing women who have abortions to mandatory psychiatric custody?

Strongly support	6%
Somewhat support	8%
Somewhat oppose	12%
Strongly oppose	57%
Not sure	17%

28. Should states be allowed to ban doctors from prescribing drugs that have been approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA)?

Yes	17%
No	64%
Not sure	19%

29. Which of the following do you think should be authorized to distribute abortion medication? Select all that apply.

Doctors	73%
Physician assistants	41%
Nurses trained as midwives	37%
Pharmacists	40%
None of the above	20%

30. If you had to guess, in about how many U.S. states do you think abortion will be banned in nearly all cases one year from now?

Less than 10 states	7%
Around 10 states	9%
Around 20 states	28%
Around 30 states	24%
Around 40 states	8%
Around 50 states	4%
Not sure	21%

31. Do you think that most people seeking abortions in states with abortion bans will end up... ?

Going to another state to get an abortion	47%
Getting an illegal abortion within their own state	22%
Giving birth	10%
Not sure	22%

32. How concerned are you about people who lose pregnancies due to miscarriage or stillbirth being wrongly investigated and prosecuted by law-enforcement authorities for violating anti-abortion laws?

Very concerned	46%
Somewhat concerned	27%
Not very concerned	14%
Not at all concerned	13%

33. Would you support or oppose a law that ensures that people who experience pregnancy losses are not subjected to government investigation for possible illegal abortions?

Support	68%
Oppose	12%
Not sure	20%

34. Do you think abortion restrictions will result in doctors providing better or worse medical care to pregnant patients?

Better care	18%
Worse care	29%
No impact	30%
Not sure	23%

35. Do you think abortion restrictions will result in doctors delaying or withholding medical treatment for pregnant patients who may need an abortion as a life-saving measure?

Yes	43%
No	26%
Not sure	31%

36. How much, if at all, do you think abortion restrictions will affect the following groups... ?

	A lot	A little	None at all
Abortion Restrictions Class Impact – Wealthy women	12%	29%	59%
Abortion Restrictions Class Impact – Middle-class women	30%	56%	14%
Abortion Restrictions Class Impact – Poor women	75%	15%	10%

37. Do you think the primary motivation of people who oppose the constitutional right to abortion is to protect children's lives?

Yes	39%
No	42%
Not sure	20%

38. Do you think the primary motivation of people who support the constitutional right to abortion is to protect women's rights?

Yes	49%
No	32%
Not sure	19%

Interviewing Dates	July 5 - 7, 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 0.285 to 5.478, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.39.
Number of respondents	1000
Margin of error	± 3.3% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	62 questions not reported.