

YouGov Survey: Abortion and Roe v. Wade



Sample 1128 U.S. Adults
Conducted May 3, 2022
Margin of Error ±4.5%

1. Who do you think has more political power in the U.S., men or women?

1) Men	64%
2) Women	10%
3) Men and women have equal power	23%
4) Not sure	3%

2. How much have you heard about a recent leak from the Supreme Court indicating a majority of the Justices' intention to strike down the decision Roe v. Wade, which established a woman's constitutional right to have an abortion?

1) A lot	44%
2) A little	44%
3) Nothing at all	12%

3. How did you feel when you learned the Supreme Court intends to overturn Roe v. Wade? Select all that apply.

Asked of those who said that they heard a lot or a little about a recent leak from the Supreme Court regarding Roe v. Wade

1) Resigned	8%
2) Angry	38%
3) Relieved	14%
4) Surprised	25%
5) Sad	32%
6) Happy	18%
7) Thrilled	13%
8) Outraged	40%
9) Grateful	16%
10) None of the above	12%

4. Do you think it was right or wrong to leak the draft of this decision?

Asked of those who said that they heard a lot or a little about a recent leak from the Supreme Court regarding Roe v. Wade

1) Right	32%
2) Wrong	48%
3) Not sure	20%

5. As you may know, the 1973 Supreme Court Case Roe v. Wade established a woman's constitutional right to have an abortion. Would you like to see the Supreme Court overturn its Roe v. Wade decision, or not?

1) Yes, would like to see Roe v. Wade overturned	29%
2) No, would not like to see Roe v. Wade overturned	56%
3) Not sure	15%

6. How likely do you think it is that the U.S. Supreme Court will overturn Roe v. Wade, the case that made abortion legal across the United States?

- 1) Definitely will happen 17%
- 2) Very likely 33%
- 3) 50% chance 41%
- 4) Unlikely 7%
- 5) Definitely will not happen 2%

7. Do you believe Roe v. Wade will be overturned within the next year?

Asked of those who said that there is at least a 50% chance of the Supreme Court overturning Roe v. Wade

- 1) Yes 50%
- 2) No 13%
- 3) Not sure 37%

8. Should states be permitted to set their own policies when it comes to abortion?

- 1) States should be permitted 42%
- 2) Should only be handled by the federal government 35%
- 3) Not sure 23%

9. Do you support or oppose a national ban on abortion after six weeks of pregnancy?

- 1) Strongly support 27%
- 2) Somewhat support 9%
- 3) Somewhat oppose 10%
- 4) Strongly oppose 40%
- 5) Not sure 14%

10. Would you support or oppose a law in your state that would make performing an abortion a felony, with the only exception being in cases where it is necessary to save the life of the mother or prevent substantial impairment of her major bodily function?

- 1) Strongly support 22%
- 2) Somewhat support 12%
- 3) Somewhat oppose 7%
- 4) Strongly oppose 48%
- 5) Not sure 11%

11. If Roe v. Wade is overturned, do you think the number of abortions in the U.S. will increase, decrease, or stay the same?

- 1) Increase 13%
- 2) Stay the same 39%
- 3) Decrease 30%
- 4) Not sure 17%

12. If Roe v. Wade is overturned, do you think the number of maternal deaths from abortions in the U.S. will increase, decrease, or stay the same?

- 1) Increase 51%
- 2) Stay the same 22%
- 3) Decrease 12%
- 4) Not sure 15%

13. How likely do you think it is that there will be mass protests if the Supreme Court overturns Roe v. Wade?

- 1) Very likely 66%
- 2) Somewhat likely 21%
- 3) Not very likely 4%
- 4) Not at all likely 1%
- 5) Not sure 8%

14. How likely would YOU be to participate in a protest if the Supreme Court overturns Roe v. Wade?

- 1) Very likely 16%
- 2) Somewhat likely 16%
- 3) Not very likely 9%
- 4) Not at all likely 45%
- 5) Not sure 15%

15. How likely do you think it is that there will be mass protests if the Supreme Court DOES NOT overturn Roe v. Wade?

- 1) Very likely 12%
- 2) Somewhat likely 22%
- 3) Not very likely 30%
- 4) Not at all likely 21%
- 5) Not sure 15%

16. How likely would YOU be to participate in a protest if the Supreme Court DOES NOT overturn Roe v. Wade?

- 1) Very likely 3%
- 2) Somewhat likely 6%
- 3) Not very likely 8%
- 4) Not at all likely 71%
- 5) Not sure 11%

17. Do you plan to do any of the following in response to the Supreme Court’s intention to overturn Roe v. Wade? Select all that apply.

- 1) Go to a protest, political rally, or demonstration 21%
- 2) Volunteer for an advocacy organization or political candidate 10%
- 3) Donate to a political candidate or advocacy organization 19%
- 4) Call or write your representative in Congress 23%
- 5) Sign a petition 33%
- 6) Post on social media to advocate for your position 24%
- 7) Talk to your friends or family to advocate for your position 29%
- 8) Advocate for your employer or company to take a stand on the issue 7%
- 9) None of the above 35%
- 10) Not sure 12%

18. If your state completely outlawed abortion, would that make you want to move to another state?

- 1) Yes 23%
- 2) No 59%
- 3) Not sure 18%

19. If your state completely legalized abortion access, would that make you want to move to another state?

- 1) Yes 11%
- 2) No 74%
- 3) Not sure 15%

20. Do you think that large companies located in states that intend to outlaw abortion if Roe v. Wade is overturned should move to other states where abortion is still legal?

- 1) Yes 31%
- 2) No 41%
- 3) Not sure 29%

21. Some employers have started to offer to help cover costs for employees who want to get abortions. Do you support or oppose employers providing these funds?

- 1) Strongly support 36%
- 2) Somewhat support 12%
- 3) Somewhat oppose 10%
- 4) Strongly oppose 27%
- 5) Not sure 15%

22. Throughout your life, have you ever changed your mind on the issue of abortion?

- 1) Yes 21%
- 2) No 70%
- 3) Not sure 9%

23. Before your opinions on abortion changed, were you more or less in favor of abortion access than you are now?

Asked of those who said that they had ever changed their minds on abortion

- 1) More in favor 35%
- 2) Less in favor 54%
- 3) Neither 9%
- 4) Not sure 2%

24. If an election for U.S. Congress were being held today, would you be more or less likely to vote for a candidate you otherwise support because of the candidate's stance in support of a woman's right to have an abortion?

- 1) Much more likely 32%
- 2) Somewhat more likely 12%
- 3) No more or less likely 18%
- 4) Somewhat less likely 5%
- 5) Much less likely 16%
- 6) Not sure 18%

25. What impact do you think overturning Roe v. Wade would have on you personally?

- 1) A strong negative impact 13%
- 2) Somewhat of a negative impact 12%
- 3) No impact 54%
- 4) Somewhat of a positive impact 5%
- 5) A strong positive impact 5%
- 6) Not sure 12%

26. Do you personally know anyone who has had an abortion? Check all that apply.

- 1) Yes, me 8%
- 2) Yes, a family member 25%
- 3) Yes, a close friend 28%
- 4) Yes, an acquaintance 29%
- 5) No 32%
- 6) Prefer not to say 8%

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Interviewing Dates	May 3, 2022
Target population	U.S. adults
Sampling method	The survey was carried out through YouGov Direct.
Weighting	Data is weighted on age, gender, education level, and ethnicity to be nationally representative of U.S. adults in the United States. The weights range from 0.149 to 6.717, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 1.076.
Number of respondents	1128
Margin of error	± 4.5% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews