

Daily Survey: Baseball



Sample 1000 U.S. Adult Citizens
Conducted March 25 - 30, 2022
Margin of Error ±3.3%

1. What is your favorite sport to watch?

Baseball	8%
Football	22%
Basketball	8%
Hockey	4%
Soccer	4%
Tennis	3%
Swimming	2%
Boxing	2%
Skating	2%
Horse racing	1%
Auto racing	3%
Wrestling	2%
Bowling	1%
Track	1%
Something else	4%
I don't enjoy watching any sports	32%

2. What is your favorite sport to play?

Baseball	6%
Football	6%
Basketball	8%
Hockey	1%
Soccer	4%
Tennis	4%
Swimming	6%
Boxing	1%
Skating	1%
Horse racing	0%
Auto racing	1%
Wrestling	0%
Bowling	5%
Track	1%
Something else	8%
I don't enjoy playing any sports	47%

3. Which of these sports do you consider America's favorite pastime?

Baseball	36%
Football	41%
Basketball	9%
Hockey	2%
Soccer	3%
Tennis	2%
Golf	3%
Something else	5%

4. How interested, or not, are you in MLB (for example - watch on TV, listen to on radio, attend in-person, follow on internet or social media)?

Very interested	12%
Somewhat interested	18%
A little bit interested	21%
Not at all interested	50%

5. Do you plan on attending any in-person MLB baseball games this season?

Yes	12%
No	69%
Not sure	19%

6. Do you plan on watching any MLB baseball games on TV this season?

Yes	27%
No	57%
Not sure	16%

7. Do you have a favorite MLB team?

Yes	36%
No	57%
Not sure	7%

8. What is your favorite MLB team?

Arizona Diamondbacks	2%
Atlanta Braves	8%
Baltimore Orioles	2%
Boston Red Sox	10%
Chicago White Sox	3%
Chicago Cubs	8%
Cincinnati Reds	2%
Cleveland Guardians	3%
Colorado Rockies	2%
Detroit Tigers	4%

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Houston Astros	3%
Kansas City Royals	2%
Los Angeles Angels	1%
Los Angeles Dodgers	7%
Miami Marlins	0%
Milwaukee Brewers	3%
Minnesota Twins	4%
New York Yankees	10%
New York Mets	4%
Oakland Athletics	1%
Philadelphia Phillies	2%
Pittsburgh Pirates	2%
San Diego Padres	0%
San Francisco Giants	3%
Seattle Mariners	2%
St. Louis Cardinals	4%
Tampa Bay Rays	1%
Texas Rangers	3%
Toronto Blue Jays	0%
Washington Nationals	2%

9. Which, if any, of the following influenced your support for this team? Select all that apply.

My family	36%
My friends	20%
Where I grew up	46%
Where I live currently	27%
Their record	8%
The players	18%
Some other reason	12%
No particular reason	8%

10. Do you support or oppose MLB's new rule that allows universal designated hitters so pitchers don't have to take a turn at bat?

Asked of those who have at least a little interest in baseball

Support	38%
Oppose	27%
Not sure	35%

11. Do you support or oppose MLB's recent rule that puts a runner on second base at the beginning of each extra inning?

Asked of those who have at least a little interest in baseball

Support	20%
Oppose	51%
Not sure	29%

12. Should doubleheader MLB games last for 7 innings apiece or 9 innings apiece?

Asked of those who have at least a little interest in baseball

7 innings	27%
9 innings	50%
Not sure	24%

13. Generally speaking, do you think that the professional sports leagues should be exempt from antitrust legislation that prevents them from maintaining a monopoly on the sport?

Yes, they should be exempt	14%
No, they should not be exempt	45%
Not sure	42%

14. Do you think that MLB players are paid too much or too little?

Too much	49%
Too little	6%
About the right amount	17%
Not sure	29%

15. Do you feel that professional baseball has become more a business than a sport for the enjoyment of fans?

More a business than a sport	57%
Don't feel this way	15%
Not sure	28%

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Interviewing Dates	March 25 - 30, 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 0.329 to 2.911, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.315.
Number of respondents	1000
Margin of error	± 3.3% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	61 questions not reported.