

Daily Survey: Trust in Government Statistics



Sample 1000 U.S. Adult Citizens
 Conducted April 4 - 7, 2022
 Margin of Error ±3.4%

1. How trustworthy do you rate the following government agencies:

	Very trust- worthy	Trustwor- thy	Neither trustwor- thy nor untrust- worthy	Untrust- worthy	Very untrust- worthy	Don't know
The Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS)	10%	21%	30%	12%	10%	17%
The U.S. Census Bureau	10%	27%	31%	11%	10%	12%
The Department of Justice (DOJ)	7%	24%	24%	17%	19%	9%
The Department of Homeland Security (DHS)	6%	24%	28%	14%	19%	10%
The Department of Education	8%	22%	27%	15%	19%	10%
The Department of State	7%	24%	26%	14%	16%	14%
The Department of Defense (DOD)	9%	28%	27%	12%	14%	11%
Customs and Border Protection (CBP)	8%	23%	27%	15%	16%	11%
The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)	16%	28%	24%	6%	7%	19%
The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI)	8%	26%	23%	14%	20%	10%
The National Security Agency (NSA)	7%	23%	25%	13%	18%	14%
National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)	20%	34%	22%	4%	7%	12%
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)	10%	25%	24%	13%	17%	11%
Food and Drug Administration (FDA)	8%	29%	24%	15%	14%	9%
Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)	6%	21%	26%	18%	19%	10%
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)	13%	26%	20%	12%	21%	9%
The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA)	6%	24%	30%	14%	14%	12%
The Internal Revenue Service (IRS)	7%	22%	28%	14%	20%	9%

2. How trustworthy do you rate the following U.S. government statistics:

	Very trust- worthy	Trustwor- thy	Neither trustwor- thy nor untrust- worthy	Untrust- worthy	Very untrust- worthy	Don't know
The unemployment rate	9%	26%	23%	21%	12%	9%
The inflation rate	8%	25%	25%	16%	16%	10%
The number of violent crimes reported	6%	22%	25%	20%	15%	11%
The number of sexual assaults reported	5%	16%	28%	24%	15%	12%
Ocean temperatures	13%	30%	25%	10%	9%	13%
Population counts	9%	24%	28%	19%	10%	10%
The number of COVID-19 cases	8%	22%	22%	16%	23%	8%
The number of COVID-19 deaths	8%	22%	20%	16%	26%	9%
The number of people vaccinated against COVID-19	11%	29%	24%	12%	14%	10%
The number of civilian casualties from the U.S. military abroad	7%	18%	30%	20%	13%	13%
The number of people who immigrate illegally to the U.S.	6%	13%	25%	21%	24%	11%
The number of people who vote in national elections	14%	22%	22%	13%	20%	10%

3. Do you think the U.S. government overestimates or underestimates the unemployment rate?

Asked of those who said the unemployment rate was untrustworthy

Underestimates	63%
Overestimates	25%
Not sure	12%

4. Do you think the U.S. government overestimates or underestimates the inflation rate?

Asked of those who said the inflation rate was untrustworthy

Underestimates	74%
Overestimates	13%
Not sure	13%

5. Do you think the U.S. government overestimates or underestimates the number of violent crimes reported?

Asked of those who said the number of violent crimes reported was untrustworthy

Underestimates	76%
Overestimates	12%
Not sure	12%

6. Do you think the U.S. government overestimates or underestimates the number of sexual assaults reported?

Asked of those who said the number of sexual assaults reported was untrustworthy

Underestimates	83%
Overestimates	9%
Not sure	9%

7. Do you think the U.S. government overestimates or underestimates ocean temperatures?

Asked of those who said ocean temperatures were untrustworthy

Underestimates	24%
Overestimates	59%
Not sure	17%

8. Do you think the U.S. government overestimates or underestimates population counts?

Asked of those who said population counts were untrustworthy

Underestimates	55%
Overestimates	26%
Not sure	19%

9. Do you think the U.S. government overestimates or underestimates the number of COVID-19 cases?

Asked of those who said the number of COVID-19 cases was untrustworthy

Underestimates	26%
Overestimates	66%
Not sure	8%

10. Do you think the U.S. government overestimates or underestimates the number of COVID-19 deaths?

Asked of those who said the number of COVID-19 deaths was untrustworthy

Underestimates	25%
Overestimates	68%
Not sure	8%

11. Do you think the U.S. government overestimates or underestimates the number of people vaccinated against COVID-19?

Asked of those who said the number of people vaccinated against COVID-19 was untrustworthy

Underestimates	21%
Overestimates	59%
Not sure	21%

12. Do you think the U.S. government overestimates or underestimates the number of civilian casualties from the U.S. military abroad?

Asked of those who said the number of civilian casualties from the U.S. military abroad was untrustworthy

Underestimates	73%
Overestimates	14%
Not sure	13%

13. Do you think the U.S. government overestimates or underestimates the number of people who immigrate illegally to the U.S.?

Asked of those who said the number of people who immigrate illegally to the U.S. was untrustworthy

Underestimates	76%
Overestimates	15%
Not sure	9%

14. Do you think the U.S. government overestimates or underestimates the number of people who vote in national elections?

Asked of those who said the number of people who vote in national elections was untrustworthy

Underestimates	28%
Overestimates	52%
Not sure	20%

Interviewing Dates	April 4 - 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 0.255 to 4.765, with a mean of one and a standard deviation of 0.476.
Number of respondents	1000
Margin of error	± 3.4% (adjusted for weighting)
Survey mode	Web-based interviews
Questions not reported	58 questions not reported.