

Daily Survey: Airports



Sample 1000 U.S. Adult Citizens
Conducted December 16 - 20, 2021
Margin of Error ±3.3%

1. Have you gone through airport security in the past 5 years?

Yes	45%
No	53%
Not sure	2%

2. Do you currently have any of the following government-approved programs for flying?

TSA Pre-Check	11%
Global Entry	5%
Clear	2%
FlySafe	3%
None of the above	83%

3. On average, how long before scheduled takeoff do you arrive at the airport for a domestic flight?

Asked of those who have been to an airport in the past 5 years

Less than 30 minutes	2%
30-60 minutes	13%
60-90 minutes	38%
90 minutes-two hours	39%
More than two hours	6%
Don't know	2%

4. Based on your personal experiences, how inconvenient are airport security screenings?

Asked of those who have been to an airport in the past 5 years

Very inconvenient	18%
Somewhat inconvenient	41%
Not very inconvenient	29%
Not at all inconvenient	12%

5. Do you think airport security protocols too strict, about right, or not strict enough?

Too strict	15%
About right	49%
Not strict enough	13%
Not sure	23%

6. Should airports focus more on screening for security threats or saving travelers time and money?

Screening for threats	79%
Saving travelers time and money	21%

7. If someone attempted to smuggle a weapon onto a plane, what do you think is the likelihood that they would be stopped by airport security?

Very likely	37%
Somewhat likely	40%
Not very likely	9%
Not at all likely	3%
Not sure	12%

8. Some government-approved programs, such as TSA PreCheck, Global Entry, and Clear, allow passengers who meet certain requirements and pay a fee (ranging from \$70-\$179) to bypass parts of the airport security screening process. Do you approve or disapprove of these type of programs?

Strongly approve	9%
Approve	22%
Disapprove	23%
Strongly disapprove	22%
Not sure	24%

9. Do you think it is fair or unfair that the following conveniences are available for purchase?

	Fair	Unfair	Not sure
To sit in exit rows	48%	26%	26%
To have a security pre-check and reduced security screenings	40%	36%	24%
To access private airport lounges	61%	19%	20%
To board the plane early	56%	25%	19%
To sit in first class	73%	12%	15%
To skip the check-in line	37%	45%	18%

10. In your opinion, how effective are each of the following airport security screening measures?

	Very effective	Somewhat effective	Not at all effective
Requiring passengers to walk through body scanners	58%	34%	8%
Requiring passengers to remove their shoes during security screenings	26%	40%	34%
Using X-ray machines to scan carry-on bags for dangerous items	60%	34%	6%
Requiring passengers to remove laptops from carry-on bags during security screenings	35%	45%	20%
Banning liquids above a certain size in carry-on bags	30%	42%	28%
Utilizing police dogs trained to detect explosive devices	64%	30%	6%