Methodology
Marquette Law School Poll
Public Views of the U.S. Supreme Court

September 8-15, 2020

The Marquette Law School Poll survey of public views of the U.S. Supreme Court was conducted September 8-15, 2020. A total of 1523 adults were interviewed by NORC at the University of Chicago using its AmeriSpeak Panel as the sample source. The margin of error is ±3.6 percentage points for the full sample. The data collection was overseen by LHK Partners, Inc. under contract with Marquette Law School.

The survey is a general population sample of U.S. adults age 18 and over living in the 50 states.

NORC describes the AmeriSpeak panel as follows:

Funded and operated by NORC at the University of Chicago, AmeriSpeak is a probability-based panel designed to be representative of the US household population. Randomly selected US households are sampled using area probability and address-based sampling, with a known, non-zero probability of selection from the NORC National Sample Frame. These sampled households are then contacted by US mail, telephone, and field interviewers (face to face). The panel provides sample coverage of approximately 97% of the U.S. household population. Those excluded from the sample include people with P.O. Box only addresses, some addresses not listed in the USPS Delivery Sequence File, and some newly constructed dwellings. While most AmeriSpeak households participate in surveys by web, non-internet households can participate in AmeriSpeak surveys by telephone. Households without conventional internet access but having web access via smartphones are allowed to participate in AmeriSpeak surveys by web. AmeriSpeak panelists participate in NORC studies or studies conducted by NORC on behalf of governmental agencies, academic researchers, and media and commercial organizations.
AAPOR Transparency Initiative Information

The Marquette Law School Poll Supreme Court Survey follows the guidelines for disclosure of the American Association for Public Opinion Research Transparency Initiative. For more information on the initiative see: http://www.aapor.org/AAPORKentico/transparency.aspx

1. The poll is sponsored by Marquette Law School.

2. The Marquette Law School Poll, under the direction of Prof. Charles Franklin, designed the survey instrument and performed all statistical analysis. The data collection was administered by LIK Partners, Inc. with data collected by NORC using its AmericSpeak panel.

3. Funding for this study was provided by the Marquette Law School Alumni Annual Fund. Their support is gratefully acknowledged.

4. The survey instrument for questions in this release is available online at https://law.marquette.edu/poll/category/results-and-data/ The full instrument, including items held for later release, will be posted as those items are released.

5. The population surveyed consists of the general population of U.S. adults age 18 and over living in the 50 states.

6. The sample frame is described in the AmeriSpeak panel methodology statement above.

7. The sample was supplied by the NORC AmeriSpeak Panel.

8. The sample was designed to be representative of the adult population of the United States. The sample size is 1523. The margin of error, including design effects due to post-stratification is ±3.6 percentage points for the full sample.

9. The design effect has been incorporated in the calculation of all reported margins of error.

10. The survey was administered in English only and was administered on the web. The data were collected September 8-15, 2020.

11. Results of items included in this release, including the instrument, topline results and this methodological report are be available online. Additional items and results are held for later release.

   https://law.marquette.edu/poll/category/results-and-data/

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