

Angus Reid Institute  
US Vote  
Aug. 19-23, 2024

Some questions have already been released.

**QJ1.**  
**Base=US**  
**Grid**

Thanks, moving on to another topic now.

How much confidence do you have in each of these elements of the American justice system?

[ROWS – RANDOMIZE]  
Federal law enforcement – FBI, DEA, Department of Justice, etc.  
Your local law enforcement – county sheriffs, state police, etc.  
Criminal courts in your state  
The United States Supreme Court

[COLUMNS]  
A complete lack of confidence  
Not a lot of confidence  
A lot of confidence  
Complete confidence  
Don't know

**QJ2.**  
**Base=US**  
**Multichoice**

We'd like to ask you some questions about the United States Supreme Court. Please look at the following list of names and select all those who you believe are current members of the Supreme Court.

[Show six total – randomize three from the true list and three from the false list]

[TRUE LIST]  
Ketanji Brown Jackson  
Amy Coney Barrett  
Brett Kavanaugh  
Neil Gorsuch  
Elena Kagan  
Sonia Sotomayor  
Samuel Alito  
John Roberts  
Clarence Thomas

[FALSE LIST]

Rhys Warren

Bill McCollam

Karin Atkin

Ann Gravelle

**QJ3.**

**Base=US**

**Single choice**

In general, do you believe the Supreme Court is impartial – making decisions on cases in a fair and just manner – or biased – making decisions on cases in an unfair and unjust manner?

Completely impartial

Mostly impartial

Mostly biased

Completely biased

Not sure/ Can't say

**QJ4.**

**Base=US**

**Single choice**

And, in general, do you believe the majority of the justices on the United States Supreme Court lean one way or another on the political spectrum or not?

They are left leaning – more liberal than conservative

They are right leaning – more conservative than liberal

Neither left nor right

Not sure/ Can't say

**QJ5.**

**Base=US**

**Single choice**

In your opinion, based on what you've read, seen or heard, what do you believe is a greater consideration when it comes to the decisions the United States Supreme Court makes?

Law – as set out in the Constitution, federal law, statutes and regulations

Politics, specifically the judges' political leanings

Not sure/ Can't say

**QJ6.**

**Base=US**

**Grid**

Some people believe the Supreme Court needs to be reformed. Here are some examples of proposed reforms. Please indicate if you support or oppose the following:

18-year term limits for Supreme Court justices  
Supreme Court justices must disclose any gifts they receive  
Supreme Court justices must refrain from political activity  
Supreme Court justices must recuse themselves from cases where they have a conflict of interest – financial or otherwise  
Expanding the court from nine seats by adding more justices

Strongly support  
Support  
Oppose  
Strongly oppose  
Don't know/ Can't say

**QJ7.**

**Base=US**

**Single choice**

Earlier this year, the Supreme Court ruled that U.S. presidents have broad immunity from criminal prosecution for official actions taken while in office. Some people say this is a good thing because it protects presidents from politically motivated prosecutions. Other people say the ruling is a bad thing because it elevates the president above constitutional law.

How about you? Even if you don't agree with either entirely, please select the statement that is closer to your view:

This ruling is good – presidents should be immune from most criminal prosecutions  
This ruling is bad – no one should be above the law, not even presidents  
Not sure/ Can't say

**QJ8.**

**Base=All**

**Single choice**

Some people believe the United States Constitution should be viewed as a **“living document”** that should be interpreted and changed based on the standards and realities of modern times. Other people disagree and believe the Constitution should be **“set in stone”** and should be interpreted exactly as it was written by the founding fathers.

How about you? Even if you don't agree with either entirely, please select the statement that is closer to your view:

[Rotate top two]  
The Constitution should be viewed as a “living document”  
The Constitution should be “set in stone”  
Not sure/ Can't say