

“In general, do you feel that the laws covering the sale of firearms should be made more strict, less strict, or kept as they are now?”

NATIONWIDE	<u>More Strict</u> 50%	<u>Less Strict</u> 8%	<u>Kept As They Are Now</u> 38%	<u>Don't Know</u> 4%	<u>(N)</u> 996
Party Identification					
Democrat	78%	2%	16%	4%	422
Independent	43%	9%	45%	3%	144
Republican	24%	14%	60%	2%	361
Age					
18 to 34	46%	11%	38%	6%	201
35 to 49	39%	10%	47%	4%	176
50 to 64	55%	6%	37%	2%	291
65 and over	55%	6%	35%	4%	281
Sex					
Male	44%	11%	42%	4%	495
Female	57%	5%	34%	4%	501
Education					
High school or less	47%	9%	39%	5%	291
Some college	46%	5%	46%	3%	242
College graduate	49%	9%	39%	3%	257
Post graduate	61%	7%	28%	4%	189
Sex/Education					
Working class men	38%	10%	47%	5%	271
College educ men	50%	11%	36%	2%	215
Working class women	55%	4%	37%	3%	261
College educ women	58%	6%	32%	5%	231
Gun Ownership					
Gun owner in household	38%	9%	50%	3%	401
No gun owner in household	66%	4%	25%	4%	499
Region					
Northeast	64%	7%	23%	7%	182
Midwest	53%	7%	37%	4%	216
South	42%	8%	48%	2%	369
West	52%	8%	36%	4%	230

“Please tell me if you would favor or oppose the following proposals made as ways to control gun violence. Banning military style assault weapons.”

NATIONWIDE	<u>Strongly Favor</u> 48%	<u>Somewhat Favor</u> 9%	<u>Neither</u> 3%	<u>Somewhat Oppose</u> 11%	<u>Strongly Oppose</u> 26%	<u>Don't Know</u> 3%	<u>(N)</u> 994
Party Identification							
Democrat	70%	8%	2%	6%	11%	2%	419
Independent	38%	8%	6%	10%	33%	4%	146
Republican	26%	11%	3%	16%	42%	3%	358
Age							
18 to 34	35%	15%	5%	16%	28%	0%	201
35 to 49	42%	4%	4%	16%	31%	4%	176
50 to 64	52%	7%	2%	7%	31%	2%	294
65 and over	56%	10%	2%	10%	18%	4%	276
Sex							
Male	38%	8%	3%	11%	36%	4%	497
Female	58%	10%	4%	11%	16%	2%	497
Education							
High school or less	39%	8%	3%	14%	33%	3%	288
Some college	47%	11%	2%	9%	27%	3%	242
College graduate	49%	7%	4%	11%	27%	3%	259
Post graduate	59%	10%	2%	11%	16%	3%	186
Sex/Education							
Working class men	33%	8%	4%	13%	39%	3%	273
College educ men	44%	9%	1%	9%	33%	4%	215
Working class women	53%	11%	2%	10%	21%	2%	258
College educ women	62%	8%	5%	12%	12%	1%	230
Gun Ownership							
Gun owner in household	38%	9%	3%	12%	36%	3%	401
No gun owner in household	62%	8%	3%	10%	14%	3%	497
Region							
Northeast	58%	7%	4%	10%	16%	5%	181
Midwest	51%	11%	2%	10%	25%	1%	218
South	40%	10%	3%	13%	31%	3%	367
West	50%	7%	3%	11%	28%	2%	228

“Please tell me if you would favor or oppose the following proposals made as ways to control gun violence. Banning ammunition clips that can hold more than 10 bullets.”

	<u>Strongly Favor</u> 42%	<u>Somewhat Favor</u> 11%	<u>Neither</u> 3%	<u>Somewhat Oppose</u> 10%	<u>Strongly Oppose</u> 31%	<u>Don't Know</u> 3%	<u>(N)</u> 999
NATIONWIDE							
Party Identification							
Democrat	64%	12%	3%	6%	15%	1%	422
Independent	33%	9%	5%	17%	35%	0%	146
Republican	21%	11%	4%	12%	48%	3%	360
Age							
18 to 34	23%	19%	3%	17%	37%	1%	201
35 to 49	37%	7%	3%	12%	39%	2%	175
50 to 64	49%	8%	3%	8%	30%	1%	295
65 and over	52%	11%	4%	7%	21%	6%	280
Sex							
Male	37%	9%	3%	10%	39%	2%	498
Female	47%	13%	3%	11%	22%	3%	501
Education							
High school or less	41%	10%	2%	9%	35%	2%	291
Some college	39%	15%	3%	12%	28%	3%	241
College graduate	39%	8%	5%	13%	33%	2%	258
Post graduate	52%	12%	3%	6%	26%	2%	190
Sex/Education							
Working class men	36%	9%	4%	10%	41%	1%	272
College educ men	40%	9%	3%	9%	38%	1%	217
Working class women	45%	16%	2%	11%	23%	4%	261
College educ women	48%	11%	5%	11%	23%	3%	231
Gun Ownership							
Gun owner in household	31%	13%	5%	12%	38%	2%	402
No gun owner in household	56%	10%	2%	10%	19%	3%	499
Region							
Northeast	52%	10%	2%	8%	23%	5%	183
Midwest	48%	12%	5%	10%	24%	2%	216
South	33%	11%	4%	11%	39%	1%	369
West	44%	10%	2%	10%	30%	4%	230

“Please tell me if you would favor or oppose the following proposals made as ways to control gun violence. A law which would require background checks before people -- including gun dealers -- could buy guns at gun shows.”

NATIONWIDE	<u>Strongly Favor</u> 69%	<u>Somewhat Favor</u> 15%	<u>Neither</u> 2%	<u>Somewhat Oppose</u> 5%	<u>Strongly Oppose</u> 9%	<u>Don't Know</u> 1%	<u>(N)</u> 998
Party Identification							
Democrat	84%	8%	1%	2%	5%	1%	422
Independent	68%	12%	4%	6%	8%	1%	146
Republican	50%	25%	2%	7%	14%	1%	359
Age							
18 to 34	62%	23%	1%	10%	5%	0%	201
35 to 49	67%	16%	3%	4%	9%	1%	176
50 to 64	73%	12%	1%	3%	9%	2%	293
65 and over	69%	13%	1%	3%	12%	3%	281
Sex							
Male	64%	17%	1%	5%	11%	1%	497
Female	73%	13%	2%	4%	6%	1%	501
Education							
High school or less	63%	14%	2%	8%	12%	2%	292
Some college	70%	17%	0%	3%	6%	3%	242
College graduate	70%	16%	3%	2%	8%	1%	257
Post graduate	73%	12%	0%	6%	8%	0%	190
Sex/Education							
Working class men	61%	18%	1%	7%	11%	2%	272
College educ men	67%	16%	2%	2%	12%	1%	217
Working class women	71%	13%	2%	4%	8%	2%	262
College educ women	75%	13%	1%	5%	5%	0%	230
Gun Ownership							
Gun owner in household	65%	16%	1%	6%	10%	2%	403
No gun owner in household	77%	12%	1%	2%	6%	1%	499
Region							
Northeast	73%	14%	1%	7%	4%	2%	183
Midwest	74%	17%	1%	3%	5%	0%	216
South	62%	15%	3%	6%	13%	2%	369
West	71%	13%	1%	3%	10%	2%	230

“Please tell me if you would favor or oppose the following proposals made as ways to control gun violence. A law to prevent people with mental illness from purchasing guns.”

	<u>Strongly Favor</u> 67%	<u>Somewhat Favor</u> 11%	<u>Neither</u> 3%	<u>Somewhat Oppose</u> 5%	<u>Strongly Oppose</u> 9%	<u>Don't Know</u> 4%	<u>(N)</u> 995
NATIONWIDE							
Party Identification							
Democrat	77%	7%	2%	3%	7%	4%	422
Independent	63%	14%	6%	7%	9%	1%	145
Republican	58%	16%	3%	6%	12%	6%	360
Age							
18 to 34	55%	17%	4%	4%	12%	8%	201
35 to 49	67%	10%	6%	7%	7%	2%	175
50 to 64	67%	9%	3%	6%	10%	4%	293
65 and over	74%	11%	1%	2%	8%	4%	280
Sex							
Male	66%	11%	3%	4%	10%	5%	494
Female	68%	11%	3%	5%	8%	4%	502
Education							
High school or less	63%	8%	4%	5%	15%	4%	292
Some college	68%	14%	4%	4%	6%	5%	240
College graduate	67%	10%	4%	6%	7%	5%	257
Post graduate	70%	14%	2%	4%	6%	4%	190
Sex/Education							
Working class men	60%	11%	4%	6%	12%	6%	271
College educ men	73%	12%	2%	2%	6%	4%	215
Working class women	71%	11%	3%	3%	10%	2%	261
College educ women	64%	12%	4%	8%	7%	5%	232
Gun Ownership							
Gun owner in household	63%	13%	6%	5%	7%	5%	401
No gun owner in household	71%	10%	2%	3%	11%	4%	498
Region							
Northeast	66%	10%	3%	6%	10%	5%	182
Midwest	69%	15%	2%	3%	7%	4%	217
South	67%	11%	4%	5%	9%	4%	369
West	68%	8%	3%	6%	10%	5%	228

“Please tell me if you would favor or oppose the following proposals made as ways to control gun violence. Creating a federal government database to track all gun sales.”

NATIONWIDE	<u>Strongly Favor</u> 44%	<u>Somewhat Favor</u> 15%	<u>Neither</u> 2%	<u>Somewhat Oppose</u> 9%	<u>Strongly Oppose</u> 27%	<u>Don't Know</u> 3%	<u>(N)</u> 998
Party Identification							
Democrat	66%	15%	1%	7%	8%	2%	421
Independent	33%	18%	4%	8%	34%	3%	146
Republican	23%	13%	3%	13%	47%	2%	362
Age							
18 to 34	45%	16%	0%	10%	27%	3%	201
35 to 49	43%	17%	4%	9%	26%	1%	177
50 to 64	46%	15%	2%	9%	27%	1%	295
65 and over	42%	13%	3%	9%	28%	5%	277
Sex							
Male	38%	14%	3%	9%	35%	2%	498
Female	51%	15%	2%	9%	19%	3%	500
Education							
High school or less	43%	14%	2%	8%	30%	4%	290
Some college	47%	14%	3%	8%	26%	1%	240
College graduate	42%	15%	3%	9%	28%	3%	259
Post graduate	45%	17%	2%	11%	24%	1%	190
Sex/Education							
Working class men	41%	13%	3%	8%	34%	1%	272
College educ men	34%	15%	3%	10%	36%	2%	217
Working class women	49%	15%	2%	8%	22%	4%	259
College educ women	52%	17%	2%	10%	18%	2%	233
Gun Ownership							
Gun owner in household	35%	15%	3%	11%	33%	3%	402
No gun owner in household	58%	15%	2%	8%	15%	3%	498
Region							
Northeast	55%	14%	1%	8%	18%	4%	183
Midwest	42%	16%	2%	11%	26%	4%	215
South	43%	13%	2%	8%	31%	3%	370
West	41%	18%	3%	8%	29%	0%	230

“Do you think shootings, like the one that took place at Sandy Hook Elementary School in Newtown, Connecticut reflect broader problems in American society, or are things like this just the isolated acts of troubled individuals?”

NATIONWIDE	<u>Broader Problems</u> 43%	<u>Isolated Acts</u> 43%	<u>Both</u> 10%	<u>Don't Know</u> 5%	<u>(N)</u> 995
Party Identification					
Democrat	52%	33%	10%	5%	417
Independent	50%	38%	7%	4%	145
Republican	31%	56%	9%	4%	362
Age					
18 to 34	37%	42%	15%	7%	201
35 to 49	44%	48%	6%	2%	176
50 to 64	42%	46%	9%	3%	291
65 and over	46%	39%	9%	7%	279
Sex					
Male	39%	47%	9%	5%	494
Female	46%	38%	11%	4%	500
Education					
High school or less	42%	45%	6%	7%	292
Some college	45%	40%	10%	5%	241
College graduate	43%	43%	12%	2%	257
Post graduate	42%	44%	13%	2%	187
Sex/Education					
Working class men	40%	46%	7%	7%	271
College educ men	40%	48%	11%	1%	214
Working class women	47%	39%	8%	6%	262
College educ women	45%	39%	13%	3%	230
Gun Ownership					
Gun owner in household	37%	51%	8%	4%	401
No gun owner in household	49%	35%	11%	5%	495
Region					
Northeast	42%	36%	11%	12%	180
Midwest	41%	49%	7%	4%	218
South	43%	44%	10%	3%	368
West	45%	41%	11%	3%	229

“Thinking about the elementary school shootings in Newtown, Connecticut, last month -- would you say this incident has made you more likely to support some forms of gun control, less likely to support some forms of gun control, or made no difference in your opinion on gun control?”

	<u>Much More Likely</u> 33%	<u>Somewhat More Likely</u> 11%	<u>Somewhat Less Likely</u> 3%	<u>Much Less Likely</u> 7%	<u>No Difference</u> 44%	<u>Don't Know</u> 2%	<u>(N)</u> 994
NATIONWIDE							
Party Identification							
Democrat	51%	14%	1%	1%	32%	1%	421
Independent	21%	10%	7%	9%	52%	1%	146
Republican	15%	10%	5%	14%	54%	2%	356
Age							
18 to 34	24%	14%	5%	9%	47%	3%	199
35 to 49	30%	11%	4%	11%	43%	1%	177
50 to 64	35%	10%	4%	5%	43%	3%	293
65 and over	38%	10%	2%	5%	42%	3%	279
Sex							
Male	26%	10%	3%	10%	48%	3%	493
Female	39%	13%	4%	4%	39%	1%	502
Education							
High school or less	35%	11%	5%	12%	32%	5%	287
Some college	28%	13%	3%	4%	52%	1%	241
College graduate	30%	11%	2%	7%	48%	2%	259
Post graduate	35%	10%	2%	5%	48%	0%	190
Sex/Education							
Working class men	26%	10%	4%	13%	42%	5%	267
College educ men	25%	9%	2%	7%	56%	1%	216
Working class women	38%	13%	4%	4%	40%	1%	261
College educ women	39%	12%	3%	5%	40%	1%	233
Gun Ownership							
Gun owner in household	20%	14%	5%	8%	50%	3%	396
No gun owner in household	47%	10%	2%	3%	38%	2%	500
Region							
Northeast	44%	9%	2%	3%	37%	5%	181
Midwest	37%	10%	3%	6%	43%	0%	217
South	27%	10%	4%	12%	45%	2%	367
West	29%	15%	2%	4%	47%	2%	229

“How worried are you, if at all, that a mass shooting could happen in a school in your community? Is that something that worries you a great deal, somewhat, not so much or not at all?”

NATIONWIDE	<u>A Great Deal</u> 22%	<u>Somewhat</u> 34%	<u>Not So Much</u> 26%	<u>Not At All</u> 16%	<u>Don't Know</u> 1%	<u>(N)</u> 1002
Party Identification						
Democrat	29%	35%	22%	12%	2%	422
Independent	17%	32%	30%	20%	0%	146
Republican	16%	37%	27%	18%	1%	362
Age						
18 to 34	27%	33%	29%	11%	0%	201
35 to 49	23%	31%	27%	20%	0%	177
50 to 64	17%	40%	26%	16%	1%	295
65 and over	23%	33%	22%	19%	3%	281
Sex						
Male	18%	32%	29%	20%	1%	499
Female	26%	37%	23%	13%	2%	502
Education						
High school or less	32%	30%	19%	17%	2%	292
Some college	18%	40%	28%	13%	1%	242
College graduate	17%	35%	28%	19%	1%	259
Post graduate	15%	34%	32%	17%	1%	190
Sex/Education						
Working class men	25%	31%	24%	19%	1%	273
College educ men	9%	34%	34%	22%	1%	217
Working class women	27%	38%	21%	11%	2%	261
College educ women	23%	35%	26%	15%	1%	233
Gun Ownership						
Gun owner in household	15%	37%	29%	19%	1%	403
No gun owner in household	29%	32%	24%	13%	2%	500
Region						
Northeast	26%	32%	28%	12%	2%	183
Midwest	16%	39%	25%	19%	1%	217
South	23%	30%	29%	17%	2%	371
West	24%	38%	21%	16%	0%	230

“Which of these do you think would do more to reduce gun violence in schools: having stricter gun control laws or armed guards in schools?”

	<u>Stricter Gun Laws</u> 42%	<u>Armed Guards In Schools</u> 43%	<u>Neither</u> 11%	<u>Don't Know</u> 4%	<u>(N)</u> 996
NATIONWIDE					
Party Identification					
Democrat	66%	23%	6%	5%	416
Independent	36%	46%	15%	3%	146
Republican	17%	66%	14%	3%	362
Age					
18 to 34	43%	48%	9%	1%	201
35 to 49	33%	48%	15%	4%	173
50 to 64	43%	43%	9%	4%	294
65 and over	44%	37%	13%	5%	280
Sex					
Male	36%	50%	11%	2%	496
Female	47%	36%	11%	5%	499
Education					
High school or less	38%	50%	9%	4%	292
Some college	45%	44%	8%	3%	242
College graduate	39%	42%	17%	3%	254
Post graduate	48%	34%	13%	5%	190
Sex/Education					
Working class men	34%	56%	9%	1%	273
College educ men	38%	43%	15%	4%	215
Working class women	48%	38%	8%	6%	262
College educ women	47%	34%	15%	4%	229
Gun Ownership					
Gun owner in household	28%	52%	15%	4%	399
No gun owner in household	58%	30%	8%	4%	498
Region					
Northeast	56%	32%	10%	3%	183
Midwest	44%	39%	13%	4%	217
South	31%	53%	12%	4%	365
West	46%	40%	11%	3%	230

"Next, do you think each of the following would be very effective, somewhat effective, not very effective or not effective at all in preventing mass shootings at schools, like the one that occurred in Newtown, Connecticut? How about ... Increasing the police presence at schools."

	<u>Very Effective</u> 39%	<u>Somewhat Effective</u> 40%	<u>Not Very Effective</u> 11%	<u>Not Effective At All</u> 7%	<u>Don't Know</u> 2%	<u>(N)</u> 1000
NATIONWIDE						
Party Identification						
Democrat	33%	44%	15%	7%	2%	422
Independent	39%	37%	10%	11%	2%	146
Republican	49%	36%	8%	6%	1%	361
Age						
18 to 34	44%	40%	13%	2%	1%	201
35 to 49	49%	34%	11%	6%	0%	177
50 to 64	36%	44%	12%	5%	2%	295
65 and over	35%	39%	9%	12%	4%	280
Sex						
Male	43%	37%	11%	8%	1%	498
Female	35%	43%	11%	6%	4%	502
Education						
High school or less	46%	34%	9%	7%	4%	290
Some college	44%	34%	14%	5%	3%	242
College graduate	36%	46%	10%	7%	2%	259
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Sex/Education						
Working class men	50%	30%	12%	8%	1%	272
College educ men	35%	46%	10%	9%	0%	217
Working class women	41%	38%	11%	5%	5%	261
College educ women	28%	49%	12%	8%	3%	233
Gun Ownership						
Gun owner in household	44%	39%	8%	8%	2%	401
No gun owner in household	35%	42%	14%	7%	3%	500
Region						
Northeast	27%	50%	12%	9%	3%	183
Midwest	39%	38%	13%	8%	3%	218
South	48%	36%	9%	5%	2%	370
West	35%	40%	13%	9%	2%	230

“Next, do you think each of the following would be very effective, somewhat effective, not very effective or not effective at all in preventing mass shootings at schools, like the one that occurred in Newtown, Connecticut? How about ... Increased government spending on mental health screening and treatment.”

	<u>Very Effective</u> 42%	<u>Somewhat Effective</u> 34%	<u>Not Very Effective</u> 10%	<u>Not Effective At All</u> 11%	<u>Don't Know</u> 3%	<u>(N)</u> 998
NATIONWIDE						
Party Identification						
Democrat	54%	35%	4%	5%	1%	422
Independent	43%	25%	14%	17%	2%	146
Republican	31%	35%	14%	17%	3%	361
Age						
18 to 34	37%	36%	10%	16%	1%	201
35 to 49	38%	35%	12%	13%	2%	176
50 to 64	42%	37%	10%	8%	3%	294
65 and over	50%	30%	8%	9%	4%	280
Sex						
Male	38%	33%	13%	13%	3%	496
Female	47%	35%	7%	9%	2%	502
Education						
High school or less	40%	35%	9%	13%	3%	291
Some college	46%	32%	10%	9%	3%	240
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Sex/Education						
Working class men	41%	33%	12%	13%	2%	271
College educ men	33%	35%	15%	13%	4%	217
Working class women	45%	34%	8%	10%	4%	261
College educ women	48%	36%	5%	9%	1%	233
Gun Ownership						
Gun owner in household	39%	35%	13%	11%	2%	401
No gun owner in household	48%	33%	7%	9%	3%	499
Region						
Northeast	45%	39%	7%	7%	2%	182
Midwest	41%	33%	10%	12%	4%	218
South	37%	34%	12%	15%	2%	369
West	50%	31%	9%	7%	3%	230

“Next, do you think each of the following would be very effective, somewhat effective, not very effective or not effective at all in preventing mass shootings at schools, like the one that occurred in Newtown, Connecticut? How about ... Decreasing the depiction of gun violence on television and in movies.”

	<u>Very Effective</u> 35%	<u>Somewhat Effective</u> 34%	<u>Not Very Effective</u> 14%	<u>Not Effective At All</u> 15%	<u>Don't Know</u> 2%	<u>(N)</u> 1000
NATIONWIDE						
Party Identification						
Democrat	33%	36%	16%	13%	2%	422
Independent	36%	29%	11%	22%	1%	146
Republican	37%	34%	13%	15%	1%	361
Age						
18 to 34	15%	39%	21%	24%	0%	201
35 to 49	30%	33%	17%	19%	1%	177
50 to 64	34%	36%	13%	16%	1%	294
65 and over	51%	28%	10%	7%	4%	280
Sex						
Male	29%	32%	17%	21%	1%	497
Female	41%	35%	12%	9%	3%	502
Education						
High school or less	37%	27%	12%	22%	2%	291
Some college	32%	39%	16%	12%	1%	242
College graduate	33%	34%	19%	13%	1%	259
Post graduate	37%	38%	10%	15%	1%	190
Sex/Education						
Working class men	29%	31%	14%	25%	1%	271
College educ men	27%	34%	21%	17%	1%	217
Working class women	40%	34%	14%	9%	3%	262
College educ women	42%	38%	9%	10%	0%	232
Gun Ownership						
Gun owner in household	34%	31%	15%	19%	1%	401
No gun owner in household	35%	35%	15%	12%	3%	500
Region						
Northeast	31%	41%	13%	14%	1%	183
Midwest	38%	34%	15%	12%	1%	217
South	35%	31%	14%	17%	2%	369
West	35%	32%	14%	16%	3%	230

“Next, do you think each of the following would be very effective, somewhat effective, not very effective or not effective at all in preventing mass shootings at schools, like the one that occurred in Newtown, Connecticut? How about ... Stricter gun control legislation.”

	<u>Very Effective</u> 35%	<u>Somewhat Effective</u> 25%	<u>Not Very Effective</u> 11%	<u>Not Effective At All</u> 26%	<u>Don't Know</u> 3%	<u>(N)</u> 1000
NATIONWIDE						
Party Identification						
Democrat	58%	29%	4%	7%	2%	422
Independent	27%	24%	15%	31%	3%	146
Republican	11%	20%	17%	48%	3%	361
Age						
18 to 34	34%	25%	12%	25%	4%	201
35 to 49	28%	24%	13%	34%	2%	176
50 to 64	36%	25%	11%	27%	1%	294
65 and over	37%	26%	11%	23%	3%	280
Sex						
Male	29%	25%	12%	32%	2%	498
Female	41%	24%	11%	21%	3%	503
Education						
High school or less	35%	23%	11%	28%	3%	290
Some college	36%	22%	13%	26%	3%	242
College graduate	33%	24%	10%	30%	3%	259
Post graduate	35%	33%	11%	21%	1%	190
Sex/Education						
Working class men	31%	23%	12%	32%	3%	271
College educ men	25%	28%	12%	34%	1%	217
Working class women	39%	22%	12%	22%	4%	261
College educ women	41%	27%	9%	20%	3%	233
Gun Ownership						
Gun owner in household	21%	26%	16%	35%	3%	402
No gun owner in household	51%	26%	7%	13%	3%	499
Region						
Northeast	46%	26%	10%	14%	4%	183
Midwest	37%	25%	10%	26%	3%	217
South	27%	24%	15%	31%	2%	369
West	36%	24%	7%	29%	3%	230

“Next, do you think each of the following would be very effective, somewhat effective, not very effective or not effective at all in preventing mass shootings at schools, like the one that occurred in Newtown, Connecticut? How about ... Decreasing the depiction of gun violence in video games.”

	<u>Very Effective</u> 43%	<u>Somewhat Effective</u> 28%	<u>Not Very Effective</u> 12%	<u>Not Effective At All</u> 15%	<u>Don't Know</u> 2%	<u>(N)</u> 999
NATIONWIDE						
Party Identification						
Democrat	44%	29%	13%	12%	2%	422
Independent	40%	26%	9%	22%	2%	146
Republican	45%	27%	12%	15%	1%	359
Age						
18 to 34	22%	30%	16%	31%	1%	200
35 to 49	34%	31%	14%	19%	2%	177
50 to 64	46%	28%	14%	11%	1%	294
65 and over	59%	25%	8%	5%	2%	280
Sex						
Male	36%	29%	13%	20%	2%	496
Female	51%	27%	11%	10%	1%	502
Education						
High school or less	44%	25%	12%	17%	2%	291
Some college	44%	23%	15%	15%	4%	242
College graduate	44%	31%	11%	13%	1%	257
Post graduate	40%	34%	10%	15%	1%	190
Sex/Education						
Working class men	38%	25%	13%	22%	3%	272
College educ men	34%	34%	14%	18%	1%	215
Working class women	51%	24%	14%	10%	2%	262
College educ women	51%	31%	8%	10%	1%	232
Gun Ownership						
Gun owner in household	41%	28%	14%	16%	2%	401
No gun owner in household	46%	28%	11%	13%	2%	500
Region						
Northeast	38%	37%	8%	16%	1%	183
Midwest	44%	27%	12%	14%	3%	217
South	45%	22%	15%	17%	1%	368
West	45%	31%	11%	11%	3%	230

“Next, do you think each of the following would be very effective, somewhat effective, not very effective or not effective at all in preventing mass shootings at schools, like the one that occurred in Newtown, Connecticut? How about ... More teachers and school officials having guns in schools.”

	<u>Very Effective</u> 19%	<u>Somewhat Effective</u> 20%	<u>Not Very Effective</u> 17%	<u>Not Effective At All</u> 41%	<u>Don't Know</u> 2%	<u>(N)</u> 997
NATIONWIDE						
Party Identification						
Democrat	10%	12%	22%	53%	3%	419
Independent	20%	21%	18%	39%	2%	146
Republican	31%	30%	12%	26%	2%	361
Age						
18 to 34	25%	25%	15%	35%	1%	201
35 to 49	24%	22%	12%	39%	2%	177
50 to 64	18%	21%	16%	42%	2%	294
65 and over	14%	16%	23%	43%	4%	278
Sex						
Male	24%	20%	16%	38%	2%	495
Female	15%	21%	18%	43%	3%	502
Education						
High school or less	24%	21%	15%	36%	4%	290
Some college	20%	19%	17%	41%	2%	241
College graduate	20%	24%	19%	36%	1%	259
Post graduate	11%	16%	18%	53%	1%	189
Sex/Education						
Working class men	28%	21%	14%	34%	3%	270
College educ men	19%	19%	20%	42%	1%	215
Working class women	16%	20%	18%	42%	3%	261
College educ women	14%	22%	18%	45%	1%	233
Gun Ownership						
Gun owner in household	26%	24%	16%	31%	2%	400
No gun owner in household	10%	16%	19%	53%	3%	498
Region						
Northeast	12%	10%	20%	55%	3%	181
Midwest	16%	23%	22%	37%	2%	217
South	25%	26%	12%	35%	2%	369
West	20%	18%	19%	41%	2%	230

“Next, do you think each of the following would be very effective, somewhat effective, not very effective or not effective at all in preventing mass shootings at schools, like the one that occurred in Newtown, Connecticut? How about ... Making physical changes, like adding bullet proof glass, to school buildings.”

	<u>Very Effective</u> 22%	<u>Somewhat Effective</u> 32%	<u>Not Very Effective</u> 20%	<u>Not Effective At All</u> 24%	<u>Don't Know</u> 3%	<u>(N)</u> 999
NATIONWIDE						
Party Identification						
Democrat	26%	34%	17%	20%	3%	421
Independent	16%	37%	15%	30%	2%	146
Republican	19%	30%	24%	25%	3%	361
Age						
18 to 34	27%	28%	17%	25%	3%	201
35 to 49	19%	35%	19%	24%	2%	177
50 to 64	23%	34%	21%	19%	3%	293
65 and over	20%	29%	20%	27%	4%	280
Sex						
Male	15%	31%	21%	31%	2%	497
Female	28%	33%	18%	17%	4%	502
Education						
High school or less	31%	25%	14%	26%	3%	291
Some college	22%	29%	23%	24%	2%	242
College graduate	15%	39%	22%	21%	3%	259
Post graduate	14%	36%	21%	26%	3%	189
Sex/Education						
Working class men	20%	29%	17%	32%	2%	273
College educ men	9%	32%	27%	30%	2%	216
Working class women	34%	25%	20%	18%	3%	261
College educ women	19%	43%	17%	16%	5%	233
Gun Ownership						
Gun owner in household	21%	31%	20%	26%	2%	402
No gun owner in household	24%	34%	17%	21%	4%	499
Region						
Northeast	20%	37%	19%	19%	5%	182
Midwest	23%	29%	20%	23%	5%	216
South	21%	32%	20%	25%	2%	371
West	21%	31%	20%	26%	2%	230

“Next, do you think each of the following would be very effective, somewhat effective, not very effective or not effective at all in preventing mass shootings at schools, like the one that occurred in Newtown, Connecticut? How about ... Restricting public access to school buildings during the school day.”

	<u>Very Effective</u> 46%	<u>Somewhat Effective</u> 36%	<u>Not Very Effective</u> 7%	<u>Not Effective At All</u> 9%	<u>Don't Know</u> 2%	<u>(N)</u> 996
NATIONWIDE						
Party Identification						
Democrat	47%	35%	7%	9%	3%	422
Independent	47%	35%	7%	10%	1%	146
Republican	45%	38%	7%	8%	2%	356
Age						
18 to 34	41%	38%	7%	11%	3%	198
35 to 49	40%	42%	9%	7%	2%	177
50 to 64	47%	36%	7%	7%	3%	295
65 and over	51%	32%	6%	9%	1%	279
Sex						
Male	43%	35%	9%	11%	3%	495
Female	48%	37%	6%	7%	2%	501
Education						
High school or less	49%	29%	7%	12%	3%	291
Some college	46%	37%	4%	10%	3%	239
College graduate	46%	40%	7%	4%	2%	259
Post graduate	37%	42%	11%	8%	2%	190
Sex/Education						
Working class men	45%	32%	7%	12%	4%	269
College educ men	41%	40%	11%	6%	1%	217
Working class women	51%	33%	5%	9%	2%	260
College educ women	44%	42%	7%	5%	3%	232
Gun Ownership						
Gun owner in household	48%	36%	7%	7%	2%	401
No gun owner in household	43%	38%	7%	9%	3%	500
Region						
Northeast	38%	41%	8%	10%	2%	183
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South	48%	35%	6%	10%	1%	368
West	44%	34%	8%	9%	4%	229

The Sample

Connecticut (n=511)

National (n=1,002)

Party Identification

Democrat	66%	45%
Independent	15	16
Republican	20	39

Education

High school or less	26%	30%
Some college	18	25
College graduate	33	26
Post graduate degree	23	19

Political Ideology

Liberal	23%	21%
Moderate	46	39
Conservative	32	40

Gun Ownership

Yes	27%	44%
No	72	54

Age

18 to 34 years old	23%	21%
35 to 49 years old	26	19
50 to 64 years old	30	31
65 years and over	21	30

Family Income

Less than \$30K	14%	24%
\$30K to less than \$60K	18	26
\$60K to less than \$75K	10	13
\$75K to less than \$100K	17	12
\$100K or more	41	25

Race

White	77%	72%
African-American	10	13
Hispanic	8	8
Other	6	7

Sex

Male	48%	50%
Female	52	50

Region-Conn.

Western Conn.	20%
Hartford County	29
Central/Coast	33
Eastern Conn.	18

Region-National

Northeast	18%
Midwest	22
South	37
West	23