

**2024 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
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DISPLAY TO ALL:

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ASK ALL:

COMATTACH In general, how attached do you feel to your local community?

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|---|------------|
| 1 | Very |
| 2 | Somewhat |
| 3 | Not very |
| 4 | Not at all |

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ASK ALL:

COMMDIV When it comes to racial and ethnic diversity, would you describe the community where you live as...

- | | |
|---|--------------------|
| 1 | Very diverse |
| 2 | Somewhat diverse |
| 3 | Not too diverse |
| 4 | Not at all diverse |

¹ Open-end responses are excluded from public datasets to protect the confidentiality of ATP panelists.

When it comes to racial and ethnic diversity, would you describe the community where you live as...

- ☐ Very diverse
- ☐ Somewhat diverse
- ☐ Not too diverse
- ☐ Not at all diverse

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ASK ALL:

NEWS_LEVEL How closely do you follow...

- a. International news
- b. National news
- c. Local news
- d. News about your neighborhood

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Very closely
 - 2 Somewhat closely
 - 3 Not very closely
 - 4 Not at all closely
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How closely do you follow...

International news

☐ Very closely

☐ Somewhat closely

☐ Not very closely

☐ Not at all closely

National news

☐ Very closely

☐ Somewhat closely

☐ Not very closely

☐ Not at all closely

Local news

☐ Very closely

☐ Somewhat closely

☐ Not very closely

☐ Not at all closely

News about your neighborhood

☐ Very closely

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ASK ALL:

LOCIMPORT

How important, if at all, do you think local news outlets are to the well-being of your local community? **[ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1]**

- 1 Extremely important
- 2 Very important
- 3 Somewhat important
- 4 Not too important
- 5 Not at all important

How important, if at all, do you think local news outlets are to the well-being of your local community?

- ☐ Not at all important
- ☐ Not too important
- ☐ Somewhat important
- ☐ Very important
- ☐ Extremely important

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**ASK ALL:
PROVIDER**

How often do you get local news and information from each of the following types of sources, regardless of whether you access them digitally? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS ACROSS TWO SCREENS, WITH ITEM C ALWAYS AFTER ITEM B ALWAYS ON THE SAME PAGE, ITEM I ALWAYS LAST; ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-4 OR 4-1]**

- a. Local TV news station
- b. Local daily newspaper
- c. Other community or specialized newspaper (beyond the daily newspaper)
- d. Local radio station
- e. Community or neighborhood newsletter or Listserv
- f. Local government agencies or officials, such as city council offices or libraries
- g. Local organizations, such as churches, school groups or political groups
- h. Local online forums or discussion groups, such as community Facebook groups or Nextdoor
- i. A news source that publishes online ONLY, and is not included in any of the previous categories **[ANCHOR]**

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Hardly ever
- 4 Never

How often do you get local news and information from each of the following types of sources, regardless of whether you access them digitally?

Local TV news station

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Hardly ever
- ☐ Never

Local online forums or discussion groups, such as community Facebook groups or Nextdoor

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Hardly ever
- ☐ Never

Local daily newspaper

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Hardly ever
- ☐ Never

Other community or specialized newspaper (beyond the daily newspaper)

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Hardly ever
- ☐ Never

Local organizations, such as churches, school groups or political groups

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Hardly ever
- ☐ Never

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How often do you get local news and information from each of the following types of sources, regardless of whether you access them digitally?

Local radio station

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Hardly ever
- ☐ Never

Local government agencies or officials, such as city council offices or libraries

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Hardly ever
- ☐ Never

Community or neighborhood newsletter or Listserv

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Hardly ever
- ☐ Never

A news source that publishes online ONLY, and is not included in any of the previous categories

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
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- ☐ Never

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ASK THOSE WHO GOT NEWS FROM AN ONLINE-ONLY SOURCE (PROVIDER_i=1-3):

PROVIDER_OE You said in the previous question that you got news from a news source that publishes online only. What source(s) were you thinking of?

[PROGRAMMING NOTE: OPEN END TEXT BOX]

You said in the previous question that you got news from a news source that publishes online only. What source(s) were you thinking of?

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ASK ALL:

PROV_PEOPLE1

How often do you get local news and information from other local residents, such as family, friends and neighbors?

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Hardly ever
- 4 Never

How often do you get local news and information from other local residents, such as family, friends and neighbors?

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Hardly ever
- ☐ Never

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PROV_PEOPLE2

When you get local news and information from other local residents, how do you primarily get that news?

- 1 By word of mouth, either in person or on the phone
- 2 By text or email
- 3 Through social media

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- ☐ By word of mouth, either in person or on the phone
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- ☐ Through social media

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ASK IF GETS NEWS FROM LOCAL TV STATION OR NEWSPAPER (PROVIDER_a,b=1-3):

PROV_PLATFORM When you get local news and information from the following types of sources, how do you primarily get that news? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS IN SAME ORDER AS PROVIDER]**

a. **[ASK IF PROVIDERa=1-3]** Local TV news station

- 1 The station on TV
- 2 The station's website, app or email
- 3 The station's social media posts

b. **[ASK IF PROVIDERb=1-3]** Local daily newspaper

- 1 The newspaper's print version
- 2 The newspaper's website, app or email
- 3 The newspaper's social media posts

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Local TV news station

☐ The station on TV

☐ The station's website, app or email

☐ The station's social media posts

Local daily newspaper

☐ The newspaper's print version

☐ The newspaper's website, app or email

☐ The newspaper's social media posts

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ASK ALL:

LOCAL_PREFER Which of the following would you say you prefer for getting local news and information? **[RANDOMIZE]**

- 1 A print newspaper
- 2 Radio
- 3 Television
- 4 **[IF FORM 1 (XFORM=1):** A social media site (such as Facebook, TikTok, or YouTube); **IF FORM 2 (XFORM=2):** A social media site (such as Facebook or TikTok)]
- 5 A news website or app

Which of the following would you say you prefer for getting local news and information?

☐ A social media site (such as Facebook, TikTok, or YouTube)
☐ A news website or app
☐ Television
☐ Radio
☐ A print newspaper

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☐ A news website or app
☐ A social media site (such as Facebook or TikTok)
☐ Radio
☐ Television

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ASK ALL:**TOPICUSE**

Now thinking about local news topics, how often do you get news and information about each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS ACROSS 2 SCREENS; ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS PROVIDER]**

- a. Local crime
- b. Local government and politics
- c. Local weather
- d. Local arts and culture, such as concerts and community activities
- e. Local traffic and transportation
- f. Local sports
- g. Local economy, such as businesses, jobs and unemployment
- h. Local schools, school events and students

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely
- 4 Never

Now thinking about local news topics, how often do you get news and information about each of the following?

Local economy, such as businesses, jobs and unemployment

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Local schools, school events and students

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Local crime

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Local weather

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

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Now thinking about local news topics, how often do you get news and information about each of the following?

Local sports

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Local traffic and transportation

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Local government and politics

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Local arts and culture, such as concerts and community activities

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

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ASK IF GET LOCAL NEWS ABOUT ANY TOPIC IN TOPICUSE (TOPICUSE_a-h=1-3):

TOPICSAT And how satisfied are you with the quality of the news you get about ... **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS ACROSS TWO SCREENS IF RESPONDENT GETS MORE THAN 6 ITEMS; RANDOMIZE ITEMS IN SAME ORDER AS TOPICUSE; ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS LOCIMPORT]**

- a. **[ASK IF TOPICUSE_a=1-3]** Local crime
- b. **[ASK IF TOPICUSE_b=1-3]** Local government and politics
- c. **[ASK IF TOPICUSE_c=1-3]** Local weather
- d. **[ASK IF TOPICUSE_d=1-3]** Local arts and culture, such as concerts and community activities
- e. **[ASK IF TOPICUSE_e=1-3]** Local traffic and transportation
- f. **[ASK IF TOPICUSE_f=1-3]** Local sports
- g. **[ASK IF TOPICUSE_g=1-3]** Local economy, such as businesses, jobs and unemployment
- h. **[ASK IF TOPICUSE_h=1-3]** Local schools, school events and students

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Extremely satisfied
 - 2 Very satisfied
 - 3 Somewhat satisfied
 - 4 Not too satisfied
 - 5 Not at all satisfied
-

And how satisfied are you with the quality of the news you get about...

Local economy, such as businesses, jobs and unemployment

- ☐ Not at all satisfied
- ☐ Not too satisfied
- ☐ Somewhat satisfied
- ☐ Very satisfied
- ☐ Extremely satisfied

Local schools, school events and students

- ☐ Not at all satisfied
- ☐ Not too satisfied
- ☐ Somewhat satisfied
- ☐ Very satisfied
- ☐ Extremely satisfied

Local crime

- ☐ Not at all satisfied
- ☐ Not too satisfied
- ☐ Somewhat satisfied
- ☐ Very satisfied
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Local weather

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Local traffic and transportation

- ☐ Not at all satisfied
- ☐ Not too satisfied
- ☐ Somewhat satisfied
- ☐ Very satisfied
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Local government and politics

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ASK ALL:

LOCALOUTLETS

As far as you know, in your local community, is there at least one ...

[RANDOMIZE ITEMS A-E]

- a. Local TV news station
- b. Local newspaper
- c. Local radio station
- d. Local newsletter, blog, or website
- e. Local online forum or discussion group, such as a community Facebook group, Nextdoor group, or Listserv

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Yes, there is
- 2 No, there isn't

[SPACE]

- 3 Not sure
-

As far as you know, in your local community, is there at least one...

Local newsletter, blog, or website

- ☐ Yes, there is
- ☐ No, there isn't
- ☐ Not sure

Local TV news station

- ☐ Yes, there is
- ☐ No, there isn't
- ☐ Not sure

Local newspaper

- ☐ Yes, there is
- ☐ No, there isn't
- ☐ Not sure

Local online forum or discussion group, such as a community Facebook group, Nextdoor group, or Listserv

- ☐ Yes, there is
- ☐ No, there isn't
- ☐ Not sure

Local radio station

- ☐ Yes, there is
- ☐ No, there isn't
- ☐ Not sure

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ASK ALL:

JOBVALUES Would you say your local news media does each of the following well, or not well?
[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

[NO ITEM A]

- b. Keep an eye on local political leaders
- c. Are transparent about their reporting

[NO ITEM D]

- e. Report news accurately

[NO ITEM F-G]

- h. Cover the most important stories and issues

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Well
- 2 Not well

Would you say your local news media does each of the following well, or not well?

Report news accurately

☐ Well

☐ Not well

Cover the most important stories and issues

☐ Well

☐ Not well

Keep an eye on local political leaders

☐ Well

☐ Not well

Are transparent about their reporting

☐ Well

☐ Not well

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ASK ALL:

LOCMED_INTOUCH Overall, would you say that local journalists in your area are mostly in touch or out of touch with your local community?

- 1 In touch
- 2 Out of touch

Overall, would you say that local journalists in your area are mostly in touch or out of touch with your local community?

- ☐ In touch
☐ Out of touch

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ASK ALL:

LOCAL_CHANGE

Which of the following comes closest to your view, even if neither is exactly right? Local journalists should ... **[RANDOMIZE]**

- 1 Advocate for change in the community
- 2 Remain neutral on issues in the community

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ASK ALL:

TALKJOUR

Have you ever spoken with or been interviewed by a local journalist or reporter?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Have you ever spoken with or been interviewed by a local journalist or reporter?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

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ASK ALL:

FINANCE

How well do you think your local news outlets are doing financially?

- 1 Very well
- 2 Somewhat well
- 3 Not too well
- 4 Not at all well

How well do you think your local news outlets are doing financially?

☐ Very well

☐ Somewhat well

☐ Not too well

☐ Not at all well

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ASK ALL:

LOCAL_NEWS_PAY In the past year, have you directly paid or given money to any local news sources by subscribing, donating or becoming a member?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

In the past year, have you directly paid or given money to any local news sources by subscribing, donating or becoming a member?

☐ Yes

☐ No

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ASK IF NO IN LOCAL_NEWS_PAY (LOCAL_NEWS_PAY=2):

LOCAL_NEWS_DONT_PAY What is the main reason you haven't directly paid or given money to any local news sources in the past year? **[RANDOMIZE]**

- 1 I'm not interested enough in local news to pay for it
- 2 I can find plenty of free local news so I don't need to pay
- 3 It's too expensive
- 4 The news provided is not good enough to pay for

What is the main reason you haven't directly paid or given money to any local news sources in the past year?

☐ I'm not interested enough in local news to pay for it

☐ I can find plenty of free local news so I don't need to pay

☐ It's too expensive

☐ The news provided is not good enough to pay for

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ASK ALL:

LOGGOVSOURCE

How often do you get news and information about local government and politics from each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-4 OR 4-1 IN SAME ORDER AS PROVIDER]**

- a. Local news outlets
- b. Local politicians
- c. Friends, family and neighbors
- d. **[ASK IF INTERNET USER (XTABLET=2)]** Social media, such as Facebook, Instagram or X (formerly Twitter)
- e. Local government websites
- f. Local nonprofits, advocacy groups or organizations

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Often
 - 2 Sometimes
 - 3 Rarely
 - 4 Never
-

How often do you get news and information about local government and politics from each of the following?

Local politicians

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Local nonprofits, advocacy groups or organizations

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Local news outlets

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Friends, family and neighbors

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Local government websites

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

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- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Local news outlets

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- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Local politicians

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Local government websites

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Friends, family and neighbors

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Social media, such as Facebook, Instagram or X (formerly Twitter)

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

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RANDOMIZE LOCPOLINT AND NATPOLINT

ASK ALL:

LOCPOLINT When it comes to local news, how interested are you in... **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS LOCIMPORT]**

- a. Local political elections
- b. Local laws and policies

RESPONSE OPTIONS

- 1 Extremely interested
- 2 Very interested
- 3 Somewhat interested
- 4 Not too interested
- 5 Not at all interested

When it comes to local news, how interested are you in...

Local political elections

☐ Not at all interested

☐ Not too interested

☐ Somewhat interested

☐ Very interested

☐ Extremely interested

Local laws and policies

☐ Not at all interested

☐ Not too interested

☐ Somewhat interested

☐ Very interested

☐ Extremely interested

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ASK ALL:

NATPOLINT How interested are you in news about... **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS LOCIMPORT]**

- a. Presidential elections
- b. National laws and policies

RESPONSE OPTIONS

- 1 Extremely interested
- 2 Very interested
- 3 Somewhat interested
- 4 Not too interested
- 5 Not at all interested

How interested are you in news about...

Presidential elections

☐ Not at all interested

☐ Not too interested

☐ Somewhat interested

☐ Very interested

☐ Extremely interested

National laws and policies

☐ Not at all interested

☐ Not too interested

☐ Somewhat interested

☐ Very interested

☐ Extremely interested

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ASK ALL:

ELECTINFFIND How easy or hard is it to find the information you need to make voting decisions in ...
[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1]

- a. Local elections
- b. Presidential elections

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Very easy
- 2 Somewhat easy
- 3 Neither easy nor hard
- 4 Somewhat hard
- 5 Very hard

[SPACE]

- 6 I am not eligible to vote in the U.S

How easy or hard is it to find the information you need to make voting decisions in...

Local elections

☐ Very hard

☐ Somewhat hard

☐ Neither easy nor hard

☐ Somewhat easy

☐ Very easy

☐ I am not eligible to vote in the U.S.

Presidential elections

☐ Very hard

☐ Somewhat hard

☐ Neither easy nor hard

☐ Somewhat easy

☐ Very easy

☐ I am not eligible to vote in the U.S.

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ASK ALL:

CRIMESOURCE How often do you get news and information about local crime from each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS PROVIDER]**

- a. Local news outlets
- b. Local politicians
- c. Friends, family and neighbors
- d. **ASK IF INTERNET USER (XTABLET=2):** Social media, such as Facebook, Instagram or X (formerly Twitter)
- e. Locally focused apps or sites, such as Nextdoor, Ring or Citizen
- f. Local police or law enforcement

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Often
- 2 Sometimes
- 3 Rarely
- 4 Never

How often do you get news and information about local crime from each of the following?

Local news outlets

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Local police or law enforcement

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Local politicians

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Friends, family and neighbors

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Locally focused apps or sites, such as Nextdoor, Ring or Citizen

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

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Local police or law enforcement

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Local news outlets

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Local politicians

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

Friends, family and neighbors

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Social media, such as Facebook, Instagram or X (formerly Twitter)

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- ☐ Sometimes
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- ☐ Never

Locally focused apps or sites, such as Nextdoor, Ring or Citizen

- ☐ Often
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Never

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ASK ALL:

CRIMEFIRST If a crime happened in your local community, where would you go first to learn more about it? **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-7, KEEP 8 LAST]**

- 1 Local news outlets
- 2 Local politicians
- 3 Friends, family and neighbors
- 4 Social media, such as Facebook, Instagram or X (formerly Twitter)
- 5 Locally focused apps or sites, such as Nextdoor, Ring or Citizen
- 6 Local police or law enforcement
- 7 Search engines, such as Google or Bing
- 8 Somewhere else (please specify): **[SINGLE LINE TEXT BOX] [ANCHOR]**

If a crime happened in your local community, where would you go first to learn more about it?

☐ Search engines, such as Google or Bing

☐ Local politicians

☐ Friends, family and neighbors

☐ Locally focused apps or sites, such as Nextdoor, Ring or Citizen

☐ Local police or law enforcement

☐ Social media, such as Facebook, Instagram or X (formerly Twitter)

☐ Local news outlets

☐ Somewhere else (please specify):

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ASK ALL:

CRIMETYPE How often do you see or hear news and information about the following types of crime happening in your local community? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

- a. Violent crime, such as murder, shootings, armed robbery or sexual assault
- b. Property crime, such as theft or vandalism
- c. Drug-related crime, such as sale or possession of illegal drugs
- d. White-collar crime, such as corporate fraud or political corruption

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 About daily
- 2 About weekly
- 3 Once or twice a month
- 4 A few times a year
- 5 Less often
- 6 Never

How often do you see or hear news and information about the following types of crime happening in your local community?

Property crime, such as theft or vandalism

- ☐ About daily
- ☐ About weekly
- ☐ Once or twice a month
- ☐ A few times a year
- ☐ Less often
- ☐ Never

Drug-related crime, such as sale or possession of illegal drugs

- ☐ About daily
- ☐ About weekly
- ☐ Once or twice a month
- ☐ A few times a year
- ☐ Less often
- ☐ Never

White-collar crime, such as corporate fraud or political corruption

- ☐ About daily
- ☐ About weekly
- ☐ Once or twice a month
- ☐ A few times a year
- ☐ Less often
- ☐ Never

Violent crime, such as murder, shootings, armed robbery or sexual assault

- ☐ About daily
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- ☐ A few times a year
- ☐ Less often
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ASK ALL:
CRIMEINT

When it comes to local crime news, how interested are you in ... **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS;
ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS LOCIMPORT]**

- a. Details of the crimes, such as what happened and why
- b. Broader patterns in local crime
- c. What local officials are doing to address crime
- d. Tips about how to stay safe
- e. Underlying causes of local crime

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Extremely interested
 - 2 Very interested
 - 3 Somewhat interested
 - 4 Not too interested
 - 5 Not at all interested
-

When it comes to local crime news, how interested are you in...

Underlying causes of local crime

- ☐ Not at all interested
- ☐ Not too interested
- ☐ Somewhat interested
- ☐ Very interested
- ☐ Extremely interested

What local officials are doing to address crime

- ☐ Not at all interested
- ☐ Not too interested
- ☐ Somewhat interested
- ☐ Very interested
- ☐ Extremely interested

Details of the crimes, such as what happened and why

- ☐ Not at all interested
- ☐ Not too interested
- ☐ Somewhat interested
- ☐ Very interested
- ☐ Extremely interested

Tips about how to stay safe

- ☐ Not at all interested
- ☐ Not too interested
- ☐ Somewhat interested
- ☐ Very interested
- ☐ Extremely interested

Broader patterns in local crime

- ☐ Not at all interested
- ☐ Not too interested
- ☐ Somewhat interested
- ☐ Very interested
- ☐ Extremely interested

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ASK IF AT LEAST SOMEWHAT INTERESTED IN ANY CRIME TOPIC (CRIMEINT_a-e=1-3):

CRIMEEASY How easy or hard is it to stay informed about each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS IN SAME ORDER AS CRIMEINT; ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1]**

- a. **[ASK IF CRIMEINTa=1-3]** Details of the crimes, such as what happened and why
- b. **[ASK IF CRIMEINTb=1-3]** Broader patterns in local crime
- c. **[ASK IF CRIMEINTc=1-3]** What local officials are doing to address crime
- d. **[ASK IF CRIMEINTd=1-3]** Tips about how to stay safe
- e. **[ASK IF CRIMEINTE=1-3]** Underlying causes of local crime

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Very easy
 - 2 Somewhat easy
 - 3 Neither easy nor hard
 - 4 Somewhat hard
 - 5 Very hard
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How easy or hard is it to stay informed about each of the following?

Underlying causes of local crime

- ☐ Very easy
- ☐ Somewhat easy
- ☐ Neither easy nor hard
- ☐ Somewhat hard
- ☐ Very hard

What local officials are doing to address crime

- ☐ Very easy
- ☐ Somewhat easy
- ☐ Neither easy nor hard
- ☐ Somewhat hard
- ☐ Very hard

Details of the crimes, such as what happened and why

- ☐ Very easy
- ☐ Somewhat easy
- ☐ Neither easy nor hard
- ☐ Somewhat hard
- ☐ Very hard

Tips about how to stay safe

- ☐ Very easy
- ☐ Somewhat easy
- ☐ Neither easy nor hard
- ☐ Somewhat hard
- ☐ Very hard

Broader patterns in local crime

- ☐ Very easy
- ☐ Somewhat easy
- ☐ Neither easy nor hard
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ASK IF GETS NEWS ABOUT CRIME FROM ANY SOURCE IN CRIMESOURCE (CRIMESOURCE_a-f=1-3):

CRIMEACC

In your opinion, how accurate is the local crime information you get from...

[RANDOMIZE ITEMS IN SAME ORDER AS CRIMESOURCE; ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-4 OR 4-1, KEEP 5 LAST]

- a. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_a=1-3]** Local news outlets
- b. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_b=1-3]** Local politicians
- c. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_c=1-3]** Friends, family and neighbors
- d. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_d=1-3]** Social media, such as Facebook, Instagram or X (Formerly Twitter)
- e. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_e=1-3]** Locally focused apps or sites, such as Nextdoor, Ring or Citizen
- f. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_f=1-3]** Local police or law enforcement

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Very accurate
- 2 Somewhat accurate
- 3 Not too accurate
- 4 Not at all accurate

[SPACE]

- 5 Not sure **[ANCHOR]**

In your opinion, how accurate is the local crime information you get from...

Local news outlets

- ☐ Very accurate
- ☐ Somewhat accurate
- ☐ Not too accurate
- ☐ Not at all accurate

- ☐ Not sure

Local police or law enforcement

- ☐ Very accurate
- ☐ Somewhat accurate
- ☐ Not too accurate
- ☐ Not at all accurate

- ☐ Not sure

Local politicians

- ☐ Very accurate
- ☐ Somewhat accurate
- ☐ Not too accurate
- ☐ Not at all accurate

- ☐ Not sure

Friends, family and neighbors

- ☐ Very accurate
- ☐ Somewhat accurate
- ☐ Not too accurate
- ☐ Not at all accurate

- ☐ Not sure

Locally focused apps or sites, such as Nextdoor, Ring or Citizen

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- ☐ Somewhat accurate
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In your opinion, how accurate is the local crime information you get from...

Local police or law enforcement

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- ☐ Not sure

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Local politicians

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ASK IF GETS NEWS ABOUT CRIME FROM ANY SOURCE IN CRIMESOURCE (CRIMESOURCE_a-f=1-3):

CRIMEEXAG Overall, do you think the information you get about local crime from each of the following... **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS IN SAME ORDER AS CRIMESOURCE; RANDOMIZE ORDER OF RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 & 2 WITH 3 & 4 ALWAYS LAST]**

- a. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_a=1-3]** Local news outlets
- b. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_b=1-3]** Local politicians
- c. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_c=1-3]** Friends, family and neighbors
- d. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_d=1-3]** Social media, such as Facebook, Instagram or X (Formerly Twitter)
- e. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_e=1-3]** Locally focused apps or sites, such as Nextdoor, Ring or Citizen
- f. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_f=1-3]** Local police or law enforcement

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Exaggerates the amount of crime in your local community
 - 2 Underplays the amount of crime in your local community
 - 3 Gets it about right **[anchor]**
 - [SPACE]**
 - 4 Not sure **[anchor]**
-

Overall, do you think the information you get about local crime from each of the following...

Local news outlets

- ☐ Exaggerates the amount of crime in your local community
- ☐ Underplays the amount of crime in your local community
- ☐ Gets it about right
- ☐ Not sure

Local police or law enforcement

- ☐ Exaggerates the amount of crime in your local community
- ☐ Underplays the amount of crime in your local community
- ☐ Gets it about right
- ☐ Not sure

Local politicians

- ☐ Exaggerates the amount of crime in your local community
- ☐ Underplays the amount of crime in your local community
- ☐ Gets it about right
- ☐ Not sure

Friends, family and neighbors

- ☐ Exaggerates the amount of crime in your local community
- ☐ Underplays the amount of crime in your local community
- ☐ Gets it about right
- ☐ Not sure

Locally focused apps or sites, such as Nextdoor, Ring or Citizen

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ASK IF GETS NEWS ABOUT CRIME FROM ANY SOURCE IN CRIMESOURCE (CRIMESOURCE_a-f=1-3):

CRIMEFAIR Would you say the local crime information you get from each of the following is...
[RANDOMIZE ITEMS IN SAME ORDER AS CRIMESOURCE; RANDOMIZE ORDER OF RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 & 2 WITH 3 ALWAYS LAST]

- a. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_a=1-3]** Local news outlets
- b. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_b=1-3]** Local politicians
- c. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_c=1-3]** Friends, family and neighbors
- d. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_d=1-3]** Social media, such as Facebook, Instagram or X (Formerly Twitter)
- e. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_e=1-3]** Locally focused apps or sites, such as Nextdoor, Ring or Citizen
- f. **[ASK IF CRIMESOURCE_f=1-3]** Local police or law enforcement

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Generally fair to everyone, regardless of their race or ethnicity
 - 2 Unfair to some people depending on their race or ethnicity
- [SPACE]**
- 3 Not sure **[anchor]**
-

Would you say the local crime information you get from each of the following is...

Local news outlets

- ☐ Generally fair to everyone, regardless of their race or ethnicity
- ☐ Unfair to some people depending on their race or ethnicity
- ☐ Not sure

Local police or law enforcement

- ☐ Generally fair to everyone, regardless of their race or ethnicity
- ☐ Unfair to some people depending on their race or ethnicity
- ☐ Not sure

Local politicians

- ☐ Generally fair to everyone, regardless of their race or ethnicity
- ☐ Unfair to some people depending on their race or ethnicity
- ☐ Not sure

Friends, family and neighbors

- ☐ Generally fair to everyone, regardless of their race or ethnicity
- ☐ Unfair to some people depending on their race or ethnicity
- ☐ Not sure

Locally focused apps or sites, such as Nextdoor, Ring or Citizen

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- ☐ Unfair to some people depending on their race or ethnicity
- ☐ Not sure

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Would you say the local crime information you get from each of the following is...

Local police or law enforcement

- ☐ Generally fair to everyone, regardless of their race or ethnicity
- ☐ Unfair to some people depending on their race or ethnicity
- ☐ Not sure

Local news outlets

- ☐ Generally fair to everyone, regardless of their race or ethnicity
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ASK IF GETS NEWS ABOUT CRIME (CRIMESOURCEa-f=1-3):

CRIMEFEEL Thinking about news and information you get about crime in your local community, how often has it made you feel ... **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS PROVIDER]**

- a. Afraid for your safety
- b. Angry about what's happening
- c. Confident that things will improve
- d. Motivated to change things in your community
- e. Concerned about what's happening

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Often
 - 2 Sometimes
 - 3 Rarely
 - 4 Never
-

Thinking about news and information you get about crime in your local community, how often has it made you feel...

Concerned about what's happening

☐ Often
☐ Sometimes
☐ Rarely
☐ Never

Afraid for your safety

☐ Often
☐ Sometimes
☐ Rarely
☐ Never

Confident that things will improve

☐ Often
☐ Sometimes
☐ Rarely
☐ Never

Angry about what's happening

☐ Often
☐ Sometimes
☐ Rarely
☐ Never

Motivated to change things in your community

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ASK ALL:

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Have you ever done any of the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

- a. Spoken with friends, family or neighbors about crime in your local community
- b. **[ASK IF INTERNET USER (IF XTABLET=2)]** Posted or shared on social media or somewhere else online about crime in your local community
- c. Expressed concerns to local officials or the police about crime in your local community
- d. Contacted or spoken to a journalist about crime in your local community

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Yes, I have done this
- 2 No, I have not done this

Have you ever done any of the following?

Contacted or spoken to a journalist about crime in your local community

- ☐ Yes, I have done this
- ☐ No, I have not done this

Expressed concerns to local officials or the police about crime in your local community

- ☐ Yes, I have done this
- ☐ No, I have not done this

Spoken with friends, family or neighbors about crime in your local community

- ☐ Yes, I have done this
- ☐ No, I have not done this

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- ☐ No, I have not done this

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- ☐ Yes, I have done this
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ASK ALL:
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How concerned are you about crime in your local community affecting you or your family? **[ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS LOCIMPORT]**

- 1 Extremely concerned
- 2 Very concerned
- 3 Somewhat concerned
- 4 Not too concerned
- 5 Not at all concerned

How concerned are you about crime in your local community affecting you or your family?

☐ Not at all concerned
☐ Not too concerned
☐ Somewhat concerned
☐ Very concerned
☐ Extremely concerned

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DISPLAY TO ALL:

Just a few last questions...

ASK ALL:
CONFPERS

How important would you say each of the following is to you personally? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

- a. The war between Israel and Hamas
- b. The war between Russia and Ukraine
- c. The tensions between China and Taiwan

- 1 Very important
- 2 Somewhat important
- 3 Not too important
- 4 Not at all important

[SPACE]

- 5 Not sure **[ANCHOR]**

Just a few last questions...

How important would you say each of the following is to you personally?

The tensions between China and Taiwan

☐ Very important
☐ Somewhat important
☐ Not too important
☐ Not at all important
☐ Not sure

The war between Israel and Hamas

☐ Very important
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☐ Not sure

The war between Russia and Ukraine

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ASK ALL:

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Regardless of how important they are to you personally, how important is each of the following for the U.S.'s national interests? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS IN SAME ORDER AS CONFPERS]**

- a. The war between Israel and Hamas
- b. The war between Russia and Ukraine
- c. The tensions between China and Taiwan

- 1 Very important
- 2 Somewhat important
- 3 Not too important
- 4 Not at all important

[SPACE]

- 5 Not sure **[ANCHOR]**

Regardless of how important they are to you personally, how important is each of the following for the U.S.'s national interests?

The tensions between China and Taiwan

☐ Very important
☐ Somewhat important
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☐ Not sure

The war between Israel and Hamas

☐ Very important
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The war between Russia and Ukraine

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CODEBOOK FOR ATP SAMPLE VARIABLES TO BE USED IN SURVEY PROGRAMMING LOGIC

XTABLET

- 1 Tablet HH
- 2 Non-tablet HH

Note: Flag to identify internet households in CRIMERESP, LOGGOVSOURCE, and CRIMESOURCE
 ATP source: Frame file variable F_TABLETHH. Same codes.

XFORM

- 1 Form 1
- 2 Form 2

Note: Flag to randomly assign panelists to one of two forms (Form 1, Form 2) and weight within form
 ATP source: Randomly assigned for each survey.