

**2022 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL  
WAVE 103 FEBRUARY 2022  
FINAL TOPLINE  
FEBRUARY 7-13, 2022  
TOTAL N=9,388**

**NOTE: ALL NUMBERS ARE PERCENTAGES UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. THE PERCENTAGES LESS THAN 0.5% ARE REPLACED BY AN ASTERISK (\*). ROWS/COLUMNS MAY NOT TOTAL 100% DUE TO ROUNDING.**

	<b>Sample size</b>	<b>Margin of error at 95% confidence level</b>
U.S. adults	9,388	+/- 1.6 percentage points

**ASK ALL:**

**SPORTSELF** Have you ever participated in organized competitive sports either at the high school or college level? This would NOT include things like physical education, gym class or recess.

Feb 7-13,  
2022

39	Yes, in high school
2	Yes, in college
7	Yes, in both high school and college
52	No
*	No answer

**ASK IF PARTICIPATED IN COMPETITIVE SPORTS (SPORTSELF=1,2,3) [n=4,754]:**

**SPORTIMP** Thinking about your life today, what type of impact, if any, did competing in sports in [IF SPORTSELF = 1: high school; IF SPORTSELF = 2: college; IF SPORTSELF = 3: high school and college] have on each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE]**

	<u>Very positive</u>	<u>Somewhat positive</u>	<u>No impact</u>	<u>Somewhat negative</u>	<u>Very negative</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a. Your physical health Feb 7-13, 2022	46	36	14	4	1	*
b. Your job or career opportunities Feb 7-13, 2022	18	26	54	2	1	*
c. Your confidence or self esteem Feb 7-13, 2022	38	40	15	5	1	*

**[RANDOMIZE SPORTSOPP1A AND SPORTSOPP1B]****ASK ALL:**

SPORTSOPP1A When it comes to BOYS participating in youth sports, would you say that there is...  
**[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTIONS 3 AND 4 ALWAYS LAST; USE SAME ORDER FOR SPORTSOPP1B]**

Feb 7-13,  
2022

36	Too MUCH emphasis on boys participating in sports
5	Too LITTLE emphasis on boys participating in sports
45	About the right amount of emphasis
13	Not sure
1	No answer

**ASK ALL:**

SPORTSOPP1B When it comes to GIRLS participating in youth sports, would you say that there is...  
**[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTIONS 3 AND 4 ALWAYS LAST; USE SAME ORDER FOR SPORTSOPP1A]**

Feb 7-13,  
2022

6	Too MUCH emphasis on girls participating in sports
35	Too LITTLE emphasis on girls participating in sports
42	About the right amount of emphasis
16	Not sure
1	No answer

**ASK ALL:**

SPORTSOPP2 Now, thinking about COLLEGE sports, would you say that... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTIONS 3, 4 AND 5 ALWAYS LAST]**

Feb 7-13,  
2022

5	Men's sports should get more funding than women's sports
3	Women's sports should get more funding than men's sports
61	Men's and women's sports should have about equal funding
21	Funding should be based on the amount of money made from the team
10	Not sure
*	No answer

**ASK ALL:**

TITLE9 As you may know, a federal law, known as Title IX (nine), that was passed in 1972, prohibits high schools and colleges that receive federal funding from discriminating in sports programs, as well as other areas, on the basis of gender.

How much, if anything, have you heard or read about Title IX (nine)?

Feb 7-13,  
2022

13	A lot
37	A little
50	Nothing at all
*	No answer

**ASK IF HEARD ABOUT TITLE 9 (TITLE9=1,2) [n=5,439]:**

TITLE9A When it comes to increasing opportunities for girls and women to participate in sports in the U.S., do you think Title IX (nine) has... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

Feb 7-13,  
2022

13	Gone too far
37	Not gone far enough
48	Been about right
2	No answer

**ASK IF HEARD ABOUT TITLE 9 (TITLE9=1,2) [n=5,439]:**

TITLE9B Overall, what type of impact, if any, do you think Title IX (nine) has had on gender equality in the U.S.? **[SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE]**

Feb 7-13,  
2022

11	Very positive
52	Somewhat positive
19	No impact
14	Somewhat negative
3	Very negative
2	No answer

**SHOW ALL:**

On a different subject...

**ASK ALL:**

E\_COVID Which of the following best describes your current employment situation?

	Employed <u>full-time</u>	Employed <u>part-time</u>	<u>Retired</u>	Not <u>employed</u>	No <u>answer</u>
Feb 7-13, 2022	48	12	<u>24</u>	16	1
Jan 24-30, 2022	47	13	23	16	1
Oct 13-19, 2020	43	13	22	21	*

**ASK IF EMPLOYED OR NOT EMPLOYED OR REFUSED (E\_COVID=1,2,4, 99) [n=6,627]:**

LEAVEJOB1 Did you quit a job at any point in 2021? By this we mean that you left a job by choice and not because you were fired or laid off or because a temporary job ended.

Feb 7-13,  
2022

19	Yes
80	No
1	No answer

**ASK IF QUIT JOB IN 2021 (LEAVEJOB1=1) [n=965]:**

LEAVEJOB2 Is each of the following a reason why you quit a job in 2021? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; SPLIT ITEMS BETWEEN THREE SCREENS]**

		<u>A major reason</u>	<u>A minor reason</u>	<u>Not a reason</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a.	The pay was too low Feb 7-13, 2022	37	26	37	*
b.	The benefits - such as health insurance, paid time off - weren't good Feb 7-13, 2022	23	20	57	*
c.	Working TOO MANY hours Feb 7-13, 2022	20	19	61	1
d.	Working TOO FEW hours Feb 7-13, 2022	16	14	70	0
e.	No opportunities for advancement Feb 7-13, 2022	33	30	37	0
f.	Not enough flexibility to choose when you put in your hours Feb 7-13, 2022	24	21	55	*
g.	Wanted to relocate to a different area Feb 7-13, 2022	22	13	65	*
h.	Felt disrespected at work Feb 7-13, 2022	35	21	43	0
i.	Your employer required a COVID-19 vaccine Feb 7-13, 2022	8	10	81	1

**ASK IF PARENT OF CHILDREN UNDER 18 [n=330]**

j.	Because of child care issues Feb 7-13, 2022	24	24	52	0
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**ASK IF QUIT JOB IN 2021 (LEAVEJOB1=1) [n=965]:**

LEAVEJOB2V Are any of the reasons you quit a job in 2021 related to the coronavirus outbreak?

Feb 7-13,	
<u>2022</u>	
31	Yes
69	No
1	No answer

**ASK IF EMPLOYED AND QUIT JOB IN 2021 (E\_COVID=1,2 AND LEAVEJOB1=1) [n=787]:**  
 CHGOCCUPATION At any point in 2021 did you change your field of work or occupation?

Feb 7-13,  
2022  
 53 Yes  
 45 No  
 2 No answer

**ASK IF EMPLOYED AND QUIT JOB IN 2021 (E\_COVID=1,2 AND LEAVEJOB1=1) [n=787]:**  
 NEWJOB1 How easy or difficult was it for you to find your current job? **[SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE]**

Feb 7-13,  
2022  
 33 Very easy  
 28 Somewhat easy  
 19 Neither easy nor difficult  
 17 Somewhat difficult  
 3 Very difficult  
 1 No answer

**[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF NEWJOB2 TO NEWJOB6; SHOW ALL ON SAME SCREEN]**

**ASK IF EMPLOYED AND QUIT JOB IN 2021 (E\_COVID=1,2 AND LEAVEJOB1=1) [n=787]:**  
 NEWJOB2 Compared with your last job, are you now... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST; USE SAME ORDER FOR NEWJOB2-6]**

Feb 7-13,  
2022  
 56 Earning more money  
 24 Earning less money  
 20 Earning about the same money  
 \* No answer

**ASK IF EMPLOYED AND QUIT JOB IN 2021 (E\_COVID=1,2 AND LEAVEJOB1=1) [n=787]:**  
 NEWJOB3 Compared with your last job, do you now have... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST; USE SAME ORDER FOR NEWJOB2-6]**

Feb 7-13,  
2022  
 50 More flexibility to choose when you put in your work hours  
 23 Less flexibility to choose when you put in your work hours  
 27 About the same flexibility to choose when you put in your work hours  
 \* No answer

**ASK IF EMPLOYED AND QUIT JOB IN 2021 (E\_COVID=1,2 AND LEAVEJOB1=1) [n=787]:**

NEWJOB4 Compared with your last job, do you now have... [RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST; USE SAME ORDER FOR NEWJOB2-6]

Feb 7-13,

2022

53	More opportunities for advancement
16	Fewer opportunities for advancement
31	About the same opportunities for advancement
*	No answer

**ASK IF EMPLOYED AND QUIT JOB IN 2021 (E\_COVID=1,2 AND LEAVEJOB1=1) [n=787]:**

NEWJOB5 Compared with your last job, do you now have... [RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST; USE SAME ORDER FOR NEWJOB2-6]

Feb 7-13,

2022

42	Better benefits, such as health insurance and paid time off
22	Worse benefits, such as health insurance and paid time off
36	About the same benefits, such as health insurance and paid time off
*	No answer

**ASK IF EMPLOYED AND QUIT JOB IN 2021 (E\_COVID=1,2 AND LEAVEJOB1=1) [n=787]:**

NEWJOB6 Compared with your last job, is it now... [RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST; USE SAME ORDER FOR NEWJOB2-6]

Feb 7-13,

2022

53	Easier for you to balance work and family responsibilities
18	Harder for you to balance work and family responsibilities
29	About the same for you to balance work and family responsibilities
*	No answer

**SHOW IF PARENT OF CHILDREN UNDER 18 IN HH (XKIDSINHH=1) [n=2,454]:**

Now thinking about something a little different...

**ASK PARENT OF CHILDREN UNDER 18 IN HH (XKIDSINHH=1) [n=2,454]:**

CHILD\_LT12MOD Are you the parent or guardian of any children under the age of 12 who live in your household?

Feb 7-13,

2022

33	Yes, all ages 6-11
38	Yes, at least one younger than 6
29	No
1	No answer

**TREND FOR COMPARISON<sup>1</sup>:**

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>No answer</u>
Oct 13-19, 2020	74	26	*
Mar 19-24, 2020 <sup>2</sup>	74	26	*

<sup>1</sup> In the October and March 2020 surveys, response options were: "Yes" and "No".

<sup>2</sup> In March 2020, question wording was, "Do you have children under the age of 12 living in your household?" and was asked of all respondents in that survey wave. Results shown in this topline are among parents with children under 18 living in the household only.

**ASK IF CHILD UNDER 12 IN HH (CHILD\_LT12MOD=1,2) [n=1,658]:**

CVCHILDCAREMOD How easy or difficult has it been for you to handle child care responsibilities in recent weeks due to the coronavirus outbreak? **[SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE; SHOW IN SAME ORDER AS CVCAREDISTRUP]**

Feb 7-13,  
2022  
23 Very easy  
27 Somewhat easy  
35 Somewhat difficult  
15 Very difficult  
1 No answer

**TREND FOR COMPARISON<sup>3</sup>:**

	Very <u>easy</u>	Somewhat <u>easy</u>	Somewhat <u>difficult</u>	Very <u>difficult</u>	No <u>answer</u>
Oct 13-19, 2020	18	32	36	14	*
Mar 19-24, 2020 <sup>4</sup>	32	33	25	10	*

**ASK IF EMPLOYED AND HAS CHILD UNDER 6 IN HH (E\_COVID=1,2 AND CHILD\_LT12MOD=2) [n=681]:**

CAREARRANGEMENT Do you rely on any help with child care while you're working, such as daycare, a nanny, or a family member other than a spouse or partner?

Feb 7-13,  
2022  
69 Yes  
31 No  
\* No answer

**ASK IF RELIES ON CHILD CARE WHILE WORKING (CAREARRANGEMENT=1) [n=469]:**

CVCAREDISTRUP If child care became unavailable to you because of reasons related to the coronavirus outbreak, how easy or difficult would it be for you to find backup child care? **[SHOW IN SAME ORDER AS CVCHILDCAREMOD]**

Feb 7-13,  
2022  
6 Very easy  
13 Somewhat easy  
36 Somewhat difficult  
45 Very difficult  
1 No answer

<sup>3</sup> In the October and March 2020 surveys, question wording was: "How easy or difficult has it been for you to handle child care responsibilities during the coronavirus outbreak?"

<sup>4</sup> In March 2020, response options for this question were not shown in reverse for a random half of the sample and was asked of respondents with children under age 12 living in the household, regardless of whether they are the respondent's children or not (n=2,539).

**ASK ALL:**

MARITAL Which of these best describes you?

Feb 7-13,  
2022

51	Married
10	Living with a partner
10	Divorced
3	Separated
5	Widowed
21	Never been married
1	No answer

**ASK IF DIVORCED, SEPARATED, WIDOWED, NEVER MARRIED OR NO ANSWER (MARITAL=3-99) [n=3,370]:**

MARITAL2 Are you currently in a committed romantic relationship?

	<u>Yes, in a committed romantic relationship</u>	<u>No, not in a committed romantic relationship</u>	<u>No answer</u>
Feb 7-13, 2022	24	75	1
Oct 16-28, 2019	21	79	1

**ASK IF NOT IN A COMMITTED RELATIONSHIP (MARITAL2=2) [n=2,616]:**

SEEKING Which of these best describes what you are looking for right now?

	<u>A committed romantic relationship only</u>	<u>Casual dates only</u>	<u>Either a committed romantic relationship or casual dates</u>	<u>Not currently looking for a relationship or casual dates</u>	<u>No answer</u>
Feb 7-13, 2022	14	7	22	56	*
Oct 16-28, 2019 <sup>5</sup>	14	10	26	50	1

**ASK IF NOT IN A COMMITTED RELATIONSHIP (MARITAL2=2) [n=2,616]:**SEEKINGCOVID Thinking about how the coronavirus outbreak may have changed what you're looking for, in general, would you say you are... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTIONS 3 AND 4 ALWAYS LAST]**Feb 7-13,  
2022

11	More interested in finding a committed relationship now than before the coronavirus outbreak
10	Less interested in finding a committed relationship now than before the coronavirus outbreak
59	No more or less interested in finding a committed relationship now than before the coronavirus outbreak
20	Does not apply
*	No answer

<sup>5</sup> In October 2019, the fourth response option was slightly different, reading: "Not currently looking for a relationship or dates."



**ASK IF NOT IN A COMMITTED RELATIONSHIP BUT LOOKING FOR A RELATIONSHIP AND/OR DATES (SEEKING=1-3) [n=1,067]:**

FAMSURV19\_DATING Overall, would you say that things in your dating life are going...

	Very <u>well</u>	Fairly <u>well</u>	Not too <u>well</u>	Not at all <u>well</u>	No <u>answer</u>
Feb 7-13, 2022	3	27	39	30	*
Oct 16-28, 2019 <sup>6</sup>	3	30	44	23	1

**ASK IF NOT IN A COMMITTED RELATIONSHIP BUT LOOKING FOR A RELATIONSHIP AND/OR DATES (SEEKING=1-3) [n=1,067]:**

DATINGCOVID In general, would you say dating during the coronavirus outbreak is... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

Feb 7-13,  
2022

63	Harder than before the coronavirus outbreak
3	Easier than before the coronavirus outbreak
32	About the same as before the coronavirus outbreak
1	No answer

**ASK IF NOT IN A COMMITTED RELATIONSHIP BUT LOOKING FOR A RELATIONSHIP AND/OR DATES (SEEKING=1-3) [n=1,067]:**

VAXDATE Which of the following best describes what you would do if you were deciding whether to go on a date with someone? **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

Feb 7-13,  
2022

41	I would only go on a date with someone who IS vaccinated against COVID-19
2	I would only go on a date with someone who is NOT vaccinated against COVID-19
56	It wouldn't matter to me whether or not someone is vaccinated against COVID-19
1	No answer

<sup>6</sup> In October 2019, this question was asked of those who were not in a committed relationship but were casually dating someone OR looking for a relationship and/or casual dates. Results presented here are only for those who are not in a committed relationship but are looking for a relationship and/or casual dates [n=1,123].

**ASK IF NOT IN A COMMITTED RELATIONSHIP AND NOT LOOKING FOR A RELATIONSHIP OR DATES (SEEKING=4) [n=1,534]:**

MOTIVNODATE

Please indicate if each of the following is a reason why you are not currently looking for a relationship or casual dates. **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; SPLIT ITEMS BETWEEN TWO SCREENS; SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF OF SAMPLE]**

		<u>Major reason</u>	<u>Minor reason</u>	<u>Not a reason</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a.	Just like being single				
	Feb 7-13, 2022	44	28	26	1
	Oct 16-28, 2019 <sup>7</sup>	44	35	21	1
b.	Have more important priorities right now				
	Feb 7-13, 2022	42	21	36	2
	Oct 16-28, 2019	47	21	32	1
c.	Feel like I am too old to date				
	Feb 7-13, 2022	14	23	61	1
	Oct 16-28, 2019	17	21	63	*
<b>NO ITEMS d AND e</b>					
f.	Too busy				
	Feb 7-13, 2022	20	23	56	1
	Oct 16-28, 2019	20	23	57	1
g.	Feel like no one would be interested in dating me				
	Feb 7-13, 2022	17	21	60	1
	Oct 16-28, 2019	17	21	60	1
<b>NO ITEM h</b>					
i.	Concerns about being exposed to the coronavirus				
	Feb 7-13, 2022	10	18	71	1

<sup>7</sup> In October 2019, the question wording was slightly different, reading: "Please indicate if each of the following is a reason or not a reason why you are not currently looking for a relationship or dates." Additionally, response options for this question were not shown in reverse for a random half of the sample.

**ASK ALL:**

Just a few last questions...

JDEMGD How good of a job do you think news organizations do at each of the following these days? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1]**

	Very <u>good</u>	Somewhat <u>good</u>	Neither good <u>nor bad</u>	Somewhat <u>bad</u>	Very <u>bad</u>	No <u>answer</u>
a. Reporting the news accurately February 7-13, 2022	6	29	21	22	21	1
b. Serving as a watchdog over elected leaders February 7-13, 2022	5	24	26	21	24	1
c. Giving voice to the underrepresented February 7-13, 2022	4	20	30	25	20	1
d. Managing or correcting misinformation February 7-13, 2022	4	20	23	25	27	1
e. Covering the most important stories of the day February 7-13, 2022	8	33	22	20	16	1

**ASK ALL:**

JTRUSTMED How much trust do you have in the information you get from news organizations these days?

February 7-13

2022

4	A great deal
25	A fair amount
27	Some
24	A little
20	No trust at all
*	No answer

**ASK ALL:**

JEQUAL When news organizations present the news, do you think... **[RANDOMIZE]**

February 7-13

2022

76	Journalists should always strive to give every side equal coverage
22	Every side does not always deserve equal coverage
1	No answer

**ASK ALL:**

PARTY In politics today, do you consider yourself a:

**ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE (PARTY=3,4) OR MISSING [n=3,451]:**PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to...<sup>8</sup>

<u>Republican</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Independent</u>	<u>Something</u> <u>else</u>	<u>No</u> <u>answer</u>	<u>Lean</u> <u>Rep</u>	<u>Lean</u> <u>Dem</u>
26	31	26	14	2	16	20

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<sup>8</sup> PARTY and PARTYLN asked in a prior survey.