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ASK ALL:

FUTRTREND

Thinking about the future of our country, in general, do you feel optimistic or pessimistic about each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1, USING THE SAME ORDER FOR EACH ITEM, WITH OPTION 6 ALWAYS LAST]**

- a. The moral and ethical standards in our country
- b. Our country's system of education
- c. Our country's ability to get along with other countries in the world
- d. The institution of marriage and the family in our country
- e. Our country's ability to ensure racial equality for all people, regardless of their race or ethnicity

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Very optimistic
- 2 Somewhat optimistic
- 3 Neither optimistic nor pessimistic
- 4 Somewhat pessimistic
- 5 Very pessimistic

[SPACE]

- 6 Don't know **[anchor]**

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

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- ☐ Very pessimistic

- ☐ Don't know

Our country's system of education

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- ☐ Somewhat optimistic
- ☐ Neither optimistic nor pessimistic
- ☐ Somewhat pessimistic
- ☐ Very pessimistic

- ☐ Don't know

The institution of marriage and the family in our country

- ☐ Very optimistic
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- ☐ Very pessimistic

☐ Don't know

Our country's ability to ensure racial equality for all people, regardless of their race or ethnicity

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☐ Don't know

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ASK ALL:

WORKHARD

Please choose the statement that comes closer to your own views – even if neither is exactly right. **[RANDOMIZE]**

- 1 Most people who want to get ahead can make it if they're willing to work hard
- 2 Hard work and determination are no guarantee of success for most people

Please choose the statement that comes closer to your own views – even if neither is exactly right.

- ☐ Most people who want to get ahead can make it if they're willing to work hard
☐ Hard work and determination are no guarantee of success for most people

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ASK ALL:

FAMLIFE

In general, how important is each of the following in order for people to live a fulfilling life? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1, USING THE SAME ORDER FOR EACH ITEM]**

- a. Being married
- b. Having children
- c. Having a job or career they enjoy
- d. Having a lot of money
- e. Having close friends

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

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

In general, how important is each of the following in order for people to live a fulfilling life?

Being married

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

Having a job or career they enjoy

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

Having children

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

Having a lot of money

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

Having close friends

☐ Not at all important
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ASK ALL:

FAMTYPE

Here are a few types of family arrangements that some people may have. What is your opinion of each of the following arrangements, even if they may not describe your own?

[RANDOMIZE ITEMS ACROSS TWO SCREENS; [RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1, USING THE SAME ORDER FOR EACH ITEM]

- a. A man and a woman raising their children together without being married
- b. A gay or lesbian couple raising children together without being married
- c. A married gay or lesbian couple who choose not to have children
- d. A husband and wife who choose not to have children
- e. A single parent raising children on their own
- f. A married gay or lesbian couple raising children together
- g. A husband and wife raising children together

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Completely acceptable
- 2 Somewhat acceptable
- 3 Neither acceptable nor unacceptable
- 4 Somewhat unacceptable
- 5 Completely unacceptable

Here are a few types of family arrangements that some people may have. What is your opinion of each of the following arrangements, even if they may not describe your own?

A single parent raising children on their own

- ☐ Completely unacceptable
- ☐ Somewhat unacceptable
- ☐ Neither acceptable nor unacceptable
- ☐ Somewhat acceptable
- ☐ Completely acceptable

A man and a woman raising their children together without being married

- ☐ Completely unacceptable
- ☐ Somewhat unacceptable
- ☐ Neither acceptable nor unacceptable
- ☐ Somewhat acceptable
- ☐ Completely acceptable

A married gay or lesbian couple who choose not to have children

- ☐ Completely unacceptable
- ☐ Somewhat unacceptable
- ☐ Neither acceptable nor unacceptable
- ☐ Somewhat acceptable
- ☐ Completely acceptable

A gay or lesbian couple raising children together without being married

- ☐ Completely unacceptable
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- ☐ Somewhat unacceptable
- ☐ Neither acceptable nor unacceptable
- ☐ Somewhat acceptable
- ☐ Completely acceptable

A husband and wife raising children together

- ☐ Completely unacceptable
- ☐ Somewhat unacceptable
- ☐ Neither acceptable nor unacceptable
- ☐ Somewhat acceptable
- ☐ Completely acceptable

A married gay or lesbian couple raising children together

- ☐ Completely unacceptable
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- ☐ Completely acceptable

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ASK ALL:

OPENMAR

Some people have an open marriage, that is, a marriage where both spouses agree that they can date or have sex with other people.

Do you think an open marriage is an acceptable arrangement for people to have, even if it's not something you would do? **[DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS IN THE SAME ORDER AS FAMTYPE]**

- 1 Completely acceptable
- 2 Somewhat acceptable
- 3 Neither acceptable nor unacceptable
- 4 Somewhat unacceptable
- 5 Completely unacceptable

Some people have an open marriage, that is, a marriage where both spouses agree that they can date or have sex with other people.

Do you think an open marriage is an acceptable arrangement for people to have, even if it's not something you would do?

- ☐ Completely unacceptable
- ☐ Somewhat unacceptable
- ☐ Neither acceptable nor unacceptable
- ☐ Somewhat acceptable
- ☐ Completely acceptable

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How much has each of the following influenced your views on what makes a good family arrangement? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1, USING THE SAME ORDER FOR EACH ITEM]**

- a. Your experience growing up with your own family
- b. Your religious views
- c. What you've seen on television or in movies
- d. What you've read about in books
- e. What you've seen from your friends or their families

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 A great deal
- 2 A fair amount
- 3 Some
- 4 Not much
- 5 Not at all

How much has each of the following influenced your views on what makes a good family arrangement?

What you've read about in books

- ☐ A great deal
- ☐ A fair amount
- ☐ Some
- ☐ Not much
- ☐ Not at all

What you've seen on television or in movies

- ☐ A great deal
- ☐ A fair amount
- ☐ Some
- ☐ Not much
- ☐ Not at all

What you've seen from your friends or their families

- ☐ A great deal
- ☐ A fair amount
- ☐ Some
- ☐ Not much
- ☐ Not at all

Your religious views

- ☐ A great deal
- ☐ A fair amount
- ☐ Some
- ☐ Not much
- ☐ Not at all

Your experience growing up with your own family

- ☐ A great deal
- ☐ A fair amount
- ☐ Some
- ☐ Not much
- ☐ Not at all

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ASK ALL:

DIVORCE

Which statement comes closer to your view, even if neither is exactly right?
[RANDOMIZE]

- 1 Couples who are unhappy tend to get divorced too quickly
- 2 Couples who are unhappy tend to stay in bad marriages for too long

Which statement comes closer to your view, even if neither is exactly right?

- ☐ Couples who are unhappy tend to stay in bad marriages for too long
- ☐ Couples who are unhappy tend to get divorced too quickly

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ASK ALL:

FUTRFAM

Thinking about the future of our country, what type of impact do you think each of the following would have? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1, USING THE SAME ORDER FOR EACH ITEM]**

- a. Fewer people ever getting married
- b. People having fewer children
- c. More couples living together without being married
- d. People getting married later in life
- e. Fewer children being raised by two married parents

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Very positive
- 2 Somewhat positive
- 3 Neither positive nor negative
- 4 Somewhat negative
- 5 Very negative

Thinking about the future of our country, what type of impact do you think each of the following would have?

More couples living together without being married

- ☐ Very positive
- ☐ Somewhat positive
- ☐ Neither positive nor negative
- ☐ Somewhat negative
- ☐ Very negative

People having fewer children

- ☐ Very positive
- ☐ Somewhat positive
- ☐ Neither positive nor negative
- ☐ Somewhat negative
- ☐ Very negative

Fewer children being raised by two married parents

- ☐ Very positive
- ☐ Somewhat positive
- ☐ Neither positive nor negative
- ☐ Somewhat negative
- ☐ Very negative

People getting married later in life

- ☐ Very positive
- ☐ Somewhat positive
- ☐ Neither positive nor negative
- ☐ Somewhat negative
- ☐ Very negative

Fewer people ever getting married

- ☐ Very positive
- ☐ Somewhat positive
- ☐ Neither positive nor negative
- ☐ Somewhat negative
- ☐ Very negative

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DISPLAY FOR ALL:

On a different topic...

ASK ALL:

PETS

Thinking about how pets are treated in comparison with people in the United States, do you think there is... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 Too much emphasis on the wellbeing of pets
- 2 Not enough emphasis on the wellbeing of pets
- 3 About the right amount of emphasis is placed on the wellbeing of pets **[anchor]**

On a different topic...

Thinking about how pets are treated in comparison with people in the United States, do you think there is...

☐ Not enough emphasis on the wellbeing of pets
☐ Too much emphasis on the wellbeing of pets
☐ About the right amount of emphasis is placed on the wellbeing of pets

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ASK ALL:

PETFAM1

Do you currently own any pets?

- 1 Yes, one
- 2 Yes, more than one
- 3 No

Do you currently own any pets?

☐ Yes, one
☐ Yes, more than one
☐ No

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ASK IF OWNS A PET (PETFAM1=1,2):

PETFAM2

Do you consider any of your pets to be a part of your family?

- 1 Yes, as much as a human member of my family
- 2 Yes, but NOT as much as a human member of my family
- 3 No

Do you consider any of your pets to be a part of your family?

- ☐ Yes, as much as a human member of my family
- ☐ Yes, but NOT as much as a human member of my family
- ☐ No

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ASK IF OWNS A PET (PETFAM1=1,2):

PETFAM3 Do you own any cats or dogs?

- 1 Yes, cat(s) only
- 2 Yes, dog(s) only
- 3 Yes, cat(s) and dog(s)
- 4 No

Do you own any cats or dogs?

- ☐ Yes, cat(s) only
- ☐ Yes, dog(s) only
- ☐ Yes, cat(s) and dog(s)
- ☐ No

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ASK ALL:

MARITAL Which of these best describes you?

- 1 Married
- 2 Living with a partner
- 3 Divorced
- 4 Separated
- 5 Widowed
- 6 Never been married

Which of these best describes you?

- ☐ Married
- ☐ Living with a partner
- ☐ Divorced
- ☐ Separated
- ☐ Widowed
- ☐ Never been married

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ASK IF CURRENTLY MARRIED (MARITAL=1):

MARRNAME1 When you got married, did you ...

- 1 Keep your last name
- 2 Take your spouse's last name
- 3 Hyphenate both last names
- 4 Create a new last name
- 5 Other **[SPECIFY: _____]**

When you got married, did you...

☐ Keep your last name
☐ Take your spouse's last name
☐ Hyphenate both last names
☐ Create a new last name
☐ Other

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ASK IF NEVER MARRIED (MARITAL=6):

MARRNAME2 If you were to get married, do you think you would ...

- 1 Keep your last name
- 2 Take your spouse's last name
- 3 Hyphenate both last names
- 4 Create a new last name
- 5 Other **[SPECIFY: _____]**
- [SPACE]**
- 6 Not sure **[anchor]**

If you were to get married, do you think you would...

☐ Keep your last name
☐ Take your spouse's last name
☐ Hyphenate both last names
☐ Create a new last name
☐ Other
☐ Not sure

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ASK ALL:

FERTIL1 Have you or anyone you know personally ever used fertility treatments to try to have a baby or not?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Have you or anyone you know personally ever used fertility treatments to try to have a baby or not?

☐ Yes

☐ No

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ASK ALL:

FERTINSUR

Do you think that health insurance should cover the cost of fertility treatments?

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]

- 1 Yes, should cover fertility treatments
- 2 No, should not cover fertility treatments
- [SPACE]**
- 3 Not sure **[anchor]**

Do you think that health insurance should cover the cost of fertility treatments?

☐ No, should not cover fertility treatments

☐ Yes, should cover fertility treatments

☐ Not sure

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ASK ALL:

FAMRESP

How much of a responsibility do you think people should have for doing each of the following for their family members? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS FAMVIEWS]**

- a. Parents providing financial assistance to an adult child who needs it
- b. Adult children providing financial assistance to an elderly parent who needs it
- c. Parents saving money to hand down to their children after they die
- d. Grandparents helping with child care for their grandchildren
- e. Siblings providing financial assistance to a sibling who needs it
- f. Adult children providing caregiving for an elderly parent who needs it

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 A great deal
- 2 A fair amount
- 3 Some
- 4 Not much
- 5 None at all

How much of a responsibility do you think people should have for doing each of the following for their family members?

Parents saving money to hand down to their children after they die

- ☐ A great deal
- ☐ A fair amount
- ☐ Some
- ☐ Not much
- ☐ None at all

Parents providing financial assistance to an adult child who needs it

- ☐ A great deal
- ☐ A fair amount
- ☐ Some
- ☐ Not much
- ☐ None at all

Adult children providing caregiving for an elderly parent who needs it

- ☐ A great deal
- ☐ A fair amount
- ☐ Some
- ☐ Not much
- ☐ None at all

Adult children providing financial assistance to an elderly parent who needs it

- ☐ A great deal
- ☐ A fair amount
- ☐ Some
- ☐ Not much
- ☐ None at all

Siblings providing financial assistance to a sibling who needs it

- ☐ A great deal
- ☐ A fair amount
- ☐ Some
- ☐ Not much
- ☐ None at all

Grandparents helping with child care for their grandchildren

- ☐ A great deal
- ☐ A fair amount
- ☐ Some
- ☐ Not much
- ☐ None at all

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ASK ALL:

FERTTREND

What type of impact do you think people having fewer children than in the past has on each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS FUTRFAM]**

- a. The environment
- b. Women's careers or job opportunities
- c. The future of the Social Security system
- d. The strength of our economy
- e. How family members are able to support each other

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Very positive
- 2 Somewhat positive
- 3 Neither positive nor negative
- 4 Somewhat negative
- 5 Very negative

What type of impact do you think people having fewer children than in the past has on each of the following?

How family members are able to support each other

- ☐ Very positive
- ☐ Somewhat positive
- ☐ Neither positive nor negative
- ☐ Somewhat negative
- ☐ Very negative

The future of the Social Security system

- ☐ Very positive
- ☐ Somewhat positive
- ☐ Neither positive nor negative
- ☐ Somewhat negative
- ☐ Very negative

Women's careers or job opportunities

- ☐ Very positive
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The environment

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- ☐ Neither positive nor negative
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- ☐ Very negative

The strength of our economy

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DISPLAY TO ALL:

On a different topic...

ASK ALL:

DREAM1

As you may know, Martin Luther King, Jr. gave his "I Have a Dream Speech" at a civil rights march in Washington, D.C. almost 60 years ago. How much have you read or heard about this speech? **[DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS FAMVIEWS]**

- 1 A great deal
- 2 A fair amount
- 3 Some
- 4 Not much
- 5 Nothing at all

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ASK ALL:

KINGLEGACY1 How much, if at all, have your personal views on racial equality been influenced by Martin Luther King, Jr.'s legacy? **[DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS FAMVIEWS WITH 6 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 A great deal
- 2 A fair amount
- 3 Some
- 4 Not much
- 5 Not at all
- [SPACE]**
- 6 Don't know enough to say **[anchor]**

How much, if at all, have your personal views on racial equality been influenced by Martin Luther King, Jr.'s legacy?

☐ A great deal
☐ A fair amount
☐ Some
☐ Not much
☐ Not at all
☐ Don't know enough to say

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ASK IF DIDN'T SAY 'DON'T KNOW ENOUGH TO SAY' IN KINGLEGACY1 (KINGLEGACY1=1-5,99):

KINGLEGACY2 In a few words, what are some things that come to mind when you think about the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr.?

[open end]

In a few words, what are some things that come to mind when you think about the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr.?

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ASK ALL:

KINGIMP

Overall, how would you describe the impact Martin Luther King, Jr. has had on our country? **[DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS FUTRFAM, WITH 6 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 Very positive
- 2 Somewhat positive
- 3 Neither positive nor negative
- 4 Somewhat negative
- 5 Very negative
- [SPACE]**
- 6 Don't know enough to say **[anchor]**

Overall, how would you describe the impact Martin Luther King, Jr. has had on our country?

- ☐ Very positive
- ☐ Somewhat positive
- ☐ Neither positive nor negative
- ☐ Somewhat negative
- ☐ Very negative
- ☐ Don't know enough to say

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ASK ALL:

DREAM2

In the last 60 years, how much progress do you think the U.S. has made in ensuring equal rights for all people, regardless of race or ethnicity? **[DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS FAMVIEWS]**

- 1 A great deal
- 2 A fair amount
- 3 Some
- 4 Not much
- 5 None at all

In the last 60 years, how much progress do you think the U.S. has made in ensuring equal rights for all people, regardless of race or ethnicity?

- ☐ A great deal
- ☐ A fair amount
- ☐ Some
- ☐ Not much
- ☐ None at all

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ASK ALL:

DREAM3

Overall, do you think efforts to ensure equal rights for all people in the U.S., regardless of race or ethnicity, have... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1 AND 2, WITH 3 ALWAYS LAST]**

- 1 Gone too far
- 2 Not gone far enough
- 3 Been about right **[anchor]**

Overall, do you think efforts to ensure equal rights for all people in the U.S., regardless of race or ethnicity, have...

- ☐ Not gone far enough
- ☐ Gone too far
- ☐ Been about right

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ASK IF SAID THE COUNTRY HASN'T GONE FAR ENOUGH OR HAS BEEN ABOUT RIGHT (DREAM3=2,3):

DREAM4

How likely do you think it is that there will be equality for all people in the U.S., regardless of their race or ethnicity, in your lifetime? **[RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1 IN SAME ORDER AS FAMLIFE, WITH 6 ALWAYS LAST]**

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

How likely do you think it is that there will be equality for all people in the U.S., regardless of their race or ethnicity, in your lifetime?

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

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ASK IF SAID THE COUNTRY HASN'T GONE FAR ENOUGH OR HAS BEEN ABOUT RIGHT (DREAM3=2,3):

DREAM5

How much, if at all, do you think the following systems in the U.S. need to change to ensure equality for all people, regardless of race or ethnicity? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-4 OR 4-1]**

- a. The economic system
- b. The political system
- c. The courts and judicial process
- d. Policing
- e. The prison system
- f. The health care system

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Requires no changes
- 2 Requires only minor changes
- 3 Requires major changes
- 4 Needs to be completely rebuilt

How much, if at all, do you think the following systems in the U.S. need to change to ensure equality for all people, regardless of race or ethnicity?

The prison system

- ☐ Needs to be completely rebuilt
- ☐ Requires major changes
- ☐ Requires only minor changes
- ☐ Requires no changes

Policing

- ☐ Needs to be completely rebuilt
- ☐ Requires major changes
- ☐ Requires only minor changes
- ☐ Requires no changes

The political system

- ☐ Needs to be completely rebuilt
- ☐ Requires major changes
- ☐ Requires only minor changes
- ☐ Requires no changes

The courts and judicial process

- ☐ Needs to be completely rebuilt
- ☐ Requires major changes
- ☐ Requires only minor changes
- ☐ Requires no changes

The health care system

- ☐ Needs to be completely rebuilt
- ☐ Requires major changes
- ☐ Requires only minor changes
- ☐ Requires no changes

The economic system

- ☐ Needs to be completely rebuilt
- ☐ Requires major changes
- ☐ Requires only minor changes
- ☐ Requires no changes

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ASK ALL:

RACESURV5 Overall, how does each of the following affect people's ability to get ahead in our country these days? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-4 OR 4-1 WITH 5 ALWAYS LAST]**

- a. Being White
- b. Being Black
- c. Being Hispanic
- d. Being Asian

NO ITEMS e-h

- i. Being a man
- j. Being a woman

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Helps a lot
- 2 Helps a little
- 3 Hurts a little
- 4 Hurts a lot
- 5 Neither helps nor hurts **[anchor]**

Overall, how does each of the following affect people's ability to get ahead in our country these days?

Being a man

- ☐ Hurts a lot
- ☐ Hurts a little
- ☐ Helps a little
- ☐ Helps a lot
- ☐ Neither helps nor hurts

Being Asian

- ☐ Hurts a lot
- ☐ Hurts a little
- ☐ Helps a little
- ☐ Helps a lot
- ☐ Neither helps nor hurts

Being Black

- ☐ Hurts a lot
- ☐ Hurts a little
- ☐ Helps a little
- ☐ Helps a lot
- ☐ Neither helps nor hurts

Being Hispanic

- ☐ Hurts a lot
- ☐ Hurts a little
- ☐ Helps a little
- ☐ Helps a lot
- ☐ Neither helps nor hurts

Being a woman

- ☐ Hurts a lot
- ☐ Hurts a little
- ☐ Helps a little
- ☐ Helps a lot
- ☐ Neither helps nor hurts

Being White

- ☐ Hurts a lot
- ☐ Hurts a little
- ☐ Helps a little
- ☐ Helps a lot
- ☐ Neither helps nor hurts

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ASK ALL:

RACESURV6

When it comes to racial discrimination, which do you think is the bigger problem for the country today? **[RANDOMIZE]**

- 1 People seeing racial discrimination where it really does not exist
- 2 People NOT seeing racial discrimination where it really does exist

When it comes to racial discrimination, which do you think is the bigger problem for the country today?

- ☐ People seeing racial discrimination where it really does not exist
- ☐ People NOT seeing racial discrimination where it really does exist

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ASK ALL:

RACESURV28 In general in our country these days, would you say that **[RANDOMIZE: (Black people are treated less fairly than White people), (White people are treated less fairly than Black people)]**, or both are treated about equally in each of the following situations?
[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; SHOW RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-2 IN SAME ORDER AS STEM WITH OPTION 3 ALWAYS LAST]

- a. In hiring, pay and promotions
- b. In stores or restaurants
- c. When applying for a loan or mortgage
- d. In dealing with the police

NO ITEM e

- f. When voting in elections
- g. When seeking medical treatment

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Black people are treated less fairly than White people
- 2 White people are treated less fairly than Black people
- 3 Both are treated about equally **[anchor]**

In general in our country these days, would you say that White people are treated less fairly than Black people, Black people are treated less fairly than White people, or both are treated about equally in each of the following situations?

When applying for a loan or mortgage

- ☐ White people are treated less fairly than Black people
- ☐ Black people are treated less fairly than White people
- ☐ Both are treated about equally

When voting in elections

- ☐ White people are treated less fairly than Black people
- ☐ Black people are treated less fairly than White people
- ☐ Both are treated about equally

When seeking medical treatment

- ☐ White people are treated less fairly than Black people
- ☐ Black people are treated less fairly than White people
- ☐ Both are treated about equally

In dealing with the police

- ☐ White people are treated less fairly than Black people
- ☐ Black people are treated less fairly than White people
- ☐ Both are treated about equally

In hiring, pay and promotions

- ☐ White people are treated less fairly than Black people
- ☐ Black people are treated less fairly than White people
- ☐ Both are treated about equally

In stores or restaurants

- ☐ White people are treated less fairly than Black people
- ☐ Black people are treated less fairly than White people
- ☐ Both are treated about equally

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ASK ALL:

BLM

From what you've read and heard, how do you feel about the Black Lives Matter movement? **[RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-4 OR 4-1]**

- 1 Strongly support
- 2 Somewhat support
- 3 Somewhat oppose
- 4 Strongly oppose

From what you've read and heard, how do you feel about the Black Lives Matter movement?

- ☐ Strongly support
- ☐ Somewhat support
- ☐ Somewhat oppose
- ☐ Strongly oppose

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ASK ALL:

BLM2

How well do you think each of the following describe the Black Lives Matter movement? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS FAMLIFE FOR EACH ITEM, WITH 6 ALWAYS LAST]**

- a. Empowering
- b. Inclusive
- c. Divisive
- d. Dangerous

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Extremely well
- 2 Very well
- 3 Somewhat well
- 4 Not too well
- 5 Not well at all
- [SPACE]**
- 6 Don't know enough to say **[anchor]**

How well do you think each of the following describe the Black Lives Matter movement?

Dangerous

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

- ☐ Don't know enough to say

Divisive

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

- ☐ Don't know enough to say

Inclusive

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

- ☐ Don't know enough to say

Empowering

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

- ☐ Don't know enough to say

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ASK ALL:

BLMGOALS

How well, if at all, do you feel you understand the goals of the Black Lives Matter movement? **[DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS FAMLIFE]**

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

How well, if at all, do you feel you understand the goals of the Black Lives Matter movement?

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

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ASK ALL:

BLMEFFECT

Regardless of how you feel about the Black Lives Matter movement, how effective do you think it has been when it comes to each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS FAMLIFE]**

- a. Bringing attention to racism against Black people in the U.S.
- b. Improving the lives of Black people in the U.S.
- c. Increasing police accountability in the U.S.
- d. Improving race relations in the U.S.

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

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

Regardless of how you feel about the Black Lives Matter movement, how effective do you think it has been when it comes to each of the following?

Bringing attention to racism against Black people in the U.S.

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

Improving the lives of Black people in the U.S.

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

Increasing police accountability in the U.S.

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

Improving race relations in the U.S.

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

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ASK ALL:

PROTTACTICS How often do you think it is acceptable for people to protest against racial inequality by participating in the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1]**

- a. Boycotts, that is, refusing to buy goods or use services from certain businesses
- b. Activities that disrupt everyday life, such as shutting down streets or traffic
- c. Sit-ins inside or around public places such as office buildings or businesses
- d. Actions that result in damage to public or private property
- e. Marches or demonstrations that do not disrupt everyday life

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Always acceptable
- 2 Often acceptable
- 3 Sometimes acceptable
- 4 Rarely acceptable
- 5 Never acceptable

How often do you think it is acceptable for people to protest against racial inequality by participating in the following?

Actions that result in damage to public or private property

- ☐ Never acceptable
- ☐ Rarely acceptable
- ☐ Sometimes acceptable
- ☐ Often acceptable
- ☐ Always acceptable

Marches or demonstrations that do not disrupt everyday life

- ☐ Never acceptable
- ☐ Rarely acceptable
- ☐ Sometimes acceptable
- ☐ Often acceptable
- ☐ Always acceptable

Sit-ins inside or around public places such as office buildings or businesses

- ☐ Never acceptable
- ☐ Rarely acceptable
- ☐ Sometimes acceptable
- ☐ Often acceptable
- ☐ Always acceptable

Activities that disrupt everyday life, such as shutting down streets or traffic

- ☐ Never acceptable
- ☐ Rarely acceptable
- ☐ Sometimes acceptable
- ☐ Often acceptable
- ☐ Always acceptable

Boycotts, that is, refusing to buy goods or use services from certain businesses

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DISPLAY TO ALL:

As you may know, there has been a lot of attention paid to issues related to race and racial inequality in our country in the past three years, sparked by the death of George Floyd, a Black man who was killed by police officers in Minneapolis in 2020.

ASK ALL:

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Do you think the increased focus on issues of race and racial inequality in our country in the past three years ... **[RANDOMIZE RESPONSE OPTIONS]**

- 1 Has led to changes that are improving the lives of Black people
- 2 Has not led to changes that are improving the lives of Black people

As you may know, there has been a lot of attention paid to issues related to race and racial inequality in our country in the past three years, sparked by the death of George Floyd, a Black man who was killed by police officers in Minneapolis in 2020.

Do you think the increased focus on issues of race and racial inequality in our country in the past three years...

- ☐ Has not led to changes that are improving the lives of Black people
- ☐ Has led to changes that are improving the lives of Black people

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DISPLAY TO ALL:

In recent years, videos showing police violence against Black people have been widely shared in the news and on social media.

ASK ALL:

VIDEOIMPACT1

Do you think that videos of police violence against Black people being widely shared in the news or on social media is generally a... **[RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1]**

- 1 Very good thing
- 2 Somewhat good thing
- 3 Neither a good nor bad thing
- 4 Somewhat bad thing
- 5 Very bad thing

In recent years, videos showing police violence against Black people have been widely shared in the news and on social media.

Do you think that videos of police violence against Black people being widely shared in the news or on social media is generally a...

☐ Very good thing
☐ Somewhat good thing
☐ Neither a good nor bad thing
☐ Somewhat bad thing
☐ Very bad thing

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ASK ALL:

VIDEOIMPACT2

What impact do you think videos of police violence against Black people being widely shared in the news or on social media has on each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; RANDOMLY DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5 OR 5-1]**

- a. The ability to hold police officers accountable
- b. The ability of police officers to do their jobs

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Makes it a lot easier
- 2 Makes it somewhat easier
- 3 Makes it neither easier nor harder
- 4 Makes it somewhat harder
- 5 Makes it a lot harder

What impact do you think videos of police violence against Black people being widely shared in the news or on social media has on each of the following?

The ability of police officers to do their jobs

- ☐ Makes it a lot harder
- ☐ Makes it somewhat harder
- ☐ Makes it neither easier nor harder
- ☐ Makes it somewhat easier
- ☐ Makes it a lot easier

The ability to hold police officers accountable

- ☐ Makes it a lot harder
- ☐ Makes it somewhat harder
- ☐ Makes it neither easier nor harder
- ☐ Makes it somewhat easier
- ☐ Makes it a lot easier

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ASK ALL:

VIDEOIMPACT3

Have you ever personally seen videos of police violence against Black people, either on the news, on social media or in some other way?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No

Have you ever personally seen videos of police violence against Black people, either on the news, on social media or in some other way?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

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ASK IF SEEN POLICE BRUTALITY VIDEOS (VIDEOIMPACT3=1):

VIDEOIMPACT4

When you've watched videos of police violence against Black people, what kind of impact have they generally had on each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; DISPLAY RESPONSE OPTIONS IN SAME ORDER AS FUTRFAM FOR EACH ITEM]**

- a. Your trust in the police
- b. Your mental health
- c. Your sense of safety

RESPONSE OPTIONS:

- 1 Very positive impact
- 2 Somewhat positive impact
- 3 Neither positive nor negative impact
- 4 Somewhat negative impact
- 5 Very negative impact

When you've watched videos of police violence against Black people, what kind of impact have they generally had on each of the following?

Your trust in the police

- ☐ Very positive impact
- ☐ Somewhat positive impact
- ☐ Neither positive nor negative impact
- ☐ Somewhat negative impact
- ☐ Very negative impact

Your sense of safety

- ☐ Very positive impact
- ☐ Somewhat positive impact
- ☐ Neither positive nor negative impact
- ☐ Somewhat negative impact
- ☐ Very negative impact

Your mental health

- ☐ Very positive impact
- ☐ Somewhat positive impact
- ☐ Neither positive nor negative impact
- ☐ Somewhat negative impact
- ☐ Very negative impact

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DISPLAY IF MARRIED OR LIVING WITH PARTNER (MARITAL=1,2):

Now, just one last question for statistical purposes.

ASK IF MARRIED OR LIVING WITH PARTNER (MARITAL=1,2):

PARTNERSEXMOD Thinking about your spouse or partner, do they describe themselves as...

- 1 A man
- 2 A woman
- 3 In some other way

Now, just one last question for statistical purposes.

Thinking about your spouse or partner, do they describe themselves as...

- ☐ A man
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- ☐ In some other way

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