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University of Massachusetts Amherst/WCVB
May 2022 National Poll

Field Dates:	May 5 – May 9, 2022
Sample:	1,000 Respondents
Margin of Error:	3.5%

YouGov interviewed 1056 respondents who were then matched down to a sample of 1000 to produce the final dataset. The respondents were matched to a sampling frame on gender, age, race, and education. The frame was constructed by stratified sampling from the full 2019 American Community Survey (ACS) 1-year sample with selection within strata by weighted sampling with replacements (using the person weights on the public use file).

The matched cases were weighted to the sampling frame using propensity scores. The matched cases and the frame were combined and a logistic regression was estimated for inclusion in the frame. The propensity score function included age, gender, race/ethnicity, years of education, and region. The propensity scores were grouped into deciles of the estimated propensity score in the frame and post-stratified according to these deciles.

The weights were then post-stratified on 2016 and 2020 Presidential vote choice, and a four-way stratification of gender, age (4-categories), race (4-categories), and education (4-categories), to produce the final weight.

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School Policies (N=1,000)

How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

	Strongly Agree	Somewhat Agree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Strongly Disagree
I would like my state to establish a tip line for parents to anonymously report teachers who are teaching material that some parents disapprove of.	22%	17%	23%	8%	30%
I would like to see schools remove books that include discussions of sex that some parents disapprove of.	23%	14%	21%	8%	33%
I would like to see schools prohibit discussions of race that some parents disapprove of.	20%	13%	26%	9%	33%

What Grade Appropriate (N=1,000)

There has been a lot of discussion recently about whether certain things are appropriate at various grade levels in public schools. After which grade do you think each of the following is appropriate?

	Elementary School (K-6)	Middle School (7-8)	High School (9-12)	Not Appropriate For Any Grade
Teaching about Critical Race Theory (CRT).	31%	6%	18%	45%
A teacher asking students for their preferred gender pronouns.	29%	6%	12%	53%
A teacher telling students that [he/she] is gay.	32%	5%	10%	53%
A teacher married to someone of the same sex having a photograph from their wedding on [his/her] desk.	46%	6%	9%	40%
Assigning a book about a person who is transgender.	32%	7%	17%	43%
Assigning a book about a person who is gay, lesbian, or bi-sexual.	34%	9%	17%	39%
A conversation about different sexual orientations.	34%	12%	20%	34%

Same Sex Marriage (N=1,000)

Do you favor or oppose allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally?

Favor	65%
Oppose	35%

Feeling Thermometers (N=998)

Measured from 0 to 100 with 0 indicating “Coldest Feeling” and 100 indicating “Warmest Feeling.” Average Score for Each Group Presented Below.

	All Respondents (N=998)	Democratic Respondents (N=458)	Republican Respondents (N=319)	Independent Respondents (N=187)
Transgender Americans	55	72	33	46
Lesbian, Gay, or Bi-Sexual Americans	60	75	40	52

Trans Rights (N=1,000)

	Strongly Support	Somewhat Support	Neither Support nor Oppose	Somewhat Oppose	Strongly Oppose
Several state legislatures have proposed or enacted legislation that prohibits transgender youth from joining school-sponsored sports teams that match their gender identity, if their gender identity is different from their sex assigned at birth. Would you support or oppose a bill that prohibits transgender youth from joining school-sponsored sports teams that match their gender identity?	29%	13%	29%	11%	19%
Several state legislatures have proposed or enacted legislation that makes providing transgender youth with gender-affirming medical care a crime. Would you support or oppose a bill that designates the provision of gender-affirming medical care to transgender youth a crime?	16%	10%	32%	14%	27%

Systemic Racism (N=1,000)

Please indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with each statement.

	Apr. 2021	Dec. 2021	May. 2022	Apr. 2021	Dec. 2021	May. 2022	Apr. 2021	Dec. 2021	May. 2022	Apr. 2021	Dec. 2021	May. 2022	Apr. 2021	Dec. 2021	May. 2022
	Strongly Agree			Somewhat Agree			Neither			Somewhat Disagree			Strongly Disagree		
White people in the U.S. have certain advantages because of the color of their skin.	38%	32%	31%	17%	21%	20%	14%	17%	17%	10%	9%	13%	21%	21%	19%
Racial problems in the U.S. are rare, isolated situations.	11%	12%	10%	18%	16%	15%	12%	16%	18%	16%	19%	17%	43%	37%	40%
I am angry that racism exists.	51%	46%	46%	24%	23%	23%	19%	25%	23%	3%	4%	4%	4%	3%	3%

Police Reform (N=1000)

Do you support or oppose the following reforms to policing in the United States?

	Apr. 2021	May 2022	Apr. 2021	May 2022	Apr. 2021	May 2022	Apr. 2021	May 2022	Apr. 2021	May 2022
	Strongly Support		Support		Neither Support nor Oppose		Oppose		Strongly Oppose	
Reduce funding for state and local police departments and spend money on social services instead.	22%	15%	16%	16%	17%	23%	13%	15%	32%	31%
Ban the use of military grade equipment and weaponry by state and local police departments.	33%	25%	15%	17%	18%	28%	14%	16%	19%	14%
Allow citizens to sue individual police officers that are accused of the excessive use of physical force or misconduct.	36%	31%	23%	23%	19%	26%	11%	11%	11%	10%
Ban the use of chokeholds by police officers.	42%	36%	20%	22%	19%	24%	11%	11%	8%	7%
Restrict the ability of police officers from deactivating their body cameras.	48%	42%	23%	22%	17%	23%	5%	7%	7%	5%

BLM Grid (N=1,000)

	Apr. 2021	May 2022	Apr. 2021	May 2022	Apr. 2021	May 2022	Apr. 2021	May 2022	Apr. 2021	May 2022	Apr. 2021	May 2022
	Strongly Support		Somewhat Support		Neither Support nor Oppose		Somewhat Oppose		Strongly Oppose		Don't Know	
Do you support the <u>strategies and tactics</u> of the Black Lives Matter Movement in the United States?	21%	16%	19%	15%	13%	21%	7%	9%	36%	37%	4%	3%
Do you support the <u>goals</u> of the Black Lives Matter Movement in the United States?	33%	23%	15%	18%	14%	18%	7%	7%	28%	31%	4%	3%

Corporate Support (N=1000)

Do you agree or disagree with the following statement? A number of Fortune 500 companies have recently . . .

	Strongly Agree	Somewhat Agree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Somewhat Disagree	Strongly Disagree
expressed their opposition to state laws that they say discriminate against lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, transgender individuals. I have no problem with corporations expressing their opposition to these state laws.	24%	20%	31%	12%	13%
made general statements expressing their commitment to racial equity. I have no problem with corporations expressing their commitment to racial equity.	27%	23%	30%	9%	11%
made public commitments to changing their hiring practices in order to increase the diversity and equity in their workforces and management ranks. I have no problem with corporations changing their hiring practices to increase diversity and equity in their workforces.	25%	20%	30%	11%	14%
donated large sums of money to nonprofit organizations committed to addressing racial equity and combating systemic racism. I have no problem with corporations donating money to nonprofit organizations that address racial equity and combat systemic racism.	28%	21%	29%	10%	13%