

We'd like to ask you some questions about the death penalty. Which of these statements comes closest to your own point of view about the death penalty?



	United States	GENDER		AGE			REGION				POLITICAL ID			VOTE IN 2016	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West	Democrat	Republican	Independent	Trump (R)	Clinton (D)
The death penalty is always appropriate	16%	19%	14%	17%	18%	14%	12%	13%	20%	17%	15%	24%	12%	26%	11%
The death penalty is sometimes appropriate	56%	55%	57%	55%	52%	60%	54%	57%	53%	61%	54%	58%	56%	60%	57%
The death penalty is never appropriate	18%	18%	17%	17%	19%	17%	21%	19%	17%	14%	22%	9%	19%	8%	26%
Not sure	10%	8%	13%	11%	11%	9%	14%	11%	10%	8%	9%	8%	12%	6%	6%

As you may know, many countries around the world have abolished the death penalty, but not the United States. All things considered, do you support or oppose the possibility of prosecutors relying on the death penalty for murder cases in the United States?



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<b>Strongly support</b>	24%	26%	22%	21%	25%	26%	23%	20%	25%	28%	20%	37%	19%	36%	17%
<b>Moderately support</b>	35%	35%	35%	32%	33%	39%	30%	34%	35%	41%	31%	39%	37%	40%	34%
<b>Moderately oppose</b>	15%	16%	14%	23%	15%	11%	18%	14%	15%	14%	19%	10%	16%	9%	20%
<b>Strongly oppose</b>	13%	14%	13%	13%	13%	14%	14%	18%	12%	11%	18%	6%	14%	6%	19%
<b>Not sure</b>	12%	9%	14%	11%	14%	11%	15%	13%	13%	7%	12%	9%	14%	8%	9%

To supporters - Why do you support the possibility of prosecutors relying on the death penalty for murder cases in the United States?



	Support the Death Penalty	GENDER		AGE			REGION				POLITICAL ID			VOTE IN 2016	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West	Democrat	Republican	Independent	Trump (R)	Clinton (D)
A convicted murderer has taken a life, so the death penalty fits the crime	68%	67%	69%	66%	63%	73%	72%	66%	69%	66%	67%	73%	64%	71%	68%
The death penalty serves as a deterrent for potential murderers	47%	48%	46%	46%	46%	47%	43%	46%	49%	46%	39%	49%	50%	49%	39%
The death penalty saves taxpayers money and the costs associated with having murderers in prison	43%	44%	42%	43%	42%	43%	48%	43%	39%	44%	39%	44%	44%	48%	32%
The death penalty provides closure to the families of murder victims	42%	42%	42%	36%	42%	45%	39%	39%	43%	44%	36%	39%	50%	45%	35%
Murderers cannot be rehabilitated	19%	20%	18%	21%	20%	18%	18%	18%	17%	24%	19%	18%	20%	20%	16%
None of these	4%	3%	6%	5%	5%	4%	5%	5%	4%	4%	8%	2%	4%	2%	7%

To opponents - Why do you oppose the possibility of prosecutors relying on the death penalty for murder cases in the United States?



	Oppose the Death Penalty	GENDER		AGE			REGION				POLITICAL ID			VOTE IN 2016	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-54	55+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West	Democrat	Republican	Independent	Trump (R)	Clinton (D)
A person may be wrongly convicted, and then executed	65%	67%	64%	58%	67%	70%	60%	64%	65%	74%	68%	56%	67%	60%	64%
The death penalty does not serve as a deterrent for potential murderers	43%	44%	41%	40%	35%	52%	42%	38%	44%	46%	45%	27%	46%	28%	54%
Even if a convicted murderer has taken a life, it is wrong to take the murderer's own life as punishment	41%	37%	45%	40%	37%	46%	45%	43%	39%	39%	47%	35%	37%	36%	47%
Murderers should do their time in prison, as indicated by a judge	29%	32%	25%	29%	28%	29%	25%	35%	21%	38%	34%	19%	27%	22%	36%
Murderers can be rehabilitated	17%	18%	17%	23%	15%	14%	19%	20%	14%	17%	18%	17%	17%	17%	14%
None of these	4%	3%	4%	6%	3%	2%	8%	1%	3%	4%	1%	6%	6%	1%	1%

All things considered, which of these two approaches would you prefer as a punishment for convicted murderers in the United States?



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<b>Life imprisonment without the possibility of parole</b>	42%	43%	41%	46%	43%	39%	39%	38%	46%	42%	53%	32%	40%	30%	58%
<b>The death penalty</b>	42%	44%	39%	41%	42%	41%	42%	44%	39%	43%	35%	55%	38%	56%	30%
<b>Not sure</b>	16%	12%	20%	13%	14%	20%	20%	18%	15%	15%	12%	13%	23%	14%	13%