

Table 2.63

Attitudes toward laws covering the sale of firearms

United States, selected years 1990-2003

Question: "In general, do you feel that the laws covering the sale of firearms should be made more strict, less strict, or kept as they are now?"

	More strict	Less strict	Kept as they are now	Don't know/ refused
1990	78%	2%	17%	3%
1991	68	5	25	2
March 1993	70	4	24	2
December 1993	67	7	25	1
1995 ^a	62	12	24	2
1999	60	9	29	2
2000	62	5	31	2
2001	53	8	38	1
2002	51	11	36	2
2003	55	9	36	(b)

Note: See Note, table 2.13. For a discussion of public opinion survey sampling procedures, see Appendix 5.

^aAsked of a half sample.

^bLess than 0.5%.

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