

Table 2.99

Attitudes toward the legality of homosexual relations

By demographic characteristics, United States, 2004

Question: "Do you think homosexual relations between consenting adults should or should not be legal?"

	Legal	Not legal	Don't know/ refused
National	52%	43%	5%
Sex			
Male	50	45	5
Female	55	41	4
Race			
White	55	41	4
Nonwhite	44	50	6
Black	36	59	5
Age			
18 to 29 years	59	41	0
30 to 49 years	58	34	8
50 to 64 years	52	46	2
50 years and older	45	51	4
65 years and older	35	57	8
Education			
College post graduate	68	28	4
College graduate	71	24	5
Some college	58	37	5
High school graduate or less	37	58	5
Income			
\$75,000 and over	65	30	5
\$50,000 to \$74,999	53	42	5
\$30,000 to \$49,999	54	43	3
\$20,000 to \$29,999	47	45	8
Under \$20,000	39	58	3
Community			
Urban area	56	38	6
Suburban area	55	40	5
Rural area	42	55	3
Region			
East	58	35	7
Midwest	56	41	3
South	40	56	4
West	63	33	4
Politics			
Republican	43	53	4
Democrat	59	37	4
Independent	56	38	6

Note: See Note, [table 2.98](#). For a discussion of public opinion survey sampling procedures, see [Appendix 5](#).

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