

Table 2.19

**Respondents' ratings of the honesty and ethical standards of lawyers**

By demographic characteristics, United States, 2003

Question: "Please tell me how you would rate the honesty and ethical standards of people in these different fields--very high, high, average, low, or very low: Lawyers?"

	Very high	High	Average	Low	Very low
National	3%	13%	47%	25%	11%
<b>Sex</b>					
Male	3	9	46	27	14
Female	3	15	49	24	7
<b>Race</b>					
White	3	12	45	27	12
Nonwhite	6	13	54	20	6
Black	7	14	61	15	3
<b>Age</b>					
18 to 29 years	10	12	56	17	5
30 to 49 years	2	15	45	26	11
50 to 64 years	1	8	46	29	16
50 years and older	2	10	45	28	13
65 years and older	2	14	45	26	10
<b>Education</b>					
College post graduate	4	14	50	22	10
College graduate	1	11	49	27	12
Some college	2	10	48	27	12
High school graduate or less	5	14	45	24	10
<b>Income</b>					
\$75,000 and over	2	10	52	25	11
\$50,000 to \$74,999	2	13	43	27	14
\$30,000 to \$49,999	5	8	49	24	13
\$20,000 to \$29,999	2	14	54	26	4
Under \$20,000	5	21	41	20	10
<b>Community</b>					
Urban area	4	14	47	23	12
Suburban area	3	13	45	27	10
Rural area	4	9	51	24	11
<b>Region</b>					
East	4	13	48	25	9
Midwest	3	15	48	22	10
South	3	11	49	27	8
West	3	10	42	27	17
<b>Politics</b>					
Republican	2	12	40	32	13
Democrat	6	12	52	23	5
Independent	2	13	50	22	13

Note: See Note, table 2.17. The "don't know/refused" category has been omitted; therefore percents may not sum to 100. For a discussion of public opinion survey sampling procedures, see Appendix 5.

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