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**Attitudes toward level of crime in the United States**

By demographic characteristics, United States, 2004

Question: "Is there more crime in the U.S. than there was a year ago, or less?"

	More	Less	Same <sup>a</sup>	Don't know/ refused
National	53%	28%	14%	5%
<b>Sex</b>				
Male	45	35	15	5
Female	61	22	12	5
<b>Race</b>				
White	51	30	15	4
Nonwhite	64	20	10	6
Black	73	13	7	7
<b>Age</b>				
18 to 29 years	63	30	7	(b)
30 to 49 years	49	30	15	6
50 to 64 years	48	31	15	6
50 years and older	53	26	15	6
65 years and older	60	19	16	5
<b>Education</b>				
College post graduate	39	32	22	7
College graduate	44	34	18	4
Some college	53	31	12	4
High school graduate or less	64	22	10	4
<b>Income</b>				
\$75,000 and over	43	35	18	4
\$50,000 to \$74,999	46	30	20	4
\$30,000 to \$49,999	54	29	11	6
\$20,000 to \$29,999	67	19	12	2
Under \$20,000	74	21	1	4
<b>Community</b>				
Urban area	58	27	12	3
Suburban area	50	28	16	6
Rural area	57	29	11	3
<b>Region</b>				
East	53	28	16	3
Midwest	53	28	12	7
South	57	28	11	4
West	49	28	18	5
<b>Politics</b>				
Republican	39	43	15	3
Democrat	67	18	10	5
Independent	54	24	17	5

Note: See Note, [table 2.13.2005](#). For a discussion of public opinion survey sampling procedures, see [Appendix 5](#).

<sup>a</sup>Response volunteered.

<sup>b</sup>Less than 0.5%.

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