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

By demographic characteristics, United States, 2007<sup>a</sup>

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

	More	Less	Same <sup>b</sup>	Don't know/ refused
National	71%	14%	8%	6%
<b>Sex</b>				
Male	68	15	10	7
Female	74	14	7	6
<b>Race</b>				
White	68	16	9	7
Nonwhite	83	7	6	5
Black	81	7	7	4
<b>Age</b>				
18 to 29 years	70	18	7	5
30 to 49 years	69	14	11	6
50 to 64 years	69	15	8	7
50 years and older	74	13	7	6
65 years and older	78	11	5	5
<b>Education</b>				
College post graduate	59	21	10	9
College graduate	57	23	12	8
Some college	74	10	10	5
High school graduate or less	79	11	5	5
<b>Income</b>				
\$75,000 and over	61	22	11	6
\$50,000 to \$74,999	72	16	7	4
\$30,000 to \$49,999	80	7	9	5
\$20,000 to \$29,999	77	16	7	1
Under \$20,000	74	14	8	4
<b>Community</b>				
Urban area	68	16	9	7
Suburban area	72	14	8	5
Rural area	73	12	9	7
<b>Region</b>				
East	72	14	8	7
Midwest	68	14	10	8
South	71	14	9	5
West	74	15	6	6
<b>Politics</b>				
Republican	68	15	10	7
Democrat	76	14	5	5
Independent	70	14	10	6
<b>Ideology</b>				
Conservative	75	10	10	6
Moderate	66	19	8	6
Liberal	72	17	7	5

Note: See Note, [table 2.33.2007](#). For a discussion of public opinion survey sampling procedures, see [Appendix 5](#).

<sup>a</sup>Percents may not add to 100 because of rounding.

<sup>b</sup>Response volunteered.

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