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Attitudes toward level of crime in own area

By demographic characteristics, United States, 2005

Question: "Is there more crime in your area than there was a year ago, or less?"

	More	Less	Same ^a	Don't know/ refused
National	47%	33%	18%	2%
Sex				
Male	43	36	19	2
Female	52	29	16	3
Race				
White	47	32	19	2
Nonwhite	50	36	12	2
Black	55	35	10	0
Age				
18 to 29 years	48	33	16	3
30 to 49 years	47	35	17	1
50 to 64 years	44	34	19	3
50 years and older	48	30	19	3
65 years and older	54	24	20	2
Education				
College post graduate	40	33	25	2
College graduate	43	33	20	4
Some college	48	36	13	3
High school graduate or less	51	30	17	2
Income				
\$75,000 and over	44	34	20	2
\$50,000 to \$74,999	45	37	17	1
\$30,000 to \$49,999	51	32	16	1
\$20,000 to \$29,999	57	26	16	1
Under \$20,000	47	34	15	4
Community				
Urban area	52	32	14	2
Suburban area	47	32	18	3
Rural area	43	35	21	1
Region				
East	45	27	25	3
Midwest	49	35	15	1
South	46	38	14	2
West	51	28	18	3
Politics				
Republican	44	41	14	1
Democrat	49	29	19	3
Independent	50	29	18	3

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

^aResponse volunteered.

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