

Sourcebook of criminal justice statistics Online

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Attitudes toward level of crime in own area

By demographic characteristics, United States, 2006

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	51%	30%	15%	4%
Sex				
Male	46	31	18	5
Female	54	29	14	3
Race				
White	50	29	17	4
Nonwhite	55	32	11	2
Black	58	36	6	0
Age				
18 to 29 years	35	46	17	2
30 to 49 years	54	27	15	4
50 to 64 years	56	26	13	5
50 years and older	54	27	15	4
65 years and older	50	28	18	4
Education				
College post graduate	48	30	17	5
College graduate	50	29	17	4
Some college	48	30	18	4
High school graduate or less	54	31	13	2
Income				
\$75,000 and over	50	28	19	3
\$50,000 to \$74,999	46	30	20	4
\$30,000 to \$49,999	52	33	10	5
\$20,000 to \$29,999	55	28	11	6
Under \$20,000	63	25	10	2
Community				
Urban area	50	29	16	5
Suburban area	53	27	16	4
Rural area	45	40	14	1
Region				
East	49	30	18	3
Midwest	45	36	15	4
South	53	28	14	5
West	56	26	15	3
Politics				
Republican	43	35	19	3
Democrat	56	27	13	4
Independent	53	28	14	5
Ideology				
Conservative	51	31	14	4
Moderate	52	30	14	4
Liberal	47	31	20	2

Note: See Note, [table 2.13.2006](#). For a discussion of public opinion survey sampling procedures, see [Appendix 5](#).

^aResponse volunteered.

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