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**Attitudes toward level of crime in own area**

By demographic characteristics, United States, 2011<sup>a</sup>

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

	More	Less	Same <sup>b</sup>	Don't know/ refused
National	48%	29%	18%	5%
<u>Sex</u>				
Male	45	32	19	4
Female	51	26	17	6
<u>Race</u>				
White	50	25	21	4
Nonwhite	43	38	11	8
Black	50	35	5	10
<u>Age</u>				
18 to 29 years	40	34	18	8
30 to 49 years	55	26	14	5
50 to 64 years	45	28	22	5
65 years and older	46	28	21	5
65 years and older	48	28	20	4
<u>Education</u>				
College post graduate	45	27	24	3
College graduate	44	27	25	4
Some college	45	29	19	7
High school graduate or less	53	29	13	5
<u>Income</u>				
\$75,000 and over	47	27	21	5
\$50,000 to \$74,999	50	28	19	4
\$30,000 to \$49,999	44	35	15	6
\$20,000 to \$29,999	55	30	11	4
Under \$20,000	51	27	16	5
<u>Region</u>				
East	50	23	21	6
Midwest	56	26	14	5
South	50	28	17	5
West	35	38	22	6
<u>Politics</u>				
Republican	54	23	18	5
Independent	45	31	18	6
Democrat	48	30	18	5
<u>Ideology</u>				
Conservative	55	22	17	5
Moderate	46	31	19	4
Liberal	36	40	19	5

Note: These data are based on telephone interviews with a randomly selected national sample of 1,005 adults, 18 years of age and older, conducted Oct. 6-9, 2011. 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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