

14th Annual Racial Attitudes in Pulaski County Survey

Focus on Religion

Questionnaire & Percent Frequencies

The Racial Attitudes in Pulaski County survey was conducted by the UALR Survey Research Center (SRC) between August 22 and November 23, 2016. A total of 1,894 interviews were conducted with a stratified sample of residents, 18 years of age and older in Pulaski County, Arkansas. The study focuses on black, white, and Hispanic relations, the data analysis is divided into five groups: LR-blacks; LR-whites; OLR-blacks; and, OLR-whites and Hispanics with a total of 1,832 respondents.

The following is a presentation of each question used in the Racial Attitudes survey and the percentage frequencies for each of the response categories. Unless otherwise noted the total for each geo-racial group is:

LRB	LRW	OLRB	OLRW	HISP
n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184

Q1 At the present time, do you think religion as a whole is INCREASING its influence on American life or LOSING its influence?

	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 INCREASING its influence	25%	19%	23%	16%	34%
2 LOSING its influence	72%	76%	72%	80%	55%
5 Neither	2%	3%	3%	4%	6%
7 Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	5%
9 Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q2a All in all, do you think this increasing influence is a good thing or a bad thing?

	n=101	n=79	n=97	n=63	n=71
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 GOOD thing	61%	49%	81%	59%	69%
2 BAD thing	27%	48%	18%	37%	28%
5 Neither (volunteered)	11%	3%	1%	5%	3%
7 Don't know	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
9 Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q2b All in all, do you think this losing influence is a good thing or a bad thing?

	n=287	n=314	n=308	n=328	n=108
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 GOOD thing	6%	19%	11%	16%	17%
2 BAD thing	88%	73%	86%	80%	75%
3 Neither (volunteered)	6%	6%	2%	2%	7%
7 Don't know	0%	1%	1%	2%	2%
9 Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q3 How important is religion in your life? Would you say it is very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important?

	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Very important	78%	56%	85%	60%	57%
2 Somewhat important	17%	24%	10%	24%	26%
3 Not too important	3%	11%	2%	8%	10%
4 Not at all important	3%	10%	3%	9%	8%
7 Don't know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
9 Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q4 What is your present religion, if any?

	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Protestant (Baptist, Methodist, etc)	80%	60%	77%	66%	25%
2 Catholic	2%	15%	0%	10%	54%
3 Agnostic/Atheist	2%	11%	2%	6%	7%
4 Christian	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%
5 Spirtual	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
6 Non-denominational	6%	4%	8%	5%	1%
11 Nothing in particular	7%	7%	9%	9%	9%
12 Other	2%	1%	3%	3%	3%
77 Don't know	1%	0%	0%	0%	2%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q5 Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services? Would you say more than once a week, once a week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, seldom, or never?

	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 More than once a week	25%	11%	31%	19%	13%
2 Once a week	27%	29%	26%	21%	27%
3 Once or twice a month	19%	20%	19%	16%	20%
4 A few times a year	17%	15%	13%	16%	20%
5 Seldom	10%	15%	6%	18%	11%
6 Never	3%	10%	4%	10%	10%
7 Don't know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
9 Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q6 Thinking about the place of worship you attend most often, are there Hispanic religious leaders there?

	n=387	n=366	n=412	n=375	n=168
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Yes	13%	27%	12%	30%	65%
2 No	85%	70%	87%	68%	32%
7 Don't know	1%	3%	0%	2%	3%
9 Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q7 If you wanted to attend a church service in Spanish, is one available at your place of worship?

	n=387	n=366	n=412	n=375	n=168
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Yes	25%	28%	22%	29%	76%
2 No	70%	63%	73%	65%	21%
7 Don't know	5%	8%	5%	6%	3%
9 Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q8 People practice their religion in different ways. Outside of attending religious services, how often do you pray?

	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Several times a day	67%	40%	67%	47%	35%
2 Once a day	18%	26%	24%	23%	24%
3 A few times a week	6%	9%	4%	9%	13%
4 Once a week	2%	4%	2%	3%	7%
5 A few times a month	3%	2%	0%	2%	3%
6 Seldom (once a month or less)	4%	6%	1%	5%	6%
7 Never	2%	11%	3%	10%	10%
777 Don't know	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
999 Refused	0%	2%	0%	0%	2%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q9 How often do you talk about religion with your immediate family. Would you say

	n=395	n=409	n=421	n=408	n=184
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 At least once a week	72%	52%	75%	60%	57%
2 Once or twice a month	10%	15%	11%	11%	19%
3 Several times a year	6%	13%	5%	8%	11%
4 Seldom	9%	16%	7%	14%	10%
5 Never	2%	4%	1%	7%	3%
7 Don't know	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
9 Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q10a/b How much do you, personally, look to the Bible/Holy Book for guidance on difficult moral questions? Would you say . . .

	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 A great deal	51%	29%	59%	40%	27%
2 Some	27%	30%	25%	22%	23%
3 Not much	14%	20%	10%	19%	23%
4 Not at all	9%	20%	6%	19%	27%
7 Don't know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
9 Refused	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q11 When you make major life decisions, how much do you rely on prayer and personal religious reflection?

	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 A great deal	74%	48%	79%	51%	47%
2 Some	16%	24%	14%	25%	26%
3 Not much	7%	13%	4%	11%	11%
4 Not at all	4%	14%	4%	13%	16%
7 Don't know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
9 Refused	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q12 When you make major life decisions, how much do you rely on advice from religious leaders?

	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 A great deal	33%	12%	31%	22%	11%
2 Some	31%	30%	37%	28%	30%
3 Not much	18%	25%	18%	21%	18%
4 Not at all	19%	33%	14%	29%	41%
7 Don't know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
9 Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q13a/b Which of these two statements comes closer to your own views -- even if neither is exactly right . . . Our country HAS MADE the changes needed to give blacks equal rights with whites OR Our country needs to CONTINUE making changes to give blacks equal rights with whites.

	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 HAS MADE changes	2%	35%	4%	50%	36%
2 CONTINUE making changes	96%	60%	93%	46%	59%
3 Neither (Volunteered)	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%
4 Both equally (Volunteered)	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%
7 Don't know	1%	1%	0%	0%	2%
9 Refused	0%	1%	1%	0%	2%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q14 How much, if anything, have you heard about the BLACK LIVES MATTER movement? Would you say a lot, a little, or nothing at all?

	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 A lot	73%	68%	66%	67%	43%
2 A little	23%	26%	29%	25%	28%
3 Nothing at all	4%	6%	5%	8%	28%
7 Don't Know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
9 Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q15 From what you've heard, do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose the Black Lives Matter movement?

	n=385	n=392	n=395	n=375	n=129
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Strongly support	61%	18%	57%	11%	29%
2 Somewhat support	31%	38%	31%	30%	45%
3 Somewhat oppose	5%	21%	4%	29%	13%
4 Strongly oppose	1%	20%	5%	26%	7%
7 Don't Know	1%	1%	1%	2%	3%
9 Refused	1%	2%	1%	2%	3%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q16 Regardless of how you feel about the Black Lives Matter movement . . .

In the long run, how effective do you think it will be in helping blacks achieve equality in this country? Would you say. . .

	n=385	n=392	n=395	n=375	n=129
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Very effective	23%	3%	25%	4%	12%
2 Somewhat effective	54%	35%	52%	27%	49%
3 Not too effective	13%	37%	15%	37%	27%
4 Not at all effective	8%	25%	6%	31%	8%
7 Don't Know	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%
9 Refused	1%	0%	0%	0%	2%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q17 In general, do you think that black children have AS GOOD A CHANCE as white children in your community to get a good education, or DO YOU NOT think they have as good a chance?

	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 As good a chance	44%	49%	51%	75%	62%
2 Not as good a chance	54%	48%	48%	24%	34%
7 Don't know	1%	0%	1%	2%	2%
9 Refused	1%	2%	0%	0%	2%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q18 And, do you think that Hispanic children have AS GOOD A CHANCE as white children in your community to get a good education, or DO YOU NOT think they have as good a chance?

	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 As good a chance	40%	44%	49%	65%	51%
2 Not as good a chance	57%	53%	47%	31%	47%
7 Don't know	2%	2%	3%	3%	1%
9 Refused	2%	1%	1%	0%	1%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q19 Do you think RACIAL DISCRIMINATION is a MAJOR factor OR a MINOR factor for there being a greater percentage of blacks in U.S. prisons. . . OR is racial discrimination NOT AT ALL a factor?

	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Major factor	89%	37%	85%	26%	52%
2 Minor factor	7%	36%	9%	30%	19%
3 Not at all a factor	3%	25%	5%	40%	25%
6 Other	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
7 Don't Know	0%	1%	0%	2%	3%
9 Refused	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q20	What is your age?	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
		LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
	18-24	16%	8%	14%	10%	18%
	25-29	11%	10%	10%	9%	16%
	30-34	10%	9%	12%	8%	16%
	35-44	18%	16%	19%	14%	22%
	45-54	17%	16%	18%	18%	13%
	55-64	16%	18%	14%	18%	9%
	65-74	7%	12%	6%	12%	2%
	75+	4%	11%	4%	9%	2%
	Don't Know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Refused	3%	1%	4%	0%	3%
		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q21	Gender	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
		LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
	1 Male	44%	48%	42%	48%	57%
	2 Female	56%	52%	58%	52%	43%
		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q22	What is the last grade or class that you completed in school?	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
		LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
	1 None, or grade 1 - 4	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%
	2 Grades 5, 6 or 7	0%	0%	0%	1%	13%
	3 Grade 8	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%
	4 High school incomplete (Grades 9-11)	3%	2%	4%	5%	10%
	5 High school graduate, Grade 12 or GED	25%	9%	24%	20%	17%
	6 Assoc. degree, technical, trade or business	8%	6%	10%	13%	10%
	7 College/university incomplete	29%	16%	26%	23%	17%
	8 College/university graduate or more	34%	67%	35%	38%	26%
	99 Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q30 Are you currently employed or unemployed . . .

	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Employed for wages (full or part-time)	65%	59%	59%	57%	57%
2 Self-employed	11%	14%	10%	12%	19%
3 Out of work for more than 1 year	1%	1%	2%	3%	1%
4 Out of work for less than 1 year	1%	2%	1%	1%	5%
5 Homemaker	1%	4%	1%	4%	6%
6 Student	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%
7 Retired	13%	17%	13%	17%	5%
8 Unable to work	6%	1%	10%	5%	4%
99 Refused	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q31 If you added together the yearly incomes, before taxes of ALL the members of your household for last year, 2014, would the total be . . .

	n=399	n=413	n=425	n=411	n=184
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Less than \$10,000	5%	2%	4%	3%	4%
2 \$10 - 15,000	5%	1%	4%	2%	7%
3 \$15 - 20,000	8%	1%	8%	5%	12%
4 \$20 - 25,000	11%	5%	11%	8%	13%
5 \$25 - 35,000	14%	6%	12%	8%	13%
6 \$35 - 50,000	18%	11%	17%	16%	11%
7 \$50 - 75,000	15%	13%	16%	20%	14%
8 \$75 - 100,000	10%	15%	11%	12%	12%
10 More than \$100,000	11%	41%	13%	24%	10%
77 Don't know	1%	1%	2%	1%	3%
99 Refused	3%	4%	3%	2%	2%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%