

15th Annual Racial Attitudes in Pulaski County Survey
 Focus on Education
 Questionnaire & Percent Frequencies

The Racial Attitudes in Pulaski County survey was conducted by the UA Little Rock Survey Research Center (SRC) between August 31, 2017 and January 19, 2018. A total of 1,915 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 1,859 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:

LANG Interview conducted in English (eng)/Spanish (span)

Geogroup LRBLACK, LRWHITE, OLRBLACK, OLRWHITE, HISP

	LRB	LRW	OLRB	OLRW	HISP
	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181

Q1 Over the past year, do you think that relations between people of different races and ethnicities living in Pulaski County have improved, remained about the same, or have gotten worse?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Improved	13%	10%	18%	11%	13%
2 Remained the Same	49%	60%	49%	51%	56%
3 Gotten Worse	38%	29%	33%	37%	30%
7 Don't know	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
9 Refused					
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q2a Generally speaking, would you say that people CAN be trusted or that you can NOT be too careful in dealing with people?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 CAN be trusted	22%	63%	27%	49%	27%
2 Can NOT be too careful	75%	36%	70%	47%	69%
3 Depends (vol)	1%	1%	3%	3%	3%
7 Don't know	0%				
9 Refused	2%	0%		0%	
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q2b In general, how important do you think it is that children socialize with children of different races and ethnicities? Do you think it is . . .

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Very important	85%	84%	89%	76%	88%
2 Somewhat important	15%	15%	10%	20%	10%
3 Not at all important	0%	1%	1%	4%	1%
7 Don't know					
9 Refused		0%			1%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q3 Thinking about children of all races and ethnicities, do you think they HAVE an equal chance in your community to get a good education, or do you think they do NOT HAVE as good a chance?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 HAVE an equal chance	42%	49%	57%	69%	63%
2 DO NOT have as good a chance	58%	49%	41%	30%	37%
7 Don't know	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%
9 Refused				0%	
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q4 Would you say you agree or disagree with the following statement:

Racial integration of schools benefits all races and ethnicities.

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Strongly agree	42%	61%	47%	53%	65%
2 Somewhat agree	19%	22%	25%	26%	21%
3 Somewhat disagree	15%	10%	14%	10%	7%
4 Strongly disagree	21%	6%	13%	9%	4%
7 Don't know	2%	1%	1%	0%	2%
9 Refused	0%	1%		1%	
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q9 What grade would you give the TRADITIONAL PUBLIC schools in your community?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 A	6%	9%	15%	8%	14%
2 B	29%	26%	32%	26%	35%
3 C	33%	38%	33%	38%	29%
4 D	15%	15%	11%	15%	10%
5 F	11%	5%	4%	8%	5%
7 Don't know	2%	6%	2%	4%	4%
9 Refused	4%	2%	4%	2%	3%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
High Grade	35%	35%	47%	33%	49%
Low Grade	26%	19%	16%	23%	15%

Q10 What grade would you give the PRIVATE schools in your community?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 A	18%	26%	33%	29%	32%
2 B	43%	45%	37%	40%	40%
3 C	17%	13%	11%	16%	11%
4 D	3%	0%	1%	0%	2%
5 F	2%	0%	1%	0%	
7 Don't know	12%	13%	14%	13%	13%
9 Refused	5%	3%	3%	1%	2%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
High Grade	62%	71%	70%	69%	72%
Low Grade	4%	1%	2%	1%	2%

Q11 What grade would you give the CHARTER schools in your community?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 A	21%	9%	28%	14%	16%
2 B	34%	37%	39%	37%	40%
3 C	22%	21%	14%	17%	15%
4 D	4%	5%	2%	4%	6%
5 F	3%	1%	2%	2%	3%
7 Don't know	11%	26%	11%	26%	17%
9 Refused	5%	2%	4%	1%	3%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
High Grade	55%	46%	67%	51%	56%
Low Grade	7%	5%	4%	5%	9%

Q12 a/b Which district do you think has the best chance of improving student performance?
A district that is state managed or a district that is locally managed?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 LOCALLY Controlled	74%	76%	73%	78%	65%
2 STATE Controlled	19%	16%	20%	14%	27%
3 Neither	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%
4 Both	0%		0%	1%	1%
5 Other (Specify)	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%
7 Don't know	0%	4%	2%	3%	3%
9 Refused	5%	2%	3%	1%	1%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q13a/b In your opinion, are the events at Central High still impacting black/white race relations in our Pulaski County community today?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 YES	62%	71%	66%	60%	54%
2 NO	31%	25%	27%	36%	37%
7 Don't know	2%	2%	2%	2%	7%
9 Refused	5%	2%	5%	2%	1%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q14 Overall, do you think the continuing impact on race relations is positive or negative?

	n=258	n=301	n=256	n=269	n=96
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Positive	50%	54%	59%	45%	57%
2 Negative	43%	34%	34%	46%	40%
3 Both	5%	10%	5%	7%	2%
7 Don't Know	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%
9 Refused	0%	1%	1%	1%	
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q16 Do you have any children or grandchildren currently attending Kindergarten through 12th grade at a school located in Pulaski County?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Yes	46%	29%	53%	37%	42%
2 No	46%	69%	42%	61%	55%
8 Other	0%				1%
7 Don't Know			0%		
9 Refused	7%	2%	5%	2%	3%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q17 Do these children attend public schools, charter schools, private schools, or a mix of types of schools? (multiple response)

	n=192	n=125	n=205	n=164	n=75
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Public school	88%	62%	79%	64%	81%
2 Private school	8%	36%	9%	26%	9%
3 Charter school	25%	14%	32%	20%	11%
4 Home-based school	1%	5%	1%	2%	
7 Don't know	2%		0%		5%
9 Refused				1%	

Q18 If it were possible for these children to go to another type of school in Pulaski County . . . public, charter, or private, would you want them to attend a different school?

	n=192	n=125	n=205	n=164	n=75
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Yes	41%	20%	45%	20%	55%
2 No	58%	76%	53%	78%	45%
8 Other (Specify)	1%	1%	1%	1%	
7 Don't know	0%	2%	0%	1%	
9 Refused	0%	1%	0%		
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

(multiple)

Q19 (IF YES) What type of school would it be?

	n=80	n=26	n=93	n=33	n=41
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Public	10%	46%	11%	9%	10%
2 Private	54%	38%	47%	73%	68%
3 Charter	35%	12%	43%	18%	34%
4 Home-based	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%

78.72 25.00 92.25 32.80 41.25

Q21 Now thinking about your own personal experiences, can you think of any occasion in the last 30 days when you were treated unfairly because of your race or ethnicity when in a STORE where you were shopping?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Yes	22%	4%	20%	4%	14%
2 No	69%	94%	73%	93%	83%
8 Not Applicable	1%		1%	1%	
7 Don't Know	0%				
9 Refused	8%	2%	6%	2%	3%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q22 [Can you think of any occasion in the last 30 days when you were treated unfairly because of your race or ethnicity] . . . At your place of WORK?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Yes	18%	4%	16%	5%	8%
2 No	52%	68%	54%	63%	78%
8 Not applicable	22%	25%	23%	30%	11%
7 Don't know			1%		
9 Refused	8%	2%	6%	2%	3%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q23 [Can you think of any occasion in the last 30 days when you were treated unfairly because of your race or ethnicity] . . . In a restaurant, bar, theater, or other ENTERTAINMENT PLACE?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Yes	18%	3%	19%	4%	18%
2 No	74%	94%	73%	92%	79%
8 Not applicable	1%	0%	2%	2%	1%
8 Don't know		0%	0%		
9 Refused	8%	2%	6%	2%	3%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q24 [Can you think of any occasion in the last 30 days when you were treated unfairly because of your race or ethnicity]] . . . In dealing with the POLICE, such as traffic incidents?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Yes	11%	1%	7%	3%	5%
2 No	78%	86%	83%	86%	83%
8 Not applicable	3%	11%	4%	8%	9%
77 Don't know				0%	
99 Refused	8%	2%	6%	2%	3%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Q25 [Can you think of any occasion in the last 30 days when you were treated unfairly because of your race or ethnicity] . . . While getting HEALTHCARE for yourself or a family member?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Yes	7%	2%	6%	4%	6%
2 No	82%	94%	87%	92%	85%
8 Not applicable	2%	2%	1%	2%	6%
8 Don't know	0%				
9 Refused	8%	2%	6%	2%	3%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

AGE What is your age?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
18-24	3%	2%	3%	2%	10%
25-29	4%	3%	2%	3%	11%
30-34	5%	7%	5%	7%	10%
35-44	18%	13%	16%	15%	29%
45-54	17%	16%	20%	16%	22%
55-64	23%	22%	24%	28%	9%
65-74	13%	22%	16%	17%	5%
75+	5%	12%	5%	9%	1%
Refused	12%	3%	9%	3%	3%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

GENDER Gender

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Male	44%	48%	43%	47%	57%
2 Female	56%	52%	57%	53%	43%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

EDUC What is the last grade or class that you completed in school?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 None, or grade 1 - 4			0%		2%
2 Grades 5, 6 or 7	0%	0%	0%	0%	8%
3 Grade 8	0%	0%		1%	1%
4 High school incomplete (Grades 9-11)	4%	1%	3%	3%	14%
5 High school graduate, Grade 12 or GED	24%	11%	18%	21%	24%
6 Assoc. degree, technical, trade or business	8%	4%	18%	10%	11%
7 College/university incomplete	21%	20%	22%	24%	13%
8 College/university graduate or more	35%	61%	33%	38%	24%
99 Refused	8%	2%	6%	2%	3%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

INTERNET Do you ever use the internet or email at HOME?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Yes	82%	93%	84%	88%	85%
2 No	10%	5%	10%	10%	12%
7 Don't Know					
9 Refused	8%	2%	6%	2%	3%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

INTTYPE Do you subscribe to dial-up internet service at HOME... OR do you subscribe to a higher speed broadband service such as DSL, cable, or fiber optic service?

	n=324	n=388	n=297	n=384	n=149
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Dial-up	1%	1%	2%	0%	3%
2 Broadband/other high speed	93%	95%	89%	93%	79%
3 Cell phone/Hot Spot	6%	2%	8%	4%	11%
8 Other (specify)		1%		2%	
7 Don't Know	0%	2%	1%	0%	8%
9 Refused				0%	
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

EMPLOY Are you currently employed or unemployed?

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Employed for wages (full or part-time)	55%	54%	59%	53%	62%
2 Self-employed	6%	16%	9%	10%	16%
3 Out of work for more than 1 year	1%	1%	1%	1%	
4 Out of work for less than 1 year	5%	2%	3%	2%	3%
5 Homemaker (not employed)	1%	2%	0%	4%	9%
6 Student (not employed)	5%	2%	2%	2%	2%
7 Retired	13%	19%	13%	20%	3%
8 Unable to work	5%	2%	6%	6%	3%
99 Refused	8%	3%	7%	2%	3%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

INCOME And the last question, if you added together the yearly income, before taxes, of all the members of your household for last year, 2016, would the total be . . .

	n=419	n=424	n=389	n=446	n=181
	LR-Black	LR-White	OLR-Black	OLR-White	Hispanic
1 Less than \$10,000	4%	0%	3%	1%	2%
2 \$10 - 15,000	5%	2%	2%	4%	6%
3 \$15 - 20,000	7%	2%	14%	3%	14%
4 \$20 - 25,000	10%	6%	6%	7%	12%
5 \$25 - 35,000	12%	7%	11%	10%	12%
6 \$35 - 50,000	16%	16%	17%	11%	13%
7 \$50 - 75,000	17%	15%	14%	20%	18%
8 \$75 - 100,000	8%	12%	9%	13%	7%
10 More than \$100,000	10%	33%	16%	24%	9%
77 Don't know		0%	1%	2%	2%
99 Refused	10%	6%	8%	5%	6%
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%