

# Results of SurveyUSA News Poll #20210

Geography: Georgia

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Percentages

**1** Are you following news stories about President Obama's plans to change some of the nation's gun laws?

500 Adults	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Cell Phone / Lan		Party Affiliation		
		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Asian /	Cell Ph	Landlin	Republi	Democr	Indepen
Credibility Interval: +/-2.7 pct points																		
Yes	90%	88%	91%	92%	90%	90%	85%	91%	88%	88%	93%	89%	**	91%	89%	88%	93%	87%
No	8%	10%	7%	6%	10%	10%	9%	8%	9%	11%	6%	4%	**	7%	9%	11%	5%	10%
Not Sure	2%	2%	2%	2%	0%	0%	6%	1%	3%	1%	1%	7%	**	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	48%	52%	33%	29%	24%	14%	62%	38%	59%	29%	7%	5%	36%	64%	29%	42%	27%

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500 Adults	All	Ideology			Parent		Guns in House			Education			Income			Region		
		Conser	Moder	Liberal	Yes	No	No Gun	One Gu	More T	High Sc	Some C	4-year	< \$40K	\$40K -	> \$80K	Atlanta	Northw	South &
Credibility Interval: +/-2.7 pct points																		
Yes	90%	87%	94%	85%	92%	88%	91%	90%	90%	80%	91%	95%	87%	92%	92%	94%	86%	89%
No	8%	12%	4%	12%	8%	9%	7%	9%	9%	17%	7%	5%	12%	7%	6%	5%	13%	7%
Not Sure	2%	1%	1%	3%	0%	3%	2%	1%	2%	3%	2%	0%	2%	2%	1%	0%	1%	4%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	34%	40%	17%	37%	63%	51%	22%	28%	21%	35%	44%	36%	35%	29%	33%	35%	32%

**2** Next week, President Obama will ask Congress to pass a number of new laws. One proposal calls for a federal ban on new assault weapons, but does not affect assault weapons people already own. Should Congress pass this proposal into law? Or not?

500 Adults	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Cell Phone / Lan		Party Affiliation		
		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Asian /	Cell Ph	Landlin	Republi	Democr	Indepen
Credibility Interval: +/-4.4 pct points																		
Should Pass	56%	54%	59%	61%	53%	55%	55%	57%	55%	44%	81%	49%	**	63%	52%	35%	78%	48%
Should NOT Pass	38%	42%	33%	32%	41%	43%	34%	37%	40%	49%	17%	35%	**	28%	43%	60%	19%	40%
Not Sure	6%	4%	8%	7%	6%	2%	10%	7%	5%	7%	2%	16%	**	9%	4%	5%	3%	12%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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Credibility Interval: +/-4.4 pct points		Conser	Moderate	Liberal	Yes	No	No Gun	One Gu	More T	High Sc	Some C	4-year	< \$40K	\$40K -	> \$80K	Atlanta	Northw	South &
Should Pass	56%	37%	67%	65%	57%	55%	68%	59%	36%	46%	57%	63%	51%	61%	62%	66%	49%	54%
Should NOT Pass	38%	58%	29%	21%	36%	39%	24%	35%	61%	44%	36%	33%	38%	35%	35%	29%	43%	41%
Not Sure	6%	5%	4%	14%	7%	6%	8%	6%	3%	10%	7%	3%	10%	4%	3%	5%	8%	5%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	34%	40%	17%	37%	63%	51%	22%	28%	21%	35%	44%	36%	35%	29%	33%	35%	32%

**3** Another proposal would require background checks on all gun buyers, including private sales between individuals.

500 Adults	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Cell Phone / Lan		Party Affiliation		
Credibility Interval: +/-3.9 pct points		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Asian /	Cell Ph	Landlin	Republi	Democr	Indepen
Should Pass	75%	69%	81%	81%	73%	70%	74%	77%	71%	67%	91%	56%	**	83%	70%	65%	86%	71%
Should NOT Pass	20%	28%	13%	12%	24%	28%	20%	18%	25%	28%	9%	19%	**	10%	26%	33%	10%	23%
Not Sure	5%	3%	6%	7%	3%	3%	6%	5%	4%	5%	0%	25%	**	6%	4%	3%	4%	6%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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Should Pass	75%	65%	84%	72%	76%	74%	84%	74%	62%	74%	75%	78%	81%	72%	75%	82%	69%	73%
Should NOT Pass	20%	31%	13%	21%	20%	20%	9%	21%	35%	22%	19%	18%	14%	25%	21%	14%	23%	24%
Not Sure	5%	4%	3%	7%	4%	5%	6%	5%	3%	5%	6%	4%	5%	4%	5%	4%	7%	3%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	34%	40%	17%	37%	63%	51%	22%	28%	21%	35%	44%	36%	35%	29%	33%	35%	32%

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**4** Another proposal would limit how much ammunition a given gun can hold.

500 Adults Credibility Interval: +/-4.4 pct points	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Cell Phone / Lan		Party Affiliation		
		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Asian /	Cell Ph	Landlin	Republi	Democr	Indepen
Should Pass	56%	49%	62%	56%	52%	60%	58%	54%	59%	49%	73%	49%	**	59%	54%	39%	73%	48%
Should NOT Pass	38%	48%	30%	36%	45%	37%	31%	41%	35%	45%	23%	32%	**	34%	41%	54%	23%	45%
Not Sure	6%	3%	9%	8%	3%	4%	11%	6%	6%	6%	3%	19%	**	7%	5%	7%	4%	7%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	48%	52%	33%	29%	24%	14%	62%	38%	59%	29%	7%	5%	36%	64%	29%	42%	27%

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		Conser	Moder	Liberal	Yes	No	No Gun	One Gu	More T	High Sc	Some C	4-year	< \$40K	\$40K -	> \$80K	Atlanta	Northw	South &
Should Pass	56%	41%	64%	62%	56%	56%	67%	50%	42%	47%	54%	64%	56%	60%	55%	62%	51%	55%
Should NOT Pass	38%	54%	33%	30%	37%	39%	26%	42%	55%	43%	40%	33%	37%	34%	42%	33%	41%	41%
Not Sure	6%	5%	3%	8%	7%	5%	6%	8%	3%	10%	7%	3%	7%	6%	2%	4%	8%	4%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	34%	40%	17%	37%	63%	51%	22%	28%	21%	35%	44%	36%	35%	29%	33%	35%	32%

**5** The Georgia legislature is considering a bill that would eliminate the requirement of a permit to carry a concealed weapon. Should the law be changed to allow carrying a concealed weapon without a permit? Or should the law remain the same and continue to require permits?

500 Adults Credibility Interval: +/-3.6 pct points	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Cell Phone / Lan		Party Affiliation		
		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Asian /	Cell Ph	Landlin	Republi	Democr	Indepen
Law Should Be Changed	17%	25%	10%	13%	18%	22%	16%	16%	20%	20%	14%	2%	**	11%	20%	20%	14%	19%
Continue To Require Permits	80%	72%	86%	80%	80%	77%	81%	80%	79%	77%	85%	77%	**	82%	78%	77%	84%	76%
Not Sure	3%	3%	3%	6%	2%	1%	3%	4%	2%	2%	1%	21%	**	7%	1%	3%	3%	5%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	48%	52%	33%	29%	24%	14%	62%	38%	59%	29%	7%	5%	36%	64%	29%	42%	27%

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500 Adults	All	Ideology			Parent		Guns in House			Education			Income			Region		
Credibility Interval: +/-3.6 pct points		Conser	Moderate	Liberal	Yes	No	No Gun	One Gu	More T	High Sc	Some C	4-year	< \$40K	\$40K -	> \$80K	Atlanta	Northw	South &
Law Should Be Changed	17%	24%	13%	13%	15%	19%	9%	20%	29%	21%	18%	14%	19%	16%	16%	8%	20%	23%
Continue To Require Permits	80%	73%	84%	82%	81%	78%	87%	77%	69%	78%	78%	82%	77%	81%	82%	87%	76%	77%
Not Sure	3%	3%	3%	5%	4%	3%	4%	3%	2%	1%	3%	5%	4%	3%	3%	5%	5%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	34%	40%	17%	37%	63%	51%	22%	28%	21%	35%	44%	36%	35%	29%	33%	35%	32%

**6** Should Georgia law be changed to allow guns to be carried into churches? Or should that remain against the law?

500 Adults	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Cell Phone / Lan		Party Affiliation		
Credibility Interval: +/-4.3 pct points		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Asian /	Cell Ph	Landlin	Republi	Democr	Indepen
Allow Guns To Be Carried Into Churc	26%	33%	19%	18%	32%	33%	18%	25%	28%	33%	12%	13%	**	19%	30%	38%	15%	31%
Remain Against The Law	64%	60%	68%	71%	57%	62%	67%	64%	64%	55%	84%	74%	**	66%	63%	49%	81%	55%
Not Sure	10%	7%	13%	11%	11%	4%	15%	11%	8%	12%	4%	13%	**	15%	7%	14%	4%	14%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	48%	52%	33%	29%	24%	14%	62%	38%	59%	29%	7%	5%	36%	64%	29%	42%	27%

**6** Should Georgia law be changed to allow guns to be carried into churches? Or should that remain against the law?

500 Adults	All	Ideology			Parent		Guns in House			Education			Income			Region		
Credibility Interval: +/-4.3 pct points		Conser	Moderate	Liberal	Yes	No	No Gun	One Gu	More T	High Sc	Some C	4-year	< \$40K	\$40K -	> \$80K	Atlanta	Northw	South &
Allow Guns To Be Carried Into Churc	26%	39%	24%	13%	28%	24%	19%	19%	40%	24%	24%	26%	18%	25%	32%	21%	32%	24%
Remain Against The Law	64%	50%	66%	77%	59%	68%	72%	69%	50%	68%	62%	67%	73%	66%	57%	69%	55%	70%
Not Sure	10%	11%	10%	10%	13%	8%	9%	11%	10%	8%	14%	7%	10%	8%	11%	10%	14%	6%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	34%	40%	17%	37%	63%	51%	22%	28%	21%	35%	44%	36%	35%	29%	33%	35%	32%

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**7** Should Georgia law be changed to allow guns to be carried on college campuses? Or should that remain against the law?

500 Adults Credibility Interval: +/-4.3 pct points	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Cell Phone / Lan		Party Affiliation		
		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Asian /	Cell Ph	Landlin	Republi	Democr	Indepen
Allow Guns To Be Carried On Colleg	29%	36%	22%	23%	40%	28%	21%	31%	25%	37%	17%	13%	**	23%	32%	41%	17%	33%
Remain Against The Law	65%	60%	69%	68%	58%	67%	67%	63%	67%	56%	82%	64%	**	67%	64%	50%	79%	58%
Not Sure	7%	4%	8%	9%	2%	5%	12%	6%	7%	7%	1%	23%	**	10%	4%	9%	4%	8%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	48%	52%	33%	29%	24%	14%	62%	38%	59%	29%	7%	5%	36%	64%	29%	42%	27%

**7** Should Georgia law be changed to allow guns to be carried on college campuses? Or should that remain against the law?

500 Adults Credibility Interval: +/-4.3 pct points	All	Ideology			Parent		Guns in House			Education			Income			Region		
		Conser	Moder	Liberal	Yes	No	No Gun	One Gu	More T	High Sc	Some C	4-year	< \$40K	\$40K -	> \$80K	Atlanta	Northw	South &
Allow Guns To Be Carried On Colleg	29%	42%	24%	21%	32%	27%	22%	22%	46%	26%	31%	27%	22%	31%	33%	23%	36%	27%
Remain Against The Law	65%	51%	70%	71%	64%	65%	73%	71%	49%	65%	64%	68%	71%	65%	61%	72%	55%	69%
Not Sure	7%	7%	6%	9%	4%	8%	6%	7%	5%	9%	6%	5%	7%	4%	6%	6%	9%	5%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	34%	40%	17%	37%	63%	51%	22%	28%	21%	35%	44%	36%	35%	29%	33%	35%	32%

\*\* Too few respondents of this type were interviewed for this data to be meaningful.

**Statement of Methodology:** About the Poll: This poll was conducted by telephone in the voice of a professional announcer. Respondent households were selected at random, using Random Digit Dialed (RDD) sample provided by Survey Sampling, of Fairfield CT. All respondents heard the questions asked identically. The pollster's report includes the geography that was surveyed; the date(s) interviews were conducted, the number of respondents who answered each question and the theoretical margin of sampling error for each question. Where necessary, respondents were weighted using the most recent US Census estimates for age, gender, ethnic origin and region, to align the sample to the population. In theory, one can say with 95% certainty that the results would not vary by more than the stated margin of sampling error, in one direction or the other, had the entire universe of respondents with home telephones been interviewed with complete accuracy. There are other possible sources of error in all surveys that may be more serious than sampling error. These include: the difficulty of interviewing respondents who do not have a home telephone; the refusal by some with home telephones to be interviewed; the order in which questions are asked; the wording of questions; the way and extent to which data are weighted; and the manner in which specialized populations, such as likely voters, are determined. It is difficult to quantify the errors that may result from these and other factors. Research methodology, questionnaire design and fieldwork for this survey were completed by SurveyUSA of Clifton, NJ. This statement conforms to the principles of disclosure of the National Council on Public Polls.