

National Tracking Poll

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 N Size: 2200 Adults
 Margin of Error: ± 2%
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Topline Report

Question	Response	Frequency	Percentage
AFRI1	<i>To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "Decisions about using lethal force in war should involve meaningful human judgment, not be left entirely to artificial intelligence systems."</i>		
	Strongly agree	1214	55%
	Somewhat agree	447	20%
	Somewhat disagree	125	6%
	Strongly disagree	108	5%
	Not sure	306	14%
AFRI2	<i>Do you believe AI weapons should ever be allowed to decide on their own when to take a human life in war, without a human making the final decision?</i>		
	Strongly agree	324	15%
	Somewhat agree	308	14%
	Somewhat disagree	235	11%
	Strongly disagree	1015	46%
	Not sure	319	14%
AFRI3	<i>Do you support or oppose requiring that a human operator must approve the use of lethal force before an artificial intelligence-powered military system can take a life?</i>		
	Strongly support	1159	53%
	Somewhat support	430	20%
	Somewhat oppose	142	6%
	Strongly oppose	143	6%
	Not sure	326	15%
AFRI4	<i>Should the U.S. government be allowed to use artificial intelligence to continuously track and analyze the communications and movements of American citizens?</i>		
	Yes, definitely	232	11%
	Yes, probably	291	13%
	No, probably not	396	18%
	No, definitely not	964	44%
	Not sure	317	14%

Question	Response	Frequency	Percentage
AFRI5	<i>Do you think U.S. military policy should require a human operator to approve the use of lethal force before an artificial intelligence-powered military system can kill a target?</i>		
	Yes, definitely	1174	53%
	Yes, probably	431	20%
	No, probably not	143	6%
	No, definitely not	133	6%
	Not sure	319	15%
AFRI6	<i>How much do you trust the federal government to use artificial intelligence surveillance tools without abusing them or violating Americans' rights?</i>		
	A great deal of trust	205	9%
	A fair amount of trust	380	17%
	Not too much trust	566	26%
	No trust at all	759	35%
	Not sure	291	13%
AFRI7	<i>If an artificial intelligence company refuses to allow its technology to be used for domestic mass surveillance or fully autonomous lethal weapons, what should the U.S. government do?</i>		
	Negotiate limits or safeguards	904	41%
	Require the company to allow those uses	253	12%
	Ban the company from doing business in the U.S.	362	16%
	Not sure	681	31%
AFRI8	<i>Some experts warn that powerful artificial intelligence tools could enable unprecedented government surveillance of Americans' daily lives. How concerned are you about this possibility?</i>		
	Very concerned	1023	47%
	Somewhat concerned	645	29%
	Not too concerned	194	9%
	Not at all concerned	79	4%
	Not sure	258	12%
AFRI9	<i>Do you support or oppose limits on the U.S. government's use of artificial intelligence surveillance tools in order to protect Americans' privacy and constitutional rights?</i>		
	Strongly support	751	34%
	Somewhat support	507	23%
	Somewhat oppose	306	14%
	Strongly oppose	254	12%
	Not sure	382	17%

Question	Response	Frequency	Percentage
AFRI10	<i>Should the U.S. military implement safeguards to prevent the use of artificial intelligence tools for domestic mass surveillance and for fully autonomous weapons with no human oversight?</i>		
	Yes, definitely	945	43%
	Yes, probably	510	23%
	No, probably not	215	10%
	No, definitely not	175	8%
	Not sure	355	16%

Note: Group proportions may total to larger than one-hundred percent due to rounding. All statistics are calculated for respondents with demographic post-stratification weights applied.

Respondent Demographics Summary

Summary Statistics of Survey Respondent Demographics

Demographic	Group	Frequency	Percentage
xdemAll	Adults	2200	100%
xdem1	Voters	1718	78%
xdemGender	Gender: Male	1074	49%
	Gender: Female	1126	51%
	N	2199	
age	Age: 18-34	636	29%
	Age: 35-44	378	17%
	Age: 45-64	675	31%
	Age: 65+	511	23%
	N	2200	
demAgeGeneration	GenZers: 1997-2012	437	20%
	Millennials: 1981-1996	620	28%
	GenXers: 1965-1980	537	24%
	Baby Boomers: 1946-1964	578	26%
	N	2172	
xpid3	PID: Dem (no lean)	739	34%
	PID: Ind (no lean)	738	34%
	PID: Rep (no lean)	722	33%
	N	2200	
xdemIdeo3	Ideo: Liberal (1-3)	572	26%
	Ideo: Moderate (4)	768	35%
	Ideo: Conservative (5-7)	630	29%
	N	1969	
xeduc3	Educ: < College	1401	64%
	Educ: Bachelors degree	499	23%
	Educ: Post-grad	300	14%
	N	2200	
xdemInc3_us	Income: Under 50k	1204	55%
	Income: 50k-100k	648	29%
	Income: 100k+	348	16%
	N	2200	
xdemWhite	Ethnicity: White	1675	76%
xdemHispBin	Ethnicity: Hispanic	406	18%

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Summary Statistics of Survey Respondent Demographics

Demographic	Group	Frequency	Percentage
demBlackBin	Ethnicity: Black	286	13%
demRaceOther	Ethnicity: Other	239	11%
xdemUsr	Community: Urban	674	31%
	Community: Suburban	1043	47%
	Community: Rural	483	22%
	N	2200	
xdemEmploy	Employ: Private Sector	640	29%
	Employ: Government	130	6%
	Employ: Self-Employed	231	11%
	Employ: Homemaker	91	4%
	Employ: Student	104	5%
	Employ: Retired	523	24%
	Employ: Unemployed	358	16%
	Employ: Other	122	6%
N	2200		
xdemMilHH1	Military HH: Yes	306	14%
	Military HH: No	1894	86%
	N	2200	
xsubVote24O	2024 Vote: Kamala Harris	693	31%
	2024 Vote: Donald Trump	687	31%
	2024 Vote: Other	51	2%
	2024 Vote: Didn't Vote	770	35%
	N	2200	
xsubVote22O	2022 House Vote: Democrat	634	29%
	2022 House Vote: Republican	557	25%
	2022 House Vote: Someone else	66	3%
	2022 House Vote: Didnt Vote	944	43%
	N	2200	
xreg4	4-Region: Northeast	378	17%
	4-Region: Midwest	448	20%
	4-Region: South	850	39%
	4-Region: West	523	24%
	N	2200	

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