

**2023 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL  
WAVE 125 MARCH 2023  
FINAL TOPLINE  
MARCH 27 – APRIL 2, 2023  
N=5,079**

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED**

**ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**

**ASK ALL:**

COLL\_RE      As you may know, some colleges and universities around the country are selective, which means they have many more applicants than they can admit. One of the factors some of these colleges take into account in admissions decisions is race and ethnicity, in order to increase the racial and ethnic diversity of the school.

All in all, do you approve or disapprove of selective colleges and universities doing this?

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| <b>33</b> | <b>NET Approve</b>         |
| 11        | <i>Strongly approve</i>    |
| 22        | <i>Somewhat approve</i>    |
| <b>50</b> | <b>NET Disapprove</b>      |
| 29        | <i>Strongly disapprove</i> |
| 21        | <i>Somewhat disapprove</i> |
| 16        | Not sure                   |
| 1         | No answer                  |

**ASK ALL:**

COLL\_RE2      When selective colleges and universities consider race and ethnicity as a factor in admissions decisions, in order to increase the racial and ethnic diversity of the school, do you think...

**[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; SHOW ON TWO SCREENS WITH COLL\_RE2\_STEM ALWAYS AT TOP]**

FAIR      This makes the overall admissions process of these colleges... **[RANDOMIZE ORDER 1-5 and 5-1, WITH 6 ALWAYS LAST]**

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| <b>20</b> | <b>NET More fair</b>       |
| 7         | <i>Much more fair</i>      |
| 13        | <i>Somewhat more fair</i>  |
| 17        | Neither more nor less fair |
| <b>49</b> | <b>NET Less fair</b>       |
| 24        | <i>Much less fair</i>      |
| 24        | <i>Somewhat less fair</i>  |
| 13        | Not sure <b>[ANCHOR]</b>   |
| 1         | No answer                  |

## COLL\_RE2 CONTINUED ...

EXP This makes students' overall educational experiences at these colleges... [RANDOMIZE ORDER 1-5 and 5-1, WITH 6 ALWAYS LAST, AND IN SAME ORDER AS FAIR]

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| <b>27</b> | <b>NET Better</b>        |
| 11        | <i>Much better</i>       |
| 16        | <i>Somewhat better</i>   |
| 30        | Neither better nor worse |
| <b>26</b> | <b>NET Worse</b>         |
| 10        | <i>Much worse</i>        |
| 16        | <i>Somewhat worse</i>    |
| 16        | Not sure [ANCHOR]        |
| 1         | No answer                |

HQL That the students who are accepted to these colleges are... [RANDOMIZE ORDER 1-5 and 5-1, WITH 6 ALWAYS LAST AND IN SAME ORDER AS FAIR]

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| <b>11</b> | <b>NET More qualified</b>       |
| 4         | <i>Much more qualified</i>      |
| 7         | <i>Somewhat more qualified</i>  |
| 39        | Neither more nor less qualified |
| <b>33</b> | <b>NET Less qualified</b>       |
| 11        | <i>Much less qualified</i>      |
| 23        | <i>Somewhat less qualified</i>  |
| 16        | Not sure [ANCHOR]               |
| 1         | No answer                       |

RAEQ This is good or bad for ensuring equal opportunity for Americans of all racial and ethnic backgrounds? [RANDOMIZE ORDER 1-5 and 5-1, WITH 6 ALWAYS LAST AND IN SAME ORDER AS FAIR]

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| <b>36</b> | <b>NET Good</b>      |
| 15        | <i>Very good</i>     |
| 21        | <i>Somewhat good</i> |
| 18        | Neither good nor bad |
| <b>31</b> | <b>NET Bad</b>       |
| 15        | <i>Very bad</i>      |
| 17        | <i>Somewhat bad</i>  |
| 14        | Not sure [ANCHOR]    |
| 1         | No answer            |

**[ROTATE AAPERSDIS AND AAPERSADV BASED ON FORM AND SHOW ON SAME PAGE. SHOW AAPERSDIS FIRST ON FORM 1 AND AAPERSADV FIRST ON FORM 2]**

**ASK ALL:**

AAPERSDIS Do you think that you have ever been at a DISADVANTAGE in your education, career or job because of efforts to increase racial and ethnic diversity?

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|----|-----------|
| 24 | Yes       |
| 57 | No        |
| 18 | Not sure  |
| 1  | No answer |

**[ROTATE AAPERSDIS AND AAPERSADV BASED ON FORM AND SHOW ON SAME PAGE. SHOW AAPERSDIS FIRST ON FORM 1 AND AAPERSADV FIRST ON FORM 2]**

**ASK ALL:**

AAPERSADV Do you think that you have ever been at an ADVANTAGE in your education, career or job because of efforts to increase racial and ethnic diversity?

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|----|-----------|
| 11 | Yes       |
| 72 | No        |
| 16 | Not sure  |
| 1  | No answer |

**ASK ALL:**

AAPERSSTER Do you think people have ever assumed that you benefited unfairly in your education, career or job from efforts to increase racial and ethnic diversity?

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| 15 | Yes       |
| 64 | No        |
| 20 | Not sure  |
| 1  | No answer |

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**ASK ALL:**

PARTY In politics today, do you consider yourself a:

**ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE (PARTY=3 or 4) OR MISSING:**PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to...<sup>1</sup>

| <u>Republican</u> | <u>Democrat</u> | <u>Independent</u> | <u>Something<br/>else</u> | <u>No<br/>answer</u> | <i>Lean<br/>Rep</i> | <i>Lean<br/>Dem</i> |
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| 28                | 28              | 27                 | 14                        | 2                    | 18                  | 19                  |

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<sup>1</sup> PARTY and PARTYLN asked in a prior survey.