

**2021 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
WAVE 93 SOCIAL MEDIA SURVEY**

**TOPLINE
July 26-August 8, 2021
N=11,178**

ASK IF FORM 1 (XFORM=1) [N=5,497]:

MISINFG Thinking about news and information online, including social media...

Which comes closer to your own view – even if neither is exactly right? **[RANDOMIZE]**

		TREND FOR COMPARISON
July 26-Aug 8 <u>2021</u>		Feb 26-Mar 11 <u>2018</u>
48	The U.S. government should take steps to restrict false information online, even if it limits people from freely publishing or accessing information	39
50	People's freedom to publish and access information should be protected, even if it means false information can also be published	58
2	No answer	4

ASK IF FORM 2 (XFORM=2) [N=5,681]:

MISINFT Thinking about news and information online, including social media...

Which comes closer to your own view – even if neither is exactly right? **[RANDOMIZE]**

		TREND FOR COMPARISON
July 26-Aug 8 <u>2021</u>		Feb 26-Mar 11 <u>2018</u>
59	Technology companies should take steps to restrict false information online, even if it limits people from freely publishing or accessing information	56
39	People's freedom to publish and access information should be protected, even if it means false information can also be published	42
2	No answer	2

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE**ASK ALL:**

PARTY In politics today, do you consider yourself a...

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27	Republican
32	Democrat
26	Independent
13	Something else
2	No answer

ASK IF INDEP/SOMETHING ELSE (PARTY=3, 4 OR REFUSED) [N=4,608]:

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to...

BASED ON TOTAL [N=11,178]

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17	The Republican Party
20	The Democratic Party
5	No answer