

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

ADDITIONAL ITEMS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

ASK ALL:

LIFEFIFTY In general, would you say life in America today is better, worse, or about the same as it was 50 years ago for people like you?

PHONE TREND FOR COMPARISON:

Mar 27-Apr 2, <u>2023</u>		July 8-18 <u>2021</u>	Jun 27-Jul 9 <u>2017</u>	Aug 9-16 <u>2016</u>	Mar 17-26 <u>2016</u>
23	Better	36	37	36	35
58	Worse	43	41	44	43
19	About the same	20	18	16	15
*	No answer	1	4	4	7

ADDITIONAL ITEMS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

ASK FORM 1 [N=2,540]:

USCONF_FUT How much confidence do you have in the future of the United States? **[SHOW IN ORDER]**

Mar 27- Apr 2, <u>2023</u>		Apr 25- May 1, <u>2022</u>	Apr 5-11 <u>2021</u>	July 27- Aug 2, <u>2020</u>
12	Quite a lot	17	18	18
48	Some	51	51	48
33	Very little	28	25	29
6	None at all	4	5	5
*	No answer	*	*	*

ADDITIONAL ITEMS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED

ASK ALL:

HAPPEN Please think about what things will be like in 2050, a little more than 25 years from now. For each of the following, which do you think is more likely to happen in the U.S.? ¹

[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

ECON

	The U.S. economy will be <u>STRONGER</u>	The U.S. economy will be <u>WEAKER</u>	<u>No answer</u>	
Mar 27-Apr 2, 2023	32	66	2	
Dec 11-23, 2018	38	54	8	
<i>Phone trend for comparison:</i>	The U.S. economy will be stronger <u>than today</u>	The U.S. economy will be weaker <u>than today</u>	<u>Neither/No change (VOL.)</u>	<u>Don't know/Refused (VOL.)</u>
April 21-26, 2010	56	39	1	4
May 1999 ²	64	31	2	3
Dec 1996	53	42	2	3

IMPT

	The U.S. will be <u>MORE important in the world</u>	The U.S. will be <u>LESS important in the world</u>	<u>No answer</u>	
Mar 27-Apr 2, 2023	27	71	2	
Dec 11-23, 2018	31	60	9	
<i>Phone trend for comparison:</i>	The United States will be more important in the world than it is <u>now</u>	The United States will be less important in the world than it is <u>now</u>	<u>Neither/No change (VOL.)</u>	<u>Don't know/Refused (VOL.)</u>
April 21-26, 2010	40	53	5	3

WLTH

	The gap between the rich and the poor will <u>GROW</u>	The gap between the rich and the poor will <u>GET SMALLER</u>	<u>No answer</u>	
Mar 27-Apr 2, 2023	81	18	1	
Dec 11-23, 2018	73	19	8	
<i>Phone trend for comparison:</i>	The gap between rich and poor will <u>grow</u>	The gap between rich and poor will <u>get smaller</u>	<u>Neither/No change (VOL.)</u>	<u>Don't know/Refused (VOL.)</u>
April 21-26, 2010	58	34	3	5
May 1999	69	27	2	2

POL

	The country will be <u>MORE politically divided</u>	The country will be <u>LESS politically divided</u>	<u>No answer</u>	
Mar 27-Apr 2, 2023	77	21	2	
Dec 11-23, 2018	65	26	9	

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¹ In December 2018, the question was worded "Still thinking ahead 30 years, which do you think is more likely to happen in the U.S.?"

² In May 1999 and before the statements read: "The U.S. economy will be stronger [OR] the U.S. economy will be weaker."

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...³

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

³ PARTY and PARTYLN asked in a prior survey.