



## Nationwide Survey Toplines

1208 Interviews with registered voters nationwide

### Q1. How much trust and confidence do you have in the U.S. Supreme Court?

- 9% A great deal
- 32 A fair amount
- 41 Not very much
- 18 None at all

### Q2. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Supreme Court is handling its job?

- 10% Strongly approve
- 28 Somewhat approve
- 21 Somewhat disapprove
- 35 Strongly disapprove
- 5 Not sure
- 38 **Total approve**
- 56 **Total disapprove**

### Q3. Do you think the Supreme Court is:

- 36% Very conservative
- 25 Somewhat conservative
- 23 Somewhere in the middle
- 5 Somewhat liberal
- 4 Very liberal
- 6 Not sure

### Q4. Recent news stories have documented that Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas has taken trips on luxury yachts and stayed in exclusive resorts paid for by billionaire real estate developer Harlan Crow. Mr. Crow also bought the residence of Justice Thomas's mother and paid to upgrade it. Justice Thomas did not disclose these transactions. How much does this concern you?

- 49% A lot
- 11 Some
- 9 A little
- 27 Not at all
- 4 Not sure

### Q5. Do you believe Justice Clarence Thomas should resign from the Supreme Court?

- 56% Yes
- 44 No

*Polling was conducted online from April 28-May 2, 2023. Using its Bias Correct Engine to attain a representative sample, Change Research polled 1,208 registered voters nationwide. Post-stratification was performed on age, gender, race/ethnicity, region, urbanicity and 2020 presidential vote. Full methodology disclosure [here](#).*

**Q6. How common do you think it is for other Supreme Court Justices to accept large gifts without disclosing them?**

- 30% Most Justices do it
- 33 Some Justices do it
- 11 Most Justices do not do it
- 2 No other Justices do it, only Thomas
- 23 Not sure

**Q7. The U.S. Supreme Court currently has no rules on ethics for its justices. Do you support or oppose a proposal that would establish an ethics code and limit the gifts that Supreme Court justices can receive?**

- 64% Strongly support
- 18 Somewhat support
- 5 Somewhat oppose
- 5 Strongly oppose
- 9 Not sure
- 81 **Total support**
- 9 **Total oppose**

**Q8. Do you believe the U.S. Senate should hold hearings to get more detail about the relationship between Justice Thomas and Harlan Crow and what impact, if any, it has had on decisions made by the Supreme Court?**

- 52% Yes, the U.S. Senate should hold hearings
- 40 No, the U.S. Senate has more important things to do
- 9 Not sure

**Q9. Following the reporting about Justice Thomas's gifts, the U.S. Senate invited Chief Justice Roberts to appear before the Senate Judiciary Committee to answer questions about proposed ethical reforms for the Supreme Court, but Chief Justice Roberts declined the invitation, indicating that Justices rarely appear before the Senate. Do you approve or disapprove of the Chief Justice's decision not to appear?**

- 22% Strongly approve
- 14 Somewhat approve
- 16 Somewhat disapprove
- 36 Strongly disapprove
- 12 Not sure
- 36 **Total approve**
- 52 **Total disapprove**

**Q10. It was recently reported that, shortly after John Roberts became Chief Justice, his wife became a legal recruiter, placing lawyers at law firms – including some that had cases before the Supreme Court. In the position, Mrs. Roberts earned over \$10 million over the next eight years. How much does this concern you?**

- 46% A lot
- 16 Some
- 12 A little
- 20 Not at all
- 7 Not sure

**Q11. Has recent news made you feel more or less favorable about the Supreme Court?**

3% Much more favorable  
3 Somewhat more favorable  
37 No change  
22 Somewhat less favorable  
35 Much less favorable

**Q12. Do you support or oppose the idea of expanding the size of the Supreme Court?**

20% Strongly support  
15 Somewhat support  
9 Somewhat oppose  
42 Strongly oppose  
14 Not sure  
35 **Total support**  
51 **Total oppose**

**Q13. Do you support or oppose the idea of term limits for Supreme Court Justices, and no longer allowing them to serve until they retire or die?**

45% Strongly support  
21 Somewhat support  
9 Somewhat oppose  
17 Strongly oppose  
8 Not sure  
66 **Total support**  
26 **Total oppose**

**D1. Age [recoded to the following buckets]**

26% 18 to 34  
23 35 to 49  
25 50 to 64  
26 65+

**D2. What is your race?**

66% White / Caucasian  
12 Black or African American  
11 Hispanic or Latino/a  
6 Asian / Pacific Islander  
0 American Indian or Alaska Native  
4 Other

**D3. What is the highest level of education you have completed?**

15% High school diploma or less  
27 Some college, but no degree  
14 Associate's degree, or two-year college degree  
26 Bachelor's degree, or four-year college degree  
18 Graduate degree

**D4. Party Identification**

25% Strong Democrats  
9 Weak Democrats  
10 Independent lean Democrats  
14 Pure independents  
10 Independent lean Republicans  
9 Weak Republicans  
23 Strong Republicans

34% Base Democrats  
34 Independents + Leanners  
32 Base Republicans

44% Democrats  
14 Pure independents  
42 Republicans

**D5. How did you vote in the 2020 election for President, or for some reason were you unable to vote?**

47% Joe Biden, the Democrat  
43 Donald Trump, the Republican  
4 Jo Jorgensen, the Libertarian  
2 Not registered/Too young/Ineligible  
5 Did not vote

**D6. Gender**

47% Men  
52 Women  
1 Other