

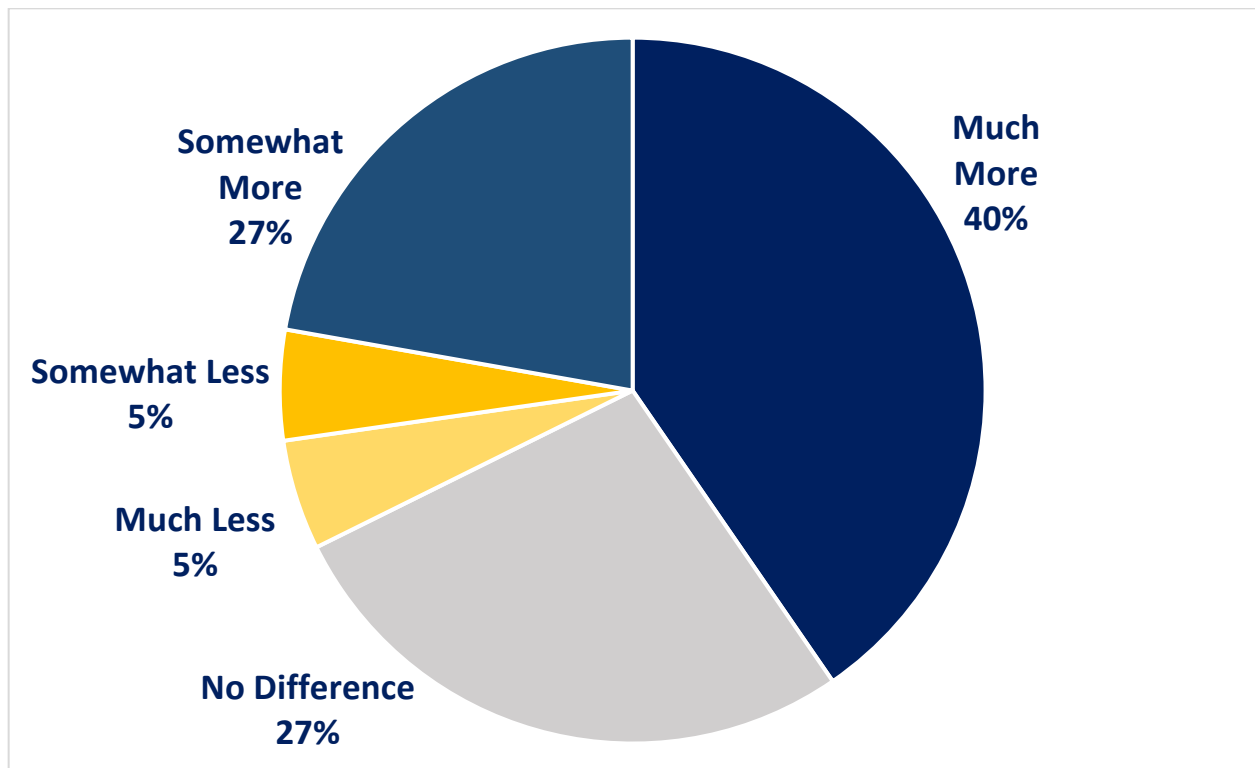


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Two Thirds of Democratic Voters in Philadelphia Say They Have Become More Worried About Being the Victim of a Crime in the Past 6 Months

Q. In the past 6 months, are you more or less worried about being the victim of a crime?



Poll conducted on behalf of A Greater Philadelphia Feb. 14-17, 2022, among 800 registered Democratic voters by McLaughlin & Associates and Frederick Polls. Results are +/- 3.4% at a 95% confidence interval.

Non-whites are more worried, with Black and Hispanic residents demonstrating the most intense concern.

By demographic	More worried	Much more worried
Black/African-American	68%	42%
Hispanic	69%	42%
Asian/Asian-American	72%	27%
White	62%	36%

Women are more worried than men.

By demographic	More worried	Much more worried
Male	63%	35%
Female	70%	44%
Under 45	63%	36%
Under 65	67%	38%
Over 65	66%	46%

Northeast residents are more worried, followed closely by those in North Philly.

By region within city	More worried	Much more worried
NE	74%	50%
North	70%	45%
NW	65%	36%
South	65%	29%
West	62%	38%
Center City	58%	28%

Fear is the new normal in Philadelphia. It is evident even among those who generally approve of city leaders’ performance.

Among people who approve of the job:	More worried	Much more worried
Jim Kenney is doing [55% of total]	66%	38%
Larry Krasner is doing [51% of total]	63%	34%
Danielle Outlaw is doing [46% of total]	67%	39%
City Council is doing [44% of total]	66%	37%

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People with children living at home are the most afraid.

	More worried	Much more worried
Children living in household	76%	53%
Women/children living in household	79%	57%
Black/children living in household	79%	58%

The longer people have lived in the city, the more worried they are.

Lived in Philadelphia:	More worried	Much more worried
More than 30 years	72%	48%
10-30 years	67%	41%
Less than 10 years	58%	24%

In light of the broad degree of concern about crime, public safety is by far the issue residents want city leaders focused on.

Q. Which issue should the City focus on most to help you and your family?

Choices:	Most	Second most
Police and public safety	41%	16%
Safe and affordable housing	18%	19%
Schools	13%	18%
Health care	10%	11%
Sanitation and street cleaning	7%	11%
Street repairs and conditions	5%	13%

Residents see **poverty** as the No. 1 reason gun violence has increased, followed closely by **“reduced enforcement and prosecution of gangs and gun traffickers.”**

Q. Which is the biggest reason that gun violence has increased since 2019?

Choices:	
Poverty	27%
Reduced enforcement and prosecution	21%
Drugs and gang activity	18%
Pandemic effects, such as school closures	16%
Lack of available jobs	11%
Street repairs and conditions	13%

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Programs to get guns off the streets and community investments are the favored strategies for preventing gun violence.

Q. Which is the most effective tool to prevent gun violence?

Choices:	
Programs to get guns off the streets	32%
Investments in libraries, recreation centers and community groups	28%
More police patrols	12%
District Attorney prosecuting more crimes	12%
Improved coordination between prosecutors and police	9%

Overall, the majority of respondents say the city is **on the wrong track**.

Q. Would you say things in Philadelphia are headed in the right direction?

	All	Black	White	Hispanic	Asian
Wrong track	55%	54%	55%	52%	50%
Right direction	27%	29%	21%	36%	8%
Don't know/declined	19%	16%	24%	11%	42%

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