

Perceptions of the Role of Government in Regulating Guns

PPIC Statewide Survey, January 2013

		Government does not do enough	Government goes too far in restricting gun rights	Don't Know
All Adults		65%	31%	4%
Registered Voters		61	35	4
Likely Voters		61	36	4
Party	Democrats	80	17	3
	Republicans	39	57	4
	Independents	54	39	7
Political Ideology	Liberals	80	17	2
	Moderates	64	30	5
	Conservatives	52	45	4
Gender	Men	58	38	4
	Women	72	25	4
Race/Ethnicity	Latinos	71	27	3
	Whites	58	38	4
Household Income	Under \$40,000	67	29	4
	\$40,000 to under \$80,000	62	35	3
	\$80,000 or more	69	27	3
Age	18–34	69	27	4
	35–54	64	32	3
	55 and older	61	34	5
Education	High school or less	62	33	5
	Some college	64	33	3
	College graduate	73	24	3
Region	Central Valley	57	40	3
	San Francisco Bay Area	77	22	2
	Los Angeles	66	26	7
	Orange/San Diego Counties	55	41	4
	Inland Empire	70	29	1
Children Age 18 or Younger	Yes	66	30	4
	No	65	31	4
Public School Parents		65	32	4
Home	Own	61	35	4
	Rent	71	26	3
Gun, Rifle, or Pistol in Home	Yes	47	49	5
	No	73	23	4
U.S. Born	Yes	61	35	4
	No	75	22	4

Question text: Please indicate which statement comes closest to your own view, even if neither is exactly right. The government goes too far in restricting the rights of citizens to own guns; or the government does not do enough to regulate access to guns.

PPIC Statewide Survey: *Californians and Their Government, January 2013*. Includes 1,704 adults, 1,386 registered voters, and 1,116 likely voters. Interviews took place January 15–22, 2013. Numbers in above table are for all adults. Margin of error $\pm 3.5\%$. Numbers may not add to 100 due to rounding.

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