

Percent of U.S. adults who can name the First Amendment freedom:



81%
AGREE

The freedom to worship protects all religious groups, even those that most people would consider extreme or fringe.



Percent of U.S. adults who can correctly name at least one First Amendment freedom.

71% IN 2019 | **60%** IN 2018

THE 2019 STATE OF THE FIRST AMENDMENT SURVEY

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of **RELIGION**, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of **SPEECH**, or of the **PRESS**; or the right of the people peaceably to **ASSEMBLE**, and to **PETITION** the Government for a redress of grievances.

- First Amendment to the United States Constitution



Students should be allowed to express their opinions on social media without worrying about being punished by teachers or school administrators for what they say.



72% AGREE | **27%** DISAGREE

Public school students should be allowed to report on controversial issues in their student newspapers without the approval of school authorities.

64% AGREE | **34%** DISAGREE



76% AGREE

The spread of fake news and misinformation on the internet is a serious threat to our democracy.

The news media tries to report the news accurately and without bias.

56% OF DEMOCRATS AGREE

39% OF REPUBLICANS AGREE



Public institutions should revoke invitations to guest speakers when the speaker:

would incite violence or threaten public safety: **71%** AGREE

is accused of sexual harassment: **59%** AGREE

would provoke large-scale protests: **51%** AGREE

is likely to offend: **46%** AGREE

72% AGREE

It is important for the news media to act as a government watchdog.

Percent of U.S. adults who believe the freedoms of the First Amendment "go too far."

29% IN 2019 | **23%** IN 2017 & 2018