

Immigration

What are Americans' views of deportations? According to the [Pew Research Center survey](#) conducted February 24 – March 2, almost one-third (32%) of U.S. adults support deportation of all immigrants living in the U.S. illegally. By race and ethnicity, White adults (39%) are more likely than Asian (22%), Black (19%) or Hispanic (16%) adults to say all immigrants in the country illegally should be deported.

About half (51%) of U.S. adults indicate that at least some should face deportation.

- Nearly all these adults (97%) say immigrants in the country illegally who have committed violent crimes should be deported. This view is shared overwhelmingly by White (98%), Black (93%), Hispanic (95%), and Asian (96%) adults.
- A narrow majority (52%) of U.S. adults who favor some deportations support deporting undocumented immigrants who have committed non-violent crimes. Most White (59%) and Asian (60%) adults who support some deportations say immigrants living in the country illegally should be deported if they have committed nonviolent crimes. Lower shares of Hispanic (43%) and Black (34%) adults say this.
- 44% of U.S. adults who favor some deportations support deporting undocumented immigrants who have arrived in the U.S. in the last four years. Roughly half or fewer of White (48%), Asian (43%), Hispanic (41%) and Black (34%) adults say the same.

There are partisan differences in views of immigration enforcement. 54% of Republicans and Republican leaning independents say all immigrants living in the country illegally should be deported, compared with 10% of Democrats and Democratic leaning independents. A greater share of Republicans than Democrats who favor some deportations say immigrants living in the country illegally should be deported if they have committed nonviolent crimes (67% vs. 42%) or have arrived in the last four years (63% vs. 32%). When it comes to those who have committed violent crimes, nearly all Republicans and Democrats (97% each) say this group should be deported.

A recent [AAPI Data/AP-NORC poll](#) also finds similarly significant support for deportations of undocumented immigrants. Forty-three percent of AAPI adults support deporting all immigrants living in the United States illegally. About 8 in 10 (83%) AAPI adults support deporting all immigrants living in the United States illegally who have been convicted of a violent crime. 60% support deporting undocumented immigrants who have been convicted of a nonviolent crime.