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2020 LOS ANGELES PUBLIC OPINION SURVEY

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ABOUT THIS STUDY

The annual Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey conducted by StudyLA involved 20-minute telephone sessions and online surveys with more than 2,000 adults (1,200 phone and 800 online) living in Los Angeles County. Respondents were asked about quality-of-life perceptions, personal economic wellbeing, economic concerns, overall life satisfaction, and various civic issues. The margin of error is ±3.0% for the entire sample.

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ABOUT THIS REPORT

The following data brief contains survey responses (n=2,002) to the police trust question and is divided into two sections: (1) toplines, or answers of all respondents, and (2) crosstabs, or responses crossed by major demographics. The topline section also provides responses for all of the years the question was asked.

QUESTION(S) INCLUDED IN THIS REPORT

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public? Strongly agree/somewhat agree/ somewhat disagree/strongly disagree

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? Police services

African American Residents Less Likely To Perceive Transparency in Local Police Departments

June 2020

Research Question

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

- Strongly agree
- Somewhat agree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

Highlights

- City of LA residents are less likely to agree that the LAPD is doing enough to be transparent (66.5%) than the rest of LA County residents with respect to their own local departments – Sheriff's Department (73.6%) or other (79.4%)
- By race, African Americans (57.7%) are less likely to agree that their local police department is doing enough to be transparent than Asians (80.5%), whites (74.2%), and Latinas/os (73.4%).
- By tenure, the longer a resident has lived in the region, the less likely they are to agree that their local police department is doing enough to be transparent.
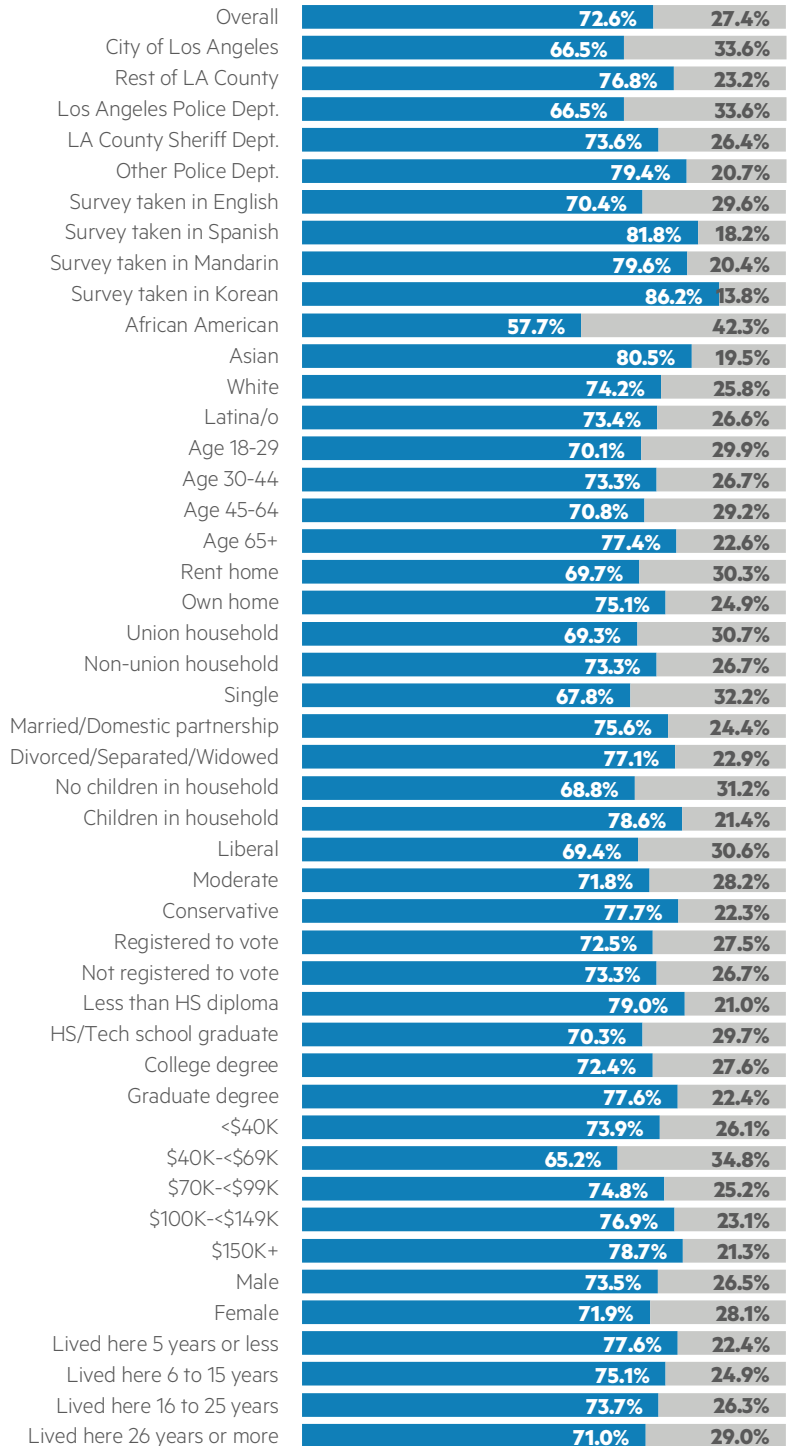
About this Research

StudyLA's Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey is the largest general social survey of any metropolitan area in urban America.

This question is from the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey of over 2,000 adult Los Angeles County residents conducted by the Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles (StudyLA) in January and February 2020. The survey comprised 20-minute telephone interviews and online surveys. Residents were asked about quality-of-life perceptions, personal economic wellbeing, economic concerns, overall life satisfaction, and various topical issues.

The margin of error is ±3.0%.

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	Agree	Disagree
Overall	72.6%	27.4%
City of Los Angeles	66.5%	33.6%
Rest of LA County	76.8%	23.2%
Los Angeles Police Dept.	66.5%	33.6%
LA County Sheriff Dept.	73.6%	26.4%
Other Police Dept.	79.4%	20.7%
Survey taken in English	70.4%	29.6%
Survey taken in Spanish	81.8%	18.2%
Survey taken in Mandarin	79.6%	20.4%
Survey taken in Korean	86.2%	13.8%
African American	57.7%	42.3%
Asian	80.5%	19.5%
White	74.2%	25.8%
Latina/o	73.4%	26.6%
Age 18-29	70.1%	29.9%
Age 30-44	73.3%	26.7%
Age 45-64	70.8%	29.2%
Age 65+	77.4%	22.6%
Rent home	69.7%	30.3%
Own home	75.1%	24.9%
Union household	69.3%	30.7%
Non-union household	73.3%	26.7%
Single	67.8%	32.2%
Married/Domestic partnership	75.6%	24.4%
Divorced/Separated/Widowed	77.1%	22.9%
No children in household	68.8%	31.2%
Children in household	78.6%	21.4%
Liberal	69.4%	30.6%
Moderate	71.8%	28.2%
Conservative	77.7%	22.3%
Registered to vote	72.5%	27.5%
Not registered to vote	73.3%	26.7%
Less than HS diploma	79.0%	21.0%
HS/Tech school graduate	70.3%	29.7%
College degree	72.4%	27.6%
Graduate degree	77.6%	22.4%
<$40K	73.9%	26.1%
$40K-<$69K	65.2%	34.8%
$70K-<$99K	74.8%	25.2%
$100K-<$149K	76.9%	23.1%
$150K+	78.7%	21.3%
Male	73.5%	26.5%
Female	71.9%	28.1%
Lived here 5 years or less	77.6%	22.4%
Lived here 6 to 15 years	75.1%	24.9%
Lived here 16 to 25 years	73.7%	26.3%
Lived here 26 years or more	71.0%	29.0%

TOPLINES

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

	2020
Strongly agree	26.9
Somewhat agree	45.7
Somewhat disagree	16.5
Strongly disagree	10.9

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. Adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? **Police services**

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Good	53.4	55.4	53.2	55.1	51.6	53.7	49.7
Fair	34.0	32.4	35.3	34.1	36.3	35.5	39.3
Poor	12.7	12.1	11.5	10.8	12.1	10.9	11.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. Adult respondents of the 2014-2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

CROSSTABS

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

	City of LA	LA County
Strongly agree	23.0	29.5
Somewhat agree	43.4	47.3
Somewhat disagree	19.4	14.5
Strongly disagree	14.1	8.7
Total	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

	LAPD	The Sheriff's department	Other police department
Strongly agree	23.1	29.6	29.4
Somewhat agree	43.4	44.0	50.0
Somewhat disagree	19.5	15.4	13.8
Strongly disagree	14.1	11.0	6.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

	Survey language: English	Survey language: Spanish	Survey language: Chinese	Survey language: Korean
Strongly agree	24.4	40.4	18.9	37.1
Somewhat agree	46.0	41.4	60.7	49.1
Somewhat disagree	17.0	14.5	17.1	11.5
Strongly disagree	12.6	3.7	3.3	2.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

	Black	Asian	White	Latino	Other
Strongly agree	19.3	23.8	33.0	25.6	21.1
Somewhat agree	38.4	56.7	41.2	47.7	26.6
Somewhat disagree	18.3	15.0	16.9	15.4	34.1
Strongly disagree	24.0	4.5	8.9	11.2	18.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+
Strongly agree	22.4	30.6	24.7	31.0
Somewhat agree	47.7	42.7	46.1	46.4
Somewhat disagree	17.1	16.2	17.8	15.1
Strongly disagree	12.8	10.6	11.4	7.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

	Rent	Own home
Strongly agree	25.3	28.0
Somewhat agree	44.4	47.1
Somewhat disagree	17.8	15.5
Strongly disagree	12.5	9.4
Total	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

	Working full-time	Working part-time	Student	Homemaker	Retired	Self-employed	Not working
Strongly agree	29.8	19.7	22.7	30.3	29.3	24.1	19.6
Somewhat agree	45.1	50.5	52.3	40.2	44.6	45.2	45.3
Somewhat disagree	15.4	20.2	16.1	17.2	16.0	12.2	21.3
Strongly disagree	9.7	9.6	8.9	12.3	10.1	18.5	13.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

	Union household	Non-union household
Strongly agree	28.6	26.5
Somewhat agree	40.7	46.8
Somewhat disagree	15.5	16.9
Strongly disagree	15.2	9.8
Total	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

	Single	Married/domestic partnership	Divorced/separated/widowed
Strongly agree	19.5	32.0	29.3
Somewhat agree	48.3	43.6	47.7
Somewhat disagree	17.8	15.7	15.8
Strongly disagree	14.4	8.7	7.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

	No children in household	One or more child in household
Strongly agree	21.5	35.2
Somewhat agree	47.3	43.4
Somewhat disagree	19.0	12.5
Strongly disagree	12.2	8.8
Total	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Strongly agree	27.3	21.3	32.0
Somewhat agree	42.1	50.5	45.7
Somewhat disagree	18.0	18.1	12.9
Strongly disagree	12.6	10.0	9.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

	Registered to vote	Not registered to vote
Strongly agree	26.5	28.3
Somewhat agree	46.0	45.0
Somewhat disagree	16.3	17.4
Strongly disagree	11.3	9.3
Total	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

	Less than High School	HS/Tech school graduate	College degree	Graduate degree
Strongly agree	38.6	24.6	25.6	31.4
Somewhat agree	40.5	45.7	46.8	46.2
Somewhat disagree	15.2	15.9	17.7	15.7
Strongly disagree	5.8	13.8	9.9	6.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

	<$40K	$40K-<$69K	$70K-<$99K	$100K-<$149K	$150K+
Strongly agree	25.0	19.2	27.1	31.6	38.9
Somewhat agree	48.9	46.0	47.7	45.3	39.9
Somewhat disagree	17.8	19.8	13.4	15.1	11.3
Strongly disagree	8.3	14.9	11.8	8.0	10.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

	Male	Female
Strongly agree	29.7	24.4
Somewhat agree	43.8	47.5
Somewhat disagree	14.5	18.4
Strongly disagree	12.0	9.7
Total	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Do you agree or disagree that your police department is doing enough to be transparent with the public?

	5 years or fewer in LA	6 to 15 years in LA	16 to 25 years in LA	26 years or more in LA
Strongly agree	29.4	29.6	29.1	25.4
Somewhat agree	48.2	45.5	44.7	45.6
Somewhat disagree	14.8	15.8	16.0	17.1
Strongly disagree	7.6	9.1	10.3	11.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? **Police services**

	City of LA	LA County
Good	40.3	55.9
Fair	44.1	36.2
Poor	15.6	7.9
Total	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? **Police services**

	LAPD	The Sheriff's department	Other police department
Good	40.3	54.5	57.1
Fair	44.1	35.0	37.1
Poor	15.6	10.5	5.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? **Police services**

	Survey language: English	Survey language: Spanish	Survey language: Chinese	Survey language: Korean
Good	47.2	61.7	56.8	54.4
Fair	40.4	33.6	36.4	41.7
Poor	12.5	4.7	6.8	3.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? **Police services**

	Black	Asian	White	Latino	Other
Good	42.0	51.4	55.8	47.4	34.0
Fair	42.1	41.4	35.2	40.6	43.4
Poor	15.9	7.3	9.0	12.0	22.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? **Police services**

	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+
Good	38.8	50.5	52.2	58.6
Fair	47.2	35.9	38.1	36.0
Poor	14.0	13.5	9.6	5.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? **Police services**

	Rent	Own home
Good	45.0	53.9
Fair	41.5	37.0
Poor	13.5	9.1
Total	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? **Police services**

	Working full-time	Working part-time	Student	Homemaker	Retired	Self-employed	Not working
Good	52.0	41.1	43.0	52.7	55.2	46.9	43.0
Fair	38.1	46.4	42.3	35.2	36.2	36.6	45.1
Poor	9.9	12.5	14.8	12.1	8.6	16.5	11.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? **Police services**

	Union household	Non-union household
Good	47.1	50.4
Fair	37.7	39.6
Poor	15.3	10.0
Total	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? **Police services**

	Single	Married/domestic partnership	Divorced/separated/widowed
Good	38.8	56.5	56.2
Fair	44.8	35.7	37.0
Poor	16.4	7.8	6.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? **Police services**

	No children in household	One or more child in household
Good	46.0	55.5
Fair	41.8	35.5
Poor	12.2	9.0
Total	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? **Police services**

	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Good	49.8	43.9	55.8
Fair	38.4	44.5	35.0
Poor	11.8	11.6	9.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? **Police services**

	Registered to vote	Not registered to vote
Good	48.7	53.2
Fair	40.0	36.5
Poor	11.2	10.3
Total	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? **Police services**

	Less than High School	HS/Tech school graduate	College degree	Graduate degree
Good	52.7	47.6	48.9	59.9
Fair	42.4	39.1	40.1	34.2
Poor	4.9	13.3	11.0	5.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? **Police services**

	<$40K	$40K-<$69K	$70K-<$99K	$100K-<$149K	$150K+
Good	45.6	43.9	49.2	62.5	65.1
Fair	45.1	40.8	38.2	26.7	27.5
Poor	9.3	15.3	12.6	10.7	7.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? **Police services**

	Male	Female
Good	52.4	47.5
Fair	36.3	41.9
Poor	11.2	10.6
Total	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you rate the service as a whole using the scale good, fair, or poor? **Police services**

	5 years or fewer in LA	6 to 15 years in LA	16 to 25 years in LA	26 years or more in LA
Good	49.4	51.5	51.3	49.1
Fair	42.1	38.2	35.6	40.4
Poor	8.4	10.3	13.1	10.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Appendix

2020 PUBLIC OPINION SURVEY METHODOLOGY

As part of Forecast LA's unique approach to forecasting in the Los Angeles region, the Center for the Study of Los Angeles conducted an outlook survey. The Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey involved 20-minute telephone sessions and online surveys with more than 2,000 adults (phone and online) living in Los Angeles County. Survey respondents were asked about quality-of-life perceptions, personal economic wellbeing, economic concerns, overall life satisfaction, and various civic issues.

The survey included questions asked of the entire sample as well as a battery of questions, splitting the total sample in half.

SAMPLING

StudyLA conducted all aspects of survey development, the sampling plan, data processing (e.g., data cleaning and weighting), analysis, and dissemination of its findings. Throughout the data collection process, StudyLA worked closely with Interviewing Service of America (ISA Corp.) to oversee the successful implementation of the sampling plan. ISA Corp. is a data collection firm with a call center in Los Angeles County, ensuring that Angelenos were interviewed by other Angelenos.

Since the primary purpose of this study was to gather representative input from adult residents within the Los Angeles region, an initial random digit dial (RDD) sample was employed. The RDD sample was drawn by determining the active phone exchanges (the first three numbers of a seven-digit phone number) and blocks within a given sampling area (in this case, by the zip codes that comprise the county). A random list of all active residential and cell phone numbers in the area was produced. This method included both listed and unlisted phone numbers. Listed samples were used to meet particular quotas for racial/ethnic categories and geographic location.

The online portion was comprised of responses from double opt-in respondents who have agreed to participate in surveys with ISA Corp.'s SoapBoxSample. SoapBoxSample uses a proprietary panel called MySoapBox that employs a variety of methodologies and recruitment channels (such as online, phone, and face-to-face) to ensure representative results. In addition, SoapBoxSample employs a large network of panel partners worldwide to achieve non-biased samples. Real-time sampling and survey publishing services were also used to target respondents outside of the initial reach. For all methods, adult respondents in LA County were targeted and then randomly selected within their group.

SCREENERS

The protocol for this study involved asking potential respondents a series of questions, referred to as screeners, which were used to ensure that the person lived within the county and was at least 18 years old. The target sample size was 1,000 residents from the city of Los Angeles and 1,000 residents from Los Angeles County who live outside the city of LA. The first quota was a random digit dialing of approximately 375 residents (with 80% cell phone). The online survey ran concurrently with a target sample size of 900 respondents. The remaining racial/ethnic and geographic quotas were determined based on the fallout: 350 African American residents, 500 Asian residents, and 400 residents from the San Fernando Valley (only within the city of Los Angeles). Given the demographic proportion of Latino/a and white residents in the region, as expected, both groups naturally fell out from the initial wave of online and phone respondents.

DATA COLLECTION

Telephone surveys were conducted the first four full weeks in January 2020 and first two weeks in February between the hours of 4:30pm and 9pm during the week, 10am to 4pm on Saturday, and 12am to 5pm on Sunday. The survey was translated into Spanish, Mandarin, and Korean. Translators who spoke Spanish, Mandarin, and Korean were available to conduct interviews for residents who only spoke, or were more comfortable speaking any of those languages. The online survey ran concurrent with the phone survey and were available in both English and Spanish.

The margin of error is ±3.0% for the entire sample of 2,002 residents, not adjusted for weighting or design effects. The 2,002 responses collected for this survey were weighted based on respondents' self-identified racial and ethnic group, gender, age, and geographic location matching them to the most recently available population parameters from the American Community Survey (ACS) estimates.

DEMOGRAPHICS

Police department

	Unweighted frequencies	Weighted percentages
LAPD	999	40.0
The Sheriff's department	465	26.9
Other police department	538	33.2

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

City or county

	Unweighted frequencies	Weighted percentages
City of LA	999	40.0
LA County	1,003	60.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Language

	Unweighted frequencies	Weighted percentages
English	1,558	80.0
Spanish	196	14.1
Chinese	99	2.8
Korean	149	3.1

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Which ethnic group do you consider yourself a part of or feel closest to?

	Unweighted frequencies	Weighted percentages
Black	364	8.5
Asian	510	15.4
White	540	29.2
Latino	520	44.5
Other	32	2.4

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Age categories

	Unweighted frequencies	Weighted percentages
18-29	327	23.8
30-44	439	27.6
45-64	524	32.2
65+	611	16.4

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Do you rent your home, are you buying it with a mortgage, or is it entirely paid for?

	Unweighted frequencies	Weighted percentages
Rent	869	46.9
Own home	1,094	53.1

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How would you describe your current work status: working full-time, working part-time, student, homemaker, fully-retired, semi-retired, self-employed, or not working?

	Unweighted frequencies	Weighted percentages
Working full-time	733	43.2
Working part-time	205	12.1
Student	89	6.2
Homemaker	78	4.5
Retired	602	18.2
Self-employed	128	6.8
Not working	151	9.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Is someone in your household a member of a union?

	Unweighted frequencies	Weighted percentages
Union household	430	20.7
Non-union household	1,0539	79.3

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Are you currently single, married, divorced, separated, widowed, or in a domestic partnership?

	Unweighted frequencies	Weighted percentages
Single	641	37.5
Married/domestic partnership	957	48.5
Divorced/separated/widowed	380	14.0

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How many children 17 years or younger live in your household?

	Unweighted frequencies	Weighted percentages
No children in household	1,365	61.9
One or more child in household	616	38.1

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Politically, do you consider yourself to be very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?

	Unweighted frequencies	Weighted percentages
Liberal	761	39.8
Moderate	603	31.4
Conservative	534	28.8

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Are you a registered voter?

	Unweighted frequencies	Weighted percentages
Registered to vote	1,639	79.5
Not registered to vote	340	20.5

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

What is the last grade or level you completed in school?

	Unweighted frequencies	Weighted percentages
Less than High School	165	8.3
HS/Tech school graduate	819	44.9
College degree	741	35.4
Graduate degree	248	11.4

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

Total household income

	Unweighted frequencies	Weighted percentages
<40K	631	34.0
40K-<69K	399	25.4
70K-<99K	286	16.9
100K-<149K	224	13.2
$150K+	185	10.4

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

What is your gender?

	Unweighted frequencies	Weighted percentages
Male	857	48.0
Female	1,114	51.1

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

How many years have you lived in the Los Angeles region?

	Unweighted frequencies	Weighted percentages
5 years or fewer	117	6.6
6 to 15 years	236	12.9
16 to 25 years	396	24.0
26 years or more	1,227	56.6

Source: Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Center for the Study of Los Angeles, Loyola Marymount University. 2,002 adult respondents of the 2020 Los Angeles Public Opinion Survey.

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