

LGBT+ Pride 2021 Global Survey points to a generation gap around gender identity and sexual attraction

Laws to protect LGBT people from discrimination laws and equal marriage and adoption rights have majority support in most but not all of the 27 countries surveyed

New York, NY, June 9, 2020 — Ipsos's LGBT+ Pride 2021 Global Survey points to a wide generation gap around gender identity and sexual attraction. On average, across the 27 countries surveyed, those who identify as transgender, non-binary, non-conforming, gender-fluid, or other than male or female make up 4% of Gen Z (born since 1997) compared to 1% among all adults. Younger adults are also significantly more likely to identify differently from heterosexual and to say they are equally attracted to both sexes.

GENDER IDENTITY AND SEXUAL ORIENTATION BY GENERATION (GLOBAL COUNTRY AVERAGE)



The survey, which was conducted on Ipsos's Global Advisor online platform among more than 19,000 individuals aged 16 (or 18, depending on the country) to 74 between April 23 and May 7, 2021, shows how much exposure to LGBT+ people and engagement with the LGBT+ community varies across the world. For example, 66% in Brazil report having a gay or lesbian relative, friend or colleague vs. 7% in Japan and South Korea.



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In the United States, 57% say they have a relative, friend or co-worker who is lesbian or gay, 30% one who is bisexual, 14% one who is transgender, and 14% one who is non-binary, non-conforming or gender-fluid.

Anti-discrimination laws and equal marriage and adoption rights for LGBT people are supported by majorities in most of the 27 countries, including the U.S., but are fiercely opposed in several countries. In the U.S.:

- 72% say same-sex couples should be allowed to marry or to obtain some legal recognition (15% say they should not be allowed any legal recognition),
- 72% agree that same-sex couples should have the same rights to adopt children as heterosexual couples do (22% disagree), and
- 60% support laws banning discrimination against LGBT people when it comes to employment, access to education, housing and social services (21% oppose them).

VIEWS ON SAME-SEX MARRIAGE BY COUNTRY

Q. When you think about the rights of same-sex couples, which of the following comes closest to your personal opinion?



 Same-sex couples should be allowed to marry legally

 Same-sex couples should be allowed to obtain some kind of legal recognition, but not to marry

 Same-sex couples should not be allowed to marry or obtain any kind of legal recognition

■ Not sure

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The survey also finds a lot more support than opposition toward corporate activism promoting equality – 47% support vs. 19% opposition on average globally, 48% vs. 20% in the U.S.

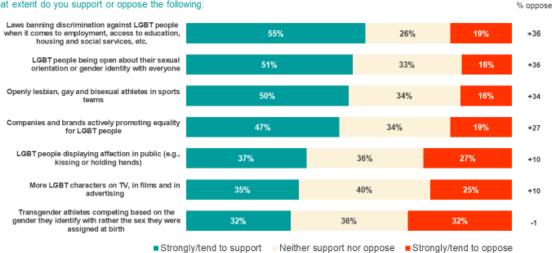
Majorities in most – but not all – countries support LGBT people being open about their sexual orientation or gender identity with everyone. And there is generally more support than opposition toward LGBT people displaying affection in public (37% support vs. 27% opposition globally, 41% vs. 27% in the U.S.) and more LGBT characters on TV, in films and in advertising (35% support vs. 25% opposition globally, 39% vs. 27% in the U.S.).

There is a great deal of support in most countries for lesbian, gay and bisexual athletes in sports teams being open about their orientation. On the other hand, when it comes to allowing transgender athletes to perform according to the gender they identify, public opinion is divided and varies widely across countries. On average globally, 32% support it, 32% oppose it and 36% are neutral. In the U.S., 27% support it, 45% oppose it, and 28% are neutral.

Americans' opinion on whether to allow transgender athletes to perform based on the gender they identify with largely reflects their political party identification: more Democrats support it than oppose it (42% vs. 24%), while most Republicans oppose it (75% vs. 11% who support it).

VIEWS ABOUT LGBT EQUALITY AND VISIBILITY (GLOBAL COUNTRY AVERAGE)





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NET % support minus





About the Study

These are the results of a 27-market survey conducted by Ipsos on its Global Advisor online platform. Ipsos interviewed a total of 19,069 adults aged 18-74 in the United States, Canada, Malaysia, South Africa, and Turkey, and 16-74 in 23 other markets between April 23 and May 7, 2021.

The sample consists of approximately 1,000 individuals in each of Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, China (mainland), France, Germany, Great Britain, Italy, Japan, Spain, and the U.S., and 500 individuals in each of Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Hungary, India, Malaysia, Mexico, the Netherlands, Peru, Poland, Russia, South Africa, South Korea, Sweden, and Turkey.

The samples in Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, Germany, Great Britain, Hungary, Italy, Japan, the Netherlands, Poland, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, and the U.S. can be taken as representative of these countries' general adult population under the age of 75.

The samples in Brazil, Chile, China (mainland), Colombia, India, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, Russia, South Africa and Turkey are more urban, more educated, and/or more affluent than the general population. The survey results for these countries should be viewed as reflecting the views of the more "connected" segment of their population.

The data is weighted so that each country's sample composition best reflects the demographic profile of the adult population according to the most recent census data.

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