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### While a decisive majority of Americans have shared a meal with a white person in the past six months, under half had shared a meal with a Black, Hispanic, or Asian person

Yet, the Axios/Ipsos Two Americas Index finds that Americans view partisanship as a more divisive fault line than race or religion.

**Washington, DC, June 1, 2022**—A new monthly tracking poll investigates what Americans think they have in common with people of different races or party affiliations, whether people have sat down and had a meal with someone of different races or party affiliations, and people's confidence in the country's ability to come together in the next five years.

This month the poll finds that while three in four Americans have shared a meal with a white person in the past six months, under half had shared a meal with a Black, Hispanic, or Asian person. On the other hand, about half of respondents had meals with Democrats and Republicans alike.

At the same time, more Americans feel that people with opposing political views don't share their values, nearly double the number who feel the same about people of different races or religions.

#### Detailed Findings:

Notably, there are large differences in who Americans share a meal with by race.

- Three quarters (77%) of Americans report having a meal with a white person in the last six months. At the same time, under half report having a meal with either a Black (47%), Asian (43%), or Hispanic (42%) person over the same period.
- At the same time, half of Americans have had a meal in the last six months with both Republicans (50%) and Democrats (50%).

The number of people who feel they have something in common with the groups tested mirrors the share of people who have shared a meal with the following demographics in the past six months.

- Three in four Americans feel they have something in common with white people. Similarly, 77% of Americans have had a meal with a white person in the past six months.
  - The larger share of white Americans in the sample, which is representative of the U.S. population, largely drives this gap.
- There's a similar pattern when the survey asks about feelings of commonality and sharing a meal with Black people (commonality 53% vs. meal sharing 47%), Hispanic people (47% vs. 42%), Democrats (48% vs. 50%), and Republicans (47% vs. 50%).
- The one exception is for Asian people. While only 29% of respondents shared a meal with an Asian person in the past six months, 43% feel they have something in common with Asian Americans.

Americans view partisanship as a more divisive fault line than race or religion.

- Forty-six percent of Americans feel that people with opposing political views don't share their values. That's about half the share (26%) who think that people with different racial or religious background don't share their values.





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These are the findings of an Ipsos poll conducted between May 9-10, 2022. For this survey, a sample of 1,005 adults age 18+ from the continental U.S., Alaska, and Hawaii was interviewed online in English. The poll has a margin of error of plus or minus 3.8 percentage points for all respondents.

For full results, please refer to the following annotated questionnaire:

### Full Annotated Questionnaire

		May 2022	April 2022	March 2022	February 2022	December 2021
1. With which political party do you most identify? Summary	Strong Democrat	18%	14%	16%	17%	20%
	Moderate Democrat	15%	16%	15%	15%	16%
	Lean Democrat	6%	7%	7%	6%	9%
	Lean Republican	9%	6%	6%	8%	8%
	Moderate Republican	13%	15%	15%	15%	13%
	Strong Republican	13%	13%	14%	12%	15%
	Independent	19%	19%	19%	19%	12%
	None of these	7%	6%	6%	7%	5%
	DK	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407
2. With which political party do you most identify? Detailed	Democrat	32%	38%	38%	38%	45%
	Republican	26%	35%	35%	35%	36%
	Independent	32%	19%	19%	19%	12%
	None/DK	8%	8%	8%	8%	7%
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31_1. [White] How much, if anything, do you think you have in common with Americans who identify as...	A lot	44%	45%	43%	44%	39%
	Some	31%	31%	30%	29%	26%
	A little	12%	10%	14%	13%	18%
	Nothing	6%	8%	6%	6%	10%
	Not sure	7%	7%	7%	8%	7%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407
31_2. [Black] How much, if anything, do you think you have in common with Americans who identify as...	A lot	20%	17%	21%	21%	18%
	Some	34%	31%	31%	30%	27%
	A little	23%	25%	21%	24%	28%
	Nothing	14%	17%	18%	16%	19%
	Not sure	10%	10%	10%	9%	9%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407
31_3. [Hispanic] How much, if anything, do you think you have in common with Americans who identify as...	A lot	15%	14%	16%	20%	16%
	Some	32%	33%	31%	28%	26%
	A little	25%	22%	26%	24%	28%
	Nothing	18%	20%	17%	18%	20%
	Not sure	11%	11%	10%	10%	10%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407
31_4. [Asian] How much, if anything, do you think you have in common with Americans who identify as...	A lot	12%	10%	12%	11%	11%
	Some	31%	32%	27%	29%	24%
	A little	26%	24%	26%	27%	29%
	Nothing	20%	22%	23%	22%	25%
	Not sure	11%	13%	13%	11%	11%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407
31_5. [Democrats] How much, if anything, do you think you have in common with Americans who identify as...	A lot	23%	20%	21%	21%	20%
	Some	25%	24%	26%	27%	24%
	A little	20%	23%	24%	24%	25%
	Nothing	23%	24%	20%	18%	23%
	Not sure	8%	9%	10%	10%	9%
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31_6. [Republicans] How much, if anything, do you think you have in common with Americans who identify as...	A lot	20%	18%	18%	19%	18%
	Some	27%	27%	27%	24%	21%
	A little	21%	22%	25%	25%	24%
	Nothing	24%	24%	20%	22%	27%
	Not sure	8%	10%	10%	10%	9%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407
31_7. [Evangelical Christian] How much, if anything, do you think you have in common with Americans who identify as...	A lot	17%	14%	17%	16%	15%
	Some	19%	20%	22%	20%	18%
	A little	20%	22%	18%	20%	24%
	Nothing	33%	29%	31%	29%	31%
	Not sure	12%	15%	13%	15%	12%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407
31_8. [Agnostic/Non- religious] How much, if anything, do you think you have in common with Americans who identify as...	A lot	16%	17%	17%	16%	13%
	Some	20%	23%	25%	23%	20%
	A little	21%	21%	21%	20%	25%
	Nothing	29%	27%	25%	27%	30%
	Not sure	14%	12%	13%	14%	12%
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32_1. [White] When was the last time you shared a meal with someone who is...	In the last month	68%	67%	61%	68%	66%
	In the last six months	9%	8%	13%	6%	8%
	In the last year	6%	7%	7%	7%	7%
	A year ago or more	7%	7%	8%	6%	7%
	Never	3%	4%	4%	5%	5%
	Not sure	8%	7%	7%	8%	8%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407
32_2. [Black] When was the last time you shared a meal with someone who is...	In the last month	32%	28%	30%	31%	32%
	In the last six months	15%	16%	14%	17%	17%
	In the last year	11%	11%	12%	10%	12%
	A year ago or more	22%	23%	23%	20%	19%
	Never	8%	9%	8%	9%	8%
	Not sure	12%	13%	13%	13%	11%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407
32_3. [Hispanic] When was the last time you shared a meal with someone who is...	In the last month	29%	26%	27%	31%	32%
	In the last six months	13%	14%	18%	13%	15%
	In the last year	10%	12%	10%	11%	11%
	A year ago or more	20%	21%	20%	16%	17%
	Never	12%	12%	10%	14%	12%
	Not sure	15%	16%	15%	16%	13%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407
32_4. [Asian] When was the last time you shared a meal with someone who is...	In the last month	17%	17%	16%	17%	19%
	In the last six months	12%	15%	13%	14%	14%
	In the last year	13%	11%	10%	11%	13%
	A year ago or more	23%	22%	23%	20%	20%
	Never	17%	19%	20%	20%	18%
	Not sure	17%	17%	19%	19%	16%
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32_5. [Democrats] When was the last time you shared a meal with someone who is...	In the last month	39%	39%	37%	42%	44%
	In the last six months	11%	12%	14%	10%	12%
	In the last year	9%	8%	9%	8%	7%
	A year ago or more	9%	7%	7%	6%	8%
	Never	8%	9%	7%	9%	9%
	Not sure	25%	25%	25%	25%	20%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407
32_6. [Republicans] When was the last time you shared a meal with someone who is...	In the last month	37%	36%	35%	37%	38%
	In the last six months	13%	12%	12%	11%	12%
	In the last year	8%	8%	10%	7%	8%
	A year ago or more	10%	9%	8%	9%	9%
	Never	10%	11%	10%	11%	12%
	Not sure	23%	24%	26%	25%	20%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407
32_7. [Evangelical Christian] When was the last time you shared a meal with someone who is...	In the last month	22%	36%	35%	37%	24%
	In the last six months	9%	12%	12%	11%	11%
	In the last year	9%	8%	10%	7%	8%
	A year ago or more	11%	9%	8%	9%	12%
	Never	20%	11%	10%	11%	18%
	Not sure	30%	24%	26%	25%	27%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407
32_8. [Agnostic/Non-religious] When was the last time you shared a meal with someone who is...	In the last month	24%	24%	21%	24%	25%
	In the last six months	11%	10%	11%	8%	11%
	In the last year	7%	8%	11%	7%	9%
	A year ago or more	11%	9%	11%	9%	10%
	Never	17%	15%	13%	17%	16%
	Not sure	31%	34%	33%	35%	28%
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		May 2022	April 2022	March 2022	February 2022	December 2021
33. How confident are you, if at all, that Americans will reconcile our differences in the next five years?	Very confident	8%	8%	10%	8%	9%
	Somewhat confident	17%	16%	19%	16%	14%
	A little confident	24%	25%	25%	26%	24%
	Not at all confident	39%	41%	36%	37%	43%
	Not sure	12%	11%	9%	12%	10%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407
34. How confident are you, if at all, that Americans will reconcile our differences in the next five years? - Summary	Total Confident	25%	24%	29%	25%	23%
	Total Not Confident	63%	66%	62%	63%	67%
	Not Sure	12%	11%	9%	12%	10%
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		May 2022	April 2022	March 2022	February 2022	December 2021
35_1. [People with opposing political views don't share my values] Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following	Strongly agree	15%	15%	12%	13%	16%
	Somewhat agree	31%	29%	31%	29%	29%
	Somewhat disagree	29%	30%	30%	29%	28%
	Strongly disagree	10%	11%	12%	11%	12%
	Not sure	15%	15%	14%	17%	15%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407
35_1. [People with opposing political views don't share my values] Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following - Summary	Total Agree	46%	44%	43%	43%	45%
	Total Disagree	39%	41%	42%	40%	40%
	Not sure	15%	15%	14%	17%	15%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407
35_2. [People from different racial or religious backgrounds don't share my values] Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following	Strongly agree	8%	9%	8%	8%	9%
	Somewhat agree	17%	18%	19%	20%	21%
	Somewhat disagree	36%	36%	32%	33%	32%
	Strongly disagree	24%	22%	28%	25%	26%
	Not sure	15%	15%	13%	15%	12%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407
35_2. [People from different racial or religious backgrounds don't share my values] Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with the following - Summary	Total Agree	26%	27%	27%	27%	30%
	Total Disagree	60%	58%	60%	58%	58%
	Not sure	15%	15%	13%	15%	12%
	Total	1005	1005	1005	1005	4407





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### About the Study

These are some of the findings of an Ipsos poll conducted between May 9-10, 2022. For this survey, a sample of 1,005 Americans age 18+ from the continental U.S., Alaska, and Hawaii were interviewed online in English. The sample includes 452 Democrats, 366 Republicans, and 112 independents. Weighting was then employed to balance demographics to ensure that the sample's composition reflects that of the adult population according to Census data and to provide results intended to approximate the sample universe. The precision of Ipsos online polls is measured using a credibility interval. In this case, the poll is accurate to within  $\pm 3.8$  percentage points, 19 times out of 20, had all Americans been polled. The credibility interval will be wider among subsets of the population. All sample surveys and polls may be subject to other sources of error, including but not limited to coverage error and measurement error. The poll also has a credibility interval of  $\pm 5.6$  percentage points for Democrats,  $\pm 6.3$  percentage points for Republicans, and  $\pm 11.3$  percentage points for independents.

These questions were trended with findings from Ipsos polling conducted between April 11-12, 2022, March 14-15, 2022, February 14-15, 2022, and December 13-17, 2021. A sample of 1,005 Americans were interviewed online in English for the April, March and February waves, while a sample of 4,407 Americans were interviewed for the December survey. All interviews were conducted online in English among Americans age 18+ from the continental U.S., Alaska, and Hawaii. The credibility intervals are  $\pm 3.8$  percentage points for the March and February waves, while the credibility interval for the December wave is  $\pm 1.7$  percentage points.

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