

Survey question wording and topline

**2024 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
WAVE 142 – SCIENCE TOPLINE
February 7-11, 2024
N=10,133**

ASK ALL:

USBEST_DK

Please compare the U.S. to other wealthy nations in a few different areas. In each instance, how does the U.S. compare? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS WITHIN BLOCK 1, USBEST_COLLEGE_DK TO USBEST_MILITARY_DK, AND WITHIN BLOCK 2, USBEST_MEDACHIEVE_DK TO USBEST_STEMEDUK12_DK. BLOCK 1 SHOULD ALWAYS COME BEFORE BLOCK 2]**

		The U.S. is the <u>best</u>	The U.S. is above <u>average</u>	The U.S. is <u>average</u>	The U.S. is below <u>average</u>	The U.S. is the <u>worst</u>	Not <u>Sure</u>	No <u>answer</u>
	ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=5,050]:							
COLLEGE	Universities							
	Feb 7-11, 2024	15	34	27	12	3	9	<1
	Mar 20-Mar 26, 2023	15	33	30	13	3	6	<1
	ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=5,083]:							
ENTERTAINMENT	Entertainment, including movies, music, and television							
	Feb 7-11, 2024	35	36	18	3	1	6	<1
	Mar 20-Mar 26, 2023	30	39	19	4	2	5	<1
SLIVING	Standard of living							
	Feb 7-11, 2024	14	39	27	13	2	4	<1
	Mar 20-Mar 26, 2023	10	34	31	18	3	4	<1
MILITARY	Military							
	Feb 7-11, 2024	43	34	11	3	1	7	<1
	Mar 20-Mar 26, 2023	40	35	14	4	1	5	1
MEDACHIEVE	Healthcare system							
	Feb 7-11, 2024	7	21	26	31	10	4	<1
POLSYSTEM	Political system							
	Feb 7-11, 2024	8	20	32	26	8	7	<1
	ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=5,050]:							
SCIACHIEVE	Scientific achievements							
	Feb 7-11, 2024	15	43	26	6	1	9	1

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	ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=5,083]:							
STEMEDUK12	Science, technology, engineering and math education in grades K to 12							
	Feb 7-11, 2024	6	22	33	28	4	6	<1

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

Pew Research Center survey conducted by telephone: I'd like you to compare the United States to other nations in a few different ways. First, please think about **[INSERT AND RANDOMIZE]**. Do you think the U.S. is the BEST IN THE WORLD, above average, average or below average? What about... **[INSERT AND RANDOMIZE]**? **[REPEAT AS NEEDED: Do you think the United States is the BEST IN THE WORLD, above average, average or below average?]**

		<i>The U.S. is the best in <u>the world</u></i>	<i>The U.S. is above <u>average</u></i>	<i>The U.S. is <u>average</u></i>	<i>The U.S. is below <u>average</u></i>	(VOL.) DK/Ref
a.	<i>Its scientific achievements Oct 1-28, 2019</i>	18	43	29	7	3
b.	<i>Its political system Oct 1-28, 2019</i>	17	24	27	31	2
c.	<i>Its economy Oct 1-28, 2019</i>	22	38	26	13	1
d.	<i>Its military Oct 1-28, 2019</i>	45	35	16	2	2
e.	<i>Its science, technology, engineering and math education for grades K-to-12 Oct 1-28, 2019</i>	6	25	39	27	2
f.	<i>Its medical treatments Oct 1-28, 2019</i>	22	33	25	20	1
g.	<i>Its technological achievements Oct 1-28, 2019</i>	19	44	28	6	2
h.	<i>Its science, technology, engineering and math education in colleges and universities Oct 1-28, 2019</i>	14	38	34	12	3

TREND FOR COMPARISON:

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	<u>Best in the world</u>	<u>Above average</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Below average</u>	(VOL.) <u>DK/Ref</u>
a. <i>Its scientific achievements</i>					
Aug 15-25, 2014	15	39	34	9	3
Apr 28-May 12, 2009	17	47	26	5	4
b. <i>Its military</i>					
Aug 15-25, 2014	39	37	15	5	3
Apr 28-May 12, 2009	42	39	13	3	3
c. <i>Its economy</i>					
Aug 15-25, 2014	7	26	36	29	2
Apr 28-May 12, 2009	12	22	33	31	3
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e. <i>Science, technology, engineering and math education for grades K to 12</i>					
Aug 15-25, 2014	7	22	39	29	3
f. <i>Its political system</i>					
Aug 15-25, 2014	12	22	32	31	3
Apr 28-May 12, 2009	19	31	29	16	5
FORM 1 ONLY [N=1,001]					
gF1. <i>Medical treatment</i>					
Aug 15-25, 2014	17	34	29	20	1
FORM 2 ONLY [N=1,001]					
hF2. <i>Its health care</i>					
Aug 15-25, 2014	9	16	32	39	3
Apr 28-May 12, 2009	15	23	32	27	2

OTHER QUESTIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED OR HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE