

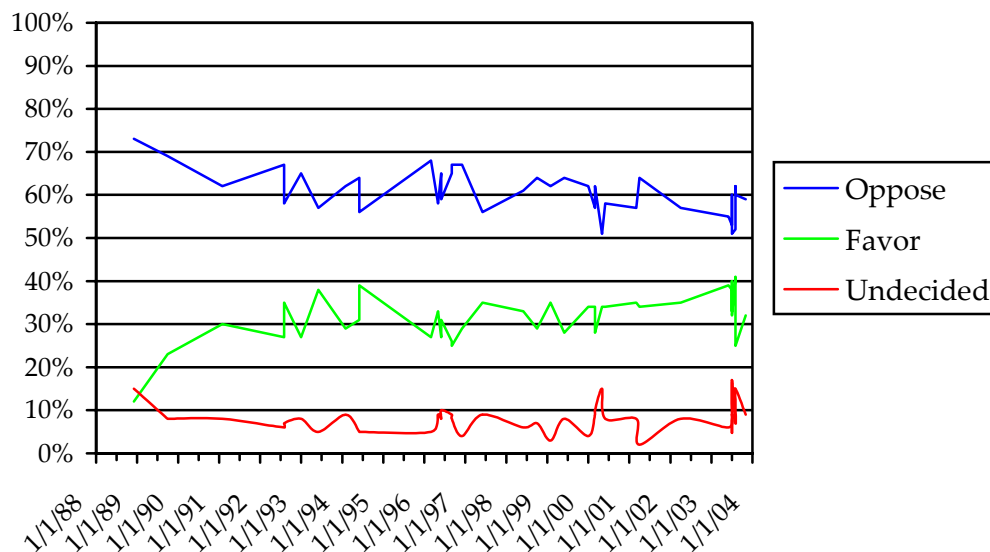
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SUMMARY OF OPINION RESEARCH ON SAME-SEX MARRIAGE

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Date	Oppose	Favor	Undecided	Firm	Text
12/31/88	73%	12%	15%	NORC/GSS	"Do you agree or disagree: Homosexuals should have the right to marry one another?"
10/4/89	69%	23%	8%	Gallup	"Should homosexual couples have the same legal rights as married couples?"
10/25/89	69%	23%	8%	Yankelovich/ CNN/Time	"Do you think that marriages between homosexual men or homosexual women should be recognized as legal by the law?"
2/24/91	62%	30%	8%	PSRA	"Do you think that homosexual couples should be allowed to get legally married or not?"
8/20/92	67%	27%	6%	Yankelovich/ CNN/Time	"Do you think that marriages between homosexual men or homosexual women should be recognized as legal by the law?"

8/27/92	58%	35%	7%	PSRA/ Newsweek	"Thinking about what might be done to protect the rights of gays and lesbians, do you think that there should or should not be legally sanctioned gay marriages?"
1/25/93	65%	27%	8%	Yankelovich/ CNN/Time	"Do you think that marriages between homosexual men or homosexual women should be recognized as legal by the law?"
6/8/93	57%	38%	5%	NBC/WSJ	"Now I would like to read you several more statements about some of the social issues facing America. For each issue, please tell me whether you agree strongly, agree somewhat, disagree somewhat, or disagree strongly with this statement . . . Homosexual couples should be able to enjoy the full rights granted to married heterosexual couples."
2/4/94	62%	29%	9%	PSRA/ Newsweek	"Thinking about what might be done to protect the rights of gays and lesbians, do you think that there should or should not be legally sanctioned gay marriages?"
6/16/94	64%	31%	5%	Yankelovich/ CNN/Time	"Do you think that marriages between homosexual men or homosexual women should be recognized as legal by the law?"
6/26/94	56%	39%	5%	ABC/ Wash Post	"Do you think homosexuals should or should not have equal rights to marry one another?"
3/17/96	68%	27%	5%	Gallup	"Do you think marriages between homosexuals should or should not be recognized by the law as valid, with the same rights as traditional marriages?"
5/23/96	58%	33%	9%	PSRA/ Newsweek	"Thinking about what might be done to protect the rights of gays and lesbians, do you think that there should or should not be legally sanctioned gay marriages?"
6/9/96	65%	27%	8%	PSRA/Pew Research Center	"I am going to read you a list of some programs and proposals that are being discussed in this country today. For each one, please tell me whether you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose it . . . Allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally?"
6/16/96	59%	31%	10%	AP	"Would you, personally, support or oppose giving homosexuals a legal right to marry a partner of the same sex?"
9/1/96	65%	26%	9%	Yankelovich/ CNN/Time	"Do you think that marriages between homosexual men or homosexual women should be recognized as legal by the law?"
9/17/96	67%	25%	8%	NBC/WSJ	Do you favor or oppose allowing gay and lesbian couples to enter into same-sex marriages? (Asked of half sample)
12/8/96	67%	29%	4%	Wirthlin Worldwide	"Do you feel same-sex couples should have the right to be legally married?"

6/20/97	56%	35%	9%	PSRA/ Newsweek	"Thinking about what might be done to protect the rights of gays and lesbians, do you think that there should or should not be legally sanctioned gay marriages?"
6/30/98	61%	33%	6%	PSRA/ Newsweek	"Thinking about what might be done to protect the rights of gays and lesbians, do you think that there should or should not be legally sanctioned gay marriages?"
10/15/98	64%	29%	7%	Yankelovich/ CNN/Time	"Do you think that marriages between homosexual men or homosexual women should be recognized as legal by the law?"
2/9/99	62%	35%	3%	Gallup	"Do you think marriages between homosexuals should or should not be recognized by the law as valid, with the same rights as traditional marriages?"
6/19/99	64%	28%	8%	NBC/WSJ	"I'm going to mention several issues, and I'd like to get your reaction. For each item I read, please tell me whether this is something you strongly favor, somewhat favor, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose. . . . Allowing homosexual couples to be legally married?"
1/16/00	62%	34%	4%	Gallup	"Do you think marriages between homosexuals should or should not be recognized by the law as valid, with the same rights as traditional marriages?"
3/10/00	57%	34%	9%	PSRA/ Newsweek	"Thinking about what might be done to protect the rights of gays and lesbians, do you think that there should or should not be legally sanctioned gay marriages?"
3/16/00	62%	28%	10%	NY Times	Do you think marriage between two people of the same sex should be legal, or do you think marriage should be limited only to the union of a man and woman?
5/21/00	51%	34%	15%	AP	"In general, do you think gays and lesbians should or should not be allowed to be legally married?"
6/13/00	58%	34%	8%	LA Times	Thinking now about gay marriage, that is, allowing a couple who are gay or lesbian to marry one another legally, do you support or oppose gay marriage?
3/18/01	57%	35%	8%	PSRA/Pew Research Center	"I am going to read you a list of some programs and proposals that are being discussed in this country today. For each one, please tell me whether you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose it . . . Allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally?"

4/22/01	64%	34%	2%	Wash Post/ Kaiser/ Harvard	Now I am going to read you a list of things that some people do. For each, thinking your own values and morals, I'd like you to tell me whether you think it is generally acceptable or generally unacceptable: Marriages between people of the same sex?
4/26/02	57%	35%	8%	PSRA/ Newsweek	"Thinking about what might be done to protect the rights of gays and lesbians, do you think that there should or should not be legally sanctioned gay marriages?"
6/29/03	55%	39%	6%	Gallup	"Do you think marriages between homosexuals should or should not be recognized by the law as valid, with the same rights as traditional marriages?"
7/8/03	53%	38%	9%	PSRA/Pew Research Center	"I am going to read you a list of some programs and proposals that are being discussed in this country today. For each one, please tell me whether you strongly favor, favor, oppose, or strongly oppose it . . . Allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally?"
7/17/03	60%	33%	7%	Harris/CNN/ Time	"Do you think that marriages between homosexual men or homosexual women should be recognized as legal by the law?"
7/27/03	55%	40%	5%	CBS/NY Times	Would you favor or oppose a law that would allow homosexual couples to marry, giving them the same legal rights as other married couples?
7/27/03	51%	32%	17%	NBC/WSJ	Do you favor or oppose allowing gay and lesbian couples to enter into same-sex marriages? (Asked of half sample)
8/12/03	52%	41%	7%	AP	Would you favor or oppose a law that would ban gay marriage, requiring that marriage should be between a man and a woman?
8/13/03	62%	26%	12%	Fox News/Opinion Dynamics	Recently there has been a lot of talk about allowing gays and lesbians to marry a partner of the same sex. Do you favor or oppose same-sex marriage?
8/28/03	60%	25%	15%	The Winston Group (R)	Do you favor or oppose gay marriage?
11/18/03	59%	32%	9%	Pew Research Center	Allowing gays and lesbians to marry legally?