



Turning to a different topic,

16. Do you think gay or lesbian relations between consenting adults should or should not be legal?

|                 | <u>Should be legal</u> | <u>Should not be legal</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|-----------------|------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| 2017 May 3-7    | 72                     | 23                         | 5                 |
| 2016 May 4-8    | 68                     | 28                         | 4                 |
| 2015 Jul 8-12   | 68                     | 28                         | 4                 |
| 2015 May 6-10   | 69                     | 28                         | 4                 |
| 2014 May 8-11   | 66                     | 30                         | 4                 |
| 2013 Jul 10-14  | 64                     | 31                         | 5                 |
| 2013 May 2-7    | 65                     | 31                         | 5                 |
| 2012 Nov 26-29  | 64                     | 33                         | 3                 |
| 2012 May 3-6    | 63                     | 31                         | 6                 |
| 2011 Dec 15-18  | 62                     | 33                         | 5                 |
| 2011 May 5-8    | 64                     | 32                         | 4                 |
| 2010 May 3-6    | 58                     | 36                         | 6                 |
| 2009 May 7-10   | 56                     | 40                         | 4                 |
| 2008 May 8-11 ^ | 55                     | 40                         | 5                 |
| 2007 May 10-13  | 59                     | 37                         | 4                 |
| 2006 May 8-11   | 56                     | 40                         |                   |

17. Next, I'm going to read you a list of issues. Regardless of whether or not you think it should be legal, for each one, please tell me whether you personally believe that in general it is morally acceptable or morally wrong. How about -- [RANDOM ORDER]?



## Q.18 (SAME-SEX MARRIAGE) CONTINUED

**TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:** Polls in which gay marriage question NOT preceded by question(s) on gay/lesbian rights and relations

|                   | <u>Should be valid</u> | <u>Should not be valid</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|-------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| 2005 Apr 29-May 1 | 39                     | 56                         | 5                 |
| 2005 Mar 18-20 ^  | 28                     | 68                         | 4                 |
| 2004 Jul 19-21 ^  | 32                     | 62                         | 6                 |
| 2004 Mar 5-7      | 33                     | 61                         | 6                 |
| 2004 Feb 16-17    | 32                     | 64                         | 4                 |
| 2004 Feb 6-8 ^    | 36                     | 59                         | 5                 |
| 2003 Dec 15-16    | 31                     | 65                         | 4                 |
| 2003 Oct 24-26    | 35                     | 61                         | 4                 |
| 2003 Jun 27-29    | 39                     | 55                         | 6                 |
| 2000 Jan 13-16    | 34                     | 62                         | 4                 |

^ Asked of a half sample.