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Risk of serious harm from COVID-19 declines and people get creative with their improvised versions of protective measures.

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Policy changes proposed amid protests surrounding the George Floyd case garner support from Americans.

54% highly favor banning the use of chokeholds and strangleholds by police; only 10% are extremely non-supportive of this ban.18-34 year olds are highly supportive, at 70%, Followed by 35-54 year olds (48%), and 50+ year olds (46%).

46% back requiring collection and publication of data on use of force; 42% back requiring collection and publication of data on community trust of police.

45% are likely to support repealing of laws that shield police officer disciplinary records from the public.

40% highly support ending qualified immunity that protects police officers from civil rights lawsuits.

Reduction of police funding and reallocation of funds to youth and social services has greatest support among younger Americans.

Overall, 25% of Americans strongly support reallocating police budgets towards social services and youth services. 40% do not want to see any reduction in funding for police.

61% of 18-34 year olds strongly support defunding police. However, only 13% of those over the age of 34 agree as strongly. 44% of 35-54 year olds and 57% of 55+ year olds do not want to see any reduction in police budgets.

More people believe the major changes in life due to the virus, such as school closures, business closures, and widespread social distancing, will last through 2021.

Among the most skeptical and pessimistic were 18-34 year olds

—41% believe these changes will persist through 2021, an 11-point increase from 30% on June 4.

Female respondents are more pessimistic compared to male respondents: while 37% of women believe the changes will continue through 2021, 31% of men think so.

A majority of people get creative with their protective equipment and make their own.

50% of respondents report wearing improvised face covering such as scarves or homemade masks, compared to 40% who own medical masks.

Female respondents tend to improvise with their face covering more than male respondents: while 63% of female respondents created their own versions of face covering, only 38% of male respondents relied on DIY solutions and 39% wore medical masks.

Americans' perceived risk of serious harm from COVID-19 is declining.

Only 35% of Americans believe they or close family are at high risk of serious harm from coronavirus, compared to a high of 50% two months ago. 12% of Americans now say they feel virtually no risk of serious harm from the virus.

White/Caucasian Americans feel the least concerned, and only 25% believe they are at high risk of serious harm. Hispanic/Latino Americans feel the most concern, as 56% say they feel at high risk of serious harm. 53% of Black/African-American respondents feel similarly high risk, as do 33% of Asian/Asian-American respondents.

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