

SLU Polling Institute: Supreme Court Questions and Responses

The following questions have an N of 802 and include “likely voters” of all parties, that is, individuals who said they vote “all of the time” or “most of the time.”

Changing topics... Which comes closest to your view about how the United States Supreme Court hears and decides cases?

Total	Possible responses	R	I	D
30 %	The Supreme Court hears and decides cases based strictly on its interpretation of the Constitution and is not influenced by political considerations.	26	22	41
53 %	The Supreme Court is influenced by political considerations when it hears and decides cases.	53	63	43
17 %	Don't know / not sure	20	15	16

Do you think government bodies, such as city councils or school boards, should be allowed to open their meetings with a prayer or a religious-based invocation?

Total	Possible Responses	R	I	D
64 %	Yes, they should be allowed to open meetings with a prayer	86	58	53
27 %	No, they should not be allowed to open meetings with a prayer	7	29	41
9 %	Don't know / not sure	7	13	6

Should employers be required to pay for contraception that induces abortion as part of the company's health insurance plan if that type of contraception violates the business owner's religious beliefs?

Total	Possible Responses	R	I	D
38 %	Yes	19	37	55
47 %	No	70	47	31
15 %	Don't know / not sure	11	20	14