

## American Views on Arab and Muslim Americans



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## Methodology

	<b>Sample Size</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b>MOE (%)</b>
<b>Adult Americans</b>	2100	9/24/10 – 9/27/10	2.2%

Zogby International was commissioned by Dr. James Zogby to conduct an online survey of 2100 adults. A sampling of Zogby International's online panel, which is representative of the adult population of the US, was invited to participate. Slight weights were added to region, party, age, race, religion, gender, education to more accurately reflect the population. The margin of error is +/- 2.2 percentage points. Margins of error are higher in sub-groups. The MOE calculation is for sampling error only.

Please tell me your opinion of each of the following—is it very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, very unfavorable or are you not familiar enough to have formed an opinion.

1. Arabs

	Overall	DEM	GOP	IND	18-29	50-64
Very Favorable	10	15	3	11	21	7
Somewhat Favorable	33	42	25	31	33	31
<b>FAVORABLE</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>38</b>
Somewhat Unfavorable	30	22	40	33	28	33
Very Unfavorable	17	8	26	14	5	20
<b>UNFAVORABLE</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>53</b>
Not Familiar	2	4	2	1	<1	31
Not Sure	8	10	4	10	13	7

2. Muslims

	Overall	DEM	GOP	IND	18-29	50-64
Very Favorable	9	14	1	12	17	7
Somewhat Favorable	26	40	11	25	31	25
<b>FAVORABLE</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>32</b>
Somewhat Unfavorable	23	21	29	22	21	26
Very Unfavorable	32	13	56	33	22	33
<b>UNFAVORABLE</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>59</b>
Not Familiar	2	4	1	1	<2	2
Not Sure	7	8	2	6	9	6

3. Do you know enough about Arab countries and people or do you feel you need to know more?

	<b>Overall</b>	<b>DEM</b>	<b>GOP</b>	<b>IND</b>	<b>18-29</b>	<b>50-64</b>
I know enough	<b>29</b>	11	44	32	13	28
I would like to learn more	<b>60</b>	80	39	59	75	58
I don't want to learn about it	<b>7</b>	3	14	5	5	9
Not Sure	<b>5</b>	6	3	4	8	6

4. Do you feel you know enough about Islam and Muslims or do you feel you need to know more?

	<b>Overall</b>	<b>DEM</b>	<b>GOP</b>	<b>IND</b>	<b>18-29</b>	<b>50-64</b>
I know enough	<b>36</b>	19	54	36	29	35
I would like to learn more	<b>49</b>	68	26	53	58	49
I don't want to learn about it	<b>10</b>	6	17	9	6	13
Not Sure	<b>4</b>	6	2	3	6	4

5. The White House is actively reaching out to the Arab and Muslim. How important do you believe this outreach effort is?

	<b>Overall</b>	<b>DEM</b>	<b>GOP</b>	<b>IND</b>	<b>18-29</b>	<b>50-64</b>
Very important	<b>32</b>	59	4	29	38	36
Somewhat important	<b>22</b>	23	21	24	22	19
<b>IMPORTANT</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>54</b>
Not very important	<b>16</b>	5	30	19	9	19
Not at all important	<b>26</b>	9	43	26	23	23
<b>NOT IMPORTANT</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>42</b>
Not Sure	<b>3</b>	5	3	3	8	3

6. Polls show that many Arabs have a negative view of the United States. Which of the following is the principle reason to account for these negative views?

	Overall	DEM	GOP	IND	18-29	50-64
They hate American values and freedom (way of life)	<b>43</b>	23	63	41	32	40
They are jealous of Americans	<b>4</b>	1	8	3	4	5
American policies toward Palestine	<b>21</b>	26	12	24	21	21
The war in Iraq	<b>14</b>	26	4	10	24	13
America's support for their governments	<b>4</b>	3	3	7	5	3
I do not believe that most Arabs hold a negative view of the United States	<b>8</b>	11	5	7	4	10
Not Sure	<b>8</b>	10	6	9	10	10

*Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree with the following statements:*

7. Islam teaches people to lead good and decent lives.

	Overall	DEM	GOP	IND	18-29	50-64
Strongly Agree	<b>21</b>	34	6	23	27	23
Somewhat Agree	<b>33</b>	37	27	35	35	36
<b>AGREE</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>59</b>
Somewhat Disagree	<b>16</b>	12	27	13	18	15
Strongly Disagree	<b>18</b>	5	32	19	9	19
<b>DISAGREE</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>34</b>
Not Sure	<b>12</b>	13	8	10	12	8

8. Islam is a religion of peace.

	<b>Overall</b>	<b>DEM</b>	<b>GOP</b>	<b>IND</b>	<b>18-29</b>	<b>50-64</b>
Strongly Agree	<b>18</b>	30	4	20	23	19
Somewhat Agree	<b>23</b>	32	12	23	26	26
<b>AGREE</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>45</b>
Somewhat Disagree	<b>13</b>	7	20	16	6	15
Strongly Disagree	<b>34</b>	12	59	31	25	32
<b>DISAGREE</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>47</b>
Not Sure	<b>12</b>	18	5	11	20	8

9. Islam teaches hate.

	<b>Overall</b>	<b>DEM</b>	<b>GOP</b>	<b>IND</b>	<b>18-29</b>	<b>50-64</b>
Strongly Agree	<b>24</b>	9	41	27	17	23
Somewhat Agree	<b>22</b>	13	33	20	14	21
<b>AGREE</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>44</b>
Somewhat Disagree	<b>18</b>	21	11	20	18	21
Strongly Disagree	<b>26</b>	43	10	22	36	27
<b>DISAGREE</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>48</b>
Not Sure	<b>10</b>	14	5	12	16	8

10. Muslims tend to be religious fanatics.

	<b>Overall</b>	<b>DEM</b>	<b>GOP</b>	<b>IND</b>	<b>18-29</b>	<b>50-64</b>
Strongly Agree	<b>17</b>	9	26	18	13	17
Somewhat Agree	<b>24</b>	12	34	26	11	27
<b>AGREE</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>44</b>
Somewhat Disagree	<b>25</b>	29	21	24	28	27
Strongly Disagree	<b>27</b>	41	12	28	41	24
<b>DISAGREE</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>51</b>
Not Sure	<b>7</b>	9	7	5	7	5