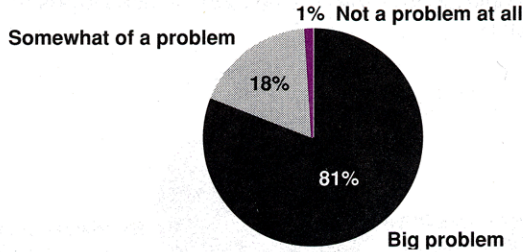


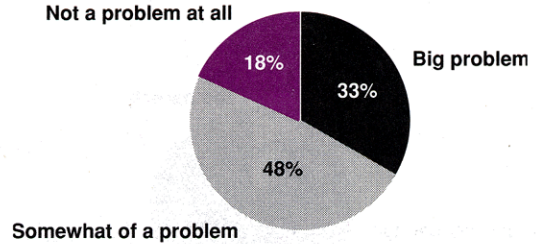
Crimes Committed By Youth

There's A Big Problem—Though It's Not As Bad "In My Community"

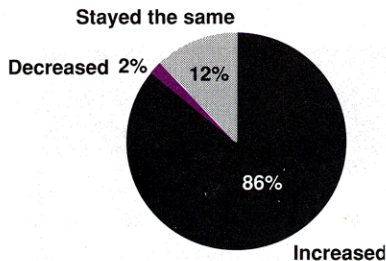
Question: In most of the country, would you say teenage violence is a big problem, somewhat of a problem, or not a problem at all?



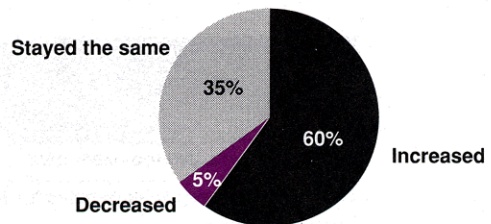
Question: How about the community you live in—would you say teenage violence is a big problem, somewhat of a problem, or not a problem at all?



Question: Would you say that in the last year, crimes committed by teenagers in the country have increased, decreased or stayed about the same?



Question: What about your community—in the last year would you say crimes committed by teenagers have increased, decreased or stayed about the same?



Source: Survey by CBS News/*New York Times*, May 31-June 3, 1996.

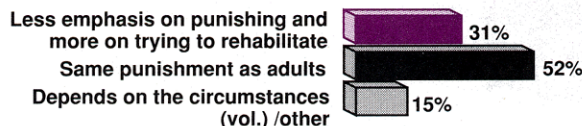
We Need More Emphasis On Punishment, Including Treating Young People Who Commit Serious Crimes As Adults

Question: ...In most places, there are criminal justice programs that treat juveniles differently than adults who commit the same crimes. These programs emphasize protecting and rehabilitating juveniles rather than punishing them. How successful would you say these programs have been at controlling juvenile crime...?



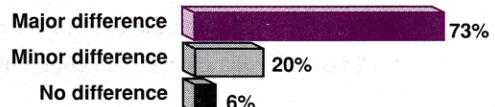
Source: Survey by the Gallup Organization for CNN/*USA Today*, September 6-7, 1994.

Question: ...How do you think society should deal with juveniles (those under 18) who commit crimes: Should society place less emphasis on punishing juvenile offenders and more on trying to rehabilitate them, or should society give juvenile offenders the same punishment as adults?



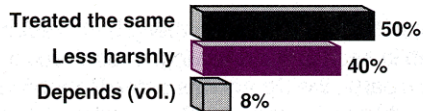
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Question: ...For each [proposed action to combat violent crime], please tell me if you think it will make a major difference in reducing violent crime, a minor difference, or no difference at all against violent crime...**Toughen penalties for juvenile offenders so young people know there are severe consequences to crime.**



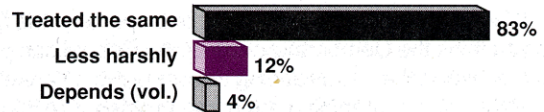
Source: Survey by NBC News/*Wall Street Journal*, January 15-18, 1994.

Question: ...[D]o you think that juveniles convicted of their **first crime** should be given the same punishment as adults convicted of their **first crime**, or should juveniles be treated less harshly?



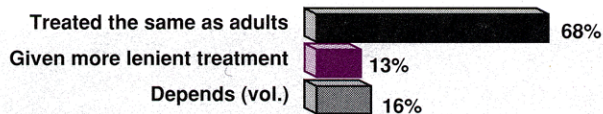
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Question: ...[D]o you think that juveniles convicted of their **second or third crimes** should be given the same punishment as adults convicted of their **second or third crimes**, or should juveniles be treated less harshly?



Source: Survey by the Gallup Organization for CNN/USA Today, September 6-7, 1994.

Question: In your view, should juveniles who commit violent crimes be treated the same as adults, or should they be given more lenient treatment in a juvenile court?

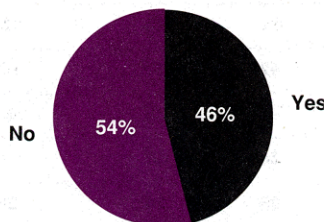


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Support for the Death Penalty for Teens Convicted of Murder Has Risen, Reflecting the General Sense that Tougher Measures are Needed

1936

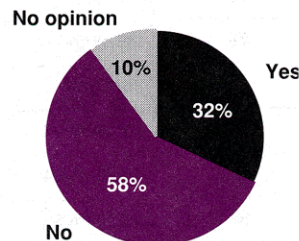
Question: Are you in favor of the death penalty for persons under 21 (for murder)?



Source: Survey by the Gallup Organization, December 1-6, 1936.

1953

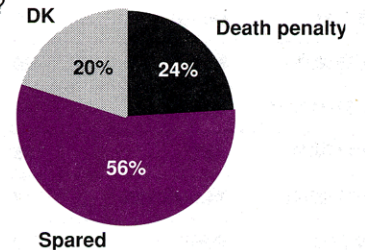
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Source: Survey by the Gallup Organization, November 1-5, 1953.

1957

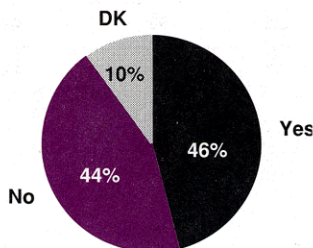
Question: When a teenager commits a murder, and is found guilty by a jury, do you think he should get the death penalty or should he be spared because of his youth?



Source: Survey by the Gallup Organization, August 29-September 4, 1957.

1965

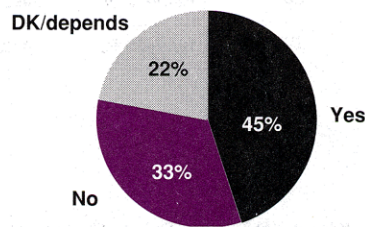
Question: Are you in favor of the death penalty for persons under 21?



Source: Survey by the Gallup Organization, January 7-12, 1965.

1991

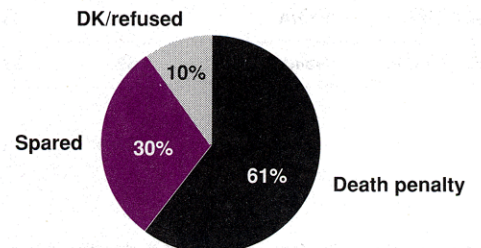
Question: If a teenager commits a crime that could carry the death penalty for an adult, do you think he or she should receive a death sentence or not?



Source: Survey by Princeton Survey Research Associates for Troika Productions and Lifetime Television, March 21-24, 1991.

1994

Question: When a teenager commits a murder and is found guilty by a jury, do you think he should get the death penalty or should he be spared because of his youth?



Source: Survey by the Gallup Organization for CNN/USA Today, September 6-7, 1994.