

Attachment 1

1. Some have proposed that the mandatory minimum sentence for those convicted of a felony involving a firearm should be increased from two years to three years. Would you favor or oppose this proposal?

Strongly favor	36.8%
Favor	30.0%
Oppose	16.0%
Strongly oppose	6.5%
Other/Don't know	10.7%

2. Some have proposed a law requiring that convicted felons who have been found guilty of illegally carrying firearms would have to serve at least 85 percent of their sentence. Some people

a) support the law because they say it would make our laws more of a deterrent against violent gun crimes, and would take some of the most dangerous people off the streets

and some people

b) oppose the law because they say it would cost too much to house more people in already overcrowded prisons, and they worry that some law-abiding people might be imprisoned by this stricter law.

Which comes closer to your opinion, that

Convicted felons should serve at least 85 percent of their gun crime sentences	64.5%
We should not impose mandatory minimum sentences on felons convicted of gun crimes	25.2%
Other/Don't know	10.2%

3. Cross Tabulation

Some have proposed that the mandatory minimum sentence for those convicted of a felony involving a firearm should be increased from two years to three years. Would you favor or oppose this proposal?

	Favor	Oppose	Other/Don't know
Convicted felons should serve at least 85 percent of their gun-crime sentences	51.5%	9.1%	3.9%
We should not impose mandatory minimum sentences on felons convicted of gun crimes	11.3%	11.5%	2.4%
Other/ Don't Know	4.0%	1.8%	4.5%