

Gay Rights

Exercises: iPOLL, iPOLL+

1. When were the earliest questions about gay rights asked?

Answers and Sources: _____

2. What percentage of people identified themselves as a gay rights supporter in 1987? 1994? 1999?

Answers and Sources: _____

3. What percentage of people think that marriages between gay and lesbian couples should be recognized by the law with the same rights as traditional marriages?
 - a. How does this differ by age groups?
 - b. How about by political ideology?

Answers and Sources: _____

4. How do people think being gay comes from, is it something someone is born with, or is homosexuality due to factors such as upbringing and environment?
 - a. Does this differ by gender?
 - b. How about by ideology?

Answers and Sources: _____

RoperExplorer

Find a study that focuses on Gay and Lesbian Rights in RoperExplorer that asks a question about the origins of homosexuality—one is born homosexual or due to environmental factors. See how respondents who attend church once a week responded compared to non-church goers.

Are people who support gay rights more likely to believe that homosexuality is innate or due to environment?