

## Topline questionnaire: 2019 online dating survey

2019 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL  
 WAVE 56 OCTOBER  
 TOPLINE  
 OCTOBER 16-28, 2019  
 TOTAL N=4,860

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	<b>Sample size</b>	<b>Margin of error at 95% confidence level</b>
U.S. adults	4,860	+/- 2.1 percentage points

**ASK ALL:**

ONSAFE

In general, how safe do you think online dating sites and dating apps are as a way to meet people?

Oct 16-28, 2019

3	Very safe
50	Somewhat safe
36	Not too safe
10	Not at all safe
1	No answer

**ASK IF EVER USED AN ONLINE DATING SITE OR APP (ONLINEDATE=1) [n=2,094]:**

ONPROBLEM Thinking of some things that may happen on online dating sites and dating apps, as far as you know, how common are each of the following? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

		<u>Very common</u>	<u>Somewhat common</u>	<u>Not too common</u>	<u>Not at all common</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a.	People being harassed or bullied Oct 16-28, 2019	25	37	33	3	2
b.	People receiving sexually explicit messages or images they did not ask for Oct 16-28, 2019	48	33	15	2	1
c.	People lying about themselves to appear more desirable Oct 16-28, 2019	71	25	2	1	*
d.	Privacy violations, such as data breaches or identity theft Oct 16-28, 2019	18	41	37	3	2
e.	People setting up fake accounts in order to scam others Oct 16-28, 2019	50	34	13	2	1

**ASK IF EVER USED AN ONLINE DATING SITE OR APP (ONLINEDATE=1) [n=2,094]:**

ONHARASS Thinking about your own personal experiences, has someone ever done any of the following to you ON AN ONLINE DATING SITE OR DATING APP? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

		<u>Yes, this has happened to me</u>	<u>No, this has not happened to me</u>	<u>No answer</u>
a.	Called you an offensive name Oct 16-28, 2019	28	71	1
b.	Threatened to physically harm you Oct 16-28, 2019	9	91	*
c.	Sent you a sexually explicit message or image you didn't ask for Oct 16-28, 2019	35	64	*
d.	Continued to contact you after you said you were not interested Oct 16-28, 2019	37	62	*

## Topline questionnaire: 2018 teen survey

2018 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S Teen Survey

TOPLINE

March 7 – April 10, 2018

Teens ages 13-17 N=743

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**ASK ALL:**

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Still thinking about your experiences online or on your cellphone, which of the following, if any, has ever happened to you personally? **[RANDOMIZE 1-6 WITH ITEM 7 LAST]**

	<u>Selected</u>	<u>Not selected/ No answer</u>
5. Had someone send you explicit images you did not ask for March 7-April 10, 2018	25	75

## Topline questionnaire: 2017 online harassment survey

2017 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL

WAVE 24 JANUARY

FINAL TOPLINE

January 9 – January 23, 2017

TOTAL N=4,248<sup>1</sup>

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ASK ALL INTERNET USERS (F\_INTUSER\_FINAL=1) [N=4,165]:  
RANDOMIZE ITEMS

EXP3 Have you ever experienced any of the following?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>No Answer</u>
a. Someone sharing explicit images of you without your consent Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	7	92	1
b. Someone sending you explicit images that you did not ask for Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	35	64	1

<sup>1</sup> The Wave 24 survey was administered exclusively in web mode. The survey included N=206 previous mail mode panelists that were converted to web and were provided an internet-enabled tablet if necessary.

**ASK ALL INTERNET USERS (F\_INTUSER\_FINAL=1) [N=4,165]:**

Now thinking about your own experiences...

ON7 Which, if any, of the following have happened to you, personally, ONLINE?  
**[RANDOMIZE]** *[Check all that apply]*

		<u>Selected</u>	<u>Not selected</u> <u>/No Answer</u>
a.	Been called offensive names		
	Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	30	70
	May 30-Jun 30, 2014	27	73
b.	Been physically threatened		
	Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	10	90
	May 30-Jun 30, 2014	8	92
c.	Been harassed for a sustained period		
	Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	8	92
	May 30-Jun 30, 2014	7	92
d.	Been stalked		
	Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	8	92
	May 30-Jun 30, 2014	8	92
e.	Had someone try to purposefully embarrass you		
	Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	25	75
	May 30-Jun 30, 2014	22	78
NO ITEMS F OR G			
h.	Been sexually harassed		
	Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	7	93
	May 30-Jun 30, 2014	6	94
<b>Yes to any (NET)</b>			
	Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	<b>45</b>	
	May 30-Jun 30, 2014	<b>40</b>	

**ASK IF YES TO ANY IN ON7 (ON7a-h=1) [N=1,578]:**

IDENTITY Do you think any of these experiences were a result of your... [IF ONLY ONE SELECTED IN ON7 "Do you think this experience was a result of your..."] **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS; ITEM i ALWAYS LAST]** [Check all that apply]

		<u>Selected</u>	<u>Not selected</u> <u>/No Answer</u>
a.	Gender Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	20	80
b.	Physical appearance Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	22	78
c.	Sexual orientation Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	8	92
d.	Political views Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	35	65
e.	Religion Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	12	88
f.	Race or ethnicity Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	19	81
g.	Occupation Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	8	92
h.	Disability Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	4	96
i.	None of these <b>[EXCLUSIVE PUNCH]</b> Jan 9-Jan 23, 2017	31	69

**ASK IF YES TO ANY IN ON7 (ON7a-h=1) [N=1,578]:**

ON10 Still thinking about your most recent experience, how upsetting was this, if at all?  
**[REVERSE SCALE FOR RANDOM ½ OF RESPONDENTS]**

<u>Jan 9- Jan 23 2017</u>		<u>May 30- Jun 30 2014</u>
12	Extremely upsetting	14
14	Very upsetting	14
25	Somewhat upsetting	21
27	A little upsetting	30
23	Not at all upsetting	22
*	No Answer	*