



Fix the Court

Agenda of Key Findings

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Methodology

PSB conducted online interviews from June 8 – 15, 2018 among n=1,131 U.S. likely voters. The margin of error for this study is +/- 2.91% at the 95% confidence level and larger for subgroups. Some percentages may add to more or less than 100% due to rounding. Where applicable, tracked findings reflect an October 2018 PSB online study (<https://fixthecourt.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/10/October-2018-TL-poll-results.pdf>) of n=1,000 U.S. likely voters conducted on behalf of Fix the Court.

Definition of Crosstabs

Crosstab		Definition	% total
(% U.S. Likely Voters)		All likely voters interviewed: age 18+ and say they will definitely or probably vote in the next election for federal, state, local, and other offices	100
Gender	M	Male	47
	F	Female	53
Age	<35	Age 18-34	27
	35-49	Age 35-49	29
	50-64	Age 50-64	28
	65+	Age 65+	16
Party	D	Regardless of registration, those who consider themselves a Democrat	32
	R	Regardless of registration, those who consider themselves a Republican	29
	I	Regardless of registration, those who consider themselves an independent or something else	39
Region	NE	Lives in the Northeast	18
	MW	Lives in the Midwest	24
	S	Lives in the South	38
	W	Lives in the West	20

Key Findings

1. Would you support or oppose restrictions on length of service for U.S. Supreme Court justices (for example, setting a retirement age or capping total years of service)?

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
TOTAL SUPPORT	77	76	79	75	79	80	76	84	73	76	81	81	75	75
TOTAL OPPOSE	23	24	22	25	21	20	24	16	28	23	19	19	24	26
Strongly support	43	47	40	38	43	46	48	48	41	41	44	41	45	41
Somewhat support	34	29	39	37	36	34	28	36	32	35	37	40	30	34
Somewhat oppose	14	13	15	19	13	11	10	10	13	17	10	10	17	15
Strongly oppose	9	11	7	6	8	9	14	6	15	6	9	9	7	11

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		October 2018
TOTAL SUPPORT	77	78
TOTAL OPPOSE	23	23
Strongly support	43	44
Somewhat support	34	34
Somewhat oppose	14	12
Strongly oppose	9	11

2. Which would you prefer?

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
Add term limits so that any new Supreme Court justices can only serve up to 18 years	40	42	39	36	43	42	41	33	42	45	42	44	37	40
Add additional justices to the Supreme Court to counterbalance those picked by President Trump	15	15	14	24	16	8	8	21	11	12	16	14	15	13
Neither	29	30	28	20	27	36	38	20	39	30	25	27	32	31
Both	16	13	18	21	15	14	14	27	8	13	17	15	17	15

3. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

Going forward, new nominees to the Supreme Court should be chosen to better reflect the diversity of the American people (for example, gender or ethnicity)

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
TOTAL AGREE	73	69	76	86	76	62	61	91	53	71	72	73	71	75
TOTAL DISAGREE	28	32	24	14	24	37	39	9	47	29	28	27	29	25
Strongly agree	38	35	40	51	37	30	30	57	21	34	39	36	38	37
Somewhat agree	35	34	36	35	39	32	31	34	32	37	33	37	33	38
Somewhat disagree	13	13	13	7	12	18	14	6	19	14	12	15	13	11
Strongly disagree	15	19	11	7	12	19	25	3	28	15	16	12	16	14

4. How well do you recall the Supreme Court confirmation process of Neil Gorsuch in 2017?

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
Remember it well	22	28	18	18	22	23	30	22	26	20	30	20	20	23
Remember some aspects	31	33	30	27	32	31	39	32	34	28	25	39	28	33
Do not remember very much	24	23	25	24	26	25	19	25	19	26	26	18	28	22
Do not remember it at all	23	17	27	32	21	21	13	21	21	25	19	23	24	23

5. How closely did you follow the Supreme Court confirmation process of Brett Kavanaugh last fall?

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
Very closely	35	41	31	27	33	38	49	37	41	29	42	36	32	35
Somewhat closely	33	33	33	36	38	30	26	35	29	36	29	37	33	32
Only a little	20	17	22	20	20	19	20	17	19	22	18	16	21	23
Not at all	12	9	15	18	8	13	5	11	11	13	12	11	13	10

6. Which comes closer to your view?

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
I believe that Supreme Court justices do bring a political bias when they consider cases	65	61	68	65	64	65	64	74	51	67	64	68	62	68
I trust that Supreme Court justices do not bring a political bias when they consider cases	35	39	32	35	36	35	36	26	49	33	36	32	38	32

Demographics

7. REGION (CODED BASED ON STATE)

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
NORTHEAST	18	21	16	16	19	16	23	17	19	18	100	-	-	-
MIDWEST	24	21	27	18	29	25	22	24	23	25	-	100	-	-
SOUTH	38	39	37	44	31	42	34	37	39	39	-	-	100	-
WEST	20	19	21	22	21	16	20	23	19	19	-	-	-	100

8. Would describe the area where your neighborhood is located as urban, suburban, or rural?

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
Suburban	49	48	51	41	53	49	56	51	46	50	51	51	48	47
Rural, less developed	22	22	22	19	20	26	24	18	26	23	21	25	24	16
Urban or city	29	30	28	40	27	25	20	32	28	27	28	24	28	37

9. What is your gender?

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
Male	47	100	-	40	48	52	49	43	53	46	54	41	48	45
Female	53	-	100	60	52	48	51	57	47	54	46	59	52	55

10. What is your age? (CODED)

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
18-24	11	9	13	41	-	-	-	14	6	12	8	7	15	11
25-34	16	13	18	59	-	-	-	17	14	16	16	14	16	19
35-49	29	30	28	-	100	-	-	29	30	28	30	35	24	31
50-64	28	31	25	-	-	100	-	27	27	30	25	30	31	23
65 and over	16	17	16	-	-	-	100	13	22	14	21	15	14	16

11. Regardless of how you might be registered to vote, do you consider yourself a Democrat, Republican, Independent, or something else?

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
Democrat	32	29	35	37	32	31	26	100	-	-	30	32	31	36
Republican	29	33	26	22	30	28	40	-	100	-	31	28	30	27
Independent	30	32	28	27	32	35	22	-	-	77	32	30	29	30
Other	1	1	1	0	1	2	1	-	-	3	1	0	1	1
I don't align with any party	8	5	11	14	5	4	12	-	-	21	6	9	10	6

12. **AMONG THOSE WHO CONSIDER THEMSELVES DEMOCRAT:** And would you say you are a strong Democrat or do you lean Democrat?

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
Strong Democrat	63	63	62	65	62	61	61	63	-	-	65	57	71	54
Lean Democrat	37	37	38	35	38	39	39	37	-	-	35	43	29	46

13. **AMONG THOSE WHO CONSIDER THEMSELVES REPUBLICAN:** And would you say you are a strong Republican or do you lean Republican?

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
Strong Republican	58	62	53	52	62	58	59	-	58	-	66	58	58	49
Lean Republican	42	38	47	48	38	42	41	-	42	-	34	42	42	51

14. **AMONG THOSE WHO CONSIDER THEMSELVES INDEPENDENT OR SOMETHING ELSE OR DON'T ALIGN WITH ANY PARTY:** Do you tend to...?

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
Lean Democrat	28	23	33	24	33	30	24	-	-	28	32	34	23	28
Lean Republican	31	37	25	32	29	34	23	-	-	31	23	30	36	28
Other	7	8	6	8	4	8	6	-	-	7	9	4	7	6
Neither	34	32	37	35	34	28	47	-	-	34	35	32	34	38

15. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself...?

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
Very liberal	16	16	16	25	16	11	6	34	6	7	18	15	15	15
Somewhat liberal	16	14	17	15	14	20	12	28	4	14	20	17	12	16
Moderate	33	30	35	27	36	34	32	27	16	50	30	32	31	39
Somewhat conservative	18	20	16	16	16	19	24	5	36	15	16	20	17	18
Very conservative	15	18	12	11	14	15	23	4	36	8	15	12	18	11
None of the above	3	3	3	6	4	0	2	1	1	7	1	3	6	1

16. Would you consider yourself to be of Hispanic, Spanish, or Latino descent?

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
Yes	11	12	10	21	12	5	3	17	8	9	9	5	11	20
No	89	88	90	79	88	95	97	83	92	91	91	95	89	80

17. For statistical purposes only, which of the following describes your race?

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
White / Caucasian	81	84	78	67	81	86	93	70	92	81	81	90	76	78
Black / African American / Caribbean American	13	11	15	21	12	11	6	23	5	11	15	7	19	7
Asian	3	2	5	7	4	1	1	2	2	5	3	1	3	8
American Indian or Alaska Native	1	1	2	1	1	1	0	1	1	2	0	2	1	2
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Other	3	3	3	5	3	2	1	4	1	3	1	2	2	7

18. RACE (CODED BASED ON RESPONSES TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS)

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
WHITE, NON-HISPANIC	72	74	70	53	72	81	90	58	85	74	74	85	67	65
BLACK, NON-HISPANIC	12	10	14	19	11	10	6	21	4	10	14	6	17	7
HISPANIC	11	12	10	21	12	5	3	17	8	9	9	5	11	20
ASIAN, NON-HISPANIC	3	2	4	5	3	1	1	2	2	4	3	0	2	6
OTHER, NON-HISPANIC	2	2	3	2	3	3	1	2	1	3	1	3	2	3

19. What is the highest degree or level of school you have completed?

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
No high school	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0
Some high school	3	3	2	4	3	2	1	3	1	3	4	2	3	1
High school graduate or equivalent (i.e., GED)	27	31	24	40	24	24	17	25	28	28	26	24	32	24
Some college but degree not received or in progress	24	23	25	18	20	32	30	24	22	26	23	24	27	20
Associate degree (i.e., AA, AS)	10	9	10	9	9	10	11	9	12	9	10	9	10	10
Bachelor's degree (i.e., BA, BS, AB)	23	22	25	18	27	24	24	25	22	22	21	28	19	28
Graduate degree (i.e., Master's, Professional, Doctorate)	13	12	13	10	16	8	17	14	14	10	17	11	9	16

20. How likely are you to vote in the next election for federal, state, local, and other offices? Will you...?

U.S. Likely Voters (%)		Gender		Age				Party			Region			
		M	F	<35	35-49	50-64	65+	D	R	I	NE	MW	S	W
Definitely vote	82	84	79	71	84	86	86	86	84	76	78	82	82	85
Probably vote	18	16	21	29	16	14	14	14	16	24	22	18	18	15
50/50 chance	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Probably not vote	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Definitely not vote	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

*By definition, all likely voters had to say they will definitely or probably vote in the next election for federal, state, local, and other offices