

# Annenberg Public Policy Center of the University of Pennsylvania

## ASAPH W29 STI Items

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### 1 Overview

These studies were conducted for the Annenberg Public Policy Center of the University of Pennsylvania via web and telephone by SSRS, an independent research company. Interviews were conducted among a nationally representative probability sample drawn from SSRS's Opinion panel. Data were weighted to represent the target U.S. adult population. Summaries of the sample size, field dates, and estimated design effects (Deff) of the particular waves can be found in the table below.

ASAPH panelists are quarantined from other survey panel membership to avoid being affected by the content of other surveys. Data used in Wave 11, however, contains 19 respondents who self-reported membership in other opinion panels. Diagnostics revealed no significant differences in the responses of these 19 panelists and the results presented in this report are unaffected by their exclusion.

Wave	n	MOE	Deff	Fielded	Closed	Survey	RR	N
a-1	1941	2.9	1.76	2021-03-30	2021-04-19	ASAPH 1	56%	3480
b-2	1719	3.2	1.83	2021-06-09	2021-06-22	ASAPH 2	89%	1941
c-3	1669	3.2	1.83	2021-08-16	2021-09-05	ASAPH 3	86%	1940
d-4	1672	3.3	1.86	2021-11-03	2021-11-09	ASAPH 4	86%	1940
e-5	1656	3.3	1.86	2022-01-11	2022-01-17	ASAPH 5	85%	1937
f-6	1638	3.3	1.87	2022-03-29	2022-04-04	ASAPH 6	85%	1932
g-7	1580	3.2	1.82	2022-07-12	2022-07-18	ASAPH 7	82%	1928
h-8	1584	3.4	1.86	2022-08-02	2022-08-08	CIVICS 1	83%	1907
i-9	1621	3.3	1.87	2022-08-16	2022-08-23	ASAPH 8	85%	1907
j-10	1646	3.2	1.80	2022-10-11	2022-10-18	ASAPH 9	86%	1905
k-11	1641	3.2	1.77	2023-01-10	2023-01-16	ASAPH 10	82%	2029
l-12	1638	3.2	1.75	2023-02-22	2023-02-28	ASK 2023	81%	2025
m-13	1622	3.2	1.76	2023-03-23	2023-03-29	BINGE	80%	2024
n-14	1586	3.3	1.83	2023-05-31	2023-06-06	ASAPH 11	79%	1997
o-15	1482	3.5	1.88	2023-08-09	2023-08-15	ASAPH 12	75%	1979
p-16	1559	3.4	1.91	2023-10-05	2023-10-12	ASAPH 13	79%	1976
q-17	1538	3.3	1.73	2023-11-14	2023-11-20	CLIMATE	78%	1975
r-18	1555	3.4	1.89	2024-02-06	2024-02-12	ASK 2024	79%	1963
s-19	1522	3.5	1.89	2024-04-18	2024-04-25	ASAPH 19	78%	1962
t-20	1496	3.6	1.96	2024-07-11	2024-07-18	ASAPH 20	76%	1961
u-21	1744 *	3.5	2.26	2024-09-13	2024-09-30	ASAPH 21	67%	2616
v-22	1771	3.3	2.02	2024-11-14	2024-11-24	ASAPH 22	68%	2589
w-23	1716	3.4	2.02	2025-01-30	2025-02-10	ASAPH 23	67%	2578
x-24	1653	3.4	2.04	2025-04-15	2025-04-28	ASAPH 24	64%	2568
y-25	1699	3.5	2.13	2025-08-05	2025-08-18	ASAPH 25	67%	2550
z-26	1637	3.5	2.05	2025-11-17	2025-12-01	ASAPH 26	65%	2529
A-27	1604	3.5	2.03	2025-12-08	2025-12-22	ASAPH 27	64%	2509
B-28	1650	3.5	2.05	2026-02-03	2026-02-17	ASAPH 28	66%	2498
C-29	1639	3.5	2.03	2026-04-14	2026-04-28	ASAPH 29	66%	2486

\* To account for attrition, a small replenishment sample was recruited prior to W21 using a random probability sampling design. This replenishment added 360 respondents to the sample.

## 2 Topline

The remaining portion of this document provides the topline results reported in the release. All figures are rounded to the nearest whole number and may not add to 100%. Combined subcategories may not add to totals in topline and text due to rounding. A lowercase e stands in for values that round to 0, but are not exactly 0. Aggregated NET categories are highlighted in grey. Superscript letters indicate statistically significant differences with the corresponding wave.

### STI14.

Have you, or has anyone you personally have known, ever been diagnosed with an STI (sexually transmitted infection)?

Wave	N	Yes	No	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	47	44	9	0
(s) 04/25/24	1522	47	42	11	0

### STI14A.

How many people do you know who have contracted an STI (sexually transmitted infection)? One person, or two or more people?

Wave	N	One person	Two or more people	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	824	23	72	5	0
(s) 04/25/24	749	26	69	5	0

### STIKNOW\_LB.

For each of the following health issues, please indicate whether or not it is sexually transmitted, or if you are not sure. – Genital herpes

Wave	N	Yes, can be sexually transmitted	No, cannot be sexually transmitted	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	95	1	4	0
(s) 04/25/24	1522	96	e	4	0

### STIKNOW\_LC.

For each of the following health issues, please indicate whether or not it is sexually transmitted, or if you are not sure. – Gonorrhea

Wave	N	Yes, can be sexually transmitted	No, cannot be sexually transmitted	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	94	1	5	0
(s) 04/25/24	1522	94	1	5	0

### STIKNOW\_LF.

For each of the following health issues, please indicate whether or not it is sexually transmitted, or if you are not sure. – Syphilis

Wave	N	Yes, can be sexually transmitted	No, cannot be sexually transmitted	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	91	2	7	0
(s) 04/25/24	1522	92	2	6	0

### STIKNOW\_LA.

For each of the following health issues, please indicate whether or not it is sexually transmitted, or if you are not sure. – Chlamydia

Wave	N	Yes, can be sexually transmitted	No, cannot be sexually transmitted	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	89	1	10	0
(s) 04/25/24	1522	89	1	10	0

### STIKNOW\_LE.

For each of the following health issues, please indicate whether or not it is sexually transmitted, or if you are not sure. – HPV (Human Papillomavirus)

Wave	N	Yes, can be sexually transmitted	No, cannot be sexually transmitted	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	75 <sup>s</sup>	6	19 <sup>s</sup>	e
(s) 04/25/24	1522	69 <sup>C</sup>	5	25 <sup>C</sup>	0

### STIKNOW\_LD.

For each of the following health issues, please indicate whether or not it is sexually transmitted, or if you are not sure. – HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus)

Wave	N	Yes, can be sexually transmitted	No, cannot be sexually transmitted	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	92	2	6	e
(s) 04/25/24	1522	93	2	5	0

### STIKNOW\_LH.

For each of the following health issues, please indicate whether or not it is sexually transmitted, or if you are not sure. – Mpox (Monkeypox)

Wave	N	Yes, can be sexually transmitted	No, cannot be sexually transmitted	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	35	23	42	0
(s) 04/25/24	1522	39	19	42	0

### STIKNOW\_LG.

For each of the following health issues, please indicate whether or not it is sexually transmitted, or if you are not sure. – Zika

Wave	N	Yes, can be sexually transmitted	No, cannot be sexually transmitted	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	13	31	56	e
(s) 04/25/24	1522	12	28	61	0

### STI9\_1.

STI9. As far as you know, from which of the following activities can you get an STI (sexually transmitted infection)? Vaginal sex (TRUE)

Wave	N	Selected	NOT selected	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	97	3	e	e
(s) 04/25/24	1522	98	2	e	0

### STI9\_3.

STI9. As far as you know, from which of the following activities can you get an STI (sexually transmitted infection)? Anal sex (TRUE)

Wave	N	Selected	NOT selected	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	94	6	e	e
(s) 04/25/24	1522	93	7	e	0

### STI9\_7.

STI9. As far as you know, from which of the following activities can you get an STI (sexually transmitted infection)? Genital-to-genital contact (TRUE)

Wave	N	Selected	NOT selected	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	91	9	e	e
(s) 04/25/24	1522	91	9	e	0

### STI9\_2.

STI9. As far as you know, from which of the following activities can you get an STI (sexually transmitted infection)? Oral sex (TRUE)

Wave	N	Selected	NOT selected	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	89	11	e	e
(s) 04/25/24	1522	89	11	e	0

### STI9\_4.

STI9. As far as you know, from which of the following activities can you get an STI (sexually transmitted infection)? Kissing

Wave	N	Selected	NOT selected	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	49	51	e	e
(s) 04/25/24	1522	44	56	e	0

### STI9\_5.

STI9. As far as you know, from which of the following activities can you get an STI (sexually transmitted infection)? Sitting on a toilet seat after someone with an STI (sexually transmitted infection) sat on it

Wave	N	Selected	NOT selected	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	20	79	e	e
(s) 04/25/24	1522	21	79	e	0

### STI10\_7.

STI10. As far as you know, through which of the following ways can HIV be spread? From an infected parent breastfeeding a child (TRUE)

Wave	N	Selected	NOT selected	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	33	63	4	0
(s) 04/25/24	1522	33	64	3	0

### STIGRID2BE.

For each of the following sexually transmitted infections (STIs), please indicate whether or not a vaccine exists to prevent it in the United States, or if you are not sure. – HPV (Human Papillomavirus)

Wave	N	Yes	No	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	68	5	27	e
(s) 04/25/24	1522	65	5	30	0

### STIGRID2BH.

For each of the following sexually transmitted infections (STIs), please indicate whether or not a vaccine exists to prevent it in the United States, or if you are not sure. – Mpox (Monkeypox)

Wave	N	Yes	No	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1614	42	11	47	e
(s) 04/25/24	1485	44	12	45	e

### STIGRID2BB.

For each of the following sexually transmitted infections (STIs), please indicate whether or not a vaccine exists to prevent it in the United States, or if you are not sure. – Genital herpes

Wave	N	Yes	No	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1614	14	46	40	e
(s) 04/25/24	1485	15	45	40	e

### STIGRID2BC.

For each of the following sexually transmitted infections (STIs), please indicate whether or not a vaccine exists to prevent it in the United States, or if you are not sure. – Gonorrhea

Wave	N	Yes	No	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1614	16	41	42	e
(s) 04/25/24	1485	14	43	43	e

### STIGRID2BF.

For each of the following sexually transmitted infections (STIs), please indicate whether or not a vaccine exists to prevent it in the United States, or if you are not sure. – Syphilis

Wave	N	Yes	No	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	17	39	44	e
(s) 04/25/24	1522	16	37	47	e

### STIGRID2BA.

For each of the following sexually transmitted infections (STIs), please indicate whether or not a vaccine exists to prevent it in the United States, or if you are not sure. – Chlamydia

Wave	N	Yes	No	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1614	14	39	46	e
(s) 04/25/24	1485	14	41	45	e

### STIGRID2BD.

For each of the following sexually transmitted infections (STIs), please indicate whether or not a vaccine exists to prevent it in the United States, or if you are not sure. – HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus)

Wave	N	Yes	No	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1614	19	47	33	e
(s) 04/25/24	1485	19	48	33	0

## STIGRID2BG.

For each of the following sexually transmitted infections (STIs), please indicate whether or not a vaccine exists to prevent it in the United States, or if you are not sure. – Zika

Wave	N	Yes	No	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1614	18 <sup>s</sup>	20	63 <sup>s</sup>	e
(s) 04/25/24	1485	11 <sup>C</sup>	20	69 <sup>C</sup>	e

## STI7.

Please indicate if you believe the statement below is true, false, or if you aren't sure. – A person with an STI (sexually transmitted infection) can spread the STI to a sexual partner even if they have no symptoms (TRUE)

Wave	N	NET False	Definitely false	Probably false	NET True	Probably true	Definitely true	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	3	1	1	93	26	67	5	0
(s) 04/25/24	1522	3	e	2	91	28	63	6	0

## STI6.

Please indicate if you believe the statement below is true, false, or if you aren't sure. – Unless you have sex with a lot of people you can't get an STI (sexually transmitted infection) (FALSE)

Wave	N	NET False	Definitely false	Probably false	NET True	Probably true	Definitely true	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	87	75	12	7	4	2	7	0
(s) 04/25/24	1522	85	71	14	9	6	3	6	e

## STI4.

Please indicate if you believe the statement below is true, false, or if you aren't sure. – Medications now exist to control HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) and prevent the progression of the disease (TRUE)

Wave	N	NET False	Definitely false	Probably false	NET True	Probably true	Definitely true	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	4	e	3	83 <sup>s</sup>	34	49	13 <sup>s</sup>	0
(s) 04/25/24	1522	3	1	3	87 <sup>C</sup>	34	53	10 <sup>C</sup>	e

### STI3.

Please indicate if you believe the statement below is true, false, or if you aren't sure. – Most people in the United States with HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) do not develop AIDS (TRUE)

Wave	N	NET False	Definitely false	Probably false	NET True	Probably true	Definitely true	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	21	5	16	45	37	8	34	0
(s) 04/25/24	1522	22	6	15	42	36	6	36	0

### STI8.

Please indicate if you believe the statement below is true, false, or if you aren't sure. – An STI (sexually transmitted infection) can be passed from a person who is pregnant to their baby during pregnancy or childbirth (TRUE)

Wave	N	NET False	Definitely false	Probably false	NET True	Probably true	Definitely true	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	4	1	4	80	38	42	15	0
(s) 04/25/24	1522	5	1	4	78	40	38	17	0

### STI1.

Please indicate if you believe the statement below is true, false, or if you aren't sure. – HPV (Human Papillomavirus) can lead to cancer in women (TRUE)

Wave	N	NET False	Definitely false	Probably false	NET True	Probably true	Definitely true	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	5	1	4	70	26	44	26	e
(s) 04/25/24	1522	4	1	3	69	28	41	27	0

## Q22.

Please indicate if you believe the statement below is true, false, or if you aren't sure. – The human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine leads teens to engage in risky sexual behavior (FALSE)

Wave	N	NET False	Definitely false	Probably false	NET True	Probably true	Definitely true	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	65 <sup>l</sup>	38 <sup>ly</sup>	27	14 <sup>ly</sup>	12 <sup>ly</sup>	2	21	0
(y) 08/18/25	1699	68	45 <sup>C</sup>	23	10 <sup>C</sup>	8 <sup>C</sup>	2	22	e
(i) 08/23/22	1621	70 <sup>C</sup>	45 <sup>C</sup>	24	10 <sup>C</sup>	9 <sup>C</sup>	1	20	e

## STI11\_1.

STI11. As far as you know, by which of the following ways can individuals protect themselves from contracting syphilis? Abstinence, or not engaging in sexual activity

Wave	N	Selected	NOT selected	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	80	7	13	e
(s) 04/25/24	1522	78	8	13	e

## STI11\_2.

STI11. As far as you know, by which of the following ways can individuals protect themselves from contracting syphilis? Using a condom

Wave	N	Selected	NOT selected	Not sure	Refused
(C) 04/28/26	1639	78	9	13	e
(s) 04/25/24	1522	77	9	13	e