

**2025 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
WAVE 178: SURVEY ON INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS (GLOBAL ATTITUDES)
SEPTEMBER 2-8, 2025**

QUESTIONNAIRE

Note: The questions presented below are part of a larger survey conducted on the American Trends Panel. For all questions, the 98 ("don't know" in phone mode) and 99 (refusal in phone mode and no answer in web mode) codes are combined in the data for analytical purposes.

PN = Programming note

CODEBOOK FOR ATP SAMPLE VARIABLES TO BE USED IN SURVEY PROGRAMMING LOGIC

X_FORM

1 Form 1

2 Form 2

Note: Flag to randomly assign panelists to one of two forms (Form 1, Form 2) and weight within form
Source: Randomly assigned for each survey.

 -----**MAIN QUESTIONNAIRE BEGINS HERE**-----

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

QUE: ACCEPT_INTLSTUDENTS

ASK ALL:

Do you think it's good or bad for U.S. colleges and universities to accept international students?

[PN: IF CATI:] **(READ LIST IF NECESSARY)**

1 Good

2 Bad

98 [PN: IF CATI:] **(DO NOT READ)** Don't know

99 [PN: IF WEB:] Web blank / [PN: IF CATI:] **(DO NOT READ)** Refused

QUE: LIMIT_CHINESESTUDENTS

ASK IF FORM 1 (X_FORM=1):

When it comes to whether or not to limit Chinese students studying in the U.S., do you...

[PN: IF CATI:] **(READ LIST)**

1 Strongly support limiting Chinese students

2 Somewhat support limiting Chinese students

3 Somewhat oppose limiting Chinese students

4 Strongly oppose limiting Chinese students

98 [PN: IF CATI:] **(DO NOT READ)** Don't know

99 [PN: IF WEB:] Web blank / [PN: IF CATI:] **(DO NOT READ)** Refused

BAT: LIMIT_INTLSTUDENTS

ASK IF FORM 2 (X_FORM=2):

[PN: RANDOMIZE ITEMS; INCLUDE RANDOMIZATION IN DATA FILE]

[PN: IF WEB:] When it comes to international students from specific countries, do you support or oppose limiting the number of students studying in the U.S. who are coming from...

[PN: IF CATI: **READ FOR FIRST ITEM:**] When it comes to international students from specific countries, do you support or oppose limiting the number of students studying in the U.S. who are coming from **(INSERT ITEM)**? **(READ LIST)**

[PN: IF CATI: **READ FOR SUBSEQUENT ITEMS:**] What about **(INSERT ITEM)**? **(READ AS NECESSARY:** When it comes to international students from specific countries, do you support or oppose limiting the number of students studying in the U.S. who are coming from **(INSERT ITEM)**? **(READ LIST))**

BATTERY ITEMS:

a China

b India

c Canada

- d South Korea
- e Nigeria

RESPONSE CATEGORIES:

- 1 Strongly support limiting these students
- 2 Somewhat support limiting these students
- 3 Somewhat oppose limiting these students
- 4 Strongly oppose limiting these students
- 98 [PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- 99 [PN: IF WEB:] Web blank / [PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ) Refused

QUE: PERCENT_INTLSTUDENTS**ASK IF FORM 1 (X_FORM=1):**

[PN: ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-3/3-1 HOLDING 4 AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE ROTATION IN DATA FILE]

As far as you know, what percentage of all college students in the U.S. are international students?

[PN: IF CATI:] (READ LIST)

- 1 Less than 10%
- 2 10 to 20%
- 3 More than 20%

[PN: INSERT A LINE OF SPACE]

- 4 [PN: IF WEB:] Not sure [PN: IF CATI:] Or are you not sure?
- 99 [PN: IF WEB:] Web blank / [PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ) Refused

QUE: VISA_INTLSTUDENTS**ASK ALL:**

[PN: ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-4/4-1 HOLDING 98 AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE ROTATION IN DATA FILE]

Do you think the U.S. government should or should not be able to cancel the visas of international students who have criticized U.S. foreign policy?

[PN: IF CATI:] (READ LIST)

- 1 Definitely should
- 2 Probably should
- 3 Probably should not
- 4 Definitely should not
- 98 [PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- 99 [PN: IF WEB:] Web blank / [PN: IF CATI:] (DO NOT READ) Refused