

2026 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL
Wave 194: Habits Around Cash
May 26-June 1, 2026

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

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

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS HELD

QUE: SHOP18

ASK ALL:

[**PN: IF WEB:**] Thinking about all of the purchases you make in a typical week (including things like groceries, gas, services, or meals), how many do you pay for using cash?

[**PN: IF CATI:**] Thinking about all of the purchases you make in a typical week, including things like groceries, gas, services, or meals, how many do you pay for using cash?

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

1 All or almost all

2 Some

3 None

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

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

QUE: CASHFREQ

ASK ALL:

[**PN: ROTATE RESPONSE OPTIONS 1-5/5-1, HOLDING 98 AND 99 LAST; INCLUDE ROTATION IN DATA FILE**]

How often do you carry physical cash with you?

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

1 Always

2 Most of the time

3 Sometimes

4 Rarely

5 Never

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

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

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