

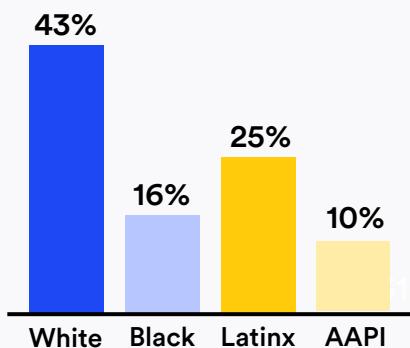
# Protecting Abortion Access: A Mobilizing Issue for Young People



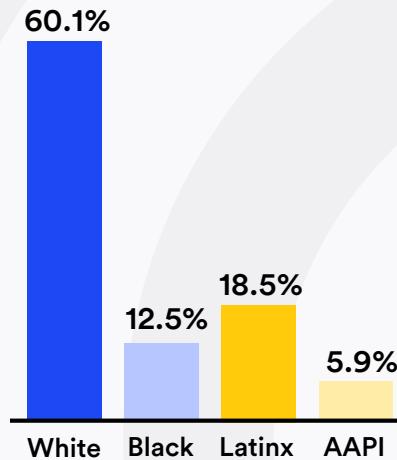
In a standalone messaging poll, HIT Strategies, on behalf of the Reproductive Justice organization URGE: Unite for Reproductive & Gender Equity, found that abortion access is a highly important and motivating issue for young people (aged 18-34). With the Supreme Court of the United States overturning the landmark Roe v. Wade decision, the survey provides information on how young people view abortion in this country and what salient talking points exist as it relates to young people and abortion access.

## Young People 18-34 are the Most Diverse Age Group by Race and Ethnicity

Demographics of the 18-34 year old respondents



Race-ethnic profile for total US population



Source: Brookings Institution, 2019

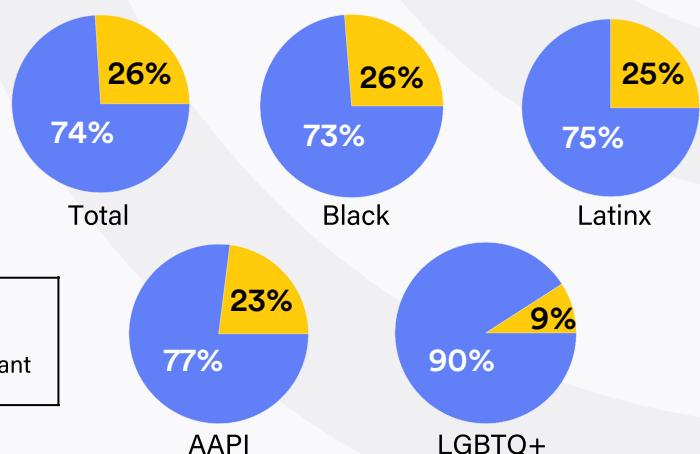
## An Overwhelming Majority of Young People Believe Protecting Abortion Access is Important

An [overwhelming majority \(74%\)](#) of young people say that protecting abortion access is an important issue to them – no matter their race, ideology, or region.



How important of an issue is protecting the right to an abortion for you?

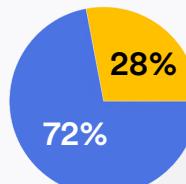
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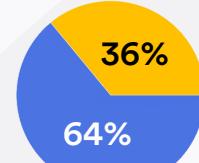
## Young People are Concerned about the Supreme Court Overturning the Federal Right to Abortion in Roe v. Wade

When told the Supreme Court was planning to strike down the Roe decision, 76% of young people were concerned, with 43% indicating they were "very concerned."

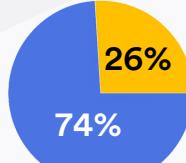
How concerned are you about the U.S. Supreme Court voting to overturn Roe v. Wade, the federal court decision that protects the right to get an abortion in the United States?



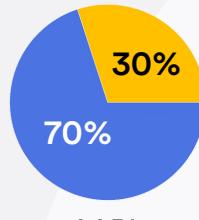
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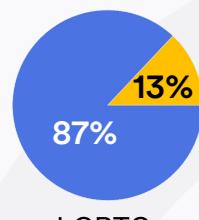
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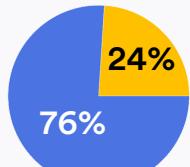
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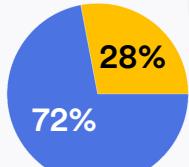
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Young people in restrictive states\* are equally concerned about Roe v. Wade being overturned as compared to young people as a whole (72% concerned in restrictive states vs. 76% concerned in total sample).

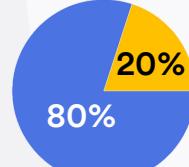
How concerning is information regarding the Supreme Court's plan to strike down Roe v. Wade?



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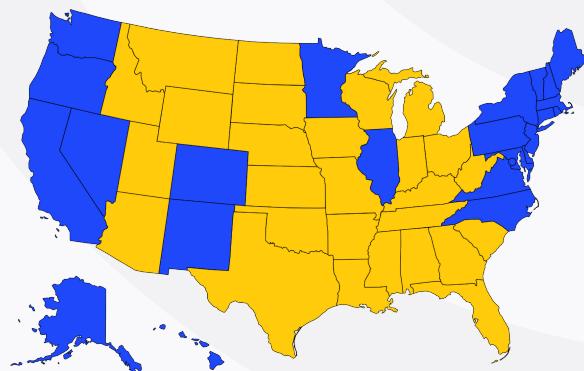


People in states to be restricted



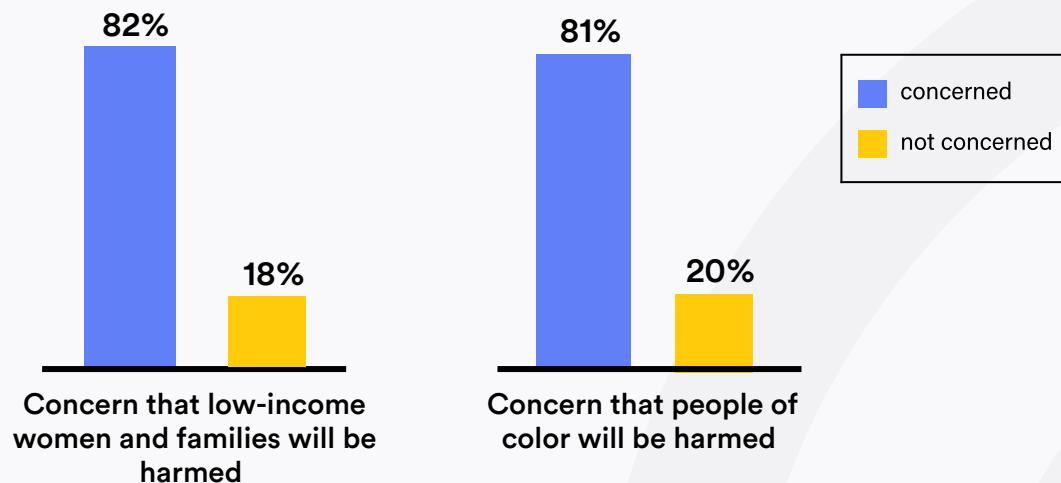
People in states with no restrictions planned

\*Restrictive states refer to states with planned restrictions to abortion access in the event that Roe vs. Wade is overturned. This list, provided by URGE, includes [Alabama](#), [Arizona](#), [Arkansas](#), [Florida](#), [Georgia](#), [Idaho](#), [Iowa](#), [Indiana](#), [Kansas](#), [Kentucky](#), [Louisiana](#), [Michigan](#), [Mississippi](#), [Missouri](#), [Montana](#), [Nebraska](#), [North Dakota](#), [Ohio](#), [Oklahoma](#), [South Carolina](#), [South Dakota](#), [Tennessee](#), [Texas](#), [Utah](#), [West Virginia](#), [Wisconsin](#), and [Wyoming](#).



## Disproportionate Impacts are Two of the Top Fears Young People Have When Abortion Access is Limited

The negative impact on [low-income people](#) and [people of color](#) are two major concerns young people have around the Supreme Court overturning Roe v. Wade.



## Abortion is an Important Factor in Young People's Decision to Vote

66% of young people ranked the issue of abortion access as an important factor in their decision to vote in 2022.

How important is the issue of abortion access in your decision to vote in 2022?

