



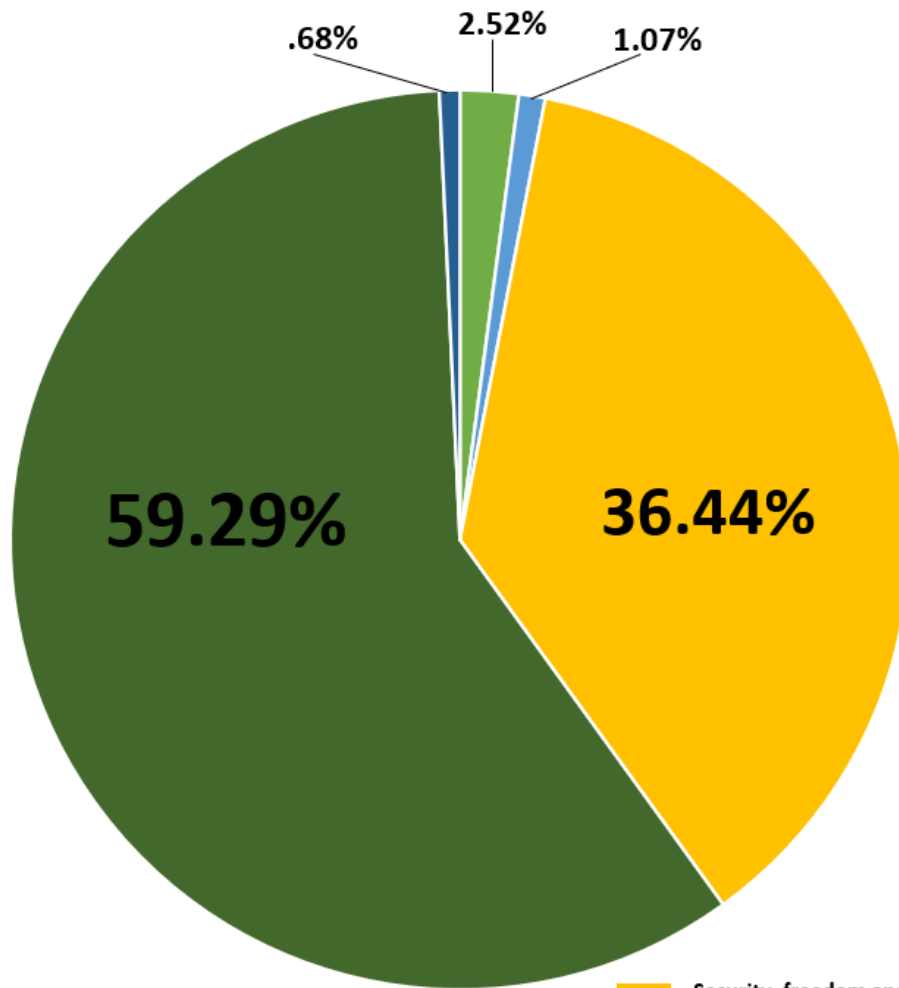
# **Reader's Survey Report**

## **"The Fight For Freedom"**

Administration & Operations Division  
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**QUESTION # 1:**

Debates over how best to balance security in light of God-given rights of freedom and privacy have continued since the birth of our nation. Which statement do you agree with most?



Freedom is most important and I am willing to sacrifice significant security measures to ensure freedom is not infringed.

Security is somewhat important, but I am only willing to sacrifice insignificant amounts of freedom and privacy to ensure security.

Security, freedom and privacy should be carefully balanced in a manner that is least restrictive on freedom and privacy.

Security is most important and I am willing to sacrifice significant amounts of freedom and privacy to ensure security.

Not sure.

# Q1 Sample Comments By Respondents

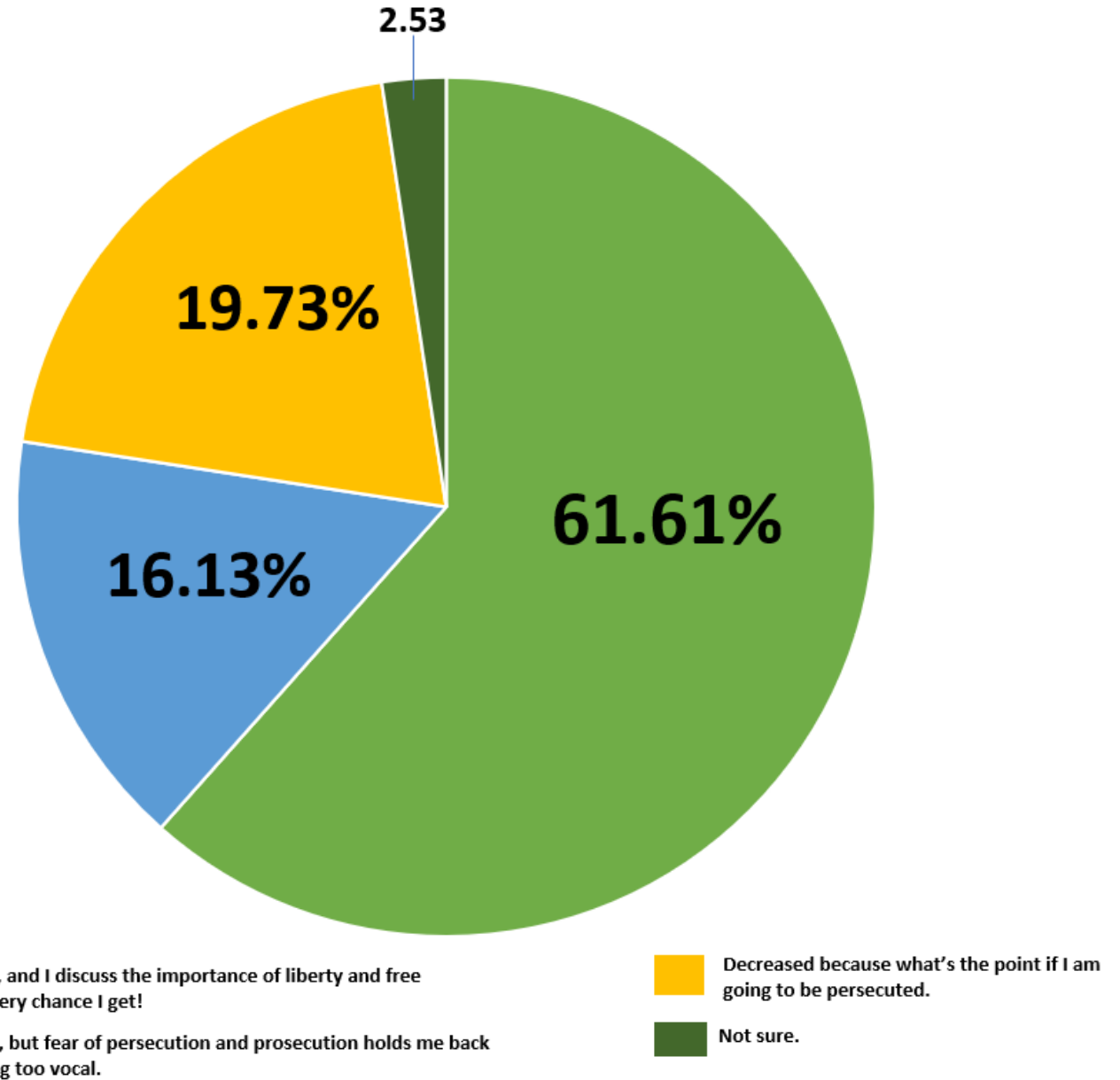
**Many responses demonstrated the same theme, most easily understood through revisiting Benjamin Franklin's famous quote, a quote many of our readers included in their responses: *"Those who would give up essential Liberty, to purchase a little temporary Safety, deserve neither Liberty nor Safety."***

Examples of other comments included:

- The problem with balancing between Freedom, Privacy and Security is dependent upon who would be the arbiter of such balance. Freedom must be the superior focus.
- I like security, I really do. But my security can only be provided by me and I am the only one who can define security for me. I love freedom however.
- If we don't have freedom, what good is security. They go hand in hand
- In my lifetime, I've taken freedom for granted, yet in these last couple of years it has come to the forefront of our consciousness.
- Without Freedom and Liberty security means nothing. I'm willing to fight tooth and nail for it – I'm a 60 year old grandma. My grandchildren deserve it.

**QUESTION # 2:**

Has commitment to liberty decreased or increased since the “cancel culture” movement?



# Q2 Sample Comments By Respondents

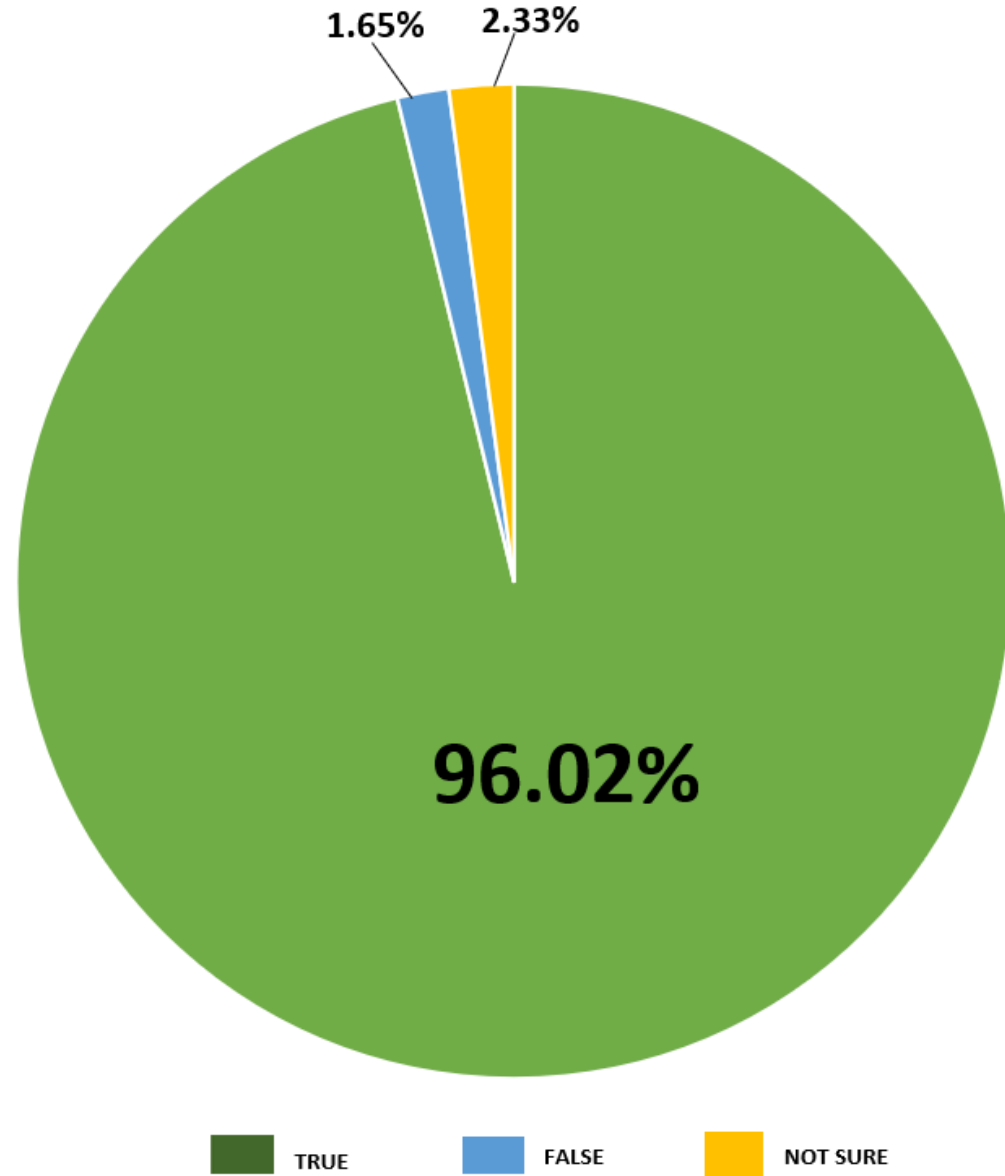
**Notably, many responses to this question raised mask mandates and declared that health care choices should be individual choices and government should not force masks or vaccines on the general population.**

Examples of other comments included:

- Every t-shirt and hat I wear say something, and start conversations. Not always good.
- I have personally learned much about the value of freedom, our constitution, and my need to temper my communication appropriate to the audience and situation. Now is not the time for timidity. Now is the time to speak the truth uncompromisingly with compassion and mercy.
- My eyes have been opened to the threats of freedom.
- Honestly, I have been too timid. God help me to be bold, for Him.
- I left certain social media companies because I was self-censoring to keep my account. When I realized how I was being conditioned to do so, I deleted my accounts.
- The government is responsible to DEFEND our rights. The 1st Amendment was put in place only to ensure the government is not allowed to join the side of those they should be defending us against.

**QUESTION # 3:**

I am willing to risk my comfort for my right and my family's right to be free and pursue liberty and happiness.



# Q3 Sample Comments By Respondents

**This “true or false” question returned many comments by respondents addressing having lost their jobs or quitting their jobs due to vaccine mandates.**

Examples of other comments included:

- Sacrificing some comfort is a minor investment short term to protect liberty long term.
- Lack of freedom is the most uncomfortable of all.
- I served in the military and the pledge I took to support and defend the Constitution will never waiver. Will carry my pledge to the grave.
- I lost my job as a nurse, half of our family income gone, by not getting the jab because it is my right not to get something in my body that is not proven to work and there is no information on what's in it. I refused to be a guinea pig.
- I am older. So my children and grandchildren’s freedoms and liberties need to be preserved. My life growing up was so different. So much happier. I am also a high school teacher in a public school and what I witness is heartbreaking.
- Lost my job because I refused the jab.
- I'm willing to give up everything (job, home, retirement, and safety) for my family for freedom and the pursuit of liberty and happiness.



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#### **ABOUT THIS REPORT**

The Reader's Survey was published in the April 7, 2022 edition of America's Future newsletter. The questions followed a feature article entitled, *Fight For Freedom – Give Me Liberty Or Give Me Death*, and were written relative to the content of the article. 1029 respondents had replied to the survey when the analysis was performed.