# STOCKTON UNIVERSITY 

## Stockton Polling Institute

Artificial Intelligence
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Weighted Results

Please rate your level of awareness of artificial intelligence, or AI. Have you heard a lot about AI, a little, or nothing at all?

| $\#$ | Answer | $\%$ | Count |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | A lot | $56 \%$ | 337 |
| 2 | A little | $36 \%$ | 217 |
| 3 | Nothing at all | $8 \%$ | 47 |
| 4 | Not sure | $1 \%$ | 4 |
| 5 | Refuse | $0 \%$ | 1 |
|  | Total | $100 \%$ | 606 |

## Please rate whether you view the following uses of AI positively or negatively, or if you have no opinion:

| \# | Question | Positive |  | Negative |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { No } \\ \text { opinion } \end{array}$ |  | Not sure |  | Refuse |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Using a smart home device | 45\% | 272 | 22\% | 133 | 26\% | 158 | 7\% | 43 | 0\% | 1 | 606 |
| 2 | Using Al chatbots to do research, answer questions, or simulate human conversation | 33\% | 198 | 40\% | 241 | 21\% | 130 | 6\% | 34 | 1\% | 4 | 606 |
| 3 | Using Al to generate realistic fake images or videos | 9\% | 55 | 71\% | 429 | 15\% | 89 | 5\% | 28 | 1\% | 4 | 606 |
| 4 | Using facial recognition technology | 44\% | 268 | 33\% | 198 | 17\% | 103 | 6\% | 35 | 0\% | 3 | 606 |
| 5 | Companies using your data to customize the content you see online | 12\% | 71 | 71\% | 432 | 13\% | 79 | 3\% | 20 | 1\% | 3 | 606 |
| 6 | Companies using Al to answer questions or provide customer service | 33\% | 202 | 47\% | 283 | 17\% | 102 | 3\% | 15 | 1\% | 3 | 606 |
| 7 | Using Al for hiring decisions | 9\% | 57 | 76\% | 463 | 11\% | 65 | 3\% | 17 | 1\% | 5 | 606 |
| 8 | Self-driving cars | 19\% | 113 | 66\% | 398 | 12\% | 71 | 3\% | 17 | 1\% | 7 | 606 |

For the most part, do you think the increased use of AI will make your life better, worse, or have no impact?

| $\#$ | Answer | $\%$ | Count |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | Better | $25 \%$ | 149 |
| 2 | Worse | $36 \%$ | 220 |
| 3 | No impact | $26 \%$ | 156 |
| 4 | Not sure | $12 \%$ | 74 |
| 5 | Refuse | $1 \%$ | 7 |
|  | Total | $100 \%$ | 606 |

## What is the main reason you think AI will improve your life?

| $\#$ | Answer | $\%$ | Count |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | Convenience, makes daily tasks easier | $58 \%$ | 86 |
| 2 | Makes my job easier | $13 \%$ | 19 |
| 3 | Can learn more | $5 \%$ | 7 |
| 4 | Can express creativity | $4 \%$ | 6 |
| 5 | Some other reason | $9 \%$ | 13 |
| 6 | Not sure | $3 \%$ | 4 |
| 7 | Refuse | $0 \%$ | 0 |
| 8 | Medical or diagnostic advancements | $5 \%$ | 7 |
| 9 | Technological advancements | $4 \%$ | 5 |
|  | Total | $100 \%$ | 149 |

## What is your main concern with AI?

| \# | Answer | \% | Count |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Impact on jobs | 19\% | 42 |
| 2 | Privacy concerns; use of personal data | 24\% | 53 |
| 3 | Misinformation; fake news | 17\% | 37 |
| 4 | Some other reason | 19\% | 41 |
| 5 | Not sure | 2\% | 3 |
| 6 | Refuse | 0\% | 0 |
| 7 | Loss of human interaction | 6\% | 13 |
| 8 | Bias in Al's programming | 2\% | 3 |
| 9 | Loss of individuality or independent thought | 2\% | 5 |
| 10 | Al will gain too much control | 5\% | 11 |
| 11 | It can be used maliciously to harm people | 4\% | 9 |
| 12 | Not enough regulation or oversight | 1\% | 3 |
|  | Total | 100\% | 220 |

Do you think the increased use of Al will cause the spread of false information to increase, decrease, or have no effect?

| $\#$ | Answer | $\%$ | Count |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | Increase misinformation | $78 \%$ | 475 |
| 2 | Decrease misinformation | $4 \%$ | 25 |
| 3 | No effect | $9 \%$ | 52 |
| 4 | Not sure | $8 \%$ | 48 |
| 5 | Refuse | $1 \%$ | 5 |
|  | Total | $100 \%$ | 606 |

In general, how much trust do you have that AI will be used responsibly and ethically?

| $\#$ | Answer | $\%$ | Count |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | A lot of trust | $2 \%$ | 14 |
| 2 | Some trust | $16 \%$ | 95 |
| 3 | Very little trust | $44 \%$ | 264 |
| 4 | No trust | $35 \%$ | 214 |
| 5 | Not sure | $2 \%$ | 14 |
| 6 | Refuse | $1 \%$ | 5 |
|  | Total | $100 \%$ | 606 |

Please rate how important it is to you, if at all, to have government regulations and oversight over the use of AI.

| $\#$ | Answer | $\%$ | Count |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | Very important | $57 \%$ | 345 |
| 2 | Somewhat important | $23 \%$ | 140 |
| 3 | Not very important | $4 \%$ | 27 |
| 4 | Not at all important | $8 \%$ | 47 |
| 5 | Not sure | $7 \%$ | 41 |
| 6 | Refuse | $1 \%$ | 7 |
|  | Total | $100 \%$ | 606 |

Should images, audio, or video created with AI be required to include a label disclosing that?

| $\# \#$ | Answer | $\%$ | Count |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | Yes | $90 \%$ | 544 |
| 2 | No | $4 \%$ | 27 |
| 3 | Not sure | $5 \%$ | 28 |
| 4 | Refuse | $1 \%$ | 7 |
|  | Total | $100 \%$ | 606 |

## Demographics

## AGE - Please select your age group.

| $\#$ | Answer | $\%$ | Count |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | $18-29$ | $19 \%$ | 115 |
| 2 | $30-49$ | $33 \%$ | 200 |
| 3 | $50-64$ | $26 \%$ | 158 |
| 4 | 65 and older | $21 \%$ | 128 |
| 5 | Refuse | $1 \%$ | 5 |
|  | Total | $100 \%$ | 606 |

## COUNTY RECODED - Select your New Jersey county.

| $\# \#$ | Answer | $\%$ | Count |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | North | $51 \%$ | 309 |
| 2 | Central | $31 \%$ | 187 |
| 3 | South | $15 \%$ | 91 |
| 22 | Not sure | $0 \%$ | 0 |
| 23 | Refuse | $3 \%$ | 19 |
|  | Total | $100 \%$ | 606 |

Are you Hispanic or Latino, or not?

| $\#$ | Answer | $\%$ | Count |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | Yes, Hispanic or Latino | $19 \%$ | 114 |
| 2 | No | $78 \%$ | 474 |
| 3 | Refuse | $3 \%$ | 18 |
|  | Total | $100 \%$ | 606 |

Which of the following best describes your race:

| $\#$ | Answer | $\%$ | Count |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | White | $63 \%$ | 379 |
| 2 | Black or African American | $11 \%$ | 69 |
| 3 | Asian or Pacific Islander | $3 \%$ | 17 |
| 4 | Native American | $1 \%$ | 5 |
| 5 | Some other race alone | $10 \%$ | 60 |
| 6 | More than one race | $7 \%$ | 41 |
| 7 | Refuse | $6 \%$ | 35 |
|  | Total | $100 \%$ | 606 |

## Education Recoded: Which of the following best describes your highest level of education?

| $\#$ |  | Answer | $\%$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | Less than a four-year college degree | $55 \%$ | 333 |
| 2 | A four-year college degree or more | $43 \%$ | 259 |
| 3 | Refuse | $2 \%$ | 14 |
|  | Total | $100 \%$ | 606 |

Income Recoded: Which of the following categories best represents your household income last year before taxes?

| $\# \#$ | Answer | $\%$ | Count |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | Less than $\$ 50,000$ | $20 \%$ | 121 |
| 2 | $\$ 50,000$ to less than $\$ 100,000$ | $23 \%$ | 139 |
| 3 | $\$ 100,000$ or more | $40 \%$ | 240 |
| 4 | Not sure or refuse | $17 \%$ | 105 |
|  | Total | $100 \%$ | 606 |

Do you consider yourself to be a:

| $\#$ | Answer | $\%$ | Count |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | Democrat | $24 \%$ | 145 |
| 2 | Republican | $22 \%$ | 135 |
| 3 | Independent | $30 \%$ | 185 |
| 4 | Something else | $13 \%$ | 78 |
| 5 | Not sure | $3 \%$ | 18 |
| 6 | Refuse | $7 \%$ | 45 |
|  | Total | $100 \%$ | 606 |

Lastly, what is your gender?

| $\#$ | Answer | $\%$ | Count |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 1 | Man | $48 \%$ | 293 |
| 2 | Woman | $49 \%$ | 300 |
| 3 | Identify another way | $1 \%$ | 4 |
| 4 | Refuse | $1 \%$ | 9 |
|  | Total | $100 \%$ | 606 |

## Methodology

The poll of New Jersey adult residents was conducted by the Stockton Polling Institute of the William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy from Feb. 20-March 3, 2024. Stockton University students texted cell phones with invitations to take the survey online and Opinion Services supplemented the dialing portion of the fieldwork, which consisted of cell and landline telephone calls. Overall, $96 \%$ of interviews were conducted on cell phones and $4 \%$ on landline phones. In terms of mode, $82 \%$ were reached via dialing and $18 \%$ were reached via text-to-web. A total of 606 New Jersey adult residents were interviewed. Both cell and landline samples consisted of random digit dialing (RDD) sample from MSG. Data are weighted based on U.S. Census Bureau ACS 2022 data for New Jersey on variables of age, race, education level, and sex. The poll's margin of error is +/- 4.0 percentage points at a $95 \%$ confidence level. MOE is higher for subsets.

