



Utah Survey Results

Q1 Have you heard of “civil asset forfeiture laws” before, or not?

Yes..... 18%
No..... 77%
Not sure 5%

Q2 I am going to read you a description of civil asset forfeiture laws. Civil asset forfeiture laws allow law enforcement to seize a person's cash and property if they suspect it has been involved in criminal activity. Under these laws, the property owner doesn't have to be convicted of a crime to lose their property. In your opinion, should police be allowed to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been convicted of a crime, or not?

Police should be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been convicted of a crime..... 12%
Police should not be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been convicted of a crime..... 83%
Not sure 5%

Q3 Civil asset forfeiture laws also allow law enforcement to seize cash and other property without charging the property owner with a crime. Do you think police should be allowed to seize and permanently take away property even if they haven't charged the property owner with a crime, or not?

Police should be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been charged with a crime..... 9%
Police should not be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been charged with a crime..... 86%
Not sure 5%

Q4 Now that you have heard a description of civil asset forfeiture laws, have you or someone you know ever had cash or other property taken away by a police officer without being charged with a crime, or not?

You or someone you know has had property taken from them by a police officer without being charged with a crime..... 9%
You or someone you know has not ever had property taken from them by a police officer without being charged with a crime..... 88%
Not sure 3%
Don't care to say..... 0%

Q5 (Among those who said “yes” to Q4) Was this cash or property taken from you or someone you know during a traffic stop; in a public place such as an airport, train station, or park; at home; or another location?

During a traffic stop..... 44%
In a public place such as an airport, train station, or park..... 11%
At home..... 30%
Another location..... 6%
Not sure / Don't remember..... 9%
Don't care to say..... 0%

Q6 The civil asset forfeiture laws of your state allow police departments to keep a portion of the profits from the sale of property they seize. In your opinion, should police departments in your state be able to keep the profits from the property they seize?

Police departments in your state should be able to keep the profits from the property they seize..... 19%
Police departments in your state should not be able to keep the profits from the property they seize..... 71%
Not sure 9%



Q7 Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with the following statement: Police should be able to use the profits from the sale of seized property to purchase crime fighting equipment for the police department, even if property is seized from people who are never charged with or convicted of a crime.

Strongly agree 10%
Somewhat agree..... 13%
Somewhat disagree 19%
Strongly disagree 54%
Not sure 5%

Q8 If a candidate for president took the position that the government should not be able to take property from a person who has not been convicted of a crime, would that make you more likely to support them, less likely, or would it not make a difference?

More likely..... 66%
Less likely 12%
Wouldn't make a difference..... 17%
Not sure 5%

Q9 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

Woman 53%
Man..... 47%

Q10 If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republican, press 2. If an independent, press 3.

Democrat 20%
Republican..... 54%
Independent..... 27%

Q11 If you are white, press 1. If other, press 2.

White 90%
Other..... 10%

Q12 If you are 18-45 years old, press 1. If 46-65, press 2. If older than 65, press 3.

18 to 45..... 36%
46 to 65..... 39%
Older than 65..... 25%



	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Heard of Forfeiture Laws Yes/No			
Yes	18%	11%	26%
No	77%	85%	68%
Not sure	5%	5%	5%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Police Seize Property No Crime Yes/No			
Police should be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been convicted of a crime	12%	9%	15%
Police should not be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been convicted of a crime	83%	83%	83%
Not sure	5%	7%	3%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Police Seize Property Without Charges Yes/No			
Police should be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been charged with a crime	9%	5%	13%
Police should not be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been charged with a crime	86%	86%	86%
Not sure	5%	9%	1%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Property Taken by Police Yes/No			
You or someone you know has had property taken from them by a police officer without being charged with a crime	9%	8%	10%
You or someone you know has not ever had property taken from them by a police officer without being charged with a crime	88%	88%	87%
Not sure	3%	4%	2%
Don't care to say	0%	0%	-





	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Location of Property Seizure			
During a traffic stop	44%	45%	44%
In a public place such as an airport, train station, or park	11%	4%	17%
At home	30%	34%	27%
Another location	6%	10%	2%
Not sure / Don't remember	9%	8%	9%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Police Keep Profits from Seizures Yes/No			
Police departments in your state should be able to keep the profits from the property they seize	19%	16%	23%
Police departments in your state should not be able to keep the profits from the property they seize	71%	72%	71%
Not sure	9%	13%	6%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Police Use Profits to Buy Equipment Agree/Disagree			
Strongly agree	10%	7%	13%
Somewhat agree	13%	15%	10%
Somewhat disagree	19%	18%	21%
Strongly disagree	54%	53%	54%
Not sure	5%	7%	2%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Candidate Oppose Civil Forfeiture More/Less Likely			
More likely	66%	62%	70%
Less likely	12%	12%	12%
Wouldn't make a difference	17%	19%	15%
Not sure	5%	7%	3%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Heard of Forfeiture Laws Yes/No				
Yes	18%	17%	14%	25%
No	77%	76%	82%	67%
Not sure	5%	7%	3%	8%





	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Police Seize Property No Crime Yes/No				
Police should be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been convicted of a crime	12%	21%	12%	6%
Police should not be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been convicted of a crime	83%	74%	83%	89%
Not sure	5%	5%	5%	5%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Police Seize Property Without Charges Yes/No				
Police should be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been charged with a crime	9%	14%	10%	3%
Police should not be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been charged with a crime	86%	83%	85%	89%
Not sure	5%	3%	5%	7%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Property Taken by Police Yes/No				
You or someone you know has had property taken from them by a police officer without being charged with a crime	9%	13%	10%	4%
You or someone you know has not ever had property taken from them by a police officer without being charged with a crime	88%	82%	88%	92%
Not sure	3%	5%	2%	4%
Don't care to say	0%	-	0%	-

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Location of Property Seizure				
During a traffic stop	44%	68%	37%	29%
In a public place such as an airport, train station, or park	11%	-	17%	9%
At home	30%	21%	37%	18%
Another location	6%	3%	3%	23%
Not sure / Don't remember	9%	7%	7%	20%





	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Police Keep Profits from Seizures Yes/No				
Police departments in your state should be able to keep the profits from the property they seize	19%	26%	19%	15%
Police departments in your state should not be able to keep the profits from the property they seize	71%	68%	69%	77%
Not sure	9%	7%	11%	8%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Police Use Profits to Buy Equipment Agree/Disagree				
Strongly agree	10%	13%	12%	3%
Somewhat agree	13%	14%	13%	11%
Somewhat disagree	19%	22%	18%	19%
Strongly disagree	54%	47%	52%	62%
Not sure	5%	4%	5%	5%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent
Candidate Oppose Civil Forfeiture More/Less Likely				
More likely	66%	56%	70%	65%
Less likely	12%	20%	11%	8%
Wouldn't make a difference	17%	20%	15%	20%
Not sure	5%	4%	4%	7%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
Heard of Forfeiture Laws Yes/No			
Yes	18%	15%	44%
No	77%	80%	52%
Not sure	5%	5%	4%





	Base	Race	
		White	Other
Police Seize Property No Crime Yes/No			
Police should be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been convicted of a crime	12%	10%	29%
Police should not be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been convicted of a crime	83%	84%	71%
Not sure	5%	6%	-

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
Police Seize Property Without Charges Yes/No			
Police should be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been charged with a crime	9%	7%	24%
Police should not be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been charged with a crime	86%	87%	76%
Not sure	5%	6%	-

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
Property Taken by Police Yes/No			
You or someone you know has had property taken from them by a police officer without being charged with a crime	9%	9%	12%
You or someone you know has not ever had property taken from them by a police officer without being charged with a crime	88%	88%	88%
Not sure	3%	4%	-
Don't care to say	0%	0%	-

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
Location of Property Seizure			
During a traffic stop	44%	44%	44%
In a public place such as an airport, train station, or park	11%	12%	6%
At home	30%	28%	44%
Another location	6%	7%	-
Not sure / Don't remember	9%	9%	6%





	Base	Race	
		White	Other
Police Keep Profits from Seizures Yes/No			
Police departments in your state should be able to keep the profits from the property they seize	19%	18%	27%
Police departments in your state should not be able to keep the profits from the property they seize	71%	71%	73%
Not sure	9%	11%	-

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
Police Use Profits to Buy Equipment Agree/Disagree			
Strongly agree	10%	9%	22%
Somewhat agree	13%	13%	12%
Somewhat disagree	19%	20%	9%
Strongly disagree	54%	54%	55%
Not sure	5%	5%	2%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
Candidate Oppose Civil Forfeiture More/Less Likely			
More likely	66%	67%	57%
Less likely	12%	10%	27%
Wouldn't make a difference	17%	18%	13%
Not sure	5%	5%	3%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Heard of Forfeiture Laws Yes/No				
Yes	18%	17%	20%	17%
No	77%	80%	75%	75%
Not sure	5%	4%	5%	8%





	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Police Seize Property No Crime Yes/No				
Police should be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been convicted of a crime	12%	19%	7%	10%
Police should not be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been convicted of a crime	83%	75%	88%	86%
Not sure	5%	6%	5%	4%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Police Seize Property Without Charges Yes/No				
Police should be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been charged with a crime	9%	14%	5%	7%
Police should not be able to seize and permanently take away property from people who have not been charged with a crime	86%	76%	93%	89%
Not sure	5%	9%	2%	4%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Property Taken by Police Yes/No				
You or someone you know has had property taken from them by a police officer without being charged with a crime	9%	10%	8%	10%
You or someone you know has not ever had property taken from them by a police officer without being charged with a crime	88%	88%	88%	87%
Not sure	3%	2%	5%	3%
Don't care to say	0%	-	-	0%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Location of Property Seizure				
During a traffic stop	44%	63%	36%	28%
In a public place such as an airport, train station, or park	11%	-	25%	10%
At home	30%	37%	14%	40%
Another location	6%	-	11%	7%
Not sure / Don't remember	9%	-	14%	15%





	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Police Keep Profits from Seizures Yes/No				
Police departments in your state should be able to keep the profits from the property they seize	19%	27%	19%	9%
Police departments in your state should not be able to keep the profits from the property they seize	71%	65%	72%	79%
Not sure	9%	8%	10%	11%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Police Use Profits to Buy Equipment Agree/Disagree				
Strongly agree	10%	18%	7%	4%
Somewhat agree	13%	13%	12%	12%
Somewhat disagree	19%	17%	18%	25%
Strongly disagree	54%	51%	57%	53%
Not sure	5%	2%	6%	7%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Candidate Oppose Civil Forfeiture More/Less Likely				
More likely	66%	61%	68%	70%
Less likely	12%	17%	8%	11%
Wouldn't make a difference	17%	19%	19%	10%
Not sure	5%	3%	5%	9%

