



Americans Want to Go Back to the Future
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This Marist Poll Reports:

Super powers aren't just for kids. Nearly three in ten Americans (29%) wish they could travel in time. The ability to read people's minds comes in second with 20% followed by the ability to fly (17%), the ability to teleport (15%), and invisibility (12%). Five percent do not want any of these super powers, and 3% are unsure.

When reported in 2011, a nearly identical proportion of Americans (28%) said they wanted to time travel. Fewer Americans now say they want to be able to read people's minds. 28% previously longed for that super power.

Demographic differences exist. Time travel is the super power of choice for pluralities of white (30%) and Latino (26%) residents. Of note, 23% of Latinos would like the ability to teleport. Among African Americans, the ability to read people's minds (30%) tops the list followed by time travel (26%).

Men (36%) are also more likely than women (22%) to select time travel. Among women, nearly one in four (23%) select mind reading. Also of note, reading minds (26%) is the most mentioned super power among Americans 60 and older. The ability to time travel is number one among those 30 to 44 years old (36%) and 45 to 59 years of age (31%). 30% of residents under 30 would like to be able to teleport.