#### **How the Survey was Conducted**

# Nature of the Sample: Marist Poll of 1,327 National Adults

This survey of 1,327 adults was conducted March 20<sup>th</sup> through March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 by the Marist Poll in partnership with the Marist College Center for Sports Communication. Adults 18 years of age and older residing in the United States were contacted through a multi-mode design: By phone using live interviewers, by text, or online. The sampling frames include RDD plus listed landline, RDD cell phone sample plus cell phone sample based on billing address to account for inward and outward mobility, and aggregated online research panels. Survey questions were available in English or Spanish. Phone and online samples were selected to ensure that each region was represented in proportion to its adult population. The samples were then combined and balanced to reflect the 2020 American Community Survey 5-year estimates for age, gender, income, race, and region. Results are statistically significant within ±3.5 percentage points. There are 703 baseball fans. The results for this subset are statistically significant within ±4.8 percentage points. Tables include results for subgroups to only display crosstabs with an acceptable sampling error. It should be noted that although you may not see results listed for a certain group, it does not mean interviews were not completed with those individuals. It simply means the sample size is too small to report. The error margin was adjusted for sample weights and increases for cross-tabulations.

### **Nature of the Sample**

·		National Adults	Baseball Fans
		Column %	Column %
National Adults		100%	
Baseball Fans		55%	100%
Gender	Men	49%	55%
	Women	51%	45%
Age	Under 45	44%	51%
	45 or older	56%	49%
Age	18 to 29	19%	19%
	30 to 44	25%	32%
	45 to 59	25%	20%
	60 or older	30%	29%
Race/Ethnicity	White	63%	63%
	Black	11%	12%
	Latino	15%	17%
	Other	10%	9%
Region	Northeast	17%	19%
	Midwest	21%	20%
	South	38%	37%
	West	24%	23%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	40%	34%
	\$50,000 or more	60%	66%
Education	Not college graduate	61%	55%
	College graduate	39%	45%
Area Description	Big city	21%	27%
	Small city	16%	14%
	Suburban	27%	27%
	Small town	17%	16%
	Rural	19%	16%
National Registered Voters		92%	95%
Party Identification	Democrat	37%	41%
	Republican	29%	30%
	Independent	33%	28%
	Other	1%	1%

Marist Poll National Adults. Interviews conducted March 20th through March 23rd, 2023, n=1,327 MOE +/- 3.5 percentage points. National Baseball Fans: n=703 MOE +/- 4.8 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

### National Adults

Have you watched or followed the World Baseball Classic a great deal, a good amount, a little, or not at all?

		A great deal	A good amount	A little	Not at all	Vol: Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		6%	10%	17%	66%	1%
Baseball Fans		11%	18%	29%	41%	0%
Region	Northeast	5%	10%	21%	63%	0%
	Midwest	7%	8%	17%	68%	0%
	South	7%	9%	17%	66%	1%
	West	5%	13%	16%	66%	1%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	7%	6%	16%	70%	1%
	\$50,000 or more	6%	13%	18%	62%	0%
Education	Not college graduate	5%	7%	16%	71%	0%
	College graduate	8%	14%	19%	58%	1%
Race/Ethnicity	White	5%	10%	17%	67%	0%
	Non-white	8%	10%	17%	64%	1%
Age	Under 45	10%	17%	19%	54%	0%
	45 or older	3%	4%	16%	75%	1%
Age	18 to 29	9%	13%	17%	61%	0%
	30 to 44	10%	21%	20%	49%	0%
	45 to 59	3%	4%	14%	78%	1%
	60 or older	4%	4%	18%	73%	1%
Gender	Men	8%	11%	20%	61%	0%
	Women	5%	9%	15%	71%	1%
Area Description	Big city	13%	22%	14%	51%	0%
	Small city	4%	5%	15%	76%	1%
	Suburban	4%	10%	21%	65%	0%
	Small town	7%	4%	18%	71%	1%
	Rural	4%	5%	17%	73%	2%
National Registered V	oters	6%	10%	18%	66%	1%
Party Identification	Democrat	8%	12%	21%	58%	1%
	Republican	7%	11%	18%	64%	0%
	Independent	4%	6%	15%	75%	0%

Marist Poll National Adults. Interviews conducted March 20th through March 23rd, 2023. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

BSBLDESB1. Marist Poll National Tables March 20th through March 23rd, 2023

National Adults Which one comes closer to your opinion? Major league baseball is: Boring Exciting Vol: Unsure Row % Row % Row % National Adults 53% 43% 4% Baseball Fans 28% 70% 2% Region Northeast 48% 51% 1% Midwest 40% 5% 55% 2% South 56% 42% West 50% 43% 7% Household Income Less than \$50,000 53% 42% 5% \$50.000 or more 2% 53% 44% Education 55% 42% 4% Not college graduate College graduate 47% 50% 3% Race/Ethnicity White 3% 56% 41% Non-white 48% 48% 4% Age Under 45 49% 50% 1% 45 or older 57% 38% 6% 42% 2% 18 to 29 56% Age 30 to 44 43% 57% 1% 45 to 59 65% 32% 3% 60 or older 50% 43% 7% Gender 44% 3% Men 53% Women 43% 4% 52% 58% 3% Area Description Big city 39% Small city 61% 35% 4% Suburban 55% 42% 3% Small town 39% 3% 58% Rural 55% 40% 5% National Registered Voters 52% 44% 4% Party Identification Democrat 44% 51% 5% Republican 50% 47% 3% Independent 65% 33% 2%

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### BSBLDESB1TRND. Marist Poll National Trend

	National Adults			
	Which one comes closer to your opinion? Major league baseball is:			
	Boring	Exciting	Unsure	
	Row %	Row %	Row %	
March 2023	53%	43%	4%	
September 2014	47%	50%	3%	

Marist Poll National Adults

National Adults

This season, Major League Baseball has introduced rule changes to try to speed up the game. From what you've read or heard, do you think these rule changes are:

A good thing that tradition that will will improve the game of baseball

A break from make the game worse

Vol: Unsure

		game of baseball	worse	Vol: Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		56%	28%	16%
Baseball Fans		64%	28%	8%
Region	Northeast	62%	28%	10%
	Midwest	57%	25%	18%
	South	55%	30%	15%
	West	54%	25%	21%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	52%	27%	21%
	\$50,000 or more	61%	28%	11%
Education	Not college graduate	51%	31%	19%
	College graduate	65%	23%	12%
Race/Ethnicity	White	57%	25%	17%
	Non-white	55%	32%	14%
Age	Under 45	68%	26%	5%
	45 or older	47%	28%	24%
Age	18 to 29	65%	26%	9%
	30 to 44	70%	27%	3%
	45 to 59	53%	32%	16%
	60 or older	43%	25%	31%
Gender	Men	60%	28%	12%
	Women	52%	28%	20%
Area Description	Big city	66%	25%	9%
	Small city	63%	20%	17%
	Suburban	61%	28%	11%
	Small town	42%	35%	23%
	Rural	46%	30%	24%
National Registered V	oters	56%	27%	17%
Party Identification	Democrat	66%	19%	16%
	Republican	44%	41%	15%
	Independent	56%	24%	20%

Marist Poll National Adults. Interviews conducted March 20th through March 23rd, 2023. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

SPT1005. Marist Poll National Tables March 20th through March 23rd, 2023

#### National Adults

Do you watch or follow professional baseball a great deal, a good amount, a little, or not at all?

		A great deal	A good amount	A little	Not at all
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
National Adults		10%	14%	31%	46%
Region	Northeast	12%	16%	34%	38%
	Midwest	8%	13%	31%	48%
	South	11%	12%	30%	47%
	West	8%	15%	29%	48%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	9%	8%	30%	53%
	\$50,000 or more	11%	17%	32%	40%
Education	Not college graduate	7%	11%	31%	51%
	College graduate	14%	18%	31%	37%
Race/Ethnicity	White	8%	15%	30%	46%
	Non-white	13%	11%	30%	45%
Age	Under 45	15%	19%	27%	39%
	45 or older	6%	10%	33%	52%
Age	18 to 29	12%	16%	25%	46%
	30 to 44	17%	21%	29%	33%
	45 to 59	6%	10%	27%	57%
	60 or older	5%	10%	38%	47%
Gender	Men	13%	16%	32%	39%
	Women	7%	12%	30%	51%
Area Description	Big city	18%	23%	27%	33%
	Small city	6%	8%	35%	52%
	Suburban	9%	17%	28%	46%
	Small town	10%	8%	35%	47%
	Rural	5%	10%	32%	54%
National Registered V	oters	10%	14%	32%	44%
Party Identification	Democrat	13%	16%	34%	38%
	Republican	10%	16%	32%	42%
	Independent	7%	9%	30%	54%

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## SPT1005TRND. Marist Poll National Trend

	National Adults  Do you watch or follow professional baseball a great deal, a good amount, a little, or not at all?				
	A great deal	A good amount	A little	Not at all	
	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %	
March 2023	10%	14%	31%	46%	
April 2019	10%	7%	27%	56%	
March 2018	7%	8%	29%	56%	
March 2017	11%	12%	28%	48%	
April 2016	8%	11%	31%	50%	
April 2015	11%	12%	34%	44%	
April 2014	9%	8%	28%	55%	
March 2013	9%	10%	37%	45%	
April 2012	10%	10%	30%	50%	
April 2010	9%	9%	30%	52%	
April 2009	8%	8%	28%	56%	

Marist Poll National Adults