**What percent of Americans age 18-29 think that FATHERS should receive paid leave following the birth or adoption of their child?**



1. **How accurate was your prediction?**
2. **What most surprised you about this?**
3. **How much does age determine a person's support for paid paternal leave?**
4. **How different do you imagine the answer would be if we changed the word fathers to MOTHERS?**
5. **How different do you imagine the answer would be if we changed the word paid to UNPAID?**
6. **How different do you imagine views on paternity leave are between Democrats and Republicans?**
7. **Currently, neither men nor women are mandated a paid paternal leave by the US government. Why do you think that is?**
8. **Do you think that is a good thing?**
9. **Most modern post-industrial countries give some amount of paternity leave. Why do you think the US does NOT give paid paternity leave?\***
10. **What is one positive consequence of not having paid paternal leave?**
11. **What is one negative consequence of not having paid paternal leave?**
12. **How does the US compare to other nations in terms of paternity leave?\***
13. **How might US federalism complicate the issue of a universal paternity leave from the US government?**
14. **Imagine you wanted to change the rules of paternity leave in the US. What part of the US bureaucracy would be tasked with these sorts of rules?**
15. **In the comments section below, explain whether you personally think the US should grant paid leave to mothers or fathers.**

**Learning Extension**

**Read this article from The Week about how the US ended up with the [worst maternity leave laws on earth](http://theweek.com/articles/445827/how-america-ended-worst-maternity-leave-laws-earth%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank).**

**Action Extension**

**[Contact your US Senator](https://www.senate.gov/general/contacting.htm%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank) and share your opinion about paid paternity leave.**

**Bonus Visuals\***









