



## Most US Adults: Desire for Less Immigration a 'Sincere Interest' in Border Control

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Fifty-seven percent (57%) of U.S. adults believe that “people’s desire to reduce immigration to the United States is motivated by a *sincere interest in controlling our borders*. Forty-three percent (43%) say *racist beliefs* are the true motivation.”<sup>[1]</sup>

A Cato Institute survey found a substantial partisan divide. Eighty-eight percent (88%) of Republicans and 60% of independents believe the intentions are sincere. However, 70% of Democrats take the opposite view and believe the desire for less immigration is driven by racism.<sup>[1]</sup>

Most white Americans (61%) believe motives are sincere, while most African Americans think it’s driven by racism. Latino and Asian Americans are evenly divided.<sup>[1]</sup>