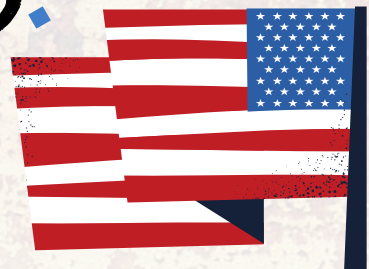


# AMERICAN GUILT

HOW DOES ATTACHMENT TO NATIONAL IDENTITY AFFECT AMERICANS' SENSE OF COLLECTIVE GUILT?

DO AMERICANS FEEL ATTACHED TO "BEING AMERICAN"?



70%

OF AMERICANS REGARD THEIR AMERICAN IDENTITY AS MOST SALIENT ASPECT OF THEIR IDENTITY

80%

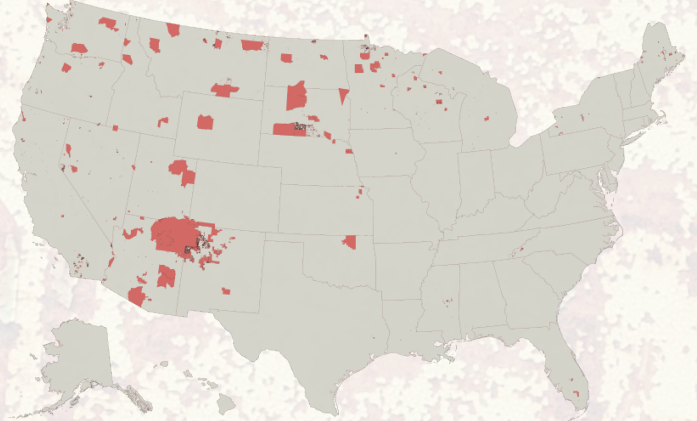
REPORTED FEELING "VERY" OR "SOMEWHAT" PROUD OF AMERICAN DEMOCRACY AND AMERICA'S HISTORICAL ACHIEVEMENTS.

## WHY STUDY COLLECTIVE GUILT?

99%<sup>2</sup>

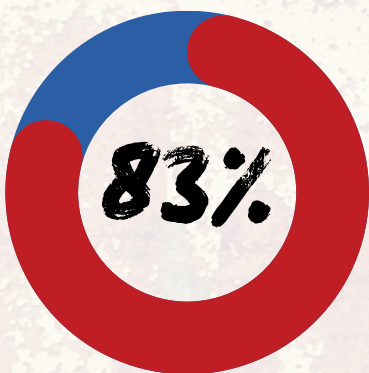
OF AMERICAN SOIL HAS BEEN STOLEN FROM NATIVE AMERICANS

NATIVE AMERICAN RESERVATION LOCATIONS

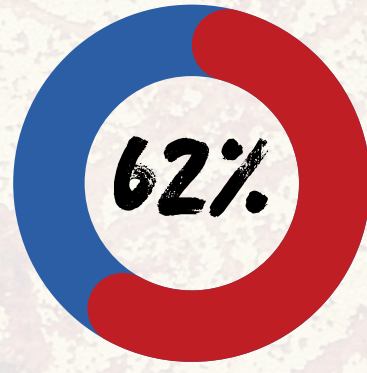


ACCORDING TO PEW RESEARCH CENTER IN 2002

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OF AMERICANS SUPPORTED MILITARY ACTION AGAINST IRAQ IF THEY HELPED THE 9/11 ATTACKS



OF ALL US ADULTS SAID THE IRAQ WAR WAS "NOT WORTH FIGHTING"

940,000+

PEOPLE HAVE DIED IN THE POST-9/11 WARS DUE TO DIRECT WAR VIOLENCE<sup>4</sup>

## WHEN DOES GUILT TURN INTO ACTION?

ACCORDING TO JENNIFER CHUDY (2019), INDIVIDUALS WHO EXPERIENCE GUILT ARE MORE LIKELY TO SUPPORT:<sup>5</sup>

- AFFIRMATIVE ACTION BY 37%
- AID TO BLACK COMMUNITIES BY 49%
- OBAMACARE BY 33%
- WELFARE BY 28%

WITHIN THE AMERICAN CONTEXT, COLLECTIVE POLITICAL GUILT HAS THE ULTIMATE GOAL OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF STRUCTURAL INJUSTICE & REPARATIONS TO ALLEVIATE THE ONGOING VIOLENCE



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