

**Table 10.14** Support for Gun Control by Political Ideology

<i>Support Background Check?</i>	<i>Political Ideology</i>			<i>Total</i>
	<i>Liberal</i>	<i>Moderate</i>	<i>Conservative</i>	
Oppose	10.6% (37)	8.7% (41)	16.4% (79)	12.0% (157)
Neither	5.7% (20)	9.1% (43)	8.7% (42)	8.1% (105)
Support	83.7% (293)	82.2% (387)	74.9% (362)	79.9% (1042)
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
n =	350	471	483	1304

*Source:* General Social Survey 2004, National Opinion Research Center, 2012. Accessed October 9, 2012. [www3.norc.org/GSS+Website/Download/SPSS+Format/](http://www3.norc.org/GSS+Website/Download/SPSS+Format/).

Questions: *In most states, a gun owner may legally sell his or her gun without proof that the buyer has passed a criminal history check. How strongly do you favor or oppose a law that required private gun sales to be subject to the same background check requirements as sales by licensed dealers? Is the respondent liberal, moderate, or conservative?*