How has morality really changed in America?

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Abstract

This study shows what different demographic situations can lead you to having a higher value of certain morals. You will see how annual home income, parents marital status, number of children 18 and younger living at your home, and parents highest level of education affect what types of morals you may value more than others. A survey was conducted to test the experiment asking teenagers. I asked questions on how much they value different morals as well. Previous studies have said morals are based on self interest and primarily that self interest is a monetary gain. My study focuses on how morals are directly affected by your demographics. My original thought of demographics affecting how much an ethnic group values was proven that it varied depending on the moral. My original hypothesis is that Asians with an income of \$60,000 to \$85,000 with married parents would show a higher value in morals. Although the numbers varied with each question with a lack of a consistent basis.