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## 2022 MISSOURI

## Issues Poll

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1. Would you support or oppose allowing high school students to work part time without having to obtain permission from their school?

| Strongly Supportive | $39 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $38 \%$ | $47 \%$ |
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| Somewhat Supportive | $\mathbf{3 7 \%}$ | $39 \%$ | $41 \%$ | $31 \%$ |
| Somewhat Opposed | $\mathbf{1 6 \%}$ | $16 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $17 \%$ |
| Strongly Opposed | $\mathbf{8 \%}$ | $10 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $6 \%$ |

2. Currently, Missouri does not have rules about how quickly local governments must approve new construction permits. Would you support or oppose requiring local governments to review and act on new construction permits within 20 business days?

| Strongly Supportive | $\mathbf{4 2 \%}$ | $46 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $39 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Somewhat Supportive | $\mathbf{4 0 \%}$ | $40 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $41 \%$ |
| Somewhat Opposed | $\mathbf{1 3 \%}$ | $9 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $17 \%$ |
| Strongly Opposed | $\mathbf{5 \%}$ | $6 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $4 \%$ |

3. Would you support or oppose allowing individuals to count relevant work experience toward occupational licensing education requirements?

| Strongly Supportive | $36 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $32 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Somewhat Supportive | $\mathbf{4 6 \%}$ | $48 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
| Somewhat Opposed | $\mathbf{1 4 \%}$ | $15 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $14 \%$ |
| Strongly Opposed | $\mathbf{4 \%}$ | $3 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $4 \%$ |

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4. Licensed professionals in Missouri are required to periodically complete occupational licensing education requirements to continue practicing their profession. Would you support or oppose allowing licensed professionals to count relevant work experience toward these continuing education requirements?

| Strongly Supportive | $33 \%$ | $33 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $32 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Somewhat Supportive | $\mathbf{4 1 \%}$ | $42 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $45 \%$ |
| Somewhat Opposed | $19 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $16 \%$ |
| Strongly Opposed | $7 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $7 \%$ |

5. Would you support or oppose requiring bureaucratic state agencies to obtain the state legislature's approval before costly regulations may go into effect?

| Support | $\mathbf{4 8 \%}$ | $55 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $43 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Oppose | $\mathbf{1 7 \%}$ | $14 \%$ | $21 \%$ | $14 \%$ |
| Unsure | $35 \%$ | $31 \%$ | $33 \%$ | $43 \%$ |

6. Bureaucratic state agencies can issue guidance to clarify how to best comply with regulations. Would you support or oppose requiring state bureaucratic agencies to post any issued guidance on regulations on state websites?

| Support | $\mathbf{6 3 \%}$ | $60 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $67 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oppose | $\mathbf{1 3 \%}$ | $18 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $5 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{2 4 \%}$ | $22 \%$ | $24 \%$ | $28 \%$ |

7. Do you support or oppose investing taxpayer money in banks and investment funds that make business decisions based on their political agenda?

| Support | $11 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $17 \%$ | $6 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oppose | $75 \%$ | $75 \%$ | $72 \%$ | $77 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{1 5 \%}$ | $16 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $17 \%$ |

8. In exchange for providing free or charity care to the community, many hospitals receive significant tax breaks and exemptions, such as not paying property taxes. Would you support or oppose requiring hospitals to prove they are providing the required level of charity care to the community to be eligible for the tax breaks?

| Support | $\mathbf{8 1 \%}$ | $80 \%$ | $78 \%$ | $84 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oppose | $\mathbf{9 \%}$ | $8 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $6 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{1 0 \%}$ | $12 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $9 \%$ |


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9. Would you support or oppose conducting more frequent audits of the state's welfare programs to help ensure those receiving welfare benefits are truly eligible?

| Support | $75 \%$ | $86 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $71 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Oppose | $13 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $22 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
| Unsure | $12 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $16 \%$ |

10. Would you support or oppose checking eligibility for people on welfare more frequently and with better technology to help ensure those receiving benefits are still eligible?

| Support | $74 \%$ | $86 \%$ | $63 \%$ | $70 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oppose | $13 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $22 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
| Unsure | $13 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $16 \%$ |

11. Would you support or oppose Missouri verifying an individual's eligibility for Medicaid before they are allowed into the program?

| Support | $\mathbf{7 2 \%}$ | $80 \%$ | $60 \%$ | $74 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oppose | $12 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $22 \%$ | $8 \%$ |
| Unsure | $16 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $19 \%$ | $18 \%$ |

12. Would you support or oppose removing ineligible individuals from Missouri's Medicaid rolls?

| Support | $\mathbf{6 1 \%}$ | $72 \%$ | $49 \%$ | $58 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Oppose | $15 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $24 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{2 4 \%}$ | $18 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $29 \%$ |

13. Would you support or oppose requiring able-bodied adults without young children to work, train, or volunteer at least part time as a condition of eligibility for food stamps?

| Support | $67 \%$ | $79 \%$ | $55 \%$ | $66 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Oppose | $17 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $14 \%$ |
| Unsure | $15 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $20 \%$ |

14. Would you support or oppose requiring individuals to cooperate with the state's attempt to collect child support as a condition of eligibility for food stamps?

| Support | $66 \%$ | $74 \%$ | $56 \%$ | $67 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oppose | $15 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $21 \%$ | $14 \%$ |
| Unsure | $19 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $20 \%$ |


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15. Would you support or oppose requiring unemployment applications to be checked against existing data to help ensure those who are receiving unemployment benefits are truly eligible for them?

| Support | $\mathbf{7 6 \%}$ | $90 \%$ | $61 \%$ | $77 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Oppose | $\mathbf{1 1 \%}$ | $4 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $8 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{1 2 \%}$ | $7 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $15 \%$ |

16. Would you support or oppose legally defining a meaningful work search activity for individuals on unemployment as an activity that might directly lead to a job, such as filling out an application, attending a job fair, or going to an interview?

| Support | $71 \%$ | $79 \%$ | $59 \%$ | $75 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oppose | $12 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $11 \%$ |
| Unsure | $17 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $21 \%$ | $15 \%$ |

17. Would you support or oppose reducing the length of time individuals can remain on unemployment when unemployment is low and there are plenty of jobs available?

| Strongly Supportive | $\mathbf{4 2 \%}$ | $59 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $35 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Somewhat Supportive | $\mathbf{2 9 \%}$ | $20 \%$ | $39 \%$ | $31 \%$ |
| Somewhat Opposed | $\mathbf{1 8 \%}$ | $13 \%$ | $18 \%$ | $24 \%$ |
| Strongly Opposed | $\mathbf{1 1 \%}$ | $7 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $9 \%$ |

18. Missouri allows constitutional amendments to be passed with a simple majority vote. Would you support or oppose requiring 60 percent of voters to approve a Missouri constitutional amendment before it is allowed to go into effect?

| Strongly Supportive | $\mathbf{4 5 \%}$ | $60 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $38 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Somewhat Supportive | $\mathbf{3 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 7} \%$ | $32 \%$ | $32 \%$ |
| Somewhat Opposed | $\mathbf{1 5 \%}$ | $\mathbf{7 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 \%}$ |
| Strongly Opposed | $\mathbf{1 0 \%}$ | $6 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $10 \%$ |

19. Would you support or oppose requiring supporters of a proposed state constitutional amendment to gather signatures from at least 10 percent of legal voters in each congressional district in order to qualify for the ballot?

| Strongly Supportive | $\mathbf{3 8 \%}$ | $47 \%$ | $32 \%$ | $32 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Somewhat Supportive | $\mathbf{3 7 \%}$ | $40 \%$ | $37 \%$ | $31 \%$ |
| Somewhat Opposed | $\mathbf{1 7 \%}$ | $7 \%$ | $17 \%$ | $29 \%$ |
| Strongly Opposed | $\mathbf{9 \%}$ | $5 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $8 \%$ |

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20. Would you support or oppose requiring supporters of a proposed state law to gather signatures from at least five percent of legal voters in each congressional district in order to qualify for the ballot?

| Strongly Supportive | $32 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $25 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Somewhat Supportive | $\mathbf{4 1 \%}$ | $37 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $46 \%$ |
| Somewhat Opposed | $\mathbf{1 8 \%}$ | $14 \%$ | $22 \%$ | $18 \%$ |
| Strongly Opposed | $\mathbf{9 \%}$ | $7 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $10 \%$ |

21. Would you support or oppose the creation of a special unit that investigates election law violations?

| Support | $63 \%$ | $82 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $54 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oppose | $19 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $32 \%$ | $20 \%$ |
| Unsure | $19 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $26 \%$ |

22. Would you support or oppose requiring the state legislature to be notified about suggested federal guidance for elections before it is implemented and vote on whether the state should accept the guidance?

| Support | $\mathbf{5 2 \%}$ | $62 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $51 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Oppose | $\mathbf{1 6 \%}$ | $8 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $19 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{3 1 \%}$ | $30 \%$ | $34 \%$ | $30 \%$ |

23. Would you support or oppose requiring the state legislature to be notified about new federal election funding and vote on whether to accept the new funding?

| Support | $\mathbf{5 2 \%}$ | $61 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $51 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Oppose | $\mathbf{2 1 \%}$ | $12 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $23 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{2 8 \%}$ | $27 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $26 \%$ |

24. Would you support or oppose requiring all communications from the federal government to state election officials regarding elections to be reported to the governor, secretary of state, and state legislature?

| Support | $\mathbf{6 5 \%}$ | $78 \%$ | $54 \%$ | $61 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oppose | $\mathbf{1 5 \%}$ | $6 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $18 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{2 0 \%}$ | $16 \%$ | $22 \%$ | $21 \%$ |

25. Do you support or oppose the teaching of gender identity and sexual education topics in Missouri's public elementary schools?

| Support | $35 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $62 \%$ | $35 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oppose | $\mathbf{5 4 \%}$ | $81 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $53 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{1 1 \%}$ | $7 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $12 \%$ |

26. Critical race theory teaches that the United States and its laws were established with the express purpose of discriminating against minorities and teaches that people are naturally racist. Would you support or oppose allowing critical race theory to be taught in Missouri's public schools?

| Support | $\mathbf{3 1 \%}$ | $13 \%$ | $56 \%$ | $28 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oppose | $\mathbf{5 3 \%}$ | $79 \%$ | $26 \%$ | $51 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{1 5 \%}$ | $8 \%$ | $18 \%$ | $22 \%$ |

## 27. School board elections are often held during off-cycle years when voter turnout is low. Would you support or oppose requiring local school board elections to appear on the same ballot as other general elections for statewide or federal offices?

| Support | $\mathbf{6 2 \%}$ | $64 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $56 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oppose | $\mathbf{2 0 \%}$ | $16 \%$ | $22 \%$ | $22 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{1 9 \%}$ | $21 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $22 \%$ |

## 28. Would you support or oppose requiring school board ballots to include the candidates' party affiliation?

| Support | $\mathbf{5 6 \%}$ | $64 \%$ | $56 \%$ | $47 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Oppose | $\mathbf{2 6 \%}$ | $22 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $29 \%$ |
| Unsure | $17 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $24 \%$ |

29. Would you support or oppose providing tax credits to businesses that donate to charities that
help children and families in crisis?

| Support | $\mathbf{6 4 \%}$ | $73 \%$ | $60 \%$ | $55 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Oppose | $\mathbf{1 7 \%}$ | $12 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $20 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{2 0 \%}$ | $15 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 0 \%}$ | $26 \%$ |

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| $39 \%$ | $33^{2} \%$ | $29^{\%}$ |
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| $37 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $27^{\%}$ |
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| $18-44$ | $45-64$ | $65+$ |

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| $46 \%$ | $54 \%$ |
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## POLL 1 (QUESTIONS 1-14)

Results for this poll were collected using a mixed-mode sampling frame that combines responses from automated telephone interviews conducted by Cor Services, Inc., with responses from an online panel collected by the Center for Excellence in Polling. The combined statewide sample is of 519 likely Missouri voters.
The survey was conducted October 18-21, 2022. The margin of sampling error is $\pm 4.30$ percentage points. The margin of sampling error may be higher for subgroups. Results presented may not always appear to total 100 percent due to rounding.
Data were post-stratified using weighted demographic information from the U.S. Census Bureau's Current Population Survey Voting and Registration Supplement and the state election authorities. Demographic information for actual voters in past elections was used to construct sample target weights.
Opportunity Solutions Project paid for all costs associated with this survey.

## POLL 2 (QUESTIONS 15-30)

Results for this poll were collected using a mixed-mode sampling frame that combines responses from automated telephone interviews conducted by Cor Services, Inc. with responses from an online panel collected by the Center for Excellence in Polling. The combined statewide sample is of 538 likely Missouri voters.
The survey was conducted October 18-21, 2022. The margin of sampling error is $\pm 4.23$ percentage points. The margin of sampling error may be higher for subgroups. Results presented may not always appear to total 100 percent due to rounding.
Data were post-stratified using weighted demographic information from the U.S. Census Bureau's Current Population Survey Voting and Registration Supplement and the state election authorities. Demographic information for actual voters in past elections was used to construct sample target weights.
Opportunity Solutions Project paid for all costs associated with this survey.

