

## 2022 NEBRASKA

# Issues Poll

	ALL VOTERS	GOP	DEM	IND
<b>1. Would you support or oppose allowing highly qualified individuals without college degrees to operate childcare centers?</b>				
Support	65%	74%	58%	60%
Oppose	14%	10%	16%	18%
Unsure	21%	15%	26%	22%
<b>2. Would you support or oppose allowing education funding to follow students to the school of their choice?</b>				
Support	49%	56%	36%	54%
Oppose	31%	20%	41%	34%
Unsure	20%	23%	23%	12%
<b>3. Would you support or oppose requiring school boards to publicly disclose all proposed school curricula?</b>				
Support	72%	83%	61%	70%
Oppose	14%	5%	24%	13%
Unsure	14%	12%	15%	16%
<b>4. Do you support or oppose the teaching of gender identity and sexual orientation topics in Nebraska's public elementary schools?</b>				
Support	29%	10%	51%	28%
Oppose	56%	85%	29%	51%
Unsure	15%	5%	21%	21%

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<b>5. Critical race theory teaches that the United States government and its laws were established with the express purpose of discriminating against minorities and that people are naturally racist. Would you support or oppose allowing critical race theory to be taught in Nebraska's public schools?</b>				
Support	30%	8%	52%	34%
Oppose	55%	82%	28%	51%
Unsure	14%	9%	20%	15%

<b>6. Would you support or oppose allowing students and parents to opt out of sexual and gender education and other controversial subjects?</b>				
Support	59%	67%	54%	53%
Oppose	26%	23%	26%	29%
Unsure	16%	10%	20%	18%

<b>7. Would you support or oppose requiring high schools to inform students about the average costs of college, vocational or technical training, student loans, and the top 10 most in-demand occupations in the state?</b>				
Support	78%	84%	79%	70%
Oppose	12%	7%	8%	21%
Unsure	10%	9%	13%	9%

<b>8. Would you support or oppose requiring publicly funded colleges, universities, and job training programs to disclose student completion rates, average incomes, and average student debt?</b>				
Support	50%	44%	48%	58%
Oppose	25%	32%	27%	16%
Unsure	25%	24%	25%	25%

<b>9. Would you support or oppose allowing high school students to work part time without having to obtain a government work permit?</b>				
Support	66%	65%	63%	70%
Oppose	12%	11%	14%	10%
Unsure	22%	24%	22%	19%

<b>10. Would you support or oppose allowing new Nebraska residents with active occupational licenses in good standing in another state to be granted the same license in Nebraska if they pay a licensing fee and pass a background check?</b>				
Support	74%	71%	77%	74%
Oppose	14%	16%	15%	12%
Unsure	12%	13%	8%	14%

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<b>11. Would you support or oppose allowing new Nebraska residents to receive an occupational license in their field if they have at least three years of on-the-job experience in their previous state, so long as they pay any required fees and pass a background check?</b>				
Support	<b>68%</b>	68%	72%	63%
Oppose	<b>17%</b>	13%	16%	24%
Unsure	<b>15%</b>	19%	12%	13%

<b>12. In Nebraska, local governments can impose occupational licensing requirements that are in addition to already existing state requirements. Would you support or oppose allowing professionals to work under their state occupational license without having to obtain further licensing from a local government?</b>				
Support	<b>48%</b>	46%	40%	59%
Oppose	<b>36%</b>	33%	43%	31%
Unsure	<b>16%</b>	20%	17%	10%

<b>13. Would you support or oppose allowing small business owners to run a business out of their home without having to obtain a permit from their local government?</b>				
Support	<b>56%</b>	61%	39%	67%
Oppose	<b>29%</b>	23%	45%	20%
Unsure	<b>15%</b>	16%	16%	12%

<b>14. Currently, Nebraska 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?</b>				
Support	<b>63%</b>	71%	54%	62%
Oppose	<b>18%</b>	11%	24%	19%
Unsure	<b>19%</b>	17%	22%	19%

<b>15. If a local government failed to act on a new construction permit within 20 days, which of the following would you support to enforce the law?</b>				
Permit Should Be Automatically Approved	<b>31%</b>	33%	32%	29%
Permit Fee Should Be Reduced By a Set Amount Each Day The Review is Late	<b>69%</b>	67%	68%	71%

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<b>16. 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?</b>				
Support	69%	80%	61%	66%
Oppose	13%	6%	20%	15%
Unsure	17%	14%	20%	18%

<b>17. Would you support or oppose conducting a more comprehensive review of applications for unemployment benefits when they list bank account or address information that is already in use by someone already on unemployment?</b>				
Support	51%	62%	39%	52%
Oppose	21%	13%	30%	20%
Unsure	28%	25%	31%	29%

<b>18. Would you support or oppose requiring the state to establish a mandatory job referral system that connects unemployed job seekers with businesses that are hiring?</b>				
Support	68%	71%	68%	67%
Oppose	15%	12%	20%	12%
Unsure	17%	17%	13%	21%

<b>19. Would you support or oppose reducing the length of time individuals can remain on unemployment to 12 weeks when the unemployment rate is low and there are plenty of jobs available?</b>				
Support	56%	74%	38%	53%
Oppose	25%	13%	40%	25%
Unsure	19%	14%	23%	22%

<b>20. Would you support or oppose requiring the state to verify work search activity reports that are submitted by individuals on unemployment?</b>				
Support	59%	66%	49%	61%
Oppose	17%	12%	26%	13%
Unsure	24%	22%	25%	26%

<b>21. Would you support or oppose requiring individuals on unemployment to perform at least one meaningful work search activity each business day?</b>				
Support	48%	64%	32%	45%
Oppose	25%	15%	40%	23%
Unsure	27%	21%	28%	32%

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<b>22. Would you support or oppose temporarily suspending individuals from unemployment benefits if they repeatedly fail to show up for scheduled job interviews?</b>				
Support	<b>76%</b>	85%	68%	71%
Oppose	<b>16%</b>	6%	22%	21%
Unsure	<b>9%</b>	8%	10%	8%
<b>23. Would you support or oppose a misdemeanor penalty for individuals who commit unemployment fraud?</b>				
Support	<b>71%</b>	80%	65%	66%
Oppose	<b>14%</b>	9%	19%	15%
Unsure	<b>15%</b>	11%	15%	19%
<b>24. Would you support or oppose banning individuals convicted of unemployment fraud from being eligible for future unemployment benefits?</b>				
Support	<b>59%</b>	67%	55%	55%
Oppose	<b>21%</b>	8%	34%	21%
Unsure	<b>20%</b>	25%	11%	24%
<b>25. When an individual on unemployment gets a job and returns to work, would you support or oppose requiring the state unemployment agency to report that employment change to state welfare agencies?</b>				
Support	<b>65%</b>	75%	51%	67%
Oppose	<b>18%</b>	9%	26%	20%
Unsure	<b>17%</b>	15%	23%	13%
<b>26. Would you support or oppose checking food stamp applicants' financial assets, such as expensive homes and cars, to make sure they are truly eligible for benefits?</b>				
Support	<b>66%</b>	72%	53%	72%
Oppose	<b>16%</b>	10%	27%	10%
Unsure	<b>19%</b>	18%	20%	18%
<b>27. Would you support or oppose requiring able-bodied adults with no children at home to work, train, or volunteer for at least 20 hours per week as a condition of eligibility for food stamps?</b>				
Support	<b>62%</b>	74%	42%	68%
Oppose	<b>23%</b>	13%	40%	16%
Unsure	<b>16%</b>	13%	18%	17%

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**28. Would you support or oppose requiring able-bodied adults without young children to train, volunteer, work, or look for work at least part time as a condition of living in taxpayer-funded public housing?**

Support	70%	80%	57%	73%
Oppose	16%	10%	29%	11%
Unsure	13%	11%	14%	16%

**29. Would you support or oppose moving able-bodied adults who are working to the top of the waitlist for public housing above able-bodied adults who are not working?**

Support	49%	61%	41%	44%
Oppose	20%	14%	27%	19%
Unsure	31%	25%	32%	37%

**30. During the ongoing COVID-19 public health emergency declaration, the federal government prohibits states from removing people from Medicaid, even if they are not eligible for the program. How quickly after the public health emergency expires should Nebraska remove ineligible individuals from the state's Medicaid rolls?**

Within 3 Months	36%	50%	17%	38%
Between 3 - 6 Months	21%	22%	26%	16%
Between 6 - 9 Months	19%	13%	25%	18%
Between 9 - 12 Months	12%	6%	18%	13%
Longer Than 12 Months	12%	9%	14%	15%

**31. Funding from the federal government often comes with special rules that limit state operations. Would you support or oppose requiring the state legislature to vote on whether to accept new federal funding for Nebraska state agencies or programs prior to accepting the money?**

Support	53%	68%	42%	49%
Oppose	22%	10%	32%	24%
Unsure	25%	22%	26%	27%

**32. Would you support or oppose reducing Nebraska's state bureaucratic regulations?**

Support	45%	54%	27%	53%
Oppose	22%	15%	32%	19%
Unsure	33%	31%	41%	28%

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<b>33. Would you support or oppose requiring state bureaucratic agencies to obtain legislative approval before costly regulations are allowed to go into effect?</b>				
Support	42%	57%	30%	38%
Oppose	23%	12%	31%	26%
Unsure	35%	31%	39%	36%
<b>34. Many patients report being surprised by a medical bill, sometimes costing thousands of dollars, that they must pay out of pocket after a test, doctor's appointment, or procedure, because they weren't aware of the cost ahead of time. Would you support or oppose giving patients the ability to know what their real price and actual out-of-pocket costs will be at least 72 hours ahead of time for non-emergency care?</b>				
Support	93%	91%	93%	95%
Oppose	3%	3%	3%	3%
Unsure	4%	7%	4%	2%
<b>35. 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?</b>				
Support	76%	76%	75%	76%
Oppose	7%	8%	9%	4%
Unsure	17%	17%	16%	20%
<b>36. Some states allow non-profit organizations to offer health care coverage plans that are often more affordable than traditional health insurance. Would you support or oppose expanding access to non-profit health plans in Nebraska?</b>				
Support	66%	64%	66%	70%
Oppose	8%	7%	8%	7%
Unsure	26%	29%	26%	22%
<b>37. Would you support or oppose requiring all communications from the federal government to state election officials regarding elections to be reported to the governor and state legislature?</b>				
Support	61%	74%	51%	57%
Oppose	19%	5%	27%	26%
Unsure	20%	21%	22%	17%

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<b>38. Would you support or oppose requiring the state legislature to be notified about new federal election funding and vote on whether to accept the funding?</b>				
Support	53%	63%	44%	50%
Oppose	20%	13%	28%	21%
Unsure	27%	24%	28%	29%

<b>39. 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?</b>				
Support	53%	64%	39%	56%
Oppose	23%	12%	32%	26%
Unsure	24%	24%	29%	18%

<b>40. Would you support or oppose requiring the state legislature to vote on election rule changes before they are allowed to be implemented?</b>				
Support	44%	55%	38%	38%
Oppose	31%	19%	45%	32%
Unsure	24%	26%	17%	30%

<b>41. Would you support or oppose requiring the state legislature to approve all legally binding agreements with private and public parties on election issues before they are allowed to take effect?</b>				
Support	40%	47%	27%	45%
Oppose	28%	17%	44%	25%
Unsure	32%	36%	29%	30%

<b>42. Would you support or oppose requiring Nebraska election agencies to issue an annual report to the state legislature detailing their voter roll maintenance activities?</b>				
Support	49%	62%	31%	51%
Oppose	30%	13%	51%	27%
Unsure	22%	25%	17%	23%

<b>43. Would you support or oppose requiring at least one comprehensive audit of Nebraska's voter registration data to be conducted by an independent expert every year?</b>				
Support	45%	65%	24%	45%
Oppose	37%	17%	63%	34%
Unsure	17%	18%	13%	21%



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<b>44. Ballot initiatives are a means by which voters can bring about a vote on a proposed law or state constitutional change through a petition process. Would you support or oppose requiring the cost of implementing a ballot initiative to appear on the ballot?</b>				
Support	45%	43%	39%	54%
Oppose	15%	15%	22%	8%
Unsure	40%	42%	39%	39%

<b>45. Would you support or oppose criminal punishments for individuals who submit fraudulent signatures on a ballot initiative petition?</b>				
Support	64%	76%	51%	63%
Oppose	18%	11%	27%	17%
Unsure	18%	13%	22%	19%

<b>46. Rather than requiring voters to select one candidate on their ballot, some states and cities require voters to rank all candidates for a particular office in order of personal preference. This is called ranked-choice voting. Would you support or oppose allowing ranked-choice voting in Nebraska?</b>				
Support	22%	17%	21%	29%
Oppose	49%	51%	53%	41%
Unsure	29%	32%	26%	30%

<b>47. Would you support or oppose requiring ballots to include the party affiliation of school board candidates?</b>				
Support	45%	51%	37%	46%
Oppose	32%	26%	38%	32%
Unsure	24%	24%	25%	22%

<b>48. Would you support or oppose allowing biased or partisan special interest groups to send absentee ballot applications to voters who did not request them?</b>				
Support	14%	8%	20%	14%
Oppose	75%	81%	72%	72%
Unsure	10%	10%	7%	14%

<b>49. Would you support or oppose allowing government offices to send absentee ballot applications and ballots to voters who did not request them?</b>				
Support	21%	13%	36%	15%
Oppose	68%	80%	55%	69%
Unsure	10%	7%	9%	16%

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**50. Nebraska is looking at ways to speed up ballot-counting processes after elections. One of the ways to do this is by ensuring completed absentee ballots are valid before the counting process begins. Would you support or oppose allowing election officials to validate, but not count, absentee ballots starting seven days prior to Election Day?**

Support	56%	64%	56%	47%
Oppose	27%	18%	29%	35%
Unsure	17%	18%	14%	19%

**51. Would you support or oppose requiring absentee ballots to include a valid, government-issued ID number, such as a state ID number or the last four digits of a Social Security number?**

Support	55%	75%	30%	58%
Oppose	32%	15%	53%	29%
Unsure	13%	9%	18%	13%

**52. Would you support or oppose requiring a bipartisan team comprised of one member from each political party to escort ballots whenever they are transported from one location to another?**

Support	61%	81%	54%	44%
Oppose	19%	9%	28%	20%
Unsure	20%	10%	18%	36%

**53. Would you support or oppose installing video cameras at ballot counting facilities so the public can view ballot counting on the internet?**

Support	53%	67%	35%	55%
Oppose	34%	18%	54%	33%
Unsure	13%	15%	12%	12%

**54. Would you support or oppose allowing poll observers and challengers to be present for all election activities?**

Support	46%	63%	30%	43%
Oppose	36%	19%	59%	30%
Unsure	18%	18%	11%	27%

**55. Would you support or oppose prosecuting individuals who interfere with poll watchers who are doing their jobs?**

Support	76%	81%	71%	73%
Oppose	14%	8%	20%	13%
Unsure	11%	10%	9%	14%

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<b>56. Would you support or oppose imposing criminal penalties on election officials who deny poll watchers access to election activities?</b>				
Support	56%	65%	47%	55%
Oppose	22%	14%	30%	24%
Unsure	22%	21%	24%	21%
<b>57. Would you support or oppose the creation of a special unit that investigates election law violations?</b>				
Support	51%	67%	39%	44%
Oppose	32%	16%	47%	35%
Unsure	17%	17%	14%	21%
<b>58. Would you support or oppose allowing both the state attorney general and local prosecutors to have the authority to prosecute election-related crimes?</b>				
Support	71%	86%	52%	73%
Oppose	29%	14%	48%	27%

## DEMOGRAPHICS

PARTY AFFILIATION			AGE			EDUCATION		GENDER	
37%	33%	30%	39%	35%	26%	62%	38%	47%	53%
GOP	DEM	IND	18-44	45-64	65+	NO FOUR-YEAR DEGREE	FOUR-YEAR DEGREE	MALE	FEMALE

### POLL 1

Results for this poll are based on automated telephone interviews conducted among a statewide sample of 508 likely Nebraksa voters. The surveys were conducted October 26-29, 2022.

The margin of sampling error is ±4.35 percentage points. The margin of sampling error may be higher for certain subgroups. Results presented may not always appear to total 100 percent due to rounding.

### POLL 2

Results for this poll are based on automated telephone interviews conducted among a statewide sample of 514 likely Nebraksa voters. The surveys were conducted October 20-22, 2022.

The margin of sampling error is ±4.32 percentage points. The margin of sampling error may be higher for certain subgroups. Results presented may not always appear to total 100 percent due to rounding.

### POLL 3

Results for this poll are based on automated telephone interviews conducted among a statewide sample of 503 likely Nebraksa voters. The surveys were conducted October 24-26, 2022.

The margin of sampling error is ±4.37 percentage points. The margin of sampling error may be higher for certain subgroups. Results presented may not always appear to total 100 percent due to rounding.

### POLL 4

Results for this poll are based on automated telephone interviews conducted among a statewide sample of 507 likely Nebraksa voters. The surveys were conducted October 20-22, 2022.

The margin of sampling error is ±4.35 percentage points. The margin of sampling error may be higher for certain subgroups. Results presented may not always appear to total 100 percent due to rounding.

Data for this survey research were collected by Cor Services Inc.

Data were sampled using weighted demographic information from state election authorities. Demographic information for actual voters in past elections were used to construct sample target weights.

Opportunity Solutions Project paid for all costs associated with this survey.