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## 2024 IDAHO

## Issues Poll

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| 1. Would you support or oppose the creation of a special unit that investigates election law violations? |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Strongly or Somewhat Support | 69\% | 84\% | 61\% | 56\% | 74\% | 65\% |
| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | 19\% | 9\% | 32\% | 24\% | 20\% | 18\% |
| Unsure | 12\% | 7\% | 6\% | 20\% | 6\% | 17\% |
| 2. Would you support or oppose requiring individuals who collect signatures for a ballot initiative to be certified notaries? |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Strongly or Somewhat Support | 50\% | 60\% | 41\% | 44\% | 52\% | 49\% |
| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | 33\% | 24\% | 47\% | 36\% | 35\% | 32\% |
| Unsure | 16\% | 15\% | 12\% | 20\% | 14\% | 19\% |
| 3. Would you support or oppose requiring all signatures be witnessed by a third party-someone other than the voter and the signature collector? |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Strongly or Somewhat Support | 54\% | 68\% | 37\% | 47\% | 55\% | 53\% |
| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | 36\% | 22\% | 57\% | 40\% | 37\% | 34\% |
| Unsure | 10\% | 10\% | 5\% | 13\% | 8\% | 13\% |
| 4. Would you support or oppose requiring individuals who collect signatures for a ballot initiative to be registered to vote in Idaho? |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Strongly or Somewhat Support | 70\% | 83\% | 54\% | 64\% | 74\% | 67\% |
| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | 17\% | 9\% | 28\% | 19\% | 17\% | 16\% |
| Unsure | 13\% | 8\% | 18\% | 17\% | 9\% | 17\% |


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5. Would you support or oppose requiring petition circulators to be paid a salary rather than paying them for each signature they collect?

| Strongly or Somewhat Support | $\mathbf{5 0 \%}$ | $55 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $50 \%$ |
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| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | $\mathbf{2 9 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 7 \%}$ | $33 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $32 \%$ | $26 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{2 1 \%}$ | $18 \%$ | $24 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $17 \%$ | $25 \%$ |

6. School board voting is often held during special elections 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?

| Strongly or Somewhat Support | $\mathbf{7 5 \%}$ | $83 \%$ | $67 \%$ | $69 \%$ | $74 \%$ | $76 \%$ |
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| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | $\mathbf{1 4 \%}$ | $9 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $18 \%$ | $10 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{1 1 \%}$ | $7 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $15 \%$ |

7. Would you support or oppose requiring ballots to include the party affiliation for school board candidates?

| Strongly or Somewhat Support | $\mathbf{5 9 \%}$ | $72 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $53 \%$ | $61 \%$ | $58 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | $\mathbf{3 0 \%}$ | $17 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $35 \%$ | $32 \%$ | $28 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{1 1 \%}$ | $11 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $15 \%$ |

8. Would you support or oppose checking eligibility for people applying for welfare to ensure those applying for benefits are truly eligible?

| Strongly or Somewhat Support | $\mathbf{8 5 \%}$ | $90 \%$ | $71 \%$ | $87 \%$ | $88 \%$ | $82 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | $\mathbf{1 0 \%}$ | $6 \%$ | $22 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $12 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{5 \%}$ | $4 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $6 \%$ |

9. 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?

| Strongly or Somewhat Support | $\mathbf{7 9 \%}$ | $87 \%$ | $66 \%$ | $76 \%$ | $82 \%$ | $76 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | $\mathbf{1 5 \%}$ | $8 \%$ | $28 \%$ | $18 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $18 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{6 \%}$ | $5 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $6 \%$ |

10. Would you support or oppose the government sending regular cash payments to every person without requiring them to work?

| Strongly or Somewhat Support | $\mathbf{2 4 \%}$ | $18 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $22 \%$ | $26 \%$ |
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| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | $\mathbf{6 3 \%}$ | $72 \%$ | $42 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $68 \%$ | $58 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{1 3 \%}$ | $10 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $16 \%$ |


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11. Currently, Idaho 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 or Somewhat Support | $\mathbf{5 9 \%}$ | $64 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $51 \%$ | $59 \%$ | $59 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | $\mathbf{2 1 \%}$ | $18 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 4 \%}$ | $23 \%$ | $19 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{2 0 \%}$ | $18 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 6 \%}$ | $19 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 2 \%}$ |

12. 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?

| Strongly or Somewhat Support | $\mathbf{6 2 \%}$ | $71 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $62 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $60 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | $\mathbf{3 0 \%}$ | $23 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $28 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $30 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{8 \%}$ | $6 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $10 \%$ |

13. 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 or Somewhat Support | $\mathbf{6 7 \%}$ | $74 \%$ | $68 \%$ | $58 \%$ | $72 \%$ | $62 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | $\mathbf{2 3 \%}$ | $21 \%$ | $22 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $27 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{1 0 \%}$ | $5 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $11 \%$ |

14. Would you support or oppose temporarily suspending individuals from unemployment benefits if they repeatedly fail to show up for scheduled job interviews?

| Strongly or Somewhat Support | $\mathbf{8 1 \%}$ | $88 \%$ | $76 \%$ | $76 \%$ | $85 \%$ | $78 \%$ |
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| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | $\mathbf{1 2 \%}$ | $9 \%$ | $18 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $14 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{6 \%}$ | $3 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $8 \%$ |

15. 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?

| Strongly or Somewhat Support | $\mathbf{7 2 \%}$ | $79 \%$ | $68 \%$ | $66 \%$ | $73 \%$ | $71 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | $\mathbf{1 6 \%}$ | $10 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $19 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $11 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{1 2 \%}$ | $12 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $17 \%$ |

16. 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?

| Strongly or Somewhat Support | $\mathbf{9 2 \%}$ | $94 \%$ | $93 \%$ | $89 \%$ | $92 \%$ | $92 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | $\mathbf{6 \%}$ | $4 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $4 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{2 \%}$ | $2 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $0 \%$ | $4 \%$ |


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| 17. Would you support or oppose suspending hospitals from making decisions about a patient's Medicaid |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| eligibility if they knowingly extend Medicaid benefits to ineligible patients three or more times? |  |  |  |  |  |  |

18. 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?

| Strongly or Somewhat Support | $\mathbf{7 9 \%}$ | $78 \%$ | $80 \%$ | $80 \%$ | $82 \%$ | $77 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | $\mathbf{9 \%}$ | $8 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $7 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{1 2 \%}$ | $14 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $16 \%$ |

19. Would you support or oppose spending taxpayer dollars on government jobs that teach government employees they are "privileged" or "oppressors" based on their skin color or their beliefs?

| Strongly or Somewhat Support | $\mathbf{2 4 \%}$ | $16 \%$ | $37 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $26 \%$ | $22 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | $\mathbf{5 5 \%}$ | $65 \%$ | $28 \%$ | $58 \%$ | $58 \%$ | $51 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{2 2 \%}$ | $20 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $27 \%$ |

20. Would you support or oppose spending taxpayer dollars on contractors that teach government employees they are "privileged" or "oppressors" based on their skin color or their beliefs?

| Strongly or Somewhat Support | $\mathbf{2 0 \%}$ | $16 \%$ | $28 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 0} \%$ | $24 \%$ | $16 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | $\mathbf{6 2 \%}$ | $71 \%$ | $38 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $65 \%$ | $58 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{1 9 \%}$ | $13 \%$ | $33 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $26 \%$ |

21. Would you support or oppose public colleges and universities requiring faculty applicants to agree with certain political positions regarding race, gender, and ideology before being hired?

| Strongly or Somewhat Support | $\mathbf{1 9 \%}$ | $17 \%$ | $28 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $18 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Strongly or Somewhat Oppose | $\mathbf{7 1 \%}$ | $74 \%$ | $63 \%$ | $72 \%$ | $72 \%$ | $70 \%$ |
| Unsure | $\mathbf{1 0 \%}$ | $9 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $13 \%$ |

## DEMOGRAPHICS



Questions 1-10
Results for this poll were collected using a mixed-mode sampling frame that combines responses from automated telephone interviews with responses from an online panel. All data were collected by Cor Services, Inc. The combined statewide sample is of 504 likely Idaho voters.

The survey was conducted September 12-14, 2023. The margin of sampling error is $\pm 4.37$ 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.

## Questions 11-21

Results for this poll were collected using a mixed-mode sampling frame that combines responses from automated telephone interviews with responses from an online panel. All data were collected by Cor Services, Inc. The combined statewide sample is of 513 likely Idaho voters.
The survey was conducted September 12-14, 2023. The margin of sampling error is $\pm 4.33$ 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.

