

2024 MISSOURI Issues Poll

	ALL VOTERS	GOP	DEM	IND	MALE	FEMALE
1. Would you support or oppose the creation of a special unit that investigates election law violations?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	81%	88%	75%	78%	80%	81%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	11%	6%	15%	13%	14%	8%
Unsure	8%	5%	11%	9%	6%	10%
2. Would you support or oppose requiring school boards to publicly disclose all proposed school curricula?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	85%	92%	73%	91%	86%	85%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	9%	5%	17%	5%	9%	9%
Unsure	6%	3%	10%	4%	5%	6%
3. Would you support or oppose term limits for school board members?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	81%	86%	74%	83%	83%	80%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	11%	8%	15%	9%	10%	11%
Unsure	8%	6%	11%	8%	7%	9%
4. Would you support or oppose requiring ballots to include the party affiliation for school board candidates?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	59%	65%	59%	50%	63%	56%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	26%	23%	25%	33%	26%	27%
Unsure	15%	12%	16%	17%	12%	17%

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5. 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	79%	83%	73%	80%	83%	76%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	9%	7%	11%	8%	10%	8%
Unsure	13%	11%	16%	12%	8%	17%
6. 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	63%	61%	66%	61%	66%	59%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	15%	16%	15%	14%	15%	15%
Unsure	22%	23%	18%	25%	18%	25%
7. 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	60%	71%	42%	65%	66%	54%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	27%	18%	42%	22%	25%	29%
Unsure	13%	11%	16%	13%	10%	17%
8. Would you support or oppose requiring an individual who collects signatures for a ballot initiative to be a certified notary public?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	53%	63%	45%	49%	53%	54%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	30%	23%	39%	30%	31%	30%
Unsure	16%	13%	16%	21%	16%	16%
9. Would you support or oppose requiring individuals who collect signatures for a ballot initiative to be registered to vote in Missouri?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	83%	88%	79%	81%	84%	82%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	10%	8%	12%	11%	11%	9%
Unsure	7%	5%	9%	8%	5%	9%
10. Currently, Missouri effectively allows supporters of a proposed law to collect signatures for up to 18 months. Would you support or oppose limiting the time supporters have to collect signatures to 90 days?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	50%	60%	40%	47%	52%	48%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	35%	25%	43%	39%	37%	32%
Unsure	16%	15%	17%	14%	11%	20%

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11. Missouri allows constitutional amendments to be passed with a simple majority vote. Would you support or oppose requiring 55 percent of voters to approve a Missouri constitutional amendment before it is allowed to go into effect?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	68%	72%	60%	72%	67%	69%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	20%	17%	26%	18%	24%	17%
Unsure	12%	11%	14%	10%	9%	14%
12. Would you support or oppose requiring hospitals to actually verify whether a patient is eligible for Medicaid before charging Missouri's Medicaid program for services?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	69%	75%	62%	69%	74%	65%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	20%	16%	26%	18%	19%	21%
Unsure	11%	8%	12%	13%	7%	14%
13. 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?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	48%	54%	39%	48%	54%	42%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	28%	25%	36%	24%	26%	30%
Unsure	24%	21%	25%	29%	20%	28%
14. 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	83%	87%	75%	87%	85%	81%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	12%	9%	18%	9%	11%	13%
Unsure	5%	4%	7%	4%	5%	5%
15. Would you support or oppose requiring able-bodied adults under 60 years old with no children under six to work, train, or volunteer at least part time as a condition of eligibility for food stamps?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	69%	77%	60%	69%	71%	68%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	23%	16%	33%	22%	23%	23%
Unsure	7%	7%	7%	9%	6%	9%
16. Would you support or oppose the government sending regular cash payments to every person without requiring them to work?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	28%	19%	43%	25%	27%	29%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	63%	79%	46%	62%	65%	62%
Unsure	8%	3%	11%	13%	8%	9%

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17. 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?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	88%	90%	81%	93%	92%	85%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	8%	8%	10%	5%	7%	8%
Unsure	5%	3%	9%	2%	2%	7%
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?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	80%	80%	78%	82%	83%	78%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	12%	11%	13%	11%	13%	11%
Unsure	8%	9%	9%	7%	5%	11%
19. Would you support or oppose allowing the state to extend the length of time individuals can remain on unemployment when unemployment is high, and reduce the length of time when unemployment is low?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	65%	65%	67%	62%	66%	64%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	21%	23%	19%	22%	23%	20%
Unsure	14%	12%	14%	16%	11%	16%
20. 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	82%	88%	72%	86%	85%	80%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	13%	9%	22%	8%	11%	14%
Unsure	5%	3%	6%	6%	4%	6%
21. Do you support or oppose investing taxpayer money in banks and investment funds that make business decisions based on their political agenda?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	18%	14%	22%	16%	19%	16%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	71%	77%	64%	71%	71%	71%
Unsure	11%	9%	13%	13%	9%	13%
22. 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	18%	17%	22%	16%	22%	16%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	72%	75%	65%	74%	70%	73%
Unsure	10%	8%	14%	9%	9%	11%

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23. Would you support or oppose spending taxpayer dollars on programs that teach Americans that they are “privileged” or “oppressors” based on their skin color or their beliefs?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	19%	9%	37%	14%	20%	18%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	71%	88%	49%	73%	72%	70%
Unsure	10%	4%	14%	13%	7%	12%
24. Do you support or oppose the teaching of gender identity and sexual orientation topics in Missouri’s public elementary schools?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	30%	14%	55%	24%	30%	30%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	65%	84%	35%	74%	67%	63%
Unsure	5%	2%	11%	2%	3%	7%
25. Would you support or oppose allowing students and parents to opt out of sexual and gender education and other controversial subjects?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	66%	76%	52%	70%	69%	64%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	26%	18%	39%	22%	25%	27%
Unsure	7%	6%	9%	7%	6%	9%
26. Would you support or oppose requiring state bureaucratic agencies to get legislative approval before costly regulations are allowed to get into effect?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	75%	81%	68%	76%	78%	73%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	11%	7%	19%	8%	12%	10%
Unsure	14%	12%	14%	16%	10%	17%
27. Would you support or oppose allowing high school students to work part time without having to obtain a government work permit?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	81%	88%	75%	79%	83%	79%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	14%	10%	19%	14%	14%	14%
Unsure	5%	2%	5%	7%	3%	6%
28. Would you support or oppose allowing homeowners to make minor repairs and renovations to their homes without having to obtain a government permit?						
Strongly or Somewhat Support	87%	92%	80%	89%	90%	85%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	8%	6%	14%	5%	7%	9%
Unsure	5%	2%	6%	6%	3%	6%

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29. 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 or Somewhat Support	82%	84%	79%	83%	84%	81%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	9%	10%	11%	6%	11%	7%
Unsure	9%	6%	9%	11%	5%	12%

DEMOGRAPHICS

PARTY AFFILIATION

39% GOP	33% DEM	29% IND
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AGE

37% 18-44	36% 45-64	27% 65+
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EDUCATION

63% NO FOUR-YEAR DEGREE	37% FOUR-YEAR DEGREE
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GENDER

46% MALE	56% FEMALE
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Results for this poll were collected using a sampling frame from an online panel collected by the Center for Excellence in Polling. The statewide sample is of 546 likely Missouri voters.

The survey was conducted September 7-8, 2023. The margin of sampling error is ± 4.19 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.

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