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LAKE EFFECT



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Welcome to Lake Effect

Welcome to Lake Effect, a monthly research newsletter and a resource for progressive leaders and advocates, presented by Progress Michigan and Public Policy Polling.

Research in this newsletter comes from a survey conducted between January 10th and 11th.

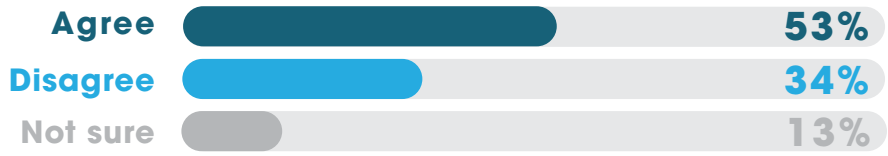




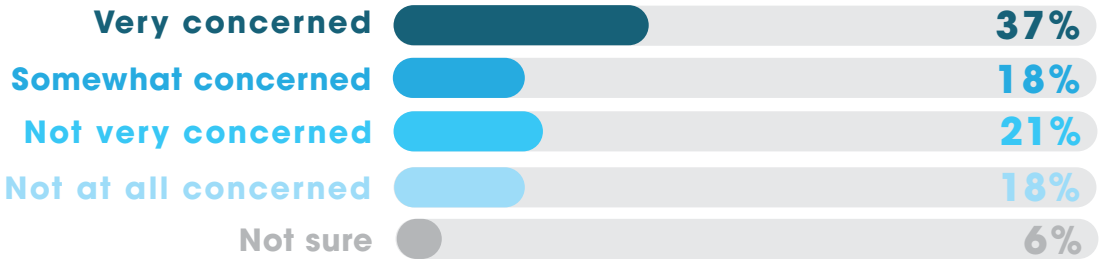
Voters Still Concerned About January 6th Insurrection

Not only do a majority of voters agree events like the January 6th insurrection are a threat to democracy, they are also very or somewhat concerned about it happening again, and believe it is connected to efforts to restrict voting rights.

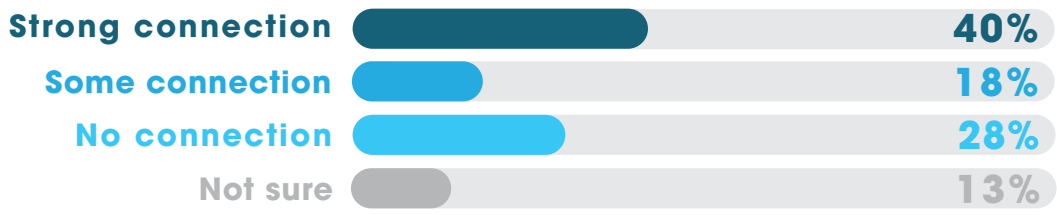
Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Events like the riot at the Capitol in Washington DC on January 6th, 2021 are a threat to democracy.



Are you very concerned, somewhat concerned, not very concerned, or not at all concerned about an event similar to the riot at the Capitol in Washington DC on January 6th, 2021 happening again?



Do you personally feel that there is a strong connection, some connection, or no connection between the January 6th riot at the Capitol and the sweeping efforts to restrict voting rights across the country and here in Michigan?

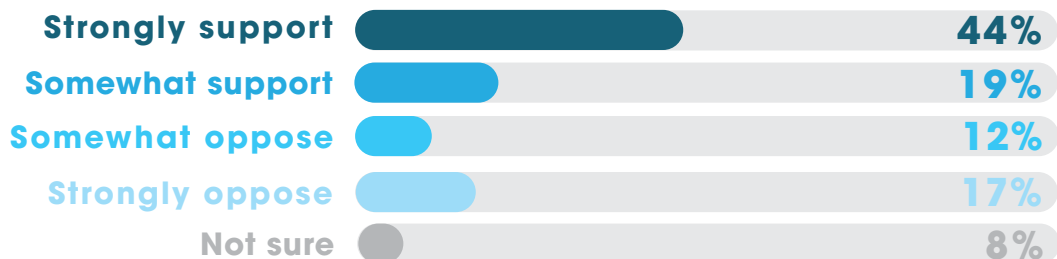




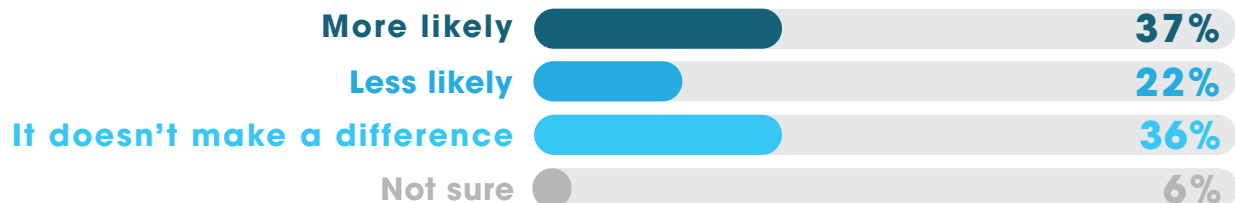
Vast Majority of Voters Support Raising Minimum Wage to \$15

Respondents show strong support for a statewide ballot initiative gradually raising the minimum wage to \$15 by 2027, but are divided on if a candidate for public office supporting the initiative would affect their vote for that candidate.

Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose a statewide ballot initiative to raise the minimum wage gradually to \$15 by 2027?



If a candidate for state or local office supported a ballot initiative to raise Michigan's minimum wage to \$15 by 2027, would you be more likely or less likely to support that candidate, or would it not make a difference?

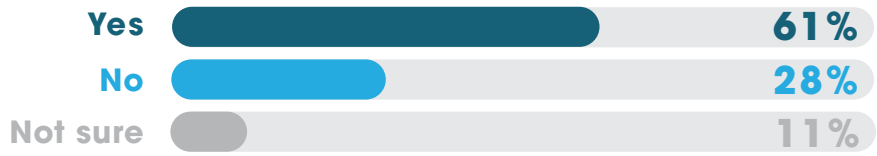




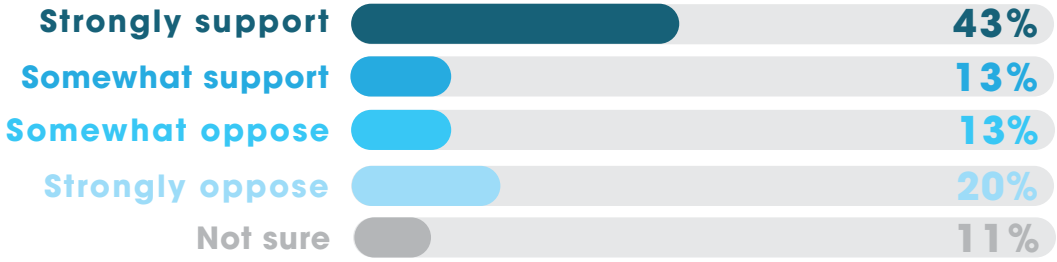
Ballot Initiative to Protect Abortion Rights Sees Majority Support

Michiganders are paying attention to what the reversal of Roe v. Wade would mean in Michigan and they not only want to protect abortion rights in Michigan but want their candidates to support it as well.

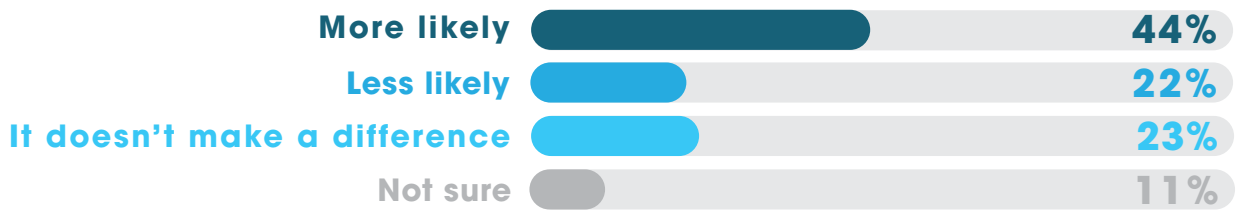
Are you aware of the fact that if Roe v. Wade is overturned, abortion in Michigan would effectively be criminalized because of a nearly 100-year-old law?



If Roe v. Wade is overturned, abortion in Michigan would effectively be criminalized. Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose a ballot initiative to protect abortion rights in Michigan?



If a candidate for state or local office supported a ballot initiative to protect abortion rights in Michigan, would you be more likely or less likely to support that candidate, or would it not make a difference?

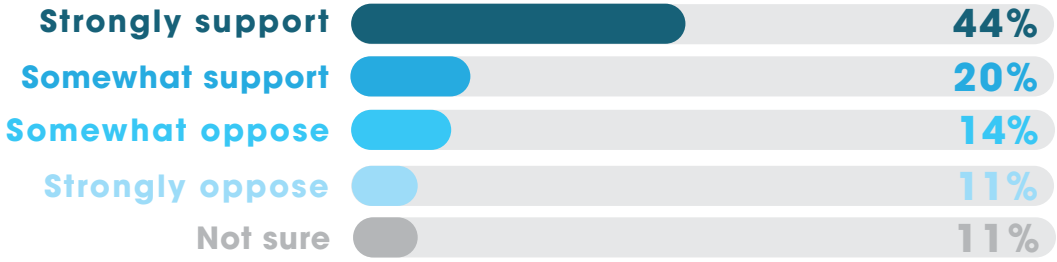




Majority Say Support Women in the Workforce

With the pandemic highlighting the need for programs such as universal childcare, increased family leave benefits, and more on-the-job flexibility, Michiganders support implementing these measures to address the disproportionate impact the pandemic had on women in the workforce.

The coronavirus pandemic has disproportionately affected employment rates of women, with hundreds of thousands of women across the country dropping out of the workforce in 2020 and 2021 to manage child care or family issues. Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose efforts to address this problem such as universal child care, increased family leave benefits, and more on-the-job flexibility.



About Lake Effect

Presented by Progress Michigan, Lake Effect is a monthly research newsletter that follows public opinion in Michigan. Each month, Public Policy Polling will survey registered voters across Michigan about their opinions of important issues and public figures in the state. These newsletters will break down the results and provide readers with key takeaways and analysis from the data.

About This Study

PPP interviewed 680 Michigan voters by phone and text from January 10th and 11th on behalf of Progress Michigan. The margin of error is +/- 3.8%

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