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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 September 30 - October 1, 2022.

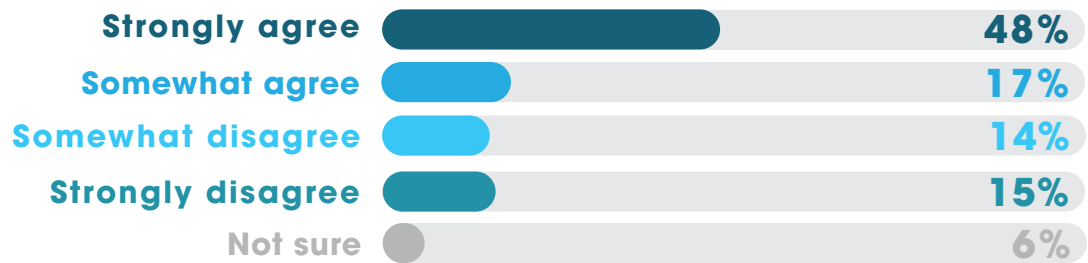




## Respondents Agree: Teachers Should Support LGBTQ Students

Despite ongoing Republican attacks and disinformation, Michiganders believe schools and teachers should ensure LGBTQ students feel safe, accepted, and welcome.

Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with the following statement: schools and teachers should ensure LGBTQ students feel safe, accepted, and welcome.

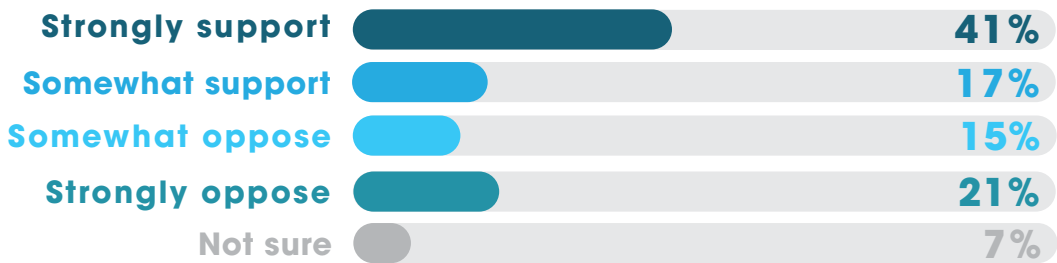




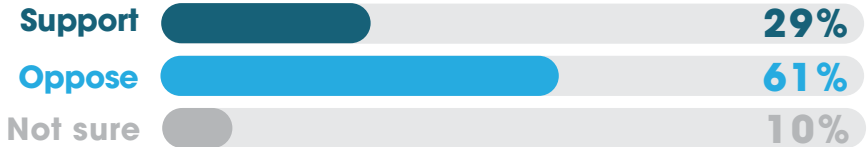
## Majority Support Teachers' Unions, Oppose Book Bans

Michiganders support teachers' unions and strongly oppose banning books.

Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose teachers' unions?



Recently, right-wing extremists and Republican candidates for office across the country and in Michigan have been calling for banning certain books from both public and school libraries. Do you support or oppose banning books?

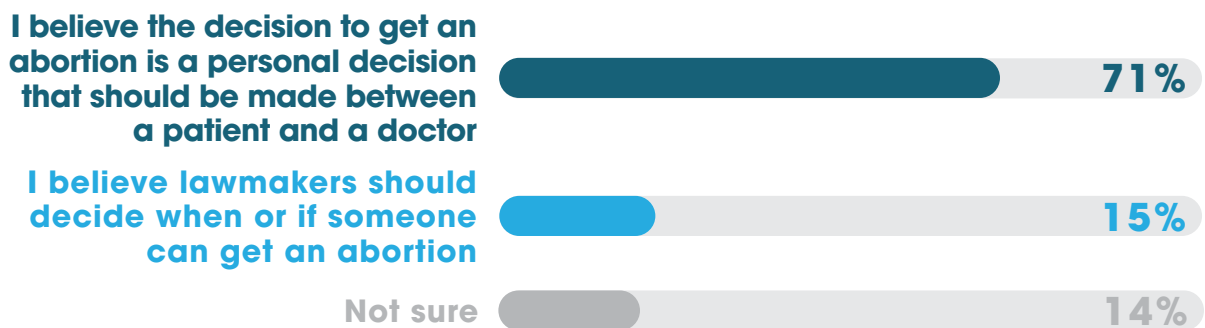




## Michiganders Support Abortion as Personal Choice

An overwhelming majority believe when or if to get an abortion is a personal decision that should be made between a patient and a doctor, not by lawmakers.

Which of the following statements is closest to your view, even if neither of them is exactly correct: I believe the decision to get an abortion is a personal decision that should be made between a patient and a doctor, or I believe lawmakers should decide when or if someone can get an abortion?

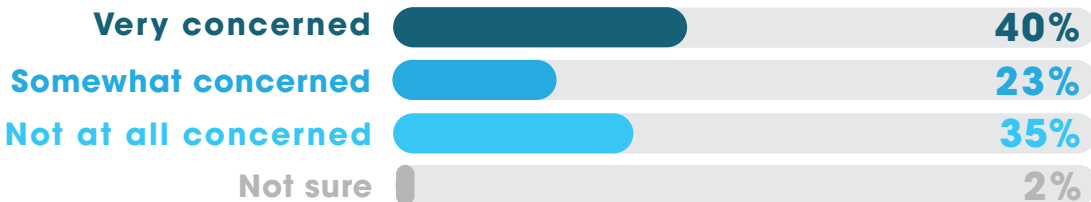




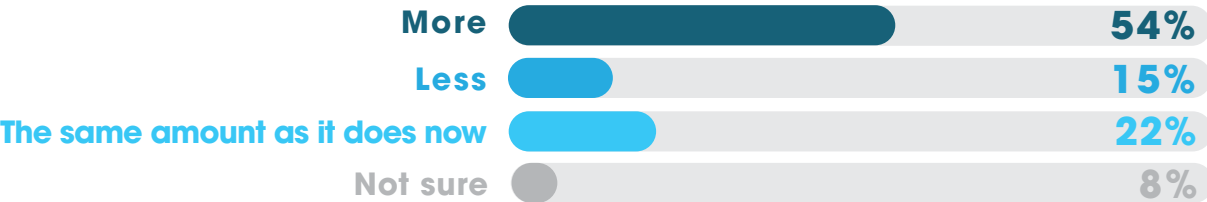
## Majority Want Action on Climate Crisis

Michiganders are concerned about the climate crisis and want Michigan to produce more clean energy.

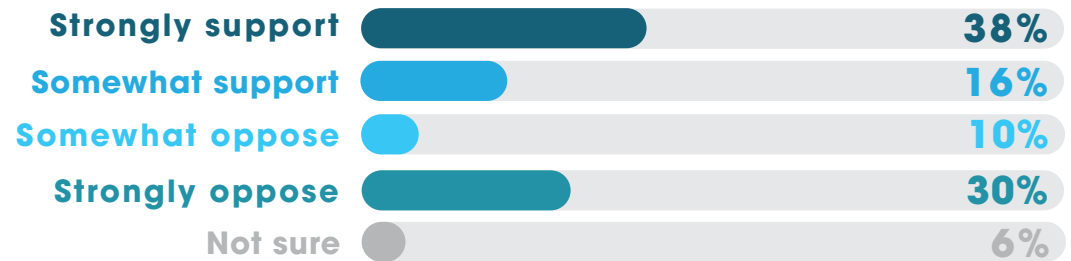
How concerned are you about the outgoing effects of the climate crisis: very concerned, somewhat concerned, or not at all concerned?



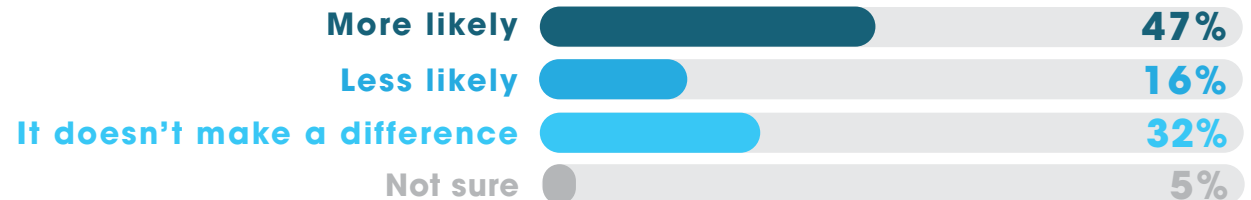
Do you believe Michigan should produce more, less, or the same amount as it does now of clean energy from sources such as wind and solar?



Over the summer, Congress and President Biden passed the Inflation Reduction Act, sometimes called the IRA. This bill will invest \$329 billion in domestic clean energy production, increasing America's energy security, and reducing pollution. It will be paid for by closing tax loopholes on corporations and the wealthiest Americans. Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose the Inflation Reduction Act?



The Inflation Reduction Act will also lower healthcare costs and prescription drug prices by allowing Medicare to negotiate drug prices. Does this make you more likely or less likely to support the Inflation Reduction Act, or does it not make a difference?



## 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 surveys registered voters across Michigan about their opinions on important issues and public figures in the state. These newsletters break down the results and provide readers with key takeaways and analysis from the data.

## About This Study

PPP interviewed 749 Michigan voters by phone and text September 30 - October 1, 2022 on behalf of Progress Michigan. The margin of error is +/- 3.6%

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