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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 December 6 - 7, 2022.

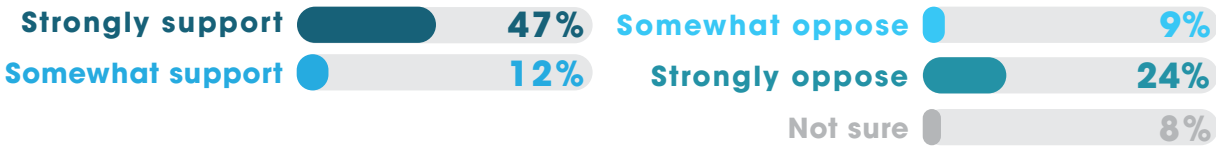




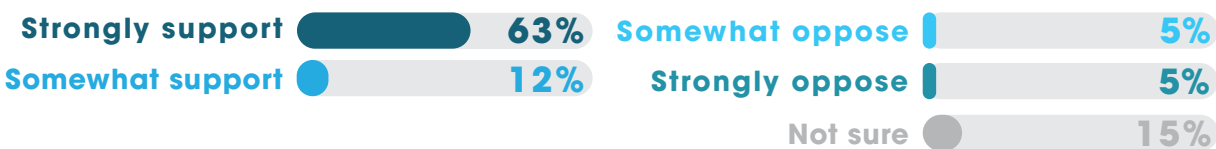
Michiganders' Priorities for Lawmakers

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I am going to list possible priorities the Michigan legislature could tackle in 2023 and ask if you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose the legislature taking action on these issues. Here's the first issue: passing gun violence prevention measures such as emergency risk protection orders and safe storage legislation.



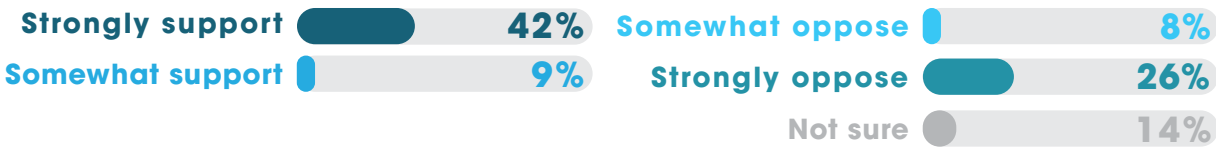
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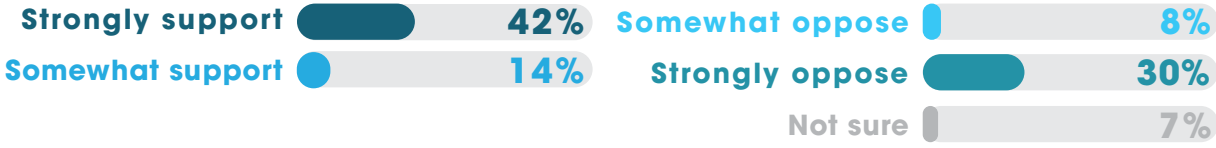
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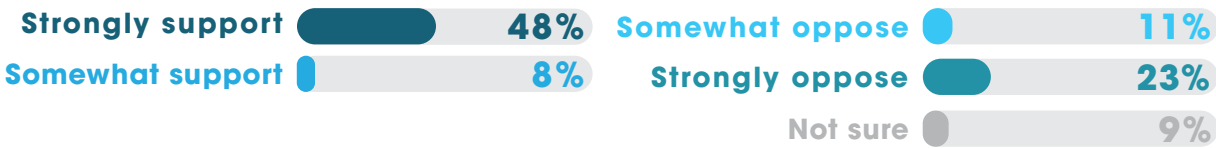
Here's the next issue: codifying equal rights for LGBTQ Michiganders into law by amending the Elliot-Larsen Civil Rights Act.



Here's the next issue: working on bills to combat climate change.



Here's the next one: repealing Michigan's 1931 law criminalizing abortion.



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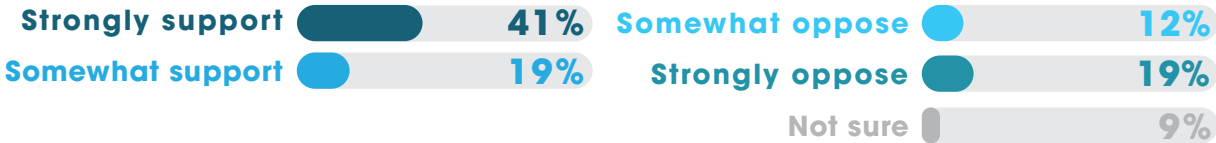


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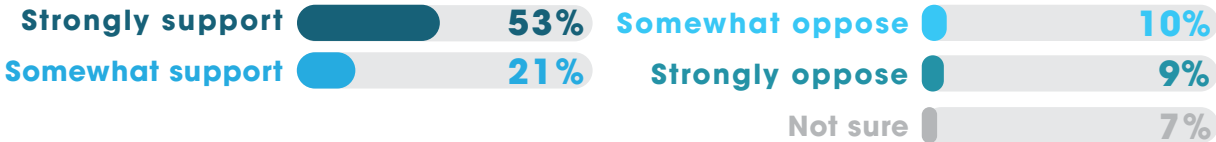
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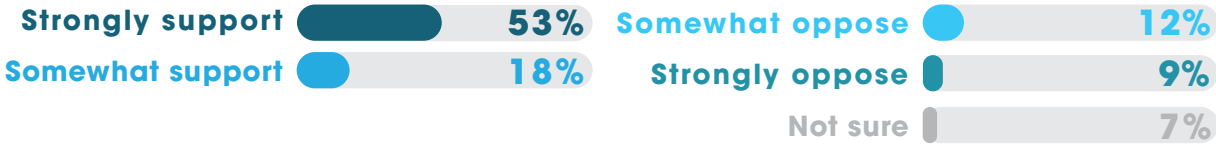
Here's the next one: providing teacher retention bonuses that would provide school staff members with bonuses each year they return for 2023, 2024, and 2025.



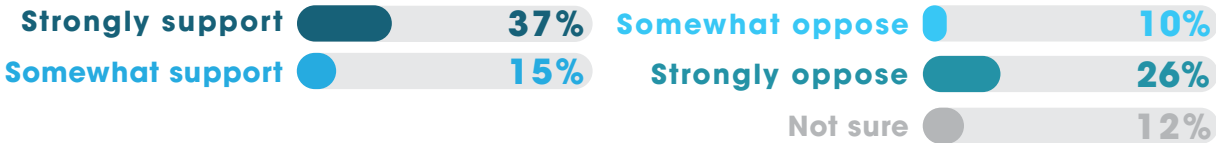
Here's the next one: expanding affordable early childhood education.



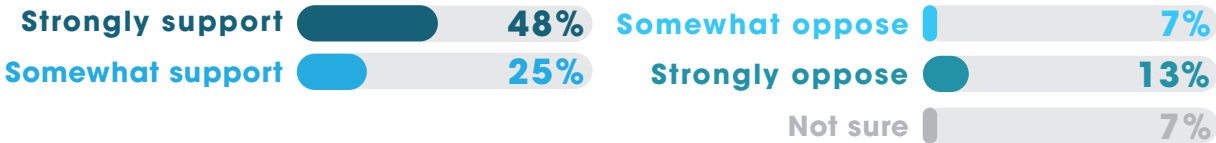
Here's the next one: repealing the tipped minimum wage in Michigan so people working in tipped professions are paid at least the minimum wage.



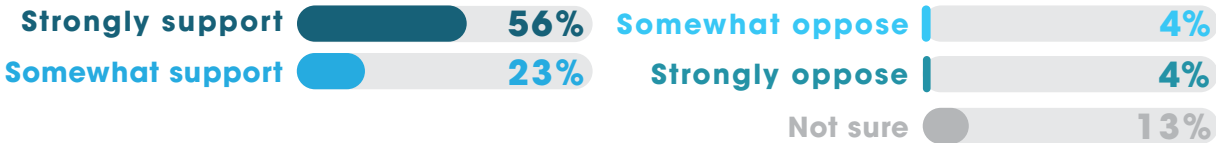
Here's the next one: creating a plan for Michigan's farmers of color to access debt relief and land grant programs to address the history of discrimination against farmers and ranchers of color.



Here's the next one: ensuring farmers receive access to loans, technical training, and other support to lead on climate-smart agriculture.



Here's the last one: representing Michigan's independent farmers and ranchers while holding mega corporations accountable.

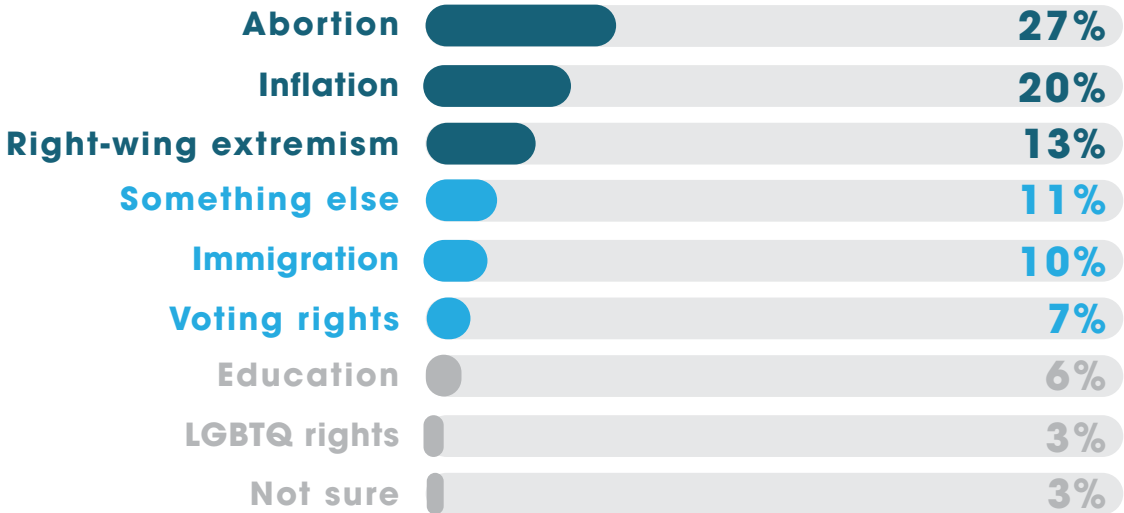




Abortion Top Motivator for Voters

Abortion, inflation, and right-wing extremism top issues that motivated voters.

When thinking about your motivation to vote this past election, from the following list of choices, which of the following issues motivated you the most: abortion, education, immigration, inflation, LGBTQ rights, right-wing extremism, voting rights, or something else?

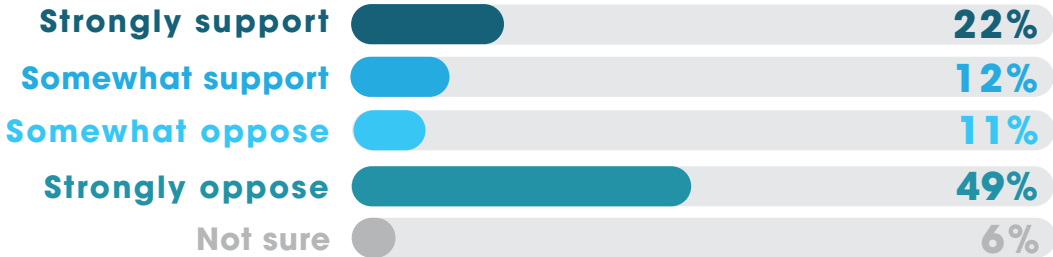




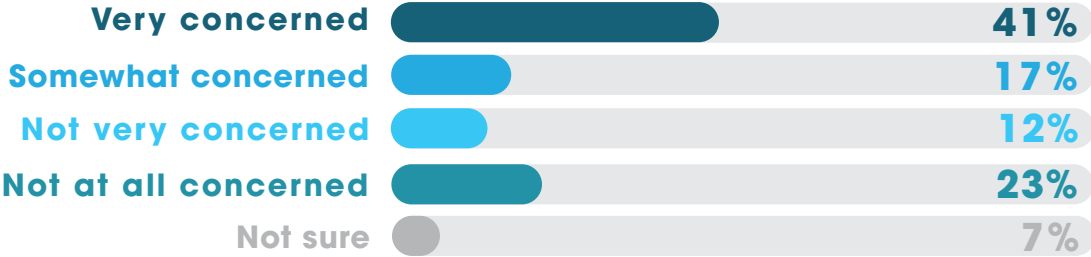
Strong Support for the LGBTQ Community

Michiganders oppose book bans and hateful, anti-LGBTQ rhetoric from Republican lawmakers and officials.

There continue to be calls from right-wing and Republican groups to ban books and even close libraries due to LGBTQ representation in books. Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose these efforts to ban books and close libraries?



This election season, there was a rise in hateful rhetoric from Republican lawmakers and officials targeting the LGBTQ community that advocates say is dangerous to LGBTQ people of all ages. Are you very concerned, somewhat concerned, not very concerned, or not at all concerned about these attacks on the LGBTQ community?

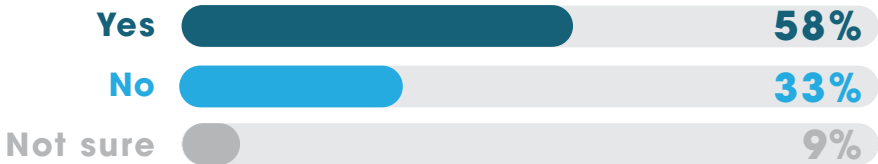




Voters Believe Election Results are Legitimate

Not only do the majority of Michiganders continue to believe the 2020 election results are legitimate, a vast majority also believe the recent 2022 election results are legitimate.

Do you think the 2020 Presidential election results were legitimate, or not?



Do you think the 2022 election results in Michigan were legitimate, or not?



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 763 Michigan voters by phone and text December 6 - 7, 2022 on behalf of Progress Michigan. The margin of error is +/- 3.6%

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For results of additional questions asked in this survey, [click here.](#)