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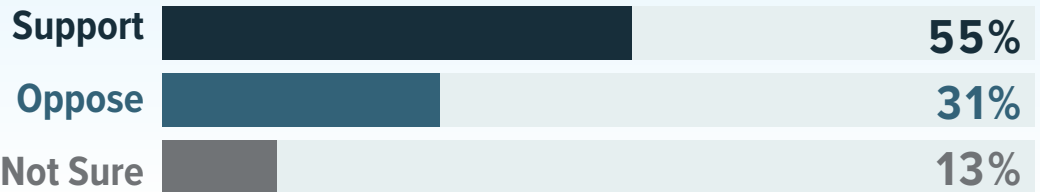


# Support for LGBTQ+ Inclusivity and Conversion Therapy Ban



Michiganders support banning conversion therapy for minors, oppose lawmakers attacking companies for celebrating Pride Month, and support efforts to be more inclusive of LGBTQ+ kids in schools.

**Question 8:** Michigan Republicans continue to push back on efforts to be more inclusive of LGBTQ+ students in schools. Do you support or oppose schools making efforts to ensure all kids, including LGBTQ+ kids, feel safe and welcomed?



**Question 9:** Many companies have introduced new product lines or made statements in support of the LGBTQ+ community for June, which is PRIDE month. Right-wing media, as well as lawmakers and officials, have focused on attacking these companies for their efforts. When thinking about issues lawmakers should focus on, do you support or oppose them attacking companies for celebrating Pride month?



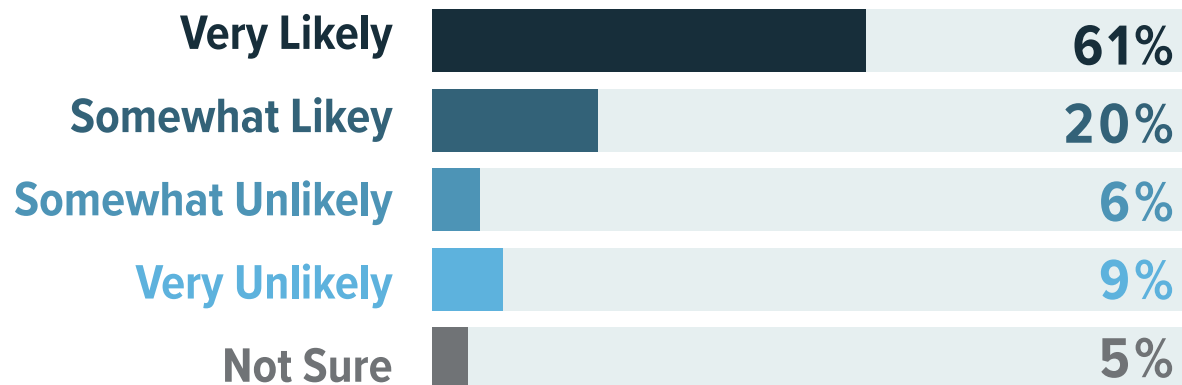
## POLL: Question 10

**61%** of Michigan voters support banning conversion therapy for minors.

# Strong Support for Root Cause Gun Violence Prevention Measures

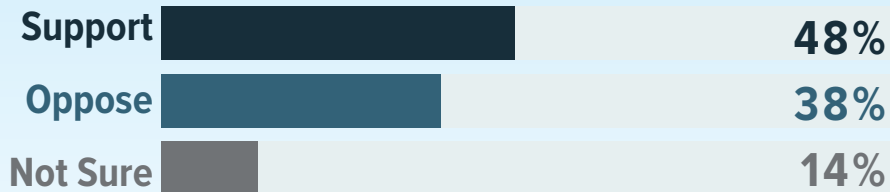
A strong majority of Michigan voters are very or somewhat likely to support efforts to address the root causes of gun violence such as poverty, housing, and mental health.

**Question 16:** Many gun violence prevention efforts focus on the regulation of firearms and access to them. Some gun violence prevention measures focus instead on addressing the root causes of gun violence such as poverty, housing, and mental health. Would you be very likely, somewhat likely, somewhat unlikely, or very unlikely to support efforts to address the root causes of gun violence such as poverty, housing, and mental health?

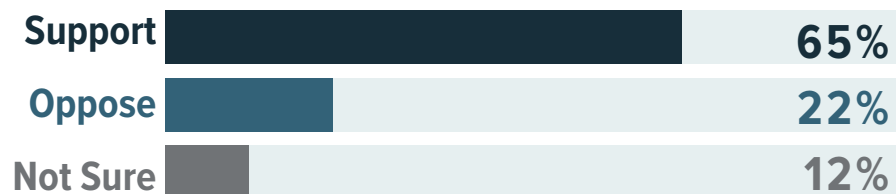


# Voters Weigh in on Various Issues

**Question 13:** Michigan law prohibits paying for rides to take voters to the polls. Legislation was recently introduced to get rid of this law and allow organizations to provide transportation to help voters cast their ballots on Election Day. Do you support or oppose allowing Michigan voters to receive paid rides to the polls from organizations?

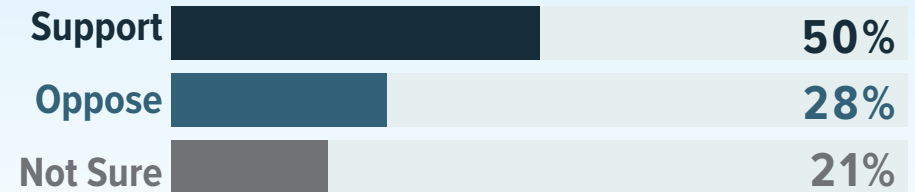


**Question 15:** Legislation has been introduced in Michigan that would ensure public employees, including public school teachers, have the right to collectively bargain over working conditions and wages the same as private employees like autoworkers do. Do you support or oppose Michigan lawmakers passing this legislation that would ensure public employees would have the same bargaining rights as private employees?

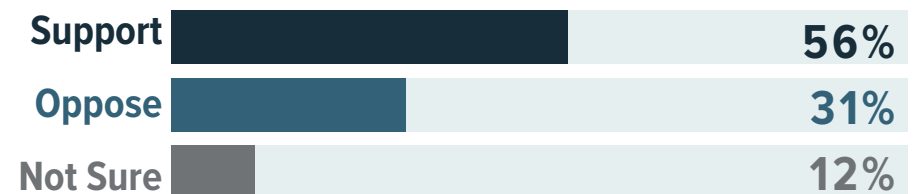


Michiganders weigh in on rides to the polls, public employees having the same bargaining rights as private employees, paid family leave, and affordable housing.

**Question 2:** Would you support or oppose additional investments from the state to refurbish existing public housing and build new mixed-income public housing?



**Question 11:** Bills were recently introduced in the Michigan Senate that would allow employees up to 15 weeks of paid leave from work to deal with family or medical issues. Do you support or oppose implementing 15 weeks of paid family leave in Michigan?



# Majority Support National Popular Vote Choosing President



**POLL: Question 6**

**62%** of Michigan voters

**believe the candidate for President that the most Americans vote for should win the presidential election.**

While some are still unsure, Michiganders are supportive of legislation that ensures the candidate who wins the most votes wins the presidency.

**Question 7:** Right now, presidential candidates who win the most votes nationwide aren't guaranteed to win the election because presidents are elected using the Electoral College. Every state has a certain number of Electoral College votes, and it is those Electoral College votes that are totaled to decide who wins the presidential election. Sometimes the candidate who wins the most votes nationwide does not win the most Electoral College votes and therefore loses the presidential election. Would you support or oppose legislation that would allow Michigan to give all of its Electoral College votes to the presidential candidate who wins the most votes nationwide, as part of an effort by multiple states to ensure the candidate who wins the most votes nationwide wins the presidential election?

