

VERA MI
N = 600 Likely 2026 GEVs in MI
Current Length: 20 minutes
Splits: A, B

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- Q1.** In which state do you live? **[INSERT DROP DOWN LIST; ONLY ACCEPT MI]**
Q2. In which county do you live? **[INSERT DROP DOWN LIST]**

Wayne	15	20	31	6	20
Outer Metro.....	30	32	31	28	34
Central	20	21	15	21	19
West	28	23	19	37	23
North.....	6	4	4	8	5

- Q3.** Which of the following best describes your gender?

Man.....	46	37	62	50	39
Woman	53	63	37	50	60
Nonbinary	0	0	1	0	1
Prefer to self-describe	0	0	0	0	0

- Q4.** What is your age? **[TERMINATE IF UNDER 18 OR OVER 99]**

18 - 24	7	6	21	4	5
25 - 29	6	9	2	4	8
30 - 34	8	8	7	9	7
35 - 39	6	7	6	6	7
40 - 44	7	6	6	9	5
45 - 49	8	5	18	9	5
50 - 54	9	10	14	7	12
55 - 59	9	9	6	10	9
60 - 64	10	8	7	13	8
65 - 69	11	10	7	14	10
70 - 74	9	11	4	8	11
Over 74.....	9	12	2	10	13
Under 30	13	15	24	7	13
30 - 39	15	14	13	14	14
40 - 49	16	12	24	18	10
50 - 64	28	27	26	30	29
65 & over	29	32	13	31	35

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Q5. What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

1 - 11th Grade.....	3	2	7	2	3
High School Graduate.....	18	15	33	18	13
Vocational or technical school.....	5	3	3	7	3
Some college but no degree	21	19	17	22	16
Associate degree	14	10	7	21	13
4-year college graduate or bachelor's degree	26	33	27	19	36
Graduate School or advanced degree.....	13	18	6	11	17
Non-college.....	61	50	67	71	47
College	39	50	33	29	53

Q6. And please indicate which one, or more than one, of these racial or ethnic groups you identify with. **[RANDOMIZE, ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES]**

White or Caucasian.....	74	63	64	89	68
Black or African American	16	27	23	4	24
Latino/Latina or Hispanic.....	3	3	6	3	3
Asian American or Pacific Islander.....	4	5	6	2	4
Native or Indigenous American	3	4	1	3	3
Middle Eastern or North African	1	1	0	0	1
Other.....	1	1	0	1	1

Q7. How likely are you to vote in the 2026 general elections for governor, US Senate, Congress and other offices—are you almost CERTAIN to vote, will you PROBABLY vote, are the chances about 50-50, are you probably NOT going to vote, or are you DEFINITELY not going to vote?

Almost certain	74	80	53	74	84
Probably.....	14	9	20	15	11
50-50	13	10	27	11	5
Probably not.....	TERMINATE				
Definitely not	TERMINATE				
Not sure	TERMINATE				

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Q8. How likely are you to vote in the 2026 primary elections for governor, US Senate, Congress and other offices—are you almost CERTAIN to vote, will you PROBABLY vote, are the chances about 50-50, are you probably NOT going to vote, or are you DEFINITELY not going to vote?

Almost certain	72	81	51	71	85
Probably.....	13	9	16	16	10
50-50	11	8	21	11	5
Probably not.....	2	1	4	2	0
Definitely not	2	0	7	0	0
Not sure	0	0	1	0	0

Q9. [IF Q8=1,2,3] And will you vote in the Democratic or Republican primary, or will you not vote in either of these two parties' primaries?

Weighted N=	577	262	69	239	277
Unweighted N=	577	313	48	211	310
Democratic primary	48	93	31	3	100
Republican primary	39	1	3	90	0
Neither party's primary	7	1	42	4	0
Not sure	6	5	24	3	0

Q8/9. Likely Primary Voters

Likely Democratic primary	46	91	27	3	100
Likely Republican primary	37	1	2	88	0
Neither /not sure	13	6	58	6	0
Not likely primary voter.....	4	2	12	3	0

Q10. Now, you are going to read a list of issues facing Michigan. Please indicate which two of the following issues you believe are the most important for your elected leaders to focus on. **[RANDOMIZE, ALLOW 1-2 RESPONSES]**

The cost of living, including groceries, gas, and housing	73	75	77	69	76
Healthcare	26	36	15	19	34
Jobs and employment.....	24	24	37	18	24
Abuses of power	18	22	13	13	24
Taxes.....	17	9	24	25	10
Crime and public safety.....	14	8	10	21	8
Immigration	12	7	2	20	7
Education.....	7	9	9	3	9
Something else	3	1	3	5	1
Not sure	1	0	3	0	1

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Q11. For each of the following public figures and groups, please indicate whether you have a VERY favorable, SOMEWHAT favorable, somewhat UNFAVORABLE, or VERY unfavorable impression. If you have heard of the person or group, but do not know enough to have an opinion, or if you have never heard of them, please indicate that. **[RANDOMIZE]**

Sorted by “Very favorable”

11b.Gretchen Whitmer.....	31	53	30	8	53
11i.Local police departments.....	29	24	24	38	23
11c.Jocelyn Benson.....	22	43	15	2	42
11a.Donald Trump	22	2	11	47	1
11h.ICE.....	22	3	16	43	3
11d.Abdul El-Sayed	17	33	13	2	33
11e.Haley Stevens.....	16	30	10	3	27
11j.Police unions.....	15	16	5	18	15
11f.Mike Rogers.....	11	2	4	23	2
11k.U.S. Congress.....	8	7	7	9	7
11g.Eli Savit.....	5	7	6	2	7

a. Donald Trump

Very favorable.....	22	2	11	47	1
Somewhat favorable	19	4	29	33	2
Somewhat unfavorable	6	5	11	6	6
Very unfavorable.....	51	88	44	14	90
No opinion.....	2	1	5	0	1
Never heard	0	0	0	0	0
Favorable.....	41	6	40	80	3
Unfavorable	57	93	55	19	96

b. Gretchen Whitmer

Very favorable.....	31	53	30	8	53
Somewhat favorable	23	33	22	14	29
Somewhat unfavorable	11	7	16	13	11
Very unfavorable.....	28	3	15	59	4
No opinion.....	5	3	11	5	3
Never heard	2	1	6	2	0
Favorable.....	54	86	52	22	82
Unfavorable	39	10	30	72	15

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c. Jocelyn Benson

Very favorable.....	22	43	15	2	42
Somewhat favorable	24	33	19	15	34
Somewhat unfavorable	12	4	21	19	5
Very unfavorable.....	20	2	9	42	5
No opinion.....	15	12	21	15	12
Never heard	7	6	14	7	3
Favorable.....	46	76	34	18	76
Unfavorable	32	6	30	60	10

d. Abdul El-Sayed

Very favorable.....	17	33	13	2	33
Somewhat favorable	20	32	13	10	32
Somewhat unfavorable	14	11	15	19	12
Very unfavorable.....	29	6	28	53	6
No opinion.....	13	14	18	9	14
Never heard	7	4	13	7	2
Favorable.....	37	65	26	12	65
Unfavorable	43	17	43	72	19

e. Haley Stevens

Very favorable.....	16	30	10	3	27
Somewhat favorable	24	38	16	13	40
Somewhat unfavorable	18	14	26	21	16
Very unfavorable.....	21	6	17	37	7
No opinion.....	14	10	22	15	8
Never heard	7	3	10	11	2
Favorable.....	40	67	26	16	67
Unfavorable	39	19	43	59	23

f. Mike Rogers

Very favorable.....	11	2	4	23	2
Somewhat favorable	28	8	24	51	8
Somewhat unfavorable	12	17	12	6	16
Very unfavorable.....	28	52	19	5	54
No opinion.....	18	16	32	13	16
Never heard	4	4	9	2	5
Favorable.....	39	10	27	74	10
Unfavorable	40	69	31	11	70

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g. Eli Savit

Very favorable.....	5	7	6	2	7
Somewhat favorable	6	9	2	4	8
Somewhat unfavorable	9	7	12	10	8
Very unfavorable.....	8	4	9	11	4
No opinion.....	23	24	23	20	26
Never heard	50	49	47	53	47
Favorable.....	11	16	8	6	15
Unfavorable	16	11	21	21	12

h. United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement, or ICE

Very favorable.....	22	3	16	43	3
Somewhat favorable	17	5	11	32	5
Somewhat unfavorable	11	13	9	10	13
Very unfavorable.....	44	73	47	12	74
No opinion.....	6	5	17	3	5
Never heard	0	0	1	0	0
Favorable.....	39	9	27	75	8
Unfavorable	55	86	56	22	87

i. Local police departments

Very favorable.....	29	24	24	38	23
Somewhat favorable	43	45	32	46	43
Somewhat unfavorable	10	14	10	5	14
Very unfavorable.....	8	8	13	6	10
No opinion.....	9	9	20	5	11
Never heard	0	0	0	0	0
Favorable.....	73	69	57	84	66
Unfavorable	18	22	23	11	24

j. Police unions

Very favorable.....	15	16	5	18	15
Somewhat favorable	34	27	19	47	28
Somewhat unfavorable	13	16	24	7	17
Very unfavorable.....	12	14	13	7	16
No opinion.....	24	24	34	19	24
Never heard	3	2	6	2	1
Favorable.....	49	43	23	65	42
Unfavorable	25	30	37	14	33

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k. U.S. Congress

Very favorable.....	8	7	7	9	7
Somewhat favorable	24	16	28	33	15
Somewhat unfavorable	37	40	31	35	40
Very unfavorable.....	21	28	17	14	30
No opinion.....	10	8	14	9	8
Never heard	1	0	3	0	0
Favorable.....	32	23	35	42	22
Unfavorable	58	68	49	49	70

Q12. If the 2026 general election for Governor of Michigan were held today, would you vote for **[ROTATE]** _Democrat Jocelyn Benson or _the Republican candidate, or are you undecided?

Q13. **[IF Q12 = 1 or 2]** Do you support that candidate strongly or not-so-strongly?

Q14. **[IF Q12 = 3]** Would you say you lean more towards **[ROTATE]** _Jocelyn Benson or _the Republican candidate?

Benson – strongly	31	64	7	3	63
Benson – not-so-strongly	13	25	8	2	24
Undecided – lean Benson	2	1	12	1	3
Republican – strongly.....	25	2	5	57	1
Republican – not-so-strongly.....	14	2	10	30	3
Undecided – lean Republican	1	0	3	1	0
Undecided.....	10	5	42	6	4
Someone else	3	2	13	1	2
Benson	46	90	28	5	90
Republican.....	40	3	18	88	4

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Q15. If the 2026 general election for Michigan Attorney General were held today, would you vote for **[ROTATE]** _Democrat Eli Savit or _Republican Doug Lloyd, or are you undecided?

Q16. **[IF Q15 = 1 or 2]** Do you support that candidate strongly or not-so-strongly?

Q17. **[IF Q15 = 3]** Would you say you lean more towards **[ROTATE]** _Eli Savit or _Doug Lloyd?

Savit – strongly	22	44	7	2	44
Savit – not-so-strongly	12	22	7	2	22
Undecided – lean Savit	5	9	3	1	9
Lloyd – strongly	17	2	2	39	1
Lloyd – not-so-strongly	11	1	11	22	3
Undecided – lean Lloyd	3	0	4	6	0
Undecided	21	16	47	19	15
Someone else	9	6	19	9	6
Savit	39	75	17	6	75
Lloyd	31	3	17	66	4

Q18. If the 2026 general election for US Senator from Michigan were held today, would you vote for **[ROTATE]** _the Democratic candidate or _Republican Mike Rogers, or are you undecided?

Q19. **[IF Q18 = 1 or 2]** Do you support that candidate strongly or not-so-strongly?

Q20. **[IF Q18 = 3]** Would you say you lean more towards **[ROTATE]** _the Democratic candidate or _Republican Mike Rogers?

Democrat – strongly	35	69	22	4	71
Democrat – not-so-strongly	13	20	15	2	20
Undecided – lean Democrat	1	1	0	0	1
Rogers – strongly	28	2	9	62	3
Rogers – not-so-strongly	11	0	10	23	0
Undecided – lean Rogers	1	0	3	3	0
Undecided	8	6	26	4	3
Someone else	4	1	15	2	2
Democrat	48	91	37	6	92
Rogers	40	2	22	88	3

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Q21. If the election for Congress were held today, would you vote for **[ROTATE]** _the Democratic candidate in your district, _the Republican candidate in your district, or are you undecided?

Q22. **[IF Q21 = 1 or 2]** Do you support that candidate strongly or not-so-strongly?

Q23. **[IF Q21 = 3]** Would you say you lean more towards **[ROTATE]** _the Democratic candidate in your district, _the Republican candidate in your district?

Democrat – strongly	36	72	25	1	72
Democrat – not-so-strongly	10	17	11	2	17
Undecided – lean Democrat.....	1	2	1	1	2
Republican – strongly.....	30	2	3	69	2
Republican – not-so-strongly.....	10	0	5	22	1
Undecided – lean Republican	2	0	8	1	0
Undecided.....	10	6	37	4	4
Someone else	2	0	10	0	2
Democrat	47	91	37	4	91
Republican.....	41	2	16	92	3

Q24. **[IF Q9=1, DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY VOTER]** If the 2026 Democratic primary election for US Senator from Michigan were held today, would you vote for **[RANDOMIZE]** _Abdul El-Sayed or _Haley Stevens, or are you undecided?

Q25. **[IF Q24 = 1 or 2]** Do you support that candidate strongly or not-so-strongly?

Q26. **[IF Q24 = 3]** Would you say you lean more towards **[RANDOMIZE]** _Abdul El-Sayed or _Haley Stevens?

Weighted N=	277	244	21	8	277
Unweighted N=	310	290	12	6	310

El-Sayed – strongly	38	38	46	0	38
El-Sayed – not-so-strongly	8	8	9	0	8
Undecided – lean El-Sayed.....	2	2	0	0	2
Stevens – strongly	35	38	12	16	35
Stevens – not-so-strongly	8	8	2	31	8
Undecided – lean Stevens	2	2	0	0	2
Undecided.....	5	4	17	31	5
Someone else	3	1	13	22	3
El-Sayed	47	48	55	0	47
Stevens.....	45	48	15	48	45

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Q27. For each one of the following, please indicate if you think that person is doing an excellent, good, just fair, or poor job. **[RANDOMIZE LIST]**

Sorted by “Excellent”

27b.Gretchen Whitmer as Governor.....	29	49	25	10	49
27a.Donald Trump as President.....	21	0	15	45	1

a. Donald Trump as President

Excellent	21	0	15	45	1
Good.....	16	4	12	30	2
Just Fair	9	3	22	12	4
Poor	53	91	46	14	91
Not sure	1	0	5	0	1

Excellent /good	37	5	26	74	4
Just fair /poor	63	95	68	26	95

b. Gretchen Whitmer as Governor

Excellent	29	49	25	10	49
Good.....	22	33	18	12	30
Just Fair	15	13	26	13	14
Poor	31	5	17	64	6
Not sure	3	0	14	1	0

Excellent /good	51	82	44	22	79
Just fair /poor	46	17	43	77	21

Q28. SSA: On a separate matter, do you think crime in Michigan these days is going up, going down, or staying about the same?

Going up	35	24	24	50	22
Going down.....	17	22	21	10	24
Staying about the same	44	48	48	38	49
Not sure	4	6	8	2	5

Q29. SSB: On a separate matter, do you think crime in your area these days is going up, going down, or staying about the same?

Going up	33	27	30	40	28
Going down.....	9	13	7	6	9
Staying about the same	52	54	55	48	57
Not sure	6	5	8	5	6

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Q30. Below is a list of public figures and groups. For each, please indicate how responsible you think each position is for improving safety and reducing crime in Michigan. **[RANDOMIZE LIST]**

Sorted by “Very responsible”

30g.County sheriffs	52	54	34	57	50
30a.District Attorneys and local prosecutors ..	42	45	38	42	43
30b.The Governor	42	43	35	44	41
30f.The Attorney General of the State of Michigan	41	47	35	37	43
30d.The Michigan Supreme Court.....	29	28	28	30	28
30c.State elected officials	28	30	20	29	26
30e.Michigan's members of U.S. Congress....	25	25	21	25	23

a. District Attorneys and local prosecutors

Very responsible	42	45	38	42	43
Somewhat responsible.....	35	37	29	34	38
Not too responsible	13	9	14	17	10
Not at all responsible.....	3	3	3	2	4
Not sure	7	5	15	5	5
Responsible	77	82	68	76	81
Not responsible	16	13	17	19	14

b. The Governor

Very responsible	42	43	35	44	41
Somewhat responsible.....	33	39	29	29	38
Not too responsible	11	10	10	11	12
Not at all responsible.....	8	3	11	13	5
Not sure	5	3	15	3	3
Responsible	75	83	64	73	79
Not responsible	19	14	21	24	17

c. State elected officials

Very responsible	28	30	20	29	26
Somewhat responsible.....	43	44	41	44	43
Not too responsible	18	17	20	17	22
Not at all responsible.....	5	3	7	6	3
Not sure	6	6	11	4	5
Responsible	71	73	61	73	69
Not responsible	23	20	28	23	26

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d. The Michigan Supreme Court

Very responsible	29	28	28	30	28
Somewhat responsible.....	41	44	40	41	41
Not too responsible	16	14	15	16	17
Not at all responsible.....	7	7	6	7	7
Not sure	7	7	11	6	6
Responsible	70	72	68	71	69
Not responsible	23	22	21	23	25

e. Michigan's members of U.S. Congress

Very responsible	25	25	21	25	23
Somewhat responsible.....	43	46	32	44	43
Not too responsible	21	17	26	22	21
Not at all responsible.....	5	5	11	4	7
Not sure	7	6	10	5	6
Responsible	67	71	53	69	67
Not responsible	26	22	37	25	27

f. The Attorney General of the State of Michigan

Very responsible	41	47	35	37	43
Somewhat responsible.....	35	36	33	34	35
Not too responsible	11	8	15	12	12
Not at all responsible.....	5	2	3	9	3
Not sure	8	7	14	7	6
Responsible	76	83	68	71	79
Not responsible	16	11	18	22	15

g. County sheriffs

Very responsible	52	54	34	57	50
Somewhat responsible.....	30	29	35	28	32
Not too responsible	9	6	15	10	8
Not at all responsible.....	3	4	3	2	4
Not sure	7	7	12	4	7
Responsible	82	83	70	84	82
Not responsible	11	9	18	12	12

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Q31. Regardless of how you normally vote, which party do you think is doing a better job on each of the following issues: **[ROTATE]** _the Democrats or _the Republicans? **[RANDOMIZE LIST]**

Sorted by “Democrats”

31b.Reducing gun violence	38	75	18	6	72
B31f.Working with communities to make them safer	38	70	21	8	66
31c.Investing in strategies to prevent crime before it happens	33	65	11	5	61
A31e.Making communities safer	32	67	6	5	63
31a.Reducing violent crime	30	66	4	2	60
A31h.Dealing with immigration	30	62	5	4	57
31d.Holding people who commit crimes accountable	30	58	7	7	53
31g.Addressing the opioid and fentanyl crisis... ..	29	60	3	4	55
B31i.Dealing with illegal immigration	28	54	8	6	53

a. Reducing violent crime

Democrats	30	66	4	2	60
Republicans	32	4	22	68	4
Both	13	12	24	11	12
Neither	18	14	34	14	19
Not sure	7	5	17	5	5

b. Reducing gun violence

Democrats	38	75	18	6	72
Republicans	26	2	9	57	2
Both	9	4	19	11	6
Neither	21	14	40	21	17
Not sure	6	4	15	5	3

c. Investing in strategies to prevent crime before it happens

Democrats	33	65	11	5	61
Republicans	28	4	15	58	4
Both	12	8	24	12	10
Neither	18	14	31	16	17
Not sure	10	8	18	10	8

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d. Holding people who commit crimes accountable

Democrats	30	58	7	7	53
Republicans	35	6	29	69	6
Both	14	16	21	10	15
Neither	14	14	24	10	19
Not sure	8	7	19	5	7

e. **SSA:** Making communities safer

Democrats	32	67	6	5	63
Republicans	30	1	18	63	3
Both	13	11	27	11	13
Neither	16	15	23	14	17
Not sure	9	6	26	7	4

f. **SSB:** Working with communities to make them safer

Democrats	38	70	21	8	66
Republicans	29	4	12	66	3
Both	11	10	18	9	9
Neither	13	10	26	11	13
Not sure	9	7	23	6	8

g. Addressing the opioid and fentanyl crisis

Democrats	29	60	3	4	55
Republicans	30	4	14	63	4
Both	15	12	32	12	14
Neither	18	17	28	15	20
Not sure	9	7	23	6	7

h. **SSA:** Dealing with immigration

Democrats	30	62	5	4	57
Republicans	39	8	24	76	10
Both	10	6	28	10	9
Neither	14	18	20	9	18
Not sure	6	6	22	1	6

i. **SSB:** Dealing with illegal immigration

Democrats	28	54	8	6	53
Republicans	46	15	49	82	13
Both	7	9	10	5	8
Neither	11	13	19	4	16
Not sure	8	9	14	3	10

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Q32. Do you support or oppose sentencing reform measures to reduce Michigan's jail and prison populations?

Strongly support.....	19	28	11	9	29
Somewhat support	25	30	19	21	30
Support	43	58	30	31	58
Undecided.....	29	27	45	26	28
Oppose	28	15	25	43	13
Somewhat oppose	13	10	13	16	9
Strongly oppose	15	5	12	27	4

Q33. Next, you will see a list of policies that some people say could reduce crime and make communities safer. For each policy, say whether you think it would:

- improve public safety **a lot** and **would show results immediately**
- improve public safety **a lot** but **would take a while to show results**
- improve public safety **a little** and **would show results immediately**
- improve public safety **a little** but **would take a while to show results**
- or would it not really improve public safety at all?

Sorted by “Improve a lot /immediately”

A33c.Public Safety Determine Jail During Trial.....	40	47	32	36	44
A33a.Mental Health	40	46	45	31	45
A33g.Guns Off Streets	40	47	30	35	47
B33q.Support Police, Hold Accountable.....	36	40	16	35	39
A33e.Addiction Treatment.....	34	43	27	28	41
B33u.More Police Officers	33	26	9	52	25
33i.Specialist 9-1-1 Calls.....	33	45	18	24	43
B33h.Background Checks.....	32	46	16	21	47
A33t.Build Trust Police & Communities	32	38	16	29	34
B33s.Fentanyl Test Strips & OD Reversal Drugs	31	42	21	19	42
A33j.Schools & Young People Programs	30	41	25	21	36
A33r.Job Opportunities	27	39	24	17	36
A33p.Increase Police Funding	27	18	33	35	19
A33l.National Guard.....	27	10	10	50	7
B33k.Schools & Early Intervention	26	31	10	24	32
A33n.Increase Sentence Lengths	23	11	19	38	11
B33m.ICE Raids	23	2	12	50	2
B33b.Violence Prevention Programs.....	19	24	3	16	23
B33d.Address Poverty	18	23	17	14	26
B33f.Housing Returning People	18	25	8	12	25
B33o.Opportunity for Change.....	16	22	8	12	23

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a. **SSA: [MENTAL HEALTH]** Increasing access to mental healthcare

Improve a lot /immediately	40	46	45	31	45
Improve a lot /take a while	29	38	7	26	36
Improve a little /immediately	8	4	4	13	4
Improve a little /take a while	12	6	9	20	8
Would not really improve public safety at all.....	5	3	11	5	3
Not sure	7	3	26	6	5
Improve a lot	68	84	51	57	81
Improve a little.....	20	11	13	32	11

b. **SSB: [VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAMS]** Launching violence prevention programs to reduce gun deaths and shootings

Improve a lot /immediately	19	24	3	16	23
Improve a lot /take a while	26	35	13	22	33
Improve a little /immediately	12	7	12	16	10
Improve a little /take a while	19	18	18	19	17
Would not really improve public safety at all...14	6	23	21	6	6
Not sure	11	9	31	6	11
Improve a lot	44	59	16	38	55
Improve a little.....	31	25	30	35	28

c. **SSA: [PUBLIC SAFETY DETERMINE JAIL DURING TRIAL]** Making sure public safety, not wealth, determines who stays in jail while awaiting trial

Improve a lot /immediately	40	47	32	36	44
Improve a lot /take a while	23	22	9	29	20
Improve a little /immediately	12	9	20	12	10
Improve a little /take a while	9	8	6	10	9
Would not really improve public safety at all.....	5	5	4	7	5
Not sure	11	8	29	7	11
Improve a lot	64	70	42	65	64
Improve a little.....	20	17	26	22	20

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- d. **SSB: [ADDRESS POVERTY]** Addressing poverty and the underlying economic despair that drives crime

Improve a lot /immediately	18	23	17	14	26
Improve a lot /take a while	37	46	20	34	44
Improve a little /immediately	7	8	3	9	8
Improve a little /take a while	22	15	46	23	14
Would not really improve public safety at all.....	7	1	2	17	1
Not sure	7	8	12	3	7
Improve a lot	56	69	37	47	70
Improve a little.....	29	22	49	32	22

- e. **SSA: [ADDICTION TREATMENT]** Expanding access to addiction treatment and recovery programs

Improve a lot /immediately	34	43	27	28	41
Improve a lot /take a while	27	35	17	21	33
Improve a little /immediately	13	11	9	16	10
Improve a little /take a while	16	7	22	24	10
Would not really improve public safety at all.....	3	0	7	5	0
Not sure	6	3	18	6	5
Improve a lot	61	78	44	49	74
Improve a little.....	29	18	31	40	20

- f. **SSB: [HOUSING RETURNING PEOPLE]** Expanding access to housing for people returning from jail or prison

Improve a lot /immediately	18	25	8	12	25
Improve a lot /take a while	19	27	6	12	30
Improve a little /immediately	15	15	3	19	13
Improve a little /take a while	23	21	47	18	18
Would not really improve public safety at all...	15	4	19	27	4
Not sure	11	8	18	13	10
Improve a lot	37	52	14	24	55
Improve a little.....	37	36	49	37	32

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g. **SSA: [GUNS OFF STREETS]** Getting illegal guns off the streets

Improve a lot /immediately	40	47	30	35	47
Improve a lot /take a while	21	19	10	27	18
Improve a little /immediately	12	11	23	9	12
Improve a little /take a while	12	12	17	10	11
Would not really improve public safety at all...	11	9	0	17	8
Not sure	5	2	21	2	4
Improve a lot	60	66	39	62	65
Improve a little	24	23	40	19	23

h. **SSB: [BACKGROUND CHECKS]** Strengthening gun background checks and safe gun storage

Improve a lot /immediately	32	46	16	21	47
Improve a lot /take a while	26	27	25	25	25
Improve a little /immediately	12	10	8	13	13
Improve a little /take a while	10	9	17	10	7
Would not really improve public safety at all...	15	1	22	29	2
Not sure	5	6	12	2	7
Improve a lot	58	73	42	45	71
Improve a little	22	19	25	23	20

i. **[SPECIALIST 9-1-1 CALLS]** Sending a trained crisis specialist to some mental health 9-1-1 calls

Improve a lot /immediately	33	45	18	24	43
Improve a lot /take a while	19	23	24	13	25
Improve a little /immediately	17	14	21	19	14
Improve a little /take a while	11	6	14	16	5
Would not really improve public safety at all...	10	4	5	19	2
Not sure	10	9	18	9	10
Improve a lot	52	68	42	36	68
Improve a little	28	20	35	36	20

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j. **SSA: [SCHOOLS & YOUNG PEOPLE PROGRAMS]** Improving schools and programs for young people

Improve a lot /immediately	30	41	25	21	36
Improve a lot /take a while	34	37	25	33	37
Improve a little /immediately	13	8	21	16	9
Improve a little /take a while	10	9	4	12	9
Would not really improve public safety at all.....	7	3	3	14	2
Not sure	6	3	22	5	7
Improve a lot	64	77	51	54	73
Improve a little.....	23	17	25	28	18

k. **SSB: [SCHOOLS & EARLY INTERVENTION]** Improving schools and early intervention programs for young people

Improve a lot /immediately	26	31	10	24	32
Improve a lot /take a while	36	38	42	31	40
Improve a little /immediately	11	9	4	16	11
Improve a little /take a while	15	11	19	19	8
Would not really improve public safety at all.....	3	2	4	5	2
Not sure	9	9	21	6	8
Improve a lot	62	69	52	55	71
Improve a little.....	26	20	23	34	19

l. **SSA: [NATIONAL GUARD]** Deploying the National Guard in cities like Detroit to patrol streets and respond to crime

Improve a lot /immediately	27	10	10	50	7
Improve a lot /take a while	6	5	13	5	9
Improve a little /immediately	13	11	7	15	10
Improve a little /take a while	7	3	21	7	3
Would not really improve public safety at all...	38	63	36	13	62
Not sure	9	6	13	11	8
Improve a lot	33	15	23	55	16
Improve a little.....	20	15	28	22	13

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m. **SSB: [ICE RAIDS]** Allowing ICE to conduct more raids and deportations

Improve a lot /immediately	23	2	12	50	2
Improve a lot /take a while	11	8	9	17	7
Improve a little /immediately	8	8	1	10	8
Improve a little /take a while	7	4	13	7	4
Would not really improve public safety at all...	42	69	38	12	71
Not sure	9	9	27	4	8
Improve a lot	34	10	21	67	9
Improve a little.....	15	13	14	17	12

n. **SSA: [INCREASE SENTENCE LENGTHS]** Increasing the length of prison and jail sentences

Improve a lot /immediately	23	11	19	38	11
Improve a lot /take a while	16	13	18	19	12
Improve a little /immediately	10	9	19	9	13
Improve a little /take a while	15	16	14	13	15
Would not really improve public safety at all...	21	35	14	10	32
Not sure	14	16	17	11	18
Improve a lot	39	24	37	56	22
Improve a little.....	25	25	32	22	28

o. **SSB: [OPPORTUNITY FOR CHANGE]** Providing people who have committed crimes with an opportunity and the tools to change their behavior

Improve a lot /immediately	16	22	8	12	23
Improve a lot /take a while	27	32	22	22	32
Improve a little /immediately	14	13	4	19	13
Improve a little /take a while	25	18	27	31	21
Would not really improve public safety at all...	10	5	16	14	3
Not sure	8	9	24	2	9
Improve a lot	43	54	30	34	55
Improve a little.....	39	32	31	50	34

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p. **SSA: [INCREASE POLICE FUNDING]** Increasing funding for police

Improve a lot /immediately	27	18	33	35	19
Improve a lot /take a while	22	21	8	28	16
Improve a little /immediately	16	16	15	16	17
Improve a little /take a while	11	15	11	7	16
Would not really improve public safety at all...	16	24	12	9	22
Not sure	8	6	21	6	10
Improve a lot	49	39	41	62	35
Improve a little.....	28	31	26	23	33

q. **SSB: [SUPPORT POLICE, HOLD ACCOUNTABLE]** Supporting the police and holding them accountable when they abuse their power

Improve a lot /immediately	36	40	16	35	39
Improve a lot /take a while	25	26	31	22	29
Improve a little /immediately	12	11	16	13	10
Improve a little /take a while	11	12	11	11	11
Would not really improve public safety at all....	7	2	9	13	2
Not sure	8	9	17	6	9
Improve a lot	61	67	46	58	68
Improve a little.....	23	23	27	24	21

r. **SSA: [JOB OPPORTUNITIES]** Expanding job opportunities for people returning from jail or prison

Improve a lot /immediately	27	39	24	17	36
Improve a lot /take a while	27	31	12	29	29
Improve a little /immediately	16	13	27	16	14
Improve a little /take a while	13	12	11	14	13
Would not really improve public safety at all....	6	2	4	12	2
Not sure	9	3	21	13	5
Improve a lot	55	69	37	46	66
Improve a little.....	30	26	38	30	28

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- s. **SSB: [FENTANYL TEST STRIPS & OD REVERSAL DRUGS]** Expanding access to fentanyl test strips and opioid overdose reversal drugs, like Narcan

Improve a lot /immediately	31	42	21	19	42
Improve a lot /take a while	16	14	7	22	13
Improve a little /immediately	16	16	18	17	16
Improve a little /take a while	11	8	22	11	8
Would not really improve public safety at all...	12	8	8	19	7
Not sure	14	12	25	12	14
Improve a lot	47	56	27	41	55
Improve a little.....	27	24	40	28	24

- t. **SSA: [BUILD TRUST POLICE & COMMUNITIES]** Building trust between police and the communities they serve

Improve a lot /immediately	32	38	16	29	34
Improve a lot /take a while	33	33	27	35	34
Improve a little /immediately	11	9	20	11	10
Improve a little /take a while	11	13	2	12	11
Would not really improve public safety at all....	5	3	6	6	3
Not sure	8	3	29	7	7
Improve a lot	65	71	43	64	68
Improve a little.....	22	22	22	23	22

- u. **SSB: [MORE POLICE OFFICERS]** Hiring more police officers

Improve a lot /immediately	33	26	9	52	25
Improve a lot /take a while	18	17	17	21	15
Improve a little /immediately	17	18	22	15	17
Improve a little /take a while	12	16	16	5	15
Would not really improve public safety at all...	11	10	18	5	15
Not sure	9	14	17	2	13
Improve a lot	51	42	26	73	40
Improve a little.....	29	34	39	21	31

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Q34. Even if none of them is exactly right, which of the following is closest to your personal view? The best way to improve public safety in our communities would be to... **[RANDOMIZE]**

Support the police who put their lives on the line for us and hold them accountable when they use excessive force or abuse their power.....	33	35	38	30	37
Build strong bonds and trust between police and the community.....	23	29	16	19	26
Take the burden off police officers to solve every social problem so they can focus on serious crime	14	17	14	8	18
Put more police on the streets.....	13	8	7	21	9
Increase funding for police	9	4	14	13	3
Support officer recruitment, retention, and wellness	8	7	11	9	7

Q35. (TOUGH ON CRIME vs. SaS): Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[SERIOUS ABOUT SAFETY] We should fully fund things to create safe communities and improve people's quality of life, like good schools, a living wage, affordable housing, and do more to prevent crime by increasing treatment for mental health and drug addiction and getting illegal guns off the street.

[TOUGH ON CRIME] We should do more to get tough on crime, like having tougher sentences for people convicted of violent crimes, maintaining strong bail laws to keep dangerous people in jail, and providing police more support and resources.

Serious About Safety	61	83	55	38	82
Tough on Crime	39	17	45	62	18

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Q36. (TOUGH ON CRIME vs. ACCOUNTABILITY & CHANGE): Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[ACCOUNTABILITY & CHANGE] To make communities safe, people who break the law must be held accountable. This means seeing the harm they've done, accepting the consequences, learning from mistakes, and changing their behavior. Harsh punishment and long sentences alone lead to more violence. We need to provide people with programs that work to turn their lives around and prevent future crime. (58 words)

[TOUGH ON CRIME] We need to make sure that people who break the law are held accountable by enforcing strict punishment. If you do the crime, you should do the time, and that means serving the full sentence. Offenders shouldn't be able to get out of jail or prison early simply because they complete programs or have a good track record behind bars. (60 words)

Accountability & Change	55	73	45	38	75
Tough on Crime	45	27	55	62	25

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[AFFORDABILITY DEBATE: WITH & WITHOUT SAFETY FOR DEMS]

Q37. SSA: (DEMS WITH SAFETY) Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[WITH SAFETY] Republicans are making life less safe and more expensive for ordinary working families. Democrats know that safety and affordability go hand in hand. The best way to help people get ahead and stay safe is to lower costs and invest in the things that improve everyone's safety and quality of life. That means good schools, good jobs, affordable housing, and more access to treatment. (64 words)

[TOUGH ON CRIME] Last time Democrats were in power, their failed policies sent prices skyrocketing with record high inflation while crime and illegal immigration spiraled out of control. People can't afford to live in the places they call home and don't feel safe in their own communities. That's why Republicans cut taxes, passed pro-family policies, and worked to restore law and order, including at the border. (63 words).

Dems With Safety	54	91	48	18	88
Tough on Crime	46	9	52	82	12

Q38. SSB: (DEMS WITHOUT SAFETY) Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[WITHOUT SAFETY] Republicans are making life more expensive for ordinary working families. Whether it's gas, food, or utility bills, everything costs too much, while the billionaire class gets richer and more powerful. Democrats believe the best way to help people get ahead is to lower costs on healthcare, energy, housing, and groceries—and hold corporations accountable by cracking down on unfair wages, price gouging, and monopolies. (64 words)

[TOUGH ON CRIME] Last time Democrats were in power, their failed policies sent prices skyrocketing with record high inflation while crime and illegal immigration spiraled out of control. People can't afford to live in the places they call home and don't feel safe in their own communities. That's why Republicans cut taxes, passed pro-family policies, and worked to restore law and order, including at the border. (63 words).

Dems Without Safety	61	90	77	23	89
Tough on Crime	39	10	23	77	11

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[DEFUND – RESPONSES & COUNTERS]

Q39. SSA: Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[DO NOT ROTATE]**

[GOP ATTACK ON EL-SAYED] Abdul El-Sayed’s support for extreme policy positions like defunding the police, ending cash bail, and abolishing ICE is unacceptable and dangerous for Michiganders who deserve safe communities. Americans can’t afford another Democrat crime wave because of their anti-police and open borders agenda, and Abdul El-Sayed can’t be trusted to keep Michiganders safe. We need to combat migrant crime, make sure career criminals are behind bars, and restore peace of mind to law-abiding Americans. (73 words)

[EL-SAYED RESPONSE – ACCOUNTABILITY] Abdul El-Sayed says we urgently need a new approach to law enforcement in America. Unchecked police and ICE brutality undermine trust in law enforcement and make us less safe, while costing billions. El-Sayed believes we should support our officers in the difficult jobs they’re doing—and demand accountability when they break the law. He supports proven solutions that prevent crime and break its cycle. That’s why he’s earned endorsements from police officers and commissioners across Michigan. (75 words)

GOP Attack on El-Sayed.....	32	18	23	49	15
El-Sayed Response	45	68	47	20	72
Not sure	23	14	31	30	13

Q40. SSB: Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[DO NOT ROTATE]**

[GOP ATTACK ON EL-SAYED] Abdul El-Sayed’s support for extreme policy positions like defunding the police, ending cash bail, and abolishing ICE is unacceptable and dangerous for Michiganders who deserve safe communities. Americans can’t afford another Democrat crime wave because of their anti-police and open borders agenda, and Abdul El-Sayed can’t be trusted to keep Michiganders safe. We need to combat migrant crime, make sure career criminals are behind bars, and restore peace of mind to law-abiding Americans. (73 words)

[EL-SAYED RESPONSE – UNBURDEN POLICE] Abdul El-Sayed says we can’t be afraid to talk honestly about public safety. It’s not fair to keep expecting police to solve every problem, from kids skipping school to mental illness to homelessness to gun violence. We’re putting too much on police, spending \$130 billion every year, without making our communities safer. El-Sayed’s support for proven solutions that prevent crime and break its cycle have earned him endorsements from police officers and commissioners across Michigan. (75 words)

GOP Attack on El-Sayed.....	33	20	19	55	16
El-Sayed Response	39	61	28	17	64
Not sure	28	19	53	28	19

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Q41. SSA: Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[DO NOT ROTATE]**

[GOP ATTACK ON SAVIT] Soft-on-crime Eli Savit will put the interests of criminals over the needs of victims. His radical defund-the-police agenda is too dangerous for Michigan. Thanks to Republicans, violent crime is at an all-time low, and American communities are safer. But Michigan Democrats want to turn back the clock and bring back an extreme, anti-police and open borders agenda that vilifies law enforcement and denies them the resources they need to keep us safe. (72 words)

[SAVIT RESPONSE – UNBURDEN POLICE] Eli Savit is a decorated prosecutor who's created dedicated special-victims and domestic violence units, helped people struggling with addiction get treatment instead of jail, and led successful prosecutions of multiple "cold-case" rape cases. He says it's not fair or practical to keep expecting police to solve every societal problem. We're bankrupting ourselves and overburdening police. We need proven strategies that lift the burden and prevent crime. It's time for support and change, not blame. (74 words)

GOP Attack on Savit.....	26	11	20	43	12
Savit Response.....	48	74	39	24	74
Not sure	26	15	41	33	14

Q42. SSB: Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[DO NOT ROTATE]**

[GOP ATTACK ON SAVIT] Soft-on-crime Eli Savit will put the interests of criminals over the needs of victims. His radical defund-the-police agenda is too dangerous for Michigan. Thanks to Republicans, violent crime is at an all-time low, and American communities are safer. But Michigan Democrats want to turn back the clock and bring back an extreme, anti-police and open borders agenda that vilifies law enforcement and denies them the resources they need to keep us safe. (72 words)

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GOP Attack on Savit.....	31	13	22	55	10
Savit Response.....	44	66	34	22	70
Not sure	25	22	43	23	20

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[PARTISAN DEBATE: GOP vs. TOUGH DEM / SERIOUS DEM]

Q43. SSA: (SERIOUS ABOUT SAFETY DEMOCRAT) Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[DO NOT ROTATE]**

[GOP] The Republican candidate says “I stand on the side of law and order. That means having longer sentences for people convicted of violent crimes, maintaining strong bail laws to keep dangerous people behind bars, and providing police with more support and resources.” (42 words)

[DEMOCRAT] The Democratic candidate says “I’m serious about safety. That means fully funding proven strategies that create safe communities, like good schools, jobs, and affordable housing; supporting police to solve serious cases; removing illegal guns; and preventing crime by increasing treatment for mental health and addiction.” (45 words)

GOP.....	43	4	49	83	10
Democrat	57	96	51	17	90

Q44. SSB: (TOUGH ON CRIME DEMOCRAT) Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[DO NOT ROTATE]**

[GOP] The Republican candidate says “I stand on the side of law and order. That means having longer sentences for people convicted of violent crimes, maintaining strong bail laws to keep dangerous people behind bars, and providing police with more support and resources.” (42 words)

[DEMOCRAT] The Democratic candidate says “I am tough on crime. That means more cops on the beat and tough action against hardened criminals and gang members. I believe we should increase police funding and invest in new technologies like predictive policing, not defunding the police.” (44 words)

GOP.....	45	13	70	75	13
Democrat	55	87	30	25	87

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Q45. SSA: (CASH BAIL DEBATE – SAFETY NOT WEALTH) Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[ANTI-BAIL REFORM] We need to maintain strong bail laws to keep dangerous people in jail. Cashless bail policies have fueled crime and emboldened violent criminals. (23 words)

[PRO-BAIL REFORM] Cash bail makes us less safe: Public safety, not wealth, should determine who is released and who stays in jail pending trial. (22 words)

Anti-Bail Reform.....	51	36	52	64	37
Pro-Bail Reform	49	64	48	36	63

Q46. SSB: (CASH BAIL DEBATE – END 2-TIERED SYSTEM) Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[ANTI-BAIL REFORM] We need to maintain strong bail laws to keep dangerous people in jail. Cashless bail policies have fueled crime and emboldened violent criminals. (23 words)

[PRO-BAIL REFORM] Cash bail makes us less safe. We need to end the two-tiered system of justice while keeping the public safe. (20 words)

Anti-Bail Reform.....	65	58	49	80	57
Pro-Bail Reform	35	42	51	20	43

Q47. (GENERIC DEFUND DEBATE) Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[ATTACK] The Left has allowed a culture built on hating the police to drive decisions surrounding law enforcement. The Defund the Police movement is without a doubt one of the greatest dangers to public safety in our nation's history, and Democrats are responsible for it. The hostile climate for police has discouraged proactive police work. We can't expect the police to keep us safe if we aren't willing to keep them safe. (71 words)

[RESPONSE] I'm not about scare tactics or slogans, and I'm not afraid to have an honest conversation. We keep expecting police to solve every social problem, from kids skipping school to mental illness to homelessness to gun violence. No one profession can do that. We're spending over \$130 billion a year and putting too much on police departments. It's time to try out some promising new solutions to lift the burden. It's time for support and change, not blame. (78 words)

Attack.....	37	13	41	62	14
Response.....	63	87	59	38	86

	TOTAL	DEM	IND /NS	REP	DPVs
Weighted N=	600	267	78	246	277
Unweighted N=	600	318	56	220	310

[OPIOID & FENTANYL DEBATE]

Q48. SSA: Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[GOP STATEMENT] The opioid and fentanyl crisis is out of control, and Michigan families are paying the price. We need to confront this crisis head-on by cracking down on drug dealers, shutting down trafficking networks, and imposing tough prison sentences for criminals fueling Michigan's opioid epidemic. Republicans are working to hold perpetrators and traffickers accountable to the fullest extent of the law. (60 words)

[NARROW FOCUS] The opioid and fentanyl crisis is devastating communities across Michigan, and for many families who have lost or experienced a loved one struggle with addiction, it's deeply personal. We need real solutions. Preventing overdoses and saving lives requires expanding access to treatment, overdose reversal medications like Naloxone, fentanyl test strips, and proven services that help people recover and rebuild their lives. (60 words)

GOP Statement.....	41	17	37	67	22
Narrow Focus	42	67	25	22	64
Not sure	17	16	38	11	13

Q49. SSB: Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[GOP STATEMENT] The opioid and fentanyl crisis is out of control, and Michigan families are paying the price. We need to confront this crisis head-on by cracking down on drug dealers, shutting down trafficking networks, and imposing tough prison sentences for criminals fueling Michigan's opioid epidemic. Republicans are working to hold perpetrators and traffickers accountable to the fullest extent of the law. (60 words)

[PIVOT TO OTHER SAFETY FAILURES] Republican politicians pretend to care about the fentanyl and opioid crisis, but they are actively cutting funding for drug addiction treatment, mental healthcare, victim services, and crime prevention while protecting their corporate donors—including in the pharmaceutical industry. We need a real safety plan that actually saves lives, expands access to recovery programs, and holds traffickers and pharmaceutical companies accountable. (60 words)

GOP Statement.....	45	18	43	77	21
Pivot to Other Safety Features	39	66	25	13	63
Not sure	16	15	32	10	16

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[ICE/ IMMIGRATION ENGAGED DEBATE]

Q50. SSA: Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[GOP] The Republican candidate says Democrats’ reckless open border policies allow violent criminals and drug traffickers to pour into the country, while struggling American taxpayers are forced to pay for housing and welfare programs. It’s time to put Michigan first by deploying ICE and the National Guard to crime-ridden cities, closing the border, deporting criminals, and banning “sanctuary cities” where illegal immigrants engage in fraud to get handouts. (67 words)

[DEM – TOUGH] The Democratic candidate says our immigration system is broken and ICE has gone too far. We should secure our border and deport those who come here illegally and commit crimes. At the same time, we must ensure regulation and accountability for ICE agents. Let’s reform ICE, focus on violent offenders instead of law-abiding immigrants, and work together to build a system that promotes enforcement, oversight, and security. (67 words)

GOP.....	40	5	44	73	11
Dem - Tough.....	46	85	17	15	82
Not sure	14	10	39	11	7

Q51. SSB: Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[GOP] The Republican candidate says Democrats’ reckless open border policies allow violent criminals and drug traffickers to pour into the country, while struggling American taxpayers are forced to pay for housing and welfare programs. It’s time to put Michigan first by deploying ICE and the National Guard to crime-ridden cities, closing the border, deporting criminals, and banning “sanctuary cities” where illegal immigrants engage in fraud to get handouts. (67 words)

[DEM – PROVEN SOLUTIONS] The Democratic candidate says spending taxpayer money on mass raids and violent ICE tactics is making our communities less safe. Let’s focus on real solutions that live up to our values and make us all safer, like securing our border and creating a path to citizenship for immigrants who have lived here for years. I’m focused on making life safer, more stable, and secure for all of us. (68 words)

GOP.....	40	8	46	74	10
Dem – Proven Solutions	46	81	21	14	79
Not sure	14	10	33	11	11

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[SURVIVOR JUSTICE]

Q52. Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[SURVIVOR SAY] Survivors of crime should have a meaningful say in what justice looks like, including whether they want services, restorative approaches, or traditional court proceedings.

[PROSECUTORS & COURTS] Decisions about how to respond to crime should be made primarily by prosecutors and the courts, even if that differs from what a survivor wants.

Survivor Say	66	71	72	58	71
Prosecutors & Courts	34	29	28	42	29

Q53. Would you **[ROTATE]** _support or _oppose policies that allow survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, trafficking, or child abuse to get shorter sentences for crimes connected to their abusers?

Strongly support.....	20	27	16	11	27
Somewhat support.....	13	15	13	11	15
Support	33	42	29	22	41
Undecided.....	31	27	46	32	30
Oppose	36	31	25	46	29
Somewhat oppose	10	8	10	14	7
Strongly oppose	26	23	15	33	23

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Q54. Now, here are two brief statements from supporters and opponents of policies that allow survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, trafficking, or child abuse to get shorter sentences for crimes connected to their abusers: **[ROTATE]**

_ Supporters say there is a significant connection between abuse and defensive actions survivors took to protect themselves or others.

_ Opponents say criminals shouldn't get special treatment or just a slap on the wrist.

Sometimes over the course of a survey like this, people change their minds. Would you **[ROTATE]** _support or _oppose policies that allow survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, trafficking, or child abuse to get shorter sentences for crimes connected to their abusers?

Strongly support.....	19	25	15	12	26
Somewhat support	23	26	18	22	24
Support	43	51	34	34	50
Undecided.....	25	22	41	23	23
Oppose	33	27	25	43	27
Somewhat oppose	13	9	12	17	10
Strongly oppose	20	18	13	26	17

Q55. As you may know, domestic violence survivors are often excessively punished for actions directly connected to abuse they have suffered. Many are coerced by abusers into illegal activity. Some use force to protect themselves or loved ones, or to escape violent situations. Would you **[ROTATE]** _support or _oppose policies that allow survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, trafficking or child abuse to get shorter sentences because of this significant connection between being abused and the actions they took to protect themselves or others?

Strongly support.....	22	29	24	12	31
Somewhat support	29	31	13	31	29
Support	51	60	37	44	59
Undecided.....	25	19	38	28	21
Oppose	24	21	25	28	20
Somewhat oppose	11	9	13	13	8
Strongly oppose	13	12	12	15	12

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[HOUSING REFORM AND ENGAGED DEBATE]

Q56. Currently in Michigan, landlords can exclude people with a criminal background from renting their property, denying them due to a past conviction. Some have proposed a law that makes housing more accessible for people with criminal backgrounds by limiting the use of criminal background checks for most crimes. Anyone on the permanent sex-offender registry or convicted of certain serious crimes would still be considered for a denial. Would you support or oppose requiring landlords to make housing available to people who have a criminal background after they have served their time?

Strongly support.....	18	25	16	10	23
Somewhat support	31	33	25	31	34
Support	48	57	40	41	57
Undecided.....	29	25	43	29	27
Oppose	23	18	17	30	16
Somewhat oppose	11	13	2	13	12
Strongly oppose.....	11	5	14	16	4

Q57. SSA: Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[PRO-REFORM – RATIONAL] Supporters of this proposal say that people with a stable place to live are significantly less likely to reoffend. Without housing, things like finding a job, meeting supervision requirements, and staying on a positive path become dramatically harder. If the goal is safer communities, stable housing is one of the most effective tools available. (54 words)

[ANTI-REFORM] Opponents say that landlords have the right to protect their property and their tenants from potentially dangerous criminals and could be held liable if they rent to someone who commits another crime. They also say that no one should be forced to live next to someone convicted of murder or some other violent crime. (53 words)

Pro-Reform - Rational	51	65	44	39	61
Anti-Reform.....	49	35	56	61	39

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Q58. SSB: Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[PRO-REFORM – EMOTIONAL] Supporters of this proposal say that no one can rebuild a life from a park bench. Studies repeatedly show that when people have a stable place to live, they are more likely to find work, reunite with family, and contribute to their communities. Giving people a path forward doesn't just change lives, it makes everyone safer. (56 words)

[ANTI-REFORM] Opponents say that landlords have the right to protect their property and their tenants from potentially dangerous criminals and could be held liable if they rent to someone who commits another crime. They also say that no one should be forced to live next to someone convicted of murder or some other violent crime. (53 words)

Pro-Reform - Emotional	54	61	54	43	62
Anti-Reform.....	46	39	46	57	38

[PROSECUTORIAL APPROACH & SENTENCING REFORM]

Q59. (SENTENCING REFORM – COST) Some people say our government has been trying the same approach to public safety for decades, and it's not working. Long prison sentences are not making our country safer. And paying to warehouse millions of Americans who do not need to be in prison is burning through public funds that could instead go towards education, healthcare, or housing. In a time when every dollar counts, our taxes should go towards helping our communities thrive. Do you support or oppose sentencing reform measures that reduce Michigan's jail and prison populations?

Strongly support.....	20	31	11	9	31
Somewhat support	28	36	34	20	35
Support	48	66	45	29	66
Undecided.....	26	23	37	27	22
Oppose	26	11	18	44	11
Somewhat oppose	14	8	8	22	9
Strongly oppose	12	3	11	22	3

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Q60. (SENTENCING REFORM – CHANGE) For years our laws have made prison sentences longer and more rigid. But people change with time. The mistakes we made years ago are not the same choices we would make today. Incarcerated people are no different. We need to make prison sentences flexible enough to recognize that people can and do change, and to encourage it. Encouraging rehabilitation is what truly makes us safe. Do you support or oppose changes to our sentencing laws to make prison sentences more flexible?

Strongly support.....	21	34	11	8	34
Somewhat support.....	32	38	23	29	37
Support.....	52	71	34	36	71
Undecided.....	23	19	38	24	19
Oppose.....	24	10	27	39	10
Somewhat oppose.....	14	8	13	21	7
Strongly oppose.....	10	2	14	18	3

Q61. (AGE OUT SENTENCING REFORM) Would you support policies that allow older adults who have served decades in prison to ask their judge to review their case and reduce the sentence on a case-by-case basis?

Strongly support.....	26	38	17	16	37
Somewhat support.....	36	35	17	43	35
Support.....	62	73	34	59	73
Undecided.....	21	17	38	20	19
Oppose.....	17	10	28	21	8
Somewhat oppose.....	9	6	18	10	5
Strongly oppose.....	8	4	11	11	3

Q62. SSA: (INFORMED AGE OUT SENTENCING REFORM – RISK DECREASES) As you may know, numerous studies have shown that as people grow older, their risk of committing crimes decreases, even if they've been convicted of serious offenses. They rehabilitate, accept responsibility, and become positive mentors to others. This helps make us all safer. Would you support policies that allow older adults who have served decades in prison to ask their judge to review their case and reduce the sentence on a case-by-case basis?

Strongly support.....	23	40	7	10	37
Somewhat support.....	43	45	31	45	43
Support.....	66	85	37	55	80
Undecided.....	19	9	53	18	14
Oppose.....	15	6	10	26	6
Somewhat oppose.....	9	5	6	15	4
Strongly oppose.....	6	1	4	12	1

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Q63. SSB: (INFORMED AGE OUT SENTENCING REFORM – BRAIN DEVELOPMENT) As you may know, numerous studies have shown that young adults' brains continue developing through their mid-twenties. As a result, people tend to age out of crime. Would you support policies that allow older adults who committed serious crimes when they were young adults and have served decades in prison to ask their judge to review their case and reduce the sentence on a case-by-case basis?

Strongly support.....	26	32	25	16	34
Somewhat support.....	39	39	19	46	40
Support.....	64	70	44	62	74
Undecided.....	15	15	21	12	15
Oppose.....	21	14	35	25	11
Somewhat oppose.....	12	12	20	11	9
Strongly oppose.....	9	3	15	14	2

[CORCA SECTION]

Q64. Generally speaking, would you support or oppose the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) taking on more responsibility, including going after organized retail theft, rather than leaving those tasks up to local law enforcement?

Strongly support.....	13	6	6	23	5
Somewhat support.....	18	12	9	29	13
Support.....	31	18	14	51	18
Undecided.....	21	15	46	21	15
Oppose.....	48	68	39	28	67
Somewhat oppose.....	16	14	14	18	14
Strongly oppose.....	32	53	25	9	53

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Q65. SSA: Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[PRO-CORCA] Organized retail theft rings are criminal enterprises that threaten workers, consumers, and businesses. To curb organized retail theft, we should expand ICE and the Department of Homeland Security's role in domestic retail policing by creating a centralized intelligence-sharing system that allows corporations, local police, and federal agencies to share consumer and private data nationwide. (54 words)

[ANTI-CORCA – TOUGH] To curb organized retail theft, we should invest in local law enforcement, provide more resources to businesses, and strengthen regulations and accountability for online resale platforms. We should make it harder for people to resell stolen goods without expanding the power of federal agencies, which should be focusing on the jobs they were intended to do. (56 words)

Pro-CORCA	28	17	27	39	18
Anti-CORCA	72	83	73	61	82

Q66. SSB: Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[PRO-CORCA] Organized retail theft rings are criminal enterprises that threaten workers, consumers, and businesses. To curb organized retail theft, we should expand ICE and the Department of Homeland Security's role in domestic retail policing by creating a centralized intelligence-sharing system that allows corporations, local police, and federal agencies to share consumer and private data nationwide. (54 words)

[ANTI-CORCA – DISTRACTION] Spending billions locking up people for shoplifting baby formula is a distraction. As the billionaire class grows, the cost of living becomes impossible. Retail theft pales in comparison to the tens of billions of dollars stolen from working people annually through wage theft, price-gouging, and other corporate crimes. Focusing on one and not the other won't work. (57 words)

Pro-CORCA	42	20	49	66	21
Anti-CORCA	58	80	51	34	79

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Q67. Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[FEDERAL] Organized retail theft should mostly be the responsibility of federal agencies like Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) and Customs and Border Protection (CBP), which have the national reach to tackle organized crime. (32 words)

[LOCAL] Organized retail theft should mostly be the responsibility of local law enforcement, which is best equipped to handle this type of crime in our local communities. (26 words)

Federal	29	19	26	41	19
Local	71	81	74	59	81

Q68. Many retailers collect detailed data on shoppers, including purchase histories, location tracking, and store activity. Would you support or oppose allowing federal agencies like the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) to access this data in the name of targeting people they believe are engaging in organized retail theft?

Strongly support.....	14	7	7	23	7
Somewhat support	20	14	10	30	13
Support	34	21	18	53	20
Undecided.....	22	17	45	22	16
Oppose	44	62	38	25	64
Somewhat oppose	13	13	16	12	14
Strongly oppose.....	31	49	22	12	50

Q69. Which of the following statements comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right? **[ROTATE]**

[EXPAND ICE] To curb organized retail theft, we should expand ICE and the Department of Homeland Security's role in domestic retail policing by creating a centralized intelligence-sharing system that allows corporations, local police, and federal agencies to share consumer and private data nationwide. (41 words)

[KEEP LOCAL] To curb organized retail theft, we should improve coordination with law enforcement, provide more resources to businesses, and strengthen regulations and accountability for online resale platforms. We should make it harder for people to resell stolen goods without expanding the power of federal agencies. (44 words)

Expand ICE.....	27	12	32	41	14
Keep Local.....	73	88	68	59	86

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Q70. Which of the following do you think should have the most responsibility to address the issue of retail theft? **[RANDOMIZE]**

City and local police departments	58	69	43	50	69
State police forces	15	15	21	13	15
The FBI	8	3	11	12	4
ICE and Customs and Border Protection.....	8	5	4	13	4
Someone else	3	3	5	2	4
Not sure	8	4	15	9	4

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The final few questions are for statistical purposes only.

Q71. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an independent or something else?

Q72. [IF DEMOCRAT] Do you consider yourself a strong or a not-so-strong Democrat?

Q73. [IF REPUBLICAN] Do you consider yourself a strong or a not-so-strong Republican?

Q74. [IF INDEPENDENT] Would you say you lean more towards the Republicans or more towards the Democrats?

Strong Democrat.....	26	59	0	0	56
Not-so-strong Democrat.....	11	24	0	0	22
Undecided - Lean Democrat	7	17	0	0	11
Democrat	44	100	0	0	88
Independent.....	10	0	78	0	7
Republican.....	41	0	0	100	3
Undecided - Lean Republican	7	0	0	17	2
Not-so-strong Republican	13	0	0	31	1
Strong Republican	21	0	0	52	0
Other.....	1	0	0	0	1
Not sure	3	0	22	0	1

Q75. [IF Q71 = 1 OR Q74=2] And do you consider yourself more of a...? **[ROTATE 1-2, 2-1.]**

Weighted N=	246	246	8
Unweighted N=	220	220	6
Trump conservative first.....	23	23	8
Conservative Republican first.....	46	46	66
Both	14	14	22
Neither	12	12	0
Not sure	5	5	4