

EPIC-MRA STATEWIDE POLL OF ACTIVE AND LIKELY VOTERS
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Polling Dates: January 15, 2022 through January 20, 2022
Conducted by live interviewers – included 60% cell phones

_04. Overall, would you say that things in Michigan are generally headed in the right direction, or, have things pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?

- 45% Wrong track
- 35% Right direction
- 20% Undecided/Refused

Now I am going to read the names of several political figures. For each one, please tell me if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of him or her. If you have not heard a name, say so and we will move on. The first name is... “Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of (him/her)?” **[IF FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE, ASK: “Would that be very or generally?” AND CODE BEST RESPONSE]**

[ROTATE Q.5 THROUGH Q.9]	<u>DO NOT</u> <u>RECOG</u>	<u>VERY</u> <u>FAVOR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>FAVOR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u> <u>UNFAV</u>	<u>VERY</u> <u>UNFAV</u>	<u>REF</u> <u>UNDEC</u>
_05. Joe Biden	---	18%	42%	50%	40%	8%
_06. Gretchen Whitmer	---	24%	50%	43%	32%	7%
_07. James Craig	55%	8%	20%	9%	4%	16%
_08. Donald Trump	---	24%	39%	52%	43%	9%
_09. Kamala Harris	3%	15%	36%	47%	33%	14%

_10. Overall, how would you rate the job that Joe Biden has done so far as President? Would you give him a positive rating of excellent or pretty good, or a negative rating of just fair or poor?

- 7% Excellent
- 25% Pretty good
- 32% TOTAL POSITIVE**
- 66% TOTAL NEGATIVE**
- 22% Just fair
- 44% Poor
- 2% Undecided/Refused

_11. How would you rate the job that Gretchen Whitmer is doing as Governor? Would you give her a positive rating of excellent or pretty good, or a negative rating of just fair or poor?

- 15% Excellent
- 30% Pretty good
- 45% TOTAL POSITIVE**
- 52% TOTAL NEGATIVE**
- 22% Just fair
- 30% Poor
- 3% Undecided/Refused

__12. Thinking about the November 2022 general election, do you think that Gretchen Whitmer should be reelected Governor of Michigan, should someone else be given a chance to serve as Governor, or do you think that Gretchen Whitmer should be replaced as Governor of Michigan?

- 41% Reelect Gretchen Whitmer as Governor
- 30% Replace Gretchen Whitmer as Governor
- 19% Give someone else a chance to serve as Governor
- 10% Undecided/Refused

__13. If the election for Governor were held today and the candidates were [ROTATE] James Craig and Gretchen Whitmer, would you vote for [ROTATE] James Craig the Republican or Gretchen Whitmer the Democrat?

[IF UNDECIDED, ASK: “Well, if the election was being held today, and you had to decide right now, which candidate would you lean toward?” AND CODE BEST RESPONSE]

- 35% James Craig the Republican
- 9% Lean toward Craig the Republican
- 41% TOTAL VOTE CRAIG**
- 46% TOTAL VOTE WHITMER**
- 41% Gretchen Whitmer the Democrat
- 5% Lean toward Whitmer the Democrat
- 13% Undecided/Refused

__14. Thinking about the current condition of the Michigan economy and the employment situation, would you give the Michigan economy a positive rating of excellent or pretty good, or a negative rating of just fair or poor?

- 3% Excellent
- 26% Pretty good
- 29% TOTAL POSITIVE**
- 65% TOTAL NEGATIVE**
- 36% Just fair
- 29% Poor
- 6% Undecided/Refused

On another topic...

__22. Over the last couple of months, would you say the COVID 19 crisis has improved, gotten worse, or remained about the same? [IF BETTER/WORSE, ASK: “Would that be much or somewhat?” AND CODE BEST RESPONSE]

- 45% Gotten worse
- 36% Remained the same
- 13% Improved
- 6% Undecided/Refused

Q's 23 to 32 were commissioned by the Detroit Free Press and Chalkbeat Detroit

As you may know, local public-school districts and charter schools are receiving record amounts of one-time federal funding to provide assistance to students and teachers to recover from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic. The amount of funding each school district or charter school receives is based on several factors, but the greatest amount of money goes to those schools with the largest number of students from low-income homes. Schools then have wide discretion on how to spend the money.

Now I would like to read several suggestions that have been made for how schools should use this additional federal funding. For each one I read, please tell me if you think that suggested use of funding for local public schools is essential, very important but not essential, only somewhat important, or not important at all.

[ROTATE Q.23-31] – SORTED BY TOT IMP		<u>ESSN</u>	<u>VERY</u>	<u>TOT</u>	<u>SMT</u>	<u>NOT</u>	<u>DK/</u>
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_28.	Expanding tutoring programs to help students having trouble with their classwork.	44%	38%	82%	13%	3%	2%
_23.	Addressing the mental and emotional health needs of students and staff.	41%	33%	74%	19%	5%	2%
_27.	Hiring additional teachers and staff to reduce class size.	41%	30%	71%	15%	10%	4%
_25.	Upgrading heating and cooling systems and purchasing effective air filters to clean the air of airborne diseases such as COVID.	38%	33%	71%	19%	7%	3%
_30.	Providing upgrades to educational technology, such as laptops, chrome books, I-pads, tablets, and interactive classroom learning technology.	34%	34%	68%	20%	9%	3%
_31.	Hiring additional counselors.	31%	30%	61%	22%	13%	4%
_24.	Providing personal protection equipment, such as masks or plastic desk dividers, to protect students from catching COVID.	32%	28%	60%	18%	19%	3%
_29.	Expanding after school programs and activities.	29%	31%	60%	24%	11%	5%
_26.	The construction and renovation of school buildings.	26%	25%	51%	28%	16%	5%

__32. Is there any other area that you believe local public-school districts and charter schools should spend the additional federal funding on? [**WRITE COMMENT AS STATED**]

- 54% No; no other areas
- 5% Food quality – Free breakfast/lunch programs
- 4% Teachers pay/benefits
- 3% Classroom Supplies – Books
- 3% Curriculum – Academic programs expansion
- 3% Security – Safety
- 2% Transportation
- 1% Allow federal funding to be shared with private/religious/charter schools
- 1% Anti-bullying programs
- 1% Arts – Music – Theater
- 1% Athletics – Sports
- 1% Hire more/better teachers – Reduce class sizes
- 1% Life skills – Financial education
- 1% Mental health – Wellness programs
- 1% Schools should NOT receive any additional federal funding
- 1% Skilled trades – Vocational education programs
- 1% Special education
- 1% Staying open – Not closing due to COVID
- 1% Support staff pay/benefits
- 1% Teachers resources/education/training
- 1% Technology – Internet access – Personal computing devices
- 1% Truancy and Dropouts – Hire truancy officers
- 1% Tutoring – Mentoring
- 1% Vaccinations – Vaccination education
- 2% Other (*less than 1% each*)
- 9% Undecided/Refused

(Please note that totals may not equal 100% due to rounding)

Finally, I would like to ask a few questions about you - for statistical purposes only.

__33. Do you think of yourself as pro-choice, meaning that you support allowing women to have the right to an abortion, or do you consider yourself pro-life, meaning that you oppose abortions, except when it is necessary to save the life of the mother?

- 56% Pro-choice – women have the right to an abortion
- 34% Pro-life – against abortions except to save life of mother
- 10% Undecided/Refused

__34. Do you have school age children aged 18 or younger living in your household?

- 30% Yes
- 69% No
- 1% Undecided/Refused

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_39. Which of the following racial or ethnic groups best describes you -- White, African American or Black, Hispanic or Latino, Asian, Native American, of mixed-race, or some other group or race?

76%	White
13%	African American/Black
2%	Hispanic or Latino (Puerto Rican, Mexican-American etc.)
1%	Asian
0%	Native American
3%	Mixed race
1%	Other
4%	Undecided/Refused

_40. Would you describe yourself as (**ROTATE**) conservative, moderate, or liberal?

35%	Conservative
34%	Moderate
19%	Liberal
12%	Undecided/Refused

_41. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself a Republican or a Democrat?

(IF DEM) Do you consider yourself a strong Democrat or a not very strong Democrat?

(IF INDEP) Do you consider yourself closer to the Republican or Democratic Party?

(IF REP) Do you consider yourself a strong Republican or not a very strong Republican?

24%	Strong Democrat
6%	Not Strong Democrat
10%	Independent-Lean Democrat
40%	TOTAL DEMOCRAT
15%	Independent
39%	TOTAL REPUBLICAN
8%	Independent-Lean Republican
9%	Not Strong Republican
22%	Strong Republican
1%	Other
5%	Undecided/Refused