

Stockton Polling Institute

Immigration

Oct. 10-14, 2024

Weighted Results

For the most part, do you think immigration is a good thing or a bad thing for this country?

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Good thing	55%	337
2	Bad thing	32%	200
3	Not sure	10%	64
4	Refuse	2%	15
	Total	100%	616

Should immigration to the United States be more difficult, less difficult, or are you satisfied with immigration laws as is?

#	Answer	%	Count
1	More difficult	51%	312
2	Less difficult	20%	121
3	Satisfied as is	20%	126
4	Not sure	8%	50
5	Refuse	1%	8
	Total	100%	616

Which of the following best aligns with your views. Undocumented immigrants currently living in the United States should:

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Be allowed to stay legally	8%	51
2	Should be allowed to stay legally only if they meet certain requirements	59%	364
3	Should not be allowed to stay legally	30%	185
4	Not sure	2%	11
5	Refuse	1%	6
	Total	100%	616

Which of the following best describes your views on Temporary Protected Status, an authorization provided to certain eligible migrants that allows them to legally live and work in the U.S. on a temporary basis.

#	Answer	%	Count
1	The U.S. should keep the requirements for Temporary Protected Status as is	27%	164
2	The U.S. should expand eligibility for Temporary Protected Status	22%	136
3	The U.S. should restrict eligibility for Temporary Protected Status	26%	162
4	The U.S. should revoke Temporary Protected Status completely and deport people with this legal status	14%	84
5	Not sure	10%	63
6	Refuse	1%	7
	Total	100%	616

A national effort to deport people who are in the country illegally:

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Strongly support	35%	215
2	Somewhat support	22%	135
3	Somewhat oppose	19%	115
4	Strongly oppose	19%	116
5	Not sure	5%	30
6	Refuse	1%	5
	Total	100%	616

Increasing resources to the U.S. border with Mexico:

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Strongly support	57%	354
2	Somewhat support	23%	139
3	Somewhat oppose	7%	40
4	Strongly oppose	7%	45
5	Not sure	6%	34
6	Refuse	1%	3
	Total	100%	616

Creating more opportunities to legally immigrate to the U.S.:

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Strongly support	42%	259
2	Somewhat support	29%	179
3	Somewhat oppose	10%	59
4	Strongly oppose	15%	95
5	Not sure	3%	21
6	Refuse	0%	3
	Total	100%	616

Streamlining the process for non-citizens to obtain work authorization:

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Strongly support	35%	215
2	Somewhat support	29%	180
3	Somewhat oppose	10%	61
4	Strongly oppose	19%	116
5	Not sure	5%	34
6	Refuse	2%	10
	Total	100%	616

Demographics

AGE - Please select your age group.

#	Answer	%	Count
1	18-29	12%	75
2	30-44	25%	154
3	45-64	35%	216
4	65 and older	26%	160
5	Refuse	2%	11
	Total	100%	616

COUNTY AS REGION - Select your New Jersey county.

#	Answer	%	Count
1	North	51%	311
2	Central	32%	194
3	South	16%	96
4	Not sure	0%	0
5	Refuse	2%	15
	Total	100%	616

Are you Hispanic or Latino?

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes, Hispanic or Latino	16%	99
2	No	79%	487
3	Refuse	5%	31
	Total	100%	616

Which of the following best describes your race:

#	Answer	%	Count
1	White	68%	419
2	Black or African American	13%	80
3	Asian or Pacific Islander	4%	22
4	Other or multiracial	8%	52
5	Refuse	7%	43
	Total	100%	616

Which of the following best describes your highest level of education:

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Less than a four-year degree	54%	333
2	A four-year degree or more	45%	274
3	Refuse	1%	9
	Total	100%	616

Which of the following general categories best represents your household income last year before taxes:

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Less than \$50,000	19%	118
2	\$50,000 to less than \$100,000	28%	172
3	\$100,000 or more	44%	271
4	Refuse	9%	55
	Total	100%	616

Do you consider yourself to be a:

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Democrat	34%	207
2	Republican	28%	171
3	Independent	29%	178
4	Something else	5%	31
5	Not sure	1%	9
6	Refuse	3%	20
	Total	100%	616

Lastly, what is your gender?

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Man	47%	286
2	Woman	50%	310
3	Identify another way	0%	2
4	Refuse	3%	18
	Total	100%	616

Methodology

The poll of New Jersey registered voters was sponsored and conducted by the Stockton Polling Institute of the William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy at Stockton University. Data collection took place from Oct. 10-14, 2024. A random sample of 616 New Jersey voters were interviewed. The poll was conducted via telephone by live interviewers in English.

Overall, 91% of interviews were conducted on cell phones and 9% on landline phones. In terms of mode, 65% were reached via dialing and 35% were reached via text-to-web. The live calls were conducted by Opinion Services. The text messages were sent by Stockton Polling Institute staff from the University's Galloway campus and included a single-use link to take the survey online.

Both cell and landline samples consisted of random digit dialing (RDD) and voter list sample from MSG. Both listed and unlisted numbers are included. Within-household selection is done by asking for the youngest adult. Adults without a telephone are excluded from the sample.

Weighting was done to balance the sample demographics to be representative of the target population. Data were weighted using iterative proportional fitting, also known as raking or random iterative method (RIM) weighting. Data were weighted based on U.S. Census Bureau ACS 2023 data for the citizen voting age population in New Jersey on variables of age, race, education level, and sex. The poll's margin of error is +/- 3.9 percentage points at a 95% confidence level. The margin of sampling error is higher for subsets. Sampling error does not account for other potential sources of bias in polls such as measurement error or non-response.

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