

Stockton Polling Institute
NJ Issues Poll Spring 2022
Full Results-Weighted Frequencies
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Q1 - In November 2020, voters approved legalizing recreational marijuana, yet sales have not yet begun. Do you think the state's delay in starting recreational sales has been reasonable, unacceptable, or do you have no opinion on this?

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Reasonable	22%	140
2	Unacceptable	27%	170
3	No opinion	50%	319
4	Not sure	1%	7
5	Refuse	1%	4
	Total	100%	640

Q2 - Would you support or oppose having dispensaries in your town selling recreational marijuana?

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Support	56%	358
2	Oppose	36%	228
3	Not sure	8%	48
4	Refuse	1%	5
	Total	100%	640

Q3 - Lawmakers have decided that 70% of tax revenue raised from recreational sales go to economically disadvantaged communities. In your opinion, what should it be spent on in these communities if you had to name one? (CHOICES WERE NOT READ)

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Education	37%	238
2	Social services in general	13%	84
3	Not sure	11%	69
4	Other	9%	59

5	Infrastructure	8%	54
6	Job creation	5%	33
7	Housing, services for homeless	4%	28
8	Law enforcement	3%	21
9	Disapprove of the premise; funds should go to whole state	2%	10
10	Lowering taxes	2%	14
11	Grants, loans	1%	9
12	Addiction services	1%	9
13	Healthcare	1%	7
14	Refuse	0%	3
	Total	100%	640

Q4 - Would you support or oppose New Jersey’s hospitality industry offering cannabis attractions, like restaurants with cannabis-infused food, consumption lounges, and other experiences, in popular New Jersey tourist towns?

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Support	50%	320
2	Oppose	43%	278
3	Not sure	6%	41
4	Refuse	0%	2
	Total	100%	640

Q5 - In New Jersey, the sale of some hemp products that can get users high, similar to marijuana, is unregulated. This means these products can be sold over the counter at any store, like gas stations or vape shops for example, to anyone 21 or older. Do you support or oppose the unregulated sale of these products?

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Support	28%	179
2	Oppose	67%	428
3	Not sure	4%	28
4	Refuse	1%	5
	Total	100%	640

Q6 - Turning now to other topics, in your opinion, what should New Jersey’s biggest budget priority be? (CHOICES WERE NOT READ)

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Education (General)	13%	86
2	Roads, infrastructure	13%	80
3	Tax reduction (Property)	12%	79
4	Housing, assistance for homeless	9%	57
5	Tax reduction (General), tax rebates	9%	60
6	Not sure	8%	50
7	Other	8%	49
8	Healthcare	6%	40
9	Education (K-12)	5%	34
10	Making state more affordable	3%	22
11	Reducing crime, law enforcement	3%	19
12	Debt, deficit, reducing spending	3%	19
13	Climate change	1%	7
14	COVID	1%	7
15	Education (Colleges)	1%	4
16	State pensions	1%	8
17	Transportation	1%	5
18	Refuse	1%	5
19	Social welfare programs	1%	6
	Total	100%	640

Q7 - Do you support or oppose the state of New Jersey accepting Ukrainian refugees for resettlement here?

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Support	78%	498
2	Oppose	16%	102
3	Not sure	6%	40
4	Refuse	0%	1
	Total	100%	640

Q8 - Do you support or oppose the boycott of Russian products and companies, ranging from oil imports to vodka?

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Support	65%	415
2	Oppose	24%	153
3	Not sure	11%	70
4	Refuse	0%	2
	Total	100%	640

Q9 - Turning now to questions on public health, have you, or someone you know personally, experienced mental health issues?

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	58%	372
2	No	39%	252
3	Not sure	2%	15
4	Refuse	0%	0
	Total	100%	640

Q9A - Would you say these mental health issues have gotten better, worse, or stayed the same during the pandemic?

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Better	7%	27
2	Worse	68%	252
3	Stayed the same	20%	75
4	Not sure	5%	19
5	Refuse	0%	0
	Total	100%	373

Q10 - Please rate your level of agreement with the following statements: New Jersey offers adequate and affordable mental health services.

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Strongly agree	11%	72
2	Somewhat agree	25%	160
3	Somewhat disagree	17%	107

4	Strongly disagree	23%	149
5	Not sure	24%	152
6	Refuse	0%	1
	Total	100%	640

Q11 - New Jersey offers adequate and affordable addiction treatment services.

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Strongly agree	13%	85
2	Somewhat agree	23%	144
3	Somewhat disagree	14%	91
4	Strongly disagree	19%	118
5	Not sure	31%	199
6	Refuse	0%	3
	Total	100%	640

Q12 - Have you, or someone you know personally, been impacted by the opioid crisis?

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	39%	252
2	No	59%	380
3	Not sure	1%	7
4	Refuse	0%	0
	Total	100%	640

Q13 - To what extent is addiction an issue in your community: Would you say it's a big problem, a minor problem, or not a problem at all where you live?

#	Answer	%	Count
1	A big problem	35%	221
2	A minor problem	40%	258
3	Not a problem at all	17%	110
4	Not sure	8%	50
5	Refuse	0%	1
	Total	100%	640

Q14 - To what extent is homelessness an issue in your community: Would you say it's a big problem, a minor problem, or not a problem at all where you live?

#	Answer	%	Count
1	A big problem	23%	149
2	A minor problem	35%	225
3	Not a problem at all	38%	244
4	Not sure	3%	22
5	Refuse	0%	0
	Total	100%	640

Q15 - Would you support or oppose extending New Jersey's indoor smoking ban to casinos, which would prohibit smoking on casino floors?

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Support	62%	399
2	Oppose	31%	200
3	Not sure	6%	41
4	Refuse	0%	0
	Total	100%	640

Q16 - Do you support or oppose facial recognition technology being used by law enforcement in New Jersey?

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Support	52%	331
2	Oppose	40%	258
3	Not sure	8%	49
4	Refuse	0%	2
	Total	100%	640

Demographics

PHONE -

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Landline phone	12%	76
2	Cell phone	88%	563
3	Computer/VOIP	0%	0
4	Refuse	0%	1
	Total	100%	640

AGE -

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Younger than 18	0%	0
2	18-29	19%	46
3	30-49	31%	73
4	50-64	30%	72
5	65 and older	20%	47
6	Refuse	0%	0
	Total	100%	238

COUNTY -

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Atlantic	4%	23
2	Bergen	9%	59
3	Burlington	5%	31
4	Camden	7%	45
5	Cape May	2%	10
6	Cumberland	3%	16
7	Essex	8%	53
8	Gloucester	4%	23
9	Hudson	7%	46
10	Hunterdon	1%	9
11	Mercer	4%	24
12	Middlesex	8%	48
13	Monmouth	7%	45

14	Morris	7%	46
15	Ocean	8%	50
16	Passaic	5%	34
17	Salem	1%	6
18	Somerset	3%	16
19	Sussex	2%	15
20	Union	5%	29
21	Warren	2%	12
22	Not sure (Please enter zip code)	0%	0
23	Other county	0%	0
24	Refuse	0%	0
	Total	100%	640

SELF-REPORTED PARTY IDENTIFICATION -

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Democrat	32%	204
2	Republican	23%	146
3	Independent	28%	178
4	Or something else?	13%	86
5	Not sure	2%	13
6	Refuse	2%	13
	Total	100%	640

HISPANIC/LATINO -

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Yes	16%	102
2	No	83%	531
3	Refuse	1%	7
	Total	100%	640

RACE -

#	Answer	%	Count
1	White	64%	409
2	Black or African American	16%	102
3	Asian or Pacific Islander	5%	35

4	Native American	0%	3
5	Some other race alone	2%	15
6	More than one race	8%	50
8	Refuse	4%	25
	Total	100%	640

EDUCATION -

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Less than a four-year college degree	53%	340
2	A four-year college degree or more	45%	291
3	Refuse	1%	9
	Total	100%	640

INCOME -

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Less than \$50,000	29%	187
3	\$50,000 to less than \$100,000	22%	141
4	More than \$100,000	37%	236
7	Refuse	12%	76
	Total	100%	640

GENDER -

#	Answer	%	Count
1	Man	49%	312
2	Woman	50%	322
3	Identify another way	0%	2
4	Refuse	1%	4
	Total	100%	640

Methodology

The poll of New Jersey adult residents was conducted by the Stockton Polling Institute of the William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy April 4-13, 2022. Live interviewers who are mostly Stockton University students called cell phones and landlines from the Stockton University campus. Opinion Services supplemented a portion of the fieldwork. Overall, 88 percent of interviews were conducted on cell phones and 12 percent on landline phones. A total of 640 New Jersey adult residents were interviewed. Both cell and landline samples consisted of random digit dialing (RDD) sample from MSG. Data are weighted based on U.S. Census Bureau American Community Survey data for New Jersey on variables of age, race, ethnicity, education level, sex, and region. The poll's margin of error is +/- 3.8 percentage points at a 95 percent confidence level. MOE is higher for subsets.