

IL STATEWIDE TAX CREDIT SURVEY RESULTS

CONDUCTED ONLINE NOVEMBER 9-12, 2018

2176 INTERVIEWS ACROSS ILLINOIS



PART I

GENERAL OUTLOOK

Do you support or oppose a tax cut for lower and middle-income taxpayers to help with daily expenses or emergencies, paid for by a tax increase on the wealthiest? The money would be required to fund an earned income tax credit of up to \$2,000 per year, for people who work and earn less than \$70,000.

47%

Strongly support

- 65% of Democrats
- 35% of Independents
- 28% of Republicans
- 57% of Income under \$75,000
- 33% of Income \$75,000 or more
- 65% of African Americans
- 61% of Chicagoans
- 44% of non-Chicagoans

22%

Somewhat support

- 21% of Democrats
- 29% of Independents
- 20% of Republicans
- 23% of Income under \$75,000
- 23% of Income \$75,000 or more

13%

Neither support nor oppose

- 10% of Democrats
- 15% of Independents
- 17% of Republicans
- 10% of Income under \$75,000
- 16% of Income \$75,000 or more

6%

Somewhat oppose

- 2% of Democrats
- 8% of Independents
- 11% of Republicans
- 4% of Income under \$75,000
- 9% of Income \$75,000 or more

12% said Strongly oppose.

Would you support or oppose expanding the tax credit just described to people caring for a child or senior in their family, as well as low-income students?



41%

Strongly support

- 57% of Democrats
- 30% of Independents
- 22% of Republicans
- 48% of Income under \$75,000
- 32% of Income \$75,000 or more
- 72% of those who strongly support the tax credit
- 48% who care for a family member full time
- 41% who don't care for a family member
- 51% of full-time students

28%

Somewhat support

- 26% of Democrats
- 31% of Independents
- 28% of Republicans
- 23% of Income under \$75,000
- 33% of Income \$75,000 or more

16%

Neither support nor oppose

- 10% of Democrats
- 20% of Independents
- 23% of Republicans
- 14% of Income under \$75,000
- 17% of Income \$75,000 or more

7%

Somewhat oppose

- 3% of Democrats
- 9% of Independents
- 10% of Republicans
- 7% of Income under \$75,000
- 7% of Income \$75,000 or more

10% said Strongly oppose.

Which of the following comes closest to describing your personal financial situation today?

7%

Getting much better

- 5% of Democrats
- 6% of Independents
- 11% of Republicans
- 4% of Income under \$75,000
- 11% of Income \$75,000 or more

19%

Getting a little better

- 18% of Democrats
- 20% of Independents
- 21% of Republicans
- 16% of Income under \$75,000
- 26% of Income \$75,000 or more
- 12% of 65 or Older
- 33% of \$150,000 to just under \$250,000

38%

Staying where you are

- 40% of Democrats
- 37% of Independents
- 35% of Republicans
- 35% of Income under \$75,000
- 42% of Income \$75,000 or more
- 49% of \$10,000 to \$49,999 in savings

23%

Getting a little worse

- 25% of Democrats
- 21% of Independents
- 21% of Republicans
- 28% of Income under \$75,000
- 16% of Income \$75,000 or more

13% said Getting much worse.

Which TWO of the following reasons make you feel like you aren't getting much better?

57%

The high cost of living and housing

- 51% of Democrats
- 64% of Independents
- 58% of Republicans
- 57% of Income under \$75,000
- 60% of Income \$75,000 or more

33%

Health care issues and costs

- 33% of Democrats
- 36% of Independents
- 30% of Republicans
- 33% of Income under \$75,000
- 31% of Income \$75,000 or more
- 50% of 65 or Older

33%

Not making enough money

- 37% of Democrats
- 34% of Independents
- 23% of Republicans
- 42% of Income under \$75,000
- 19% of Income \$75,000 or more

20%

Not having enough savings

- 24% of Democrats
- 18% of Independents
- 16% of Republicans
- 21% of Income under \$75,000
- 19% of Income \$75,000 or more

18% said Having too much debt. 12% said The cost of higher education.

PART IV

SAMPLE INFO

In the 2016 election, did you vote for:

36%

Donald Trump, the
Republican

52%

Hillary Clinton, the
Democrat

4%

Gary Johnson, the
Libertarian

2%

Jill Stein, the Green
Party

7% said Did not vote.

How would you describe where you live?

21%

In the city of Chicago

9%

In another city

25%

Suburb

24%

Small town

21% said Rural area.

How much do you currently have in savings that you could use for a medical or other emergency?

33%

Under \$100

12%

\$100 to \$499

10%

\$500 to \$999

13%

\$1000 to \$4999

7% said \$5000 to \$9999. 7% said \$10,000 to \$49,999. 7% said \$50,000 or more. 10% said Don't know.

Party Registration



48%

Democrat

27%

Republican

26%

Independent

TARGETING

Registered voters in Illinois were solicited, between November 9-12, in a survey conducted in English.

Change Research applied proprietary Bias Correct approach to solicitations in order to yield a mostly representative sample.

Incomplete responses, respondents outside of Illinois, and unregistered voters were filtered out, leaving a sample of 2176.

WEIGHTING

Results based on 2176 registered voters living in Illinois, and who answered most of the questions.

Sample demographics are close to this population for age, gender, and ethnicity.

Post-stratification done on gender, age, race, 2016 presidential vote, and location in/outside of Chicago.