

University of Iowa Hawkeye Poll – Topline Results
April 21, 2021
March/April poll of Iowans

Sample: 991 voting-age residents in Iowa, margin of error +/-3.2%.

About: The Hawkeye Poll was fielded March 23 to April 12, 2021.

The poll was conducted by the Hawkeye Poll Cooperative, comprised of University of Iowa faculty, graduate students, and undergraduate students in the political science and sociology departments. The poll is a teaching, research, and service project, which uses the facilities of the Iowa Social Science Research Center directed by Frederick J. Boehmke, professor of political science and faculty advisor for the poll. The Department of Political Science, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and the University of Iowa Public Policy Center support the poll; financial support was provided through a Student Technology Fee award (#1290-91).

The Iowa Social Science Research Center (ISRC) assisted with data collection. Responses were gathered by phone (89) and by web (902). For the phone portion, the ISRC obtained a random sample of Iowans consisting of 40% household landline numbers and 60% mobile phone numbers. All respondents who stated they were over age 18 and willing to participate in the survey were included. After training, students in the class used the ISRC's computer-assisted interviewing resources to complete the calling and interviews. No quotas were set for the phone component. For the web portion, the ISRC contracted with a respected web panel vendor to field the survey to a demographically representative sample of 902 web respondents. Respondents invited to complete the web survey were Iowa adults, aged 18-120 years, recruited for participation via web panel. To obtain a census-representative sample, quotas were set on the following demographics: sex, age, and party identification.

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Respondent Identification: All respondents who stated they were over age 18 and willing to participate in the survey were included. 902 responses were completed by web and 89 were completed by phone. To obtain a census-representative sample, quotas were set for the web data collection on the following demographics: sex, age, and urbanicity. No quotas were set for the phone data collection.

Weighting: Reported results are weighted by age, sex, and party identification.

When it comes to how you feel Kim Reynolds is handling her job as Governor, would you say you...

	%
Strongly Approve	16.0
Approve	20.6
Neither approve nor disapprove	14.5
Disapprove	16.3
Strongly Disapprove	28.9
Don't Know/Declined	3.8
Total	100.0

When it comes to how you feel the state legislature is handling its job, would you say you...

	%
Strongly Approve	7.9
Approve	24.2
Neither approve nor disapprove	25.0
Disapprove	18.6
Strongly Disapprove	16.3
Don't Know/Declined	7.9
Total	100.0

Overall, do you think things in Iowa are headed in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track?

	%
Right track	41.6
Wrong track	43.2
Don't Know/Declined	15.2
Total	100.0

What is your sex?

	%
Male	49.2
Female	50.8
Total	100.0

Governor approval by sex

	Male (%)	Female (%)	Total (%)
Strongly Approve	21.3	10.8	16.0
Approve	21.1	20.2	20.6
Neither approve nor disapprove	14.1	14.8	14.5
Disapprove	13.0	19.4	16.3
Strongly Disapprove	26.3	31.4	28.9
Don't Know/Declined	4.2	3.4	3.8

Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
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Legislature approval by sex

	Male (%)	Female (%)	Total (%)
Strongly Approve	11.8	4.1	7.9
Approve	27.5	21.1	24.2
Neither approve nor disapprove	20.2	29.8	25.0
Disapprove	16.5	20.7	18.6
Strongly Disapprove	15.9	16.7	16.3
Don't Know/Declined	8.2	7.6	7.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Right or wrong track by sex

	Male (%)	Female (%)	Total (%)
Right track	48.2	35.2	41.6
Wrong track	37.1	49.2	43.2
Don't Know/Declined	14.7	15.6	15.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent, or what?

	%
Democrat	30.9
Republican	31.4
Independent	30.2
No preference	6.4
Other	1.1
Total	100.0

Governor approval by party identification

	Democrat (%)	Republican (%)	Independent (%)	Total (%)
Strongly Approve	4.0	33.4	12.4	16.7
Approve	10.5	35.6	17.6	21.3
Neither approve nor disapprove	10.1	12.8	18.5	13.8
Disapprove	18.3	8.6	22.5	16.4
Strongly Disapprove	55.1	7.8	26.9	29.8
Don't Know/Declined	2.1	1.8	2.2	2.0
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Legislature approval by party identification

	Democrat (%)	Republican (%)	Independent (%)	Total (%)
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Strongly Approve	4.5	13.5	6.8	8.3
Approve	13.2	43.6	19.1	25.4
Neither approve nor disapprove	21.9	26.2	23.0	23.7
Disapprove	26.1	6.5	25.8	19.4
Strongly Disapprove	31.6	4.1	15.3	17.0
Don't Know/Declined	2.8	6.0	10.0	6.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Right or wrong track by party identification

	Democrat (%)	Republican (%)	Independent (%)	Total (%)
Right track	20.9	68.5	39.7	43.2
Wrong track	70.1	19.8	42.7	44.1
Don't Know/Declined	9.0	11.8	17.6	12.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Do you consider the community that you live in to be urban, suburban, or rural?

	%
Urban	25.2
Suburban	35.0
Rural	39.8
Total	100.0

Governor approval by urban, suburban, and rural

	Urban (%)	Suburban (%)	Rural (%)	Total (%)
Strongly Approve	14.3	15.9	18.0	16.4
Approve	19.1	21.9	22.3	21.4
Neither approve nor disapprove	13.1	11.4	18.3	14.6
Disapprove	18.1	16.7	15.2	16.5
Strongly Disapprove	33.2	31.0	23.6	28.6
Don't Know/Declined	2.2	3.1	2.5	2.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Legislature approval by urban, suburban, and rural

	Urban (%)	Suburban (%)	Rural (%)	Total (%)
Strongly Approve	9.2	9.9	5.4	7.9
Approve	20.7	24.4	28.5	25.1
Neither approve nor disapprove	26.8	25.1	24.4	25.3
Disapprove	20.2	17.9	20.1	19.3
Strongly Disapprove	16.8	19.1	14.4	16.6
Don't Know/Declined	6.4	3.7	7.3	5.8
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Right or wrong track by urban, suburban, and rural

	Urban (%)	Suburban (%)	Rural (%)	Total (%)
Right track	38.4	41.3	47.4	43.0
Wrong track	46.9	46.4	39.6	43.8
Don't Know/Declined	14.8	12.3	13.1	13.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0