

Stockton Polling Institute

Age and Term Limits

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Weighted Results

Do you support or oppose maximum age limits for elected officials, meaning after they reach a certain age they are not permitted to hold office any longer?

| # | Answer | % | Count |
|---|----------|------|-------|
| 1 | Support | 73% | 456 |
| 2 | Oppose | 21% | 132 |
| 3 | Not sure | 6% | 36 |
| 4 | Refuse | 1% | 6 |
| | Total | 100% | 631 |

What about maximum age limits for Supreme Court justices?

| # | Answer | % | Count |
|---|----------|------|-------|
| 1 | Support | 69% | 434 |
| 2 | Oppose | 22% | 136 |
| 3 | Not sure | 8% | 52 |
| 4 | Refuse | 1% | 8 |
| | Total | 100% | 631 |

Do you think the maximum age limit for politicians and/or justices should be:

| # | Answer | % | Count |
|---|------------------------|------|-------|
| 1 | An age younger than 60 | 13% | 68 |
| 2 | between 60 and 69 | 43% | 217 |
| 3 | between 70 and 79 | 33% | 166 |
| 4 | between 80 and 89 | 6% | 29 |
| 5 | or 90 and older? | 2% | 11 |
| 6 | Not sure | 3% | 13 |
| 7 | Refuse | 1% | 4 |
| | Total | 100% | 507 |

Do you support or oppose term limits for members of Congress, meaning after they've served a certain number of terms they are not permitted to hold that office any longer?

| # | Answer | % | Count |
|---|----------|------|-------|
| 1 | Support | 80% | 504 |
| 2 | Oppose | 14% | 91 |
| 3 | Not sure | 5% | 33 |
| 4 | Refuse | 0% | 3 |
| | Total | 100% | 631 |

Do you support or oppose term limits for members of the New Jersey state legislature?

| # | Answer | % | Count |
|---|----------|------|-------|
| 1 | Support | 81% | 507 |
| 2 | Oppose | 13% | 84 |
| 3 | Not sure | 5% | 34 |
| 4 | Refuse | 1% | 5 |
| | Total | 100% | 631 |

Do you think the terms should be limited to a total of:

| # | Answer | % | Count |
|---|-----------------------------------|------|-------|
| 1 | 2-6 years | 40% | 213 |
| 2 | Up to 12 years | 48% | 251 |
| 3 | Up to 20 years | 8% | 42 |
| 4 | Or more than 20 years of service? | 1% | 6 |
| 5 | Not sure | 3% | 15 |
| 6 | Refuse | 0% | 0 |
| | Total | 100% | 527 |

Demographics

Phone type

| # | Answer | % | Count |
|---|------------|------|-------|
| 1 | Landline | 8% | 49 |
| 2 | Cell phone | 92% | 581 |
| | Total | 100% | 630 |

QAGE - Please select your age group.

| # | Answer | % | Count |
|---|--------------|------|-------|
| 1 | 18-29 | 17% | 104 |
| 2 | 30-49 | 33% | 210 |
| 3 | 50-64 | 27% | 170 |
| 4 | 65 and older | 23% | 143 |
| 5 | Refuse | 0% | 3 |
| | Total | 100% | 631 |

COUNTY AS REGION - Select your New Jersey county.

| # | Answer | % | Count |
|---|----------|------|-------|
| 1 | North | 49% | 310 |
| 2 | Central | 33% | 205 |
| 3 | South | 17% | 105 |
| 4 | Not sure | 0% | 0 |
| 5 | Refuse | 2% | 10 |
| | Total | 100% | 631 |

D1 - Are you Hispanic or Latino, or not?

| # | Answer | % | Count |
|---|-------------------------|------|-------|
| 1 | Yes, Hispanic or Latino | 19% | 118 |
| 2 | No | 78% | 490 |
| 3 | Refuse | 3% | 22 |
| | Total | 100% | 631 |

D2 - Which of the following best describes your race:

| # | Answer | % | Count |
|---|---------------------------|------|-------|
| 1 | White | 63% | 398 |
| 2 | Black or African American | 15% | 96 |
| 3 | Asian or Pacific Islander | 2% | 12 |
| 4 | Native American | 1% | 7 |
| 5 | Some other race alone | 6% | 39 |
| 6 | More than one race | 6% | 39 |
| 7 | Refuse | 6% | 39 |
| | Total | 100% | 631 |

D3 - Which of the following best describes your highest level of education:

| # | Answer | % | Count |
|---|------------------------------------|------|-------|
| 1 | Less than a four-year degree | 54% | 342 |
| 2 | A four-year college degree or more | 45% | 282 |
| 3 | Refuse | 1% | 6 |
| | Total | 100% | 631 |

D4 - Which of the following general categories best represents your household income last year before taxes:

| # | Answer | % | Count |
|---|---------------------------------|------|-------|
| 1 | Less than \$50,000 | 20% | 124 |
| 2 | \$50,000 to less than \$100,000 | 27% | 170 |
| 3 | \$100,000 or more | 41% | 256 |
| 4 | Refuse | 13% | 82 |
| | Total | 100% | 631 |

D5 - Do you consider yourself to be a:

| # | Answer | % | Count |
|---|----------------|------|-------|
| 1 | Democrat | 31% | 198 |
| 2 | Republican | 24% | 152 |
| 3 | Independent | 28% | 179 |
| 4 | Something else | 12% | 74 |
| 5 | Not sure | 2% | 13 |
| 6 | Refuse | 2% | 15 |
| | Total | 100% | 631 |

D6 - Lastly, what is your gender?

| # | Answer | % | Count |
|---|----------------------|------|-------|
| 1 | Man | 48% | 306 |
| 2 | Woman | 50% | 314 |
| 3 | Identify another way | 1% | 4 |
| 4 | Refuse | 1% | 7 |
| | Total | 100% | 631 |

Methodology

The poll of New Jersey adults was conducted by the Stockton Polling Institute of the William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy from October 9-18, 2023. Stockton University students texted cell phones with invitations to take the survey online and Opinion Services supplemented the dialing portion of the fieldwork, which consisted of cell and landline telephone calls. Overall, 92% of interviews were conducted on cell phones and 8% on landline phones. In terms of mode, 79% were reached via dialing and 21% were reached via text-to-web. A total of 630 New Jersey adult residents were interviewed. Both cell and landline samples consisted of New Jersey voter list and random digit dialing (RDD) sample from MSG. Data are weighted based on U.S. Census Bureau ACS 2021 data for 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. MOE is higher for subsets.