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# **The Simon Poll**

## **Illinois Statewide**

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## **Poll Description**

### **Motivation**

The mission of the non-partisan Paul Simon Public Policy Institute polling is to provide citizens, policy-makers, and academic researchers with objective information about trends and issues facing society.

### **Sample and Geographic Coverage**

The 2016 Simon Poll interviewed 1,000 registered voters across Illinois.

### **Polling Method**

Live telephone interviews. Cell phone interviews accounted for 40 percent of the sample. A Spanish language version of the questionnaire and a Spanish-speaking interviewer were made available.

### **Margin of Error**

Plus or minus 3.1 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level. The margin for error will be larger for demographic, geographic and response subgroups.

### **Date**

Poll conducted from February 15-20, 2016.

### **Polling Agency**

Customer Research International of San Marcos, Texas<sup>1</sup>.

### **Funding Source**

The survey was paid for with non-tax dollars from the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute's endowment fund.

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<sup>1</sup> Customer Research International reports no Illinois political clients.

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## Data Descriptions and Frequencies

### Introduction and Screening

[VAR: id]

Remarks: Identification number for each respondent. Does not allow for identifying individuals.

[VAR: area]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Chicago City	1	200
Chicago Suburbs	2	500
Downstate	3	300

[VAR: type]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Landline	1	600
Cell Phone	2	400

*Hello. This is \_\_\_\_\_ calling for The Public Policy Institute. First, I want you to know that I'm not trying to sell you anything. We're conducting a study to find out what voters think about some public policy questions important to Illinois. And, your phone number was selected at random to participate.*

**S1.** Have I reached you on your cell phone? (IF NEEDED: By cell phone we mean a wireless phone that is mobile and usable outside of your neighborhood.)

[VAR: cell]

**S2.** Is this a safe time to talk with you now or are you driving?

[VAR: safe]

**S3.** According to our research procedure, I need to speak to the youngest (male/female) who is registered to vote. May I speak to that person, please?

[VAR: youngest]

**S5.** Are you registered to vote in the state of Illinois?

[VAR: reg]



**S6. Gender**

[VAR: gender]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Male	1	478
Female	2	522

Remarks: The interviewer did not ask, they recorded according to what they thought.**General Outlook**

1. First, we'd like to know what you think about the direction of the United States of America. Generally speaking, do you think things in our country are going in the right direction, or are they off track and heading in the wrong direction?

[VAR: rwdirusa]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Right direction	1	292
Wrong direction	2	628
Don't know	9	80

Remarks: If the participant was unsure, the interviewer probed, "well, on balance, are things going in the right direction or the wrong direction?"

2. And what about the direction of the State of Illinois? Generally speaking, are things in Illinois going in the right direction, or are they off track and heading in the wrong direction?

[VAR: rwdiril]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Right direction	1	90
Wrong direction	2	838
Don't know	9	72

Remarks: If the participant was unsure, the interviewer probed, "well, on balance, are things going in the right direction or the wrong direction?"

3. And how are things going in your city or area of the state? In general, are things in your city or area going in the right direction, or in the wrong direction?

[VAR: rwdirlocal]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Right direction	1	496
Wrong direction	2	420
Don't know	9	84

Remarks: If the participant was unsure, the interviewer probed, "well, on balance, are things going in the right direction or the wrong direction?"

4. Regardless of what you think about how things are going in your part of the state, please tell me what you think about the overall quality of life in your area. Taking everything into account, would you say the overall quality of life in your area is...?

[VAR: qlife]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Excellent	1	130
Good	2	383
Average	3	323
Not so good	4	105
Poor	5	59

### **Elected Officials**

5. I would like for you to tell me how Governor Bruce Rauner is doing his job. Do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove of the job Governor Rauner is doing?

[VAR: app\_gov\_rau]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Strongly disapprove	1	168
Somewhat disapprove	2	241
Neither	3	28
Somewhat approve	4	161
Strongly approve	5	335
Don't know	9	67

6. Now, I'd like for you to tell me how well Senator Mark Kirk is doing his job.

[VAR: app\_ussen\_kirk]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Strongly disapprove	1	66
Somewhat disapprove	2	325
Neither	3	53
Somewhat approve	4	191
Strongly approve	5	118
Don't know	9	247

7. Now, I'd like for you to tell me how well Senator Dick Durbin is doing his job.

[VAR: app\_ussen\_dur]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Strongly disapprove	1	182
Somewhat disapprove	2	324
Neither	3	36
Somewhat approve	4	149
Strongly approve	5	186
Don't know	9	123

### **Primary Elections**

8. As you are probably aware, primary elections in Illinois will be held Tuesday, March 15. Are you planning to vote in the Republican primary, the Democratic primary, or will you probably not vote in the March primary?

[VAR: prim16\_party]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Vote Democratic	1	422
Vote Republican	2	306
Probably not vote	3	113
Other/Don't know	4	159

Remarks: The order that parties were read was rotated.

9. If the Democratic primary for president were held today, would you vote for...?

[VAR: prim16\_pres\_dem]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Hillary Clinton	1	217
Bernie Sanders	2	137
Someone else	3	0
Other/Don't know	4	68
Missing	IAP	578

Remarks: Asked of those that said they would vote Democratic in the primary elections. Responses of "someone else" were not read but recorded. Names were rotated.

**10. If the Democratic primary for U.S. Senate were held today, would you vote for...?**

[VAR: prim16\_sen\_dem]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Tammy Duckworth	1	220
Andrea Zopp	2	27
Napolean Harris	3	18
Someone else	4	1
Other/Don't know	5	156
Missing	IAP	578

Remarks: Asked of those that said they would vote Democratic in the primary elections. Responses of “someone else” were not read but recorded. Names were rotated.

**11. If the Republican primary for president were held today, would you vote for...?**

[VAR: prim16\_pres\_rep]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Jeb Bush	1	26
Ben Carson	2	18
Ted Cruz	3	45
John Kasich	4	41
Marco Rubio	5	43
Donald Trump	6	85
Someone else	7	2
Other/Don't know	8	46
Missing	IAP	694

Remarks: Asked of those that said they would vote Republican in the primary elections. Responses of “someone else” were not read but recorded. Names were rotated.

**12. If the Republican primary for U.S. Senate were held today, would you vote for...?**

[VAR: prim16\_sen\_rep]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Mark Kirk	1	161
James Marter	2	44
Someone else	3	0
Other/Don't know	4	101
Missing	IAP	694

Remarks: Asked of those that said they would vote Republican in the primary elections. Responses of “someone else” were not read but recorded. Names were rotated.

## **Illinois Budget**

*Section Introduction: Next I'm going to ask you a few questions about the state of Illinois' budget.*

- 13.** The state of Illinois has a budget deficit of over 6 billion dollars I'm going to read three statements that people have made about how to fix the deficit, and ask you which one comes closest to your views. If you haven't thought much about this issue, just tell me that. Illinois' public programs and services have already been reduced significantly we can only fix the problem by taking in more revenue, such as a tax increase (1); the state takes in plenty of money to pay for public services, but wastes it on unnecessary programs. We can fix the problem by cutting waste and inefficiency in government (2); OR the Illinois' budget problem is so large it can only be solved by a combination of budget cuts and revenue increases (3).

[VAR: fix\_deficit\_il]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
More revenue	1	100
Cut waste	2	465
Combination of cuts and revenue increases	3	332
Haven't thought much about it	4	40
Don't know	5	63

*Section Introduction: There have been a number of proposals to address the state's budget problems by making cuts in state programs and services. I'm going to read several areas where people have suggested that the state could make cuts. For each one that I read, I'd like you to tell me whether you favor or oppose budget cuts in that area, OK? (rotate)*

- 14.** Do you favor or oppose cuts in state spending on kindergarten through high school education?

[VAR: cuts\_k12]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Favor	1	169
Oppose	2	791
Other/don't know	3	40

- 15.** Do you favor or oppose cuts in state spending on state universities?

[VAR: cuts\_he]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Favor	1	349
Oppose	2	591
Other/don't know	3	60

**16. Do you favor or oppose cuts in state spending on public safety, such as state police and prison operations?**

[VAR: cuts\_cops]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Favor	1	262
Oppose	2	682
Other/don't know	3	56

**17. Do you favor or oppose cuts in state spending on natural resources, such as state parks or environmental regulation?**

[VAR: cuts\_parks]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Favor	1	379
Oppose	2	567
Other/don't know	3	54

**18. Do you favor or oppose cuts in state spending on programs for poor people?**

[VAR: cuts\_poor]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Favor	1	251
Oppose	2	663
Other/don't know	3	86

**19. Do you favor or oppose cuts in state spending on programs for people with mental or physical disabilities?**

[VAR: cuts\_disable]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Favor	1	148
Oppose	2	812
Other/Don't know	3	40

**20. Do you favor or oppose cuts in state spending on pension benefits for state workers' retirement?**

[VAR: pen\_cuts]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Favor	1	492
Oppose	2	435
Other/Don't know	3	73

*Section Introduction: There have been a number of proposals to address the state's budget problems by finding ways to raise more money to pay for programs and services. I'm going to read several areas where people have suggested that more money could be raised. For each one that I read, I'd like you to tell me whether you favor or oppose raising revenues in that way, OK?*

- 21.** Do you favor or oppose expanding the sales tax to cover services like dry cleaning or haircuts, which are not currently taxed?

[VAR: tax\_services]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Strongly favor	1	170
Somewhat favor	2	278
Somewhat oppose	3	216
Strongly oppose	4	301
Other/Don't know	5	35

- 22.** Do you favor or oppose a proposal expanding legalized gambling in the state?

[VAR: gamble\_exp]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Strongly favor	1	241
Somewhat favor	2	254
Somewhat oppose	3	196
Strongly oppose	4	267
Other/Don't know	5	42

- 23.** Do you favor or oppose applying the state income tax to retirement income, such as pensions and Social Security?

[VAR: tax\_ret\_inc]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Favor	1	218
Oppose	2	727
Other/Don't know	3	55

- a.** Would you favor or oppose applying the state income tax to retirement income if it exempted from taxes the first \$50,000 earned per year?

[VAR: tax\_ret\_inc50K]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Favor	1	319
Oppose	2	362
Other/Don't know	3	46
Not applicable	IAP	273

Remarks: Only asked of those that opposed on VAR: tax\_ret\_inc.

- 24.** Do you favor or oppose a proposal to restore the temporary state income tax increase, raising it from 3.75 percent to 5 percent?

[VAR: tax\_temp\_inc]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Strongly favor	1	117
Somewhat favor	2	206
Somewhat oppose	3	226
Strongly oppose	4	410
Other/Don't know	5	41

- 25.** Do you favor or oppose a proposal to impose an extra 3 percent state tax on all income above \$1 million a year?

[VAR: tax\_mil]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Strongly favor	1	518
Somewhat favor	2	231
Somewhat oppose	3	92
Strongly oppose	4	135
Other/Don't know	5	24

- 26.** Would you favor or oppose a proposal to change the Illinois Constitution to allow a graduated income tax – that is, tax rates would be lower for lower-income taxpayers and higher for upper-income taxpayers?

[VAR: tax\_grad]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Strongly favor	1	403
Somewhat favor	2	260
Somewhat oppose	3	117
Strongly oppose	4	164
Other/Don't know	5	56

- 27.** Would you favor or oppose a proposal to raise the state gasoline tax to fund improvements to Illinois highways, roads, and bridges?

[VAR: tax\_gas]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Strongly favor	1	168
Somewhat favor	2	239
Somewhat oppose	3	211
Strongly oppose	4	352
Other/Don't know	5	30



**28. Have you or someone in your immediate family been affected by the Illinois budget stalemate?**

[VAR: budg\_affect]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Yes	1	324
No	2	616
Other/Don't know	3	60

**a. If yes, how has your family been impacted by the lack of a state budget?**

[VAR: budg\_imp1-7]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Child care costs/services	1	24
City government cuts	2	13
High education (including MAP grants)	3	40
Infrastructure decline (e.g. roads)	4	5
Job lost/threatened	5	77
Local economy	6	19
Real estate market or housing (affordability, quality)	7	8
Social services (generally)	8	67
Other (specify)	9	33
Don't know/No answer	10	38

Remarks: Interviewer did not offer response options. Interviewer categorized. Respondents could give multiple responses.

[budg\_imp\_other]

Remarks: Responses which the interview did not believe fit into the categories listed above.

[budg\_child]

Dummy: affected by child care costs/services

Value Label	Frequency
0	967
1	32

[budg\_citycuts]

Dummy: affected by city government cuts

Value Label	Frequency
0	976
1	22

[budg\_he]

Dummy: affected by higher education cuts

Value	Label	Frequency
0		949
1		50

[budg\_infradec]

Dummy: affected by infrastructure decline

Value	Label	Frequency
0		991
1		8

[budg\_jobloss]

Dummy: affected by job loss/threatened

Value	Label	Frequency
0		913
1		86

[budg\_locecon]

Dummy: affected by local economy

Value	Label	Frequency
0		968
1		31

[budg\_realest]

Dummy: affected by real estate and housing

Value	Label	Frequency
0		985
1		14

[budg\_socserv]

Dummy: affected by social service cuts

Value	Label	Frequency
0		910
1		89

[budg\_other]

Dummy: affected by something else

Value	Label	Frequency
0		961
1		38

### **Illinois Political Reform**

*We also are interested in your opinions on political reform in Illinois. I'm going to read you some proposals that some people have offered. For each, I'd like you to tell me if you strongly favor, somewhat favor, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose that idea. First is...*

- 29.** One proposal for improving the state legislative redistricting process would have the Illinois Supreme Court add a neutral person to the redistricting panel in case of a partisan tie. Would you favor or oppose this proposal?

[VAR: redist\_neutral]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Strongly favor	1	345
Somewhat favor	2	362
Somewhat oppose	3	97
Strongly oppose	4	93
Other/Don't know	5	103

Remarks: If favor/oppose, the interviewer asked "do you strongly favor/oppose?"

- 30.** Other people have proposed a constitutional amendment that have legislative district maps created and recommended by a commission that is independent of the elected representatives. Would you favor or oppose this proposal?

[VAR: redist\_commis]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Strongly favor	1	353
Somewhat favor	2	284
Somewhat oppose	3	126
Strongly oppose	4	125
Other/Don't know	5	112

Remarks: If favor/oppose, the interviewer asked "do you strongly favor/oppose?"

31. A proposal to place limits on the amount that people could contribute to judicial campaigns, such as those for the Illinois Supreme Court. Would you favor or oppose this proposal?

[VAR: cf\_lim\_judg]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Strongly favor	1	495
Somewhat favor	2	225
Somewhat oppose	3	103
Strongly oppose	4	129
Other/Don't know	5	48

Remarks: If favor/oppose, the interviewer asked “do you strongly favor/oppose?”

32. A proposal to eliminate contributions to judicial races by providing public funding for all candidates who qualify for it. Would you favor or oppose this proposal?

[VAR: cf\_pub\_judg]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Strongly favor	1	263
Somewhat favor	2	252
Somewhat oppose	3	187
Strongly oppose	4	238
Other/Don't know	5	60

Remarks: If favor/oppose, the interviewer asked “do you strongly favor/oppose?”

33. A proposal to limit state legislators to a total of eight years of service, whether in the House of Representatives, the State Senate, or a combination of the two. Would you favor or oppose this proposal?

[VAR: term\_lim]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Strongly favor	1	595
Somewhat favor	2	180
Somewhat oppose	3	100
Strongly oppose	4	95
Other/Don't know	5	30

Remarks: If favor/oppose, the interviewer asked “do you strongly favor/oppose?”

- 34.** Some states have passed right-to-work or open shop laws that say workers have the right to hold their jobs in a unionized workplace, whether they join the labor union or not. If you were asked to vote on such a law, would you vote for or against it?

[VAR: right2work]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Vote for	1	569
Lean for	2	36
Lean against	3	27
Vote against	4	302
Undecided	6	37
Other/Don't know	6	29

Remarks: If undecided, the interviewer asked "well, which way are you leaning?"

### **Social Issues**

*Section Introduction: And now just a couple of questions on social issues.*

- 35.** Do you think abortions should be legal under all circumstances, legal only under certain circumstances, or illegal in all circumstances?

[VAR: abort\_leg]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Legal under any circumstances	1	363
Legal under certain circumstances	2	440
Illegal under all circumstances	3	152
Don't know/Refused	4	45

- 36.** Which of the following three statements comes closest to your position on the legal rights of gay and lesbian couples in Illinois?: Gay and lesbian couples should be allowed to legally marry; Gay and lesbian couples should be allowed to form civil unions, which would give them some legal rights; OR There should be no legal recognition of relationships between gay and lesbian couples?

[VAR: lg\_coup\_rts]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Allowed to legally marry	1	533
Allowed to form civil unions	2	253
No legal recognition of relationships	3	156
Don't know/Refused	4	58

**37.** As you may know, Illinois law allows doctors to prescribe small amounts of marijuana to treat certain health issues. Do you favor or oppose legalized medical marijuana in Illinois?

[VAR: med\_mari]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Strongly favor	1	530
Somewhat favor	2	286
Somewhat oppose	3	44
Strongly oppose	4	111
Other/Don't know	5	29

Remarks: If favor/oppose, the interviewer asked “do you strongly favor/oppose?”

**38.** Do you think recreational use marijuana should be made legal or not?

[VAR: mari\_rec]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Yes, legal	1	450
No, not legal	2	513
Other/Don't know	9	37

**39.** Some say military veterans charged with crimes should be processed in so-called “veterans’ courts” that could offer post-traumatic stress treatment and substance abuse treatment instead of incarceration. Others say veterans should be processed in the same courts as everyone else. Which comes closer to your view, that...

[VAR: vet\_courts]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Veterans should have special “veterans’ courts”	1	537
Veterans should be tried like everyone else	2	396
Other/Don't know	3	67

Remarks: The order that statements were read was randomized.

You are an employer and one of your most trustworthy employees calls to let you know that they can’t make it to work today because they are . . .

**A1.** Having problems related to their diabetes. Is this a valid or invalid reason to miss work?

[VAR: miss\_diabet]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Very valid	1	374
Somewhat valid	2	94
Somewhat invalid	3	20
Very valid	4	7
Other/don't know	5	18
Missing	IAP	487

**A2.** Having problems related to their depression. Is this a valid or invalid reason to miss work?

[VAR:miss\_depress]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Very valid	1	221
Somewhat valid	2	178
Somewhat invalid	3	38
Very valid	4	25
Other/don't know	5	25
Missing	IAP	487

**Remarks:** A1/2 asked to one half of sample.

You and one of your most trustworthy friends have had plans to get together for some time now, but when the day comes they call you to say they won't be able to make it because they are . . .

**A3.** Having problems related to their heart disease. Is this a valid or invalid reason to miss work?

[VAR: miss\_heart]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Very valid	1	443
Somewhat valid	2	48
Somewhat invalid	3	16
Very valid	4	8
Other/don't know	5	16
Missing	IAP	531

**A4.** Having problems related to their anxiety. Is this a valid or invalid reason to miss work?

[VAR: miss\_anxiety]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Very valid	1	245
Somewhat valid	2	136
Somewhat invalid	3	36
Very valid	4	27
Other/don't know	5	25
Missing	IAP	531

**Remarks:** A3/4 asked to one half of sample

**Religious Behavior**

**R01.** Lots of things come up that keep people from attending religious services even if they want to. Apart from occasional weddings, baptisms or funerals, how often do you go to religious services?

[VAR: relig\_att\_often]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Every week	1	254
Almost every week	2	113
Once or twice a month	3	139
A few times a year	4	275
Never	5	196
Refused	6	23

**R02A.** Do you attend a place of worship that is Christian or some other religion?

[VAR: relig\_type]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Christian	1	453
Some other religion	2	43
Don't know	8	4
Refused	9	6
System Missing	IAP	494

**Remarks:** This question was only asked of those that responded every week (1), almost every week (2), or once or twice a month (3) to R01.

**R02B.** Do you consider yourself Christian, some other religion, or no religion?

[VAR: religion]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Christian	1	299
Some other religion	2	70
No religion	3	104
Don't know	8	6
Refused	9	15
System Missing	IAP	506

**R06.** Some people think of themselves as evangelical or born-again Christians. Do you ever think of yourself in either of these ways?

[VAR: born\_again]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Yes	1	177
No	2	558
Don't know	3	15
Refused	4	2
System Missing	IAP	248



## **Demographics**

*Section Introduction: Now I have a few questions for classification purposes...*

### **40. What is the last level of education you have completed?**

[VAR: education]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Less than high school	1	17
High school	2	162
Some college	3	226
Associate's degree	4	82
Bachelor's degree	5	260
Graduate or professional degree	6	244
Don't know	7	9

### **41. Generally speaking, in politics today, do you consider yourself . . .**

[VAR: ideo\_leans]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Very liberal	1	121
Somewhat liberal	2	214
Moderate	3	279
Somewhat conservative	4	222
Very conservative	5	107
Don't know	6	57

[VAR: ideology]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Liberal	1	335
Moderate	2	279
Conservative	3	222
Don't know/no response	9	57
System Missing	IAP	107

Remarks: The 'don't know' (6) responses to Q58 were set as missing in the collapsed variable.

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

[VAR: party\_leans]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Strong Democrat	1	233
Not so strong Democrat	2	94
Independent Democrat	3	151
Pure Independent	4	116
Independent leaning Republican	5	126
Not so strong republican	6	72
Strong Republican	7	119
Something else	8	31
Other/Don't know	9	58

Remarks: If the respondent said that they were a Republican/Democrat, the interviewer probed “would you call yourself a strong Republican/Democrat or a not-so-strong Republican/Democrat?” If the respondent said that they were an independent, the interviewer probed “do you consider yourself closer to the Republican or Democratic party?”

[VAR: party\_aff]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Democrat	1	478
Independent	2	116
Republican	3	317
Other	8	31
Don't know/No response	9	58

Remarks: Those that said their party affiliation was ‘something else’ (8) were set as missing

**43.** Are you currently employed full-time, employed part-time, retired or not currently employed?

[VAR: employ\_time]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Full-time	1	437
Part-time	2	102
Retired	3	335
Not employed	4	108
Other/Don't know	5	18

Remarks: If the respondent said that they were “full-time” (1) or “part-time” (2), the interviewer proceeded to ask them Q44. If the respondent said that they were “retired” (3), the interviewer proceeded to ask them Q45. If they were “not employed” or “other/don't know/refused” (9), the interviewer skipped to Q46.

- 44.** Are you an employee of a private company or business, an employee of a non-profit organization, a government employee or self-employed in your own business or professional practice?

[VAR: employ\_type]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Private	1	275
Non-Profit	2	73
Government	3	72
Self-employed	4	93
Don't know	5	26
Not applicable	IAP	461

- 45.** Are you retired from a private company or business, a non-profit organization, a governmental agency or were you self-employed in your own business or professional practice?

[VAR: retired\_type]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Private	1	142
Non-Profit	2	36
Government	3	74
Self-employed	4	53
Don't know	5	30
Not applicable	IAP	665

- 46.** Do you belong to a labor union?

[VAR: union]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Yes	1	213
No	2	772
Other/Don't know	3	15

- 47.** Have you ever served in the U.S. military, the military reserves or National Guard?

[VAR: vet\_you]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Yes, presently on active duty	1	5
Yes, served on active duty in the past	2	123
Yes, but never on active duty	3	8
Yes, but never on active duty except initial/basic	4	2
No, never served in U.S. military or military reserves	5	856
Don't know/Refused	6	6

**48.** Has a member of your immediate family (spouse, partner, child, brother, sister), served in the military?

[VAR: vet\_family]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Yes	1	563
No	2	431
Don't know/Refused	3	6

**49.** To make sure all parts of Illinois are represented, could you please tell me your five-digit ZIP code?

[VAR: zip]

Remarks: If RS refused, zip code entered as 99999.

**50.** For classification purposes, I need to know the year of your birth.

[VAR: birth\_yr]

Remarks: If RS refused, birth year entered as 1900.

[VAR: age\_cat]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
18-24	1	32
25-29	2	37
30-34	3	41
35-39	4	37
40-44	5	55
45-49	6	75
50-54	7	87
55-59	8	113
60-64	9	108
65-69	10	106
70-74	11	75
75-79	12	69
80+	13	99
Refused	14	66

**51.** For statistical purposes only, we'd like to know your racial or ethnic group.

[VAR: rac\_eth]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
White	1	724
Black	2	128
Asian	3	23
Hispanic	4	40
Multiracial	5	21
Other	6	6
Refused	7	58

Remarks: Interviewer was instructed to say, “most people consider themselves either white, black, Asian, or Hispanic” only if necessary, otherwise they did not read the list.

[VAR: rac\_eth\_other]

Remarks: If the respondent said that they considered themselves part of another race (6), the interviewer wrote in their response.

**52.** And finally, again for statistical purposes, we'd like a rough estimate of your total household income last year. Just stop me when I get to your category. Was it...?

[VAR: hh\_inc]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Under \$25,00	1	127
\$25,000 - \$34,999	2	67
\$35,000 - \$49,999	3	108
\$50,000 - \$69,999	4	148
\$70,000 - \$99,999	5	139
\$100,000 - \$149,999	6	123
Over \$150,000	7	141
Don't know	8	27
Refused	9	120

*And that's all the questions we have. Thank you for your time and cooperation with this very important survey. Goodbye.*

# Survey Instrument

## Spring 2016 Simon Poll

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### Introduction and Screening

Hello. This is \_\_\_\_\_ calling for The Public Policy Institute at Southern Illinois University. First, I want you to know that I'm not trying to sell you anything. We're conducting a study to find out what voters think about some important public policy questions important to Illinois. And, your phone number was selected at random to participate.

### **[ASK CELL PHONE SAMPLE ONLY]**

S1. Have I reached you on your cell phone? (IF NEEDED: By cell phone we mean a wireless phone that is mobile and usable outside of your neighborhood.)

- 1) Yes **[CONTINUE TO S2]**
- 2) No **[THANK AND TERMINATE]**
- 3) Don't Know **[THANK AND TERMINATE]**

S2. Is this a safe time to talk with you now or are you driving?

- 1) Yes, safe **[CONTINUE TO S4]**
- 2) No, driving **[ARRANGE CALLBACK TIME]**

### **[ASK LANDLINE SAMPLE]**

S3. According to our research procedure, I need to speak to the youngest (male/female) who is registered to vote. May I speak to that person, please?

- 1) Yes **[REPEAT INTRO THEN GO TO S4]**
- 2) Yes, I'll get him/her **[REPEAT INTRO THEN GO TO S4]**
- 3) No, not available **[ARRANGE CALLBACK]**
- 4) No, nobody here **[THANK AND TERMINATE]**

S5. Are you registered to vote in the state of Illinois?

- 1) Yes
- 2) No **[THANK AND TERMINATE]**
- 3) Don't know **[THANK AND TERMINATE]**

S6. (RECORD GENDER BY OBSERVATION)

- 1) Male
- 2) Female

1. First, we'd like to know what you think about the direction of the United States of America. Generally speaking, do you think things in our country are going in the right direction, or are they off track and heading in the wrong direction? (IF UNSURE: Well, on balance, are things going in the right direction or the wrong direction?) (DO NOT READ LIST)
  - 1) Right direction
  - 2) Wrong direction
  - 3) Don't know
2. And what about the direction of the State of Illinois? Generally speaking, are things in Illinois going in the right direction, or are they off track and heading in the wrong direction? (IF UNSURE: Well, on balance, are things going in the right direction or the wrong direction?) (DO NOT READ LIST)
  - 1) Right direction
  - 2) Wrong direction
  - 3) Don't know
3. And how are things going in your city or area of the state? In general, are things in your city or area going in the right direction, or in the wrong direction? (IF UNSURE: Well, on balance, are things going in the right direction or the wrong direction?) (DO NOT READ LIST)
  - 1) Right direction
  - 2) Wrong direction
  - 3) Don't know
4. Regardless of what you think about how things are going in your part of the state, please tell me what you think about the overall quality of life in your area. Taking everything into account, would you say the overall quality of life in your area is...? (READ LIST)
  - 1) Excellent
  - 2) Good
  - 3) Average
  - 4) Not so good
  - 5) Poor

[ROTATE JOB APPROVAL QUESTIONS] : First,

5. I would like for you to tell me how Governor Bruce Rauner [RHYMES WITH "BROWNER"] is doing his job. Do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove of the job Governor Rauner is doing?
  - 1) Strongly Approve
  - 2) Somewhat Approve
  - 3) Neither (DO NOT READ)
  - 4) Somewhat Disapprove
  - 5) Strongly Disapprove
  - 9) Other/Don't know (DO NOT READ)

6. Now, I'd like for you to tell me how well Senator Mark Kirk is doing his job. Do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove of the job Senator Kirk is doing?
- 1) Strongly Approve
  - 2) Somewhat Approve
  - 3) Neither (DO NOT READ)
  - 4) Somewhat Disapprove
  - 5) Strongly Disapprove
  - 9) Other/Don't know (DO NOT READ)
7. Next, I'd like for you to tell me how well Senator Dick Durbin is doing his job. Do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove of the job Senator Durbin is doing?
- 1) Strongly Approve
  - 2) Somewhat Approve
  - 3) Neither (DO NOT READ)
  - 4) Somewhat Disapprove
  - 5) Strongly Disapprove
  - 9) Other/Don't know (DO NOT READ)
8. As you are probably aware, primary elections in Illinois will be held Tuesday, March 15. Are you planning to vote in [ROTATE] the Republican primary, the Democratic primary, or will you probably not vote in the March primary?
- 1) Vote Democratic (GO TO Q 9)
  - 2) Vote Republican (SKIP TO Q 11)
  - 3) Probably not vote (SKIP TO Q 13)
  - 4) Other/Don't Know (DO NOT READ)
9. [If "Vote Democratic" on Q8] If the Democratic primary for president were held today, would you vote for [ROTATE]
- 1) Hillary Clinton
  - 2) Bernie Sanders
  - 3) Someone else [DO NOT READ, BUT RECORD] \_\_\_\_\_
  - 4) Other/Don't know (DO NOT READ)
10. [If "Vote Democratic" on Q8] If the Democratic primary for US Senate were held today, would you vote for [ROTATE]
- 1) Tammy Duckworth
  - 2) Andrea Zopp
  - 3) Napoleon Harris
  - 4) Someone else [DO NOT READ, BUT RECORD] \_\_\_\_\_
  - 5) Other/Don't know (DO NOT READ)



11. [If “Vote Republican” on Q8] If the Republican primary for president were held today, would you vote for [ROTATE]
- 1) Jeb Bush
  - 2) Ben Carson
  - 3) Ted Cruz
  - 4) John Kasich
  - 5) Marco Rubio
  - 6) Donald Trump
  - 7) Someone else [DO NOT READ, BUT RECORD] \_\_\_\_\_
  - 8) Other/Don’t know (DO NOT READ)
12. [If “Vote Republican” on Q8] If the Republican primary for US Senate were held today, would you vote for [ROTATE]
- 1) Mark Kirk
  - 2) James Marter
  - 3) Someone else [DO NOT READ, BUT RECORD] \_\_\_\_\_
  - 4) Other/Don’t know (DO NOT READ)

*Next I’m going to ask you a few questions about the state of Illinois’ budget.*

13. The state of Illinois has a budget deficit of over 6 billion dollars. I’m going to read three statements that people have made about how to fix the deficit, and ask you which one comes closest to your views. If you haven’t thought much about this issue, just tell me that. [RANDOMIZE STATEMENTS]
- a. Illinois’ public programs and services have already been reduced significantly. We can only fix the problem by taking in more revenue, such as a tax increase.
  - b. The state takes in plenty of money to pay for public services, but wastes it on unnecessary programs. We can fix the problem by cutting waste and inefficiency in government.
  - c. Illinois’ budget problem is so large it can only be solved by a combination of budget cuts and revenue increases.
  - d. (DO NOT READ) Haven’t thought much about it.
  - e. Other/Don’t know (DO NOT READ)

There have been a number of proposals to address the state’s budget problems by making cuts in state programs and services. I’m going to read several areas where people have suggested that the state could make cuts. For each one that I read, I’d like you to tell me whether you favor or oppose budget cuts in that area, OK? (INTERVIEWER: REPEAT IF NECESSARY) [ROTATE ITEMS 14-20]

14. Do you favor or oppose cuts in state spending on kindergarten through high school education?
- 1) Favor
  - 2) Oppose
  - 3) Other/Don’t know (DO NOT READ)

15. Do you favor or oppose cuts in state spending on state universities?
  - 1) Favor
  - 2) Oppose
  - 3) Other/Don't know (DO NOT READ)
  
16. Do you favor or oppose cuts in state spending on public safety, such as state police and prison operations?
  - 1) Favor
  - 2) Oppose
  - 3) Other/Don't know (DO NOT READ)
  
17. Do you favor or oppose cuts in state spending on natural resources, such as state parks or environmental regulation?
  - 1) Favor
  - 2) Oppose
  - 3) Other/Don't know (DO NOT READ)
  
18. Do you favor or oppose cuts in state spending on programs for poor people?
  - 1) Favor
  - 2) Oppose
  - 3) Other/Don't know (DO NOT READ)
  
19. Do you favor or oppose cuts in state spending on programs for people with mental or physical disabilities?
  - 1) Favor
  - 2) Oppose
  - 3) Other/Don't know (DO NOT READ)
  
20. Do you favor or oppose cuts in state spending on pension benefits for state workers' retirement?
  - 1) Favor
  - 2) Oppose
  - 3) Other/Don't know (DO NOT READ)

There have been a number of proposals to address the state's budget problems by finding ways to raise more money to pay for programs and services. I'm going to read several areas where people have suggested that more money could be raised. For each one that I read, I'd like you to tell me whether you favor or oppose raising revenues in that way, OK? (INTERVIEWER: REPEAT IF NECESSARY) **[ROTATE Q 21 – 27, BUT KEEP 23/23a TOGETHER AND IN ORDER]**

21. Do you favor or oppose expanding the sales tax to cover services like dry cleaning or haircuts, which are not currently taxed? (INTERVIEWER: IF FAVOR / OPPOSE ASK: DO YOU STRONGLY FAVOR / OPPOSE?)

1. Strongly approve
2. Approve
3. Disapprove
4. Strongly disapprove
5. Other/Don't know (DO NOT READ)

22. Do you favor or oppose a proposal expanding legalized gambling in the state? (INTERVIEWER: IF FAVOR / OPPOSE ASK: DO YOU STRONGLY FAVOR / OPPOSE?)

1. Strongly approve
2. Approve
3. Disapprove
4. Strongly disapprove
5. Other/Don't know (DO NOT READ)

23. Do you favor or oppose applying the state income tax to retirement income, such as pensions and Social Security?

- 1) Favor **[SKIP TO 24]**
- 2) Oppose **[READ 23a]**
- 3) (DO NOT READ) Other/Don't know **[SKIP TO 24]**

23a. (IF OPPOSE IN Q. 23) Would you favor or oppose applying the state income tax to retirement income if it exempted from taxes the first \$50,000 earned per year?

- 1) Favor
- 2) Oppose
- 3) (DO NOT READ) Other/Don't know

24. Do you favor or oppose a proposal to restore the temporary state income tax increase, raising it from 3.75 percent to 5 percent? (INTERVIEWER: IF FAVOR / OPPOSE ASK: DO YOU STRONGLY FAVOR / OPPOSE?)
1. Strongly favor
  2. Favor
  3. Oppose
  4. Strongly oppose
  5. (DO NOT READ) Other/Don't know
25. Do you favor or oppose a proposal to impose an extra 3 percent state tax on all income above \$1 million a year? (INTERVIEWER: IF FAVOR / OPPOSE ASK: DO YOU STRONGLY FAVOR / OPPOSE?)
1. Strongly favor
  2. Favor
  3. Oppose
  4. Strongly oppose
  5. (DO NOT READ) Other/Don't know
26. Would you favor or oppose a proposal to change the Illinois Constitution to allow a graduated income tax—that is, tax rates would be lower for lower-income taxpayers and higher for upper-income taxpayers? (INTERVIEWER: IF FAVOR / OPPOSE ASK: DO YOU STRONGLY FAVOR / OPPOSE?)
1. Strongly favor
  2. Favor
  3. Oppose
  4. Strongly oppose
  5. (DO NOT READ) Other/Don't know
27. Would you favor or oppose a proposal to raise the state gasoline tax to fund improvements to Illinois highways, roads, and bridges? (INTERVIEWER: IF FAVOR / OPPOSE ASK: DO YOU STRONGLY FAVOR / OPPOSE?)
1. Strongly favor
  2. Favor
  3. Oppose
  4. Strongly oppose
  5. (DO NOT READ) Other/Don't know

*We also are interested in your opinions on political reform in Illinois. I'm going to read you some proposals that some people have offered. For each, I'd like you to tell me if you strongly favor, somewhat favor, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose that idea. First is...*

28. One proposal for improving the state legislative redistricting process would have the Illinois Supreme Court add a neutral person to the redistricting panel in case of a partisan tie. Would you favor or oppose this proposal? (INTERVIEWER: IF FAVOR / OPPOSE ASK: DO YOU STRONGLY FAVOR / OPPOSE?)
- 1) Strongly favor
  - 2) Somewhat favor
  - 3) Somewhat oppose
  - 4) Strongly oppose
  - 5) (DO NOT READ) Other/Don't know
29. Other people have proposed a constitutional amendment that would have legislative district maps created and recommended by a commission that is independent of the elected representatives. Would you favor or oppose this proposal? (INTERVIEWER: IF FAVOR / OPPOSE ASK: DO YOU STRONGLY FAVOR / OPPOSE?)
- 1) Strongly favor
  - 2) Somewhat favor
  - 3) Somewhat oppose
  - 4) Strongly oppose
  - 5) (DO NOT READ) Other/Don't know
30. A proposal to place limits on the amount that people could contribute to judicial campaigns, such as those for the Illinois Supreme Court. Would you favor or oppose this proposal? (INTERVIEWER: IF FAVOR / OPPOSE ASK: DO YOU STRONGLY FAVOR / OPPOSE?)
- 1) Strongly favor
  - 2) Somewhat favor
  - 3) Somewhat oppose
  - 4) Strongly oppose
  - 5) (DO NOT READ) Other/Don't know
31. A proposal to eliminate contributions to judicial races by providing public funding for all candidates who qualify for it. Would you favor or oppose this proposal? (INTERVIEWER: IF FAVOR / OPPOSE ASK: DO YOU STRONGLY FAVOR / OPPOSE?)
- 1) Strongly favor
  - 2) Somewhat favor
  - 3) Somewhat oppose
  - 4) Strongly oppose
  - 5) (DO NOT READ) Other/Don't know

32. A proposal to limit state legislators to a total of eight years of service, whether in the House of Representatives, the State Senate, or a combination of the two. Would you favor or oppose this proposal? (INTERVIEWER: IF FAVOR / OPPOSE ASK: DO YOU STRONGLY FAVOR / OPPOSE?)
- 1) Strongly favor
  - 2) Somewhat favor
  - 3) Somewhat oppose
  - 4) Strongly oppose
  - 5) (DO NOT READ) Other/Don't know
33. Some states have passed right-to-work or open shop laws that say workers have the right to hold their jobs in a unionized workplace, whether they join the labor union or not. If you were asked to vote on such a law, would you vote for it or against it? (INTERVIEWER: IF UNDECIDED, PROBE: WELL, WHICH WAY ARE YOU LEANING?)
- 1) Vote for
  - 2) Lean for
  - 3) Lean against
  - 4) Vote against
  - 5) Undecided (DO NOT READ)
  - 6) (DO NOT READ) Other/Don't know
34. Have you or someone in your immediate family been affected by the Illinois budget stalemate?
1. Yes [READ 34A]
  2. No [SKIP TO 35]
  3. (DO NOT READ) Other/Don't know
- 34a. (If yes) How has your family been impacted by the lack of a state budget? (Interviewer: do not offer response options, categorize from list below)
1. Child care costs/services
  2. City government cuts
  3. Higher education (including MAP grants)
  4. Infrastructure decline (e.g. roads)
  5. Job lost/threatened
  6. Local economy
  7. Real estate market or housing (affordability, quality)
  8. Social services (generally)
  9. Other (specify)
  10. Don't know/no answer

*And now a couple of questions on social issues.*

35. Do you think abortions should be legal under all circumstances, legal only under certain circumstances, or illegal in all circumstances?
- 1) Legal in all circumstances
  - 2) Legal in certain circumstances
  - 3) Illegal in all circumstances
  - 4) (DO NOT READ) Don't know/Refused
36. Which of the following three statements comes closest to your position on the legal rights of gay and lesbian couples in Illinois?
- 1) Gay and lesbian couples should be allowed to legally marry
  - 2) Gay and lesbian couples should be allowed to form civil unions, but not to legally marry
  - 3) There should be no legal recognition of relationships between gay and lesbian couples
  - 4) (DO NOT READ) Don't know/Refused
37. As you may know, Illinois law allows doctors to prescribe small amounts of marijuana to treat certain health issues. Do you favor or oppose legalized medical marijuana in Illinois? (If favor/oppose ask "do you strongly favor/oppose?")
1. Strongly favor
  2. Somewhat favor
  3. Somewhat oppose
  4. Strongly oppose
  5. Other/Don't know
38. Do you think the recreational use of marijuana should be made legal, or not?
1. Yes, legal
  2. No, not legal
  3. Other/Don't Know (DO NOT READ)
39. Some say military veterans charged with crimes should be processed in so-called "veterans' courts" that could offer post-traumatic stress treatment and substance abuse treatment instead of incarceration. Others say veterans should be processed in the same courts as everyone else. Which comes closer to your view, that [ROTATE]
- a. Veterans should have special "veterans courts"
  - b. Veterans should be tried like everyone else
  - c. Other/Don't Know (DO NOT READ)

- A1/2. You are an employer and one of your most trustworthy employees calls to let you know that they can't make it to work today because they are having problems related to their **diabetes/depression**. How valid of a reason is this to miss work? [ROTATE]
- Very valid
  - Valid
  - Somewhat valid
  - Invalid
  - Very invalid
- A3/4. You and one of your most trustworthy friends have had plans to get together for some time now, but when the day comes they call you to say they won't be able to make it because they are having problems related to their **heart disease/anxiety**. How valid of a reason is this to miss your plans? [ROTATE]
- Very valid
  - Valid
  - Somewhat valid
  - Invalid
  - Very invalid

*Now I have a few questions for classification purposes.*

40. What is the last level of education you have completed?
- Less than high school
  - High school
  - Some college
  - Associate's degree
  - Bachelor's degree
  - Graduate or professional degree
  - (DO NOT READ) Don't know
41. Generally speaking, in politics today, do you consider yourself?
- Very liberal
  - Somewhat liberal
  - Moderate
  - Somewhat conservative
  - Very conservative
  - (DO NOT READ) Don't know
42. Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or what?
- (IF REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT: Would you call yourself a strong Republican/Democrat or a not-so-strong Republican/Democrat?)
- (IF INDEPENDENT: Do you consider yourself closer to the Republican or Democratic Party?)
- Strong Democrat



- 2) Not-strong Democrat
  - 3) Independent Democrat
  - 4) (DO NOT READ) Pure Independent
  - 5) Independent Republican
  - 6) Not-strong Republican
  - 7) Strong Republican
  - 8) Something else
  - 9) (DO NOT READ) Other/don't know
43. Are you currently employed full-time, employed part-time, retired or not currently employed?
- 1) Full-time [CONTINUE TO Q 44]
  - 2) Part-time [CONTINUE TO Q 44]
  - 3) Retired [SKIP TO Q45]
  - 4) Not employed [SKIP TO Q46]
  - 5) (DO NOT READ) Other/don't know [SKIP TO Q45]
44. Are you an employee of a private company or business, an employee of a non-profit organization, a government employee or self-employed in your own business or professional practice?
- 1) Private
  - 2) Non-Profit
  - 3) Government
  - 4) Self-Employed
  - 5) (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- [IF Q43=3 / RETIRED]**
45. Are you retired from a private company or business, a non-profit organization, a governmental agency, or were you self-employed in your own business or professional practice?
- 1) Private
  - 2) Non-Profit
  - 3) Government
  - 4) Self-Employed
  - 5) (DO NOT READ) Don't know
46. Do you or anyone in your household belong to a labor union?
1. Yes
  2. No
  3. (DO NOT READ) Other/Don't know
- R01. Lots of things come up that keep people from attending religious services even if they want to. Apart from occasional weddings, baptisms or funerals, how often do you go to religious services EVERY WEEK, ALMOST EVERY WEEK, ONCE OR TWICE A MONTH,

A FEW TIMES A YEAR, or NEVER?

- 1) Every week **[CONTINUE TO R02A]**
- 2) Almost every week **[CONTINUE TO R02A]**
- 3) Once or twice a month **[CONTINUE TO R02A]**
- 4) A few times a year **[SKIP TO R02B]**
- 5) Never **[SKIP TO R02B]**
- 6) **(DO NOT READ)** Refused **[SKIP TO R02B]**

**[IF R01=1-3 / EVERY WEEK, ALMOST EVERY WEEK, OR ONCE/TWICE A MONTH]**

R02A. Do you attend a place of worship that is CHRISTIAN or SOME OTHER RELIGION? **(DO NOT READ LIST)**

- 1) Christian **[SKIP TO R03]**
- 2) Some other religion **[SKIP TO Q47]**
- 8) Don't know **[SKIP TO Q47]**
- 9) Refused **[SKIP TO Q47]**

**[IF R01=4-6 / A FEW TIMES A YEAR, NEVER, OR REFUSED]**

R02B. Do you consider yourself CHRISTIAN, SOME OTHER RELIGION, or NO RELIGION?

- 1) Christian **[GO TO R03]**
- 2) Some other religion **[SKIP to Q47]**
- 3) No religion **[SKIP TO Q47]**
- 8) Don't know **[SKIP TO Q47]**
- 9) Refused **[SKIP TO Q47]**

**[ASKED OF ANYONE WHO ANSWERED “Christian” to QR02A or QR02B]**

R03. Some people think of themselves as evangelical or born-again Christians. Do you ever think of yourself in either of these ways?

- 1) Yes
- 2) No
- 3) **(DO NOT READ)** Don't know
- 4) **(DO NOT READ)** Refused

47. Have you ever served in the U.S. military, the military reserves or National Guard? **(IF YES: Are you presently on active duty, or did you serve on active duty in the past?)**

1. Yes, presently on active duty
2. Yes, served on active duty in the past
3. Yes, but never on active duty
4. Yes, but never on active duty except for initial/basic training **(DO NOT READ)**
5. No, have never served in the U.S. military or the military reserves
6. Don't know/Refused **(DO NOT READ)**

48. Has a member of your immediate family (spouse, partner, parent, child, brother, sister), served in the military?
1. Yes
  2. No
  3. Don't know/Refused (DO NOT READ)
49. To make sure all parts of Illinois are represented, could you please tell me your five-digit ZIP code? \_\_\_\_\_
50. For classification purposes, I need to know the year of your birth—the last two digits of your birth year would be fine. CODE: 19\_\_\_\_(1900=Refused)
51. For statistical purposes only, we'd like to know your racial or ethnic group. (IF NECESSARY: Most people consider themselves either white, black, Asian, or Hispanic.) (DO NOT READ LIST)
- 1) White
  - 2) Black
  - 3) Asian
  - 4) Hispanic
  - 5) Multiracial
  - 6) Other
  - 7) Refused
52. Please select the response that best describes your neighborhood...(READ LIST)
1. Almost all black
  2. Mostly black
  3. About an equal number of blacks and whites
  4. Almost all non-white Hispanic
  5. About an equal number of non-white Hispanics and whites
  6. Mostly white
  7. Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_
  8. Don't know
53. And finally, again for statistical purposes, we'd like a rough estimate of your total household income last year. Just stop me when I get to your category. Was it...?
- 1) Under 25,000
  - 2) 25,000 to less than 35,000
  - 3) 35,000 to less than 50,000

- 4) 50,000 to less than 70,000
- 5) 70,000 to less than 100,000
- 6) 100,000 to less than 150,000
- 7) Over 150,000
- 8) (DO NOT READ) Don't know
- 9) (DO NOT READ) Refused

*And that's all the questions we have. Thank you for your time and cooperation with this very important survey. Goodbye.*