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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 2018 Simon Poll interviewed 1,001 registered voters across Illinois.

### **Polling Method**

Live telephone interviews. Cell phone interviews accounted for 60 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 19 - 25, 2018.

### **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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### Introduction and Screening

*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]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Male	1	531
Female	2	470

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]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Right direction	1	275
Wrong direction	2	640
Don't know	9	86

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]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Right direction	1	93
Wrong direction	2	840
Don't know	9	68

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]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Right direction	1	537
Wrong direction	2	366
Don't know	9	98

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

## **Job Approval and Primary Elections**

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

[VAR: approval\_rauner]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Strongly approve	1	73
Somewhat approve	2	235
Neither	3	16
Somewhat disapprove	4	240
Strongly disapprove	5	391
Other/don't know	9	46

5. And what about Speaker of the Illinois House of Representatives Mike Madigan? Do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove of the job Speaker Madigan is doing?

[VAR: approval\_madigan]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Strongly approve	1	27
Somewhat approve	2	181
Neither	3	29
Somewhat disapprove	4	190
Strongly disapprove	5	495
Other/don't know	9	79

6. And what about President of the United States Donald Trump? Do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove of the job President Trump is doing?

[VAR: approval\_trump]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Strongly approve	1	178
Somewhat approve	2	180
Neither	3	10
Somewhat disapprove	4	83
Strongly disapprove	5	541
Other/don't know	9	9

**7. Do you support or oppose the federal tax reform plan passed by the Republican Congressional majorities?**

[VAR: approval\_taxreform2017]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Strongly support	1	174
Somewhat support	2	166
Neither	3	17
Somewhat oppose	4	149
Strongly oppose	5	377
Other/don't know	9	118

**7a. Does your view on this issue make you more or less likely to vote for Republican Congressional candidates in November? [if more or less] Is that very or somewhat more/less likely?**

[VAR: approval\_taxreform2017\_vote]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Much more	1	156
Somewhat more	2	131
Neither	3	55
Somewhat less	4	104
Much less	5	379
Other/don't know	9	41
System missing	IAP	135

**8. Which political party do you believe best represents your interests in the U.S. Congress? [ROTATE]  
Democratic, Republican, Green, Libertarian, or some other party**

[VAR: party\_represents\_cong]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Democratic	1	427
Republican	2	277
Green	3	20
Libertarian	4	58
Some other party	5	122
Other/don't know	9	97

9. As you may know, primary elections in Illinois will be held this March. Thinking ahead, are you likely to vote in the (ROTATE: Republican/Democratic) primary, or will you probably not vote in the primary elections?

[VAR: primary\_party]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Democratic	1	472
Republican	2	259
Probably not vote	3	171
Other/don't know	9	99

10. [If Q9 REPUBLICAN] If the Republican primary for governor was being held today, would you vote for [ROTATE CANDIDATES] Bruce Rauner or Jeanne Ives?

[VAR: rep\_gov\_primary18]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Rauner	1	133
Ives	2	80
Someone else	3	8
Other/don't know	9	38

11. [If Q9 DEMOCRATIC] If the Democratic primary for governor was being held today, would you vote for [ROTATE CANDIDATES] J.B. Pritzker, Chris Kennedy, Daniel Biss, Terry Getz, Bob Daiber, Tio Hardiman, or Robert Marshall?

[VAR: dem\_gov\_primary18]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
J.B. Pritzker	1	148
Chris Kennedy	2	80
Daniel Biss	3	99
Terry Getz	4	4
Bob Daiber	5	5
Tio Hardiman	6	8
Robert Marshall	7	4
Someone else	8	4
Other/don't know	9	120

12. [If Q9 REPUBLICAN] If the Republican primary for Attorney General were being held today, would you vote for [ROTATE CANDIDATES] Erika Harold or Gary Grasso?

[VAR: rep\_AG\_primary18]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Erika Harold	1	46
Gary Grasso	2	35
Someone else	3	9
Other/don't know	9	169

13. [If Q9 DEMOCRATIC] If the Democratic primary for attorney general was being held today, would you vote for [ROTATE CANDIDATES] Renato Mariotti, Nancy Rotering, Scott Drury, Pat Quinn, Sharon Fairley, Jesse Ruiz, Aaron Goldstein or Kwame Raoul?

[VAR: dem\_AG\_primary18]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Renato Mariotti	1	15
Nancy Rotering	2	24
Scott Drury	3	10
Pat Quinn	4	86
Sharon Fairley	5	13
Jesse Ruiz	6	18
Aaron Goldstein	7	13
Kwame Raoul	8	102
Someone else	9	5
Other/don't know	99	186

14. If the general election for Illinois were being held today, and if the Republican candidate was Bruce Rauner and the Democratic candidate was J.B. Pritzker (ROTATE CANDIDATES) who would you vote for?

[VAR: gov\_horserace18\_raun\_pritz]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Rauner	1	348
Pritzker	2	498
Someone else	3	43
Other/don't know	9	112

15. If the general election for Illinois were being held today, and if the Republican candidate was Bruce Rauner and the Democratic candidate was Daniel Biss (ROTATE CANDIDATES) who would you vote for?

[VAR: gov\_horserace18\_raun\_biss]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Rauner	1	337
Biss	2	483
Someone else	3	50
Other/don't know	9	131

## **Trump's Record in Office**

16. Has President Donald Trump's record in office made you more or less likely to vote for a Republican for Illinois executive offices including: Governor & Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, or Attorney General? [If more or less] Is that very or somewhat more/less likely?

[VAR: trump\_influence\_state\_exec]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Much more	1	169
Somewhat more	2	101
No effect	3	109
Somewhat less	4	126
Much less	5	427
Other/don't know	9	69

17. Has President Trump's record in office made you more or less likely to vote for a Republican for United States Congress from Illinois this year? [If more or less] Is that very or somewhat more/less likely?

[VAR: trump\_influence\_UScongress]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Much more	1	201
Somewhat more	2	98
No effect	3	90
Somewhat less	4	107
Much less	5	468
Other/don't know	9	37

18. Has President Donald Trump's record in office made you more or less likely to vote for a Republican for Illinois General Assembly this year? [If more or less] Is that very or somewhat more/less likely?

[VAR: trump\_influence\_IL\_GA]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Much more	1	185
Somewhat more	2	102
No effect	3	100
Somewhat less	4	128
Much less	5	433
Other/don't know	9	53

## **Criminal Justice Reform**

19. Do you agree or disagree with this statement: The criminal justice system in Illinois is biased against black people?

[VAR: CJ\_biased\_black]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Strongly agree	1	303
Somewhat agree	2	251
Neither	3	13
Somewhat disagree	4	155
Strongly disagree	5	198
Other/don't know	9	81

20. Please tell me if you agree or disagree with the following statement: The State of Illinois should remove barriers that make it more difficult for people who have been incarcerated to find jobs?

[VAR: IL\_incarc\_jobs]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Strongly agree	1	485
Somewhat agree	2	273
Neither	3	19
Somewhat disagree	4	85
Strongly disagree	5	67
Other/don't know	9	72

21. I'm going to read three statements people make about corrections policy. Please tell me which comes closer to your view, even if it is not exactly how you feel:

- Currently, the balance of spending between incarceration and alternative sentencing programs is about right.
- Currently, we spend too much money on incarceration and not enough on alternatives such as education and treatment
- Currently we spend too much money on alternative education and treatment programs and not enough on incarceration

[VAR: IL\_incarc\_v\_alternative]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Balance about right	1	117
Too much on incarceration	2	734
Too much on alternatives	3	78
Other/don't know	9	72

## **Water Quality**

*Section Introduction: Now I'm going to ask you a few questions about drinking water.*

**22.** Please tell me what comes closer to your view. I personally worry about the pollution of drinking water...

[VAR: water\_pollution\_worry]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
A great deal	1	234
A fair amount	2	255
Only a little	3	257
Not at all	4	245
Other/don't know	9	10

**23.** I would rate the quality of the drinking water in my community as...

[VAR: water\_quality]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Excellent	1	300
Good	2	390
Fair	3	190
Poor	4	90
Other/don't know	9	31

**24.** I trust my state government to do what is right in regard to water quality...

[VAR: water\_trust\_gov]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Just about always	1	132
Most of the time	2	344
Only some of the time	3	341
None of the time	4	151
Other/don't know	9	33

## **Budget and Tax Issues**

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

### **How to Handle the Budget Deficit**

- 25.** The state of Illinois has a budget deficit of over 1.5 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]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
More revenue	1	102
Cut waste	2	510
Combination of cuts and revenue increases	3	276
Haven't thought much about it	4	64
Don't know	9	49

### **Cuts**

- 26.** Since 85% of the budget is made up of k-12 education, higher education, and health and human services, which areas should be cut to make up the difference? K-12, higher education, or health and human services?

[VAR: cuts\_socialservices]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
K-12	1	63
Higher education	2	290
Health and human services	3	166
All of the above	4	30
None of the above	5	322
Other/don't know	9	130

### **Revenue Sources**

*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?*

27. Do you favor or oppose a proposal expanding legalized gambling in the state?

[VAR: gamble\_exp]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Strongly favor	1	231
Somewhat favor	2	257
Somewhat oppose	3	176
Strongly oppose	4	281
Other/Don't know	9	56

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

[VAR: tax\_ret\_inc]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Strongly favor	1	112
Somewhat favor	2	104
Somewhat oppose	3	156
Strongly oppose	4	589
Other/Don't know	9	40

- a. Would you favor or oppose applying the state income tax to retirement income if it exempted from taxes the first \$100,000 earned per year?

[VAR: tax\_ret\_inc100K]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Strongly favor	1	166
Somewhat favor	2	219
Somewhat oppose	3	123
Strongly oppose	4	201
Other/Don't know	9	36
Not applicable	IAP	256

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

29. 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\_inc\_mil]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Strongly favor	1	571
Somewhat favor	2	189
Somewhat oppose	3	87
Strongly oppose	4	128
Other/Don't know	9	26

**30.** 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]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Strongly favor	1	133
Somewhat favor	2	255
Somewhat oppose	3	216
Strongly oppose	4	362
Other/Don't know	9	35

**31.** 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\_inc\_grad]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Strongly favor	1	473
Somewhat favor	2	243
Somewhat oppose	3	83
Strongly oppose	4	162
Other/Don't know	9	40

**32.** 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]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Strongly favor	1	159
Somewhat favor	2	259
Somewhat oppose	3	165
Strongly oppose	4	406
Other/Don't know	9	12

### **Social Issues**

**33.** Do you favor or oppose the legalization of recreational marijuana if it is taxed and regulated like alcohol?

[VAR: rec\_mj\_legal]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Strongly favor	1	460
Somewhat favor	2	197
Somewhat oppose	3	79
Strongly oppose	4	237
Other/Don't know	9	28

34. Most states surrounding Illinois require lawmakers to wait at least one year before accepting jobs with firms that lobby their state legislatures after leaving office. Illinois does not. Should Illinois require lawmakers to wait at least a year before registering as a lobbyist?

[VAR: lobby\_wait]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Yes	1	853
No	2	97
Other/Don't know	9	51

### **Regionalism in Illinois**

35. How much attention do you feel the state government pays to what the people in your community think when it decides what to do?

[VAR: attention\_state2community]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
A good deal	1	57
Some	2	279
Not much	3	621
Other/Don't know	9	44

36. How much does the state government represent your community's values?

[VAR: state\_rep\_communityvalues]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Extremely well	1	179
Very well	2	326
Somewhat	3	414
Only a little	4	33
Not at all	5	20
Other/Don't know	9	29

37. How well does the state of Illinois do in distributing government resources equally across rural, urban and suburban areas of the state?

[VAR: state\_dist\_resources]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Extremely well	1	186
Very well	2	323
Somewhat	3	334
Only a little	4	35
Not at all	5	8
Other/Don't know	9	115

38. Are rural areas of Illinois given much more than their fair share, somewhat more, somewhat less, much less, or about their fair share of government resources?

[VAR: rural\_fairshare]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Much more	1	29
Somewhat more	2	83
Somewhat less	3	268
Much less	4	241
About their fair share	5	188
Other/Don't know	9	192

39. What about suburban areas? Are suburban areas of Illinois given much more than their fair share, somewhat more, somewhat less, much less, or about their fair share of government resources?

[VAR: suburban\_fairshare]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Much more	1	135
Somewhat more	2	277
Somewhat less	3	136
Much less	4	37
About their fair share	5	281
Other/Don't know	9	135

40. What about urban areas? Are urban areas of Illinois given much more than their fair share, somewhat more, somewhat less, much less, or about their fair share of government resources?

[VAR: urban\_fairshare]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Much more	1	169
Somewhat more	2	179
Somewhat less	3	217
Much less	4	141
About their fair share	5	179
Other/Don't know	9	116

## **Demographics**

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

[VAR: area]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Chicago City	1	200
Chicago Suburbs	2	501
Downstate	3	300

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

[VAR: education]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Less than high school	1	11
High school	2	147
Some college	3	185
Associate's degree	4	96
Bachelor's degree	5	265
Graduate or professional degree	6	288
Don't know	7	9

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

[VAR: ideo\_leans]

Response	Value Label	Frequency
Very liberal	1	136
Somewhat liberal	2	227
Moderate	3	258
Somewhat conservative	4	214
Very conservative	5	121
Don't know	6	45

**43. 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	222
Not so strong Democrat	2	77
Independent Democrat	3	196
Pure Independent	4	143
Independent leaning Republican	5	115
Not so strong republican	6	59
Strong Republican	7	116
Something else	8	36
Other/Don't know	9	37

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?”

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

[VAR: employ\_time]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Full-time	1	492
Part-time	2	83
Retired	3	341
Not employed	4	72
Other/Don't know	5	13

**Remarks:** If the respondent said that they were “full-time” (1) or “part-time” (2), the interviewer proceeded to ask them Q45. If the respondent said that they were “retired” (3), the interviewer proceeded to ask them Q46. If they were “not employed” or “other/don't know/refused” (9), the interviewer skipped to Q48.

**45.** 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]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Private	1	297
Non-Profit	2	63
Government	3	89
Self-employed	4	101
Don't know	5	25
Not applicable	IAP	426

**46.** 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]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Private	1	139
Non-Profit	2	39
Government	3	83
Self-employed	4	52
Don't know	5	28
Not applicable	IAP	660

**47.** Do you or anyone in your household belong to a labor union?

[VAR: union]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Yes	1	223
No	2	764
Other/Don't know	3	14

**48.** Are you, or is any member of your family a military veteran or member of the active-duty military?

[VAR: vet]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Yes	1	347
No	2	645
Other/don't know	3	9

**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]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Every week	1	261
Almost every week	2	95
Once or twice a month	3	140
A few times a year	4	264
Never	5	220
Refused	6	21

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

[VAR: relig\_type]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Christian	1	439
Some other religion	2	48
Don't know	8	3
Refused	9	6
System Missing	IAP	505

**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]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Christian	1	269
Some other religion	2	73
No religion	3	140
Don't know	8	3
Refused	9	20
System Missing	IAP	496

**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]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Yes	1	163
No	2	532
Don't know	3	7
Refused	4	6
System Missing	IAP	293

**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]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
18-24	1	45
25-29	2	32
30-34	3	39
35-39	4	46
40-44	5	56
45-49	6	82
50-54	7	90
55-59	8	106
60-64	9	102
65-69	10	106
70-74	11	83
75-79	12	57
80+	13	78
Refused	14	79

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

[VAR: rac\_eth]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
White	1	733
Black	2	110
Asian	3	19
Hispanic	4	48
Multiracial	5	25
Other	6	2
Refused	9	64

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]

<u>Response</u>	<u>Value Label</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
Under \$25,000	1	79
\$25,000 - \$34,999	2	75
\$35,000 - \$49,999	3	98
\$50,000 - \$69,999	4	141
\$70,000 - \$99,999	5	162
\$100,000 - \$149,999	6	158
Over \$150,000	7	160
Don't know	8	27
Refused	9	101

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

# Survey Instrument

## Spring 2018 Simon Poll

Paul Simon Public Policy Institute

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### Introduction and Screening

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.

#### **[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

### **Right Track/Wrong Track**

53. 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
- 9 Don't know

54. 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
- 9 Don't know

55. 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
- 9 Don't know

### **Job Approval and Primary Election**

56. I would like you to tell me how Governor Rauner 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 APPROVE NOR DISAPPROVE)
- 4 Somewhat disapprove
- 5 Strongly disapprove
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

**57.** And what about Speaker of the Illinois House of Representatives Mike Madigan? Do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove of the job Speaker Madigan is doing?

- 1 Strongly approve
- 2 Somewhat approve
- 3 (NEITHER APPROVE NOR DISAPPROVE)
- 4 Somewhat disapprove
- 5 Strongly disapprove
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

**58.** And what about President of the United States Donald Trump? Do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove of the job President Trump is doing?

- 1 Strongly approve
- 2 Somewhat approve
- 3 (NEITHER SUPPORT NOR OPPOSE)
- 4 Somewhat disapprove
- 5 Strongly disapprove
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

**59.** Do you support or oppose the federal tax reform plan passed by the Republican Congressional majorities?

- 1 Strongly support
- 2 Somewhat support
- 3 (NEITHER SUPPORT NOR OPPOSE)
- 4 Somewhat oppose
- 5 Strongly oppose
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

**8a.** Does your view on this issue make you more or less likely to vote for Republican Congressional candidates in November? [if more or less] Is that very or somewhat more/less likely?

- 1 Much more
- 2 Somewhat more
- 3 (NEITHER MORE NOR LESS)
- 4 Somewhat less
- 5 Much less
- 9 (DON'T KNOW)

**60.** Which political party do you believe best represents your interests in the U.S. Congress? [ROTATE] Democratic, Republican, Green, Libertarian, or some other party?

- 1 Democratic
- 2 Republican
- 3 Green
- 4 Libertarian
- 5 Some other party
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

**61.** As you may know, primary elections in Illinois will be held this March. Thinking ahead, are you likely to vote in the (ROTATE: Republican/Democratic) primary, or will you probably not vote in the primary elections?

- 1 Democratic
- 2 Republican
- 3 Probably not vote
- 9 (OTHER/DONT KNOW)

**62.** [If Q9 REPUBLICAN] If the Republican primary for governor was being held today, would you vote for [ROTATE CANDIDATES] Bruce Rauner or Jeanne Ives?

- 1 Bruce Rauner
- 2 Jeanne Ives
- 3 (SOMEONE ELSE)
- 9 (OTHER/DONT KNOW)

**63.** [If Q9 DEMOCRATIC] If the Democratic primary for governor was being held today, would you vote for [ROTATE CANDIDATES] J.B. Pritzker, Chris Kennedy, Daniel Biss, Terry Getz, Bob Daiber, Tio Hardiman, or Robert Marshall?

- 1 J.B. Pritzker
- 2 Chris Kennedy
- 3 Daniel Biss
- 4 Terry Getz
- 5 Bob Daiber
- 6 Tio Hardiman
- 7 Robert Marshall
- 8 (SOMEONE ELSE)
- 9 (OTHER/DONT KNOW)

**64.** [If Q9 REPUBLICAN] If the Republican primary for Attorney General were being held today, would you vote for [ROTATE CANDIDATES] Erika Harold or Gary Grasso?

- 1 Erika Harold
- 2 Gary Grasso
- 3 (SOMEONE ELSE)
- 9 (OTHER/DONT KNOW)

**65.** [If Q9 DEMOCRATIC] If the Democratic primary for attorney general was being held today, would you vote for [ROTATE CANDIDATES] Renato Mariotti, Nancy Rotering, Scott Drury, Pat Quinn, Sharon Fairley, Jesse Ruiz, Aaron Goldstein or Kwame Raoul?

- 1 Renato Mariotti
- 2 Nancy Rotering
- 3 Scott Drury
- 4 Pat Quinn
- 5 Sharon Fairley
- 6 Jesse Ruiz
- 7 Aaron Goldstein
- 8 Kwame Raoul
- 9 (SOMEONE ELSE)
- 99 (OTHER/DONT KNOW)

**66.** If the general election for Illinois were being held today, and if the Republican candidate was Bruce Rauner and the Democratic candidate was J.B. Pritzker (ROTATE CANDIDATES) who would you vote for?

- 1 Bruce Rauner
- 2 J.B. Pritzker
- 3 (SOMEONE ELSE)
- 9 (OTHER/DONT KNOW)

**67.** If the general election for Illinois were being held today, and if the Republican candidate was Bruce Rauner and the Democratic candidate was Daniel Biss (ROTATE CANDIDATES) who would you vote for?

- 1 Bruce Rauner
- 2 Daniel Biss
- 3 (SOMEONE ELSE)
- 9 (OTHER/DONT KNOW)

## **Trump's Record in Office**

68. Has President Donald Trump's record in office made you more or less likely to vote for a Republican for Illinois executive offices including: Governor & Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, or Attorney General? [If more or less] Is that very or somewhat more/less likely?

- 1 Much more
- 2 Somewhat more
- 3 (NO EFFECT)
- 4 Somewhat less
- 5 Much less
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

69. Has President Trump's record in office made you more or less likely to vote for a Republican for United States Congress from Illinois this year? [If more or less] Is that very or somewhat more/less likely?

- 1 Much more
- 2 Somewhat more
- 3 (NO EFFECT)
- 4 Somewhat less
- 5 Much less
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

70. Has President Donald Trump's record in office made you more or less likely to vote for a Republican for Illinois General Assembly this year? [If more or less] Is that very or somewhat more/less likely?

- 1 Much more
- 2 Somewhat more
- 3 (NO EFFECT)
- 4 Somewhat less
- 5 Much less
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

## **Criminal Justice Reform**

71. Do you agree or disagree with this statement: The criminal justice system in Illinois is biased against black people?

- 1 Strongly agree
- 2 Somewhat agree
- 3 (NEITHER AGREE NOR DISAGREE)
- 4 Somewhat disagree
- 5 Strongly disagree
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

72. Please tell me if you agree or disagree with the following statement: The State of Illinois should remove barriers that make it more difficult for people who have been incarcerated to find jobs?

- 1 Strongly agree
- 2 Somewhat agree
- 3 (NEITHER AGREE NOR DISAGREE)
- 4 Somewhat disagree
- 5 Strongly disagree
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

73. I'm going to read three statements people make about corrections policy. Please tell me which comes closer to your view, even if it is not exactly how you feel:

- 1 Currently, the balance of spending between incarceration and alternative sentencing programs is about right.
- 2 Currently, we spend too much money on incarceration and not enough on alternatives such as education and treatment
- 3 Currently we spend too much money on alternative education and treatment programs and not enough on incarceration
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

### **Water Quality**

*Now I'm going to ask you a few questions about drinking water.*

74. Please tell me what comes closer to your view. I personally worry about the pollution of drinking water...

- 1 A great deal
- 2 A fair amount
- 3 Only a little
- 4 Not at all
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

75. I would rate the quality of the drinking water in my community as...

- 1 Excellent
- 2 Good
- 3 Fair
- 4 Poor
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

76. I trust my state government to do what is right in regard to water quality...

- 1 Just about always
- 2 Most of the time
- 3 Only some of the time
- 4 None of the time
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

## **Budget and Tax Issues**

*Now we would like to ask you about the Illinois budget.*

### **How to Handle the Budget Deficit**

**77.** The state of Illinois has a budget deficit of over [1.5 billion]. 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. (rotate)

- 1 Illinois public programs and services have already been reduced significantly. We can only fix the issue by taking in more revenue, such as a tax increase.
- 2 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.
- 3 Illinois' budget problem is so large, it can only be solved by a combination of budget cuts and revenue increases.
- 4 (HAVEN'T THOUGHT MUCH ABOUT IT)
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

### **Cuts**

**78.** Since 85% of the budget is made up of K-12 education, higher education, and health and human services, which areas should be cut to make up the difference? K-12, Higher Education, or Health and Human Services?

- 1 K-12
- 2 Higher education
- 3 Health and Human Services
- 4 (ALL OF THE ABOVE)
- 5 (NONE OF THE ABOVE)
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

### **Revenue Sources**

*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?*

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

- 1 Strongly favor
- 2 Somewhat favor
- 3 Somewhat oppose
- 4 Strongly oppose
- 9 (OTHER/DONT KNOW)

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

- 1 Strongly favor
- 2 Somewhat favor
- 3 Somewhat oppose
- 4 Strongly oppose
- 9 (OTHER/DONT KNOW)

**28a.** Would you favor or oppose applying the state income tax to retirement income if it exempted from taxes the first \$100,000 earned per year?

- 1 Strongly favor
- 2 Somewhat favor
- 3 Somewhat oppose
- 4 Strongly oppose
- 9 (OTHER/DONT KNOW)

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

- 1 Strongly favor
- 2 Somewhat favor
- 3 Somewhat oppose
- 4 Strongly oppose
- 9 (OTHER/DONT KNOW)

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

- 1 Strongly favor
- 2 Somewhat favor
- 3 Somewhat oppose
- 4 Strongly oppose
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

**83.** 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?

- 1 Strongly favor
- 2 Somewhat favor
- 3 Somewhat oppose
- 4 Strongly oppose
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

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

- 1 Strongly favor
- 2 Somewhat favor
- 3 Somewhat oppose
- 4 Strongly oppose
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

### **Social Issues**

**85.** Do you favor or oppose the legalization of recreational marijuana if it is taxed and regulated like alcohol?

- 1 Strongly favor
- 2 Somewhat favor
- 3 Somewhat oppose
- 4 Strongly oppose
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

**86.** Most states surrounding Illinois require lawmakers to wait at least one year before accepting jobs with firms that lobby their state legislatures after leaving office. Illinois does not. Should Illinois require lawmakers to wait at least a year before registering as a lobbyist?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

## **Regionalism in Illinois**

**87.** How much attention do you feel the state government pays to what the people in your community think when it decides what to do?

- 1 A good deal
- 2 Some
- 3 Not much
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

**88.** How much does the state government represent your community's values?

- 1 Extremely well
- 2 Very well
- 3 Somewhat
- 4 Only a little
- 5 Not at all
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

**89.** How well does the state of Illinois do in distributing government resources equally across rural, urban and suburban areas of the state?

- 1 Extremely well
- 2 Very well
- 3 Somewhat
- 4 Only a little
- 5 Not at all
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

**90.** Are rural areas of Illinois given much more than their fair share, somewhat more, somewhat less, much less, or about their fair share of government resources?

- 1 Much more
- 2 Somewhat more
- 3 Somewhat less
- 4 Much less
- 5 About their fair share
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

91. What about suburban areas? Are suburban areas of Illinois given much more than their fair share, somewhat more, somewhat less, much less, or about their fair share of government resources?

- 1 Much more
- 2 Somewhat more
- 3 Somewhat less
- 4 Much less
- 5 About their fair share
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

92. Lastly, what about urban areas? Are urban areas of Illinois given much more than their fair share, somewhat more, somewhat less, much less, or about their fair share of government resources?

- 1 Much more
- 2 Somewhat more
- 3 Somewhat less
- 4 Much less
- 5 About their fair share
- 9 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW)

### **Demographics**

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

93. What is the last level of education you have completed?

- 1 Less than high school
- 2 High school
- 3 Some college
- 4 Associate's degree
- 5 Bachelor's degree
- 6 Graduate or professional degree
- 7 (DON'T KNOW/REFUSED)

94. Generally speaking, in politics today, do you consider yourself very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?

- 1 Very liberal
- 2 Somewhat liberal
- 3 Moderate
- 4 Somewhat conservative
- 5 Very conservative
- 6 (DON'T KNOW/REFUSED)

**95.** 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?)

- 1 Strong Democrat
- 2 Not-strong Democrat
- 3 Independent Democrat
- 4 (PURE INDEPENDENT)
- 5 Independent Republican
- 6 Not-strong Republican
- 7 Strong Republican
- 8 (SOMETHING ELSE)
- 9 (DON'T KNOW/REFUSED)

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

- 1 Full-time
- 2 Part-time
- 3 Retired
- 4 Not employed
- 5 (OTHER/DON'T KNOW/REFUSED)

**97.** 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 (DON'T KNOW/REFUSED)

**98.** [IF RETIRED] 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 (DON'T KNOW/REFUSED)

**99.** Do you or anyone in your household belong to a labor union?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 (OTHER/DONT KNOW/REFUSED)

**100.** Are you, or is any member of your family a military veteran or member of the active-duty military?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 (OTHER/DONT KNOW/REFUSED)

**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
- 2 Almost every week
- 3 Once or twice a month
- 4 A few times a year
- 5 Never
- 6 (REFUSED)

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

- 1 Christian
- 2 Some other religion
- 8 (DONT KNOW)
- 9 (REFUSED)

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

- 1 Christian
- 2 Some other religion
- 3 No religion
- 8 (DONT KNOW)
- 9 (REFUSED)

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 (DON'T KNOW)
- 4 (REFUSED)

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

\_\_\_\_\_ (REFUSED)  
99999

102. For classification purposes, I need to know the year of your birth—the last two digits of your birth year would be fine.

\_\_\_\_\_ (REFUSED)  
1900

103. 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 - SPECIFY)
- 9 (REFUSED)

104. 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 (DON'T KNOW)
- 9 (REFUSED)

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