
THE OHIO POLL*

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VOTERS PESSIMISTIC ABOUT OHIO ECONOMY; DEMOCRATS SEEN AS BETTER ABLE TO HANDLE ECONOMIC ISSUES

Cincinnati, OH--The latest Ohio Poll finds a large majority of Ohio likely voters rate Ohio economic conditions as "fair" or "poor" and many also see economic conditions worsening. Majorities also say Democrats will do a better job than Republicans in handling Ohio's economy and creating jobs.

These findings are based on the latest Ohio Poll, conducted by the Institute for Policy Research at the University of Cincinnati. The Ohio Poll is sponsored by the University of Cincinnati. The Poll was conducted from September 7 through September 17, 2006. Interviews were not conducted on September 11, 2006.

The latest Ohio Poll asked likely voters their perceptions of economic conditions in Ohio. The survey also asked voters which party they felt would do a better job handling economic and other state issues.

THE OHIO ECONOMY

Likely voters were first asked their perception of economic conditions in Ohio. Two percent say economic conditions in Ohio are "excellent," 17 percent say "good," 43 percent say "fair" and 39 percent rate Ohio economic conditions as "poor."

Large majorities of both Democrats (90%) and Republicans (73%) rate economic conditions in Ohio as "fair" or "poor"; however, Republicans are less negative about the economy overall than are Democrats.

When asked about the direction of Ohio's economy, a large majority of likely voters also see the Ohio economy as "getting worse" (65%) as opposed to "getting better" (22%). An additional 12 percent of voters see the economy as staying about the same.

Majorities of both Democrats (75%) and Republicans (56%) see economic conditions in Ohio as "getting worse."

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DEMOCRATS SEEN AS PARTY BETTER ABLE TO HANDLE ECONOMIC ISSUES

Voters were also asked whether the Democrats or Republicans would do a better job handling Ohio's economy. Fifty-one percent of likely voters say Democrats would do a better job, 31 percent say Republicans, 12 percent say both parties would handle Ohio's economy equally and six percent don't know.

When asked which party would do a better job handling job creation in Ohio, 51 percent of likely voters say Democrats would do a better job, 29 percent say Republicans, 14 percent say both parties would handle job creation equally and six percent don't know.

As may be expected, majorities of Democrats see their party as better able to handle these economic issues, while majorities of Republicans say their party would do a better job.

PARTY BETTER ABLE TO HANDLE OTHER STATE ISSUES

Voters were also asked which party would do a better job handling a range of other state issues, including public school education in Ohio, corruption in state government, state government spending, Ohio state taxes, illegal immigration and crime in Ohio.

Overall, Democrats are more frequently viewed by voters as the party that would do a better job handling public school education in Ohio (51% say Democrats vs. 28% say Republicans would do a better job), corruption in state government (45% vs. 25%), state government spending (47% vs. 33%) and Ohio state taxes (46% vs. 37%).

Similar percentages of likely voters see Democrats (36%) and Republicans (35%) as the party that would do a better job handling illegal immigration.

More likely voters see Republicans (36%) than Democrats (31%) as the party that would do a better job handling crime in Ohio.

As is the case with economic issues, Democrats see their party as better able to handle each of these state issues, while Republicans say their party would do a better job handling them.

Ohio Poll Methodology

These findings are based on the most recent Ohio Poll conducted by the Institute for Policy Research at the University of Cincinnati from September 7 through September 17, 2006. Interviews were not conducted on September 11, 2006.

A random sample of 671 likely voters from throughout the state was interviewed by telephone. In 95 of 100 cases, the statewide estimates will be accurate to plus or minus 3.8 percent.

In addition to sampling error, there are other sources of variation inherent in public opinion studies, such as non-response, question wording, or context effects that can introduce error or bias.

Results reported for subgroups have the potential for somewhat larger variation than those for the entire population.

Reported percentages may not total to 100% due to rounding.

Respondents to the Ohio Poll were asked:

- “How would you rate economic conditions in Ohio today . . . excellent, good, fair, or poor?”
- “Right now, do you think that economic conditions in Ohio are getting better or getting worse?”
- “Please tell me if you think Democrats or Republicans would do a better job handling each of the following state issues . . .”
 - ✓ Ohio’s economy
 - ✓ Job creation in Ohio
 - ✓ Public school education in Ohio
 - ✓ Corruption in state government
 - ✓ State government spending
 - ✓ Ohio state taxes
 - ✓ Illegal immigration
 - ✓ Crime

**“How would you rate economic conditions in Ohio today . . .
excellent, good, fair, or poor?”
(Likely Voters Overall)**

	<u>September 2006</u>
Excellent	2%
Good	17
Fair	43
Poor	39
Don't know	Less than 1
(N=)	(670)

**“Right now, do you think that economic conditions in Ohio
are getting better or getting worse?”
(Likely Voters Overall)**

	<u>September 2006</u>
Getting better	22%
Getting worse	65
Staying about the same	12
Don't know	2
(N=)	(666)

**“Please tell me if you think Democrats or Republicans would do a better job
handling each of the following state issues . . .”
(Likely Voters Overall; Economic Issues Only)**

	<u>Democrats</u>	<u>Republicans</u>	<u>Equally</u>	<u>Advantage</u>
Job creation in Ohio	51	29	14	Democrats (+22%)
Ohio's economy	51	31	12	Democrats (+20%)

**“Please tell me if you think Democrats or Republicans would do a better job
handling each of the following state issues . . .”
(Likely Voters Overall; Other Issues)**

	<u>Democrats</u>	<u>Republicans</u>	<u>Equally</u>	<u>Advantage</u>
Public school education in Ohio	51%	28%	17%	Democrats (+23%)
Corruption in state government	45	25	25	Democrats (+20%)
State government spending	47	33	15	Democrats (+14%)
Ohio state taxes	46	37	12	Democrats (+9%)
Illegal immigration	36	35	21	Democrats (+1%)
Crime in Ohio	31	36	25	Republicans (+5%)

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How would you rate economic conditions in Ohio today . . . excellent, good, fair, or poor?

		EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	POOR	DON'T KNOW
Ohio Likely Voters		2%	17%	43%	39%	0%
Sex	Male	2%	16%	42%	40%	0%
	Female	1%	17%	44%	37%	0%
Age of Respondent	18 to 29*		21%	39%	41%	
	30 to 45	1%	14%	46%	39%	
	46 to 64	2%	16%	42%	40%	0%
	65 and over	3%	18%	44%	34%	1%
Race	African-American*		4%	41%	55%	
	White	2%	17%	44%	37%	0%
Education	Less than high school*		5%	63%	33%	
	High school graduate	1%	19%	42%	37%	
	Some college	2%	13%	43%	42%	0%
	College graduate	2%	18%	42%	37%	1%
Income	Under \$20,000*		13%	40%	46%	
	\$20,000 to \$39,999	0%	12%	44%	42%	1%
	\$40,000 to \$59,999	3%	20%	36%	41%	
	\$60,000 and over	3%	16%	46%	36%	
Union Membership	Union household	1%	19%	38%	42%	
	Non-union household	2%	16%	45%	38%	0%
Geographical Region	Northeast Ohio	1%	9%	41%	49%	
	Northwest Ohio	3%	16%	48%	33%	
	Central Ohio	2%	21%	52%	25%	0%
	Southeast Ohio*		30%	28%	41%	1%
	Southwest Ohio	3%	24%	42%	31%	1%
Party Identification	Democrat	0%	9%	37%	53%	0%
	Independent*		23%	23%	54%	
	Republican	3%	23%	51%	22%	1%
Ideology	Liberal	1%	7%	41%	50%	0%
	Moderate	0%	11%	43%	46%	0%
	Conservative	4%	29%	44%	23%	0%

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Ohio Poll #105

Right now, do you think that economic conditions in Ohio are getting better or getting worse?

		GETTING BETTER	GETTING WORSE	STAYING ABOUT THE SAME	DON'T KNOW
Ohio Likely Voters		22%	65%	12%	2%
Sex	Male	20%	65%	14%	1%
	Female	23%	65%	10%	2%
Age of Respondent	18 to 29*	29%	56%	14%	
	30 to 45	27%	64%	8%	2%
	46 to 64	18%	70%	10%	1%
	65 and over	17%	62%	19%	3%
Race	African-American*	22%	66%	12%	
	White	21%	66%	12%	1%
Education	Less than high school*	17%	54%	29%	
	High school graduate	17%	67%	13%	3%
	Some college	21%	65%	12%	2%
	College graduate	26%	64%	9%	0%
Income	Under \$20,000*	19%	67%	12%	2%
	\$20,000 to \$39,999	23%	64%	12%	1%
	\$40,000 to \$59,999	18%	60%	20%	2%
	\$60,000 and over	22%	71%	7%	1%
Union Membership	Union household	22%	66%	12%	0%
	Non-union household	21%	65%	12%	2%
Geographical Region	Northeast Ohio	18%	68%	13%	2%
	Northwest Ohio	28%	66%	6%	
	Central Ohio	23%	63%	13%	1%
	Southeast Ohio*	27%	56%	18%	
	Southwest Ohio	23%	63%	12%	3%
Party Identification	Democrat	14%	75%	10%	1%
	Independent*	19%	66%	12%	3%
	Republican	30%	56%	12%	2%
Ideology	Liberal	14%	80%	6%	
	Moderate	16%	72%	11%	1%
	Conservative	32%	51%	14%	3%

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Please tell me if you think Democrats or Republicans would do a better job handling each of the following state issues. What about . . . Ohio's economy . . . would Democrats or Republicans do a better job handling Ohio's economy?

		DEMOCRATS	REPUBLICANS	EQUAL/NEITHER	DON'T KNOW
Ohio Likely Voters	.	51%	31%	12%	6%
Sex	Male	48%	32%	14%	5%
	Female	53%	30%	11%	6%
Age of Respondent	18 to 29*	67%	22%	6%	5%
	30 to 45	51%	29%	13%	7%
	46 to 64	48%	36%	12%	5%
	65 and over	52%	28%	15%	6%
Race	African-American*	81%	4%	14%	1%
	White	47%	35%	12%	6%
Education	Less than high school*	49%	23%	28%	
	High school graduate	54%	26%	12%	8%
	Some college	53%	33%	8%	5%
	College graduate	47%	35%	14%	4%
Income	Under \$20,000*	51%	22%	22%	6%
	\$20,000 to \$39,999	60%	21%	12%	8%
	\$40,000 to \$59,999	55%	30%	7%	7%
	\$60,000 and over	46%	37%	12%	4%
Union Membership	Union household	64%	22%	9%	5%
	Non-union household	47%	34%	13%	6%
Geographical Region	Northeast Ohio	55%	27%	13%	5%
	Northwest Ohio	53%	24%	17%	5%
	Central Ohio	49%	35%	10%	6%
	Southeast Ohio*	45%	31%	16%	8%
	Southwest Ohio	45%	41%	9%	5%
Party Identification	Democrat	89%	4%	5%	2%
	Independent*	24%	6%	49%	21%
	Republican	19%	62%	13%	6%
Ideology	Liberal	86%	8%	3%	3%
	Moderate	63%	19%	12%	7%
	Conservative	24%	58%	12%	5%

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Please tell me if you think Democrats or Republicans would do a better job handling each of the following state issues. What about . . . job creation in Ohio . . . would Democrats or Republicans do a better job handling job creation in Ohio?

		DEMOCRATS	REPUBLICANS	EQUAL/NEITHER	DON'T KNOW
Ohio Likely Voters	.	51%	29%	14%	6%
Sex	Male	52%	31%	11%	6%
	Female	50%	26%	18%	5%
Age of Respondent	18 to 29*	64%	12%	15%	8%
	30 to 45	54%	29%	12%	5%
	46 to 64	47%	32%	14%	7%
	65 and over	51%	27%	18%	4%
Race	African-American*	69%	14%	16%	2%
	White	49%	30%	14%	6%
Education	Less than high school*	50%	11%	36%	3%
	High school graduate	56%	23%	14%	6%
	Some college	53%	27%	13%	6%
	College graduate	46%	35%	14%	5%
Income	Under \$20,000*	59%	16%	13%	11%
	\$20,000 to \$39,999	56%	20%	18%	6%
	\$40,000 to \$59,999	50%	32%	12%	7%
	\$60,000 and over	52%	33%	11%	4%
Union Membership	Union household	63%	20%	11%	6%
	Non-union household	48%	31%	15%	6%
Geographical Region	Northeast Ohio	52%	27%	15%	6%
	Northwest Ohio	55%	20%	20%	5%
	Central Ohio	53%	35%	7%	4%
	Southeast Ohio*	61%	23%	9%	7%
	Southwest Ohio	45%	33%	16%	6%
Party Identification	Democrat	82%	5%	10%	2%
	Independent*	36%	7%	31%	27%
	Republican	25%	54%	15%	6%
Ideology	Liberal	83%	5%	7%	6%
	Moderate	59%	20%	15%	5%
	Conservative	31%	50%	14%	5%

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Ohio Poll #105

Please tell me if you think Democrats or Republicans would do a better job handling each of the following state issues. What about . . . public school education in Ohio . . . would Democrats or Republicans do a better job handling public school education in Ohio?

		DEMOCRATS	REPUBLICANS	EQUAL/NEITHER	DON'T KNOW
Ohio Likely Voters		51%	28%	17%	5%
Sex	Male	53%	28%	15%	4%
	Female	49%	28%	18%	5%
Age of Respondent	18 to 29*	65%	20%	10%	5%
	30 to 45	54%	27%	14%	5%
	46 to 64	49%	31%	16%	4%
	65 and over	46%	25%	24%	5%
Race	African-American*	73%	8%	18%	1%
	White	48%	30%	17%	5%
Education	Less than high school*	25%	23%	49%	3%
	High school graduate	49%	27%	18%	6%
	Some college	50%	28%	18%	4%
	College graduate	56%	28%	12%	4%
Income	Under \$20,000*	55%	19%	20%	6%
	\$20,000 to \$39,999	53%	19%	23%	5%
	\$40,000 to \$59,999	50%	26%	18%	6%
	\$60,000 and over	54%	32%	11%	4%
Union Membership	Union household	57%	22%	15%	7%
	Non-union household	50%	29%	17%	4%
Geographical Region	Northeast Ohio	50%	26%	18%	5%
	Northwest Ohio	56%	21%	21%	3%
	Central Ohio	62%	23%	10%	5%
	Southeast Ohio*	43%	24%	27%	5%
	Southwest Ohio	46%	37%	13%	4%
Party Identification	Democrat	82%	6%	10%	3%
	Independent*	40%	6%	36%	18%
	Republican	24%	51%	20%	5%
Ideology	Liberal	82%	12%	4%	2%
	Moderate	62%	17%	16%	5%
	Conservative	28%	48%	18%	5%

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Please tell me if you think Democrats or Republicans would do a better job handling each of the following state issues. What about . . . corruption in state government . . . would Democrats or Republicans do a better job handling corruption in state government?

		DEMOCRATS	REPUBLICANS	EQUAL/NEITHER	DON'T KNOW
Ohio Likely Voters		45%	25%	25%	5%
Sex	Male	45%	24%	25%	6%
	Female	45%	26%	25%	4%
Age of Respondent	18 to 29*	52%	25%	17%	5%
	30 to 45	45%	27%	20%	8%
	46 to 64	42%	27%	26%	5%
	65 and over	47%	17%	33%	2%
Race	African-American*	67%	3%	22%	8%
	White	42%	27%	26%	5%
Education	Less than high school*	32%	20%	42%	6%
	High school graduate	46%	26%	23%	6%
	Some college	47%	26%	23%	5%
	College graduate	44%	23%	28%	5%
Income	Under \$20,000*	54%	21%	19%	6%
	\$20,000 to \$39,999	48%	19%	28%	6%
	\$40,000 to \$59,999	41%	30%	21%	8%
	\$60,000 and over	46%	26%	25%	3%
Union Membership	Union household	57%	15%	22%	6%
	Non-union household	41%	28%	26%	5%
Geographical Region	Northeast Ohio	46%	22%	26%	5%
	Northwest Ohio	52%	27%	20%	2%
	Central Ohio	48%	25%	24%	3%
	Southeast Ohio*	39%	24%	30%	7%
	Southwest Ohio	38%	30%	25%	7%
Party Identification	Democrat	82%	3%	13%	2%
	Independent*	20%	5%	54%	21%
	Republican	14%	48%	32%	6%
Ideology	Liberal	81%	5%	10%	3%
	Moderate	54%	14%	27%	5%
	Conservative	20%	47%	28%	5%

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Please tell me if you think Democrats or Republicans would do a better job handling each of the following state issues. What about . . . state government spending . . . would Democrats or Republicans do a better job handling state government spending?

		DEMOCRATS	REPUBLICANS	EQUAL/NEITHER	DON'T KNOW
Ohio Likely Voters		47%	33%	15%	5%
Sex	Male	44%	38%	15%	3%
	Female	49%	29%	16%	6%
Age of Respondent	18 to 29*	69%	26%		5%
	30 to 45	45%	34%	16%	5%
	46 to 64	44%	36%	16%	4%
	65 and over	47%	30%	20%	3%
Race	African-American*	80%	6%	14%	1%
	White	43%	37%	15%	5%
Education	Less than high school*	62%	29%	8%	
	High school graduate	47%	31%	15%	6%
	Some college	54%	27%	15%	4%
	College graduate	40%	40%	17%	4%
Income	Under \$20,000*	55%	20%	14%	11%
	\$20,000 to \$39,999	53%	28%	17%	3%
	\$40,000 to \$59,999	44%	38%	13%	6%
	\$60,000 and over	45%	38%	13%	4%
Union Membership	Union household	52%	26%	15%	7%
	Non-union household	45%	36%	15%	4%
Geographical Region	Northeast Ohio	48%	29%	19%	4%
	Northwest Ohio	50%	35%	11%	3%
	Central Ohio	47%	37%	11%	5%
	Southeast Ohio*	53%	25%	13%	9%
	Southwest Ohio	41%	41%	14%	4%
Party Identification	Democrat	85%	5%	8%	2%
	Independent*	28%	3%	47%	22%
	Republican	13%	65%	18%	4%
Ideology	Liberal	84%	7%	6%	3%
	Moderate	53%	26%	16%	5%
	Conservative	25%	56%	15%	4%

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Please tell me if you think Democrats or Republicans would do a better job handling each of the following state issues. What about . . . illegal immigration . . . would Democrats or Republicans do a better job handling illegal immigration?

		DEMOCRATS	REPUBLICANS	EQUAL/NEITHER	DON'T KNOW
Ohio Likely Voters		36%	35%	21%	8%
Sex	Male	32%	39%	21%	8%
	Female	39%	32%	20%	9%
Age of Respondent	18 to 29*	46%	39%	10%	5%
	30 to 45	33%	39%	18%	9%
	46 to 64	35%	35%	24%	6%
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Race	African-American*	61%	14%	17%	8%
	White	34%	37%	21%	8%
Education	Less than high school*	25%	29%	43%	3%
	High school graduate	38%	34%	17%	11%
	Some college	39%	31%	22%	8%
	College graduate	32%	40%	21%	7%
Income	Under \$20,000*	49%	15%	24%	12%
	\$20,000 to \$39,999	35%	32%	23%	10%
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Union Membership	Union household	46%	28%	19%	7%
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	Republican	12%	59%	22%	7%
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Please tell me if you think Democrats or Republicans would do a better job handling each of the following state issues. What about . . .
Ohio state taxes . . . would Democrats or Republicans do a better job handling Ohio state taxes?

		DEMOCRATS	REPUBLICANS	EQUAL/NEITHER	DON'T KNOW
Ohio Likely Voters		46%	37%	12%	5%
Sex	Male	44%	40%	12%	4%
	Female	47%	34%	12%	6%
Age of Respondent	18 to 29*	69%	19%	6%	5%
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	46 to 64	42%	40%	13%	6%
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Race	African-American*	80%	6%	13%	1%
	White	42%	40%	12%	5%
Education	Less than high school*	49%	20%	28%	3%
	High school graduate	48%	30%	14%	8%
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Party Identification	Democrat	83%	6%	7%	4%
	Independent*	24%	10%	39%	27%
	Republican	14%	71%	12%	3%
Ideology	Liberal	85%	7%	4%	4%
	Moderate	56%	27%	12%	5%
	Conservative	21%	64%	11%	4%

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Ohio Poll #105

Please tell me if you think Democrats or Republicans would do a better job handling each of the following state issues. What about . . . crime in Ohio . . . would Democrats or Republicans do a better job handling crime in Ohio?

		DEMOCRATS	REPUBLICANS	EQUAL/NEITHER	DON'T KNOW
Ohio Likely Voters		31%	36%	25%	7%
Sex	Male	28%	42%	24%	6%
	Female	34%	32%	26%	9%
Age of Respondent	18 to 29*	38%	38%	15%	8%
	30 to 45	32%	44%	16%	7%
	46 to 64	31%	36%	27%	5%
	65 and over	28%	25%	37%	10%
Race	African-American*	56%	12%	25%	7%
	White	29%	38%	25%	7%
Education	Less than high school*	7%	26%	64%	3%
	High school graduate	34%	30%	25%	11%
	Some college	37%	38%	22%	4%
	College graduate	27%	41%	25%	6%
Income	Under \$20,000*	35%	20%	31%	13%
	\$20,000 to \$39,999	38%	25%	29%	8%
	\$40,000 to \$59,999	27%	45%	22%	7%
	\$60,000 and over	29%	44%	21%	6%
Union Membership	Union household	41%	32%	19%	8%
	Non-union household	29%	37%	27%	7%
Geographical Region	Northeast Ohio	33%	34%	25%	8%
	Northwest Ohio	35%	33%	26%	6%
	Central Ohio	32%	33%	26%	10%
	Southeast Ohio*	28%	20%	41%	11%
	Southwest Ohio	28%	50%	18%	4%
Party Identification	Democrat	60%	13%	23%	5%
	Independent*	12%	13%	47%	29%
	Republican	7%	63%	24%	6%
Ideology	Liberal	68%	12%	13%	7%
	Moderate	34%	30%	27%	8%
	Conservative	15%	57%	23%	5%

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*Note: Number of respondents is 75 or less. Additional caution should be taken when interpreting the findings of this subgroup because of the potential for larger variation.