

**University of Iowa, Hawkeye Poll – Topline Results**  
**Survey shows older Americans are less supportive of progressive social issues**  
**April 28, 2023**

**Sample:**

1,123 voting-age resident in the United States, margin of error +/-2.9%.

**About:**

The Hawkeye Poll was fielded between March 24 and April 5, 2023.

The poll was designed by the University of Iowa Hawkeye Poll, composed of University of Iowa faculty, graduate students, and undergraduate students. The poll is a teaching and research project and is one of many of the experiential learning undergraduate courses offered in the Department of Political Science. The poll was implemented in collaboration with the Iowa Social Science Research Center.

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*Do you consider abortion to be a civil right?*

|            | %     |
|------------|-------|
| Yes        | 62.45 |
| No         | 24.68 |
| Don't know | 9.55  |
| Decline    | 3.31  |

*Should marijuana be legalized for medical, recreational, or not at all?*

|                                  |       |
|----------------------------------|-------|
|                                  | %     |
| Should not be legal              | 7.99  |
| For medical use only             | 25.19 |
| For medical and recreational use | 59.39 |
| Don't know                       | 6.57  |
| Decline                          | 0.87  |

*Do you consider abortion to be a civil right?*

*By age group – percent support*

|            | Age 18-34 | Age 35-54 | Age 55-69 | Age 70+ |
|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| Yes        | 67.61     | 63.89     | 56.07     | 60.01   |
| No         | 18.98     | 23.48     | 29.06     | 31.3    |
| Don't know | 9.82      | 8.59      | 11.44     | 7.92    |
| Decline    | 3.59      | 4.03      | 3.43      | 0.77    |
| Total      | 100       | 100       | 100       | 100     |

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*By age group – percent support*

|                                  | Age 18-34 | Age 35-54 | Age 55-69 | Age 70+ |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------|
| Should not be legal              | 5.13      | 7.54      | 10.13     | 11      |
| For medical use only             | 18.48     | 21.96     | 28.99     | 39.9    |
| For medical and recreational use | 68.43     | 62.39     | 54.72     | 42.04   |
| Don't know                       | 6.53      | 7.22      | 5.46      | 7.06    |
| Decline                          | 1.43      | 0.88      | 0.69      | 0       |
| Total                            | 100       | 100       | 100       | 100     |