

University of Iowa Hawkeye Poll – Topline Results
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October/November 2019 poll of Iowa respondents

Sample: 1288 registered voters in Iowa, margin of error +/-2.8%.

About: The Hawkeye Poll was fielded October 28 to November 10, 2019.

The poll was conducted by the Hawkeye Poll Cooperative, comprised of University of Iowa faculty, graduate students, and undergraduate students in the political science and sociology departments. The poll is a teaching, research, and service project, which uses the facilities of the Iowa Social Science Research Center directed by Frederick J. Boehmke, professor of political science and faculty advisor for the poll. The Department of Political Science, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, and the University of Iowa Public Policy Center fund the poll.

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Respondent Identification: A random sample of registered voters was acquired with 40% household landline numbers and 60% mobile phone numbers. Sample included 50% registered Democrats, 25% registered Republicans, and 25% registered with No Party, drawn equally from each of Iowa's four Congressional districts. All respondents who stated they were over age 18 and willing to participate in the survey were included.

Weighting: Reported results are weighted by age, sex, education, party registration, and congressional district.

The Iowa Democratic Party's plan to allow those that can't be at the Caucuses in person to participate via virtual caucuses has been put on hold for this year. In the future, which of the following would be your top choice for improving caucus accessibility for those that can't attend in person?

	%
Allow participation by phone	21.6
Allow participation online	19.8
Allow participation by absentee ballot	20.9
None—voters should be required to participate in person	33.3
Don't Know/Refused	4.4
Total	100.0

Expanding Caucus access too much or holding a presidential primary might cost Iowa its place as the first-in-the-nation Presidential nomination event. How important is it to you that Iowa remains the first state to vote?

	%
Very important	31.6
Somewhat important	32.1
Not important	32.4
Don't Know/Refused	3.9
Total	100.0

Expanding Caucus access by importance that Iowa votes first.

	Very important (%)	Somewhat important (%)	Not important (%)	Total (%)
Allow participation by phone	27.5	18.0	21.2	21.6
Allow participation online	16.7	21.0	21.6	19.8
Allow participation by absentee ballot	20.6	21.8	18.4	20.9
None-voters should be required to participate in person	31.8	33.6	36.2	33.3
Don't Know/Refused	3.4	5.6	2.5	4.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

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

	%
Democrat	28.7
Republican	30.2
Independent	35.3
No Preference	2.7
Other	3.1
Total	100.0

Caucus accessibility by Party Identification.

	Democrat (%)	Republican (%)	Independent (%)	Total (%)
Allow participation by phone	27.9	14.3	21.6	21.2
Allow participation online	25.6	15.7	17.0	19.2
Allow participation by absentee ballot	26.2	14.9	21.0	20.6
None—voters should be required to participate in person	16.0	50.6	36.2	34.7
Don't Know/Refused	4.3	4.4	4.2	4.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Iowa votes first by Party Identification.

	Democrat (%)	Republican (%)	Independent (%)	Total (%)
Very important	33.4	31.9	32.0	32.4
Somewhat important	36.4	34.0	27.3	32.2
Not important	28.6	30.1	37.1	32.3
Don't Know/Refused	1.6	4.0	3.6	3.1
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

What is your gender?

	%
Male	50.3
Female	49.7
Total	100.0

Caucus accessibility by gender.

	Male (%)	Female (%)	Total (%)
Allow participation by phone	20.6	22.6	21.6
Allow participation online	20.6	19.1	19.8
Allow participation by absentee ballot	19.6	22.2	20.9
None—voters should be required to participate in person	35.5	31.0	33.3
Don't Know/Refused	3.7	5.2	4.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Iowa votes first by gender.

	Male (%)	Female (%)	Total (%)
Very important	32.9	30.3	31.6
Somewhat important	27.9	36.3	32.1
Not important	35.0	29.8	32.4
Don't Know/Refused	4.1	3.6	3.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0

Age.

	%
18-34	28.2
35-54	33.0
55-69	28.0
70 and over	10.7
Total	100.0

Caucus accessibility by age group .

	18-34 (%)	35-54 (%)	55-69 (%)	70 and over (%)	Total (%)
Allow participation by phone	27.4	20.9	19.8	12.7	21.6
Allow participation online	22.1	20.0	17.0	20.5	19.8
Allow participation by absentee ballot	29.0	20.6	16.1	13.1	20.9
None—voters should be required to participate in person	21.0	33.9	40.1	46.1	33.3
Don't Know/Refused	0.5	4.7	6.9	7.6	4.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Iowa votes first by age group.

	18-34 (%)	35-54 (%)	55-69 (%)	70 and over (%)	Total (%)
Very important	26.1	32.4	37.2	29.4	31.6
Somewhat important	30.3	33.3	31.5	34.1	32.1
Not important	37.8	32.2	27.7	31.4	32.4
Don't Know/Refused	5.8	2.1	3.6	5.0	3.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

How likely to caucus by party identification.

	Democrat (%)	Republican (%)	Independent (%)	Total (%)
Very likely	40.2	17.4	20.6	26.3
Somewhat likely	21.8	23.0	23.3	22.3
Not very likely	16.8	23.3	21.8	20.3
Not at all likely	21.2	36.3	34.3	31.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Caucus accessibility by how likely to caucus.

	Very likely (%)	Somewhat likely (%)	Not very likely (%)	Not at all likely (%)	Total (%)
Allow participation by phone	21.3	25.9	25.3	16.5	21.6
Allow participation online	21.0	22.5	19.3	16.5	19.6
Allow participation by absentee ballot	21.7	18.2	22.1	20.7	20.7
None—voters should be required to participate in person	32.6	30.0	28.8	40.1	33.6
Don't Know/Refused	3.4	3.4	4.4	6.3	4.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Iowa vote first by how likely to caucus.

	Very likely (%)	Somewhat likely (%)	Not very likely (%)	Not at all likely (%)	Total (%)
Very important	39.6	34.5	27.6	26.4	31.9
Somewhat important	35.5	31.2	36.0	27.8	32.2
Not important	20.3	31.2	34.1	41.8	32.3
Don't Know/Refused	4.7	3.0	2.2	4.0	3.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Caucus accessibility by how likely to caucus (among Democratic caucus-goers).

	Somewhat likely (%)	Not very likely (%)	Not at all likely (%)	Total (%)
Allow participation by phone	25.8	30.7	28.4	27.8
Allow participation online	23.5	20.0	29.2	23.4
Allow participation by absentee ballot	27.9	25.0	26.8	26.8
None—voters should be required to participate in person	19.4	22.5	7.7	18.3
Don't Know/Refused	3.5	1.7	7.9	3.7
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Caucus accessibility by how likely to caucus (among Republican caucus-goers).

	Very likely (%)	Somewhat likely (%)	Not very likely (%)	Not at all likely (%)
Allow participation by phone	12.0	16.6	17.4	15.6
Allow participation online	17.5	28.1	15.7	20.7
Allow participation by absentee ballot	11.8	13.1	21.6	15.7
None—voters should be required to participate in person	54.6	40.0	41.7	44.8
Don't Know/Refused	4.1	2.2	3.6	3.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Iowa votes first by how likely to caucus (among Democratic caucus-goers).

	Very likely (%)	Somewhat likely (%)	Not very likely (%)	Not at all likely (%)
Very important	34.8	39.9	29.6	35.5
Somewhat important	37.2	33.2	36.1	35.7
Not important	25.0	24.6	33.9	26.4
Don't Know/Refused	3.0	2.3	0.4	2.3
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Iowa votes first by how likely to caucus (among Republican caucus-goers).

	Very likely (%)	Somewhat likely (%)	Not very likely (%)	Not at all likely (%)
Very important	53.5	32.5	29.3	37.5
Somewhat important	26.5	31.1	39.9	32.8
Not important	10.9	32.6	26.3	24.1
Don't Know/Refused	9.2	3.9	4.5	5.6
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Urban/Rural community.

Urban/Rural community	%
Urban	26.0
Suburban	26.5
Rural	47.5
Total	100.0

Caucus accessibility by Urban/Rural community.

	Urban (%)	Suburban (%)	Rural (%)	Total (%)
Allow participation by phone	21.4	21.9	21.2	21.4
Allow participation online	17.8	19.5	21.7	20.1
Allow participation by absentee ballot	25.8	21.0	17.2	20.4
None—voters should be required to participate in person	31.3	32.7	35.2	33.5
Don't Know/Refused	3.6	4.9	4.8	4.5
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

Iowa votes first by Urban/Rural community.

	Urban (%)	Suburban (%)	Rural (%)	Total (%)
Very important	27.4	36.4	31.3	31.6
Somewhat important	37.1	24.4	33.6	32.1
Not important	31.6	35.3	31.1	32.3
Don't Know/Refused	3.9	3.9	4.0	3.9
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0