



HOW THE POLL WAS CONDUCTED

This poll was conducted by Mason-Dixon Polling & Strategy, Inc. of Jacksonville, Florida from May 6 through May 7, 2019. A total of 625 registered Illinois voters were interviewed statewide by telephone.

Those interviewed were randomly selected from a phone-matched Illinois voter registration list that included both land-line and cell phone numbers. Quotas were assigned to reflect voter registration by county.

The margin for error, according to standards customarily used by statisticians, is no more than ± 4 percentage points. This means that there is a 95 percent probability that the "true" figure would fall within that range if all voters were surveyed. The margin for error is higher for any subgroup, such as a gender or age grouping.

QUESTION: Currently, possessing 10 grams of marijuana – enough for about 30 joints – is not a crime in Illinois. Instead, it is a civil violation like a traffic ticket. Many people call this policy “decriminalization.” Medical marijuana use is also legal in Illinois. Knowing that personal marijuana possession is already decriminalized in Illinois, which one of the following marijuana policies do you prefer:

- Keep the current policy of decriminalization and medical marijuana
- Keep the current policy of decriminalization and medical marijuana but also allow for past misdemeanor marijuana convictions to be expunged
- Change the current policy of decriminalization by legalizing commercial production, use and sale of marijuana for recreational use
- Make all marijuana use illegal

	<u>KEEP</u>	<u>KEEP/EXPUNGE</u>	<u>LEGALIZE</u>	<u>ALL ILLEGAL</u>	<u>NOT SURE</u>
STATE	31%	16%	41%	9%	3%
<u>REGION</u>	<u>KEEP</u>	<u>KEEP/EXPUNGE</u>	<u>LEGALIZE</u>	<u>ALL ILLEGAL</u>	<u>NOT SURE</u>
Cook County	30%	18%	41%	8%	3%
Collar Counties	28%	13%	44%	11%	4%
Downstate	34%	16%	38%	9%	3%
<u>SEX</u>	<u>KEEP</u>	<u>KEEP/EXPUNGE</u>	<u>LEGALIZE</u>	<u>ALL ILLEGAL</u>	<u>NOT SURE</u>
Men	34%	15%	38%	9%	4%
Women	28%	17%	43%	9%	3%
<u>AGE</u>	<u>KEEP</u>	<u>KEEP/EXPUNGE</u>	<u>LEGALIZE</u>	<u>ALL ILLEGAL</u>	<u>NOT SURE</u>
<50	31%	14%	47%	6%	2%
50+	31%	17%	36%	12%	4%
<u>PARTY IDENTIFICATION</u>	<u>KEEP</u>	<u>KEEP/EXPUNGE</u>	<u>LEGALIZE</u>	<u>ALL ILLEGAL</u>	<u>NOT SURE</u>
Democrat	29%	15%	45%	8%	3%
Republican	31%	18%	33%	14%	4%
Independent	34%	16%	40%	7%	3%

DEMOGRAPHICS

PARTY REGISTRATION:

Democrat	290 (46%)
Republican	166 (27%)
Independent or Other	169 (27%)

AGE:

18-34	105 (17%)
35-49	178 (28%)
50-64	199 (32%)
65+	137 (22%)
Refused	6 (1%)

RACE/ETHNICITY:

White/Caucasian	465 (74%)
Black/African American	101 (16%)
Hispanic/Latino	46 (7%)
Other	7 (1%)
Refused	6 (1%)

SEX:

Male	304 (49%)
Female	321 (51%)

REGION:

Cook County	245 (39%)
Collar Counties	160 (26%)
Downstate	220 (35%)