Results from June 2020 Saint Louis University/YouGov Poll

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Saint Louis University and YouGov surveyed 900 likely Missouri voters from June 23 – July 1, 2020 about the 2020 Election, current political issues, the COVID-19 pandemic, and education policy in Missouri. The following pages present results for each survey question. The margin of error for survey results is 3.95%. An asterix (*) next to questions below indicate that a random subsample of approximately 450 Missourians answered the designated question. Analyses and raw survey data are available at http://www.slu.edu/poll.

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Methodology and Weighting
YouGov interviewed 1,106 respondents who were then matched down to a sample of 996 registered voters and then subset on 900 likely voters to produce the final dataset. The full set of survey starts were matched to a sampling frame on gender, age, race, and education. The frame was constructed by stratified sampling from the Missouri registered voter portion of the 2018 Current Population Study voter supplement with selection within strata by weighted sampling with replacements.

The matched cases were weighted to the sampling frame using propensity scores. The matched cases and the frame were combined and a logistic regression was estimated for inclusion in the frame. The propensity score function included age, gender, race/ethnicity, and years of education. The propensity scores were grouped into deciles of the estimated propensity score in the frame and post-stratified according to these deciles.

The weights were then post-stratified on 2016 Presidential vote choice, and a two-way stratification of gender and age (4-categories) from the Missouri voter file to produce the final weight.
POLS001
Do you approve or disapprove of the way each is doing their job... Donald Trump?
- Strongly Approve: 32%
- Approve: 18%
- Disapprove: 5%
- Strongly Disapprove: 43%
- Not Sure: 1%

POLS002
Do you approve or disapprove of the way each is doing their job... The US Congress?
- Strongly Approve: 1%
- Approve: 14%
- Disapprove: 49%
- Strongly Disapprove: 27%
- Not Sure: 10%

POLS003
Do you approve or disapprove of the way each is doing their job... The Missouri State Legislature?
- Strongly Approve: 3%
- Approve: 40%
- Disapprove: 23%
- Strongly Disapprove: 22%
- Not Sure: 12%

POLS004
Do you approve or disapprove of the way each is doing their job... Governor Mike Parson?
- Strongly Approve: 14%
- Approve: 33%
- Disapprove: 21%
- Strongly Disapprove: 22%
- Not Sure: 9%

POLS005
Do you approve or disapprove of the way each is doing their job... Senator Roy Blunt?
- Strongly Approve: 8%
- Approve: 30%
- Disapprove: 21%
- Strongly Disapprove: 28%
- Not Sure: 13%
POLS006
Do you approve or disapprove of the way each is doing their job... Senator John Hawley?
- Strongly Approve: 26%
- Approve: 23%
- Disapprove: 12%
- Strongly Disapprove: 29%
- Not Sure: 11%

POLS007
If the election for President of the United States were being held today, who would you vote for?
- Donald Trump: 50%
- Joe Biden: 43%
- Other: 4%
- Not Sure: 4%

POLS008
If the election for Governor of Missouri were being held today, who would you vote for?
- Mike Parson: 41%
- Nicole Galloway: 39%
- Other: 3%
- Not Sure: 17%

POLS009
Which of the following do you think should be the TOP priority of the Missouri state government?
- Economy: 43%
- Health Care: 28%
- Education: 13%
- Infrastructure: 11%
- Other: 5%

POLS010
How would you rate the condition of the following... The Economy of the United States?
- Excellent: 4%
- Good: 23%
- Fair: 34%
- Poor: 37%
- Not Sure: 2%
POLS011
How would you rate the condition of the following... The Economy of the state of Missouri?
- Excellent: 4%
- Good: 25%
- Fair: 41%
- Poor: 28%
- Not Sure: 3%

POLS012
How would you rate the condition of the following... Public Schools in your Community?
- Excellent: 13%
- Good: 35%
- Fair: 33%
- Poor: 16%
- Not Sure: 3%

POLS013
How would you rate the condition of the following... Public Schools in the state of Missouri?
- Excellent: 2%
- Good: 28%
- Fair: 46%
- Poor: 17%
- Not Sure: 7%

POLS014
How would you rate the condition of the following... Roads and Infrastructure in the state of Missouri?
- Excellent: 2%
- Good: 17%
- Fair: 41%
- Poor: 39%
- Not Sure: 1%

POLS015
How would you rate the condition of the following... Crime in your community?
- Excellent: 8%
- Good: 31%
- Fair: 38%
- Poor: 21%
- Not Sure: 2%
POLS016
How would you rate the condition of the following... Race relations in your community?
- Excellent: 12%
- Good: 33%
- Fair: 31%
- Poor: 19%
- Not Sure: 5%

POLS017
How would you rate the condition of the following... Your access to personal healthcare?
- Excellent: 26%
- Good: 43%
- Fair: 20%
- Poor: 10%
- Not Sure: 1%

POLS018
How would you rate the condition of the following... Your physical health in the last month?
- Excellent: 22%
- Good: 52%
- Fair: 19%
- Poor: 7%
- Not Sure: 0%

POLS019
How would you rate the condition of the following... Your mental health in the last month?
- Excellent: 27%
- Good: 39%
- Fair: 21%
- Poor: 12%
- Not Sure: 0%

POLS020
How would you rate the condition of the following... Law enforcement in your community?
- Excellent: 26%
- Good: 37%
- Fair: 20%
- Poor: 15%
- Not Sure: 2%
POLS021
In all future elections, do you think the Missouri state government should send applications for mail-in ballots to every eligible voter?
- Should send applications for mail-in ballots to every eligible voter: 48%
- Should not send applications for mail-in ballots to every eligible voter: 44%
- Not Sure: 8%

POLS022
Which of the following statements do you agree with... The United States is on the right track and headed in a good direction.
- Agree: 33%

POLS023
Which of the following statements do you agree with... The state of Missouri is on the right track and headed in a good direction.
- Agree: 38%

POLS024
Which of the following statements do you agree with... The Missouri state government should prohibit abortions after 8 weeks of pregnancy.
- Agree: 45%

POLS025
Which of the following statements do you agree with... The Missouri state government should expand its Medicaid program in accordance with the Affordable Care Act.
- Agree: 49%

POLS026
Which of the following statements do you agree with... Missouri should require a background check for all firearm sales.
- Agree: 66%

POLS027
Which of the following statements do you agree with... The Missouri state government should spend more to aid the poor.
- Agree: 45%
POLS028
Do you approve or disapprove of the way each has handled the COVID-19 pandemic... President Donald Trump?
- Strongly Approve: 27%
- Approve: 21%
- Disapprove: 7%
- Strongly Disapprove: 44%
- Not Sure: 1%

POLS029
Do you approve or disapprove of the way each has handled the COVID-19 pandemic... Governor Mike Parson?
- Strongly Approve: 15%
- Approve: 33%
- Disapprove: 27%
- Strongly Disapprove: 21%
- Not Sure: 5%

POLS030
Do you approve or disapprove of the way each has handled the COVID-19 pandemic... Your local government leaders (i.e. Mayor and County Executives)?
- Strongly Approve: 13%
- Approve: 51%
- Disapprove: 19%
- Strongly Disapprove: 8%
- Not Sure: 10%

POLS031
Do you approve or disapprove of the way each has handled the COVID-19 pandemic... Your local school district?
- Strongly Approve: 16%
- Approve: 49%
- Disapprove: 9%
- Strongly Disapprove: 5%
- Not Sure: 21%

EDU050
Do you have any children currently in school?
- Yes: 24%
- No: 76%
EDU051
What is your best guess for how much public schools spend per kindergarten through 12th grade student each year... across the United States?
   - Mean Response: $12,428.73
   - Median Response: $12,130

EDU052
What is your best guess for how much public schools spend per kindergarten through 12th grade student each year... across Missouri?
   - Mean Response: $11,165.27
   - Median Response: $10,834

EDU053
What is your best guess for how much public schools spend per kindergarten through 12th grade student each year... in your school district?
   - Mean Response: $11,187.93
   - Median Response: $11,093

EDU054
Do you think the amount the state of Missouri spends on public schools is
   - Too much: 11%
   - Not enough: 62%
   - About right: 27%

EDU055
What is your best guess for the average salary of a public school teacher in Missouri?
   - Mean Response: $45,341
   - Median Response: $42,390

EDU056
Do you think that public school teacher salaries should...
   - Increase: 74%
   - Decrease: 3%
   - Stay the same: 23%

EDU057
To increase teacher salary, most states would require an increase in taxes. Would you be willing to pay more in taxes to pay teachers more?
   - Yes: 81%
   - No: 19%
EDU058
Do you support or oppose the following policies... allowing students to enroll in public schools outside of their assigned school district?
- Strongly support: 30%
- Somewhat support: 37%
- Somewhat oppose: 16%
- Strongly oppose: 9%
- Not sure: 8%

EDU059
Do you support or oppose the following policies... allowing students to use tax-funded scholarships to attend private schools, including religious schools?
- Strongly support: 24%
- Somewhat support: 23%
- Somewhat oppose: 16%
- Strongly oppose: 29%
- Not sure: 8%

EDU060
Do you support or oppose the following policies... allowing undocumented immigrants to be eligible for the in-state college tuition rate if they graduated from high school in your state?
- Strongly support: 25%
- Somewhat support: 19%
- Somewhat oppose: 12%
- Strongly oppose: 39%
- Not sure: 6%

EDU061
Do you support or oppose the following policies... allowing students to use tax-funded scholarships to attend private schools?
- Strongly support: 23%
- Somewhat support: 23%
- Somewhat oppose: 17%
- Strongly oppose: 24%
- Not sure: 13%
EDU062
Do you support or oppose the following policies...paying individuals who teach difficult to staff subject (e.g. math, science, and special education) more than easier to fill positions?
- Strongly support: 28%
- Somewhat support: 46%
- Somewhat oppose: 8%
- Strongly oppose: 4%
- Not sure: 14%

EDU063
Do you support or oppose the following policies...making all public two or four-year colleges in Missouri free to attend?
- Strongly support: 33%
- Somewhat support: 20%
- Somewhat oppose: 13%
- Strongly oppose: 27%
- Not sure: 7%

EDU064
You may be familiar with charter schools in Missouri. Would you describe charter schools as public schools or private schools?
- Public: 40%
- Private: 60%

EDU065
Missouri permits the formation of charter schools in the state...Do you support the formation of charter schools?
- Strongly support: 21%
- Somewhat support: 31%
- Somewhat oppose: 14%
- Strongly oppose: 10%
- Not sure: 23%

PH101
Which of the following statements do you agree with?... Kindergarten through 12th grade schools should have face to face instruction in the fall.
- Agree: 59%

PH102
Which of the following statements do you agree with?... I lost access to child care during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Agree: 7%
PH103
Which of the following statements do you agree with?... I have postponed going to the doctor during the COVID-19 pandemic
  - Agree: 49%

PH104
Which of the following statements do you agree with?...I home schooled children during the COVID-19 pandemic.
  - Agree: 19%

PH105
How have you or someone in your household been providing care or home schooling for your child(ren) during the COVID-19 pandemic?...Alternating work hours with someone in my household to provide child care or homeschooling.
  - Yes: 21%

PH106
How have you or someone in your household been providing care or home schooling for your child(ren) during the COVID-19 pandemic?...Working outside of normal business hours to provide child care or homeschooling.
  - Yes: 12%

PH107
How have you or someone in your household been providing care or home schooling for your child(ren) during the COVID-19 pandemic?...Working less hours to provide child care or homeschooling.
  - Yes: 17%

PH108
How have you or someone in your household been providing care or home schooling for your child(ren) during the COVID-19 pandemic?...Taking paid or unpaid leave to provide child care or home schooling.
  - Yes: 13%

PH109
How have you or someone in your household been providing care or home schooling for your child(ren) during the COVID-19 pandemic?...A family member or friend is caring for or homeschooling my child(ren).
  - Yes: 19%

PH110
How have you or someone in your household been providing care or home schooling for your child(ren) during the COVID-19 pandemic?...Hired a nanny or babysitter to provide care and/or homeschooling.
  - Yes: 7%
PH11
How have you or someone in your household been providing care or home schooling for your child(ren) during the COVID-19 pandemic?...Continued to use our previous care arrangement.
- Yes: 18%

PH12
How have you or someone in your household been providing care or home schooling for your child(ren) during the COVID-19 pandemic?...Utilized child care arranged for essential workers.
- Yes: 1%

PH13
How have you or someone in your household been providing care or home schooling for your child(ren) during the COVID-19 pandemic?... Other.
- Yes: 29%

PH14
When thinking about sending your child back to child care (including after care programs) which of the following concerns you?... My previous care provider won’t be re-opened.
- Yes: 12%

PH15
When thinking about sending your child back to child care (including after care programs) which of the following concerns you?... My previous care provider will not have a space for my child(ren).
- Yes: 9%

PH16
When thinking about sending your child back to child care (including after care programs) which of the following concerns you?... My family will be more likely exposed to COVID-19.
- Yes: 45%

PH17
When thinking about sending your child back to child care (including after care programs) which of the following concerns you?... I won’t be able to afford care.
- Yes: 14%

PH18
When thinking about sending your child back to child care (including after care programs) which of the following concerns you?... My child(ren) will have a hard time returning to child care.
- Yes: 10%
PH119
When thinking about sending your child back to child care (including after care programs) which of the following concerns you?...I will not be as involved with my child’s care.
- Yes: 12%

PH120
When thinking about sending your child back to child care (including after care programs) which of the following concerns you?...Other (please specify).
- 39%

PH121
How have individuals in your household experienced a change in their workplace situation as a direct result of COVID-19?...I am now working remotely or at home.
- Yes: 18%

PH122
How have individuals in your household experienced a change in their workplace situation as a direct result of COVID-19?...Someone in my household is now working remotely or at home.
- Yes: 15%

PH123
How have individuals in your household experienced a change in their workplace situation as a direct result of COVID-19?...I am working less hours.
- Yes: 15%

PH124
How have individuals in your household experienced a change in their workplace situation as a direct result of COVID-19?...Someone in my household is working less hours.
- Yes: 8%

PH125
How have individuals in your household experienced a change in their workplace situation as a direct result of COVID-19?...I have been laid off or furloughed.
- Yes: 10%

PH126
How have individuals in your household experienced a change in their workplace situation as a direct result of COVID-19?...Someone in my household has been laid off or furloughed.
- Yes: 8%
PH127
How have individuals in your household experienced a change in their workplace situation as a direct result of COVID-19?... No one in my household has experienced a change.
   - Yes: 40%

PH128
How have individuals in your household experienced a change in their workplace situation as a direct result of COVID-19?... Other (please specify).
   - Yes: 12%

PH129
Please indicate which of the following has occurred since COVID-19... My child(ren) is allowed more screen time.
   - Yes: 51%

PH130
Please indicate which of the following has occurred since COVID-19... My child(ren) is allowed less screen time.
   - Yes: 3%

PH131
Please indicate which of the following has occurred since COVID-19... My child(ren) has increased physical activity.
   - Yes: 24%

PH132
Please indicate which of the following has occurred since COVID-19... My child(ren) has decreased physical activity.
   - Yes: 36%

PH133
Please indicate which of the following has occurred since COVID-19... My child(ren) has gained weight.
   - Yes: 14%

PH134
Please indicate which of the following has occurred since COVID-19... My child has lost weight.
   - Yes: 1%

PH135
Please indicate which of the following has occurred since COVID-19... My child(ren) participated in the school meal program.
   - Yes: 15%
PH136
Please indicate which of the following has occurred since COVID-19...My child(ren) has been more stressed with increased tantrums or behavior issues.
  - Yes: 18%

PH137
Please indicate which of the following has occurred since COVID-19...My relationship with my child(ren) has improved.
  - Yes: 48%

PH138
Please indicate which of the following has occurred since COVID-19...My relationship with my child(ren) has become more difficult.
  - Yes: 7%

PH139
Please indicate which of the following has occurred since COVID-19...I have been overwhelmed with my child(ren) during COVID-19.
  - Yes: 16%