

Mississippi Today/Siena College Poll Conducted by the Siena College Research Institute  
 March 6 - 8, 2023  
 764 Mississippi Registered Voters  
 MOE +/- 4.6%

Q1. How closely are you following the work of Mississippi's legislators in the current Legislative session? Would you say you are following the legislative session																							
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	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Oth	M	F	MS-01 (Northeast)	MS-02 (West)	MS-03 (East Central)	MS-04 (Southeast)	White	Afr Amer/Black	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	<\$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+	Less than Bachelors'	Bachelors'+	Yes	No
Very closely	14%	19%	11%	12%	16%	14%	17%	10%	13%	12%	17%	23%	11%	6%	15%	15%	12%	18%	14%	14%	17%	13%	
Somewhat closely	43%	43%	47%	41%	46%	38%	39%	45%	44%	45%	39%	50%	38%	40%	50%	44%	45%	43%	37%	44%	41%	43%	43%
<b>Total Closely</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>53%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>61%</b>	<b>51%</b>	<b>56%</b>	<b>59%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>58%</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>56%</b>
Not very closely	26%	23%	27%	27%	24%	29%	25%	25%	30%	23%	31%	20%	22%	29%	27%	26%	24%	26%	31%	25%	30%	24%	27%
Not at all closely	17%	15%	14%	20%	14%	19%	19%	16%	19%	19%	19%	13%	17%	19%	16%	16%	19%	19%	14%	18%	15%	16%	17%
<b>Total Not Closely</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>41%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>44%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>46%</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>44%</b>
Don't know/Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%

Q2KEY. Please consider each of the following actions that the legislature is considering and tell me whether you are in favor of or opposed to the legislature taking that action. (ROTATE Q2-Q6)

Q2. Reinstating a ballot initiative process that gives voters the power to place issues directly on the ballot.																							
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In favor	72%	72%	67%	77%	76%	70%	76%	79%	75%	70%	72%	71%	69%	75%	76%	66%	72%	69%	83%	71%	75%	72%	72%
Opposed	12%	11%	15%	9%	10%	12%	11%	14%	14%	10%	15%	8%	5%	12%	13%	22%	11%	11%	11%	12%	15%	10%	13%
Don't know/No opinion	16%	17%	17%	12%	14%	18%	13%	20%	11%	20%	14%	21%	26%	13%	11%	12%	18%	19%	6%	17%	10%	18%	15%

Q3. Fully funding, with the addition of about \$275 million, the Mississippi Adequate Education Program or MAEP, the formula that sends state money to local schools for basic school needs.

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In favor	79%	91%	73%	77%	81%	81%	76%	79%	84%	79%	77%	83%	77%	81%	77%	80%	83%	83%	79%	82%	80%	79%	
Opposed	9%	3%	13%	11%	12%	6%	11%	9%	8%	9%	11%	6%	6%	8%	10%	14%	8%	11%	8%	9%	9%	8%	10%
Don't know/No opinion	11%	5%	15%	12%	7%	12%	12%	12%	8%	12%	12%	11%	12%	15%	9%	8%	13%	6%	11%	12%	9%	12%	11%

Q4. Extending postpartum Medicaid coverage to new mothers from two months to 12 months at a yearly cost of about \$7 million.

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In favor	60%	79%	42%	61%	59%	64%	63%	62%	62%	55%	52%	70%	63%	64%	58%	55%	63%	61%	58%	57%	71%	64%	58%
Opposed	26%	13%	41%	25%	29%	21%	23%	26%	26%	31%	32%	19%	24%	19%	30%	34%	22%	27%	32%	28%	21%	19%	30%
Don't know/No opinion	13%	8%	17%	14%	12%	15%	14%	12%	12%	15%	15%	10%	13%	17%	12%	12%	15%	12%	10%	15%	9%	17%	12%

Q5. Addressing the state's hospital crisis by passing a long-term funding solution.

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In favor	71%	86%	60%	70%	69%	76%	68%	74%	73%	70%	69%	75%	70%	73%	72%	68%	72%	73%	74%	70%	78%	70%	72%
Opposed	14%	4%	24%	13%	17%	8%	14%	11%	15%	16%	16%	11%	11%	11%	17%	19%	12%	12%	15%	14%	13%	13%	15%
Don't know/No opinion	15%	10%	16%	17%	15%	16%	18%	16%	12%	13%	15%	15%	19%	15%	11%	13%	16%	15%	11%	16%	9%	17%	14%

Q6. Accepting federal funds to expand Medicaid - the program that provides healthcare to low-income families and individuals.

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In favor	75%	90%	59%	78%	71%	79%	74%	79%	70%	76%	67%	84%	77%	77%	72%	70%	81%	73%	68%	75%	73%	71%	76%
Opposed	17%	4%	32%	15%	21%	12%	18%	14%	23%	15%	24%	8%	13%	13%	22%	24%	10%	20%	26%	16%	22%	18%	17%
Don't know/No opinion	8%	6%	9%	7%	8%	9%	8%	7%	7%	10%	9%	8%	9%	10%	6%	6%	9%	8%	5%	9%	5%	11%	7%

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Q7. (If in favor of ballot initiative) Previously about 106,000 signatures were required to put an issue on the ballot. Currently lawmakers propose requiring about 240,000 signatures. Do you support requiring 106,000 or 240,000 signatures to put an issue on the ballot?																							
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<b>106,000 signatures</b>	65%	65%	59%	72%	65%	66%	61%	72%	64%	64%	65%	67%	53%	68%	73%	68%	63%	65%	67%	65%	64%	65%	65%
<b>240,000 signatures</b>	26%	26%	34%	15%	29%	21%	29%	13%	30%	29%	28%	20%	34%	22%	21%	25%	25%	26%	27%	25%	28%	24%	27%
<b>Don't know/Refused</b>	9%	9%	7%	13%	6%	14%	10%	15%	6%	8%	7%	13%	13%	10%	6%	7%	12%	8%	6%	10%	8%	11%	8%
Q8. How confident are you that the legislature will pass legislation this session that is BOTH fiscally responsible AND responds to the needs of Mississippians like you? Are you																							
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<b>Very confident</b>	10%	13%	9%	7%	12%	9%	9%	8%	9%	13%	8%	13%	15%	10%	5%	8%	12%	8%	8%	11%	7%	9%	10%
<b>Somewhat confident</b>	36%	34%	42%	32%	36%	37%	37%	40%	41%	28%	37%	37%	39%	34%	35%	37%	37%	34%	37%	37%	35%	41%	34%
<b>Not very confident</b>	37%	34%	36%	45%	35%	39%	39%	33%	30%	44%	39%	32%	38%	33%	40%	35%	36%	46%	35%	37%	38%	33%	39%
<b>Not at all confident</b>	16%	18%	12%	15%	16%	15%	12%	18%	20%	14%	16%	17%	8%	22%	18%	16%	14%	11%	18%	15%	19%	17%	15%
<b>Don't know/Refused</b>	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	3%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	4%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%

Nature of the Sample	
Mississippi Registered Voters	
<b>PartyID</b>	
Democrat	33%
Republican	35%
Independent & Other Parties	31%
<b>Gender</b>	
Male	45%
Female	48%
<b>CD</b>	
MS-01 (Northeast)	25%
MS-02 (West)	24%
MS-03 (East Central)	25%
MS-04 (Southeast)	26%
<b>Ethnicity</b>	
White	57%
Afr Amer/Black	35%
<b>Age</b>	
18-34	29%
35-49	24%
50-64	25%
65+	21%
<b>Income</b>	
<\$50K	48%
\$50K-\$100K	24%
\$100K+	18%
<b>Education</b>	
Less than Bachelors' degree	79%
Bachelors'+	21%
<b>Child in HH</b>	
Yes	34%
No	66%

**This Mississippi Today/Siena College Poll was conducted March 6 - 8, 2023, among 764 Mississippi registered voters with 490 voters contacted through a dual frame (landline and cell phone) mode and 274 responses drawn from a proprietary online panel (Lucid) of Mississippians. Telephone calls were conducted in English and respondent sampling was initiated by asking for the youngest person in the household. Telephone sampling was conducted via a stratified dual frame sample of landline and cell phone drawn from the L-2 database of registered voters within Mississippi weighted to reflect known population patterns. Data from collection modes (phone and web) was statistically adjusted by age, region, race/ethnicity, education, and gender to ensure representativeness. It has an overall margin of error of +/- 4.6 percentage points including the design effects resulting from weighting.**

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