IL STATEWIDE TAX CREDIT SURVEY RESULTS
CONDUCTED ONLINE NOVEMBER 9-12, 2018
2176 INTERVIEWS ACROSS ILLINOIS
PART I

GENERAL OUTLOOK
Do you support or oppose a tax cut for lower and middle-income taxpayers to help with daily expenses or emergencies, paid for by a tax increase on the wealthiest? The money would be required to fund an earned income tax credit of up to $2,000 per year, for people who work and earn less than $70,000.

47% Strongly support
- 65% of Democrats
- 35% of Independents
- 28% of Republicans
- 57% of Income under $75,000
- 33% of Income $75,000 or more
- 65% of African Americans
- 61% of Chicagoans
- 44% of non-Chicagoans

22% Somewhat support
- 21% of Democrats
- 29% of Independents
- 20% of Republicans
- 23% of Income under $75,000
- 23% of Income $75,000 or more

13% Neither support nor oppose
- 10% of Democrats
- 15% of Independents
- 17% of Republicans
- 10% of Income under $75,000
- 16% of Income $75,000 or more

6% Somewhat oppose
- 2% of Democrats
- 8% of Independents
- 11% of Republicans
- 4% of Income under $75,000
- 9% of Income $75,000 or more

12% said Strongly oppose.
Would you support or oppose expanding the tax credit just described to people caring for a child or senior in their family, as well as low-income students?

- **41% Strongly support**
  - 57% of Democrats
  - 30% of Independents
  - 22% of Republicans
  - 48% of Income under $75,000
  - 32% of Income $75,000 or more
  - 72% of those who strongly support the tax credit
  - 48% who care for a family member full time
  - 41% who don’t care for a family member
  - 51% of full-time students

- **28% Somewhat support**
  - 26% of Democrats
  - 31% of Independents
  - 28% of Republicans
  - 23% of Income under $75,000
  - 33% of Income $75,000 or more

- **16% Neither support nor oppose**
  - 10% of Democrats
  - 20% of Independents
  - 23% of Republicans
  - 14% of Income under $75,000
  - 17% of Income $75,000 or more

- **7% Somewhat oppose**
  - 3% of Democrats
  - 9% of Independents
  - 10% of Republicans
  - 7% of Income under $75,000
  - 7% of Income $75,000 or more

10% said Strongly oppose.
Which of the following comes closest to describing your personal financial situation today?

- 7% Getting much better
  - 5% of Democrats
  - 6% of Independents
  - 11% of Republicans
  - 4% of Income under $75,000
  - 11% of Income $75,000 or more

- 19% Getting a little better
  - 18% of Democrats
  - 20% of Independents
  - 21% of Republicans
  - 16% of Income under $75,000
  - 26% of Income $75,000 or more
  - 12% of 65 or Older
  - 33% of $150,000 to just under $250,000

- 38% Staying where you are
  - 40% of Democrats
  - 37% of Independents
  - 35% of Republicans
  - 35% of Income under $75,000
  - 42% of Income $75,000 or more
  - 49% of $10,000 to $49,999 in savings

- 23% Getting a little worse
  - 25% of Democrats
  - 21% of Independents
  - 21% of Republicans
  - 28% of Income under $75,000
  - 16% of Income $75,000 or more

13% said Getting much worse.
Which TWO of the following reasons make you feel like you aren’t getting much better?

57% The high cost of living and housing
- 51% of Democrats
- 64% of Independents
- 58% of Republicans
- 57% of Income under $75,000
- 60% of Income $75,000 or more

33% Health care issues and costs
- 33% of Democrats
- 36% of Independents
- 30% of Republicans
- 33% of Income under $75,000
- 31% of Income $75,000 or more
- 50% of 65 or Older

33% Not making enough money
- 37% of Democrats
- 34% of Independents
- 23% of Republicans
- 42% of Income under $75,000
- 19% of Income $75,000 or more

20% Not having enough savings
- 24% of Democrats
- 18% of Independents
- 16% of Republicans
- 21% of Income under $75,000
- 19% of Income $75,000 or more

18% said Having too much debt. 12% said The cost of higher education.
PART IV
SAMPLE INFO
In the 2016 election, did you vote for:

- 36% Donald Trump, the Republican
- 52% Hillary Clinton, the Democrat
- 4% Gary Johnson, the Libertarian
- 2% Jill Stein, the Green Party

7% said Did not vote.
How would you describe where you live?

- 21% in the city of Chicago
- 9% in another city
- 25% suburb
- 24% small town

21% said Rural area.
How much do you currently have in savings that you could use for a medical or other emergency?

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7% said $5000 to $9999. 7% said $10,000 to $49,999. 7% said $50,000 or more. 10% said Don’t know.
Party Registration

48% Democrat

27% Republican

26% Independent
**TARGETING**

Registered voters in Illinois were solicited, between November 9-12, in a survey conducted in English.

Change Research applied proprietary Bias Correct approach to solicitations in order to yield a mostly representative sample.

Incomplete responses, respondents outside of Illinois, and unregistered voters were filtered out, leaving a sample of 2176.

**WEIGHTING**

Results based on 2176 registered voters living in Illinois, and who answered most of the questions.

Sample demographics are close to this population for age, gender, and ethnicity.

Post-stratification done on gender, age, race, 2016 presidential vote, and location in/outside of Chicago.