

TO: Interested parties
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RE: GOP voters attitudes on voting and elections issues heading into 2024 primary

Despite what you may hear from some candidates, Republican primary voters have made clear that they are ready to move on from discussing the 2020 election, tired of hearing about voter fraud narratives and election conspiracy theories, and support common sense policies that improve voter access and nonpartisan election administration. Below is a summary of recent polling commissioned by Secure Democracy USA and nonpartisan or media organizations on Republican voters' attitudes toward elections in the United States.

Republican voters want to move on from talking about the 2020 election

- **TEXAS:** 54% of Texas GOP voters want to move on from 2020 election fraud investigations and 51% said they would be less likely to support a presidential candidate who asserted election fraud. [[Ragnar Research poll](#), April 2023]
- **MICHIGAN:** 73.5% of Michigan voters, including 57.7% of self-identified strong Republicans, say it is time to move on from investigation charges of fraud in the 2020 election and instead focus on the future. [[The Glengariff Group poll](#), July 2022]
- **NATIONAL:** 50% of Republican voters nationally want to move on from discussing 2020 voter fraud claims. [[POLITICO-Morning Consult poll](#), February 2022]

Republican voters have confidence in our election systems and largely reject fraud claims

- **TEXAS:** 96% of Texas Republican voters said their voting experience was good in 2022, and 84% of Texas Republican voters said Texas elections are well run and managed. [[Ragnar Research poll](#), April 2023]
- **ARIZONA:** 75% of Arizona voters, including 58% of Republicans, agree that while the 2022 elections were not run perfectly, there is no credible evidence of voter fraud that was widespread enough to have changed the outcome of the election. [[OH Predictive Insights poll](#), March 2023]
- **MICHIGAN:** 72.5% of Michigan voters, including 53.5% of strong Republicans, believe the entire election process in Michigan is fair. [[The Glengariff Group poll](#), July 2022]
- **GEORGIA:** Georgia GOP primary voters have more confidence (61%) that elections in Georgia will be conducted fairly and accurately compared to the rest of the country. [[American Viewpoint poll](#), March 2022]
- **NATIONAL:** In an October 2022 battleground survey of voters in **Arizona, Georgia, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin**, 78% of voters, including 69% of Republicans, reported

that they were confident that their state can administer a fair election where everyone has the opportunity to vote and the votes are counted accurately. That includes 77% of Arizona voters, 77% of Georgia voters, 78% of Michigan voters, 82% of Ohio voters, and 75% of Wisconsin voters. [[Public Opinion Strategies poll](#), October 2022]

Republican voters do not believe politicians should be able to overturn election results without proof

- **ARIZONA:** 79% of Arizona voters, including 73% of Republicans, believe that if a state investigatory body determines the election to be fair and free of any interference, the Secretary of State has a responsibility to certify the election results as faithfully reported by local election officials. [[Public Opinion Strategies poll](#), October 2022]
- **GEORGIA:** 84% of Georgia voters, including 85% of Republicans, believe that if a state investigatory body determines the election to be fair and free of any interference, the Secretary of State has a responsibility to certify the election results as faithfully reported by local election officials. [[Public Opinion Strategies poll](#), October 2022]
- **MICHIGAN:** 80% of Michigan voters, including 74% of Republicans, believe that if a state investigatory body determines the election to be fair and free of any interference, the Board of Canvassers has a responsibility to certify the election results as faithfully reported by local election officials. [[Public Opinion Strategies poll](#), October 2022]
- **OHIO:** 81% of Ohio voters, including 80% of Republicans, believe that if a state investigatory body determines the election to be fair and free of any interference, the Secretary of State has a responsibility to certify the election results as faithfully reported by local election officials. [[Public Opinion Strategies poll](#), October 2022]
- **WISCONSIN:** 89% of Wisconsin voters, including 91% of Republicans, believe that if a state investigatory body determines the election to be fair and free of any interference, the Wisconsin Elections Commission has a responsibility to certify the election results as faithfully reported by local election officials. [[Public Opinion Strategies poll](#), October 2022]
- **NATIONAL:** 52% of Republicans said they agree with former Vice President Mike Pence over Trump on the former being able to overturn the 2020 election. [[Quinnipiac poll](#), February 2022]

Republican voters support early voting opportunities

- **TEXAS:** 74% of Texas GOP voters support increased early voting opportunities. [[Ragnar Research poll](#), April 2023]
- **MICHIGAN:** 69% of Michigan voters, including 55% of “lean Republican” voters and nearly half of self-identified strong Republicans, support a proposal to allow seven days of Election Day-style early voting hours, including the weekend before the General Election. [[The Glengariff Group poll](#), July 2022]

- **GEORGIA:** 57% of Georgia GOP voters support early voting opportunities and 51% support using secure drop boxes to return mail ballots. [[American Viewpoint poll](#), March 2022]
- **ARIZONA:** 68% of Arizona voters, including 52% of Republicans, said they were confident that mail-in voting would lead to a fair election where everyone has the opportunity to vote and the votes are counted accurately [[Public Opinion Strategies poll](#), October 2022]. Additionally, 74% of Arizona voters, including 66% of Republican voters, support allowing Arizonans who are registered to vote to choose to receive their ballots in the mail. [[OH Predictive Insights poll](#), March 2022]
- **FLORIDA:** 68% of Republican voters support requiring local election officials to provide at least 10 days of early voting. [[Tyson Group poll](#), February 2022]
- **OHIO:** 78% of Ohio voters favor allowing counties to provide more than one early voting location, including 65% of Republican voters, and 76% favor of enabling counties to provide multiple secure ballot drop off locations, including 65% of Republican voters. [[Tyson Group poll](#), May 2021]
- **NORTH CAROLINA:** 71% of voters, including 56% of Republican voters, support increasing the number of days and hours for in person early voting; 65% of voters oppose, including nearly half of all Republicans, throwing away mail ballots received after 5:00 p.m. on Election Day, even if they were mailed before Election Day. [[Strategic Partners Solutions poll](#), April 2021]

Republican voters support nonpartisan election administration

- **TEXAS:** 84% of Republican voters want Texas to remain a member of the Electronic Information Registration Center (ERIC) to maintain clear voter rolls. [[Ragnar Research poll](#), April 2023]
- **GEORGIA:** 93% of Republican voters support letting local election officials count votes and tally results without harassment or threats of violence from outside political actors. [[American Viewpoint poll](#), March 2022]
- **NATIONAL:** 80% of voters in **Arizona, Georgia, Michigan, Ohio, and Wisconsin** believe their state body should certify the election even if a losing candidate refuses to concede, including 79% of Republican voters. Additionally, 74% of voters in those states think their state body should certify the election even if a losing candidate appeared to be in the lead on election night but ultimately lost after mail-in, absentee, and military ballots were counted, including 66% of Republican voters. [[Public Opinion Strategies poll](#), October 2022]

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