

MAY 2025 PENNSYLVANIA Welfare Poll

	ALL VOTERS	GOP	DEM	IND	TRUMP VOTERS
1. Would you support or oppose requiring able-bodied adults with no young children at home to work, train, or volunteer for at least 20 hours per week as a condition of eligibility for Medicaid?					
71% OF LIKELY VOTERS STRONGLY OR SOMEWHAT SUPPORT					
Strongly or Somewhat Support	71%	81%	60%	73%	80%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	23%	14%	31%	23%	15%
Unsure	6%	5%	9%	4%	5%
2. Would you support or oppose checking eligibility for people on Medicaid more frequently and with better technology to help ensure those receiving benefits are still eligible?					
79% OF LIKELY VOTERS STRONGLY OR SOMEWHAT SUPPORT					
Strongly or Somewhat Support	79%	86%	71%	80%	87%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	15%	9%	22%	14%	7%
Unsure	6%	5%	7%	6%	5%
3. Would you support or oppose requiring hospitals to actually verify whether a patient is eligible for Medicaid before charging the state's Medicaid program for services?					
68% OF LIKELY VOTERS STRONGLY OR SOMEWHAT SUPPORT					
Strongly or Somewhat Support	68%	82%	54%	70%	83%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	22%	12%	33%	21%	10%
Unsure	10%	6%	13%	9%	6%

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4. Currently, the federal government gives states more Medicaid funds for able-bodied adults than for seniors, children, and individuals with disabilities. Do you think that the federal government should pay for able-bodied adults at this higher rate, or should they pay for able-bodied adults at a rate that is the same or lower than they pay for seniors, children, and individuals with disabilities?					
76% OF LIKELY VOTERS SAY THE SAME AMOUNT OR LESS					
The federal government should pay MORE for able-bodied adults than for seniors, children, and individuals with disabilities.	14%	14%	16%	11%	13%
The federal government should pay THE SAME AMOUNT for able-bodied adults as for seniors, children, and individuals with disabilities.	36%	28%	45%	35%	29%
The federal government should pay LESS for able-bodied adults than for seniors, children, and individuals with disabilities.	40%	51%	28%	43%	51%
Unsure	9%	7%	11%	11%	6%
5. Would you support or oppose requiring able-bodied adults with no young children at home to work, train, or volunteer for at least 20 hours per week as a condition of eligibility for food stamps?					
62% OF LIKELY VOTERS STRONGLY OR SOMEWHAT SUPPORT					
Strongly or Somewhat Support	62%	76%	47%	64%	76%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	33%	19%	48%	32%	19%
Unsure	5%	4%	5%	5%	5%
6. Would you support or oppose limiting the kinds of foods that can be purchased with food stamps to foods with high nutritional value?					
77% OF LIKELY VOTERS STRONGLY OR SOMEWHAT SUPPORT					
Strongly or Somewhat Support	77%	87%	65%	80%	88%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	20%	12%	30%	15%	12%
Unsure	3%	1%	4%	4%	1%
7. Would you support or oppose checking eligibility for people on food stamps more frequently and with better technology to help ensure those receiving benefits are still eligible?					
79% OF LIKELY VOTERS STRONGLY OR SOMEWHAT SUPPORT					
Strongly or Somewhat Support	79%	89%	68%	80%	88%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	18%	9%	27%	16%	10%
Unsure	4%	2%	5%	4%	2%

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8. Would you support or oppose requiring individuals to cooperate with the state's attempts to collect child support as a condition of eligibility for food stamps?					
70% OF LIKELY VOTERS STRONGLY OR SOMEWHAT SUPPORT					
Strongly or Somewhat Support	70%	80%	60%	70%	79%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	20%	14%	28%	17%	14%
Unsure	10%	6%	11%	14%	7%
9. Would you support or oppose requiring the state to verify whether an individual meets federal eligibility requirements for food stamps, rather than extending automatic approvals?					
75% OF LIKELY VOTERS STRONGLY OR SOMEWHAT SUPPORT					
Strongly or Somewhat Support	75%	90%	61%	76%	87%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	19%	7%	29%	21%	9%
Unsure	6%	3%	10%	3%	4%
10. Would you support or oppose requiring able-bodied adults with no young children at home to work, train, or volunteer at least part time as a condition of living in taxpayer-funded public housing?					
78% OF LIKELY VOTERS STRONGLY OR SOMEWHAT SUPPORT					
Strongly or Somewhat Support	78%	86%	68%	80%	88%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	15%	9%	23%	13%	8%
Unsure	7%	4%	9%	7%	3%
11. Would you support or oppose moving adults who are working to the top of the waitlist for public housing above individuals who are not working?					
60% OF LIKELY VOTERS STRONGLY OR SOMEWHAT SUPPORT					
Strongly or Somewhat Support	60%	69%	52%	58%	70%
Strongly or Somewhat Oppose	27%	19%	35%	24%	19%
Unsure	14%	12%	13%	17%	11%

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2024 VOTE

49%	50%	1%
HARRIS	TRUMP	OTHER

PARTY AFFILIATION

39%	39%	21%
GOP	DEM	IND

AGE

36%	37%	27%
18-44	45-64	65+

EDUCATION

65%	35%
NO FOUR- YEAR DEGREE	FOUR-YEAR DEGREE

GENDER

48%	52%
MALE	FEMALE

Results for this poll were collected using a sampling frame from an online panel collected by the Center for Excellence in Polling. The statewide sample is of 503 likely Pennsylvania voters.

The survey was conducted May 28–June 3, 2025. The margin of sampling error is ± 4.37 percentage points. The margin of sampling error may be higher for subgroups. Results presented may not always appear to total 100 percent due to rounding.

Data were post-stratified using weighted demographic information from the U.S. Census Bureau's Current Population Survey Voting and Registration Supplement and the state election authorities. Demographic information for actual voters in past elections was used to construct sample target weights.

The Foundation for Government Accountability paid for all costs associated with this survey.