



Annotated Questionnaire

Telephone interviews conducted with 807 registered voters by landline (70%) and cell phone (30%) between 8/16/18 and 8/28/18. All data have been weighted by age, gender, race/ethnicity, and geographic distribution according to July 2018 Michigan State Voter Registration Database statistics. These survey results have a 3.5% margin of error.

(ASK TO SPEAK WITH PERSON ON LIST) I'm calling from Alan Newman Research, a national public opinion polling firm. We are conducting a survey on issues of importance to people like you, and we'd really like to get your opinions on them. This survey is being conducted for research purposes only, and we promise that your name and individual opinions will be kept confidential.

(IF RESPONDENT MENTIONS THE "DO NOT CALL" LIST, SAY:) The Do Not Call List does not apply to survey research. While we certainly respect your right NOT to participate, I assure you that this interview is being conducted for research purposes only, and we hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity to express your opinions. We guarantee that your individual responses will be kept completely confidential, and that no one will try to sell you anything as a result of your participation.

Screener

S0. Gender. (DO NOT ASK.) Record respondent's gender.

%	n=807
47	1 Male
53	2 Female

S1. Have I reached you on a cell phone or a wired landline phone?

%	n=807
30	1 Cell phone
70	2 Wired landline phone
0	9 Not sure or refused (DO NOT READ)

S2. Are you currently registered to vote?

%	n=807
100	1 Registered
0	2 Not registered [TERMINATE]
0	9 Not sure or refused (DO NOT READ) [TERMINATE]

S3_A. For statistical purposes only, would you please tell me in what year were you born? _____ **[IF 1969 OR LATER, TERMINATE; CODED AS AGE]**

%	n=807
17	1 50-54
18	2 55-59
19	3 60-64
14	4 65-69
12	5 70-74
11	6 75-79
4	7 80-84
5	8 85+
<1	9 Refused but before (DATE) 1968 (DO NOT READ)
0	99 <50 [TERMINATE]

Questionnaire

Q1. How likely are you to vote this November in the elections for U.S. Congress and other offices? Would you say you are...? **[READ LIST]**

%	n=807
87	1 Very likely
5	2 Fairly likely
4	3 Just somewhat likely
1	4 Not that likely
<1	5 Or will you not vote
2	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
0	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

Q2. For each of the following, please tell me whether you worry about this very often, somewhat often, from time to time or almost never? Do you worry about... [READ ITEMS/LIST] [RANDOMIZE ORDER OF Q2_A THROUGH Q2_G]

1 Very often %	2 Somewhat often %	3 From time to time %	4 Almost never worry %	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ) %	9 Refused (DO NOT READ) %	n=807
42	27	20	9	2	<1	A. How divided America and Americans have become
40	26	21	13	1	<1	B. Prices rising faster than your income
23	26	31	19	1	<1	C. The threat of terrorism in our country today
31	19	21	27	1	<1	D. Not being able to afford the health care you need
13	16	20	45	4	2	E. Having to take care of an aging family member
26	14	13	39	6	3	F. Not being able to retire when you want to, due to financial reasons
32	27	22	18	1	1	G. Paying too much in taxes

Q3. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job President Donald Trump is doing?

%	n=807
39	1 Approve
50	2 Disapprove
11	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

[ROTATE ORDER OF Q4_A AND Q4_B]

Q4_A. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the job the Republicans in Congress are doing?

%	n=807
22	1 Approve
60	2 Disapprove
18	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

Q4_B. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the job the Democrats in Congress are doing?

%	n=807
27	1 Approve
51	2 Disapprove
22	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

POL-1. If the election was being held today, which one of the following candidates for governor would you be most likely to vote for? [READ LIST] **[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF 1-3]**

%	n=807
47	1 Democrat, Gretchen Whitmer
34	2 Republican, Bill Schuette
2	3 Libertarian, Bill Gelineau
16	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
2	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

POL-2. If the election was being held today, which one of the following candidates for U.S. Senator would you be most likely to vote for? [READ LIST] **[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF 1-2]**

%	n=807
52	1 Democrat, Debbie Stabenow
34	2 Republican, John James
13	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

Financial Security and Retirement

FIN-1. In general, would you say the U.S. economy is... [READ LIST] **[ROTATE DIRECTION OF 1-5]**

%	n=807
16	1 Getting much stronger
29	2 Getting somewhat stronger
22	3 Staying the same
17	4 Getting somewhat weaker
11	5 Getting much weaker
5	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

FIN-2. In general, would you say Michigan's economy is... [READ LIST] **[ROTATE DIRECTION OF 1-5]**

%	n=807
9	1 Getting much stronger
32	2 Getting somewhat stronger
30	3 Staying the same
17	4 Getting somewhat weaker
6	5 Getting much weaker
5	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
<1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

FIN-3. How would you describe your personal financial situation? Would you say you are... [READ LIST]

%	n=807
1	1 Rapidly increasing your wealth
20	2 Slowly getting ahead
39	3 Staying where you are
26	4 Struggling to keep up
11	5 Falling backward
2	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

FIN-4. Which of the following best describes your current employment status? Are you... [READ LIST]

%	n=807
49	1 Retired and not working
8	2 Retired and working at least part time
22	3 Employed full time
7	4 Employed part time
5	5 Not employed but looking for work
7	6 Not employed and not looking for work
2	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

FIN-5a. **(IF FIN-4=Retired and not working)** How confident are you that you have enough money saved for retirement? [READ LIST]

%	n=394
20	1 Very confident
34	2 Somewhat confident
14	3 Not very confident
24	4 Not confident at all
5	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
3	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

FIN-5b. **(IF FIN-4≠Retired and not working)** How confident are you that you will have enough money saved for retirement? [READ LIST]

%	n=412
9	1 Very confident
25	2 Somewhat confident
20	3 Not very confident
36	4 Not confident at all
8	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

Social Security and Medicare

SS-1. How important would you say Social Security is to people’s financial security in retirement? Would you say it is... [READ LIST]

%	n=807
86	1 Very important
10	2 Somewhat important
2	3 Not very important
1	4 Not at all important
2	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
<1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

SS-2. According to projections in the latest Social Security Trustees’ report, Social Security can pay full benefits for 16 years, but if nothing is done to make the program financially sound for the long term, benefits will be cut by nearly 25 percent starting in 2034. How soon, if at all, do you think the government should do something to strengthen Social Security for the future? Do you think they should do something... [READ LIST]

%	n=807
70	1 Immediately
13	2 Within the next 2 years
7	3 Within the next 5 years
1	4 Within the next 10 years
1	5 Within the next 15 years
2	6 Or not at all
1	7 Some other timeframe (VOL)
6	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

MC-1. As you probably know, Medicare is the national health care program for people age 65 and older. How important would you say Medicare is to people’s health in retirement? Would you say it is... [READ LIST]

%	n=807
92	1 Very important
6	2 Somewhat important
1	3 Not very important
<1	4 Not at all important
2	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
<1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

MC-2. Medicare is adequately funded today, but if changes are not made, it has been projected that by 2029 the program will not be able to fully pay for the hospital benefits it does now. Which, if any, of the following should Congress do to help put Medicare on stable ground for the future? Should they... [READ LIST] **[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF 1-5; ONE RESPONSE ONLY]**

%	n=807
9	1 Improve the coordination of patient care
2	2 Reduce hospital re-admissions
17	3 Reduce prescription drug costs
9	4 Reduce unnecessary tests and procedures
4	5 Put technology to better use
45	6 All of these (DO NOT READ)
2	7 None of these (DO NOT READ)
11	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
<1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

Prescription Drugs

RX-1. Currently, U.S. law bans people from buying prescription drugs from Canada or Europe. Some people believe that the laws should be changed to allow Americans to import lower priced prescription drugs from other countries as long as they are just as safe and effective as those bought in the U.S. Do you believe that people in the U.S. should be able to buy lower-priced drugs from Canada and Europe, or not?

%	n=807
74	1 Yes, should be legal
9	2 No, should not be legal
17	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
<1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

RX-2. Some drug companies with prescription patents take steps to prevent other drug companies from entering the market with less costly generic versions of their drugs. How strongly do you support or oppose legislation to prevent drug companies from trying to stop competitors from entering the market? Do you... [READ LIST]

%	n=807
42	1 Strongly support
11	2 Somewhat support
11	3 Somewhat oppose
24	4 Strongly oppose
11	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
<1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

RX-3. How much influence do you think prescription drug companies have over members of Congress? Would you say they have... [READ LIST]

%	n=807
64	1 A lot of influence
18	2 Some influence
5	3 Only a little influence
4	4 No influence at all
10	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
<1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

Healthcare

HC-1. Current law prohibits insurance companies from denying coverage or charging those with pre-existing conditions more for their health coverage. Some want to repeal this provision of current law because they believe those with pre-existing conditions cost more. Others believe it is unfair to discriminate against those with pre-existing conditions. Which statement do you agree with more? [READ LIST] **[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF 1-2]**

%	n=807
82	1 It is unfair to deny coverage or make those with pre-existing conditions pay more for their health care.
6	2 We should repeal protection for those with pre-existing conditions because it increases the cost of insurance.
11	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
<1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

HC-2. Current law allows insurance companies to charge up to three times more for health insurance for those over age 50. Some in Congress have proposed increasing this to allow insurance companies to charge up to five times or more for health insurance. Which of the following statements do you agree with more? [READ LIST] **[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF 1-2]**

%	n=807
11	1 Older Americans use more health care and it is not fair to raise premiums for everyone else.
81	2 Older people already pay more than younger people and increasing it from three to five times more would make insurance unaffordable for people who need it most.
7	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

HC-3. Opioids are a group of drugs that include prescription pain killers as well as heroin. How concerned are you about heroin and opioid abuse in Michigan? Would you say you are... [READ LIST]

%	n=807
33	1 Extremely concerned
31	2 Very concerned
23	3 Somewhat concerned
10	4 Not at all concerned
4	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
<1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

Caregiving

- CG-1. For this survey, I will use the phrase “family caregiver” to mean someone who provides unpaid care for an adult loved one who is ill, frail, elderly, or has a disability. This unpaid care may include assisting with personal needs like bathing and dressing, household chores, meals, shopping, transportation, managing finances or medical care. Are you currently a family caregiver, or providing UNPAID care to an adult loved one?

%	n=807
14	1 Yes, I currently provide care
83	2 No
2	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
<1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

- CG-2. **(IF CG-1=No)** Have you been an unpaid family caregiver at any time in the past?

%	n=671
41	1 Yes, provided care in past
59	2 No
1	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
0	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

- CG-3. **(IF CG-1=No)** How likely do you think it is that you will provide any caregiving or assistance on an unpaid basis for an adult loved one at some point in the future? Is it...? [READ LIST]

%	n=671
10	1 Extremely likely
12	2 Very likely
29	3 Somewhat likely
37	4 Not at all likely
12	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
<1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

- CG-4. If you or a family member needed help when the basic tasks of life became difficult due to aging or illness, where would you prefer to receive that care or help? [READ LIST] **[RANDOMIZE 1-4]**

%	n=807
42	1 At home with assistance from a family caregiver
34	2 At home with assistance from paid, professional help
11	3 In an assisted living facility or group home
1	4 In a nursing home
11	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
<1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

CG-5. How strongly do you support or oppose providing an income tax credit to family caregivers who incur expenses for the care and support of an older family member living with them? [READ LIST]

%	n=807
58	1 Strongly support
24	2 Somewhat support
8	3 Neither support nor oppose (DO NOT READ)
2	4 Somewhat oppose
2	5 Strongly oppose
5	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

Age-Friendly Community

AFC-1. A livable community is one that is safe and secure, has affordable housing and transportation options, offers supportive community services for people of all ages, and allows people to remain in their communities as they age. How important is it to you that the candidates running for office this fall will work to ensure communities in Michigan are more livable for their residents? [READ LIST]

%	n=807
60	1 Very important
30	2 Somewhat important
3	3 Not very important
2	4 Not at all important
5	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
<1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

AFC-2. How prepared would you say Michigan is to support the growing number of people with dementia? Would you say... [READ LIST]

%	n=807
2	1 Very prepared
16	2 Somewhat prepared
41	3 Not very prepared
20	4 Not at all prepared
21	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
<1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

Veterans

V-1. How good of a job do you think elected officials have done in making sure veterans receive the care they need when they return to civilian life? Would you say... [READ LIST]

%	n=807
1	1 Excellent
10	2 Very good
47	3 Not very good
32	4 Poor
9	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
<1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

V-2. How much of a problem is [ITEM] among veterans or military personnel in Michigan? Would you say it is a major problem, minor problem, or not at problem at all? [RANDOMIZE ORDER OF V-2_A THROUGH V-2_I]

1 Major problem %	2 Minor problem %	3 Not a problem at all %	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ) %	9 Refused (DO NOT READ) %	n=807
55	25	3	17	<1	A. Abuse of illegal substances, like cocaine and heroin
62	24	2	12	<1	B. Alcohol abuse
60	22	3	15	<1	C. Opioids or other medication abuse
73	16	2	9	<1	D. Depression, anxiety, or other mental illness
19	33	11	37	1	E. Gambling
73	17	1	9	<1	F. Post-traumatic stress disorder or PTSD
44	33	4	19	<1	G. Domestic violence
56	31	4	9	<1	H. Homelessness
58	26	2	14	<1	I. Suicide or suicide attempts

Elections

Now I have some questions about this November's elections.

ELC-1. I'm going to mention some issues that voters might feel are important in helping them make their voting decisions this year. For you, how important are the candidates' positions on [ITEM]? Very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not at all important?

1 Very important %	2 Somewhat important %	3 Not very important %	4 Not at all important %	8 Not sure (DO NOT READ) %	9 Refused (DO NOT READ) %	n=807
68	29	3	1	1	<1	A. Jobs and the economy
44	38	13	3	3	<1	B. Helping people save for retirement
56	35	5	1	2	<1	C. Helping older people live independently
48	38	10	1	2	<1	D. Supporting family caregivers
59	29	7	2	2	<1	E. Addressing opioid and drug addiction problems
82	13	2	<1	2	<1	F. Strengthening and reforming Social Security
75	19	3	<1	2	<1	G. Strengthening and reforming Medicare
80	18	2	0	1	<1	H. Addressing rising prescription drug costs
82	16	2	0	1	<1	I. Lowering healthcare costs
48	30	13	4	6	<1	J. Nomination of a new Supreme Court justice

ELC-2. How do you get most of your news about elections and major issues? Do you get it mostly from...? [READ LIST] [ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES]

%	n=807
74	1 Local TV news
52	2 National TV news
28	3 Printed newspaper
20	4 Online newspaper
28	5 Online news sources
23	6 Friends and family
20	7 Radio
3	8 Twitter
16	9 Facebook
4	97 Other (VOL)
1	98 Not sure (DO NOT READ)
<1	99 Refused (DO NOT READ)

Demographics

Now I am going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.

F1. What is the highest level of education that you completed? [DO NOT READ CHOICES]

%	n=807
0	1 Grade school
2	2 Some high school
23	3 High school graduate (GED)
26	4 Some college, no degree
14	5 Associate's degree (2-year college degree)
19	6 Bachelor's degree (4-year degree)
3	7 Some postgraduate work, no degree
11	8 Master's degree
2	9 Doctoral or law degree (including PhD)
<1	99 Not sure or refused (DO NOT READ)

F2. Are you currently single and never married, unmarried and living with a partner, married, separated, widowed, or divorced?

%	n=807
14	1 Single
3	2 Unmarried, living with partner
57	3 Married
1	4 Separated
9	5 Widowed
16	6 Divorced
0	8 Other (VOL)
1	9 Not sure or refused (DO NOT READ)

F3. Are you (**IF MARRIED ADD: "or your spouse"**) a member of A-A-R-P?

%	n=807
45	1 Yes, AARP member
53	2 No, not AARP member
2	9 Not sure or refused (DO NOT READ)

F4. Do you currently collect Social Security benefits?

%	n=807
61	1 Yes, collect Social Security benefits
38	2 No, do not collect benefits
1	9 Not sure or refused (DO NOT READ)

F5. Do you currently have any health insurance coverage through Medicare?

%	n=807
53	1 Yes
46	2 No
2	9 Not sure or refused (DO NOT READ)

F6. Are you an active or former military member?

%	n=807
18	1 Yes
82	2 No
1	9 Not sure or refused (DO NOT READ)

F7. Do you **(IF MARRIED: “or your spouse”)** have a parent or older relative living in your household?

%	n=807
7	1 Yes
92	2 No
1	9 Not sure or refused (DO NOT READ)

F8. Are you from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background?

%	n=807
3	1 Yes, Hispanic
97	2 No, not Hispanic
<1	9 Not sure or refused (DO NOT READ)

F9. What is your race—white, black or African American, Asian, or something else?

%	n=807
86	1 White
9	2 Black/African American
2	3 Asian
2	4 Hispanic (VOL)
1	5 Something else
1	9 Not sure or refused (DO NOT READ)

F10. Which of the following do you feel best describes your political perspective? [READ LIST]

%	n=807
22	1 Liberal or progressive
37	2 Moderate
34	3 Conservative
7	9 Not sure or refused (DO NOT READ)

F11. Do you think of yourself as **[INSERT 1-3, ROTATE ORDER]**, or something else?

%	n=807
37	1 A Democrat
29	2 An Independent
27	3 A Republican
3	4 Something else
1	7 Other (DO NOT READ)
3	8 Not sure/ nothing (DO NOT READ)
1	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)

F12. Finally, if you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home in 2017, would the total be...? [READ LIST]

%	n=807
22	1 Less than \$25,000
29	2 \$25,000 to less than \$50,000
18	3 \$50,000 to less than \$75,000
12	4 \$75,000 to less than \$100,000
8	5 \$100,000 to less than \$150,000
3	6 \$150,000 or more
1	8 Not sure/ nothing (DO NOT READ)
6	9 Refused (DO NOT READ)