



MISSOURI TERM LIMITS POLL: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Missouri 500 Registered Voters Conducted January 6-9, 2021 by RMG Research, Inc.

Survey Summary: The results of this recently completed statewide survey show that Missouri voters overwhelmingly support term limits for members of Congress. Support for term limits is broad across all political and demographic groups. **The majority of voters approve of an amendment to the U.S. Constitution that will place term limits on U.S. Senators and U.S. House Representatives.** Large majorities also say that Congress members stay in power for too long. In addition, voters are more likely to support state lawmakers who help advance congressional term limits.

Currently, term limits prevent anyone from serving more than 8-years as Governor of Missouri. Do you favor or oppose placing 8-year term limits on other statewide officials including the lieutenant governor, secretary of state, state auditor and attorney general?

	Gender			Age			Race		Party		
	Total	Men	Women	18-34	35-54	55+	White	Other	GOP	Dem	Other
Favor	79%	83%	77%	68%	79%	86%	82%	69%	84%	81%	72%
<i>Strongly favor</i>	52%	54%	51%	42%	44%	63%	56%	37%	57%	55%	44%
<i>Somewhat favor</i>	27%	29%	26%	26%	35%	23%	26%	32%	27%	26%	28%
Disapprove	11%	11%	11%	13%	10%	10%	9%	16%	9%	11%	12%
<i>Somewhat oppose</i>	8%	8%	8%	12%	7%	7%	7%	12%	5%	9%	10%
<i>Strongly oppose</i>	3%	3%	3%	1%	3%	3%	2%	4%	4%	2%	2%
Not sure	10%	7%	12%	18%	11%	5%	8%	15%	6%	7%	16%

In 2018 the Missouri State Legislature passed a resolution for an amendment-proposing convention to place term limits on Congress. Do you approve or disapprove of this resolution?

	Gender			Age			Race		Party		
	Total	Men	Women	18-34	35-54	55+	White	Other	GOP	Dem	Other
Approve	80%	81%	78%	70%	80%	84%	82%	70%	88%	79%	72%
<i>Strongly approve</i>	51%	54%	48%	44%	43%	59%	55%	37%	57%	51%	44%
<i>Somewhat approve</i>	29%	27%	30%	26%	37%	25%	27%	33%	31%	28%	28%
Disapprove	9%	12%	7%	12%	10%	7%	9%	13%	7%	9%	12%
<i>Somewhat disapprove</i>	7%	9%	6%	12%	8%	4%	7%	10%	6%	6%	10%
<i>Strongly disapprove</i>	2%	3%	1%	0%	2%	3%	2%	3%	1%	3%	2%
Not sure	11%	8%	14%	17%	10%	9%	9%	17%	5%	12%	16%



Currently, term limits prevent anyone from serving more than 8-years in the Missouri State House and State Senate. A proposal has been made to lengthen the limit so that state legislators can stay in office for up to 12-years. Do you prefer term limits of 8-years or 12-years?

	Gender			Age			Race		Party		
	Total	Men	Women	18-34	35-54	55+	White	Other	GOP	Dem	Other
<i>8-years</i>	75%	74%	76%	68%	78%	76%	76%	69%	75%	75%	73%
<i>12-years</i>	16%	20%	13%	18%	12%	18%	15%	20%	20%	16%	13%
<i>Unsure</i>	9%	7%	11%	14%	10%	5%	9%	11%	5%	8%	14%

How important is it to you that Missouri state legislators protect and defend the 8-year term limit law?

	Gender			Age			Race		Party		
	Total	Men	Women	18-34	35-54	55+	White	Other	GOP	Dem	Other
Important	80%	85%	76%	78%	78%	83%	82%	76%	83%	85%	73%
<i>Very Important</i>	54%	57%	52%	50%	47%	61%	56%	48%	55%	59%	49%
<i>Somewhat Important</i>	26%	28%	24%	28%	31%	22%	26%	28%	28%	26%	24%
Not Important	12%	12%	13%	10%	14%	13%	12%	13%	13%	11%	14%
<i>Not Very Important</i>	9%	8%	10%	7%	10%	10%	9%	9%	11%	8%	9%
<i>Not at All Important</i>	3%	4%	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%	4%	2%	3%	5%
Not Sure	7%	4%	10%	12%	8%	4%	6%	11%	5%	5%	13%



Would you be more or less likely to vote for a candidate for state legislature who supports protecting 8-year term limits in Missouri?

	Gender			Age			Race		Party		
	Total	Men	Women	18-34	35-54	55+	White	Other	GOP	Dem	Other
More likely	70%	77%	64%	65%	62%	78%	72%	61%	76%	73%	61%
<i>Much more likely</i>	43%	48%	38%	36%	37%	51%	44%	38%	44%	52%	32%
<i>Somewhat more likely</i>	27%	29%	26%	29%	25%	27%	28%	23%	32%	21%	29%
Less likely	10%	10%	10%	13%	11%	7%	7%	18%	7%	9%	12%
<i>Somewhat less likely</i>	8%	8%	8%	12%	8%	5%	6%	15%	6%	8%	9%
<i>Much less likely</i>	2%	2%	2%	1%	3%	2%	1%	3%	1%	1%	3%
Neither more likely nor less likely	13%	7%	19%	11%	16%	13%	14%	11%	14%	12%	15%
Not sure	7%	6%	8%	11%	10%	4%	6%	10%	3%	6%	12%

Conclusions: Missouri voters overwhelmingly support an amendment to the U.S. Constitution limiting the terms of all U.S. Senators and U.S. House Representatives. The intensity of this support is measured in their willingness to vote for state legislators who will vote "yes" on term limits and against those who will vote "no" against term limits on members of Congress.

Methodology: The survey of 1,200 Registered Voters in Missouri was conducted by Scott Rasmussen using a mixed mode approach from January 6-9, 2021. Field work for the survey was conducted by RMG Research, Inc. Most respondents were contacted online while 122 were contacted using automated phone polling techniques. Respondents were selected from a list of Registered Voters and through a process of Random Digital Engagement. Certain quotas were applied, and the sample was lightly weighted by geography, gender, age, race, education, and political party to reasonably reflect the nation's population of Registered Voters. Other variables were reviewed to ensure that the final sample is representative of that population.

Conducted January 6-9, 2021 by RMG Research, Inc. Margin of Sampling Error, +/- 4.5 percentage points