

MAINE TERM LIMITS POLL: EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

U.S. Term Limits survey conducted Dec. 14 through Dec. 20, 2022 by RMG Research Group. 500 Registered Voters in ME participated in the survey.

A large majority (76%) of Maine voters favor an amendment imposing term limits on Congress. 67% of voters also say that they would approve of having Maine call for an amendment proposing convention to enact congressional terms limits. Additionally, 66% of voters state that they would be more likely to vote for a candidate for state legislature who supports implementing term limits for members of Congress.

Do you approve or disapprove of placing term limits on members of Congress?

	Gender		Age			Race		Party					
Total	Men	Wom	18-34	35-54	55+	White	Other	GOP	Dem	Ind	Other	Not sure	
Approve	76%	78%	75%	55%	78%	84%	76%	74%	78%	84%	77%	42%	38%
Strongly approve	51%	57%	46%	28%	54%	60%	53%	28%	55%	50%	56%	19%	16%
Somewhat approve	25%	21%	29%	27%	25%	24%	23%	46%	23%	34%	21%	22%	22%
Disapprove	16%	18%	14%	26%	16%	11%	16%	9%	17%	12%	16%	33%	18%
Somewhat disapprove	9%	10%	8%	14%	9%	5%	9%	9%	9%	8%	8%	21%	9%
Strongly disapprove	7%	9%	6%	12%	7%	5%	8%	0%	9%	4%	8%	12%	9%
Not sure	8%	4%	11%	19%	6%	5%	8%	17%	5%	4%	7%	25%	44%

Would you want your state senator and state representative to favor or oppose legislation calling for a convention to propose congressional term limits?

		Ger	nder	Age			Ra	ce	Party						
Tota	I	Men	Wom	18-34	35-54	55+	White	Other	GOP	Dem	Ind	Other	Not sure		
Favor	66%	75%	59%	48%	67%	74%	68%	42%	72%	68%	71%	28%	24%		
Oppose	11%	11%	10%	14%	8%	11%	10%	13%	8%	13%	9%	23%	14%		
Not sure	23%	14%	31%	37%	25%	15%	21%	45%	20%	19%	20%	49%	63%		

The U.S. Constitution authorizes state legislatures to call for a convention to recommend Constitutional amendments. Two-thirds of states would have to agree before any action could be taken. Would you favor or oppose having Maine call for an amendment proposing convention to enact congressional terms limits?

Total		Gei	nder	Age			Race		Party					
		Men	Wom	18-34	35-54	55+	White	Other	GOP	Dem	Ind	Other	Not sure	
Favors	67%	73%	60%	51%	70%	72%	68%	57%	71%	74%	68%	36%	9%	
Strongly favor	36%	42%	30%	21%	38%	41%	37%	25%	43%	35%	37%	17%	4%	
Somewhat favor	31%	31%	30%	30%	32%	31%	31%	32%	28%	39%	31%	19%	5%	
Opposes	15%	19%	12%	21%	13%	14%	15%	23%	16%	12%	14%	21%	34%	
Somewhat oppose	9%	11%	8%	16%	10%	6%	9%	18%	10%	9%	7%	21%	20%	
Strongly oppose	6%	8%	4%	5%	3%	8%	6%	5%	6%	3%	7%	0%	14%	
Not sure	18%	8%	28%	28%	17%	14%	17%	20%	13%	14%	18%	43%	57%	

Would you be more likely or less likely to vote for a candidate for state legislature who supports implementing term limits for members of Congress?

Total		Gei	Gender		Age			Race		Party					
		Men	Wom	18-34	35-54	55+	White	Other	GOP	Dem	Ind	Other	Not sure		
More likely	66%	78%	55%	55%	71%	68%	67%	51%	75%	69%	67%	24%	21%		
Much more likely	34%	42%	26%	18%	35%	40%	35%	17%	43%	26%	38%	10%	14%		
Somewhat more likely	32%	36%	29%	37%	36%	28%	32%	34%	32%	43%	29%	14%	7%		
Less likely	11%	10%	11%	14%	11%	10%	11%	14%	10%	11%	11%	16%	8%		
Somewhat less likely	7%	6%	7%	12%	6%	5%	6%	10%	5%	9%	5%	16%	6%		
Much less likely	4%	4%	4%	2%	5%	5%	4%	4%	5%	3%	6%	0%	2%		
No impact	14%	8%	20%	12%	11%	18%	14%	16%	8%	13%	17%	36%	11%		
Not sure	9%	4%	14%	19%	7%	4%	8%	19%	7%	7%	5%	24%	60%		

At present the Maine state legislature has term limits. Knowing this, do you think it is fair that members of Congress are able to stay in office for life?

		Gender		Age			Ra	се	Party					
Total		Men	Wom	18-34	35-54	55+	White	Other	GOP	Dem	Ind	Other	Not sure	
Fair	15%	16%	13%	25%	15%	9%	14%	27%	10%	17%	16%	12%	17%	
Very fair	5%	8%	3%	6%	7%	3%	5%	8%	5%	4%	6%	12%	0%	
Somewhat fair	10%	9%	10%	19%	8%	6%	9%	19%	5%	13%	10%	0%	17%	
Unfair	78%	79%	77%	61%	79%	85%	79%	60%	86%	79%	80%	47%	38%	
Somewhat unfair	23%	22%	24%	31%	22%	20%	22%	32%	23%	25%	23%	29%	9%	
Very unfair	55%	57%	53%	30%	57%	65%	57%	28%	63%	54%	57%	18%	29%	
Not sure	7%	5%	10%	14%	6%	6%	7%	13%	4%	4%	4%	41%	45%	

Methodology

The survey of 500 registered voters was conducted for USTL on December 14-20. Field work for the survey was conducted by RMG Research, Inc. Certain quotas were applied, and the sample was lightly weighted by gender, age, and race.

The margin of sampling error for the full sample is +/- 4.5 percentage points.