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# IOWA STATEWIDE PUBLIC OPINION SURVEY

Survey conducted April 13 through April 16, 2026. 600 likely 2026 Election voters participated in the survey. Survey weighted to match likely 2026 General Election turnout demographics. Margin of Error is +/-4% with a 95% level of confidence. Totals do not always equal 100% due to rounding. *\*Oversample conducted in Senate Districts 1, 23, 35 and 47.*



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Q1: If the November 2026 General Election for State Senate were held today, for whom would you vote?

Republican candidate: 48%

Democratic candidate: 43%

Undecided: 9%

*I will now read you a handful of brief statements you may see, read or hear. Please indicate, after reading each statement, whether you'd be more likely or less likely to support a candidate running for the Iowa State Senate.*

Q2: The Iowa State Senate is considering a bill to make the torture of pets a felony. If your State Senator supported this legislation, would you be more likely or less likely to support them in the upcoming election?

More likely: 72%

Less likely: 3%

No difference: 25%

Q3: The Iowa State Senate is considering a bill similar to federal legislation signed into law by President Trump that makes extreme animal cruelty a felony. Some members of the State Senate are blocking this bill from being voted on. If your State Senator blocked this legislation, would you be more or less likely to support them in the upcoming election?

More likely: 11%

Less likely: 59%

No difference: 30%

*I will now read you a handful of brief statements you may see, read or hear. Please indicate, after reading each statement, whether you'd be more likely or less likely to support a new state law that makes extreme cruelty against pets a felony.*

Q4: Animal abuse is often a warning sign of domestic abuse. In one study of families under investigation for suspected child abuse, researchers found that pet abuse had occurred in 88% of the families under supervision for physical abuse of their children. Knowing this, would you be more likely or less likely to support a new state law that makes extreme cruelty against pets a felony?

More likely: 78%

Less likely: 4%

No difference: 19%



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Q5: Iowa is the only state where torture of pets is a misdemeanor. The Iowa State Senate is considering a bill to make torture of companion animals a felony. Knowing this, would you be more likely or less likely to support a new state law that makes extreme cruelty against pets a felony?

More likely: 80%

Less likely: 3%

No difference: 17%



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Column %	1	2	3	4
Republican	55%	34%	46%	45%
Democrat	36%	52%	47%	48%
Undecided	10%	14%	7%	7%

Table 1. Q1 by CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Column %	CEDAR RAPIDS-WTRLO-IWC&DUB DMA	DAVENPORT-R.ISLAND-MOLINE DMA	DES MOINES-AMES DMA	SIOUX CITY DMA
Republican		30%	57%	45%
Democrat		53%	33%	49%
Undecided		17%	10%	6%

Table 2. Q1 by DMA

Column %	1	23	35	47	BALANCE
Republican	50%	47%	59%	56%	40%
Democrat	45%	46%	30%	34%	51%
Undecided	5%	7%	11%	11%	10%

Table 3. Q1 by STATE SENATE DISTRICT

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
Republican	95%	3%	26%
Democrat	2%	93%	48%
Undecided	2%	4%	26%

Table 4. Q1 by PARTY

Column %	Very conservative	Somewhat conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Republican		93%	81%	29%
Democrat		2%	12%	51%
Undecided		5%	7%	20%

Table 5. Q1 by IDEOLOGY

Column %	Female	Male
Republican	39%	58%
Democrat	53%	32%
Undecided	9%	10%

Table 6. Q1 by GENDER



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Column %	1	2	3	4
More likely	70%	73%	70%	78%
Less likely	3%	4%	3%	2%
No difference	27%	24%	27%	19%

Table 7. Q2 by CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Column %	CEDAR RAPIDS-WTRLO-IWC&DUB DMA	DAVENPORT-R.ISLAND-MOLINE DMA	DES MOINES-AMES DMA	SIOUX CITY DMA
More likely		73%	71%	72%
Less likely		2%	4%	2%
No difference		25%	25%	25%

Table 8. Q2 by DMA

Column %	1	23	35	47	BALANCE
More likely	78%	70%	66%	74%	71%
Less likely	1%	2%	3%	3%	4%
No difference	21%	28%	31%	23%	25%

Table 9. Q2 by STATE SENATE DISTRICT

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
More likely	77%	71%	64%
Less likely	2%	4%	3%
No difference	21%	24%	34%

Table 10. Q2 by PARTY

Column %	Very conservative	Somewhat conservative	Moderate	Liberal
More likely	75%	69%	68%	74%
Less likely	4%	1%	3%	4%
No difference	21%	30%	28%	23%

Table 11. Q2 by IDEOLOGY

Column %	Female	Male
More likely	76%	67%
Less likely	3%	3%
No difference	21%	30%

Table 12. Q2 by GENDER



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Column %	1	2	3	4
More likely	13%	12%	7%	11%
Less likely	61%	56%	61%	53%
No difference	26%	31%	32%	36%

Table 13. Q3 by CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Column %	CEDAR RAPIDS-WTRLO-IWC&DUB DMA	DAVENPORT-R.ISLAND-MOLINE DMA	DES MOINES-AMES DMA	SIOUX CITY DMA
More likely		10%	13%	7%
Less likely		60%	60%	62%
No difference		30%	26%	31%

Table 14. Q3 by DMA

Column %	1	23	35	47	BALANCE
More likely	9%	7%	15%	10%	12%
Less likely	51%	62%	54%	64%	59%
No difference	40%	31%	31%	26%	29%

Table 15. Q3 by STATE SENATE DISTRICT

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
More likely	15%	8%	6%
Less likely	58%	60%	59%
No difference	26%	32%	35%

Table 16. Q3 by PARTY

Column %	Very conservative	Somewhat conservative	Moderate	Liberal
More likely		17%	8%	8%
Less likely		62%	56%	58%
No difference		21%	36%	34%

Table 17. Q3 by IDEOLOGY

Column %	Female	Male
More likely	8%	14%
Less likely	64%	53%
No difference	28%	33%

Table 18. Q3 by GENDER



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Column %	1	2	3	4
More likely	74%	83%	81%	77%
Less likely	6%	4%	1%	2%
No difference	20%	13%	19%	20%

Table 19. Q4 by CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Column %	CEDAR RAPIDS-WTRLO-IWC&DUB DMA	DAVENPORT-R.ISLAND-MOLINE DMA	DES MOINES-AMES DMA	SIOUX CITY DMA
More likely		77%	75%	82%
Less likely		6%	6%	0%
No difference		17%	19%	18%

Table 20. Q4 by DMA

Column %	1	23	35	47	BALANCE
More likely	74%	84%	72%	78%	78%
Less likely	0%	1%	6%	3%	5%
No difference	26%	15%	22%	19%	17%

Table 21. Q4 by STATE SENATE DISTRICT

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
More likely	82%	74%	74%
Less likely	4%	4%	1%
No difference	13%	21%	24%

Table 22. Q4 by PARTY

Column %	Very conservative	Somewhat conservative	Moderate	Liberal
More likely	90%	71%	73%	76%
Less likely	4%	3%	4%	4%
No difference	6%	25%	23%	20%

Table 23. Q4 by IDEOLOGY

Column %	Female	Male
More likely	81%	74%
Less likely	3%	5%
No difference	17%	21%

Table 24. Q4 by GENDER

Column %	1	2	3	4
More likely	77%	78%	81%	84%
Less likely	5%	4%	1%	2%
No difference	18%	18%	18%	14%

Table 25. Q5 by CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT



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Column %	CEDAR RAPIDS-WTRLO-IWC&DUB DMA	DAVENPORT-R.ISLAND-MOLINE DMA	DES MOINES-AMES DMA	SIOUX CITY DMA
<b>More likely</b>	78%	77%	83%	81%
<b>Less likely</b>	4%	5%	0%	3%
<b>No difference</b>	18%	18%	17%	16%

Table 26. Q5 by DMA

Column %	1	23	35	47	BALANCE
<b>More likely</b>	82%	85%	78%	78%	78%
<b>Less likely</b>	1%	1%	5%	3%	5%
<b>No difference</b>	17%	14%	18%	19%	18%

Table 27. Q5 by STATE SENATE DISTRICT

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
<b>More likely</b>	82%	82%	74%
<b>Less likely</b>	4%	3%	3%
<b>No difference</b>	14%	15%	24%

Table 28. Q5 by PARTY

Column %	Very conservative	Somewhat conservative	Moderate	Liberal
<b>More likely</b>	87%	75%	75%	81%
<b>Less likely</b>	4%	2%	5%	2%
<b>No difference</b>	10%	23%	20%	17%

Table 29. Q5 by IDEOLOGY

Column %	Female	Male
<b>More likely</b>	85%	74%
<b>Less likely</b>	3%	4%
<b>No difference</b>	12%	23%

Table 30. Q5 by GENDER



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## DEMOGRAPHICS

	%
<b>Republican</b>	42%
<b>Democrat</b>	32%
<b>Non-Partisan</b>	26%

Table 31. PARTY

	%
<b>Very conservative</b>	24%
<b>Somewhat conservative</b>	20%
<b>Moderate</b>	27%
<b>Liberal</b>	29%

Table 32. IDEOLOGY

	%
<b>Female</b>	52%
<b>Male</b>	48%

Table 33. GENDER