

HOW THE POLL WAS CONDUCTED

This poll was conducted by Mason-Dixon Polling & Strategy, Inc. of Jacksonville, Florida from July 6 through July 8, 2026. A total of 625 registered Iowa voters were interviewed statewide by live telephone. All stated they were likely to vote in the November general election.

Those interviewed were randomly selected from a phone-matched Iowa voter registration list that included both landline and cell phone numbers. Quotas were assigned based on voter turnout by county.

The margin for error, according to standards customarily used by statisticians, is no more than ± 4 percentage points. This means that there is a 95 percent probability that the "true" figure would fall within that range if all voters in Iowa voters were surveyed. The margin for error is higher for any subgroup, such as a gender or age grouping.

QUESTION: Have you heard of the proposed federal legislation called the “Save Our Bacon Act”?

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
STATE	42%	58%

<u>CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
1ST Cong District	43%	57%
2ND Cong District	45%	55%
3RD Cong District	49%	51%
4TH Cong District	31%	69%

<u>GENDER ID</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Male	39%	61%
Female	44%	56%

<u>AGE</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
18-34	21%	79%
35-49	36%	64%
50-64	49%	51%
65+	53%	47%

<u>PARTY REGISTRATION</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Democrat	48%	52%
Republican	28%	72%
Independent	53%	47%

QUESTION: The “Save Our Bacon Act” is proposed federal legislation that aims to nullify state and local regulations on agricultural products, specifically targeting strict livestock and animal welfare standards. The act prevents states from enforcing laws that dictate how livestock is raised or produced if the products are brought in from another state. Do support or oppose the “Save Our Bacon Act”?

	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
STATE	23%	45%	32%

<u>CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT</u>	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
1ST Cong District	22%	46%	32%
2ND Cong District	18%	49%	33%
3RD Cong District	18%	48%	34%
4TH Cong District	34%	37%	29%

<u>GENDER ID</u>	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
Male	30%	43%	27%
Female	17%	47%	36%

<u>AGE</u>	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
18-34	15%	47%	38%
35-49	23%	43%	34%
50-64	22%	46%	32%
65+	29%	44%	27%

<u>PARTY REGISTRATION</u>	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
Democrat	11%	62%	27%
Republican	35%	24%	41%
Independent	19%	53%	28%

<u>HEARD OF BACON ACT?</u>	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
Yes	22%	60%	18%
No	24%	31%	45%

QUESTION: I am going to read you two opposing arguments regarding the “Save Our Bacon Act” (ORDER ROTATED)

- Supporters of the “Save Our Bacon Act” say it protects access to interstate commerce for Iowa family farmers and lowers grocery prices for consumers. They argue that the legislation would prevent arbitrary mandates on production practices for farmers and would prohibit state and local governments in Iowa from interfering with livestock production.

- Opponents of the “Save Our Bacon Act” say it is a giveaway to a Chinese-owned corporation and not good for Iowa family farmers. They argue it would permanently strip Iowa of the right to establish its own food standards and that these decisions should be made at the state level and not in Washington.

Based on these arguments, do support or oppose the “Save Our Bacon Act”?

	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
STATE	30%	52%	18%

<u>CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT</u>	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
1ST Cong District	22%	58%	20%
2ND Cong District	27%	60%	13%
3RD Cong District	28%	61%	11%
4TH Cong District	43%	29%	28%

<u>GENDER ID</u>	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
Male	38%	46%	16%
Female	23%	57%	20%

<u>AGE</u>	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
18-34	19%	56%	25%
35-49	30%	51%	19%
50-64	30%	52%	18%
65+	36%	51%	13%

<u>PARTY REGISTRATION</u>	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
Democrat	9%	74%	17%
Republican	50%	28%	22%
Independent	25%	62%	13%

<u>HEARD OF BACON ACT?</u>	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
Yes	22%	68%	10%
No	35%	41%	24%

QUESTION: Which one of the following two statements comes closer to your view? (ORDER ROTATED)

- Congress should establish one national standard for livestock production.
- Each state should have the right to set its own food and farming standards.

	<u>NATIONAL</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>NOT SURE</u>
STATE	19%	74%	7%

<u>CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT</u>	<u>NATIONAL</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>NOT SURE</u>
1ST Cong District	17%	73%	10%
2ND Cong District	20%	73%	7%
3RD Cong District	16%	78%	6%
4TH Cong District	23%	72%	5%

<u>GENDER ID</u>	<u>NATIONAL</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>NOT SURE</u>
Male	21%	73%	6%
Female	18%	75%	7%

<u>AGE</u>	<u>NATIONAL</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>NOT SURE</u>
18-34	15%	74%	11%
35-49	18%	79%	3%
50-64	18%	78%	4%
65+	23%	67%	10%

<u>PARTY REGISTRATION</u>	<u>NATIONAL</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>NOT SURE</u>
Democrat	17%	74%	9%
Republican	19%	74%	7%
Independent	21%	73%	6%

<u>HEARD OF BACON ACT?</u>	<u>NATIONAL</u>	<u>STATE</u>	<u>NOT SURE</u>
Yes	15%	82%	3%
No	22%	68%	10%

QUESTION: Congresswoman Ashley Hinson, the Republican candidate for Iowa’s U.S. Senate seat in this year’s election, supports the “Save our Bacon Act”. She believes that livestock producers have the right to sell their products across state lines without interference from arbitrary state mandates .

In doing so she is siding with Smithfield Foods, the world’s largest pork producer. Smithfield is a Chinese-owned company that has contributed to her political campaigns. To date, many Iowa farmers have already invested a significant amount of money to bring their daily operations into compliance with existing state standards. The “Save Our Bacon Act” would allow Smithfield to sell pork without having to comply with these higher standards.

Does this make your opinion of Ashley Hinson more favorable or less favorable?

	<u>MORE</u>	<u>LESS</u>	<u>NO CHANGE</u>
STATE	13%	64%	23%
<u>CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT</u>	<u>MORE</u>	<u>LESS</u>	<u>NO CHANGE</u>
1ST Cong District	9%	77%	14%
2ND Cong District	8%	75%	17%
3RD Cong District	17%	58%	25%
4TH Cong District	18%	46%	36%
<u>GENDER ID</u>	<u>MORE</u>	<u>LESS</u>	<u>NO CHANGE</u>
Male	17%	55%	28%
Female	9%	72%	19%
<u>AGE</u>	<u>MORE</u>	<u>LESS</u>	<u>NO CHANGE</u>
18-34	6%	71%	23%
35-49	7%	69%	24%
50-64	10%	73%	17%
65+	23%	49%	28%
<u>PARTY REGISTRATION</u>	<u>MORE</u>	<u>LESS</u>	<u>NO CHANGE</u>
Democrat	3%	85%	12%
Republican	22%	44%	34%
Independent	13%	68%	19%
<u>HEARD OF BACON ACT?</u>	<u>MORE</u>	<u>LESS</u>	<u>NO CHANGE</u>
Yes	8%	79%	13%
No	17%	53%	30%

DEMOGRAPHICS

PARTY REGISTRATION:

Democrat	185 (30%)
Republican	234 (37%)
Independent or Other	206 (33%)

AGE:	18-34	116 (19%)
	35-49	143 (23%)
	50-64	156 (25%)
	65+	208 (33%)
	Refused	2

GENDER ID:	Male	301 (48%)
	Female	322 (52%)
	Other	2

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:

1ST Congressional District	160 (26%)
2ND Congressional District	155 (25%)
3RD Congressional District	160 (26%)
4TH Congressional District	150 (24%)