

# Ask Alabama Poll Results

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As you know, in this recession the legislature has a challenge balancing the state budget. Would you support or oppose each of the following measures to INCREASE STATE REVENUES and balance the budget? **Increasing Cigarette and Tobacco taxes**

CATEGORY	PERCENT OF SAMPLE	COUNT	SUPPORT	OPPOSE	UNSURE/REFUSED
Total Sample	100%	614	61	36	4
<b>AGE GROUP</b>					
19-34	30%	183	64	34	2
35-54	37%	222	58	39	3
55 or Over	33%	203	60	34	6
<b>GENDER</b>					
Female	48%	297	62	35	3
Male	52%	318	59	37	4
<b>RACE/ ETHNICITY</b>					
Black/ African-American	26%	159	52	45	3
White or Anglo	71%	431	64	33	3
Other	3%	15	60	27	13
<b>Financial Situation</b>					
Better Than Ever	3%	19	58	32	11
Living Comfortably	50%	304	71	26	4
Struggling to Make Ends Meet	47%	281	50	47	3
<b>INCOME</b>					
\$30,000 or Less	27%	165	19	79	2
\$30,001-\$50,000	16%	99	13	86	0
\$50,001-\$70,000	15%	92	8	89	2
\$70,001-\$100,000	12%	72	8	90	1
More Than \$100,000	13%	83	15	83	2
Refused	17%	105	16	77	7
<b>REGION</b>					
North Central	43%	261	60	36	4
North	18%	110	56	38	6
South West	14%	88	64	35	1
Central	14%	89	55	39	6
South East	11%	66	73	26	1
<b>GEOGRAPHIC AREA</b>					
Urban	29%	178	62	33	5
Suburban	41%	253	58	38	4
Rural	30%	182	63	36	1
<b>FAMILY SIZE</b>					
Single Adult	13%	80	48	47	5
Single Parent	6%	35	51	46	3
Traditional Family	39%	237	62	35	3
Empty Nest	42%	259	64	32	4
All Families With Children	45%	273	61	37	2

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CATEGORY	PERCENT OF SAMPLE	COUNT	SUPPORT	OPPOSE	UNSURE/REFUSED
Total Sample	100%	614	14	84	2
<b>AGE GROUP</b>					
19-34	30%	183	17	82	1
35-54	37%	222	15	83	2
55 or Over	33%	203	10	88	2
<b>GENDER</b>					
Female	48%	296	14	84	2
Male	52%	318	15	83	2
<b>RACE/ ETHNICITY</b>					
Black/ African-American	26%	159	14	83	3
White or Anglo	71%	431	14	84	2
Other	2%	14	14	79	7
<b>Financial Situation</b>					
Better Than Ever	3%	18	0	89	11
Living Comfortably	50%	304	15	84	1
Struggling to Make Ends Meet	47%	281	15	83	3
<b>INCOME</b>					
\$30,000 or Less	27%	165	19	79	2
\$30,001-\$50,000	16%	99	13	87	0
\$50,001-\$70,000	15%	91	9	89	2
\$70,001-\$100,000	12%	73	8	90	1
More Than \$100,000	13%	83	15	83	2
Refused	17%	104	14	83	4
<b>REGION</b>					
North Central	43%	261	15	82	3
North	18%	110	16	82	2
South West	14%	87	10	86	4
Central	15%	89	12	87	1
South East	11%	66	14	85	1
<b>GEOGRAPHIC AREA</b>					
Urban	29%	179	17	81	2
Suburban	41%	254	12	85	3
Rural	30%	182	15	84	1
<b>FAMILY SIZE</b>					
Single Adult	13%	80	12	80	8
Single Parent	6%	35	34	66	0
Traditional Family	39%	237	15	83	2
Empty Nest	42%	259	12	87	1
All Families With Children	45%	272	17	81	2

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CATEGORY	PERCENT OF SAMPLE	COUNT	SUPPORT	OPPOSE	UNSURE/REFUSED
Total Sample	100%	614	68	28	4
<b>AGE GROUP</b>					
19-34	30%	183	67	30	3
35-54	37%	222	70	25	5
55 or Over	33%	203	68	29	3
<b>GENDER</b>					
Female	48%	296	66	30	4
Male	52%	319	71	25	4
<b>RACE/ ETHNICITY</b>					
Black/ African-American	26%	158	77	20	3
White or Anglo	71%	431	65	30	5
Other	3%	15	67	33	0
<b>Financial Situation</b>					
Better Than Ever	3%	18	78	22	0
Living Comfortably	50%	305	62	34	4
Struggling to Make Ends Meet	47%	280	74	21	5
<b>INCOME</b>					
\$30,000 or Less	27%	164	75	23	2
\$30,001-\$50,000	16%	98	65	29	6
\$50,001-\$70,000	15%	91	69	29	2
\$70,001-\$100,000	12%	73	69	26	6
More Than \$100,000	13%	82	59	37	5
Refused	17%	104	67	27	5
<b>REGION</b>					
North Central	43%	262	67	30	3
North	18%	110	60	32	8
South West	14%	89	70	24	6
Central	14%	89	70	27	3
South East	11%	66	83	15	2
<b>GEOGRAPHIC AREA</b>					
Urban	29%	178	70	26	4
Suburban	41%	253	67	30	3
Rural	30%	183	68	26	6
<b>FAMILY SIZE</b>					
Single Adult	13%	80	75	21	4
Single Parent	6%	35	83	14	3
Traditional Family	39%	237	70	27	3
Empty Nest	42%	259	63	31	6
All Families With Children	45%	273	72	25	3

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CATEGORY	PERCENT OF SAMPLE	COUNT	SUPPORT	OPPOSE	UNSURE/REFUSED
Total Sample	100%	614	60	33	7
<b>AGE GROUP</b>					
19-34	30%	183	60	36	4
35-54	37%	222	59	35	6
55 or Over	33%	203	63	29	8
<b>GENDER</b>					
Female	48%	296	62	31	7
Male	52%	318	58	35	7
<b>RACE/ ETHNICITY</b>					
Black/ African-American	26%	159	58	35	7
White or Anglo	71%	432	62	32	6
Other	3%	14	57	36	7
<b>Financial Situation</b>					
Better Than Ever	3%	18	67	22	11
Living Comfortably	50%	305	57	38	5
Struggling to Make Ends Meet	47%	281	63	29	9
<b>INCOME</b>					
\$30,000 or Less	27%	165	56	38	6
\$30,001-\$50,000	16%	99	61	27	12
\$50,001-\$70,000	15%	91	64	33	3
\$70,001-\$100,000	12%	73	67	25	8
More Than \$100,000	13%	83	63	37	0
Refused	17%	104	56	34	11
<b>REGION</b>					
North Central	43%	261	59	35	6
North	18%	110	56	37	7
South West	14%	88	69	23	8
Central	14%	89	58	33	9
South East	11%	66	62	33	5
<b>GEOGRAPHIC AREA</b>					
Urban	29%	179	55	36	9
Suburban	41%	253	62	34	4
Rural	30%	183	63	29	8
<b>FAMILY SIZE</b>					
Single Adult	13%	81	67	23	10
Single Parent	6%	35	60	26	14
Traditional Family	39%	237	62	36	2
Empty Nest	42%	260	58	34	8
All Families With Children	45%	273	61	35	4

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CATEGORY	PERCENT OF SAMPLE	COUNT	SUPPORT	OPPOSE	UNSURE/REFUSED
Total Sample	100%	614	66	31	3
<b>AGE GROUP</b>					
19-34	30%	183	66	31	3
35-54	37%	222	66	33	1
55 or Over	33%	203	67	29	4
<b>GENDER</b>					
Female	48%	296	77	20	3
Male	52%	318	57	41	2
<b>RACE/ ETHNICITY</b>					
Black/ African-American	26%	159	60	36	4
White or Anglo	71%	432	70	28	2
Other	3%	16	50	37	13
<b>Financial Situation</b>					
Better Than Ever	3%	18	39	44	17
Living Comfortably	50%	304	68	29	3
Struggling to Make Ends Meet	47%	281	67	31	2
<b>INCOME</b>					
\$30,000 or Less	27%	164	65	34	1
\$30,001-\$50,000	16%	100	70	28	2
\$50,001-\$70,000	15%	91	78	20	2
\$70,001-\$100,000	12%	73	59	38	3
More Than \$100,000	13%	83	64	35	1
Refused	17%	104	62	31	8
<b>REGION</b>					
North Central	43%	261	64	33	3
North	18%	111	66	32	2
South West	14%	88	75	24	1
Central	14%	88	63	31	6
South East	11%	67	69	30	1
<b>GEOGRAPHIC AREA</b>					
Urban	29%	178	63	33	4
Suburban	41%	253	62	36	2
Rural	30%	183	76	22	2
<b>FAMILY SIZE</b>					
Single Adult	13%	80	68	27	5
Single Parent	6%	35	68	26	6
Traditional Family	39%	237	66	33	1
Empty Nest	42%	259	66	32	2
All Families With Children	45%	273	66	32	2

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As you know, in this recession the legislature has a challenge balancing the state budget. Would you support or oppose each of the following measures to INCREASE STATE REVENUES and balance the budget? **Increasing taxes on business-owned commercial property.**

CATEGORY	PERCENT OF SAMPLE	COUNT	SUPPORT	OPPOSE	UNSURE/REFUSED
Total Sample	100%	614	34	60	7
<b>AGE GROUP</b>					
19-34	30%	183	41	54	5
35-54	37%	221	35	58	7
55 or Over	33%	203	27	66	7
<b>GENDER</b>					
Female	48%	296	35	55	10
Male	52%	317	32	64	4
<b>RACE/ ETHNICITY</b>					
Black/ African-American	26%	159	47	47	6
White or Anglo	71%	431	30	64	6
Other	3%	15	13	73	14
<b>Financial Situation</b>					
Better Than Ever	3%	18	50	50	0
Living Comfortably	50%	305	31	64	5
Struggling to Make Ends Meet	47%	281	34	57	9
<b>INCOME</b>					
\$30,000 or Less	27%	164	34	59	7
\$30,001-\$50,000	16%	99	31	60	9
\$50,001-\$70,000	15%	91	40	57	3
\$70,001-\$100,000	12%	72	32	64	4
More Than \$100,000	14%	83	42	55	2
Refused	17%	104	26	64	11
<b>REGION</b>					
North Central	43%	261	37	57	6
North	18%	111	33	61	6
South West	14%	88	32	62	6
Central	14%	89	42	47	11
South East	11%	66	15	80	5
<b>GEOGRAPHIC AREA</b>					
Urban	29%	178	33	62	5
Suburban	41%	253	35	58	7
Rural	30%	182	33	59	8
<b>FAMILY SIZE</b>					
Single Adult	13%	80	34	61	5
Single Parent	6%	35	46	48	6
Traditional Family	39%	236	38	56	6
Empty Nest	42%	259	28	65	7
All Families With Children	45%	272	39	55	6