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Region

(N=500)	n	%
Central/Polk	103	20.60
Northeast	148	29.60
Southeast	112	22.40
Southwest	60	12.00
Northwest	77	15.40

Hello, my name is _____ and I am conducting a survey for Suffolk University and I would like to get your opinions on some questions about the upcoming midterm election in Iowa. Would you be willing to spend less than seven minutes answering some brief questions to help us out?

A. Are you currently a resident of Iowa?

(N=500)	n	%
Yes	500	100.00

1. Thinking about the midterm election coming up in 9 weeks, how likely are you to vote? Would you say…?

(N=500)	n	%
Very likely	432	86.40
Somewhat likely	68	13.60

2. Are you currently enrolled as a Democrat, Republican, or No Party/Independent?

(N=500)	n	%
Democrat	139	27.80
Republican	189	37.80
No Party/Independent	164	32.80
Not registered yet	0	0.00
Undecided	2	0.40
Refused	6	1.20

Great, let me get you screened in.

3. With which gender do you most closely identify as – male, female, or non-binary (gender variant, non-conforming, etc.)?

(N=500)	n	%
Male	243	48.60
Female	250	50.00
Non-binary (gender variant, non-conforming)	5	1.00
Refused	2	0.40

4. What is your age category?

(N=500)	n	%
18-24 Years	35	7.00
25-34 Years	70	14.00
35-49 Years	122	24.40
50-64 Years	121	24.20
65-74 Years	97	19.40
75+	52	10.40
Refused	3	0.60

5. For statistical purposes only, can you please tell me your ethnic background/ancestry? (READ)

(N=500)	n	%
White/Caucasian	442	88.40
Black/African American	12	2.40
Native American/Alaska Native	6	1.20
Asian	6	1.20
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	1	0.20
Hispanic/Latino	13	2.60
2 or more races	9	1.80
Other	7	1.40
Don't know	4	0.80

6. What is the highest level of education you have completed? (READ)

(N=500)	n	%
Some high school	20	4.00
High school graduate	83	16.60
Some college	153	30.60
Trade/technical/vocational training	42	8.40
College graduate	130	26.00
Master's or PhD	69	13.80
Undecided	2	0.40
Refused	1	0.20

7. There are three candidates for U.S. Senate who are certified to appear on the Iowa ballot. {ROTATE, READ} At this point if the election were today, who would be your first choice?

(N=500)	n	%
Republican Ashley Hinson	227	45.40
Democrat Josh Turek	204	40.80
Libertarian Thomas Laehn	20	4.00
Undecided	46	9.20
Refused	3	0.60

{FOR 7.3}

8. Who would be your second choice - Hinson or Turek?

(N=20)	n	%
Republican Ashley Hinson	7	35.00
Democrat Josh Turek	7	35.00
Undecided	6	30.00
Refused	0	0.00

9. For governor, the candidates certified for the ballot are... {ROTATE, READ} At this point if the election were today, for whom would you vote or toward whom do you lean?

(N=500)	n	%
Republican Zach Lahn	218	43.60
Democrat Rob Sand	239	47.80
Undecided	39	7.80
Refused	4	0.80

10. In addition to other offices, voters will also decide on a ballot question called Amendment 1. A yes vote would require a two-thirds vote of the state legislature to approve any increase to the personal income or corporate tax rate in Iowa. A no vote would make no changes to how taxes are altered or raised. At this point would you vote yes or no on this ballot question?

(N=500)	n	%
Yes	163	32.60
No	181	36.20
Undecided	152	30.40
Refused	4	0.80

11. Which economic issue impacts your household budget the most right now? {RANDOMIZE}

(N=500)	n	%
Gas and fuel prices	138	27.60
Grocery costs	138	27.60
Housing or rent expenses	39	7.80
Healthcare costs	109	21.80
Utility bills	37	7.40
Undecided	29	5.80
Refused	10	2.00

12. What should be the top priority for supporting Iowa's agricultural economy? {RANDOMIZE}

(N=500)	n	%
Expanding biofuel and ethanol incentives	35	7.00
Increasing conservation and soil health grants	101	20.20
Improving trade agreements for crop exports	106	21.20
Providing more support for small, family-owned farms	202	40.40
Undecided	51	10.20
Refused	5	1.00

13. When thinking about the future of K-12 education in Iowa, what is the most critical area to address? {RANDOMIZE}

(N=500)	n	%
Increasing public school funding and teacher pay	228	45.60
Expanding school choice and private tuition vouchers	96	19.20
Updating classroom technology and vocational training	73	14.60
Enhancing school safety and mental health resources	72	14.40
Undecided	28	5.60
Refused	3	0.60

14. Which infrastructure project would benefit your local community the most? {RANDOMIZE}

(N=500)	n	%
Repairing local roads and bridges	234	46.80
Expanding high-speed rural broadband internet	33	6.60
Upgrading community water and sewer systems	163	32.60
Investing in public parks and recreational spaces	45	9.00
Undecided	24	4.80
Refused	1	0.20

15. What is your primary motivation for voting in the midterm election? {RANDOMIZE}

(N=500)	n	%
Supporting a specific candidate's vision	54	10.80
Voicing my opinion on key local ballot issues	82	16.40
Expressing dissatisfaction with the current national political climate	149	29.80
Fulfilling my civic duty as a citizen	198	39.60
Undecided	17	3.40
Refused	0	0.00

16. Of the following four options, how do you prefer to gather information about candidates and state policies? {RANDOMIZE}

(N=500)	n	%
Local news broadcasts and newspapers	134	26.80
Candidate debates and town hall events	141	28.20
Social media platforms and online forums	137	27.40
Discussions with neighbors, friends, and family	66	13.20
Undecided	19	3.80
Refused	3	0.60

17. Earlier you indicated you were likely to vote. Will you vote…? {RANDOMIZE}

(N=500)	n	%
Early in person	104	20.80
Early by mail	45	9.00
In person on Election Day	338	67.60
Undecided	12	2.40
Refused	1	0.20

18. In the 2024 election for president did you vote for…? {READ}

(N=500)	n	%
Donald Trump - Republican	255	51.00
Kamala Harris - Democrat	199	39.80
Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. - We the People	4	0.80
Chase Oliver - Libertarian	3	0.60
Claudia De La Cruz - Party for Socialism and Liberation	3	0.60
Shiva Ayyadurai - Independent	0	0.00
William Stodden - Socialist Party	0	0.00
Did not vote for president in 2024	24	4.80
Undecided	6	1.20
Refused	6	1.20

{FOR 18.1 AND 7.2 or 7.3}

19. Earlier you indicated voting for Trump in 2024 but currently NOT voting for Republican Ashley Hinson for U.S. Senate this year. In your own words, what is the reason for that?

(N=17)	n	%
“Gotten off track/Didn't deliver”	4	23.53
“Don't trust her”	1	5.88
“Funded by Israel”	1	5.88
“Need change”	1	5.88
“Vote for best candidate”	3	17.65
“Like Trump”	1	5.88
“Not from Iowa”	1	5.88
Other	1	5.88
Don't know/Refused	4	23.53

20. After the 2024 presidential election, Donald Trump sued Iowa pollster Ann Selzer and the Des Moines Register citing allegations of consumer fraud and deceptive election interference. The suit targets a poll showing Kamala Harris leading Trump by 3 percentage points, when Trump ultimately won by over 13 points. Do you support or oppose the Trump lawsuit against Ann Selzer and the Des Moines Register?

(N=500)	n	%
Support	185	37.00
Oppose	255	51.00
Undecided	53	10.60
Refused	7	1.40

I'd like to get your opinion of the following politicians just to gauge popularity, not necessarily electability. For each, please tell me if you have a generally favorable or unfavorable opinion of them, or if you are undecided or have never heard of them. {RANDOMIZE}

(N=500)	Never Heard	Favorable	Unfavorable	Undecided
21. Donald Trump	0	238	244	18
	0.00	47.60	48.80	3.60
22. Ashley Hinson	45	223	174	58
	9.00	44.60	34.80	11.60
23. Josh Turek	89	192	132	87
	17.80	38.40	26.40	17.40
24. Zach Lahn	58	191	186	65
	11.60	38.20	37.20	13.00
25. Rob Sand	28	236	170	66
	5.60	47.20	34.00	13.20
26. Joni Ernst	47	206	204	43
	9.40	41.20	40.80	8.60
27. Chuck Grassley	14	224	224	38
	2.80	44.80	44.80	7.60
28. Kim Reynolds	29	225	221	25
	5.80	45.00	44.20	5.00
29. Barack Obama	4	244	225	27
	0.80	48.80	45.00	5.40

The next set of questions are about undiagnosed diseases in the U.S. and in Iowa and then we'll be done. You've been great.

30. Did you know that an estimated 25 million Americans are living with a rare condition, many of whom live up to a decade without a diagnosis - yes or no?

(N=500)	n	%
Yes	163	32.60
No	317	63.40
Undecided	16	3.20
Refused	4	0.80

31. Do you, or does anyone in your immediate family, currently suffer from a chronic medical condition that doctors have been unable to officially diagnose - yes or no?

(N=500)	n	%
Yes	79	15.80
No	414	82.80
Undecided	7	1.40
Refused	0	0.00

32. In your opinion, what is the biggest obstacle facing Iowa patients who are searching for a diagnosis for an unknown illness? {RANDOMIZE}

(N=500)	n	%
High costs of specialized medical testing	103	20.60
Lack of specialists near their home	101	20.20
Long wait times for appointments	51	10.20
Insurance companies refusing to cover experimental tests	188	37.60
Other	16	3.20
Undecided	37	7.40
Refused	4	0.80

33. Some patients must travel outside of Iowa to major medical centers to find answers for rare conditions. If you or a loved one needed to travel out of state for medical care, how difficult would that be for your family logistically? {ROTATE ASC-DESC}

(N=500)	n	%
Very difficult	89	17.80
Somewhat difficult	174	34.80
Not very difficult	121	24.20
Not at all difficult	110	22.00
Undecided	6	1.20
Refused	0	0.00

34. How much do you agree or disagree that the federal government should provide research funding to better understand rare and undiagnosed diseases? {ROTATE ASC-DESC}

(N=500)	n	%
Strongly agree	252	50.40
Somewhat agree	150	30.00
Somewhat disagree	38	7.60
Strongly disagree	38	7.60
Undecided	20	4.00
Refused	2	0.40

35. How would you describe your own political viewpoint - very liberal, liberal, moderate, conservative, very conservative? {ROTATE .1-.5 ASCENDING TO DESCENDING}

(N=500)	n	%
Very liberal	51	10.20
Liberal	73	14.60
Moderate	142	28.40
Conservative	148	29.60
Very conservative	68	13.60
Other	0	0.00
Don’t know	18	3.60

These final two questions will help us classify your answers with others taking the survey.

36. Has anyone in your household ever served in the U.S. military - yes or no?

(N=500)	n	%
Yes	195	39.00
No	297	59.40
Undecided	2	0.40
Refused	6	1.20

37. What is your annual household income?

(N=500)	n	%
Under $20,000 per year	38	7.60
Under $50,000 per year	106	21.20
Under $75,000 per year	75	15.00
Under $100,000 per year	93	18.60
Under $140,000 per year	71	14.20
$140,000 per year or more	67	13.40
Undecided	50	10.00

[THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. HAVE A NICE DAY/EVENING.]