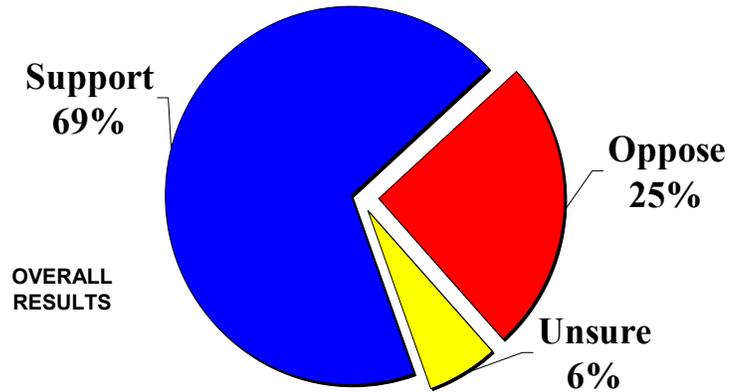


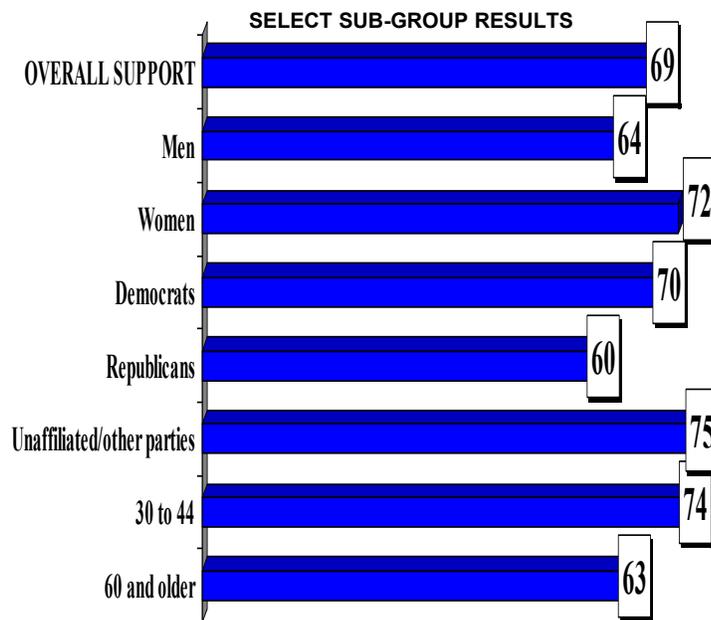
# Ohio Voter Survey Results: Increasing hunting & fishing license fees to fund conservation programs is a highly popular idea among the public

**QUESTION WORDING:**

*“Do you support or oppose increasing the costs of fees for hunting and fishing licenses by \$3 dollars for Ohioans, in order to fund conservation programs and services provided by the Ohio Department of Wildlife?”*



The notion of increasing hunting and fishing license fees by \$3, in order to provide more funding for conservation programs appears to be an eminently tenable idea. Even at its lowest point among any sub-group – 60 percent among Republicans, which is curious for what could presumably be construed as a non-partisan issue – it appears to have robust support across the board. Although, compared to women, men had slightly more tepid reactions, even 64 percent of them liked the idea. Whether it is due to a greater desire to improve and expand conservation efforts in Ohio, or, perhaps, benign reactions to the very modest amount of money that would be levied, it is clearly an idea that enjoys broad support throughout the state.



**METHODS:** This survey research data was gathered through telephone interviews that specially-trained interviewers conducted with 800 randomly-selected registered voters in the State of Ohio with histories of voting in recent November general elections, who had valid residential, VOIP or cellular telephone numbers. The interviews were performed during the period of May 9, 2017 through May 13, 2017. The overall estimated margin of sampling error is +/- 3.46%, based on a confidence level of 95%, although it varies for each individual question. This means that if this survey were repeated, 95 times out of 100 the results would be within plus or minus 3.46% of those provided herein. Adjustments were made to weight the results toward demographic and geographic characteristics of the state’s electorate, in order to account for under- and over-sampling that normally occurs as a result of the random selection process, and to ensure that all major sub-groups are represented in proportion to their actual percentages. Like all polls, this survey research is subject to other possible sources of error, such as unintentional bias in the wording of questions, data-entry error and nonresponse bias. **Please note that this survey question was not funded or commissioned by any organization or committee. Permission is granted for distribution to share this information with any interested parties.**

