

University of Iowa Hawkeye Poll – Topline Results
May 4, 2011
April 2011 poll of U.S. respondents

Sample: 867 participants nationwide, margin of error for full sample is +/- 3.3 percent; 352 participants were part of the Iowa sample, margin of error for Iowa sample is +/- 5.3 percent

The April 2011 Hawkeye Poll was in the field April 4-11. It was conducted by the Hawkeye Poll Cooperative, comprised of UI faculty, graduate and undergraduate students in the Department of Political Science. The poll is conducted with the cooperation and facilities of the Iowa Social Science Research Center, directed by UI Sociology Professor Kevin Leicht. Faculty adviser for the poll is UI Associate Professor of Political Science Frederick Boehmke. The poll is a teaching, research and service project of the UI Department of Political Science. The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the Office of the Provost fund the poll.

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Respondent Identification: A household sample was acquired of households of 48 states throughout the United States. An initial attempt was made upon answering the phone to reach the “youngest male who is 18 years or older.” Alternatively, an available female age 18 or older was interviewed. All who stated they were over age 18 and willing to participate in the survey were included.

Weighting: The survey was weighted according to state population age 18 and over.

Opinion on Gay Marriage (United States):

Legally Marry:	40.6%
Civil Unions but Not Marriage:	30.9%
No Legal Representation:	25.1%
Don't Know	02.4%

Opinion on Gay Marriage (Iowa):

Legally Marry:	34.9%
Civil Unions but Not Marriage:	29.7%

No Legal Representation: 31.2%

Don't Know 03.2%

Voted In 2010 Iowa Judicial Retention Election

Yes : 73.8%

No: 23.1%

Don't Know: 03.2%

Agree with voters' decision to dismiss the three justices:

Disagree: 41.8%

Agree: 47.4%

Don't Know 09.3%

Plan to vote on next judicial retention in 2012:

No: 06.5%

Yes: 86.7%

Don't Know 06.2%

Plan to vote for or against retaining the justice in 2012 (if plan to vote):

Against: 13.2%

For: 36.9%

Don't Know 46.9%

Agree with 2010 Judicial Retention Election Outcome v Iowa Opinion on Gay Marriage

	Legally Marry	Civil Union	No Legal Representation
Disagree	73.6%	40.1%	10.4%
Agree:	14.3%	49.9%	80.9%
Don't Know	10.1%	08.1%	07.8%

Agree with 2010 Judicial Retention Election Outcome v Plan on Voting in 2012 Retention Election

	Do Not Intend to Vote	Intend to Vote
Disagree:	46.3%	43.2%
Agree:	22.2%	49.6%
Don't Know	31.5%	05.4%

Agree with 2010 Judicial Retention Election Outcome v Voting For or Against Justice in 2012 Retention Election (Among those who intend to vote)

	Disagree	Agree	Don't Know
Against:	01.7%	24.6%	06.6%
For:	62.2%	15.9%	39.2%
Don't Know	33.4%	58.0%	54.2%

Voting For or Against Justice in 2012 Retention Election v Gay Marriage Support

	Legal Marriage	Civil Union	No Legal Representation	Don't Know
Against:	03.1%	11.3%	26.5%	16.5%
For:	56.1%	24.0%	20.2%	33.0%
Don't Know:	38.5%	51.0%	50.1%	40.6%