

**SURVEY OF LIKELY VOTERS IN MI 07
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Hello, this is ____ with Ayres, McHenry & Associates, a national public opinion research company. We're talking with people throughout the country for just a few minutes about some issues facing the nation. We are not trying to sell anything, your answers are completely confidential, and we would really appreciate your cooperation (DO NOT PAUSE).

A. Are you registered to vote in the county in which you live?

YES GO TO QUESTION C

NO GO TO QUESTION B

B. Is there anyone else in your household who is registered to vote in your county?

YES May I speak with that person please? GO TO INTRO

NO THANK AND CLOSE

C. How likely would you say you are to vote in the elections for Congress this fall: absolutely certain, very likely, somewhat likely, or not too likely?

ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN 75%

VERY LIKELY 19%

SOMEWHAT LIKELY 7%

NOT TOO LIKELY THANK AND CLOSE

DON'T KNOW/REFUSED THANK AND CLOSE

D. Are you, or is any member of your family, employed by a political campaign, an elected official, or a media organization?

YES THANK AND CLOSE

NO 100%

DON'T KNOW/REFUSED THANK AND CLOSE

1. Would you say that America is headed in the right direction, or have things gotten off on the wrong track?

RIGHT DIRECTION 26%

WRONG TRACK 66%

DON'T KNOW 9%

Results are based on 400 weighted respondents, MoE = ±4.90 percent. Totals may not equal 100 percent due to rounding.

2. What would you say is the most important issue facing the United States, that is, the one that concerns you most (DO NOT READ RESPONSES)?

ECONOMY/UNEMPLOYMENT/JOBS	53%
GOVERNMENT SPENDING/EARMARKS/DEFICIT	5%
FINANCIAL REFORM/BAILOUTS/WALL STREET	1%
HEALTH CARE REFORM/COST/QUALITY	5%
ENERGY/DEPENDENCE ON FOREIGN OIL	1%
CLIMATE CHANGE/ENVIRONMENT/POLLUTION	1%
GULF OIL SPILL (SPECIFIC MENTION)	0%
IRAQ.....	0%
AFGHANISTAN.....	1%
WAR ON TERROR/TERRORISM	3%
IMMIGRATION/ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION	3%
ETHICS/CORRUPTION IN GOVERNMENT	2%
TAXES	1%
GUNS/GUN RIGHTS	0%
EDUCATION	1%
TRAFFIC/ROADS/TRANSPORTATION	0%
CRIME/DRUGS.....	0%
GOVERNMENT TOO BIG/OVERREACHING.....	1%
MORALITY/TRADITIONAL VALUES	3%
OTHER (WRITE IN)	14%
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED	2%

3. Which of the following issues is most likely to affect your vote for Congress this fall: (ROTATE: controlling government spending, protecting our country from terrorism, protecting the environment, creating new jobs, making Washington DC more accountable, addressing illegal immigration, or improving our health care system)?

CONTROLLING GOVERNMENT SPENDING	21%
PROTECTING OUR COUNTRY	5%
PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT	2%
CREATING NEW JOBS.....	33%
MAKING WASHINGTON ACCOUNTABLE	16%
ADDRESSING ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION	5%
IMPROVING HEALTH CARE.....	9%
NONE OF THEM/SOMETHING ELSE.....	3%
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED	6%

4. In general, would you prefer that the next congressman from your congressional district be (ROTATE: a Republican or a Democrat)?

REPUBLICAN	38%
DEMOCRAT	35%
DEPENDS ON THE CANDIDATES (VOL)	20%
DON'T KNOW (VOL)	7%

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5. Overall, do you support or oppose the health care reform plan that was signed into law this spring? (IF SUPPORT/OPPOSE, ASK: Would that be strongly (SUPPORT/OPPOSE) or just somewhat (SUPPORT/OPPOSE)?)

STRONGLY SUPPORT 20%
 SOMEWHAT SUPPORT 17%
 SOMEWHAT OPPOSE 10%
 STRONGLY OPPOSE 43%
 DON'T KNOW 11%

SUPPORT 37%
 OPPOSE 53%
 DON'T KNOW 11%

Name IDs

I would like to read you a list of names and have you tell me, for each one, whether you've heard of that person and, if so, whether you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of them. If you haven't heard of the person, just say so (RANDOMIZE):

	<i>FAV</i>	<i>UNFAV</i>	<i>NO OPINION</i>	<i>NEVER HEARD OF</i>
6. Mark Schauer	40%	36%	16%	8%
7. Tim Walberg	41%	31%	20%	7%
8. Nancy Pelosi	24%	57%	12%	7%
9. Barack Obama	45%	50%	5%	1%
10. Virg Bernero	25%	27%	20%	29%
11. Rick Snyder	45%	10%	32%	13%

12. If the election for Congress were being held today and the candidates were (ROTATE: Tim Walberg, the Republican, and Mark Schauer, the Democrat) for which candidate would you vote?

IF REFUSED OR UNDECIDED, ASK:	WALBERG 48%
Which way do you lean as of today,	LEAN WALBERG 2%
toward (ROTATE: Walberg or Schauer)?	SCHAUER 38%
	LEAN SCHAUER 2%
	UNDECIDED 10%
	WALBERG 50%
	SCHAUER 40%
	UNDECIDED 10%

13. Do you think Mark Schauer deserves reelection as congressman, or do you think it is time to give someone else a chance?

DESERVES REELECTION 32%
 TIME FOR SOMEONE ELSE 55%
 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION 13%

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14. What is the single biggest reason you might not vote for Mark Schauer that you do not hear discussed often by the media? (PROBE FOR SPECIFICS)

15. Which of the following statements comes closer to your view (ROTATE):

- a. Mark Schauer’s time in Congress gives him the needed experience and power in Congress to give our district a strong voice in Washington.
- b. Mark Schauer’s time in Congress means he cares more about staying in power than about listening to his constituents.

NEEDED EXPERIENCE AND POWER 41%
 CARES MORE ABOUT POWER 44%
 DON’T KNOW/NO OPINION 15%

Now I am going to read a list of characteristics and have you tell me whether you think each characteristic better describes (ROTATE: Tim Walberg or Mark Schauer). If you think a characteristic describes both candidates equally, or neither one, just say so (ROTATE):

	<i>DESCRIBES WALBERG</i>	<i>DESCRIBES SCHAUER</i>	<i>BOTH EQUALLY</i>	<i>NEITHER ONE</i>	<i>DON'T KNOW</i>
16. Has new ideas that will change our country for the better.	28%	24%	7%	20%	21%
17. Will promote policies that are good for the economy.	36%	29%	10%	8%	18%
18. Will fight to keep taxes low.	47%	17%	6%	11%	18%
19. Will do the right thing to fix the health care reform bill.	37%	29%	5%	11%	18%
20. Is honest and trustworthy.	26%	25%	16%	16%	18%
21. Will work to get government spending under control.	40%	23%	8%	16%	13%

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Here are some criticisms that some people might make against Mark Schauer. For each criticism, please tell me whether it would make you much less likely to vote for Schauer for Congress, somewhat less likely to vote for Schauer for Congress, or whether that criticism would have no real effect on your vote (RANDOMIZE):

	<i>MUCH LESS LIKELY</i>	<i>SOMEWHAT LESS LIKELY</i>	<i>NO REAL EFFECT</i>	<i>DON'T KNOW</i>
22. He avoided public forums during the debate over the health care bill, and did not hold a town hall meeting until after the bill had passed.	39%	19%	34%	7%
23. His campaign was fined over two hundred thousand dollars for violating Michigan campaign finance law.	35%	20%	35%	9%
24. He voted for cap-and-trade, which Democratic leaders have called a great big tax, and independent analysts say will cause job losses.	41%	17%	29%	14%
25. He voted for President Obama's 787 billion dollar stimulus package.	38%	11%	43%	7%
26. He voted for ObamaCare, the Democratic health care reform bill.	43%	8%	42%	6%

27. Which of the following comes closest to your view about the Tea Party movement (ROTATE):

- a) I support the Tea Party movement and have attended a rally.
- b) I support the Tea Party movement and am likely to attend a rally in the future.
- c) I support the Tea Party movement, but am unlikely to attend a rally.
- d) I do not support the Tea Party movement.

SUPPORT/ATTENDED RALLY	6%
SUPPORT/LIKELY TO ATTEND RALLY	13%
SUPPORT/UNLIKELY TO ATTEND RALLY	28%
DO NOT SUPPORT	43%
NEVER HEARD OF TEA PARTY (VOL.)	2%
DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION	7%

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Demographics

Now I have a few questions just for statistical purposes.

28. In politics today, do you normally think of yourself as (ROTATE: a Republican, an independent, or a Democrat)?

IF "REPUBLICAN" OR "DEMOCRAT" ASK: Would you consider yourself a strong or a not-so-strong Republican/Democrat?	STRONG REPUBLICAN.....	20%
	NOT-SO-STRONG REPUBLICAN.....	9%
	IND LEAN REPUBLICAN.....	17%
	INDEPENDENT/NO PREF.....	11%
IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK: Do you think of yourself as closer to the (ROTATE: Republican or Democratic Party)?	IND LEAN DEMOCRAT.....	13%
	NOT-SO-STRONG DEMOCRAT.....	7%
	STRONG DEMOCRAT.....	20%
	REFUSED.....	4%

29. When thinking about politics today, do you normally consider yourself to be (ROTATE: very conservative, somewhat conservative, moderate, somewhat liberal, or very liberal)?

VERY CONSERVATIVE.....	25%
SOMEWHAT CONSERVATIVE.....	29%
MODERATE.....	22%
SOMEWHAT LIBERAL.....	16%
VERY LIBERAL.....	6%
NO OPINION.....	3%

30. Would you please stop me when I read the correct category for your age?

18 TO 34.....	8%
35 TO 49.....	24%
50 TO 64.....	40%
65 OR OLDER.....	28%
REFUSED (DO NOT READ).....	1%

31. Would you please stop me when I read the correct category for your total household income?

\$25,000 OR LESS.....	13%
\$25,000 TO \$50,000.....	24%
\$50,000 TO \$75,000.....	22%
\$75,000 TO \$100,000.....	16%
\$100,000 TO \$150,000.....	8%
\$150,000 TO \$250,000.....	2%
\$250,000 OR MORE.....	1%
REFUSED.....	14%

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32. Is your religious background Protestant, Catholic, Jewish or something else? (IF SOMETHING ELSE OR UNCLEAR RESPONSE ASK: Is that a Christian religion or not?)

PROTESTANT	49%	GO TO Q. 33
CATHOLIC	20%	GO TO Q. 33
OTHER CHRISTIAN	18%	GO TO Q. 33
JEWISH	1%	GO TO Q. 34
MUSLIM	0%	GO TO Q. 34
OTHER NON-CHRISTIAN	5%	GO TO Q. 34
AGNOSTIC/ATHEIST	1%	GO TO Q. 34
NONE	3%	GO TO Q. 34
DON'T KNOW (DNR)	1%	GO TO Q. 34
REFUSED (DNR)	4%	GO TO Q. 34

33. Would you describe yourself as an evangelical Christian, or not?

EVANGELICAL	32%
NON-EVANGELICAL	59%
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED	8%

Note: Results based on 345 Christian voters.

34. Do you consider yourself to be (ROTATE: pro-life or pro-choice) on abortion?

PRO-LIFE	49%
PRO-CHOICE	43%
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED	9%

35. Are you from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background?

IF NO, ASK: What would you say is your main race: white, African American, Asian, or something else?

YES/HISPANIC	2%
NO/WHITE	89%
NO/BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN	5%
NO/ASIAN	0%
NO/OTHER	2%
REFUSED	3%

36. Gender (from observation):

MALE	50%
FEMALE	50%

That's all the questions I have. Thank you very much for sharing your opinions with us.

37. COUNTY FIPS: _____

38. STATE: _____

39. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: _____

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