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MICHIGAN SENATE AND GOVERNOR

Methodology

Conducted September 24-28, 2026 under the joint direction of Beacon Research (D) and Shaw & Company Research (R), this Fox News Poll includes interviews with a sample of 1,203 Michigan registered voters randomly selected from a statewide voter file. Respondents spoke with live interviewers on landlines (114) and cellphones (794) or completed the survey online by following a link received via text message (295).

Telephone numbers were randomly selected from a statewide voter file of registered Michigan voters using a probability proportionate to size method, which means phone numbers are proportionally representative to the number of voters in all regions across the city. Telephone fieldwork conducted by Braun Research, Inc. of Princeton, NJ.

Results based on the full sample have a margin of sampling error of ± 2.5 percentage points. A subsample of 1,028 has been defined as likely voters (LV), with a margin of error of ± 3 percentage points. Sampling error associated with subgroup results is higher. In addition to sampling error, question wording and order can influence results. Results among subgroups are only shown when the sample size is at least $N=100$.

When necessary, weights are generally applied to age, race, education, and area variables to ensure the demographics of survey respondents are representative of the registered voter population. Sources for developing weight targets include the most recent American Community Survey, Fox News Voter Analysis, and voter file data.

Results are of registered voters, unless otherwise noted. Likely voters are based on a probabilistic statistical model that relies on past vote history, interest in the current election, intention to vote, age, education, race, ethnicity, and marital status.

Web-based survey wording may differ slightly from telephone wording for improved clarity.

An asterisk () is used for percentages of less than one-half percent. A dash (-) represents a value of zero.*

Some percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding. In the same way, percentages in "total" columns may be one point more or less than the sum of their parts due to rounding.

1. How interested are you in the 2026 midterm elections? Are you:

	-----Interested-----			-----Not interested-----			(Don't know)
	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Extremely</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Not very</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	
Likely Voters							
24-28 Sep 26	89%	60	29	11	9	2	1

For reference: How interested are you in the 2024 presidential election? Are you:

	<u>Extremely</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Somewhat</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	(Don't know)
24-28 Oct 24	71%	18	9	2	-

Registered Voters

24-28 Sep 26	84%	55	30	15	12	3	1
6-10 Aug 26	80%	50	30	20	16	4	-

For reference: How interested are you in the 2024 presidential election? Are you:

	<u>Extremely</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Somewhat</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	(Don't know)
24-28 Oct 24	68%	18	12	3	-
11-16 Apr 24	54%	22	18	6	*
8-12 Feb 24	52%	23	17	7	1
18-20 July 20	53%	28	14	4	*
18-21 Apr 20	50%	27	18	5	1

2. There are a range of reasons why people do or do not vote. Thinking about November's election for senate, governor, and other offices, please tell me how likely it is that you will vote on a scale from zero to 10, where 10 means you're certain you will vote and zero means there is no chance you will vote. If you have already voted, either early or by sending in a mail or absentee ballot, please just say so.

Likely Voters

	<u>24-28 Sep 26</u>
10 – Certain to vote	75%
9	7
8	4
7	3
6	2
5	3
4	1
3	1
2	*
1	*
0 – No chance will vote	1
Already voted	2
(Don't know / Refused)	*

Registered Voters

	<u>24-28 Sep 26</u>	<u>6-10 Aug 26</u>
10 – Certain to vote	70%	66%
9	6	6
8	5	7
7	4	5
6	3	3
5	5	6
4	1	2
3	1	1
2	1	1
1	1	1
0 – No chance will vote	2	2
Already voted	2	N/A
(Don't know / Refused)	*	*

3. **[IF NOT ALREADY VOTED:** If the Michigan election for U.S. Senator were today, would you vote for: **[IF DON'T KNOW:** Do you lean closer to one candidate?)] **[IF ALREADY VOTED:** When you cast your early or absentee ballot in the election for U.S. Senator, did you vote for:] **[ROTATE NAMES]**

Likely Voters

	<u>24-28 Sep 26</u>
Democrat Abdul El-Sayed	50%
Republican Mike Rogers	49
(Other)	*
(Wouldn't vote)	*
(Don't know)	1

Registered Voters

	<u>24-28 Sep 26</u>	<u>6-10 Aug 26</u>
Democrat Abdul El-Sayed	51%	47%
Republican Mike Rogers	48	51
(Other)	*	-
(Wouldn't vote)	*	*
(Don't know)	1	2

[SKIP IF OTHER, WOULDN'T VOTE, OR DON'T KNOW IN Q3 AND CODE AS DON'T KNOW. SKIP IF LEAN TOWARD CANDIDATE IN Q3 AND CODE AS MAY CHANGE MIND.] [SKIP AND CODE AS CERTAIN IF ALREADY VOTED IN Q2] [EL-SAYED SUPPORTERS LV $\pm 4\%$ RV $\pm 4\%$, ROGERS SUPPORTERS LV $\pm 4\%$ RV $\pm 4\%$]

4. Are you certain to support **[Q3 ANSWER: El-Sayed / Rogers]**, or do you think you may change your mind and support someone else? **[IF DON'T KNOW: Re-read question and probe for answer]**

	<u>Certain to support</u>	<u>May change mind</u>	<u>(Don't know)</u>
Likely Voters			
24-28 Sep 26	82%	15	3
El-Sayed supporters	87%	12	1
Rogers supporters	80%	18	1
Registered Voters			
24-28 Sep 26	80%	18	3
El-Sayed supporters	83%	16	1
Rogers supporters	78%	21	1
6-10 Aug 26	75%	23	2
El-Sayed supporters	77%	22	1
Rogers supporters	76%	24	-

[ROTATE NEXT TWO QUESTIONS]

5. Regardless of how you plan to vote, how concerned are you that Abdul El-Sayed's positions on the issues are too liberal?

	<u>-----Concerned-----</u>			<u>-----Not concerned-----</u>			<u>(Don't know)</u>
	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Extremely</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Not very</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	
24-28 Sep 26 LV	52%	36	16	47	23	24	1
24-28 Sep 26 RV	50%	33	17	49	26	24	1

For reference: Regardless of how you plan to vote, how concerned are you that Abdul El-Sayed's positions on the issues are too extreme?

	<u>-----Concerned-----</u>			<u>-----Not concerned-----</u>			<u>(Don't know)</u>
	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Extremely</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Not very</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	
6-10 Aug 26	54%	33	21	45	27	19	1

6. Regardless of how you plan to vote, how concerned are you that Mike Rogers is too close to Donald Trump?

	<u>-----Concerned-----</u>			<u>-----Not concerned-----</u>			<u>(Don't know)</u>
	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Extremely</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Not very</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	
Likely Voters							
24-28 Sep 26	54%	39	15	45	19	27	1
Registered Voters							
24-28 Sep 26	55%	38	17	45	20	25	1
6-10 Aug 26	51%	36	15	48	22	26	1

7. Which political party do you want to win control of the U.S. Senate in the upcoming election? **[ROTATE]**

	<u>Democratic Party</u>	<u>Republican Party</u>	<u>(Don't know)</u>
24-28 Sep 26 LV	52%	47	1
24-28 Sep 26 RV	53%	46	2

- 8.-12. How important will **[ITEM]** be to your vote for Senate? **[RANDOMIZE]**

	-----Important-----			-----Not important-----			(Don't
	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Extremely</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Not very</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>know</u>)
The cost of living							
24-28 Sep 26 LV	93%	69	24	6	5	1	1
24-28 Sep 26 RV	93%	70	23	6	5	1	1
U.S. policy toward Israel							
24-28 Sep 26 LV	75%	40	35	24	19	5	1
24-28 Sep 26 RV	73%	38	35	26	20	6	1
Immigration							
24-28 Sep 26 LV	74%	44	30	25	18	6	1
24-28 Sep 26 RV	72%	42	30	27	21	7	1
Artificial intelligence technology							
24-28 Sep 26 LV	73%	38	35	26	20	6	1
24-28 Sep 26 RV	72%	37	35	27	20	7	1
Donald Trump							
24-28 Sep 26 LV	69%	49	20	30	15	15	1
24-28 Sep 26 RV	68%	48	20	31	15	17	1

Moving on...

13. **[IF NOT ALREADY VOTED:** If the Michigan election for governor were today, would you vote for: **[IF DON'T KNOW:** Do you lean closer to one candidate?)] **[IF ALREADY VOTED:** When you cast your early or absentee ballot in the election for governor, did you vote for:] **[ROTATE NAMES]**

Likely Voters

	<u>24-28 Sep 26</u>
Democrat Jocelyn Benson	54%
Republican John James	45
(Other)	*
(Wouldn't vote)	*
(Don't know)	1

Registered Voters

	<u>24-28 Sep 26</u>	<u>6-10 Aug 26</u>
Democrat Jocelyn Benson	55%	52%
Republican John James	44	47
(Other)	*	-
(Wouldn't vote)	*	-
(Don't know)	1	1

14. Thinking about your personal financial situation, do you feel like you are getting ahead financially, holding steady, or falling behind?

	<u>Getting ahead</u>	<u>Holding steady</u>	<u>Falling behind</u>	<u>(Don't know)</u>
Likely Voters				
24-28 Sep 26	10%	47	42	*
24-28 Oct 24	13%	41	45	*
Registered Voters				
24-28 Sep 26	10%	47	43	*
6-10 Aug 26	12%	48	40	*
24-28 Oct 24	14%	42	45	*
22-24 July 24	13%	37	49	1
11-16 Apr 24	13%	39	48	1
8-12 Feb 24	12%	43	44	1
18-21 Apr 20	6%	63	29	2

15.-16. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the following? If you've never heard of one, please just say so. **[IF FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE: Is that strongly (favorable / unfavorable) or only somewhat?]** **[ROTATE]**

		-----Favorable-----			-----Unfavorable-----			(Can't	Never
		<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>Somewhat</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Somewhat</u>	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>say)</u>	<u>heard of</u>
Abdul El-Sayed									
Likely Voters									
24-28 Sep 26		47%	29	18	48	11	37	4	1
Registered Voters									
24-28 Sep 26		47%	28	19	46	12	35	5	1
6-10 Aug 26		42%	21	21	55	17	38	1	2
Mike Rogers									
Likely Voters									
24-28 Sep 26		44%	23	21	50	12	38	5	1
Registered Voters									
24-28 Sep 26		41%	21	20	50	13	37	6	2
6-10 Aug 26		45%	22	23	51	18	33	1	3

17. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as president? **[IF APPROVE / DISAPPROVE: Is that strongly (approve/disapprove), or only somewhat?]**

		-----Approve-----			-----Disapprove-----			(Don't know)
		<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>Somewhat</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Somewhat</u>	<u>Strongly</u>	
Likely Voters								
	24-28 Sep 26	40%	22	18	59	10	50	1
	FIRST TERM TREND							
	17-20 Oct 20	44%	28	16	55	8	47	1
Registered Voters								
	24-28 Sep 26	38%	20	19	61	11	50	1
	FIRST TERM TREND							
	17-20 Oct 20	43%	28	16	56	9	47	1
	18-20 July 20	45%	26	18	54	7	47	1
	18-21 Apr 20	47%	30	17	51	10	40	2

POLITICAL IDENTIFICATION

		-----Democrat-----			-----Republican-----			Independent /
		<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Solid</u>	<u>Lean</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Solid</u>	<u>Lean</u>	<u>Other</u>
Likely Voters								
	24-28 Sep 26	47%	34	13	44	37	7	9
	PAST TREND							
	24-28 Oct 24	43%	34	9	45	36	9	12
	17-20 Oct 20	45%	38	7	41	32	9	14
Registered Voters								
	24-28 Sep 26	47%	34	13	43	36	7	11
	6-10 Aug 26	44%	36	8	43	36	7	13
	PAST TREND							
	24-28 Oct 24	43%	33	10	43	34	9	14
	22-24 July 24	44%	35	9	42	32	11	14
	11-16 Apr 24	41%	33	8	42	33	9	16
	8-12 Feb 24	43%	35	8	40	32	8	16
	17-20 Oct 20	45%	38	7	40	32	8	15
	18-20 July 20	44%	36	8	40	31	9	16
	18-21 Apr 20	44%	36	8	41	33	8	16