## New Poll: A Solid Majority of Voters Support the Women's Health Protection Act (WHPA)

## Majorities also believe that the constitutional right to abortion should be protected.

METHODOLOGY: This memo summarizes key findings from a nationally representative online survey conducted January 15 to January 20, 2021 among 1,629 registered voters nationally. The sample is demographically and geographically representative of the 2020 electorate nationally and consistent with the results of the 2020 presidential vote, nationally.

The new polling finds:
A majority of voters support the Women's Health Protection Act (WHPA)-a bill to protect abortion rights and access in every state.

- $61 \%$ of voters nationally support passage of a national law that would protect the constitutional right to access abortion by creating a nationwide safeguard against bans and medically unnecessary restrictions on abortion. That law is WHPA. This includes:
- $82 \%$ of Democrats
- $60 \%$ of independents
- $39 \%$ of Republicans
- $62 \%$ of swing voters
- $63 \%$ of suburban women
- Across the country, majorities of women, men, voters of color, white voters, and voters across generations favor WHPA.

Support for national law protecting constitutional right to access abortion by creating a nationwide safeguard against bans and medically unnecessary restrictions on abortion


| Favor WHPA: | National |
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| Women | 62\% |
| Men | 59\% |
| Age 18 to 34 | 63\% |
| Age 35 to 49 | 63\% |
| Age 50 to 64 | 59\% |
| Age 65/older | 52\% |
| Black voters | 79\% |
| Hispanic voters | 67\% |
| AAPI voters | 67\% |
| White voters | 57\% |

- Among voters of color, WHPA garners majority support across gender and age, including:
- 79\% of Black voters;
- $67 \%$ of Hispanic voters overall, $77 \%$ of Hispanic women;
- $67 \%$ of Asian-American and Pacific-Islander voters overall, $75 \%$ of Asian-American and Pacific-Islander women.
- Support for WHPA is especially strong among voters under age 30, with large majorities expressing support for creating a national law:
- 66\% of voters under age 30, including majorities across gender, race, and ethnicity support passing WHPA, with especially strong levels of support among younger Black (78\%) and Hispanic voters (70\%).

Nearly 7 in 10 voters believe that the constitutional right to abortion should be protected and voters express serious concern about the potential for states to ban abortion should Roe $v$. Wade be overturned.

- $68 \%$ of voters nationwide believe that the constitutional right to abortion should be protected. This is the majority point of view across most of the electorate, including:
- $91 \%$ of Democrats
- $71 \%$ of independents
- $43 \%$ of Republicans, including $72 \%$ of moderate and liberal Republicans
- 72\% of swing voters
- $68 \%$ of suburban women
- Majorities of men, women, voters of color, white voters, and across generations believe the constitutional right to abortion should be protected.
- Voters of color and voters under age 30 are especially strong in this belief, with roughly three in four or more holding this point of view. Among voters of color, this is the solid majority opinion across gender and generations.

Proportions who strongly/somewhat agree with statement by race, ethnicity, and age
"The constitutional right to abortion should be protected."


- $\mathbf{7 3 \%}$ of voters nationwide say that it is at least somewhat of a concern that 24 states are likely to ban abortion completely if Roe $v$. Wade is overturned, with $\mathbf{5 8 \%}$ saying it is a big concern. These potential state bans are cause for BIG concern across much of the electorate, including:
- $85 \%$ of Democrats
- $49 \%$ of independents
- 34\% of Republicans, including 53\% of moderate and liberal Republicans
- $57 \%$ of swing voters
- $66 \%$ of suburban women
- Majorities of women, men, voters of color, white voters, and across generations say that it is a BIG concern that 24 states are likely to ban abortion completely if Roe $v$. Wade is overturned.
- At very high rates, voters of color and those under age 30 express BIG concern at the prospect of 24 states banning abortion completely if Roe $v$. Wade is overturned.

Proportions saying it is a big concern that 24 states are likely to ban abortion completely if Roe $v$. Wade is overturned


