



Healthy People, Healthy Planet

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About the poll:

Healthy People, Healthy Planet (HP2) Poll studies Michigan citizens' attitudes toward the **environment, the economy, and governmental policies.**

This online poll surveyed **1,000 Michigan residents** about general topics and specific issues like harmful algae blooms in the Great Lakes and the Line 5 oil pipeline in the Mackinaw Straits.

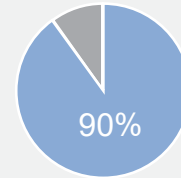


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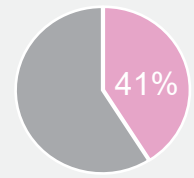
of Michigan residents expressed that the **environment should take priority**, even at the risk of curbing economic growth.

Attitudes differed by voting choices

90% of people who voted for Hillary Clinton in 2016 said the environment should be given priority over economic growth, while only **41%** of people who voted for Donald Trump said the environment should take priority.



Voters for Hillary Clinton in 2016



Voters for Donald Trump in 2016

79%

of Michigan citizens were concerned about **harmful algae blooms in the Great Lakes.**

Concern prominent across political spectrum

89% of Clinton voters and **71%** of Trump voters believe the government should enact policies to prevent algae blooms.

46%

thought the **Line 5 oil pipeline** in the Mackinaw Straits **should be closed down.**

Opinions on Line 5 fell along party lines

63% of Clinton voters favored removal, and only **26%** of Trump voters favored removal

Key Takeaway

Despite some political disagreement, the majority of Michigan citizens value the environmental health of the Great Lakes and believe **the environment should be protected by governmental policies.**