



## Wisconsin Survey Results

**Q1** As you may know, the Wisconsin State Senate is considering an open-pit mining bill. Supporters of the bill say that Wisconsin should streamline its environmental regulations in order to create more open-pit mining jobs in Northern Wisconsin. Opponents say that the existing water protections should not be weakened to allow out-of-state mining companies to expose Wisconsin families to chemicals such as mercury, lead, and arsenic. Which comes closer to your point of view?

<i>Environmental Regulations Should Be Streamlined</i> .....	34%	<i>Environmental Regulations Should Not Be Weakened</i> ..	49%
		<i>Not Sure</i> .....	16%

**Q2** As a part of the open-pit mining bill, there is a provision to reduce public participation in the mining application process and eliminate a citizen's right to formally contest the claims of a mining developer. Supporters of this provision argue it's necessary in order to provide mining companies certainty over the regulatory review process. Opponents argue that the current law should not be weakened because citizens should have the right to object to a mining proposal that could potentially contaminate their drinking water. Which comes closer to your point of view?

<i>Citizens Should Not Be Able To Contest Mining Companies</i> .....	22%	<i>Citizens Should Have Right To Contest Mining Companies</i> .....	72%
		<i>Not sure</i> .....	6%

**Q3** As a part of the open-pit mining bill, there is a provision that changes the current law to allow mining companies to fill wetlands with mining waste and other materials. Supporters of this provision say it is necessary in order to attract open-pit mining companies and mining jobs to Wisconsin. Opponents argue the provision would allow mining companies to contaminate public drinking water. They also argue that contaminated wetlands endanger hunting and fishing opportunities. Which comes closer to your point of view? If you think the current wetlands protection law should be changed, press 1. If you think the current wetlands protection law should not be weakened, press 2. If you're not sure, press 3.

<i>Change Wetlands Protection Law</i> .....	22%	<i>Wetlands Law Should Not Be Weakened</i> .....	69%
		<i>Not sure</i> .....	8%

**Q4** As a part of the open-pit mining bill, there is a provision that caps the amount of money that the Department of Natural Resources can collect from a mining company for reviewing their permit. Supporters of this provision argue it's necessary in order to provide mining companies certainty over the regulatory review process. Opponents argue that the mining companies should be responsible for paying for the analysis, and they cite a non-partisan study claiming this new provision will cost taxpayers an additional \$3.8 million per year in regulatory costs. Which comes closer to your point of view?

<i>Public Should Pay for Additional Regulatory Costs</i> ....	15%	<i>Mining Companies Should Pay</i> .....	77%
		<i>Not sure</i> .....	8%

**Q5** If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

<i>Woman</i> .....	54%
<i>Man</i> .....	46%





**Q6** If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republican, press 2. If you are an independent or identify with another party, press 3.

<i>Democrat</i> .....	33%
<i>Republican</i> .....	27%
<i>Independent/Other</i> .....	40%

**Q7** If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1. If 30 to 45, press 2. If 46 to 65, press 3. If you are older than 65, press 4.

<i>18 to 29</i> .....	9%
<i>30 to 45</i> .....	29%
<i>46 to 65</i> .....	40%
<i>Older than 65</i> .....	22%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Streamline Env Regs v. Do Not Weaken Env Regs</b>			
Environmental Regulations Should Be Streamlined	34%	28%	42%
Environmental Regulations Should Not Be Weakened	49%	53%	45%
Not Sure	16%	19%	13%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Should Citizens Have the Right to Contest Mining Companies?</b>			
Citizens Should Not Be Able To Contest Mining Companies	22%	16%	29%
Citizens Should Have Right To Contest Mining Companies	72%	77%	66%
Not sure	6%	7%	5%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Change Wetlands Law or Keep Wetland Protections?</b>			
Change Wetlands Protection Law	22%	16%	30%
Wetlands Law Should Not Be Weakened	69%	75%	63%
Not sure	8%	9%	7%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Public or Mining Companies Pay for Regulatory Costs?</b>			
Public Should Pay for Additional Regulatory Costs	15%	11%	21%
Mining Companies Should Pay	77%	80%	72%
Not sure	8%	9%	7%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Streamline Env Regs v. Do Not Weaken Env Regs</b>				
Environmental Regulations Should Be Streamlined	34%	22%	51%	33%
Environmental Regulations Should Not Be Weakened	49%	63%	30%	51%
Not Sure	16%	16%	19%	16%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Should Citizens Have the Right to Contest Mining Companies?</b>				
Citizens Should Not Be Able To Contest Mining Companies	22%	10%	37%	21%
Citizens Should Have Right To Contest Mining Companies	72%	87%	52%	74%
Not sure	6%	3%	11%	6%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Change Wetlands Law or Keep Wetland Protections?</b>				
Change Wetlands Protection Law	22%	14%	35%	21%
Wetlands Law Should Not Be Weakened	69%	81%	53%	70%
Not sure	8%	5%	12%	9%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Public or Mining Companies Pay for Regulatory Costs?</b>				
Public Should Pay for Additional Regulatory Costs	15%	7%	26%	15%
Mining Companies Should Pay	77%	89%	65%	74%
Not sure	8%	4%	9%	11%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Streamline Env Regs v. Do Not Weaken Env Regs</b>					
<b>Environmental Regulations Should Be Streamlined</b>	34%	29%	33%	35%	36%
<b>Environmental Regulations Should Not Be Weakened</b>	49%	42%	51%	53%	43%
<b>Not Sure</b>	16%	29%	15%	12%	21%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Should Citizens Have the Right to Contest Mining Companies?</b>					
<b>Citizens Should Not Be Able To Contest Mining Companies</b>	22%	13%	28%	23%	15%
<b>Citizens Should Have Right To Contest Mining Companies</b>	72%	79%	68%	71%	77%
<b>Not sure</b>	6%	8%	4%	6%	8%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Change Wetlands Law or Keep Wetland Protections?</b>					
<b>Change Wetlands Protection Law</b>	22%	17%	28%	23%	17%
<b>Wetlands Law Should Not Be Weakened</b>	69%	75%	65%	69%	73%
<b>Not sure</b>	8%	8%	7%	8%	10%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Public or Mining Companies Pay for Regulatory Costs?</b>					
<b>Public Should Pay for Additional Regulatory Costs</b>	15%	13%	20%	15%	11%
<b>Mining Companies Should Pay</b>	77%	83%	72%	76%	81%
<b>Not sure</b>	8%	4%	8%	9%	8%

