

Tennessee Statewide Republican Primary Voter Survey

Conducted: March 18-24, 2026

Number of Respondents: 300

Margin of Error: $\pm 5.66\%$

Q1. Are you a registered voter in the state of Tennessee at this address?

Response	Percent
Yes	100.0

Q2. There is an upcoming Primary Election for Governor this August. Do you plan to participate, and if so, in which party's primary election?

Response	Percent
I plan to vote in the Republican Primary	100.0

Q7. If the Republican Primary for Governor were held today and your choices were the following, who would you most likely support?

Response	Percent
Marsha Blackburn	56.1
John Rose	13.8
Monty Fritts	10.5
Unsure	19.7

Q8. And who would be your second choice in the Republican Primary for Governor?

Response	Percent
Marsha Blackburn	32.8
John Rose	27.6
Monty Fritts	16.2
Unsure	23.4

Q9. In general, do you support Republican legislators in the state legislature, or would you be more likely to support their Republican challengers?

Response	Percent
Definitely support current Republican leaders	25.2
Mostly support current Republican leaders	30.2
Mostly support Republican primary challengers	12.3
Definitely support Republican primary challengers	8.9
Unsure	23.4

Q10. Do you believe Tennessee’s economy is getting better, staying about the same, or getting worse?

Response	Percent
About the same	39.9
Getting better	32.3
Getting worse	23.9
Unsure	3.9

Q11. Which level of government do you believe has the greatest impact on Tennessee’s economy?

Response	Percent
State	52.7
Federal	19.9
Local	19.1
Unsure	8.2

Q12. Currently, a loophole in state law allows the parents of chronically absent students to avoid punishment by placing their child in homeschool. While protecting the rights of homeschooling families, should parents who use this loophole still face disciplinary consequences for truancy?

Response	Percent
Yes	48.2
No	27.4
Unsure	24.4

Q13. Tennessee funds schools based on individual student considerations, including whether their family qualifies for federal assistance. Changes in federal policy and qualifications for assistance can cause large swings in student and school funding. Should Tennessee match other states in broadening the definition of an economically disadvantaged student to better stabilize funding?

Response	Percent
Yes	40.5
No	30.5
Unsure	29.0

Q14. Do you believe clean and energy cost-reducing nuclear energy production in Tennessee is safe?

Response	Percent
Mostly safe	56.9
Somewhat safe	17.3
Neutral	18.0
Somewhat unsafe	4.5
Mostly unsafe	3.3

Q15. Do you support or oppose creating a deep geologic repository to safely store nuclear fuel management?

Response	Percent
Strongly support	19.8
Somewhat support	24.9
Neutral	19.4
Somewhat oppose	6.7
Strongly oppose	12.2
Unsure	17.0

Q16. Pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs) are third parties that manage prescription drug benefits. Some PBMs also own pharmacies that sell prescriptions to patients – known as vertical integration. Do you support or oppose prohibiting PBMs from owning or controlling pharmacies in Tennessee?

Response	Percent
Strongly support	27.2
Somewhat support	11.8
Neutral	11.0
Somewhat oppose	15.5
Strongly oppose	22.3
Unsure	12.2

Now I'd like to ask some questions about school choice and education freedom issues in Tennessee. Based on what you know or have heard from others, in general, do you support or oppose:

Q17. Charter Schools: public schools that have more control over their own budget, staff, and curriculum, and are exempt from some public school regulations in exchange for greater accountability for results.

Response	Percent
Strongly support	36.5
Somewhat support	25.0
Neutral	12.7
Somewhat oppose	10.4
Strongly oppose	9.0
Unsure	6.4

Q18. Open enrollment: Allows students to transfer to the public school of their choice, instead of just the school they are assigned to based on where they live.

Response	Percent
Strongly support	49.5
Somewhat support	22.1
Neutral	6.7
Somewhat oppose	11.0
Strongly oppose	9.7
Unsure	1.1

Q19. Education Freedom Scholarships: a system that gives parents a scholarship to pay for partial or full tuition at the school of their choice, whether that school is public, private, religious, etc.

Response	Percent
Strongly support	47.6
Somewhat support	14.0
Neutral	8.2
Somewhat oppose	8.2
Strongly oppose	19.3
Unsure	2.6

Q20. Do you believe these school choice policies expand opportunities for families in Tennessee?

Response	Percent
Yes	68.2
No	20.9
Unsure	10.9

Q21. Do you support or oppose expanding school choice opportunities in rural areas of Tennessee?

Response	Percent
Strongly support	50.1
Somewhat support	17.5
Neutral	8.4
Somewhat oppose	8.2
Strongly oppose	11.4
Unsure	4.4

Q22. Governor Lee has proposed expanding Tennessee’s statewide school choice program – Education Freedom Scholarships – from 20,000 to 40,000 to allow more students to participate. Do you support or oppose this expansion?

Response	Percent
Strongly support	39.8
Somewhat support	19.7
Neutral	10.8
Somewhat oppose	5.0
Strongly oppose	21.2
Unsure	3.4

Now I’d like to ask some questions about school choice and education freedom issues in Tennessee. Based on what you know or have heard from others, in general, do you support or oppose:

Q23. Your Republican legislator passed legislation that would cap how much cities and counties can raise property taxes each year.

Response	Percent
Much more likely	63.0
Somewhat more likely	19.2
Somewhat less likely	4.6
Much less likely	5.6
Makes no difference	7.6

Q24. Your Republican legislator passed legislation to remove certificate of need laws that mandate state approval before health care providers can add or expand hospitals or medical services. Removing this red tape will create more access to health care and increase competition.

Response	Percent
Much more likely	55.5
Somewhat more likely	25.4
Somewhat less likely	5.2
Much less likely	4.7

Makes no difference 9.2

Q25. Your Republican legislator passed legislation to break up pharmacy monopolies, increase competition and access to medicine, and support local independent pharmacies.

Response	Percent
Much more likely	66.2
Somewhat more likely	22.8
Somewhat less likely	3.5
Much less likely	2.5
Makes no difference	5.0

Q26. Your Republican legislator passed legislation to have Tennessee lead the nation in immigration enforcement, including criminalizing being an illegal immigrant in Tennessee and requiring state, city, and county governments to verify legal work status.

Response	Percent
Much more likely	71.7
Somewhat more likely	11.9
Somewhat less likely	3.6
Much less likely	10.1
Makes no difference	2.7

Q3. What is your gender?

Response	Percent
Male	50.0
Female	50.0

Q4. What is your correct age bracket?

Response	Percent
18-35	6.0
36-50	17.0
51-65	31.0
65 or older	46.0

Q5. Do you consider yourself to live in an urban, suburban, or rural community?

Response	Percent
Rural	48.4
Suburban	43.7
Urban	7.8

Q6. Do you consider yourself to be more of a MAGA Republican, Traditional Republican, or Moderate Republican?

Response	Percent
MAGA Republican	46.7
Traditional Republican	31.1
Moderate Republican	22.0

Primary Vote History

Response	Percent
1	12.2
2	25.6
3	28.0
4	34.3

Send Mode

Response	Percent
Live	41.9
Text	58.1

DMA Name

Response	Percent
Nashville	36.2
Knoxville	24.5
Memphis	13.6
Chattanooga	11.1
Tri-Cities TN-VA	8.4
Jackson TN	4.6
Paducah-Cape Girard-Harsbg	1.2
Huntsville-Decatur (Flor)	0.3