



# Community United For Safety And Protection

Advocating Safety and Protection for all people in Alaska's Sex Trade  
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## Community United for Safety and Protection Statewide Poll

A Survey of Registered Alaskan Voters

Survey conducted by Hays Research Group  
12/1/16-12/5/16 , n= 904 , m.o.e. +/- 3.26%

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## Methodology

Hays Research Group was contracted by Community United for Safety and Protection to conduct this telephone survey as a means to collect data on opinions regarding prostitution and related laws in Alaska. This poll was fielded 12/1/16-12/5/16 among 904 registered voters in the state of Alaska. The sample size of 904 voters surveyed results in an overall margin of error of +/- 3.26% for this poll.

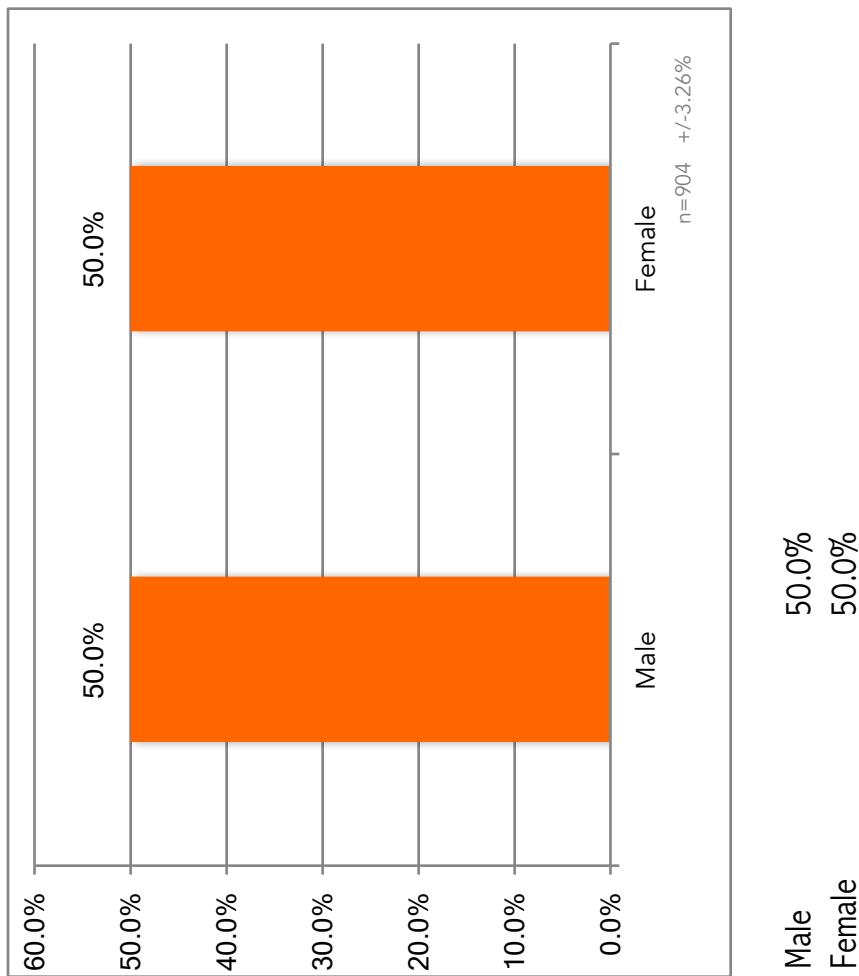
The sample of voters surveyed for this project was designed to accurately reflect the actual population percentages of each of the precincts within the state of Alaska. Within the voting history target, individuals were chosen at random from Hays Research Group's proprietary database of Alaskan household and cell phone numbers. Quotas were established to ensure the results reflect the actual population distribution within the State. If quotas could not be met for each criterion due to non-response, the results were weighted to reflect actual percentages. Callbacks were attempted as many as five times for each number to maximize the penetration of the sample. Quotas were also established to ensure that at least 50% of the completed interviews were completed with respondents on cell phones.

The survey instrument for this project was developed in concert with the client, and was reviewed by Hays Research Group staff to ensure that all of the wording was appropriate and would result in a statistically unbiased, useful and relevant survey. Once the client approved the final instrument, it was not altered in any way and was read verbatim by our call center staff. In instances where the survey respondent was given multiple options to choose from in a question, the choices were rotated at random by our computer program to eliminate order bias.

CATI (Computer Assisted Telephone Interview) software is used by all of our call center staff to ensure fast and accurate data collection as they conduct the telephone survey. Interviews for this project were randomly monitored in real time by the research director to ensure the quality and accuracy of this survey. Data collected in this interview was analyzed using SPSS and JMP software. Cross tabulations for questions are available at the end of this report.

## Question 1 - Screener / Gender

Hi, my name is \_\_\_\_\_. I am calling from Hays Research Group, and I am not selling anything. I'm conducting an opinion survey regarding prostitution laws. I'd like to get your opinion. Do you have a few minutes to answer our questions? Great, thank you. If you have no opinion, or don't know for some of these questions, I'd like to know that too. Are you at least 18 years old? (Terminate if "no") Community United for Safety and Protection is investigating if Alaskans support Amnesty International's 2016 policy position to not arrest people for prostitution which would stop the state from spending money on arresting people for prostitution, as there are already laws on the books addressing rape, robbery, theft, coercion, extortion, assault, battery, sex trafficking, kidnapping, and murder. I want to get your opinion about some issues that could impact the state's budget.

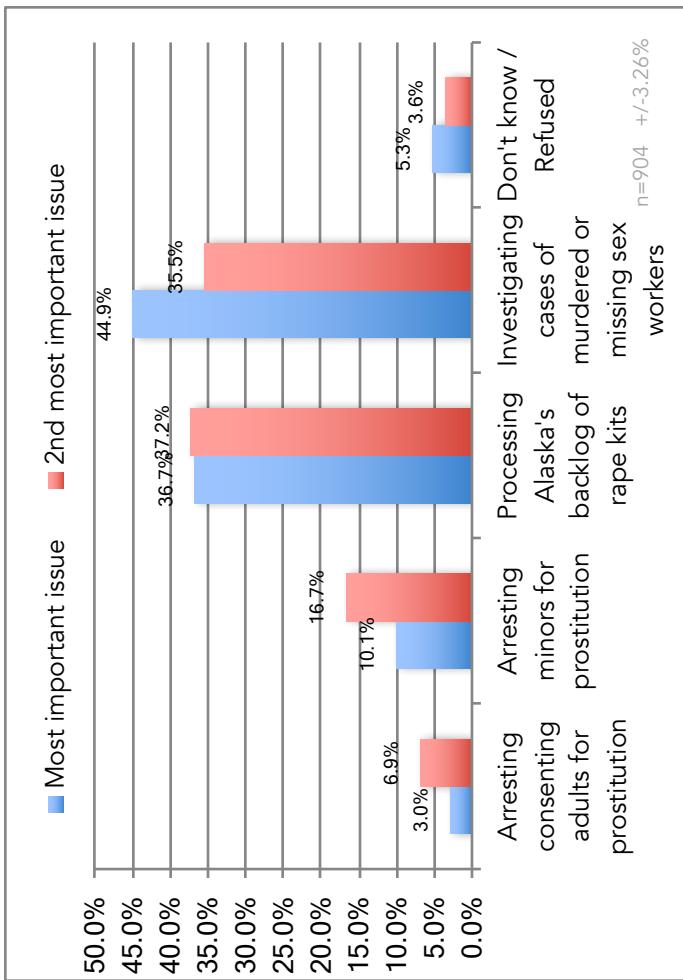


### Analysis

Additional cross tabulations for Question 1 can be found on page 15 of this report.

## Question 2 - Most important issues being dealt with in Alaska (from list)

I am going to read you four issues. Please tell me which one is the most important issue to you. From the same list, please tell me which is the second most important issue to you.



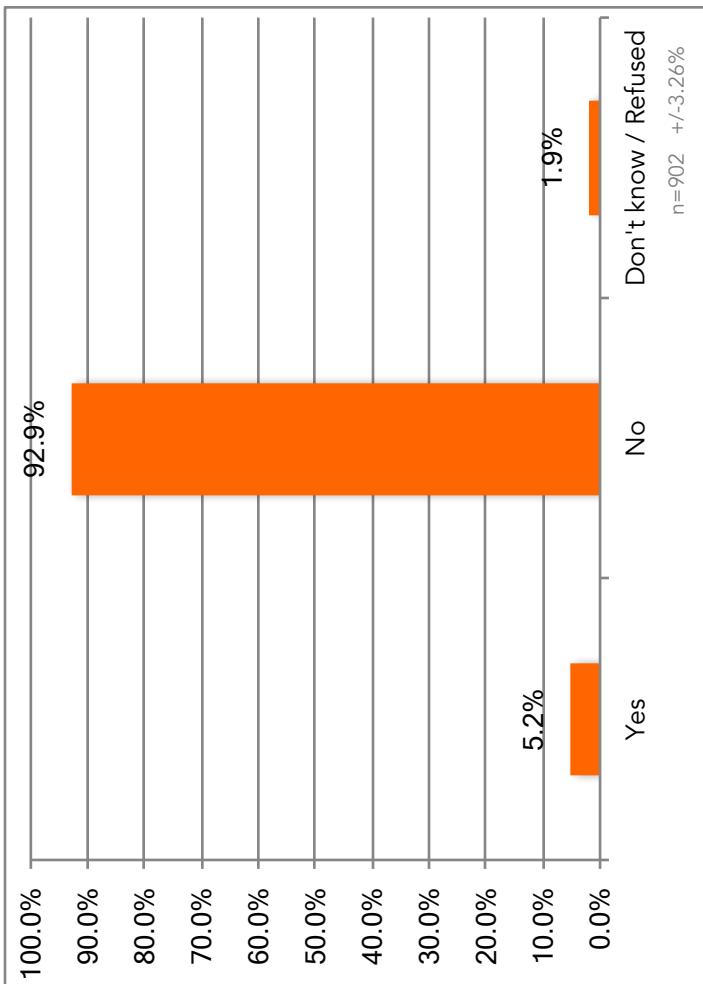
### Analysis

Additional cross tabulations for Question 2 can be found on pages 16-17 of this report.

Issue	Most important issue (%)	2nd most important issue (%)
Arresting consenting adults for prostitution	3.0%	6.9%
Arresting minors for prostitution	10.1%	16.7%
Processing Alaska's backlog of rape kits	36.7%	37.2%
Investigating cases of murdered or missing sex workers	44.9%	35.5%
Don't know / Refused	5.3%	3.6%

## Question 3 - Awareness of current laws permitting officers to have sexual contact

Are you aware that under current Alaska law, police officers are permitted to have sexual contact or intercourse with women before arresting them for prostitution?



### Analysis

Republicans: 6% Yes / 93% No / 1% DK/Ref.

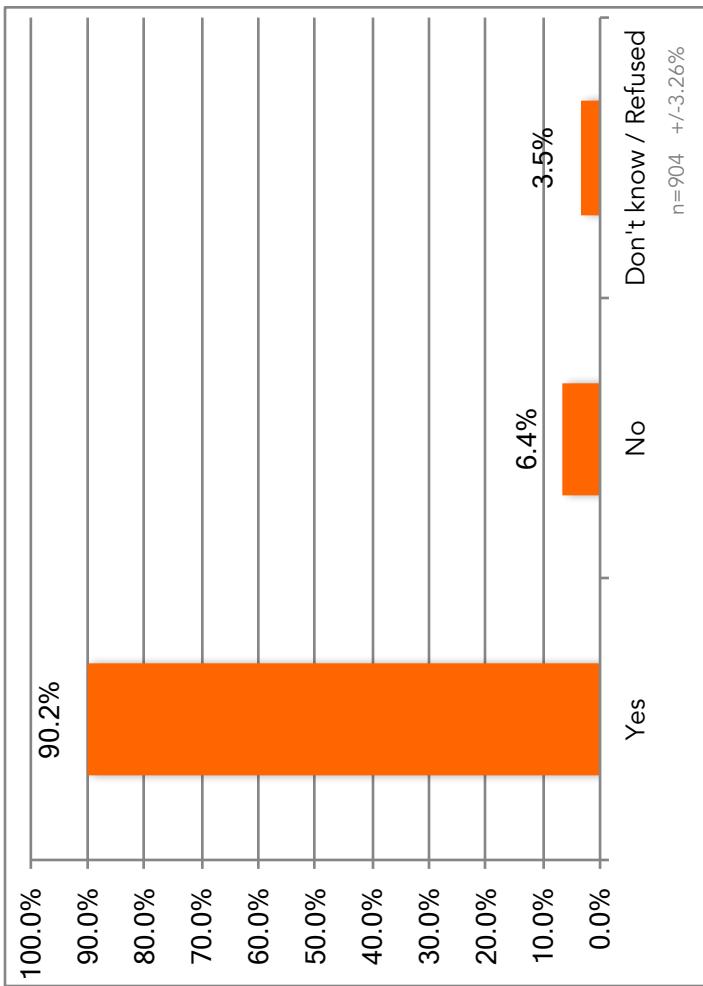
Democrats: 4% Yes / 93% No / 3% DK/Ref.

Other: 5% Yes / 92% No / 2% DK/Ref.

Additional cross tabulations for Question 3 can be found on page 18 of this report.

## Question 4 - Should police officer sexual contact be against the law?

Do you think it should be against the law for police officers to have sexual contact or intercourse with individuals they are investigating?



### Analysis

Republicans: 88% Yes / 7% No / 5% DK/Ref.

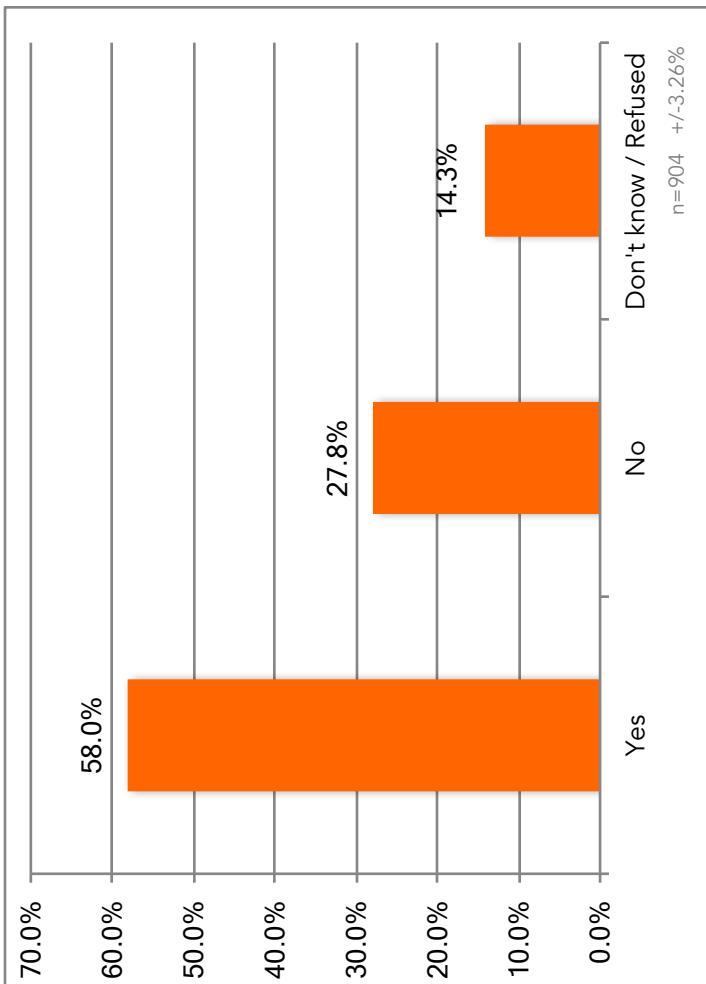
Democrats: 91% Yes / 7% No / 2% DK/Ref.

Other: 91% Yes / 6% No / 3% DK/Ref.

Additional cross tabulations for Question 4 can be found on page 19 of this report.

## Question 5 - Should the state stop spending resources arresting consenting adults for prostitution?

Should the state stop spending resources arresting consenting adults for prostitution?



### Analysis

Republicans: 51% Yes / 36% No / 13% DK/Ref.

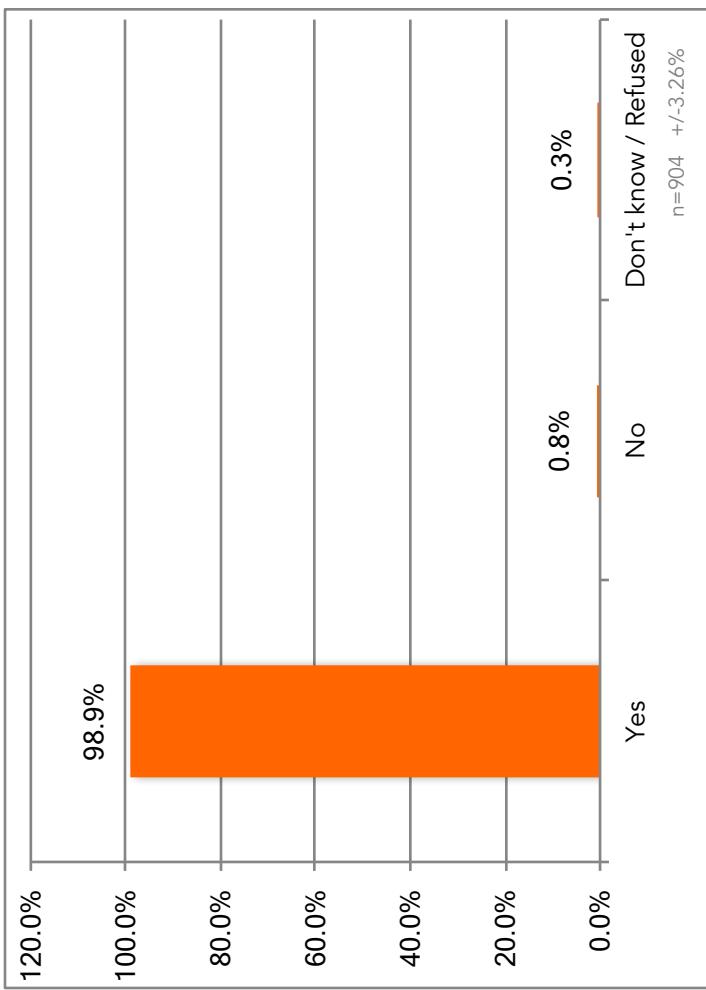
Democrats: 63% Yes / 21% No / 16% DK/Ref.

Other: 60% Yes / 25% No / 15% DK/Ref.

Additional cross tabulations for Question 5 can be found on page 20 of this report.

## Question 6 - Should someone who forces a child into prostitution be charged with sex trafficking?

Should someone who forces a child into prostitution be charged with sex trafficking?



### Analysis

Republicans: 99% Yes / 1% No / 0% DK/Ref.

Democrats: 98% Yes / 1% No / 1% DK/Ref.

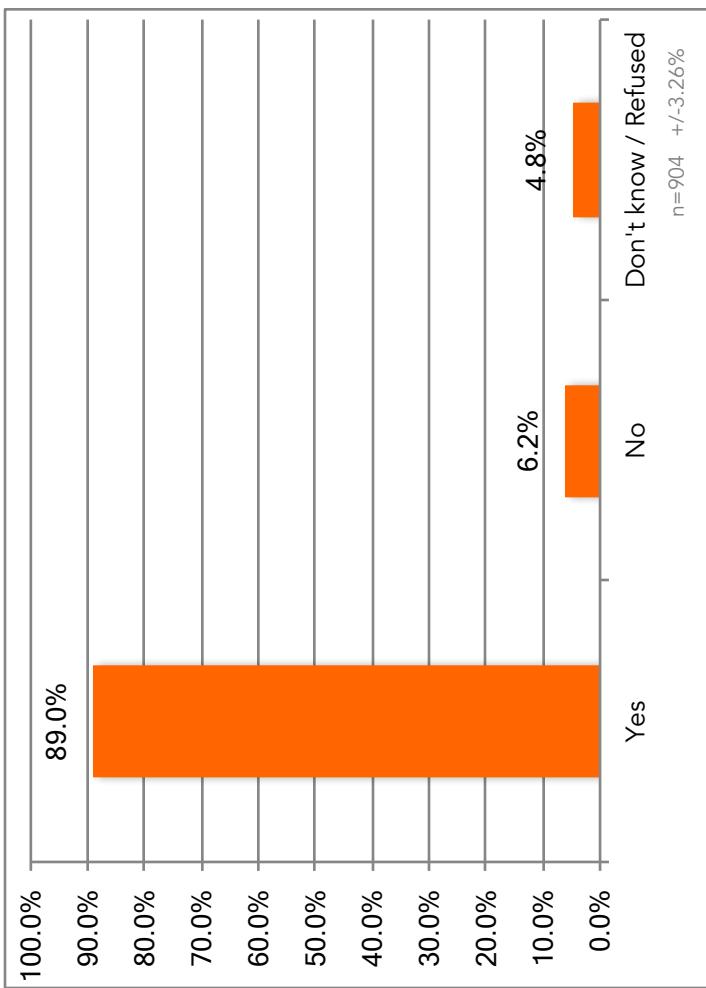
Other: 99% Yes / 1% No / 0% DK/Ref.

Additional cross tabulations for Question 6 can be found on page 21 of this report.

Yes  
No  
Don't know / Refused

## Question 7 - Should a partner who pressures someone to see more clients be charged with sex trafficking?

Should an abusive partner of a sex worker who pressures them to see more clients than they say they want to be charged with sex trafficking?



### Analysis

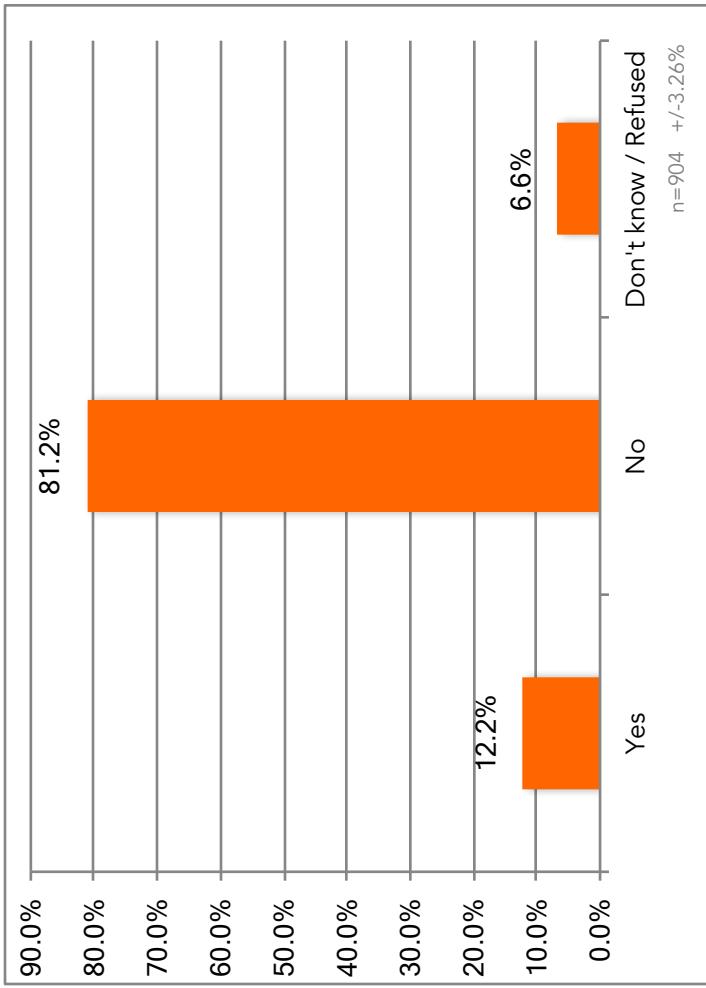
Republicans: 90% Yes / 4% No / 6% DK/Ref.

Democrats: 91% Yes / 6% No / 4% DK/Ref.

Other: 88% Yes / 8% No / 4% DK/Ref.

Additional cross tabulations for Question 7 can be found on page 22 of this report.

## Question 8 - Should landlords or roommates, unaware of prostitution, be charged with sex trafficking?



Should landlords or roommates of adult sex workers, even if they are not aware of prostitution occurring on the premises, be charged with sex trafficking?

### Analysis

Republicans: 14% Yes / 78% No / 8% DK/Ref.

Democrats: 7% Yes / 83% No / 10% DK/Ref.

Other: 13% Yes / 82% No / 5% DK/Ref.

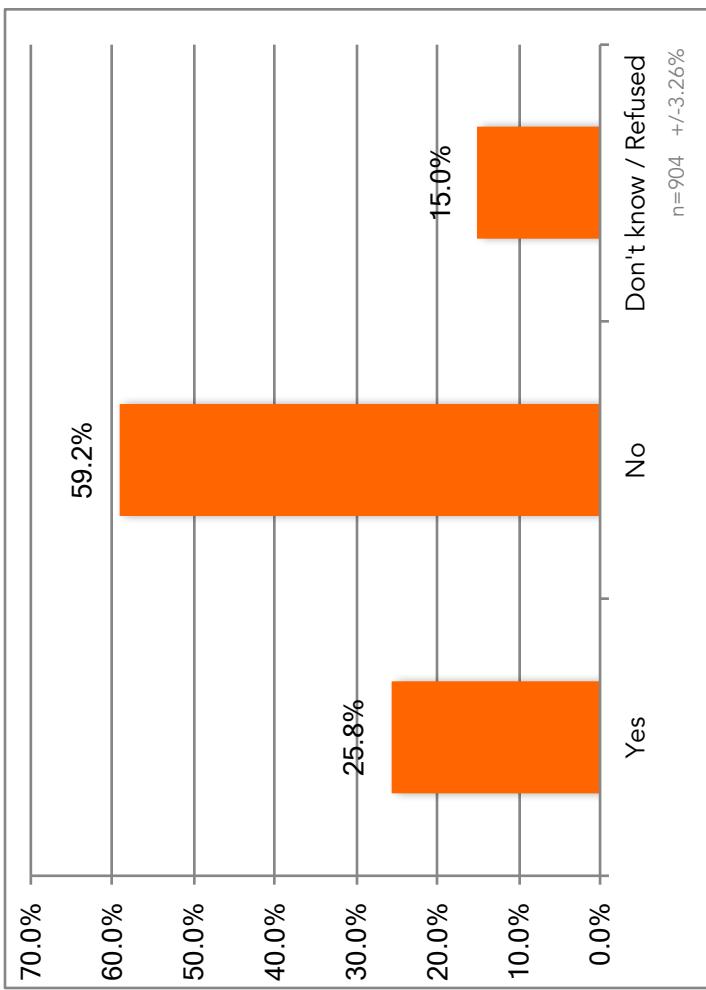
Additional cross tabulations for Question 8 can be found on page 23 of this report.

Yes  
No  
Don't know / Refused

12.2%  
81.2%  
6.6%

## Question 9 - Should adult sex workers who carpool between ANC and FAI be charged with sex trafficking one another?

Should adult sex workers who carpool between Fairbanks and Anchorage be charged with sex trafficking one another?



### Analysis

Republicans: 33% Yes / 50% No / 18% DK/Ref.

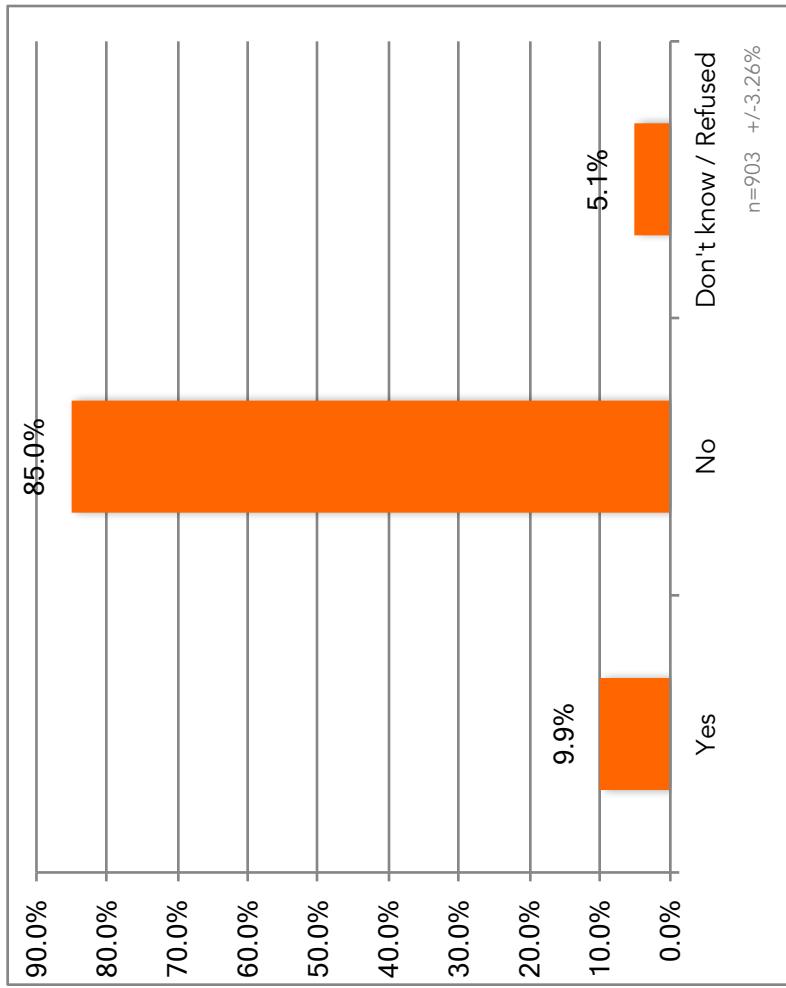
Democrats: 19% Yes / 69% No / 12% DK/Ref.

Other: 24% Yes / 61% No / 15% DK/Ref.

Additional cross tabulations for Question 9 can be found on page 24 of this report.

Yes  
No  
Don't know / Refused  
n=904 +/-3.26%

## Question 10 - Should outreach workers who provide sex workers condoms be charged with sex trafficking?



### Analysis

Republicans: 14% Yes / 78% No / 8% DK/Ref.

Democrats: 5% Yes / 91% No / 3% DK/Ref.

Other: 9% Yes / 87% No / 4% DK/Ref.

Additional cross tabulations for Question 10 can be found on page 25 of this report.

Q1. Are you 18 years old or older?

AGE											Party			
	Gender													
	Total	M	F	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	N	U	R	D	G	Other
Base	904	452	452	89	110	145	246	309	183	218	290	191	4	18
Yes	904	452	452	89	110	145	246	309	183	218	290	191	4	18
	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
No	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Don't know / Refused	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

**Gender: (BY OBSERVATION)**

		Gender		AGE				Party								
		Total		M	F	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	N	U	R	D	G	Other
Base		904		452	452	89	110	145	246	309	183	218	290	191	4	18
Male		452	100%	452	-	48	55	70	114	164	86	96	160	93	4	12
Female		452	50%	-	452	41	55	75	132	145	97	121	130	99	-	5

**Q2A.** I am going to read you four different but related issues currently being dealt with in Alaska. Please tell me which one is the most important to you.

	Gender		AGE					Party							
	Total	M	F	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	N	U	R	D	G	Other	
	Base	904	452	452	89	110	145	246	309	183	218	290	191	4	18
Arresting Consenting Adults for Prostitution	27	17	10	2	5	4	3	13	8	3	11	3	1	-	-
Arresting Minors for Prostitution	91	42	49	13	12	10	25	31	8	28	38	16	-	1	6%
Processing Alaska's Backlog of Rape Kits	332	161	171	37	56	96	104	71	72	96	83	2	8	8	48%
Investigating Cases of Murdered or Missing Sex Workers	406	207	199	34	54	64	115	136	89	104	123	81	1	7	7
Don't know	42	21	21	2	8	5	23	7	9	18	8	-	-	-	-
Refused	6	4	2	-	-	2	2	2	-	1	3	1	-	1	5%

Q2B. From that same list, please tell me which one is the second most important to you.

	Gender		AGE						Party					
	Total	M	F	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	N	U	R	D	G	Other
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Base	856	427	429	86	108	134	239	284	176	208	268	182	4	17
Arresting Consenting Adults for Prostitution	59	32	27	7	8	10	12	22	11	10	31	7	-	-
Arresting Minors for Prostitution	143	73	70	18	15	15	38	56	39	33	46	23	-	2
Processing Alaska's Backlog of Rape Kits	318	155	163	26	44	57	90	100	62	90	91	67	1	6
Investigating Cases of Murdered or Missing Workers	303	147	156	33	41	50	88	89	61	68	85	80	2	7
Don't know	27	15	12	2	-	2	9	15	3	4	14	4	1	1
Refused	4	4	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	2	1	1	-	-

**Q3. Are you aware that under current Alaska law, police officers are permitted to have sexual contact or intercourse with women before arresting them for prostitution?**

	Gender		AGE						Party					
	Total	M	F	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	N	U	R	D	G	Other
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
<b>Base</b>	904	452	452	89	110	145	246	309	183	218	290	191	4	18
<b>Yes</b>	47	32	15	6	6	10	4	20	10	11	17	8	1	-
	5%	7%	3%	7%	6%	7%	2%	6%	6%	5%	6%	4%	25%	-
<b>No</b>	838	407	431	82	102	132	235	282	169	201	270	177	3	18
	93%	90%	95%	93%	92%	91%	95%	91%	92%	92%	93%	93%	75%	100%
<b>Don't know</b>	15	10	5	-	2	-	6	5	3	5	2	4	-	-
	2%	2%	1%	-	2%	-	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	-	-
<b>Refused</b>	5	3	2	-	-	-	2	1	2	1	1	2	-	-
	1%	1%	*	-	-	-	2%	1%	*	1%	*	1%	-	-

**Q4.** Do you think it should be against the law for police officers to have sexual contact or intercourse with individuals they are investigating?

	Gender		AGE						Party					
	Total	M	F	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	N	U	R	D	G	Other
<b>Base</b>	904	452	452	89	110	145	246	309	183	218	290	191	4	18
<b>Yes</b>	814	389	425	83	99	127	225	274	170	194	255	175	4	16
	90%	86%	94%	94%	90%	88%	91%	89%	93%	89%	88%	91%	100%	89%
<b>No</b>	58	38	20	4	8	10	10	25	8	15	20	13	-	2
	6%	8%	4%	5%	7%	7%	4%	8%	5%	7%	7%	7%	-	11%
<b>Don't Know</b>	28	22	6	1	3	7	8	7	4	7	14	3	-	-
	3%	5%	1%	1%	3%	5%	3%	2%	2%	3%	5%	2%	-	-
<b>Refused</b>	4	3	1	-	-	-	-	2	2	1	2	1	-	-
	*	1%	*	-	-	-	-	1%	*	1%	*	-	-	-

**Q5. Should the state stop spending resources arresting consenting adults for prostitution?**

Gender											AGE					Party				
	Total	M	F	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	N	U	R	D	G	Other						
<b>Base</b>	904	452	452	89	110	145	246	309	183	218	290	191	4	18						
<b>Yes</b>	524	272	252	56	65	79	145	178	113	127	148	120	4	12						
	58%	60%	56%	63%	60%	55%	59%	58%	62%	58%	51%	63%	100%	67%						
<b>No</b>	251	126	125	24	28	45	65	86	42	61	105	40	-	4						
	28%	28%	28%	27%	25%	31%	27%	28%	23%	28%	36%	21%	-	23%						
<b>Don't know</b>	122	49	73	9	16	19	32	45	26	28	35	31	-	2						
	13%	11%	16%	10%	14%	13%	13%	15%	14%	13%	12%	16%	-	10%						
<b>Refused</b>	7	6	2	-	1	2	4	-	2	2	2	1	-	-						
	1%	1%	*	-	1%	2%	2%	-	1%	1%	1%	*	-	-						

**Q6.** Should someone who forces a child into prostitution be charged with sex trafficking?

Gender											AGE					Party				
	Total	M	F	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	N	U	R	D	G	Other						
<b>Base</b>	904	452	452	89	110	145	246	309	183	218	290	191	4	18						
<b>Yes</b>	894	449	446	88	109	142	244	305	182	216	287	188	4	18						
	99%	99%	99%	99%	99%	99%	99%	99%	100%	99%	99%	99%	98%	100%	100%					
<b>No</b>	7	2	5	1	-	1	4	1	2	2	2	-	-	-						
	1%	*	1%	1%	-	1%	*	1%	*	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%						
<b>Don't Know</b>	3	1	2	-	1	1	*	-	-	-	-	1	2	1%						
	*	*	*	-	1%	1%	*	-	-	-	-	*	1%	-						
<b>Refused</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-						

**Q7.** Should an abusive partner of a sex worker who pressures them to see more clients than they say they want to be charged with sex trafficking?

Gender											AGE						Party					
	Total	M	F	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	N	U	R	D	G	Other								
<b>Base</b>	904	452	452	89	110	145	246	309	183	218	290	191	4	18								
<b>Yes</b>	805	391	414	83	101	130	217	269	167	186	260	174	4	15								
	89%	87%	92%	93%	91%	90%	88%	87%	91%	85%	90%	91%	100%	83%								
<b>No</b>	56	34	22	4	5	8	17	22	12	20	11	11	-	2								
	6%	8%	5%	5%	5%	5%	7%	7%	7%	9%	4%	6%	-	11%								
<b>Don't Know</b>	41	24	16	2	4	7	11	17	4	11	18	7	-	1								
	5%	5%	4%	2%	4%	5%	4%	5%	2%	5%	6%	4%	-	5%								
<b>Refused</b>	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1	1	-	-								
	*	*	-	-	-	-	*	*	-	1%	*	-	-	-								

**Q8.** Should landlords or roommates of adult sex workers, even if they are not aware of prostitution occurring on the premises, be charged with sex trafficking?

	Gender		AGE						Party					
	Total	M	F	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	N	U	R	D	G	Other
Base	904	452	452	89	110	145	246	309	183	218	290	191	4	18
Yes	110	55	55	10	13	15	27	43	27	27	41	12	-	2
	12%	12%	12%	11%	12%	10%	11%	14%	15%	12%	14%	7%	-	11%
No	734	371	363	75	90	122	203	241	147	182	228	159	4	14
	81%	82%	80%	84%	82%	85%	82%	78%	80%	84%	79%	83%	100%	77%
Don't Know	57	24	33	4	6	7	14	25	9	8	21	18	-	2
	6%	5%	7%	5%	5%	5%	6%	8%	5%	4%	7%	9%	-	11%
Refused	3	1	2	-	1	-	2	-	-	1	-	2	-	-
	*	*	*	-	1%	-	1%	-	-	1%	-	1%	-	-

**Q9.** Should adult sex workers who carpool back and forth between Fairbanks and Anchorage be charged with sex trafficking one another?

	Gender		AGE						Party					
	Total	M	F	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	N	U	R	D	G	Other
<b>Base</b>	904	452	452	89	110	145	246	309	183	218	290	191	4	18
<b>Yes</b>	233	91	142	25	33	31	54	85	44	51	95	36	-	6
	26%	20%	32%	29%	30%	21%	22%	28%	24%	24%	33%	19%	-	34%
<b>No</b>	535	303	232	57	70	90	159	158	108	135	145	132	4	10
	59%	67%	51%	65%	64%	63%	65%	51%	59%	62%	50%	69%	100%	59%
<b>Don't Know</b>	131	54	77	6	7	23	29	65	31	29	48	23	-	1
	14%	12%	17%	7%	6%	16%	12%	21%	17%	13%	17%	12%	-	6%
<b>Refused</b>	5	4	1	-	-	-	4	1	-	2	2	1	-	-
	1%	1%	*	-	-	-	2%	*	-	1%	1%	*	-	-

**Q10.** Should outreach workers who provide adult sex workers with condoms be charged with sex trafficking?

Gender											AGE					Party				
	Total	M	F	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	N	U	R	D	G	Other						
<b>Base</b>	904	452	452	89	110	145	246	309	183	218	290	191	4	18						
<b>Yes</b>	89	35	54	10	10	8	21	39	20	18	40	10	-	2						
	10%	8%	12%	11%	9%	6%	8%	13%	11%	8%	14%	5%	-	10%						
<b>No</b>	768	397	372	77	96	131	218	243	154	193	227	175	4	16						
	85%	88%	82%	87%	91%	89%	79%	84%	89%	78%	91%	100%		90%						
<b>Don't Know</b>	45	20	26	2	4	5	8	27	9	7	23	7	-	-						
	5%	4%	6%	2%	4%	3%	3%	9%	5%	3%	8%	3%	-	-						
<b>Refused</b>	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	*	-	-	-	-						
	*	-	*	-	-	-	-													

Q11. Can you tell me what age range you fall in? Are you between age 18-34, 35-44, 45-54, 55-64, or 65 and older?

	Gender		AGE						Party					
	Total	M	F	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+	N	U	R	D	G	Other
<b>Base</b>	904	452	452	89	110	145	246	309	183	218	290	191	4	18
<b>18-34</b>	89	48	41	89	-	-	-	-	9	24	24	31	-	1
	10%	11%	9%	100%	-	-	-	-	5%	11%	8%	16%	-	5%
<b>35-44</b>	110	55	55	-	110	-	-	-	13	38	27	27	1	4
	12%	12%	12%	-	100%	-	-	-	7%	18%	9%	14%	25%	24%
<b>45-54</b>	145	70	75	-	-	145	-	-	24	43	49	25	-	3
	16%	15%	17%	-	-	100%	-	-	13%	20%	17%	13%	-	18%
<b>55-64</b>	246	114	132	-	-	-	246	-	52	57	85	45	2	4
	27%	25%	29%	-	-	-	100%	-	29%	26%	29%	24%	50%	24%
<b>65+</b>	309	164	145	-	-	-	-	309	84	54	101	63	1	5
	34%	36%	32%	-	-	-	-	100%	46%	25%	35%	33%	25%	29%
<b>Don't Know</b>	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
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<b>Refused</b>	5	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3	1	-
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QQty. Party

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					18-34		35-44		45-54		55-64		N	U	R	D	G	Other
			Total	M	F	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+								
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