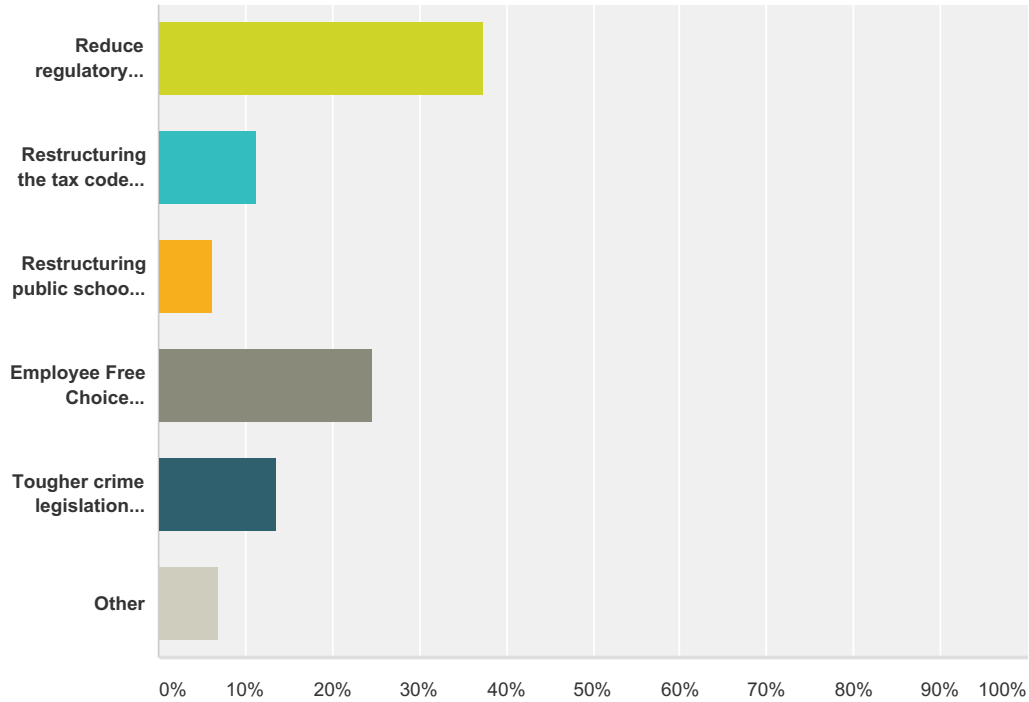


Q1 What do you believe should be the top New Mexico Business Coalition (NMBC) priority for the 2017 legislative session?

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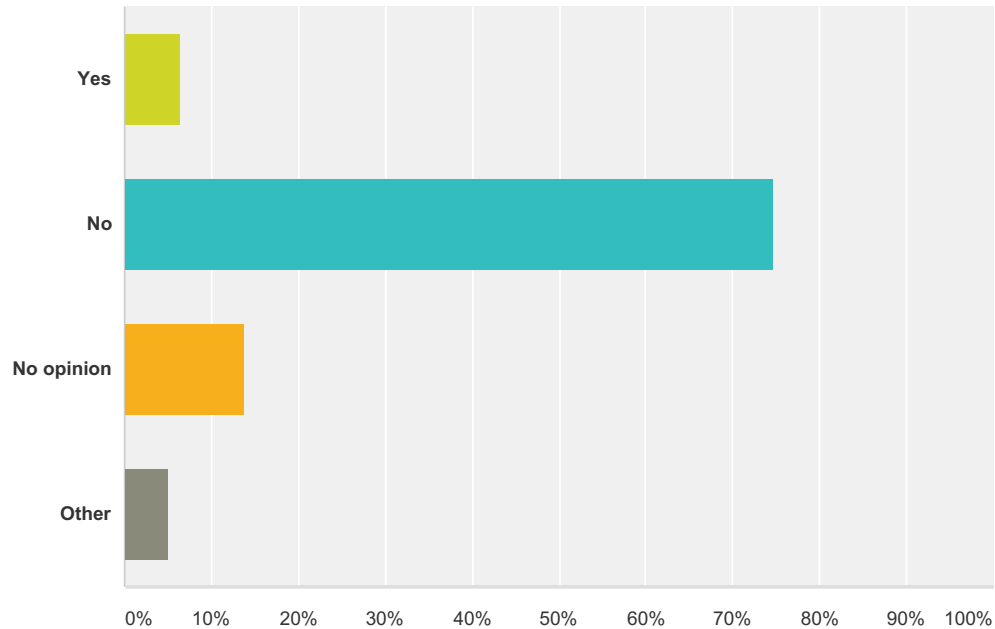
Answer Choices	Responses
Reduce regulatory burden through sector committees assigned to assure a proper balance between business regulation and opportunities that promote private sector growth.	37.27% 82
Restructuring the tax code to eliminate tax incentives that favor certain businesses or industries over others.	11.36% 25
Restructuring public school teacher and student evaluations with objective outcomes that are tied to improved student performance.	6.36% 14
Employee Free Choice (Right-to-Work) legislation.	24.55% 54
Tougher crime legislation that will have a greater impact on repeat offenders.	13.64% 30
Other	6.82% 15
Total	220

#	If you answered "other," or would like to comment further on your response, please share your insight on this issue in the space provided.	Date
1	With a declining population, encourage budgetary and pre-K restraint. Encourage modest patient co-payments within Medicaid, as seniors have experienced.	12/28/2016 8:34 PM
2	All of the above. We need to take away the power of the government and give it to the private sector when it comes to business. We need to stop dumping money into a failing school system. We need real change, we need proper teacher evaluations.	12/27/2016 12:01 PM

3	1 & 2. 1st two items.	12/26/2016 8:08 PM
4	Reinstate the death penalty for cop killers and child killers!	12/21/2016 1:12 PM
5	All of these issues are very important.	12/20/2016 10:23 PM
6	Oppose cuts to schools and Universities. Spending on education is our best investment and cutting it is cutting off our nose to spite our face.	12/15/2016 8:38 AM
7	Create an enticing business friendly environment that brings good companies and good jobs to New Mexico. 1. Restructure the business and personal income tax code to that end. 2. Realign our post K-12 education system to train skilled and motivated employees to take technical assembly and manufacturing careers and stay in New Mexico to build our tax base. 3. Perform factual, non-alarmist studies on our natural resources, especially water, to determine what businesses would best suit our ability to support. 4. Develop a list of companies or business types that we will pursue to move operations here. 5. Introduce them to what we have to offer. 6. Keep the state of New Mexico politicians out of the company pockets. The payback is a bigger tax base that grows with cooperation, not confiscatory tax policy.	12/15/2016 6:32 AM
8	I picked right to work, but they are all very important in order to improve employment in NM	12/14/2016 11:42 AM
9	#2 Issue would be to promote private sector growth. The government should not be involved in the private sector. #3 Right to work.	12/14/2016 10:30 AM
10	Right to WORK!	12/13/2016 9:29 PM
11	You've listed several important issues for New Mexico's future. I don't have any idea which is the most important. The bottom line is to educate people about how the world really works and what it takes to succeed as opposed to the fairyland ideas preached by the schools and the media.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
12	Raising taxes to rebuild NM and restore our schools and quality of life.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
13	All of the above.	12/13/2016 4:40 PM
14	Drastically slash the size of bloated NM state government with an absolute hiring freeze except for NM State Police. Drastically slash the size of all agencies within state government by employee hiring freeze AND deleting regulations. Drastically slash the size of school system administration (APS is a great example what's wrong with public education). For ANY new regulation require that 2 be removed simultaneously to enacting new regulation.	12/13/2016 4:29 PM
15	Another priority should be reduction of the regulatory burden, but I don't know if "sector committees assigned to assure..." is the right way to go about that.	12/13/2016 12:30 PM
16	Privatize or eliminate all government services.	12/13/2016 9:37 AM
17	The top four choice should all be very high priority. Too close to call	12/13/2016 9:37 AM
18	I would put a check next to everyone of these. ALL need to be addressed in New Mexico	12/13/2016 9:18 AM
19	Others are important but probably political non-staters	12/13/2016 8:52 AM
20	NMBC should concentrate their resources, like a laser beam, on the business climate of the State to stimulate growth.	12/13/2016 7:54 AM
21	We should focus on working to make peoples lives better. Move away from selfless and be grateful for our employees and provide them with fulfilling careers.	12/13/2016 7:35 AM
22	Change the bureaucratic default at all levels with regard to starting businesses from "who cares' to 'how can I help get this done?'	12/13/2016 7:29 AM
23	These are all good.	12/13/2016 6:37 AM

Q2 Do you think that New Mexico's tax code, with over 300 exemptions and credits, is fair and promotes business growth and employment?

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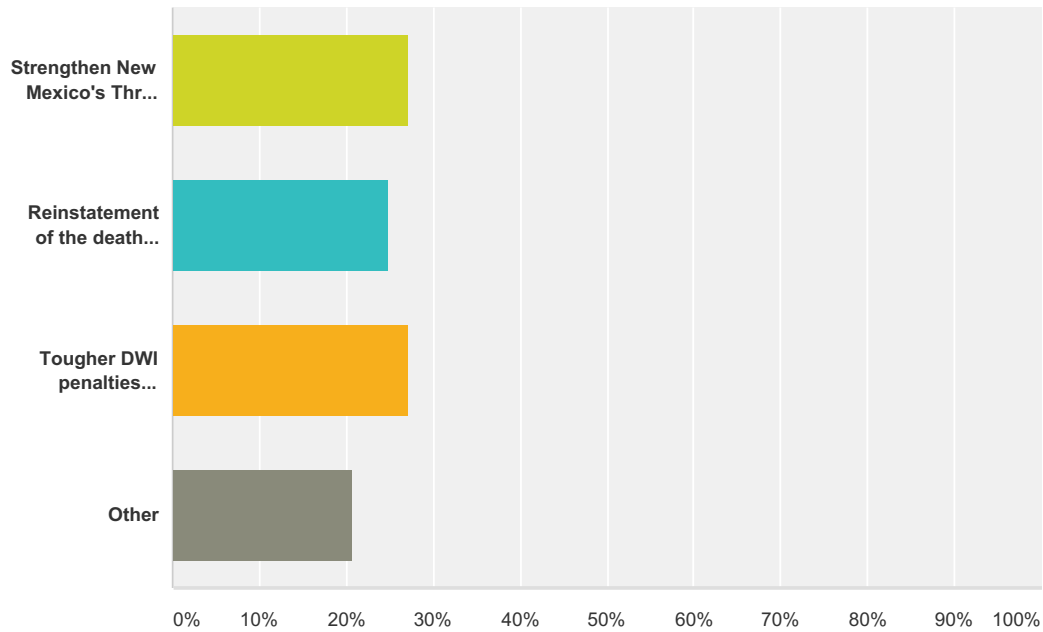
Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	6.42% 14
No	74.77% 163
No opinion	13.76% 30
Other	5.05% 11
Total	218

#	If you answered "other," or would like to comment further on your response, please share your insight on this issue in the space provided.	Date
1	I would want to assess what each exemption and credit is for to determine if there is any evidence that it has promoted business growth and employment. As a general rule, I am not in favor of exemptions and credits; NM would be better off with a fairer, flatter tax for all to provide consistency and avoid the pitfalls of favoritism and corruption.	12/30/2016 10:25 AM
2	I suspect gross receipts, as applied to services, may need to be lowered to avoid pyramiding.	12/28/2016 8:34 PM
3	Some do and many (most) don't.	12/21/2016 7:41 PM
4	Hate to say it but "Yes" and "No." Although exemptions and credits create distortions they can create *temporary* growth and employment. The focus should be longterm -- developing an overall business-friendly regulatory environment and a well educated workforce.	12/21/2016 2:24 PM
5	Very hard to say. It is all too complicated and taxes for business owners is just a burden. You not only pay the taxes but you pay someone to prepare it for you, it is that difficult. Most of us dream of a flat tax but that dream will probably never happen, since legislators like to control things through taxes.	12/16/2016 4:16 PM
6	Gross receipts tax hurts NM business	12/15/2016 3:36 PM

7	Some do promote business growth. Also, it makes us competitive with other states.	12/15/2016 9:56 AM
8	simplify, simplify, simplify!!!	12/14/2016 11:42 AM
9	I do not know the tax code; however, with the plethora of exemptions, this cannot be a way to promote fairness, growth, and incentives. Government should have tax code to carry out its functions for the people not to overburden the people. The tax codes should be aligned with the States Constitution. What have the people already given the government charge over to impose a tax?	12/14/2016 10:30 AM
10	What is needed is to fix our Gross Receipts Tax, this is a burden on business.	12/14/2016 9:39 AM
11	The fact that a person in business should have to be so concerned with having an intimate knowledge of the tax code is a deterrent to becoming a business owner, to begin with. They should be more knowledgeable--and focused--in their product and industry knowledge and consumer base. Instead, they are too intimidated to contemplate starting a business, because of all they hear about what they don't know--and MUST learn--that impedes their desire to move forward.	12/13/2016 9:29 PM
12	I don't know. I am not familiar with the details of the tax code. What I do know is that I've worked hard and long hours for what I have. I would like to spend it on my family for their betterment rather than give it to those to lazy to learn a skill and provide for themselves and their families.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
13	No, we keep cutting taxes, get no jobs, and now have to cut education, health care and public safety which makes us less attractive as a business destination.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
14	With the house and senate controlled by liberals there will never be a "fair" tax code	12/13/2016 8:10 PM
15	Simplify, simplify, simplify.	12/13/2016 4:29 PM
16	Absolutely not. If there was a better tax code to promote business and growth NM wouldn't be ranked so poorly regarding business development. Our economy and job market is so poor. Why would we ever get rid of the little incentives that NM has? I strongly believe there needs to be even more incentive for hard working Americans to take on the risk of owning or starting a company. What is our state really doing to help maintain small independent businesses? It lacks in comparison to other states.	12/13/2016 9:51 AM
17	Although tax incentives are good, when one looks at the growth rate of the State they obviously are not working.	12/13/2016 7:54 AM
18	No tax burden promotes business	12/13/2016 6:37 AM

Q3 Regarding crime legislation, what do you believe should be the top priority during the 2017 legislative session?

Answered: 217 Skipped: 5



Answer Choices	Responses
Strengthen New Mexico's Three Strike law by adding new felony offenses to the current list of qualifying crimes.	27.19% 59
Reinstatement of the death penalty;	24.88% 54
Tougher DWI penalties including loss of driving privileges on third offense;	27.19% 59
Other	20.74% 45
Total	217

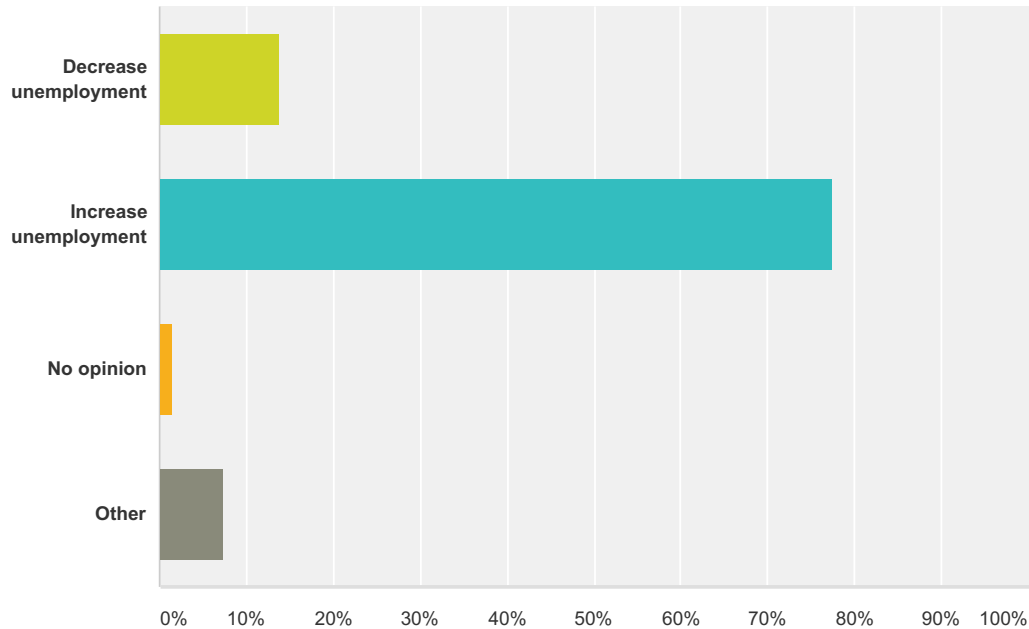
#	If you answered "other," or would like to comment further on your response, please share your insight on this issue in the space provided.	Date
1	Too many laws already!!!	1/11/2017 8:02 PM
2	Simply pass Paul Pacheco's Three Felony Strikes law.	12/28/2016 8:34 PM
3	The whole judicial process and criminal justice must be overhauled.	12/27/2016 12:01 PM
4	Too much emphasis on crime -- not enough emphasis on job creation and laws affecting the economy (Tax/regulatory policy).	12/26/2016 8:08 PM
5	All of the above, but especially not letting offenders off easily.	12/22/2016 1:25 PM
6	If we don't impound cars or jail the offenders, DWI offenders will keep on driving. Taking away their driver's license doesn't seem to stop them.	12/22/2016 11:55 AM
7	More prison capacity so we can end early releases.	12/22/2016 11:51 AM
8	Decriminalize minor drug offenses and implement mandatory counseling/rehab at offenders expense.	12/22/2016 11:50 AM
9	Decriminalization/legalization of marijuana.	12/22/2016 8:46 AM
10	Enforce existing laws without ludicrous plea bargains.	12/22/2016 12:06 AM

11	Focus on drugs and drug related crimes.	12/21/2016 7:41 PM
12	All of the above.	12/21/2016 2:24 PM
13	See if there is a possibility for taking away discretion from Judges on sentencing. There should be specific times for each crime. Judges seem to be too lenient on criminals.	12/20/2016 10:23 PM
14	I think putting the same amount of funding into drug & alcohol rehab as the cost of incarceration for offenses due to drug & alcohol abuse would put those individuals back to work versus continued addiction which leads to many offenses which cause some of the reasons for incarceration.	12/17/2016 7:29 PM
15	Maybe all of the above, but good luck on getting the death penalty reinstated. Tougher penalties just seem to fill up our prisons and I don't know if they deter crime that much. The source of the problem is the breakdown of the family and lack of good fathers in the home teaching the children right and wrong.	12/16/2016 4:16 PM
16	There should be changes in laws or the Constitution of New Mexico to bring down the high level of property crime repeat offenders. The drug addicts have willingly caused their affliction. Other citizens who are not addicts have become their victims.	12/15/2016 7:25 PM
17	jail violent crime repeaters, without regard to prison overcrowding--just get them off the streets! The old 20/80 rule!	12/14/2016 11:42 AM
18	STOP incorporating laws to burden the over perplexed system. Fine tune the laws already implemented. Laws upon laws will benefit no one if the creation of laws become counterproductive to the laws that have already been written and signed into law.	12/14/2016 10:30 AM
19	Death penalty for gun related fatalities and loss of driving privileges on the fourth offence.	12/14/2016 9:39 AM
20	Mandatory sentencing of a minimum of 5 days in jail/lockup facility with forced education, mandatory financial penalty and termination of employment funded by the taxpayer for repeat offenders	12/14/2016 7:19 AM
21	Something has to be done about Judges who let dangerous criminals off too easily. I believe we need to take their power away by mandatory sentences or mandatory minimum punishment for violent crimes and more harsh punishment and mandatory sentences for crimes against children.	12/13/2016 11:55 PM
22	Reinstate the death penalty and execute within 36 months.	12/13/2016 9:29 PM
23	All good ideas, but I don't think any of these are the home run we need. Understanding values and responsibilities are more important.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
24	Raise taxes so we can Fully fund police and the courts.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
25	Focus on law enforcement! And get DoJ off the backs of ABQ! Crime is up over 50% since their intrusion.	12/13/2016 6:18 PM
26	Crime legislation is not a big priority - I've had enough of it ... frankly	12/13/2016 5:50 PM
27	The system needs to actually follow what is already in place, arrest, judge, real outcomes!	12/13/2016 5:15 PM
28	All of the above	12/13/2016 4:40 PM
29	All of the above. Make 3 strikes and you're out mean out, good bye, death penalty. Anything less is a joke and an economic burden on the rest of the populace.	12/13/2016 4:29 PM
30	How about significant incarceration on third offense DWI convictions!	12/13/2016 1:25 PM
31	Make church attendance mandatory for violators. Unfortunately, more laws do not reduce crime and until the general population stops relying on government to take care of their social issues, nothing will improve. The costs of incarceration are outrageous, and we don't need more of it.	12/13/2016 12:20 PM
32	I do not believe that punitive measures have reduced crime, we need more jobs and education if we want to reduce crime.	12/13/2016 12:19 PM
33	Get rid of all victimless crime laws. Drunk driving is not a crime unless they are not driving safely--and that should apply to everyone who is not driving safely.	12/13/2016 10:44 AM
34	Three strikes only for violent or predatory crimes.	12/13/2016 10:36 AM
35	Permanent loss of driving rights after 3rd offense + Manditory > Felony + Jail time if caught driving after 3rd offense. Stop unnecessary continuances of Court cases that lead to dismissal. Fine District Attorneys for causing or allowing unnecessary continuances.	12/13/2016 10:15 AM
36	Fund police, courts, including DA's and public defenders, and corrections to support work of police. Tough choices must be made by Legislature and Governor.	12/13/2016 10:14 AM

37	Eliminate private run prisons. Improve programs to support rehabilitation	12/13/2016 9:54 AM
38	Lowering state DWI has come along way with all the marketing campaigns. With the new company Uber there is no longer a reason not to be responsible when faced with having one to many drinks at a party. Top priority I feel would be to keep the bad guys off the street for good (longer sentences/death penalty) and cracking down on home robberies by making it harder for criminals to sell stolen goods at pawn shops.	12/13/2016 9:51 AM
39	Late term abortion. Legally aborting a baby up to day of birth is murder.	12/13/2016 9:18 AM
40	All of the above.	12/13/2016 9:13 AM
41	also think tougher DWI, perhaps loss of vehicle on 3rd offense. that would send a stronger message.	12/13/2016 9:11 AM
42	Less incarceration, more rehabilitation, City of ABQ Metro Court is doing some innovative new programs that address the root cause of DWI, namely substance abuse counseling.	12/13/2016 9:05 AM
43	See #1 above	12/13/2016 8:52 AM
44	Actually, I like both the first and third options.	12/13/2016 8:37 AM
45	Reinstatement of the Death Penalty would be very harmful to the NM legal system	12/13/2016 7:57 AM
46	All the above	12/13/2016 7:54 AM
47	We need to look at educating and working with people to help them break the cycle of property. Putting people in jail is not the answer to our problems. Rehabilitation is prevention.	12/13/2016 7:35 AM
48	Law enforcement is a big part of this and the leadership ... i.e. the attitude of the people in charge....affects how the workers (cops) do their jobs. Any company reflects the attitude of the person in charge and so do public agencies. Management and leadership reviews for our elected decision makers to consider are a really needed.	12/13/2016 7:29 AM
49	New judges who take the repeaters off the streets.	12/13/2016 6:37 AM
50	Eliminating sanctuary cities in NM. We cannot make the other laws tougher without a system to manage them and our current judicial and prison system is over run.	12/13/2016 6:32 AM

Q4 How do you believe increased government-mandated wages (minimum wage increase) would affect New Mexico's employment rate?

Answered: 217 Skipped: 5



Answer Choices	Responses
Decrease unemployment	13.82% 30
Increase unemployment	77.42% 168
No opinion	1.38% 3
Other	7.37% 16
Total	217

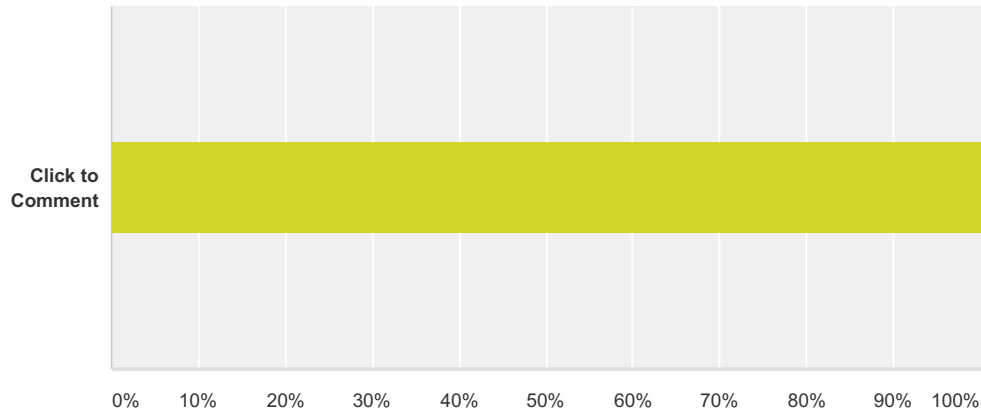
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1	not only will it decrease employment but it will also dilute the purchasing power for those on fixed incomes. as goods and services become more expensive because of the artificial inflation of wages. In a state where over 50% of the population are on some kind of entitlement, this will have a very negative effect for them.	12/31/2016 12:36 PM
2	A minimum wage increase won't improve NM's economy. I wouldn't mind a "trailing" \$8/hr. However, one near \$8.50 would need a more free and less regulated market for increased employment (not as with ABQ fall '17 charter change).	12/28/2016 8:34 PM
3	Government can't dictate what a business especially small mom and pop shops what they pay employees because the don't know the bottom line of that business. Government doesn't help with payroll, layoffs, or any other business decision.	12/27/2016 12:01 PM
4	Seems to be no conclusive data. Gov mandates on wages are mostly bad. If the mandated cost of hiring gets too high, hiring will surely fall.	12/26/2016 8:08 PM
5	A modest increase in the minimum wage might be acceptable, but not a major one.	12/22/2016 11:55 AM

6	It would hurt businesses.	12/20/2016 10:23 PM
7	Minimum wage is a learning compensation. If that is a starting wage for beginners & they learn and progress. They usually progress and do not remain at minimum wage. Business have a difficult time managing with highly increased minimum wage. I feel this causes few hires at highly increased wage.	12/17/2016 7:29 PM
8	Usually those in favor of increased minimum wage have never run a business. Is the minimum wage supposed to be a living wage or a starting wage for a young person? I don't see how raising the minimum wage helps, because the prices of everything go up. How does that help? You earn more but now everything costs more.	12/16/2016 4:16 PM
9	I am responsible for \$23 million dollars in assets for a nonprofit charitable organization. A \$15/hr minimum wage would be 65% of what I earn. I don't think any fast food line employees are responsible for anything even close, so how can they be worth 65% of what I earn. Very little skill necessary for those jobs.	12/16/2016 3:51 PM
10	I believe it would have a negative impact on the community because cost of goods and services would have to go up to be able to pay higher wages	12/15/2016 12:16 PM
11	minimum wage increases that are substantial would hurt young workers trying to come into the workforce. They would be the ones most hurt by an increase of the minimum wage. Maybe a tiered process would help, if an increase were to occur.	12/15/2016 9:56 AM
12	Kill entry level jobs for teenagers. Minimum wage was never suppose to living wage.	12/15/2016 6:32 AM
13	Minimum wage should be regulated at the county/municipal level as opposed to the state level. Mandating a state wide minimum wage could have a negative impact on those parts of the state where normal wages are below the state average.	12/14/2016 9:48 PM
14	As I see it, this mandating of the government will not bring out the innovation, involvement, or ownership of the work force. Instead of creating self reliance, self development, and building for the future the employee will become excessively dependent upon the government to mandate more laws to get the employee something that has not been earned. Minimum wage is designed to show the employee ways to develop for more, allows the negotiation process (free enterprise), and the employee will learn responsibility to increase in the organization. It is also a way for the business owner to examine employees to incrementally increase responsibility, to probe for ownership, and to allow for negotiation to grow in the organization.	12/14/2016 10:30 AM
15	Minimum wages of \$9.00 would not have an effect, above that we will lose jobs to automation.	12/14/2016 9:39 AM
16	Employers will look to the most skilled, trainable, worthy and reliable. Those folks are not normally entry-level skill or entry-level age. Younger opportunity seekers who are truly enthusiastic will be over looked. Both business and employee pools would suffer.	12/13/2016 9:29 PM
17	In the short run it will decrease employment and drive businesses from New Mexico. In the long run the system will stabilize at a higher level and there won't be a need gain for the unskilled. The winner will be the tax collector caused by the progressive tax code.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
18	Higher wages benefits us all.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
19	government entities SHOULD NOT be able to determine minimum wages. I strongly oppose raising the minimum wage as ALL it does in increase prices so there is absolutely NO BENEFIT TO EMPLOYEES. Let supply and demand and free enterprise take care of it--and it will IF NO ONE INTERFERES WITH COMPANIES. I know this from both a government worker side, and regular employee side and from the employers side. As an employer I could have done much more for my 100+ employees except for the fact the I was mandated what I had to pay for inexperienced help. I COULD NOT GIVE GENEROUS RAISES TO THOSE WHO HAD EARNED THEM BECAUSE OF WHAT I HAD TO PAY NEW INEXPERIENCED EMPLOYEES. MADE ME VERY UNHAPPY! I am no longer in business for myself. So, 100+ employees lost their income by not having a job at all.	12/13/2016 7:55 PM
20	A month after Seattle put in their \$15 minimum wage 1K jobs lost. Six month in over \$11K jobs lost. Fast food restaurants putting in automated ordering systems.	12/13/2016 6:18 PM
21	Prices go up, small businesses move to part time workers or fold up, people lose jobs, big businesses leave the area for easier payrolls	12/13/2016 5:15 PM
22	If small business's can't afford to pay the minimum wage of \$15 per hour than there is no job at all therefore unemployment will on the rise and residents will not have any money so they go to the state for money and the state pays out for them.	12/13/2016 4:40 PM

23	It will VERY likely lead to "unintended" consequences. It will be hugely difficult for this 40 year struggling small business with 10 employees and \$125,000 payroll. We've had to dig in cash reserves, cash out IRAs, AND run up credit card debt to keep the doors open during the last 8 years of the Obama/Democrat/RINO/NM depression. I am unable to imagine how we'd survive something on the order of a \$50 to 75,000 increase in our operating costs. I'd think it will result in at least 1 fewer business paying no gross receipts taxes, paying no payroll and related taxes, one more vacant building, with one owner figuring out what to do next.	12/13/2016 4:29 PM
24	If I have to comply, I will not have any freelancers working for me! And my business, as a result, will go away!	12/13/2016 1:21 PM
25	Moving us at lightening speed toward socialist/communist/marxist government. Socialism is failing all around the world, but being fast tracked into our country because of the morons running is at every gov't level, right down to local govt. Redistribution of wealth is what is taught in public schools now under the guise of "fairness in the workplace" for crying out loud!!!	12/13/2016 12:38 PM
26	Increasing minimum wages always results in the less skilled having more trouble, or being completely unable to, find work.	12/13/2016 12:30 PM
27	I have the opinion that minimum wage is unconstitutional and should be abolished.	12/13/2016 12:20 PM
28	Abolish the minimum wage--the economy takes care of all regulation better than government ever has. Government has always creates poverty and war and freedom creates prosperity and peace. We are very far along the same road to destruction that Rome took-for the same reasons.	12/13/2016 10:44 AM
29	The impact would be to reduce poverty and would not impact employment	12/13/2016 9:54 AM
30	We have seen this time and time before. Everyone wants more compensation for the same job. Just look at Puerto Rico, Chili, and Greece. A no skilled labor job will always be just that. A person working a job like this cannot expect to be paid the same way a skilled labor job would demand. If you are upset with jobs moving across the USA boarder increasing the minimum wage will not help protect those unskilled labor jobs. Skilled labor and service jobs will not be impacted by such a decision since they already currently make more than minimum wage. The direct impact would be lost jobs in the manufacturing sector. Though NM doesn't have much of a manufacturing sector anyway.	12/13/2016 9:51 AM
31	No change	12/13/2016 9:41 AM
32	those new to the workforce would have fewer opportunities. I would not pay someone with no experience that much.	12/13/2016 9:11 AM
33	It would make employers cut employees hours to under 30 per week, making employees have to find additional work thereby working 60 hours per week with no overtime.	12/13/2016 8:58 AM
34	Not only that, but it will raise prices negating any increase in wages.	12/13/2016 8:37 AM
35	Small incremental increases that are in line with #1 economic growth rate and #2 cost of living can be absorbed by small businesses. But when there are huge increases out of political wind blowing will have adverse affects on the economy.	12/13/2016 7:54 AM
36	The government unfortunately has to step in because less affluent people do not as strong a voice in government	12/13/2016 7:35 AM
37	I don't support any mandated min wage....the market should dictate. Min wage was never intended to be a "living wage"...outgrown its usefulness.	12/13/2016 6:37 AM
38	A higher minimum wage will allow employers to implement robotics. This will drastically increase un employment within 6 months or less by double digits.	12/13/2016 6:32 AM

Q5 If you have employees and are forced to raise wages by state law, at what hourly wage rate will you consider relocating your business or adding automation to reduce human resources?

Answered: 90 Skipped: 132



Answer Choices	Responses
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Total	90

#	Please comment below.	Date
1	I don't have employees presently. This just means I won't have any, probably!	1/11/2017 8:02 PM
2	wages cannot be artificially raised without a negative impact, either on the cost to the consumer or reducing the labor involved in providing goods and services	12/31/2016 12:36 PM
3	\$9.50	12/28/2016 8:34 PM
4	I am retired. I think we should eliminate the minimum wage all together. Let the business market dictate that.	12/27/2016 12:08 PM
5	That is a bad political and business philosophy under any circumstances. But to answer the question directly it would depend on how much it effected our cash flow. Historically establishing mandatory minimum wages of any kind has always increased unemployment and has also made it more difficult for young teenage women and men to gain any work experience. This creates a great demand in the lower income areas of every city for gangs, prostitution of all sexes, drugs, shop lifting, breaking and entering, mugging and murder of young men and women in the areas just to mention some of the worst! If you take into account the increased cost of policing, property damage, the loss of life and the trans generational degradation of whole communities; a REAL wage of only \$7.50/hr without benefits but with real incentivized supervision and on the job training by the small business employer and some staff if possible, we would get some real life bonding between the young apprentices and the small business employer and the community as a whole. Short of this real economically driven and relationship building scenario the state will only promote more unsuccessful socialism, further destroy the little capitalism currently striving to exist in the inner cities of even our smallest towns not to mention the larger cities. The larger companies will simply fire the least productive of their minimum wage people and seek to economize their production of goods or services with innovative technologies, increase production while protecting their bottom line and not worry about the states complete mismanagement of the horrible labor situation with its associated crime epidemics in every city in America. There are answers to these terrible problems but only if those in charge at the state level are willing to take serious stock of where they are and stop digging in a fruitless hole. Then and only then should they seek expert counsel who do have the answers. Throwing tax payer money at the problem with 99.9% of today's business or political counselors is pointless and is only another way to keep digging in the same fruitless hole! I'm pleased that you have asked for opinions. You may not like my comments. However, I can prove to you that I know what I am talking about!	12/27/2016 12:03 PM

6	I laid off all my employees like I said I would when Bernalillo County passed the minimum wage. I am long able to help poor people because I am by myself. I make more money but this is what happens when government dictates to a business. I am so fed up with government telling business how to run their business I will be closing up shop in June.	12/27/2016 12:01 PM
7	anything over \$8.00 per hour. Wages should be negotiated between the employer and prospective and current employees. The government, through higher payroll taxes, is the only entity that improves their position with higher minimum wage laws, because though wages go up, cost of living goes up faster. At \$8.00 per hour, I know many small business owners who will have to reduce full-time employees to reduce taxes and benefits.	12/22/2016 5:01 PM
8	\$10.50	12/22/2016 11:50 AM
9	Some businesses cannot move - they will just die	12/22/2016 11:05 AM
10	No change. Any change, especially in server wages, will have a serious impact on small business. Advocate for small business exemption.	12/22/2016 8:46 AM
11	\$15.00	12/22/2016 12:06 AM
12	Any increase would make me look at my options, in dirt work construction the relocation nor automation are viable. It is either raise prices and hope to keep business, cut profits, or close. The latter is probably the fairest option to our owners. The other options have issues that are beyond our control. Selling out the business is the safest option.	12/21/2016 2:36 PM
13	At \$10.00 we would be forced to downsize or close	12/21/2016 1:17 PM
14	Yes I believe it shouldn't be higher than it already is.	12/20/2016 10:23 PM
15	Yes , of course. mandated pay raises always reduce jobs. ALWAYS!	12/20/2016 8:36 AM
16	It depends on type of business.	12/17/2016 7:29 PM
17	I'm not an employer and it would vary with the business.	12/16/2016 9:05 PM
18	I had a dental practice and we always paid more than minimum wage. It is also hard to relocate a dental practice. When staff costs get too high you reduce the number, use part time staff more and of course raise fees.	12/16/2016 4:16 PM
19	Please rephrase the question.	12/15/2016 7:25 PM
20	I'm not an employer.	12/15/2016 12:08 PM
21	see not above.	12/15/2016 9:56 AM
22	No	12/15/2016 8:38 AM
23	I don't own a business.	12/15/2016 6:32 AM
24	I need more time to adequately answer this question. The answer to this question is not a "one size fits all". The best answer I can give is, "it depends".	12/14/2016 9:48 PM
25	At 10 I will terminate all employees and use only independent contractors.	12/14/2016 6:59 PM
26	I do not employ minimum wage workers.	12/14/2016 3:43 PM
27	Have no employees	12/14/2016 11:42 AM
28	Yes paying 15.00 an hour will put even more financial stress on my small business, If your not qualified for the position why would any business be required to pay 15.00 an hour	12/14/2016 11:32 AM
29	N/A. However, I would imagine the point of at which the company lose profits, lose ways to reinvest in the business, and the business owner suffers due to over mandating, the business would have to move or cease to exist.	12/14/2016 10:30 AM
30	I have a location based business, labor dependent, above \$10.00 we would look to more automation.	12/14/2016 9:39 AM
31	Produce more overseas.	12/14/2016 7:27 AM
32	\$12.00 and over will cause me to re-evaluate my options	12/14/2016 7:14 AM
33	We work in public construction, so with Davis Bacon requirements we already have mandated minimum wages. We typically pay above Davis Bacon rates to our experienced workers. New workers do not produce at levels required to meet the Davis Bacon wages. We typically take our experienced people with us, so we don't help the local economies when out of Albuquerque. The other factor is that the additional non-wage costs (state and federal taxes, HEALTH INSURANCE, required fringe benefits, etc.) almost double the base wage. Those are the costs that are impacting our bottom line severely.	12/14/2016 6:32 AM
34	\$10.00	12/14/2016 5:13 AM

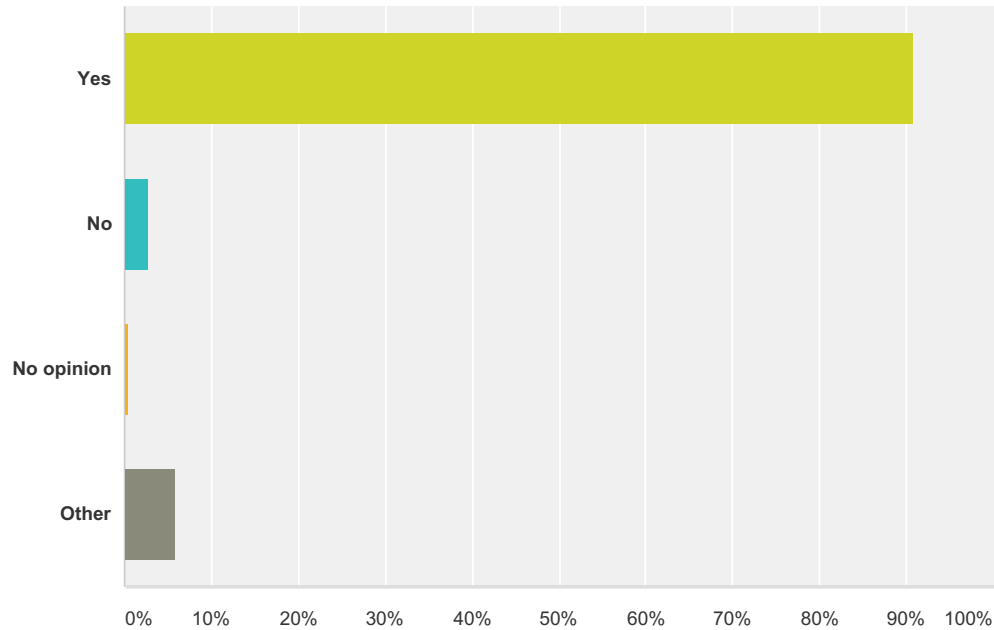
35	N/A	12/14/2016 1:28 AM
36	any increase in minimum wage would force me to relocate.	12/13/2016 11:55 PM
37	At a point where I cannot make a fair return on my personal investment. Profit is directly proportional to cost of labor plus materials cost and associated marketing. Raise the price, lower sales and profit disappears. Simple math	12/13/2016 11:12 PM
38	I would lay off at least two workers. The problem is not minimum wage. The problem is excessive welfare benefits of all kinds that remove the incentive to work.	12/13/2016 10:06 PM
39	10.00	12/13/2016 10:01 PM
40	In our construction business, we already pay more than minimum wage and could not contemplate otherwise. But for those in the service industry who are literally paying into the system to train an entry level employee, and simultaneously pay them a minimum wage for the education, a government-mandated hourly wage would be burdensome, at best. Ultimately disastrous.	12/13/2016 9:29 PM
41	\$10 per hour	12/13/2016 8:56 PM
42	I would not consider relocating based on an increase in minimum wages. I'd be more inclined to stay because we'd have an improved economy.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
43	We would be forced to do so	12/13/2016 8:03 PM
44	NOW!!!	12/13/2016 7:55 PM
45	10.00/h	12/13/2016 7:06 PM
46	Any!	12/13/2016 6:18 PM
47	Can't relocate but can automate more ... and the machines work 24/7/365 ...	12/13/2016 5:50 PM
48	Not a consideration. I pay a living wage	12/13/2016 5:46 PM
49	\$10 00	12/13/2016 5:10 PM
50	Any wage increase will force me to move to Texas. I'm sick of the anti-business environment legislation that this Democrat state house & senate imposes on small business.	12/13/2016 5:06 PM
51	\$11.00; Your taking away the right for the business to pay what they feel is fair and right for their company who is already creating jobs for the state. 99 % of workers don't do the job they are paid to do now and your just adding into a society of we don't have to work for what we have. Lazy and rewarded for nothing. Not everyone gets a trophy! Work for it, earn it!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!	12/13/2016 4:40 PM
52	anything higher than an additional \$2/hr is a deal killer	12/13/2016 4:12 PM
53	I don't have any, but as a recruiting firm, all my clients have employees. They are against raising the hourly rate. We want the economy to dictate wages.	12/13/2016 2:31 PM
54	12.00/hour	12/13/2016 2:17 PM
55	\$14 per hour	12/13/2016 2:09 PM
56	10 dollars	12/13/2016 2:09 PM
57	10:00	12/13/2016 1:56 PM
58	I would have to consider closing Current businesses	12/13/2016 1:23 PM
59	I can't automate, although I would do so if I could!	12/13/2016 1:21 PM
60	\$10	12/13/2016 1:21 PM
61	We would need to limit our hiring of young people with no job experience and/or raise prices, as we already had to do with the Albuquerque wage increase a few years ago.	12/13/2016 1:04 PM
62	I have gone from 7 employees to 1 1/2 due to this fabulous economy we have been treated to over the past 8 years. if I have to pay ANY more than I pay now for employee wages, I'm shutting down.	12/13/2016 12:38 PM
63	I have no employees.	12/13/2016 12:30 PM
64	NM has one of the worst business climates for employers and employees of any state. As a result of this, I plan to relocate to AZ or TX in the near future.	12/13/2016 12:29 PM
65	Not sure.	12/13/2016 12:20 PM

66	We cannot relocate as we are a hotel, but we would have to look for more automation a \$15.00 minimum wage would increase our payroll by 250,000 and since we work on a marginal profit we would be forced to sell or cut jobs.	12/13/2016 12:19 PM
67	I WILL CERTAINLY RELOCATE MY BUSINESS	12/13/2016 12:05 PM
68	We have not done the analysis or seen any but wage inflation will undoubtedly lead us to move more functions out of state. most likely to Texas which has a better workforce and gets it.	12/13/2016 11:43 AM
69	We are adding automation and considering other jurisdictions now, in part because of Albuquerque's high minimum wage and unstable business environment created by a referendum system that is biased against business and jobs.	12/13/2016 10:36 AM
70	Currently we provide free health care and a nice retirement package. If we are forced to increase wages, we will have to decrease our benefits to them. Of course that will only hurt our employees as they'll have a greater tax burden and less benefit.	12/13/2016 10:21 AM
71	\$12.00, If you are at minimum wage job the idea is to move up. Not make a career out of that position. These jobs are meant as entry level jobs. Not careers. We offer a sliding pay scale and in 3 years I have only had a handful of employees actually slide. If I told you you could basically write your own hourly wage, would you be motivated enough to do it? It amazes me the lack of motivation.	12/13/2016 10:20 AM
72	15 min wage has not worked in other cities, won't work here either.	12/13/2016 10:20 AM
73	I have no intentions of hiring anybody. I was an employer here for 32 years. I have had no employees now for ten years. What the schools teach here is wholly inadequate both in content and attitude.	12/13/2016 10:15 AM
74	We are already working on the automation piece.	12/13/2016 10:15 AM
75	Have no employees	12/13/2016 10:14 AM
76	I am in the restaurant/bar business so I am not this will affect me too much right now.	12/13/2016 10:12 AM
77	\$12-14/hr	12/13/2016 10:01 AM
78	These are not alternatives that will help our country stabilize and grow. The are options that are profit focused	12/13/2016 9:54 AM
79	It would depend of import export fees and tariffs. The cost of freight, the cost of labor. Mexico laws are different than US when it comes to employee hiring and firing. It would depend on the size of the corporation and the potential revenue to be had to make it worth the hassle to move an operation. Giving an exact number can't be done, it would depend on the company. What I can say though is it would impact small locally owned businesses that do not have the necessary funds available to move. These small businesses would feel the brunt of increased wages.	12/13/2016 9:51 AM
80	\$9	12/13/2016 9:51 AM
81	15	12/13/2016 9:41 AM
82	\$10	12/13/2016 9:35 AM
83	We are already closing our business, partially as a result of increased regulations. We pay above the current minimum wage, but we could not afford \$15 per hour.	12/13/2016 9:29 AM
84	N/A	12/13/2016 9:18 AM
85	over \$15. \$15 an hour would be acceptable	12/13/2016 9:05 AM
86	If the min-wage hits \$10.00 an hour i'm going to close.	12/13/2016 8:58 AM
87	I work at a business where the minimum is not a factor. All of the people here are paid higher than that because they are educated and have earned their pay.	12/13/2016 8:37 AM
88	\$10./hr. Anything above that and I will not be able to afford hiring even one employee.	12/13/2016 8:25 AM
89	The price of everything would go up. It's not worth increasing to the ridiculous \$15 minimum.	12/13/2016 8:12 AM
90	At any point that it becomes cost effective, currently around the \$10 range for some applications.	12/13/2016 8:09 AM
91	\$10/hr	12/13/2016 7:54 AM
92	\$11 per hour	12/13/2016 7:50 AM
93	I wouldn't.	12/13/2016 7:46 AM
94	Stupid question; this is just propoganda.	12/13/2016 7:35 AM
95	\$12.00	12/13/2016 7:29 AM
96	I will either move to business friendly Texas or lay workers off.	12/13/2016 7:01 AM

97	N/A	12/13/2016 6:52 AM
98	\$12.00	12/13/2016 6:32 AM
99	\$10	12/12/2016 11:41 AM

Q6 Do you believe that New Mexico should add work requirements for those who are currently receiving government assistance and who are otherwise able to work as a prerequisite to obtain financial assistance?

Answered: 219 Skipped: 3



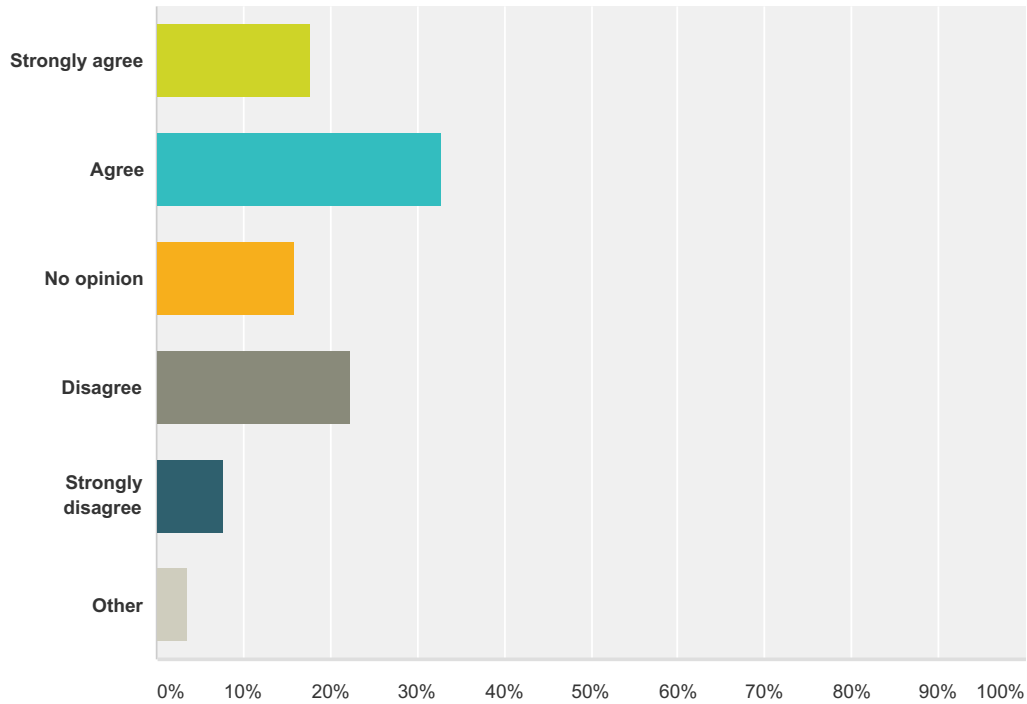
Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	90.87% 199
No	2.74% 6
No opinion	0.46% 1
Other	5.94% 13
Total	219

#	If you answered "other," or would like to comment further on your response, please share your insight on this issue in the space provided.	Date
1	and also drug testing.	12/31/2016 12:36 PM
2	For some programs. Children should not go hungry/homeless regardless of parental actions.	12/22/2016 8:46 AM
3	This depends. Sometimes individuals have no transportation. Some areas do not have work availability. Over all those individuals who think government assistance is greater than having to work I feel work should be required. This is a catch 22 depending on other variables.	12/17/2016 7:29 PM
4	They could at least do community service locally like weed cutting, trash pickup if they have reliable transportation. But back when I was unemployed the benefits received hardly covered expenses and it just supplemented savings. The worst abuse is young women with livein boyfriends. Of course it's hard to enforce. I think compensation should be capped after the 2nd child and definitely not applied to illegals.	12/16/2016 9:05 PM

5	New Mexicans must have skin in the game. The generational dependence that has been culturally accepted in this State must be met with a different focus. The focus must become growth, development, future investments, and the overall emphasis on being able to attract business to the State.	12/14/2016 10:30 AM
6	There should be a 20 hour requirement, like the version of the CCC's to help re-instate the values of working and encourage people to get off unemployment. Or, and educational component that postures people with new skills.	12/14/2016 9:39 AM
7	Yes. But it must be a minimum of 40 hours a week of work. A portion of the wage needs to go back to the state to cover administrative costs.	12/13/2016 10:06 PM
8	No question! Some limited assistance with a clearly stated expectation of becoming independent should be the case.	12/13/2016 9:29 PM
9	Seriously? Like kick 'em when they're down on their luck? We pay taxes for times like these and are here to help lift each other up!	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
10	AND mandatory drug tests!!!	12/13/2016 8:03 PM
11	NEW MEXICO HAS MORE PEOPLE on welfare than are working and we wonder why this state is in debt. Very few people actually qualify for full help. Get the others working. I know from my experience with unemployment and worker's compensation!!!! Handouts make lazy people and you all know that. Those who truly need help I do not begrudge--but the majority are working the system.	12/13/2016 7:55 PM
12	ABSOLUTELY!!!	12/13/2016 6:18 PM
13	Depends on the situation and the need vs ability. The really serious issue is rampant disability payouts to those who are not disabled and excessive benefits for those here illegally!	12/13/2016 5:15 PM
14	Drug test them too!	12/13/2016 2:42 PM
15	Benefits should also have a sunset, maybe even a reduced amount "twilight" before a sunset.	12/13/2016 1:25 PM
16	Absolutely! and add random drug tests to receive financial assistance	12/13/2016 1:21 PM
17	This is tricky since you do not define what able to work means, we have a lot of people with mental health issues and drug addiction who are not employable, but do our think government assistance is too generous?, Yes, and I think women who get assistance for children need to name the father, and I think we should follow other states by capping assistance regardless of the number of children.	12/13/2016 12:19 PM
18	End welfare. Charity has always worked and welfare does not.	12/13/2016 10:44 AM
19	Work or community service	12/13/2016 10:20 AM
20	Better to focus on changing rules that cause people to stay on public assistance	12/13/2016 10:14 AM
21	It depends on individual circumstances	12/13/2016 9:54 AM
22	All work is good work. I do believe there should be more than just financial assistance. Finding a job can be tricky and encouragement from the government for those receiving aid should be mandatory. The longer a person is out of work the harder it can be for them to get back in the swing of things. Even non paid labor positions can help add a skill set that could help them obtain a new job.	12/13/2016 9:51 AM
23	Yes. But more important, DRUG TEST, DRUG TEST, DRUG TEST! No assistance unless you pass a mandatory drug test EVERY month BEFORE receiving assistance.	12/13/2016 9:51 AM
24	There already are work requirements.	12/13/2016 9:41 AM
25	And they should also have to pass random drug testing.	12/13/2016 9:18 AM
26	those who are receiving govt. assistance and are able to work should at least be put to work like the prisons. . . picking up trash on the highways and parks or serving in some other ways at least a few hours a week. that should motivate them, yet leave them some time for job hunting..	12/13/2016 9:11 AM
27	Most definitely. I have a great niece who has four kids - expecting number five - all by different fathers. Obviously, I would like to see her go out and work, but who knows if that would ever happen.	12/13/2016 8:37 AM
28	Except mothers who have children at home	12/13/2016 7:46 AM
29	Yeah let's put the disabled into work camps	12/13/2016 7:35 AM

Q7 What do you think about the following statement: Local Economic Development Act, Job Training Incentive Programs and other state-funded incentives to entice new companies to New Mexico are beneficial.

Answered: 220 Skipped: 2



Answer Choices	Responses
Strongly agree	17.73% 39
Agree	32.73% 72
No opinion	15.91% 35
Disagree	22.27% 49
Strongly disagree	7.73% 17
Other	3.64% 8
Total	220

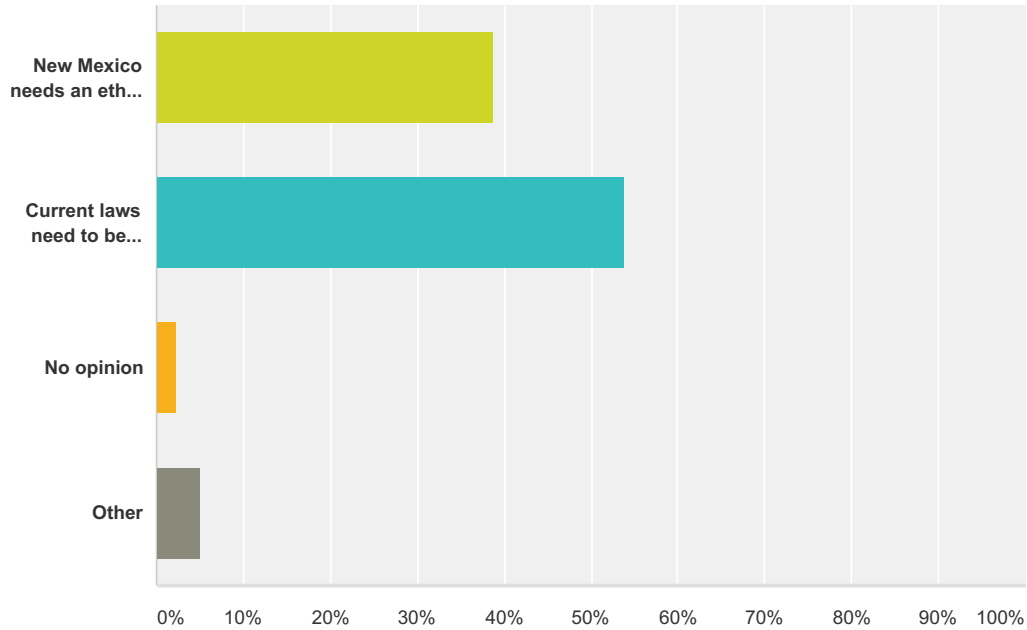
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1	I would like to see some evidence that these programs work.	12/30/2016 10:25 AM
2	They can be if selectively offered. There's a risk of overdoing it, as with Facebook's data center.	12/28/2016 8:34 PM

3	The trade off between the tax payer benefit and the job training results in almost every state where this approach has been implemented is dismal. Large companies that will actually benefit New Mexico with good paying employment, increased tax base with improved community development among the middle income bracket will be attracted by constructing a package of temporary tax and regulatory relief benefits. They could possibly use some temporary assistance with their costs to train qualified new people with their own in house trainers in the realm of their own products and services.	12/27/2016 12:03 PM
4	Agree to some extent. I think more of this could be handled by bringing vocational tech back into the Jr High and High Schools	12/22/2016 12:08 PM
5	How about you support those of us who are already here?	12/22/2016 8:46 AM
6	It's mostly no right to work laws and some tax laws and other regs probably concerning environment and energy.	12/16/2016 9:05 PM
7	I don't really know. A lot of government programs sound good, but on further analysis are often a waste of tax payers money. Encourage free enterprise and get rid of a lot of government red tape.	12/16/2016 4:16 PM
8	Most of the time, government's job should be not to interfere, overly tax and tell business what they want. Government should get out of the way.	12/15/2016 7:25 PM
9	I am not sure what the financial impact is	12/15/2016 12:16 PM
10	Only if they are developed and executed by the private sector. The state and local governments are too political to create business opportunities.	12/15/2016 6:32 AM
11	Every state funded incentive must be evaluated on its own merit. I can not evaluate the various job incentive programs as as a whole. All of the current job incentive programs have pluses and minuses.	12/14/2016 9:48 PM
12	Who pays for this? The tax payers pay for this only to have the mandates of the government cause the very same business that have been attracted to depart as quickly as they arrived. Than what do we have?	12/14/2016 10:30 AM
13	It sounds good, but I would need more details (where the devil lies in wait) before agreeing with it. Could this be a gov't-private sector arrangement?	12/14/2016 9:46 AM
14	Government is supposed to be in the business of governing; not employee training. Their interest is in growing government...and the government employee pool. If they were interested in growing business, they would be in business; not subsisting off the backs of tax-paying business owners, under the guise of being helpful. "State Funded" = Tax Payer Funded!	12/13/2016 9:29 PM
15	My experience is they don't work in a state like New Mexico where you have highly (extremely) unmotivated people. Companies can afford to keep them on as long as the state money flows. Once it stops the people are poor performers and the company can not afford to keep the on. Of course their are always a few exceptions.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
16	These too have been cut because of massive tax cuts that got us no jobs.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
17	Companies brought in on LEDA(and other incentives) will stay as long as they benefit from the handout.	12/13/2016 5:50 PM
18	Incentivizing new companies to come to New Mexico requires legitimate resource availability. Most of the desired kind of companies will require human resource capabilities beyond the training ability of the cited programs.	12/13/2016 1:25 PM
19	Companies come for the benefits, but don't stay if they lose them.	12/13/2016 1:21 PM
20	Improve education to create better employees.	12/13/2016 1:21 PM
21	Of course, the politically correct and engineered answer by introducing these entitlements is to attract mo bidness to NM. The truth is the exact opposite. When the entitlements go away, so do the phoney baloney "jobs" that transferring businesses came here offering, after drinking this insidious kool-aide.	12/13/2016 12:38 PM
22	This entire part of the NM State government should be abolished in favor of private companies taking on these issues.	12/13/2016 12:30 PM
23	Job training programs are abused by call centers who hire folks until their job training money runs out and then let them go.	12/13/2016 12:20 PM
24	Government programs are seldom effective in bringing in new business, while government deregulation is.	12/13/2016 12:19 PM
25	I agree that they are necessary given our poor business environment, but could not be necessary if we had a more welcoming business environment. We are using taxpayer money to overcome our poor business environment, which includes taxation, regulation, and a general anti-business sentiment by government officials and the public.	12/13/2016 10:36 AM
26	Nothing has worked yet.	12/13/2016 10:20 AM
27	Until they FIX ALL education in this State. The above statement is VACUOUS! TOTAL WASTE OF TAXPAYERS' RESOURCES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!	12/13/2016 10:15 AM

28	Would like to see a lot more of this. When I say to see more of this, I mean everywhere. It seems that development for businesses can be tricky, and are generally hidden gems. I would like to see an overall stronger campaign where these benefits are readily known in the community. I shouldn't have to speak to over twenty people to get the correct clear answer to state funded incentives for existing or new companies. It really shouldn't be this difficult.	12/13/2016 9:51 AM
29	Probably helps, but does not overcome the economic discouragers like tax base, environmental hampering. don't know what the econom. devlp. act is or does.	12/13/2016 9:11 AM
30	An ill-educated workforce mitigates against recruitment	12/13/2016 8:52 AM
31	I think these are beneficial for those who get the assistance...who may move to find work. I think that these programs create jobs for the people who run them. But I doubt that businesses looking to locate here rank them very high when compared with other factors such as crime, schools, taxation, public leadership and so on....	12/13/2016 7:29 AM
32	The government is ineffective in running these programs.	12/13/2016 7:01 AM

Q8 New Mexico has a history of ‘pay to play’ and other public official related corruption. Do you believe New Mexico needs an ethics commission to hold New Mexico officials accountable for their conduct or do you believe we have enough laws but need better enforcement?

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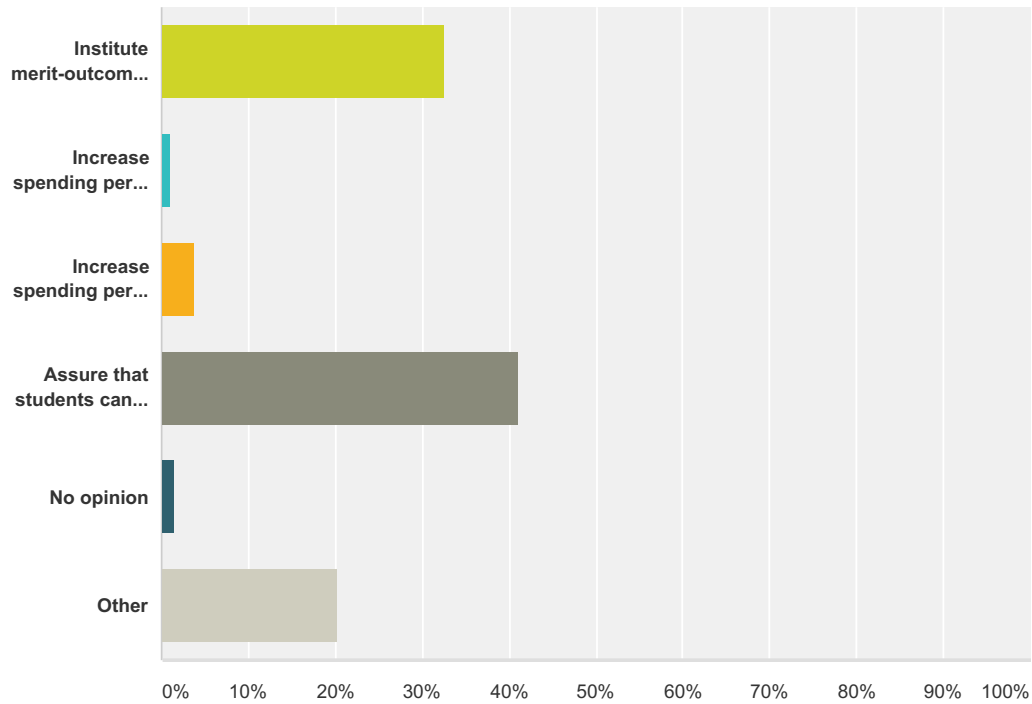
Answer Choices	Responses
New Mexico needs an ethics commission	38.81% 85
Current laws need to be enforced	53.88% 118
No opinion	2.28% 5
Other	5.02% 11
Total	219

#	If you answered "other," or would like to comment further on your response, please share your insight on this issue in the space provided.	Date
1	We probably have too many laws already and need to get rid of some of them!	1/11/2017 8:02 PM
2	It is very hard to legislate morality and ethics.	12/31/2016 12:36 PM
3	New Mexico needs both an non-partisan ethics commission and enforcement of current laws.	12/30/2016 10:25 AM
4	I thought that was the job of the auditor and attorney general.	12/16/2016 9:05 PM
5	Probably a bit of both. We never will get rid of corruption. People are people.	12/16/2016 4:16 PM
6	That is small effective, non political, and inexpensive.	12/15/2016 9:56 AM
7	It would help if we had good investigative journalism.	12/15/2016 6:32 AM

8	The upcoming legislative session should look at Rep Dines proposal for an ethics commission.	12/14/2016 9:48 PM
9	No new laws. Ever!	12/14/2016 11:42 AM
10	If there was to be an "Ethics Commission", it should be comprised of credible and accomplished business owners. NOT those in government.	12/13/2016 9:29 PM
11	BOTH--PAY TO PLAY HAS BEEN AROUND FOR A LONG TIME AND LEFT UNCHECKED. I HAVE PERSONALLY HAD FAMILY MEMBERS WHO HAVE DONE THIS AND BENEFITED UNFAIRLY. NEW MEXICO OFFICIALS FROM THE GOVERNOR ON DONE NEED TO BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE. WE HAVE A VERY BAD REPUTATION AMONG OTHER STATES AND HONESTY.	12/13/2016 7:55 PM
12	Why is the City of Santa Fe allowed to give land to a developer and wave hook up fees? Where is our AG?	12/13/2016 6:18 PM
13	No. Won't make any difference and an Ethics Commission will simply get corrupted too.	12/13/2016 5:50 PM
14	Pay to play convictions should result in the termination of any employee's retirement benefits in addition to any other criminal court penalties.	12/13/2016 4:29 PM
15	ACCOUNTABILITY	12/13/2016 1:30 PM
16	Both, ethics commission and enforce the laws we have	12/13/2016 1:21 PM
17	There should be laws against the kind of corruption we regularly see in NM, but I don't know what already exists. I don't think that ethics commissions do much good.	12/13/2016 12:30 PM
18	Current laws need to be enforced and even with an ethics commission who is going to watch them? Most of them would have connections that can be abused also.	12/13/2016 12:20 PM
19	We have good laws on our books. It seems that enforcement is doled out on a political basis rather than whether the person (no matter the party) is guilty or not.	12/13/2016 11:08 AM
20	Current law should be enforced AND where law requires only 10% verification, increase agency verification to at least 50%.	12/13/2016 10:14 AM
21	who would be the ethics commission -- more progressives who would protect their own?	12/13/2016 9:11 AM
22	Again - both one are two are important.	12/13/2016 8:37 AM
23	Politics are the same for both sides	12/13/2016 7:35 AM
24	Who is going to enforce them? It's a club.	12/13/2016 7:29 AM

Q9 New Mexico continually lags most other states in regards to education even though spending per student is above average as compared to other states. What do you believe should be done to better educate our children and prepare our future work force?

Answered: 212 Skipped: 10



Answer Choices	Responses
Institute merit-outcome-based measures to determine teachers' salaries rather than compensation based on longevity.	32.55% 69
Increase spending per child on classroom related expenses.	0.94% 2
Increase spending per child for teacher salaries.	3.77% 8
Assure that students can read before leaving the third grade to assure success in later grades and life.	41.04% 87
No opinion	1.42% 3
Other	20.28% 43
Total	212

#	If you answered "other," or would like to comment further on your response, please share your insight on this issue in the space provided.	Date
1	Get rid of federal funding and intervention in our schools! Allow the teachers to TEACH rather than fill out forms all the time and give tests all the time!!!	1/11/2017 8:02 PM

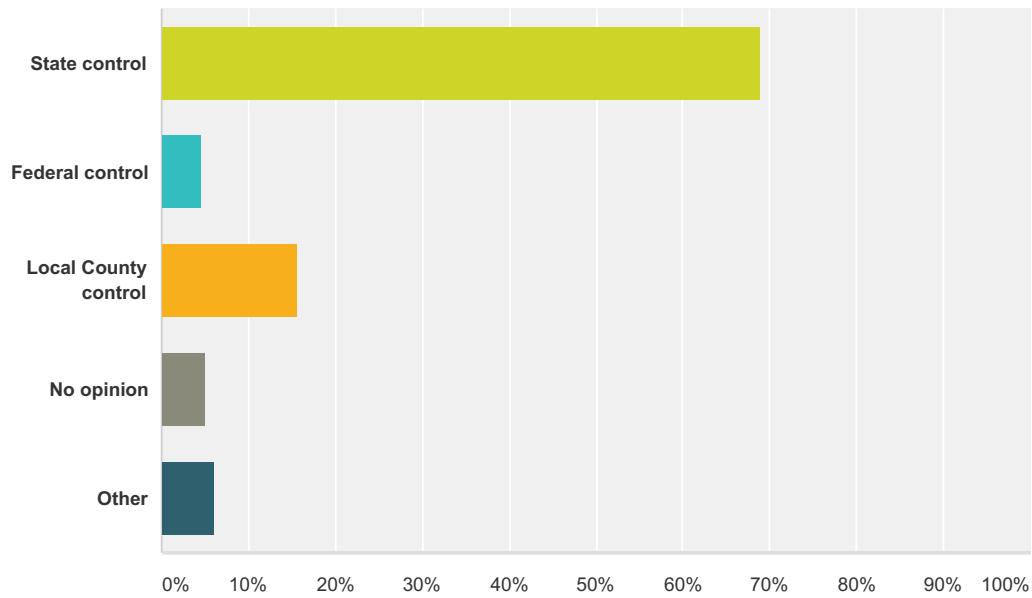
2	New Mexico does not need to spend more on education. The real problem is the education system, programs, poor teaching, and teachers' unions weighed down by a massive bureaucracy resulting in failure after failure. I believe New Mexico needs to replace the Common Core standards, curriculum, and testing associated with proven successful programs such as the state of Massachusetts had before implementing Common Core. Teachers should teach only in subjects for which they are qualified. New teachers should be mentored by experienced teachers. Teacher evaluations should be based upon observations by their principals and other experienced teachers in addition to student performance. Early childhood education should be discarded based on evidence that proves it is "not" effective. Education bureaucracies and administration should be reduced or eliminated to the extent possible. Funds should be channeled to the classrooms. Teacher salary increases and promotions should be based upon merit and not on longevity. NM should not accept grants from any federal agency unless they are "block grants" with no strings attached. The focus should not be on technology but on learning. Money is not the problem and more money will not help.	12/30/2016 10:25 AM
3	Hold school superintendents more accountable. Increase parental participation.	12/28/2016 8:34 PM
4	I believe APS needs to be held accountable with their Billion Dollar Plus Budget. We need to get a new Superintendent that will control that budget and not just "rubber stamp" whatever APS wants. Common Core must go!!! I am running for the APS Board. I want CHANGES!!!	12/27/2016 12:08 PM
5	Students must be able to read before entering third grade. I think our students lag behind because of all the illegals in the school systems. The illegals are dragging our students down because they can't keep up.	12/27/2016 12:01 PM
6	What do successful states do? Copy them. More money is definitely NOT THE ANSWER. Need to bust up the union that has no interest in children - seems to be only interested in dues and the protection of incompetent union members.	12/26/2016 8:08 PM
7	Test students at the beginning and the end of the school year. Those not making the grade at either time (lost skills during the summer or not up to par at the end--failure to progress) should be put back a grade. The only exception to this could be the child who was injured or hospitalized during the school year who was otherwise a good student. I would give these kids a chance to catch up.	12/23/2016 8:38 PM
8	outlaw unions. Right to work. Teachers work for the taxpayers and should be made responsible to them.	12/23/2016 9:40 AM
9	Get rid of Common Core	12/23/2016 6:38 AM
10	Get State and Feds out of education.	12/22/2016 8:57 PM
11	Introduce a voucher system to allow parents options for where they send their children to school. In the near-term, we need more charter schools.	12/22/2016 5:01 PM
12	Let NM have private charter schools that are funded by our taxes. Parents should be allowed to send their children to any school, private or public, the child's share of the tax dollar for education should follow the child.	12/22/2016 12:08 PM
13	I support higher teachers salaries for beginning teachers, but salaries alone won't fix the problem. That's why I'm running for the APS School Board.	12/22/2016 11:55 AM
14	We need state -wide vocational school system for trades and skills training	12/22/2016 11:51 AM
15	Private school vouchers and a return of trade programs to high schools.	12/22/2016 8:46 AM
16	Better teacher training at the college level. Establish degrees in education at different student levels, for example, a BS in education for elementary grades. No tenure. Get rid of teacher unions! No job for teachers without a certificate in education. Recruit teachers from other states with similar requirements. NO EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION BABYSITTING SCHOOLS!	12/21/2016 1:12 PM
17	Institute merit-outcome-based measures to determine teachers' salaries rather than compensation based on longevity and ending social promotion.	12/16/2016 9:05 PM
18	Higher education schools should teach skills not indoctrination of students in Marxist, leftists political thought.	12/16/2016 3:51 PM
19	I have worked in the public school system and believe some teachers have no business teaching (or not teaching would be a better term) children. There has to be a better evaluation system other than children's test scores. The teachers have to spend too much time teaching them how to pass tests and not enough teaching basics!	12/15/2016 12:16 PM
20	Vouchers as well.	12/15/2016 6:32 AM
21	My second choice is the elimination of social promotion.	12/14/2016 9:48 PM
22	Outlaw teachers' unions--should be no public employee unions for those paid with taxpayer funds.	12/14/2016 11:42 AM
23	As with an employee who does not perform, an annual evaluation should be given to each district. As the student benefit, as the graduation rate increases, as schools emphasize on education not indoctrination, the district should benefit. Currently, it seems as if this process is backwards.	12/14/2016 10:30 AM

24	Continue to push head start programs, less testing of students, and use incentives for teachers. We are beating up our teachers. i.e. sick leave, losing points for being sick, why not give points for not using sick leave? Reward not punish teachers.	12/14/2016 9:39 AM
25	Forced parental involvement if kids do not achieve minimum standards (perhaps if they were accountable they would not have so many kids). Tie to public assistance....if the kids are truant.....benefits are cut.	12/14/2016 7:19 AM
26	Teacher and administrator salaries need to be performance based but the problem is how to set the matrix on how to measure performance.	12/14/2016 6:01 AM
27	Vouchers and disband the NEA	12/13/2016 11:55 PM
28	Public schools are an administrative nightmare. Having more rules enforced by members of the status quo will not solve the problem. The majority of the school board members should be parents of the students and not "education professionals" Minimum standards of achievement for each grade needs to be established and evaluated. If the student doesn't pass the evaluation, they do not advance.	12/13/2016 10:06 PM
29	Give teachers the opportunity to teach!!! Currently teachers cannot hold students accountable for productivity or behavior!!!! Teachers are having to spend more time on special needs, behavioral disorders and ESL students, not enough time to teach the other students in their class!!!!	12/13/2016 10:01 PM
30	Trash Common Core. Incentivize, celebrate and encourage trade and vocational training. Teach the facts about Free-Market Capitalism and emphasize its rewards by celebrating successful, tenacious entrepreneurs.	12/13/2016 9:29 PM
31	In a welfare state children don't have any incentive to become non-ignorant. Furthermore, in many cases the uneducated or under educated parents don't see a need for their children to be educated.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
32	NM spending per student is NOT above average.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
33	I am a former Vocational Education teacher in the secondary schools. When graduation requirements became "college bound" and the vocational classes were dropped--the drop out rate radically increased. We need to bring back "practical/life skills" into the curriculum and quit treating all students as though they are college bound as they are not. When on the advisory board to TVI--eons ago--they were frustrated because the students did not get the practical education they need for life before exiting high school. Take a good look at drop out rates--then look hard at college bound percentages, but also look at college degree percentages. Few who go to college finish. Why do we give our students practical classes so they can get entry level jobs to help them while they determine what direction they would like to go for their future. I am very opinionated on this subject!	12/13/2016 7:55 PM
34	remove common core	12/13/2016 7:06 PM
35	Focus on families!	12/13/2016 6:18 PM
36	No magic bullet here ... Reading is the base requirement. Our culture really does not value education	12/13/2016 5:50 PM
37	End union strangleholds and cronyism. Reduce education requirement for education assistants in elementary schools who are only paid under \$9 an hour so we can fill more open teaching slots.	12/13/2016 5:15 PM
38	It starts at home, there are consequences for actions. If you misbehave there is a punishment. You will come to school, learn, not cause trouble and discontent among the students or you will have a punishment and that maybe community service until you can learn to behave. On the other side this common core garbage needs to go away where it belongs! The system is trying to push all this crap and the ways we have taught children for years that have proven to work (i.e. look what the 50's & 60's generation have done; put a man on the moon. Developed all the technical aspects that we have now but that's not good enough.) Kids today are doing things that was taught in colleges in as early as in the early 2000's. Forcing kids to learn things they will never use and every day concepts are thrown to the wolves is the biggest part of this problem. Get your priorities straight and the kids will follow suite.	12/13/2016 4:40 PM
39	Need to break the stranglehold unions have on education at all levels. We need right to work.	12/13/2016 4:40 PM
40	Teachers must be allowed to help children learn and to think through problems. Teaching to tests is a waste	12/13/2016 4:37 PM
41	Get rid of common core and start exploring voucher programs.	12/13/2016 4:26 PM
42	eliminate common core, stop paying for the education of illegal immigrants and award teachers based on student achievement, not on standardized test scores.	12/13/2016 4:12 PM
43	Vouchers	12/13/2016 1:23 PM
44	Vouchers, make public schools compete for students and funding.	12/13/2016 1:21 PM

45	Mandate that students cannot proceed from 3rd grade if they cannot read AT THE 3RD GRADE LEVEL. Get ride of the teachers union and the feminazi who's been running that show for the past 2 decades. Then lose NEA, then allow state vouchers & promote the heck out of charter schools that actually offer strongly enforced educational policies that tie the measurement of student success directly to the teachers, and lose the teachers that fail this metric. Stop requiring teachers to parent students. Hold parents accountable for their children's conduct in the schools and punish them for their darling children's defiant and disruptive conduct. Lastly, start teaching real history, real math, algebra, and real science again, and bring God back into ALL schools.	12/13/2016 12:38 PM
46	Move toward more charter schools and add vouchers for some private schools.	12/13/2016 12:30 PM
47	It is lack of parenting, not teachers, this is the major problem in NM. Change that culture and you'll change education and public safety for the better. Also, if people are here illegally, deport them - don't put their kids in school and expect us to pay for it and our teachers to educate them.	12/13/2016 12:29 PM
48	More school choice with their student results made available, lowered administrative cost, reduced federal involvement, parental involvement initiatives, etc.	12/13/2016 12:20 PM
49	We need more involvement at home from parents, kids come to school ill prepared, ill fed. Too many parents expect teachers to raise their children, I do not know how you mandate engaged parents.	12/13/2016 12:19 PM
50	Institute a voucher system to increase choices for parents. Add competition to the horribly inept public school districts like APS. Add constitutional amendment to eliminate third party collective bargaining for any publicly funded jobs.	12/13/2016 11:43 AM
51	Stop dumbing-down education in New Mexico. We continually lower our standards to get higher graduation rates and then wonder why so many kids going to college need to take remedial math during their freshman year. Why would any parent be pleased about sending their child to a school that permits below-average education to be permissible!	12/13/2016 11:08 AM
52	Allow more charter schools. Require tutoring for children not able to read or do basic math starting in the early grades.	12/13/2016 10:52 AM
53	Government schools are evil. End them. We had higher literacy before we had government schools. Two thousand years ago Cicero described bureaucrats and I find the description still fits. "A bureaucrat is the most despicable of men, though he is needed as vultures are needed, but one hardly admires vultures whom bureaucrats so strangely resemble. I have yet to meet a bureaucrat who was not petty, dull, almost witless, crafty or stupid, an oppressor or a thief, a holder of little authority in which he delights, as a boy delights in possessing a vicious dog. Who can trust such creatures?" —Marcus Tullius Cicero	12/13/2016 10:44 AM
54	My second choice would be to make sure students can read before leaving the third grade.	12/13/2016 10:21 AM
55	Will send separate note	12/13/2016 10:14 AM
56	Make discipline part of the academic environment and start teaching to excellence instead of mediocrity.	12/13/2016 10:12 AM
57	Privatize all education, eliminate all government funding for education, remove all education taxes.	12/13/2016 9:37 AM
58	We need a workforce that is proficient in the basic three R's. English must be the primary language.	12/13/2016 9:29 AM
59	Start by getting rid of the Public Education Department and give authority for budget and curriculum back to the local school boards.	12/13/2016 9:18 AM
60	students should also speak English fluently. no computers before 6th grade, kids learn fast how to operate computers but don't know how to think. I think they can be left out until high school, until basics of read, write, math are mastered. Also, there should be a mandatory u.s.. history/constitution class in jr-sr high, and also same but simpler version in grade school,. Also geography.	12/13/2016 9:11 AM
61	Common sense and teaching a student at their learning level instead of by age group and focusing individually on the child would be more beneficial.	12/13/2016 8:12 AM
62	If one would look at the history of New Mexico it has always been low in the education side of things. This is more of a "cultural" problem rather than spending or teachers. Until this is admitted and dealt with nothing will change.	12/13/2016 7:54 AM
63	Get rid of the preponderance of waste and overhead in APS	12/13/2016 7:46 AM
64	Increase credibility of the parents.	12/13/2016 7:30 AM
65	We haven't had a discussion in a century about what we expect from our schools...whether bigger is better and so on. The system is focused on itself. Middle schools are a disaster for young people but a convenience for administrators. Teachers are caught in the middle. It's all about administration and the union that feeds off the teachers and not much about students as individuals. Complete philosophical overhaul needed. Here's an idea: Leadership training for those who would be principals and administrators...	12/13/2016 7:29 AM
66	School choice legislation	12/13/2016 7:22 AM

Q10 Where do you believe control of New Mexico's public lands should reside?

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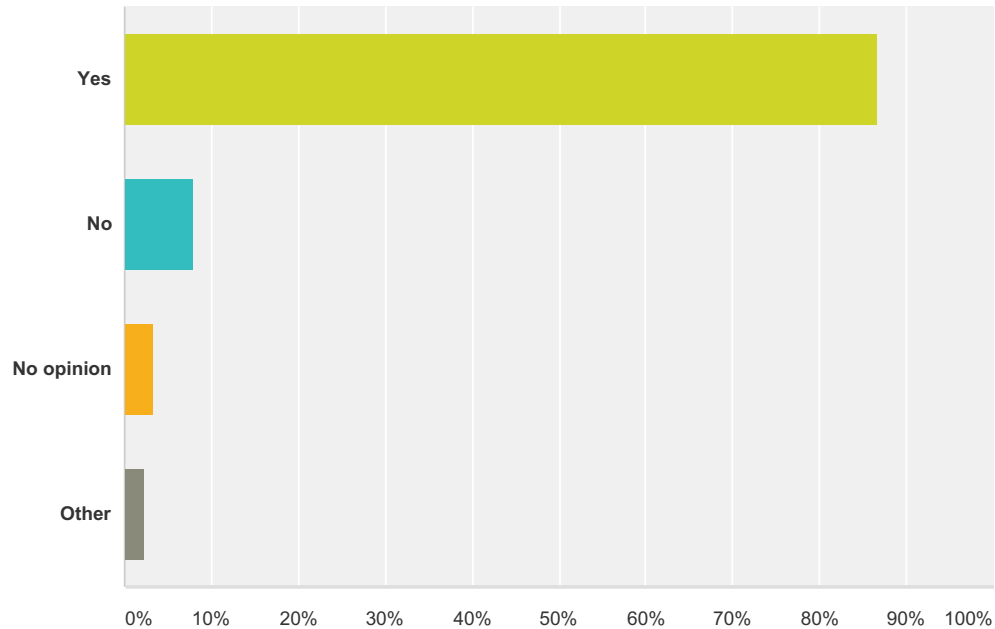
Answer Choices	Responses
State control	68.81% 150
Federal control	4.59% 10
Local County control	15.60% 34
No opinion	5.05% 11
Other	5.96% 13
Total	218

#	If you answered "other," or would like to comment further on your response, please share your insight on this issue in the space provided.	Date
1	State control if we have any. Not sure we need "public lands"!	1/11/2017 8:02 PM
2	State and local.	12/30/2016 10:25 AM
3	Constitution states that us lands should be for forts, armories, arsenals and the like. The BLM has got to go and has no Constitutional power to stay.	12/23/2016 9:40 AM
4	State control is desirable except for our state's history of corruption which makes me fear that federal lands returned to the state won't be available to the people for their use and enjoyment. So, I support slowly returning some lands to the state as a test to see how the state manages that land.	12/22/2016 11:51 AM
5	Federal Lands should remain Federal until a good plan for transferring the Oil and Gas ownership to State ownership has been agreed upon and voted to death to make sure it is absolutely bullet proof and doesn't bankrupt the state if there is a problem. The Land office needs to get much bigger and right now they can not handle the increase in acreage.	12/21/2016 1:06 PM
6	The state would probably sell all good public land to the rich, like Ted Turner and other elitist transplants to NM.	12/16/2016 3:51 PM
7	Never give anything to the Feds to manage--they barely know what day it is!	12/14/2016 11:42 AM

8	We have state, and federal lands. We should not allocate any more lands to wilderness, it takes the land out of service. We need a multiple use context.	12/14/2016 9:39 AM
9	I would prefer state control but I've seen that backfire depending upon who is in office.	12/14/2016 6:01 AM
10	You did say New Mexico's public lands...right? Who better to administer control of New Mexico lands, than New Mexicans?	12/13/2016 9:29 PM
11	This is not a simple yes or no issue. There are pros and cons for both sides. State control scares me. Especially in a croup state like New Mexico. Definitely there needs to be more local participation, but not local control. Right now I feel the Fed is out of control on land issues. And this is somewhat true for the state.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
12	Depends	12/13/2016 5:15 PM
13	With the people of the state, it's their land not the government!	12/13/2016 4:40 PM
14	or even local county control	12/13/2016 1:21 PM
15	This issue is a major justification for Legislators from both parties to support the Convention of States Resolution.	12/13/2016 1:04 PM
16	The best thing would be for the public lands to be auctioned off to qualified bidders and then become private lands.	12/13/2016 12:30 PM
17	Unfortunately, there are legal precedents that make this decision very limited in relation to State control over federal lands and the State has limited resources to manage any federal lands. State should have precedent over county such as Santa Fe which has severely restricted any land, public or private use.	12/13/2016 12:20 PM
18	Depends on the piece of land, we need all governments involved depending on the land ownership.	12/13/2016 12:19 PM
19	It should be soild to the citizens.	12/13/2016 10:44 AM
20	Petition the FEDERAL Government for the lands that the FEDERAL Government OWES to the State. These should have been transferred at Statehood	12/13/2016 10:15 AM
21	a mix	12/13/2016 9:41 AM
22	Actually some benefit would be if both State and County control where put into place.	12/13/2016 9:18 AM

Q11 Do you think that New Mexico's public lands can be effectively managed to generate state revenue while protecting the environment?

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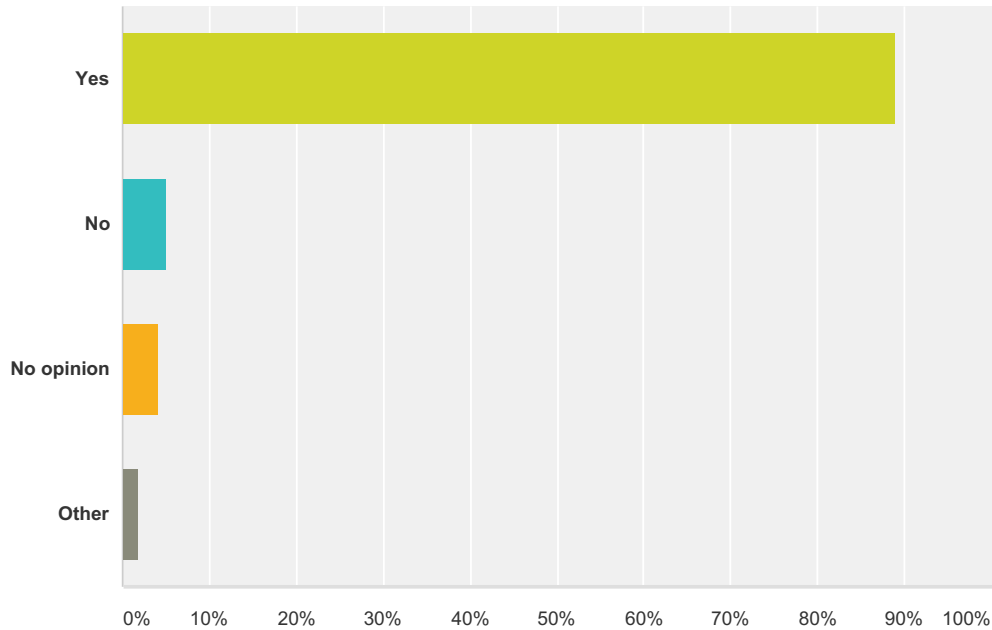
Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	86.57% 187
No	7.87% 17
No opinion	3.24% 7
Other	2.31% 5
Total	216

#	If you answered "other," or would like to comment further on your response, please share your insight on this issue in the space provided.	Date
1	I have said "yes" with the proviso that the state would only contract with private enterprises that would win approval of their business plan for the county or state land being considered.	12/27/2016 12:03 PM
2	As long a it does not unfairly give oil/gas companies authorization to harm the environment.	12/22/2016 8:46 AM
3	As long as local people are involved in the process. This cannot be effectively managed by outsiders who know nothing about the soil formation, weather patterns, ecology, environmental concerns, the history of the land, or the use of the land.	12/14/2016 10:30 AM
4	Raise your hand if you are a New Mexican who favors destroying the environment. Or...leave it to the federal government.	12/13/2016 9:29 PM
5	IF we enforce strong environmental protections.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
6	Not while public use is so tightly restricted in many cases	12/13/2016 5:15 PM
7	For sure, and a much better environment than the current let it all burn down.	12/13/2016 1:21 PM

8	I would rather not have any government control of public lands.	12/13/2016 12:30 PM
9	Probably not by this state. It takes money to manage property and New Mexico is broke. Take a look at how the state manages some of the properties it currently controls. The State of New Mexico has ruined historic Fort Bayard in Grant County. It's not just a shame... it should be looked upon as criminally neglected. There are many other public properties run by the State of New Mexico that are also in terrible shape.	12/13/2016 11:08 AM
10	Private ownership is the only moral way to go.	12/13/2016 10:44 AM
11	Auction all public lands to private ownership. All proceeds into a trust to fund all governments for the future. Eliminate are taxes for funding all governments. Privatize all government functions that can't be eliminated. Eliminate all licensing, put liability on practitioners, let insurance companies cover risks.	12/13/2016 9:37 AM
12	as we have seen with forest fires, the environmentalists' version of protecting the environment does not ultimately do so.	12/13/2016 9:11 AM

Q12 Do you believe that regulations and restrictions by federal environmental and land management agencies have become increasingly burdensome for New Mexico's agricultural, energy and other businesses?

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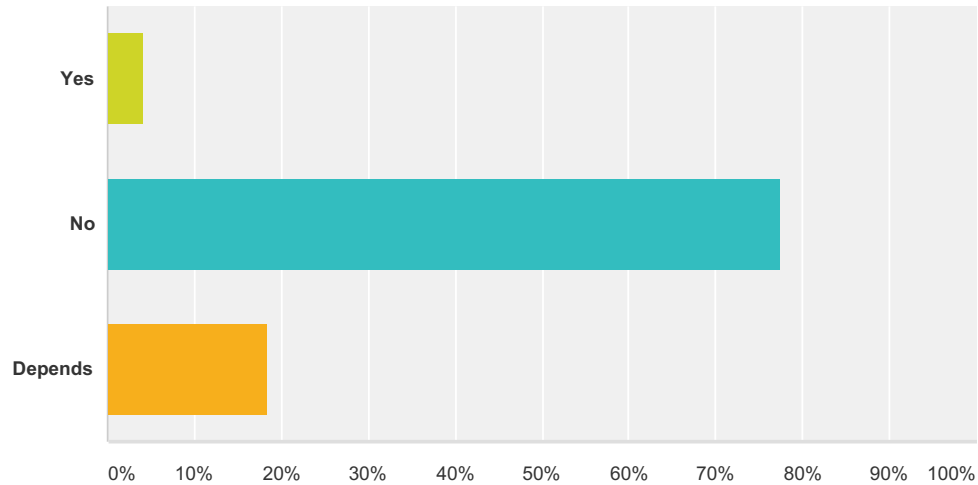
Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	88.99% 194
No	5.05% 11
No opinion	4.13% 9
Other	1.83% 4
Total	218

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1	For example, the EPA overreaches in controlling ozone and CO2 in its Clean Power Plan.	12/28/2016 8:34 PM
2	There should be no public lands save for parks.	12/23/2016 9:40 AM
3	Some are and many aren't.	12/21/2016 7:41 PM
4	We need to combat the misinformation spread by "Keep it in the Grounders"	12/21/2016 1:06 PM
5	I would really like rank and file teachers to weigh in on this issue. They are the ones in the trenches. Moral in APS is low. It seems like non teachers who have never been in the classroom are telling teachers how to do their job. Find out from teachers what they need and then begin to turn things around.	12/16/2016 4:16 PM
6	The EPA has been a disaster!	12/15/2016 3:36 PM
7	This need to be managed at the local level.	12/14/2016 10:30 AM
8	Is there any sound argument or evidence to the contrary?	12/13/2016 9:29 PM

9	Especially the state government. They are out of control. I speak from personal experience as a farm and rich owner.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
10	It's the cost of doing business and it must not cost much cause energy and food are cheaper than ever.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
11	All this does is create more government jobs that need to be paid for by the local businesses. Ease back--I want clean--but I want businesses to want to come to NM too. The Federal and State governments have stifled business growth with all the "good" they are trying to do. They create unnecessary expenses for businesses that have never been proven to really be needed. Once again this is from my personal experience and the regulations my company came under that caused me and ultimately my customers a fortune for non proven problems that may or may not occur.	12/13/2016 7:55 PM
12	Totally burdensome. Get the feds out of our business!	12/13/2016 1:21 PM
13	Is the Pope Catholic?	12/13/2016 12:20 PM
14	The same can be said about other industries. Federal banking laws that were written with the large national and international banks in mind are strangling the small local, regional bank systems. Federal regulations and restrictions are killing rural investment.	12/13/2016 11:08 AM
15	The federal government cannot fully appreciate and properly manage our state lands	12/13/2016 9:54 AM
16	Without a doubt!	12/13/2016 9:18 AM
17	Most definitely	12/13/2016 8:37 AM

Q13 If an animal, fish or other creature is endangered, should all other activity, such as farming, ranching, and energy production cease in order to protect its habitat?

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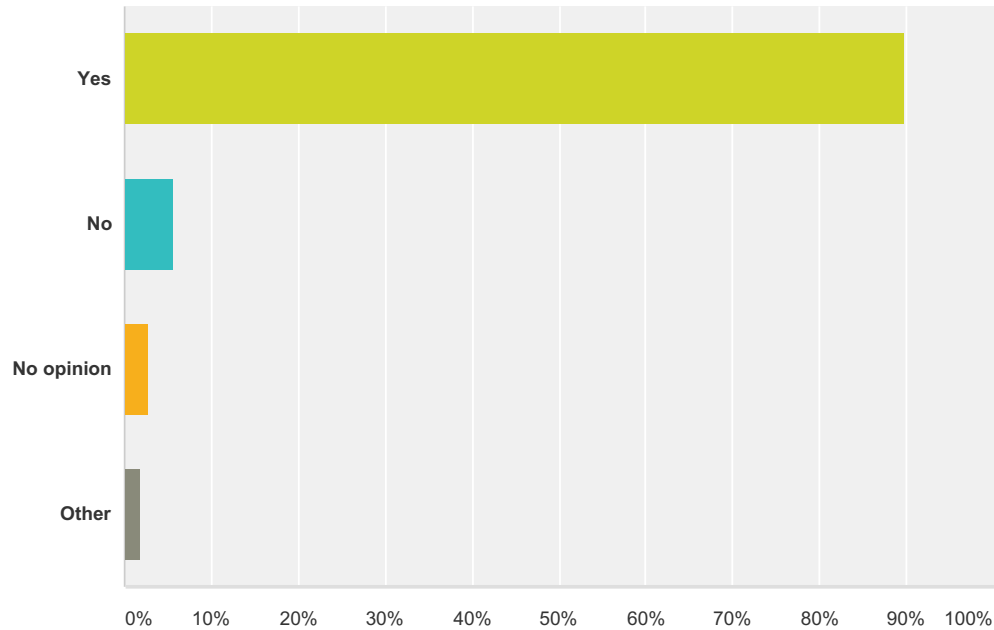
Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	4.13% 9
No	77.52% 169
Depends	18.35% 40
Total	218

#	Depends (please specify)	Date
1	ex.- meadow jumping mouse. Attn.: Sierra Club & WildEarth Guardians. Conservation and productive extractive industry should co-exist!	12/28/2016 8:34 PM
2	There are many creative ways to protect animals without damaging the human race at the same time!	12/27/2016 12:03 PM
3	Depends on why is the creature endangered and what mitigating measures can be taken without ceasing all economic activities.	12/22/2016 5:01 PM
4	On how burdensome it is.	12/22/2016 2:40 PM
5	I do not have enough knowledge of this subject to have a valid opinion.	12/22/2016 8:46 AM
6	Depends on the restrictions and also the severity of the endangerment	12/21/2016 7:41 PM
7	find a balance	12/21/2016 1:06 PM
8	On the ecological effect that species will have effect on other species. Will not effect the balance of wildlife.	12/18/2016 1:41 PM
9	Depends on the animal. Some differences, like with the Silvery Minnow, are not just so and the fish have survived in past droughts. Some alleged protections, like with the Spotted Owl, are fabricated.	12/16/2016 9:05 PM
10	Most of the time I'd answer this question with a "No". It the animal etc was truly endangered and these were the last few remaining on earth well then I might pause to consider. Most of the time it's tree huggers trying to prevent progress.	12/16/2016 4:16 PM
11	The endangered species act lets the Feds run wild!	12/15/2016 3:36 PM

12	Common sense should prevail. Activities might well be managed to accommodate a species in serious trouble, but rarely should circumstances require an activity to cease altogether.	12/14/2016 11:42 AM
13	More care would have to be given toward protection or relocation for preservation.	12/14/2016 10:30 AM
14	We'd still have dinosaurs!!	12/14/2016 9:07 AM
15	Can there be a balance between the endangered and economy.	12/14/2016 7:19 AM
16	Depends on the species and the land use. Energy production (drilling, extraction) may have a very minimal impact on surface creatures and plants. Ranching may have minimal impact. Farming, as in plowings and cultivation could have major impact, but it also depends on the concentration of the species. 5 or 10 endangered sunflowers should not preclude farming on 20 - 100 Acres, as an example.	12/14/2016 6:32 AM
17	It depends upon the value of the species vs the value of the activity. Wolves should not be protected as an example, especially with non-pure species.	12/13/2016 10:06 PM
18	We are to have dominion over the earth...and it is our responsibility to be good stewards. Period. Do we need the feds to show us how to do that? Look at what their stewardship has done to business, industry and the economy.	12/13/2016 9:29 PM
19	Is the creature really endangered? Will ceasing operations actually help the creature? Prove it!	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
20	Absolutely not!! Environmentalists have manufactured and bloated "endangered species" lists for years, all across New Mexico and the U.S. It's just infringement on the rights of businesses.	12/13/2016 8:19 PM
21	All the dinosaurs died. This is a natural state of flux/evolution that our earth is in--man has not caused nor can correct all things that happen to our earth that have happen before humans beings came into existence nor will our demise stop the evolution of the earth and its eventual developments. LET'S GO BACK TO BASICS AND WHAT WE LEARNED IN GEOLOGY AND HOW OUR EARTH HAS BEEN FORMED AND IS CONTINUING TO BE FORMED. Human Beings are nothing more than another animal that will cease to exist. The dinosaurs gave us oil that we have extracted and used for only our benefit--not for any of the other animals.	12/13/2016 7:55 PM
22	Absolutely not!	12/13/2016 6:18 PM
23	need to find alternative solutions. if these things cease there needs to be due compensation to those effected. There should also be a form of grandfather clause.	12/13/2016 2:09 PM
24	work with the landowners to protect the habitat. it works!	12/13/2016 1:21 PM
25	The definition of Endangered needs to be considered and economic impact on such regulations needs to be taken into account, which is supposed to be but typically isn't.	12/13/2016 12:20 PM
26	This should be determined based upon the specifics and an analysis of the mitigation options.	12/13/2016 11:43 AM
27	Plus, if you haven't seen one of the so-called endangered creatures in the past 20 years... let's pronounce it dead and move on.	12/13/2016 11:08 AM
28	How large an area is being considered? If it is tens of acres that is quite different from hundreds of square miles.	12/13/2016 10:52 AM
29	A cost benefit analysis should be done, rather than an ironclad rule that favors the endangered species.	12/13/2016 10:36 AM
30	I think it depends on many things usually there is a better solution then stopping everything. Animals usually adapt. But we need a balance.	12/13/2016 10:20 AM
31	Survival of both is important.	12/13/2016 10:12 AM
32	It is not about the animal, but using the animal as an indicator of a healthy environment. If an animal can't survive a particular activity, then maybe the activity is going to impact us at a future date.	12/13/2016 9:41 AM
33	Above named industries have already demonstrated the ability to work in coordination with federal agencies to protect habitat for listed species.	12/13/2016 9:18 AM
34	depends on what can be done to protect it without halting everything else. However, introducing wolves into farming/ranching areas as is done in AZ mountains (east) is not a good move, either.	12/13/2016 9:11 AM
35	Mitigation measures would be acceptable	12/13/2016 9:05 AM
36	It is not that simple. We need a balanced approach	12/13/2016 7:35 AM
37	Cease no, adapt to accommodate both, yes.	12/13/2016 7:30 AM
38	Not a binary question.	12/13/2016 7:29 AM
39	Protect mankind first	12/13/2016 6:52 AM
40	There needs to be a balance of industry and wildlife. Each case should be addressed on its own.	12/13/2016 6:32 AM

Q14 Do you think New Mexico should exercise our U.S. Constitutional rights outlined in Article V, along with other states, to limit the role of the federal government?

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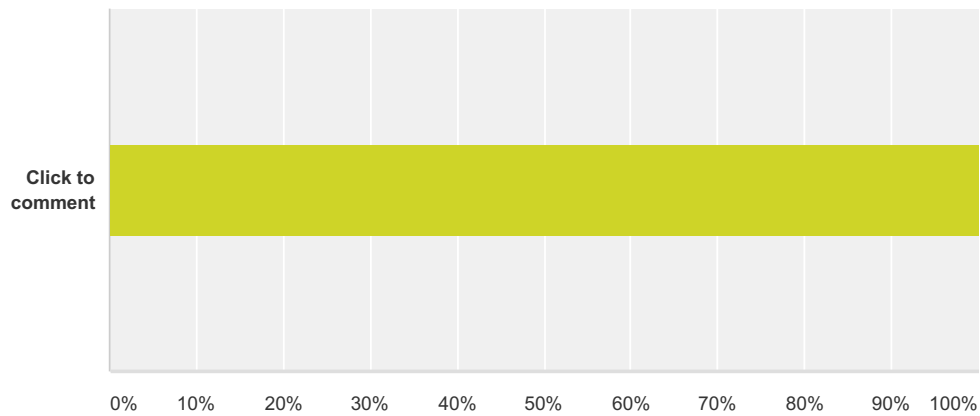
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No	5.56% 12
No opinion	2.78% 6
Other	1.85% 4
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#	If you answered "other," or would like to comment further on your response, please share your insight on this issue in the space provided.	Date
1	Long overdue.	12/27/2016 12:01 PM
2	Depends on the situation	12/21/2016 1:06 PM
3	I don't understand this question.	12/16/2016 6:24 AM
4	Government closest to home is best.	12/15/2016 3:36 PM
5	We should definitely NOT be a party to calling a Constitutional Convention. It would be very dangerous. There are already constitutional means in place to limit the role of the federal gov't. in NM, nullification being one. And just saying "NO" to federal dollars would be a good start. With federal money comes federal control.	12/15/2016 12:08 PM
6	The Federal Government should not have more power in the State than an elected person who represents the voice of the people. State affairs should be controlled entirely by the State. The Federal Government should not be able to interfere with the affairs of the State.	12/14/2016 10:30 AM

7	Doesn't the 10th amendment already do this? States rights lawyers need to step up and demand that the federal government not exceed its current constitutional limits. Some limits have already been exceeded, and they need to be challenged and overturned.	12/14/2016 9:46 AM
8	It is our last, best hope. Furthermore, it is our collective responsibility. If we do not do this, we will have failed the Founders' vision for this country and ultimately, more disastrously, our progeny.	12/13/2016 9:29 PM
9	To whose benefit?	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
10	That's an understatement!!	12/13/2016 8:19 PM
11	absolutely!	12/13/2016 1:21 PM
12	Absolutely!	12/13/2016 1:04 PM
13	it depends on the specific issue at stake.	12/13/2016 12:19 PM
14	The sad thing is that New Mexico is very dependent on Federal dollars. We need to find a way to diversify our economy so that we don't cut off our nose to spite our face.	12/13/2016 11:08 AM
15	Definitely. Although NM would probably be more liberal than the nation as a whole, the Constitution was intended for states to have greater rights and has been severely limited beyond Constitutional limits.	12/13/2016 10:36 AM
16	Very broad question. Why ask this? The role of the feds is limited.	12/13/2016 9:41 AM
17	NM should move away from taking fed. moneys, especially for schools and police forces, where money also comes with fed. control.	12/13/2016 9:11 AM
18	Most definitely. Unfortunately, NM is tied to the apron strings of the federal government and I don't see this ever happening.	12/13/2016 8:37 AM

Q15 What do you think are NMBC's top performance areas?

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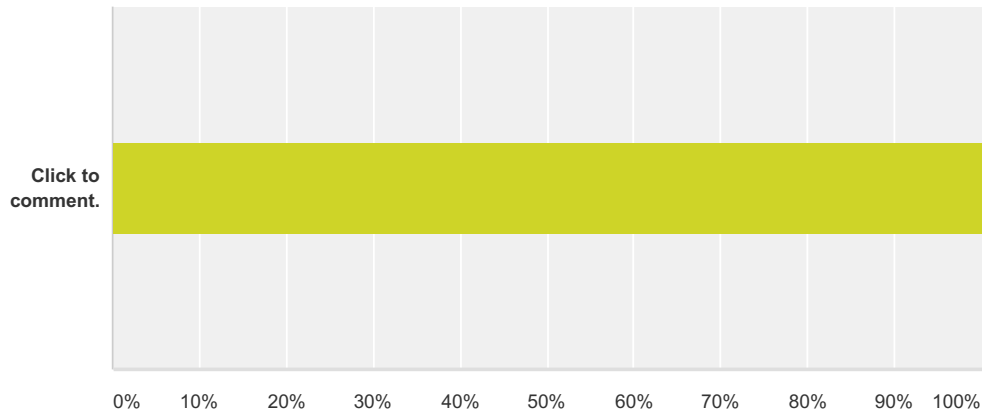
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1	I'm not even sure what it is!!!	1/11/2017 8:02 PM
2	Providing information to its members on issues and players that are impacting NM. NMBC has also worked hard to lobby for favorable business regulations. It has provided a means for business leaders, the public, and politicians to discuss and debate matters of importance to our state.	12/30/2016 10:25 AM
3	Economic solutions for sure. Lets face it, all the Democrat's solutions are in creating NEW taxes. That is all they know.	12/27/2016 12:08 PM
4	I have not been personally connected so I can't give an informed opinion.	12/27/2016 12:03 PM
5	Voter education.	12/27/2016 12:01 PM
6	Don't see it. Last session of legislature was abysmal	12/26/2016 8:08 PM
7	Helped reduce the state corporate income tax.	12/23/2016 1:37 PM
8	Legislative accountability	12/22/2016 11:50 AM
9	Carla's indefatigable lobbying at the Roundhouse, NMBC's informative newsletters and calls to action.	12/21/2016 2:24 PM
10	I was very happy with your attack on fighting mandatory sick leave.	12/20/2016 10:23 PM
11	Energy in the Southeast area and mining also	12/20/2016 8:36 AM
12	Encourage businesses to relocate to NM. Assist local business. Example: why do we ship our DMV drivers license business to another state, when it could be done here locally with minor upgrades to system. We farm out business that could be done here to other state.	12/18/2016 1:41 PM
13	Not sure, not very active with NMBC as I'm retired from the workforce. I go mostly off of what NM Rio Grand Foundation posts.	12/16/2016 9:05 PM
14	I have no idea.	12/16/2016 4:16 PM
15	Getting political candidates together for forums to better inform the electorate about their positions on important topics which affect us all.	12/15/2016 12:08 PM
16	being another voice for the business community. There are many voices for social programs and funding, but not enough for job creation and diversifying the economy in NM.	12/15/2016 9:56 AM

17	Working with legislators	12/15/2016 9:39 AM
18	I don't know you.	12/15/2016 6:32 AM
19	NMBC excels in providing critical information to the citizens of New Mexico that affects their daily lives. Keep it up!	12/14/2016 9:48 PM
20	You are on the right track in just about every area.	12/14/2016 4:04 PM
21	Don't know.	12/14/2016 3:43 PM
22	No idea--this is the first I've ever heard of this organization.	12/14/2016 11:42 AM
23	Keep up the good work.	12/14/2016 10:59 AM
24	Being the voice of the silent citizen, or citizens who are not quite informed. Ensuring voters have a face to face with candidates. Recognition for those who have served. Challenging business to be responsible, transparent, and accountable for the decisions of the business. Working to ensure allocated funds are not incorporated into the general fund to be used as politicians please but used as prescribed in the literature used to gather the funds.	12/14/2016 10:30 AM
25	Not sure?	12/14/2016 9:39 AM
26	Lobbying, including both sides (Dems & Reps)	12/14/2016 9:07 AM
27	Making members aware of issues and giving easy options for us comment to the appropriate individuals Making a difference by embracing a sister organization to create jobs.	12/14/2016 7:19 AM
28	I really appreciate your insight to your members regarding elected officials and how they vote, etc	12/14/2016 6:01 AM
29	Keeping members informed of issues. Wanting to reduce government involvement.	12/13/2016 10:06 PM
30	Keeping NM business informed and engaged. Thanks!	12/13/2016 9:29 PM
31	Not to compromise, and help hold elected officials, as it is: Hold their feet to the fire.	12/13/2016 8:56 PM
32	I can't think of any. I guess you think you throw good parties.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
33	Fighting for small business	12/13/2016 8:03 PM
34	If you actually read this survey--that is a great step to a top performance. Getting businesses opinion is absolutely necessary if our state and our country are going to survive.	12/13/2016 7:55 PM
35	attracting movie and film industries	12/13/2016 7:06 PM
36	None	12/13/2016 5:46 PM
37	Carla's hands on relationship with government	12/13/2016 5:43 PM
38	Excellent job educating the people	12/13/2016 5:15 PM
39	BASH and involvement with the legislators.	12/13/2016 5:10 PM
40	That guy Ben is a real sharp kid!	12/13/2016 2:42 PM
41	Voice for business in Santa Fe, and instructing members on issues.	12/13/2016 2:31 PM
42	advocating for businesses	12/13/2016 1:21 PM
43	Providing education to members and the general business community on issues affecting a free market environment and on candidates for government office.	12/13/2016 1:04 PM
44	Creating public awareness of the issue, legislative actions.	12/13/2016 12:20 PM
45	Getting information out.	12/13/2016 12:19 PM
46	Remaining non-partisan and fighting for issues which will benefit us all.	12/13/2016 12:16 PM
47	I like the whole package. NMBC is the clearing house for conservative thinking and practical improvements. I like that you are connected to all parts of the New Mexico community.	12/13/2016 12:04 PM
48	Making clear to legislators how proposed bills affect the business community and state as a whole.	12/13/2016 10:52 AM
49	I don't know.	12/13/2016 10:36 AM
50	communication and education of membership, direct shoe-leather lobbying in the legislature	12/13/2016 10:31 AM
51	Lobbying the state legislature to at least reduce their level of insanity when it comes to regulating business.	12/13/2016 10:12 AM
52	Right to work passage.	12/13/2016 10:01 AM

53	Working with legislation to help benefit New Mexico businesses.	12/13/2016 9:51 AM
54	Advocacy	12/13/2016 9:41 AM
55	Watchdog on state government.	12/13/2016 9:37 AM
56	Ability to continue to present facts to the voters in order to make educated decisions on candidates and issues.	12/13/2016 9:18 AM
57	Advocating for small business.	12/13/2016 9:13 AM
58	bringing issues to people who would not otherwise know. I'm not in ABQ so I don't know all they do.	12/13/2016 9:11 AM
59	Making people aware of what is happening in our state and the actions, good or bad that are being taken by our state government.	12/13/2016 8:58 AM
60	Keeping the politicians in check and letting the voice of us in the trenches be heard.	12/13/2016 8:25 AM
61	No opinion	12/13/2016 8:12 AM
62	Communication and sharing important topics. Actively pursuing beneficial outcomes for those hot button issues.	12/13/2016 8:09 AM
63	Work to reduce unnecessary regulations	12/13/2016 7:57 AM
64	Local business climate issues	12/13/2016 7:54 AM
65	Communicating Awareness	12/13/2016 7:29 AM
66	Public awareness Legislation Lobbying	12/13/2016 7:22 AM
67	Your constant and consistent efforts to eliminate regulatory and tax burdens on businesses.	12/13/2016 7:22 AM
68	Don't know yet. We just joined	12/13/2016 6:32 AM
69	Grass roots participation in public elections and policy	12/12/2016 11:41 AM

Q16 Where do you think NMBC can improve?

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Answer Choices	Responses
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#	Please comment below.	Date
1	Continue to keep members and the public informed.	12/30/2016 10:25 AM
2	Keep getting the word out to the public. In knowledge there is power.	12/27/2016 12:08 PM
3	I have already outlined several points that desperately need attention. I have offered my services and will await your reply.	12/27/2016 12:03 PM
4	Continue doing what you are doing. Bring others aboard.	12/27/2016 12:01 PM
5	NM laws/policy need to better imitate better performing neighbor states. It isn't rocket science.	12/26/2016 8:08 PM
6	Continue to back tough Legislation to prevent repeat crime offenders being let out with short sentences.	12/23/2016 1:37 PM
7	fight one battle at a time.	12/23/2016 9:40 AM
8	Press hard for Right to Work so we can get more businesses to open in NM.	12/22/2016 5:01 PM
9	Unknown	12/22/2016 11:50 AM
10	Social media engagement.	12/21/2016 2:24 PM
11	Keep up the great work!	12/20/2016 10:23 PM
12	Fewer Regulations lower taxes	12/20/2016 8:36 AM
13	See answer 15	12/16/2016 9:05 PM
14	No idea.	12/16/2016 4:16 PM
15	Just getting the word out to businessmen that you are there and fighting for them!	12/15/2016 12:08 PM
16	Join forces with others of similar views and be a strong force. The working stiffs are tired of being stiffed by their own government. Represent the real workers, people who are really working.	12/15/2016 9:56 AM
17	Do more on enforcing laws on illegal immigration. Do what can be done to deport all illegal immigrants! They are a tremendous burden on law enforcement and all tax payers of New Mexico!	12/14/2016 4:04 PM
18	No criticisms.	12/14/2016 3:43 PM

19	Anything to improve the business climate in NM (elect only Republicans...!) would be appreciated. Likewise, anything to limit the Fed's influence in anything other than defense spending would be appreciated. I like defense spending, and I like it here in NM!	12/14/2016 11:42 AM
20	Recommend sources to read and follow to keep working citizens informed.	12/14/2016 10:30 AM
21	Be more visible.	12/14/2016 9:39 AM
22	Become larger to increase its voice!! Get the info out to the public more. I just don't know how to do this.	12/14/2016 9:07 AM
23	You have done an incredible job....your diligence is phenomenal. Trying to change the culture in NM is like moving mountains.....and you continue to persevere. Would be nice to know the financials of the group.....perhaps overall generic contributions. Where is the money being appropriated. When special monies are needed for a specific project send out a special request.	12/14/2016 7:19 AM
24	Be careful of bias. Growth for "growths sake" is not desirable. More emphasis on production instead of services for the state.	12/13/2016 10:06 PM
25	The business climate in this country is about to change. If we do not go on the offensive and wrest from the state and federal governments that which they have wrongfully and unconstitutionally - by executive, judicial and bureaucratic fiat - stolen from us, we are missing a golden opportunity.	12/13/2016 9:29 PM
26	Communications	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
27	Stop attacking NM's families and workers, fight for a stronger economy thru better education, wages, infrastructure, and a strong safety net to get us thru tough times.	12/13/2016 8:41 PM
28	Do all you can to promote business growth and prosperity with less government interference. When the Federal and State governments are the largest employers in New Mexico we cannot compete. These "employers" using taxpayers money for wages must be curtailed and reduced for free enterprise to survive and grow. We are getting very close to styles of government that were rejected in our Constitution.	12/13/2016 7:55 PM
29	create more incentives and reduce or eliminate GRT and promote tax alternatives	12/13/2016 7:06 PM
30	Include more investments in local programs and people over corporations	12/13/2016 5:46 PM
31	Interview more in public forums, speaking engagements, press releases	12/13/2016 5:15 PM
32	Be more willing to invest donated money into media to promote NM business ideas. TV ads, internet activity, etc. Maybe write a weekly column on the editorial pages.	12/13/2016 5:06 PM
33	maybe a regular column in local newspapers?	12/13/2016 1:21 PM
34	not sure	12/13/2016 12:19 PM
35	Convince NM Federal Reps and Sens to require the new construction for additional government workers be built in major cities such as Albuquerque, Las Cruces, Detroit, Cleveland, etc to spread the workforce out of DC and lessen the highway congestion and increased the construction costs.	12/13/2016 11:59 AM
36	Stick to business issues, and stay out of social issues. I was not pleased NMBC strongly supported limiting driver's licenses for immigrants not here legally. Business is divided on this issue so NMBC should have stayed out of it. The same goes for issues such as the death penalty. Stick to business issues please!	12/13/2016 10:36 AM
37	find an angel donor to pay for the pro-business activities undertaken	12/13/2016 10:31 AM
38	Doing good - continue to promote business friendly initiatives and make NM an "open for business" state an innovation center of excellence.	12/13/2016 10:01 AM
39	New Mexico is isolated. Phoenix was the same size 25 years ago and now look at it. I would like to see a push towards better freeway systems and infrastructure for businesses.	12/13/2016 9:51 AM
40	Broader definition of what is pro-business	12/13/2016 9:41 AM
41	Open membership to retirees (no dues).	12/13/2016 9:37 AM
42	I think they are doing an AWESOME job. Appreciate their efforts so very much!	12/13/2016 9:18 AM
43	be more innovative, recognizing that current policies are not effective and just pushing in the other direction is not the only other option.	12/13/2016 9:05 AM
44	Hold meetings at least twice a year to discuss what is going on during and outside of the legislative session to inform members.	12/13/2016 8:25 AM
45	No opinion	12/13/2016 8:12 AM

46	Strength in numbers- grow the participation levels. Raise funds to fight the propaganda spread by certain groups throughout our state and country. Fight to maintain the economic development funding on a state level that allowed us to entice Facebook to join our state.	12/13/2016 8:09 AM
47	Ask its members to call/write state legislators/the Governor on key issues	12/13/2016 7:57 AM
48	Local climate issues	12/13/2016 7:54 AM
49	I think that you should realize all businesses are not fire always right wing. Some businesses are compassionate and create businesses to provide better life's for their employees. We have a business that is 40 strong and we provide health insurance, dental and 401K with PTO and we are a local restaurant. And I do not have to provide any of these benefits. It is the right thing to do. And I also don't want to put poor people in jail. I want rehabilitation. And as long as local government can be presuded to government to give the advantage to well to do; the Feds need to hang around.	12/13/2016 7:35 AM
50	Additional regional educational sessions on different industries in the state. Each region should be aware of what challenges the others are facing so the business leaders can support each other.	12/13/2016 7:29 AM
51	less politics. more business	12/13/2016 7:28 AM
52	Don't know yet. We just joined	12/13/2016 6:32 AM
53	Facebook presence is weak.	12/12/2016 11:41 AM