

**Simon Poll Spring 2014**  
**Response Frequencies on Gun Policy Questions**

**More or Less Safe after Concealed Carry**

Now that Illinois has passed a law allowing registered trained citizens to carry loaded handguns in public, do you feel more safe or less safe?

More safe	31.8%
Less safe	52.3%
Neither/about the same (VOL)	12.9%
Other/Don't know	3.0%

**Gun Rights vs. Gun Control**

What do you think is more important? Protecting the right to own guns, or controlling gun ownership?

Response	2013	2014
Protecting the right to own guns	31.3%	41.5%
Controlling ownership	59.5%	53.0%
Other/Don't know	9.2%	5.6%

**Exceptions to Concealed Carry**

Do you believe there should be exceptions to allowing concealed weapons in public places—excluding them from such places as schools, college campuses, shopping malls, and movie theaters?

Response	2013	2014
Yes	71.3%	56.7%
No	20.7%	35.7%
Other/Don't know	8.0%	7.6%

**Armed Guards in Schools**

Do you favor or oppose putting more armed guards or police in schools?

Response	2013	2014
Favor	46.3%	53.1%
Oppose	44.8%	38.3%
Other/Don't know	8.8%	8.6%