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Illinois Voters Oppose Police Militarization; Racial Differences Appear in Evaluations of Police

ATTACHMENTS

1. My local police department represents the racial makeup of my community.

Gender

Whole sample	Male	Female	Total
Agree	61.4%	54.6%	58.0%
Disagree	20.9%	19.9%	20.3%
Neither	4.6%	4.8%	4.7%
Don't Know	13.1%	21.0%	17.1%
Count	502	504	1006

Race/Ethnicity

Whole sample	White	Black	Other races/ethnicities	Refused	Total
Agree	61.8%	46.6%	51.0%	51.1%	58.0%
Disagree	13.5%	45.2%	29.8%	23.4%	20.3%
Neither	5.1	2.1%	6.7%	2.1%	4.7
Don't know	19.6%	6.2%	12.5%	23.4%	17.1%
Count	709	146	104	47	1006

Political Party Affiliation

Whole sample	Democratic	Independent	Republican	Other/Don't know	Total
Agree	58.4%	56.0%	59.1%	55.9%	58.1%
Disagree	24.3%	15.7%	18.2%	14.0%	20.3%
Neither	4.4%	7.8%	3.3%	4.3%	4.7%
Don't know	13.0%	20.5%	19.3%	25.8%	16.7%
Count	478	269	166	93	1006

Ideology

Whole sample	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	Don't know	Total
Agree	57.0%	59.8%	59.0%	48.1%	58.0%
Disagree	22.8%	19.9%	18.9%	13.5%	20.3%
Neither	4.5%	4.7%	3.4%	13.5%	4.7%
Don't know	15.7%	15.6%	18.6%	25.0%	16.7%
Count	356	276	322	52	1006

	Area			
Whole Sample	Chicago	Chicago Suburb	Downstate	Total
Agree	57.5%	59.4%	55.8%	58.0%
Disagree	22.5%	20.3%	18.8%	20.3%
Neither	6.0%	3.4%	5.9%	4.7%
Don't know	14.0%	16.9%	19.5%	17.1%
Count	200	503	303	1006
Whites only	Chicago	Chicago Suburb	Downstate	Total
Agree	63.2%	64.5%	57.5%	61.8%
Disagree	14.4%	10.7%	17.0%	13.5%
Neither	3.8%	4.7%	6.0%	5.1%
Don't know	18.9%	20.1%	19.2%	17.1%
Count	106	338	265	709
Non- Whites only	Chicago	Chicago Suburb	Downstate	Total
Agree	50.0%	47.3%	45.0%	48.0%
Disagree	34.6%	42.7%	50.0%	40.6%
Neither	7.7%	0.8%	5.0%	3.5%
Don't know	7.7%	9.2%	0%	7.9%
Count	78	131	20	229

Neighborhood Composition

Whole sample	All/Mostly White	Diverse Neighborhood	Other/ Don't know	Total
Agree	64.8%	49.4%	43.6%	58.0%
Disagree	13.0%	30.2%	28.2%	20.3%
Neither	3.8%	6.1%	2.6%	4.7%
Don't know	18.4%	14.3%	25.6%	17.1%
Count	576	391	39	1006

Whites only	All/Mostly White	Diverse Neighborhood	Other/ Don't know	Total
Agree	65.7%	53.4%	38.9%	61.8%
Disagree	11.2%	18.5%	27.8%	13.5%
Neither	4.4%	6.9%	5.6%	5.1%
Don't know	18.7%	21.2%	27.8%	19.6%
Count	502	189	18	709

Non-Whites Only	All/Mostly White	Diverse Neighborhood	Other/ Don't know	Total
Agree	52.0%	46.2%	66.7%	48.0%
Disagree	38.0%	42.2%	16.7%	40.6%
Neither	0%	4.6%	0%	3.5%
Don't know	10.0%	6.9%	16.9%	7.9%
Count	50	173	6	229

2. How would you rate your local police department on police protection?

Gender

Whole sample	Male	Female	Total
Excellent, Good	71.1%	74.4%	72.8%
Fair, Poor, Very Poor	26.7%	22.0%	24.4%
Don't Know	2.2%	3.6%	2.9%
Count	502	504	1006

Race/Ethnicity

Whole sample	White	Black	Other races/ethnicities	Refused	Total
Excellent, Good	79.5%	50.7%	65.4%	55.3%	72.8%
Fair, Poor, Very Poor	17.2%	47.3%	33.7%	40.4%	24.4%
Don't know	3.2%	2.1%	1.0%	4.3%	2.9%
Count	709	146	104	47	1006

Political Party Affiliation

Whole sample	Democratic	Independent	Republican	Other/Don't know	Total
Excellent, Good	70.1%	68.7%	81.0%	69.9	72.8%
Fair, Poor, Very Poor	27.8%	17.5%	17.5%	21.5%	24.4%
Don't know	2.1%	4.2%	1.5%	8.6%	2.9%
Count	478	269	166	93	1006

Ideology

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Fair, Poor, Very Poor	24.4%	24.3%	22.7%	34.6%	24.4%
Don't know	2.0%	3.6%	2.5%	7.7%	2.9%
Count	356	275	322	52	1006

Area

Whole Sample	Chicago	Chicago Suburb	Downstate	Total
Excellent, Good	67.5%	75.3%	71.9%	72.8%
Fair, Poor, Very Poor	28.0%	22.9%	24.4%	24.4%
Don't know	4.5%	1.8%	3.6%	2.9%
Count	200	503	303	1006

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Excellent, Good	78.3%	83.7%	74.7%	79.5%
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Count	106	338	265	709

Non-whites only	Chicago	Chicago Suburb	Downstate	Total
Excellent, Good	53.8%	57.3%	55.0%	55.9%
Fair, Poor, Very Poor	42.3%	42.0%	45.0%	42.4%
Don't know	3.8%	0.8%	0%	1.7%
Count	78	131	20	229

Neighborhood Composition

Whole sample	All/Mostly White	Diverse Neighborhood	Other/ Don't know	Total
Excellent, Good	80.9%	61.4%	66.7%	72.8%
Fair, Poor, Very Poor	16.6%	36.3%	28.2%	46.0%
Don't know	3.1%	2.3%	5.1%	2.9%
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Excellent, Good	81.9%	74.1%	72.2%	79.5%
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Don't know	3.4%	2.6%	5.6%	3.2%
Count	502	189	18	709

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Excellent, Good	78.0%	48.6%	83.3%	55.9%
Fair, Poor, Very Poor	20.0%	49.7%	22.2%	42.4%
Don't know	2.0%	1.7%	5.6%	1.7%
Count	50	173	18	229

3. How would you rate your local police department on the ability to respond quickly to calls for help and assistance?

Gender

Whole sample	Male	Female	Total
Excellent, Good	70.5%	72.6%	71.6%
Fair, Poor, Very Poor	23.7%	19.0%	21.4%
Don't Know	5.8%	8.3%	7.1%
Count	502	504	1006

Political Party Affiliation

Whole sample	Democratic	Independent	Republican	Other/Don't know	Total
Excellent, Good	70.1%	67.5%	78.8%	65.6%	71.6%
Fair, Poor, Very Poor	27.8%	14.5%	24.1%	25.8%	21.4%
Don't know	6.5%	6.7%	8.4%	8.6%	7.1%
Count	478	269	166	93	1006

Race/Ethnicity

Whole sample	White	Black	Other races/ethnicities	Refused	Total
Excellent, Good	76.4%	53.4%	66.3%	66.0%	71.6%
Fair, Poor, Very Poor	15.7%	40.4%	29.8%	29.8%	21.4%
Don't know	7.4%	6.2%	3.8%	4.3%	7.1%
Count	709	146	104	47	1006

Ideology

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Count	200	503	303	1006

Whites only	Chicago	Chicago Suburb	Downstate	Total
Excellent, Good	64.2%	80.5%	76.2%	76.4%
Fair, Poor, Very Poor	21.7%	13.3%	16.2%	15.7%
Don't know	14.2%	6.2%	7.5%	7.9%
Count	106	338	265	709

Non-whites only	Chicago	Chicago Suburb	Downstate	Total
Excellent, Good	53.8%	58.8%	70.0%	58.1%
Fair, Poor, Very Poor	35.9%	38.9%	25.0%	36.7%
Don't know	10.3%	2.3%	5.0%	5.2%
Count	78	131	20	229

Neighborhood Composition

Whole sample	All/Mostly White	Diverse Neighborhood	Other/ Don't know	Total
Excellent, Good	77.6%	63.2%	66.7%	71.6%
Fair, Poor, Very Poor	14.8%	31.5%	17.9%	21.4%
Don't know	7.6%	5.4%	15.4%	7.1%
Count	576	391	39	1006

Whites only	All/Mostly White	Diverse Neighborhood	Other/ Don't know	Total
Excellent, Good	77.9%	73.5%	66.7%	76.4%
Fair, Poor, Very Poor	13.9%	20.6%	11.1%	15.7%
Don't know	8.2%	5.8%	22.2%	7.9%
Count	502	189	18	709

Non-whites only	All/Mostly White	Diverse Neighborhood	Other/ Don't know	Total
Excellent, Good	76.0%	52.0%	83.3%	58.1%
Fair, Poor, Very Poor	18.0%	42.8%	16.7%	36.7%
Don't know	6.0%	5.2%	0%	5.2%
Count	50	173	6	229

4. Should the racial makeup of a community's police department be similar to the racial makeup of that community as a whole, or isn't it necessary?

Gender

Whole sample	Male	Female	Total
Yes, should be similar	48.2%	47.4%	47.8%
No, not necessary	46.6%	45.4%	46.0%
Don't Know	5.2%	7.1%	6.2%

Race/Ethnicity

Whole sample	White	Black	Other races/ethnicities	Refused	Total
Yes, should be similar	43.2%	68.5%	51.0%	46.8%	47.9%
No, not necessary	49.9%	28.8%	43.3%	46.8%	45.9%
Don't know	6.9%	2.7%	5.8%	6.4%	6.2%
Count	709	146	104	47	1006

Political Party Affiliation

Whole sample	Democratic	Independent	Republican	Other/Don't know	Total
Yes, should be similar	61.3%	45.2%	27.9%	40.9	47.8%
No, not necessary	33.3%	45.8%	67.7%	49.5	46.0%
Don't know	5.4%	9.0%	4.5%	9.6%	6.2%
Count	478	269	166	93	1006

Ideology

Whole sample	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	Don't know	Total
Yes, should be similar	62.1%	50.4%	31.4%	44.4%	47.8%
No, not necessary	32.9%	42.4%	63.7%	46.2%	46.0%
Don't know	5.9%	7.2%	5.0%	9.6%	6.2%
Count	356	276	322	53	1006

Area

Whole Sample	Chicago	Chicago Suburb	Downstate	Total
Yes, should be similar	60.5%	48.5%	38.3%	47.8%
No, not necessary	35.0%	45.3%	54.4%	46.0%
Don't know	4.5%	6.2%	7.3%	6.2%
Count	200	503	303	1006
White Only	Chicago	Chicago Suburb	Downstate	Total
Yes, should be similar	53.8%	45.3%	36.2%	43.2%
No, not necessary	40.6%	48.2%	55.8%	49.9%
Don't know	5.7%	6.5%	7.9%	6.9%
Count	148	344	213	705
Non-White Only	Chicago	Chicago Suburb	Downstate	Total
Yes, should be similar	67.9%	59.5%	65.0%	62.9%
No, not necessary	28.2%	35.1%	35.0%	32.8%
Don't know	3.8%	5.3%	0%	4.4%
Count	148	344	213	705

Neighborhood Composition

Whole sample	All/Mostly White	Diverse Neighborhood	Other/ Don't know	Total
Yes, should be similar	42.7%	55.8%	43.6%	47.8%
No, not necessary	51.2%	38.1%	48.7%	46.0%
Don't know	5.9%	7.2%	7.7%	6.2%
Count	576	391	39	1006

Whites only	All/Mostly White	Diverse Neighborhood	Other/ Don't know	Total
Yes, should be similar	41.0%	48.7%	44.4%	43.2%
No, not necessary	52.4%	43.4%	50.0%	49.9%
Don't know	6.6%	7.3%	5.6%	6.9%
Count	399	283	23	705

Non-Whites only	All/Mostly White	Diverse Neighborhood	Other/ Don't know	Total
Yes, should be similar	64.0%	63.6%	33.3%	62.9%
No, not necessary	34.0%	31.8%	50.0%	32.8%
Don't know	2.0%	4.6%	16.7%	4.4%
Count	50	173	6	229

5. My local police department responds to the needs of all members of the community.

Gender

Whole sample	Male	Female	Total
Agree	77.9%	74.8%	76.3%
Disagree	12.2%	13.3%	12.7%
Neither	2.8%	2.8%	2.8%
Don't Know	7.2%	9.1%	8.2%
Count	502	504	1006

Race/Ethnicity

Whole sample	White	Black	Other races/ethnicities	Refused	Total
Agree	80.4%	63.0%	73.1%	63.8%	76.3%
Disagree	9.0%	28.1%	17.3%	10.6%	12.7%
Neither	2.5%	2.7%	3.8%	4.3%	2.8%
Don't know	8.0%	6.2%	5.8%	21.3%	8.2%
Count	705	146	104	47	1006

Political Party Affiliation

Whole sample	Democratic	Independent	Republican	Other/Don't know	Total
Agree	73.4%	70.5%	86.6%	72.0%	76.3%
Disagree	15.5%	15.1%	5.9%	16.1%	14.0%
Neither	3.3%	4.2%	1.1%	2.1%	2.8
Don't know	7.7%	10.2%	6.3%	3.7%	11.8%
Count	478	269	166	93	1006

Ideology

Whole sample	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	Don't know	Total
Agree	71.9%	75.7%	83.5%	65.4%	76.3%
Disagree	14.9%	13.8%	8.4%	19.2%	12.7%
Neither	3.7%	2.5%	2.2%	1.9%	2.8%
Don't know	9.6%	8.0%	5.9%	13.5%	8.2%
Count	356	276	322	52	1006

Area

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Agree	63.0%	79.3%	80.2%	76.3%
Disagree	19.0%	11.7%	10.2%	12.7%
Neither	5.0%	2.0%	2.6%	2.8%
Don't know	13.0%	7.0%	6.9%	8.2%
Count	200	503	303	1006

Whites only	Chicago	Chicago Suburb	Downstate	Total
Agree	71.1%	81.6%	82.3%	80.4%
Disagree	11.3%	8.3%	9.1%	9.0%
Neither	2.8%	2.1%	3.0%	2.5%
Don't know	14.2%	8.0%	5.7%	8.0%
Count	106	338	265	709

Non-Whites only	Chicago	Chicago Suburb	Downstate	Total
Agree	55.1%	72.5%	65.0%	65.9%
Disagree	30.8%	21.4%	30.0%	25.9%
Neither	6.4%	1.5%	0%	3.1%
Don't know	7.7%	4.6%	5.0%	5.7%
Count	78	131	20	229

Neighborhood Composition

Whole sample	All/Mostly White	Diverse Neighborhood	Other/ Don't know	Total
Agree	81.8%	69.9%	64.1%	76.3%
Disagree	7.1%	20.7%	15.4%	12.7%
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Disagree	6.6%	14.8%	16.7%	9.0%
Neither	3.2%	1.1%	0%	2.5%
Don't know	7.2%	9.5%	16.7%	8.0%
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Agree	76.0%	62.4%	88.3%	65.9%
Disagree	12.0%	30.1%	0%	25.3%
Neither	6.0%	2.3%	0%	2.5%
Don't know	6.0%	5.2%	16.7%	5.7%
Count	50	173	6	229

6. Should local police forces have military weapons and vehicles, such as assault rifles and tanks, or should these kinds of weapons be reserved only for the military and National Guard?

Gender

Whole sample	Male	Female	Total
Should have	33.3%	21.8%	27.8%
Only military	60.0%	67.7%	63.8%
Don't Know	6.2%	9.1%	8.3%
Count	502	504	1006

Race/Ethnicity

Whole sample	White	Black	Other races/ethnicities	Refused	Total
Should have	28.9%	25.3%	26.0%	23.4%	27.8%
Only military	61.9%	70.5%	67.3%	63.8%	63.8%
Don't know	9.2%	4.1%	6.7%	12.8%	8.3%
Count	709	146	104	47	1006

Political Party Affiliation

Whole sample	Democratic	Independent	Republican	Other/Don't know	Total
Should have	22.6%	27.1%	37.5%	28.0%	27.8%
Only military	71.3%	65.1%	52.4%	55.9%	63.8%
Don't know	6.1%	7.8%	10.0%	16.1%	8.3%
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Ideology

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Count	356	276	322	52	1006

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	Chicago	Chicago Suburb	Downstate	
Should have	25.0%	26.0%	32.7%	27.8%
Only military	69.5%	67.2%	54.5%	63.8%
Don't know	5.5%	6.8%	12.9%	8.3%
Count	200	503	303	1006

Whites only	Chicago	Chicago Suburb	Downstate	Total
Should have	26.4%	26.6%	32.8%	28.9%
Only military	66.0%	66.6%	54.3%	61.9%
Don't know	7.5%	6.8%	12.8%	9.2%
Count	106	338	265	709

Non-Whites only	Chicago	Chicago Suburb	Downstate	Total
Should have	23.1%	24.4%	25.0%	24.0%
Only military	75.6%	71.0%	55.0%	71.2%
Don't know	1.3%	4.6%	20.0%	5.7%
Count	78	131	20	229

Neighborhood Composition

Whole sample	All/Mostly White	Diverse Neighborhood	Other/Don't know	Total
Should have	27.6%	28.1%	28.2%	27.8%
Only military	62.8%	65.5%	61.5%	63.8%
Don't know	9.5%	6.4%	10.3%	8.3%
Count	576	391	39	1006

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Should have	27.1%	33.9%	27.8%	28.9%
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