



TO: Interested Parties
FROM: Everytown for Gun Safety
RE: Minnesota Survey Findings – Expedition Strategies Poll
DATE: September 2025

A [recent Expedition Strategies poll](#) of 800 likely 2026 general election voters in Minnesota, conducted from September 11 to 14, 2025, reveals strong support for immediate action to address gun violence in the state. The findings show that Minnesotans are deeply concerned about children’s safety and overwhelmingly believe state gun laws should be strengthened, with clear majorities supporting a ban on assault weapons and high-capacity magazines..

KEY FINDINGS

- **Children’s safety is top of mind for Minnesotans, and they want action now:** 60% of voters believe the Minnesota State Legislature should take immediate legislative action to ban assault weapons in light of the mass shooting at Annunciation Catholic School.
 - **Eighty-eight percent of respondents are concerned about the possibility that children may be harmed in mass shootings in Minnesota,** including voters from across the political spectrum (97% Dem, 87% Ind, 79% Rep).
- **Voters believe gun violence is among the most important issues for the state government to prioritize** (30%), surpassing even taxes (27%) and education (29%). ◦ Eight in ten voters say crime is a concern. When asked about specific issues, school shootings (21%) and gun violence (15%) emerge as the top crime-related concerns.
- **Minnesotans are strong supporters of the Second Amendment, but refuse to let politics get in the way of public safety.**
 - Over three in four voters consider themselves a supporter of the Second Amendment (77%), and are still twice as likely to say protecting people from gun violence (63%) is more important than protecting gun rights (31%).
- **Voters want a comprehensive strategy to prevent gun violence.** A strong majority of respondents (64%) believe reducing mass shootings requires both improved mental health care **and** stronger gun safety laws to keep firearms out of dangerous hands, including nearly all Democrats (94%) and six in ten Independents.
 - By contrast, just under one-third of respondents (32%) believe improving mental health care alone is enough to address mass shootings.



- **Minnesotans, across the political spectrum and in swing districts, know common-sense gun safety measures save lives.**
 - Eighty-three percent of respondents support the background check and extreme risk protection laws passed by the Democrat-controlled Minnesota Legislature in 2023—including **82% of gun owners and 68% of Republicans.**
 - **Sixty-one percent of voters support a state-level assault weapons ban, while 64% back a ban on high-capacity magazines.**
 - Even a clear majority of Independents and self-described Moderates support the measures— 53% and 66% back an assault weapons ban, and 62% and 65% favor banning high-capacity magazines, respectively.

Minnesotans want to protect their communities from gun violence and back upstream legislative solutions that deliver results. These findings highlight an opportunity for leaders to unite and take swift action on these common-sense measures.

