

Seneca County Ohio Poll of Likely Voters - 8/1/07 - 8/2/07 MOE +/- 4.8 Percentage Points

Region

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	East	243	57.0	57.0	57.0
	West	183	43.0	43.0	100.0
	Total	426	100.0	100.0	

Registered

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	426	100.0	100.0	100.0

Likely

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Very Lkly	339	79.6	79.6	79.6
	Smwt Lkly	87	20.4	20.4	100.0
	Total	426	100.0	100.0	

Party Recoded

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Democratic	89	21.0	21.0	21.0
	Republican	128	30.0	30.0	51.0
	Independent	209	49.0	49.0	100.0
	Total	426	100.0	100.0	

4. For whom did you vote for governor in 2006 ? Democrat Ted Strickland or Republican Ken Blackwell?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Strickland	204	47.8	47.8	47.8
	Blackwell	131	30.7	30.7	78.6
	Someone else	21	4.9	4.9	83.5
	NS	70	16.5	16.5	100.0
	Total	426	100.0	100.0	

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5. How aware are you about the plans to demolish the historic Seneca County courthouse in Tiffin?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	V aware	235	55.1	55.1	55.1
	Smw aware	167	39.2	39.2	94.4
	Smw unaware	6	1.5	1.5	95.9
	V unaware	17	3.9	3.9	99.8
	NS	1	.2	.2	100.0
	Total	426	100.0	100.0	

6. The Seneca County commissioners have voted 2-to-1 to demolish the historic Seneca County courthouse in Tiffin. Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with that decision?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Str agree	116	27.3	27.3	27.3
	Smw agree	106	25.0	25.0	52.3
	Smw disagree	81	19.1	19.1	71.4
	Str disagree	90	21.1	21.1	92.5
	NS	32	7.5	7.5	100.0
	Total	426	100.0	100.0	

7. The Seneca County commissioners have rejected a proposal to seek state and federal historic preservation grants to renovate the courthouse. Do you think the commissioners should delay demolition of the courthouse until they apply for grants and find out

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Delay demolition	270	63.5	63.5	63.5
	Go ahead with demolition	135	31.6	31.6	95.1
	NS	21	4.9	4.9	100.0
	Total	426	100.0	100.0	

8. State capital budget dollars may also be available to renovate the courthouse, according to Ohio officials. Should county officials delay demolition until they determine if state money is available to renovate the courthouse or do you think they should

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Delay demolition	283	66.5	66.5	66.5
	Go ahead with demolition	125	29.4	29.4	95.9
	NS	17	4.1	4.1	100.0
	Total	426	100.0	100.0	

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9. The county, along with the state, is in the midst of an economic downturn. There have been many such periods since the courthouse was built in 1884. Should the county mothball the historic courthouse until the economy improves and then decide whether de

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Delay demolition	220	51.7	51.7	51.7
	Go ahead with demolition	166	39.1	39.1	90.8
	NS	39	9.2	9.2	100.0
	Total	426	100.0	100.0	

10. Seneca County officials plan to spend \$500,000 to demolish the historic courthouse. Would you be in favor of spending that money to begin renovations of the courthouse and continue to renovate the courthouse as money becomes available each year or do y

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Use money to begin renovation	203	47.6	47.6	47.6
	Use money to demolish courthouse	141	33.1	33.1	80.7
	NS	82	19.3	19.3	100.0
	Total	426	100.0	100.0	

11. How aware are you that in 1996 the county paid almost \$50,000 to repair the courthouse roof and in 2003 spent \$618,000 to install a new heating and cooling system for the courthouse and the new courthouse annex?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	V aware	67	15.7	15.7	15.7
	Smw aware	85	20.0	20.0	35.7
	Not very aware	92	21.7	21.7	57.4
	Not at all aware	180	42.3	42.3	99.7
	NS	1	.3	.3	100.0
	Total	426	100.0	100.0	

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12. Does knowing that the county paid nearly \$670,000 in the past to repair and renovate the courthouse make you much more likely, somewhat more likely, somewhat less likely, or much less likely to support renovating the historic courthouse or does it make

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	M M lkly	92	21.5	21.5	21.5
	Smw M lkly	82	19.2	19.2	40.7
	Smw L lkly	8	1.9	1.9	42.6
	M L lkly	26	6.0	6.0	48.6
	No diff	212	49.8	49.8	98.4
	NS	7	1.6	1.6	100.0
	Total	426	100.0	100.0	

13. If you don't want to see the courthouse demolished, how willing would you be to support a small tax increase to raise money to renovate the courthouse, such as a quarter percent increase in the county sales tax?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	V willing	24	5.5	9.6	9.6
	Smw willing	42	9.8	17.1	26.8
	Not V willing	36	8.4	14.6	41.4
	Not at all willing	135	31.6	55.0	96.4
	NS	9	2.1	3.6	100.0
	Total	244	57.4	100.0	
Missing	0	182	42.6		
Total		426	100.0		

14. Do you agree or disagree that the voters of Seneca County should be allowed to vote on whether their county courthouse should be demolished before the wrecking ball hits?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Agree	331	77.7	77.7	77.7
	Disagree	62	14.6	14.6	92.3
	NS	33	7.7	7.7	100.0
	Total	426	100.0	100.0	

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850. Which of the following best describes where you live?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Tiffin or the Tiffin area	198	46.4	46.4	46.4
	Fostoria	49	11.5	11.5	57.9
	Rural Seneca County	178	41.8	41.8	99.8
	NS	1	.2	.2	100.0
	Total	426	100.0	100.0	

Age Group C

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	18-34	113	26.6	27.0	27.0
	35-54	168	39.3	40.0	67.0
	55+	138	32.5	33.0	100.0
	Total	419	98.4	100.0	
Missing	0	7	1.6		
Total		426	100.0		

Education

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	<HS	6	1.4	1.4	1.4
	HSGrad	137	32.1	32.1	33.5
	SomeCol	112	26.2	26.3	59.8
	Col+	171	40.1	40.2	100.0
	Total	425	99.7	100.0	
Missing	0	1	.3		
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Race

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	White	391	91.7	93.0	93.0
	Hisp	13	3.0	3.0	96.0
	AfrAmer	8	2.0	2.0	98.0
	Asian	4	1.0	1.0	99.0
	Other	4	1.0	1.0	100.0
	Total	420	98.6	100.0	
Missing	0	6	1.4		
Total		426	100.0		

Ideology

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Prog	17	3.9	4.1	4.1
	Lib	70	16.4	17.3	21.5
	Mod	151	35.6	37.5	58.9
	Cons	153	36.0	37.9	96.8
	VCons	12	2.8	2.9	99.8
	Libert	1	.2	.2	100.0
	Total	404	94.9	100.0	
Missing	0	22	5.1		
Total		426	100.0		

Union

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	107	25.2	25.3	25.3
	No/NS	318	74.6	74.7	100.0
	Total	425	99.8	100.0	
Missing	0	1	.2		
Total		426	100.0		

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Status

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Married	317	74.4	74.5	74.5
	Single	42	9.9	9.9	84.5
	D/W/S	58	13.5	13.6	98.0
	Civil union	8	2.0	2.0	100.0
	Total	425	99.8	100.0	
Missing	0	1	.2		
Total		426	100.0		

Income

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	< \$25K	49	11.5	13.2	13.2
	\$25-35K	44	10.4	12.0	25.2
	\$35-50K	73	17.0	19.6	44.8
	\$50-75K	85	19.9	22.9	67.7
	\$75K-100K	82	19.3	22.3	90.0
	\$100+	37	8.7	10.0	100.0
	Total	370	86.9	100.0	
Missing	0	56	13.1		
Total		426	100.0		

Gender

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Male	201	47.2	47.2	47.2
	Female	225	52.8	52.8	100.0
	Total	426	100.0	100.0	

Women Working outside Home

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	157	36.9	69.8	69.8
	No	68	15.9	30.2	100.0
	Total	225	52.8	100.0	
Missing	0	201	47.2		
Total		426	100.0		