



A Post-Election Poll Of Maine Voters

Nov. 2021

About the Survey



Mode	Text-to-web		
Sample	408 Maine voters who voted in the Nov. 2 election		
Dates	Nov. 11-14, 2021		
Weights	Sample was weighted slightly to match 59%-41% vote on Q1		
Margin of error	+/-5 percentage points at a 95% level of confidence		
Note	Some data may not add up to 100% due to rounding		

Profile of the Sample



South:

Cumberland, York

Midcoast:

Waldo, Lincoln, Knox, Sagadahoc

West Central:

Oxford, Franklin, Kennebec, Androscoggin

North:

Aroostook, Somerset, Piscataquis, Penobscot, Washington, Hancock

Subgroup	% of Sample	
South	39%	
Midcoast	11	
South 3 Midcoast 1 West Central 2 North 2 Men 5 Women 4 Under age 35 1 35-49 2 50-64 3 65+ 3 Non-college 5 College grad 5 Democrat 3 Independent 2	25	
North	25	
Men	50	
Women	46	
Under age 35	12	
35-49	21	
50-64	33	
65+	34	
Non-college 5		
College grad	50 50	
Democrat	39%	
Independent	29	
Republican	32	
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Vote on Question 1



Question 1 on the November ballot dealt with Central Maine Power's proposed electric transmission corridor, also known as the Clean Energy Corridor. Did you vote yes or vote no on Question 1?

	Voted Yes	Voted No		Voted Yes	Voted No
All ME voters	59%	41%	All ME voters	59%	41%
South	59	41	Non-college	66	35
Midcoast	59	41	College grad	53	47
West Central	63	37			
North	55	45	Democrats	53	47
			Independents	68	32
Men	55	45	Republicans	58	42
Women	63	37			
			Mills voters	51	49
Under age 35	83	17	LePage voters	61	39
35-49	56	44	Undecided voters	78	22
50-64	59	41			
Age 65+	53	47			

Reasons for Voting Yes on Question 1



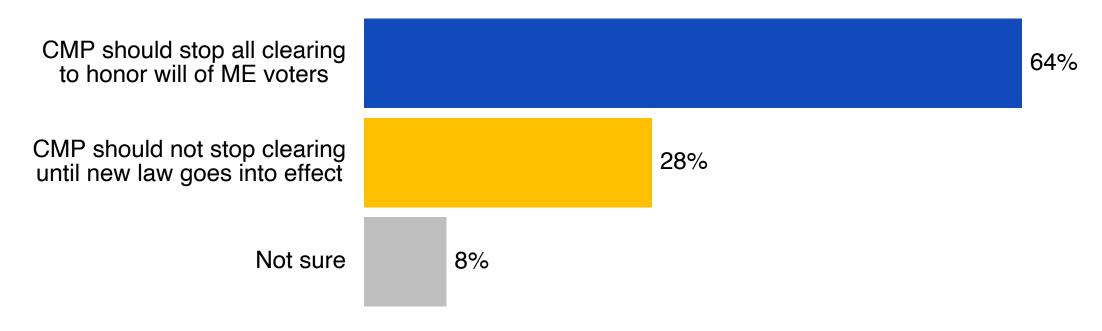
(Asked of YES voters) There are a number of different reasons people have given for why they voted YES on Question 1. Please indicate how much of a priority each of these reasons was for you personally – very high priority, medium priority, or lower priority.

	Very high priority	Medium priority	Lower priority
I don't trust what CMP has been saying about the corridor. Their campaign spread false and misleading information about the project to confuse voters.	77%	17	6
Foreign corporations will make billions on this project, but the average Maine household will get very little. That adds up to a bad deal for Maine.	74	19	7
CMP's corridor clear-cuts 53 miles through Maine's North Woods, damaging a special part of Maine, spoiling forestland and harming wildlife.	68	23	9
I don't believe the project will benefit the climate, since CMP blocked an independent study to verify whether the corridor would actually reduce climate pollution.	55	29	14

Most Maine Voters Want CMP to Stop Work on Corridor



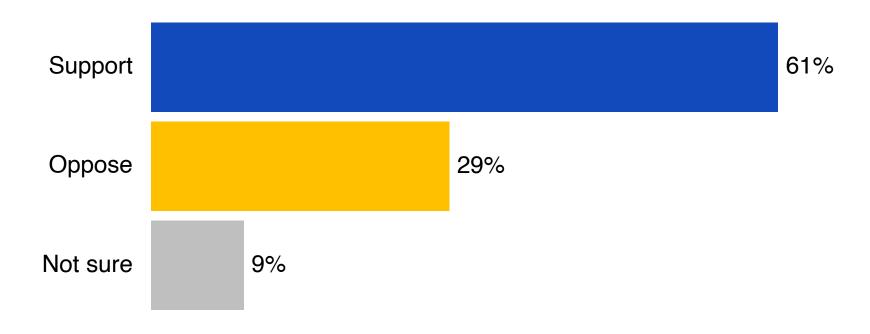
Question 1 bans electric transmission corridors in Western Maine in the area where Central Maine Power is building its corridor. Immediately after the November vote on Question 1, CMP announced that it would continue clearing trees in the corridor until this new law goes into effect. Regardless of how you voted on Question 1, do you think: CMP should stop all clearing of trees now in the Western Maine corridor to honor the will of Maine voters OR CMP should not stop clearing trees in the Western Maine corridor until the new law goes into effect.



Majority Favors Maine DEP Suspending CMP's Permit



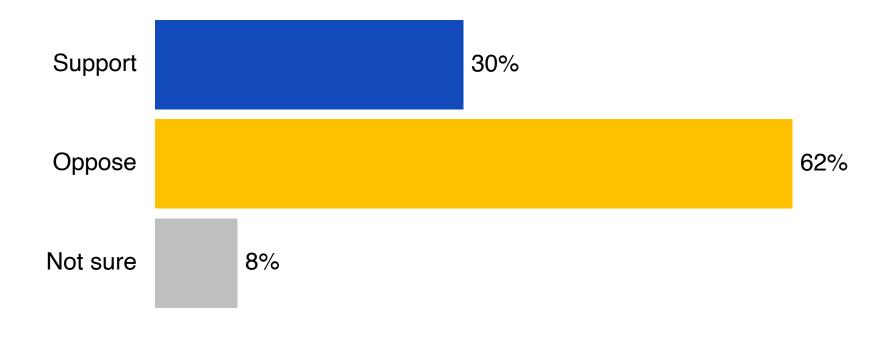
If Central Maine Power does not stop cutting trees within the 53-mile corridor of forests in Western Maine, would you support or oppose having the Maine Department of Environmental Protection order CMP to stop work on the project by suspending its permit?



Majority Opposes Avangrid Lawsuit to Block Question 1



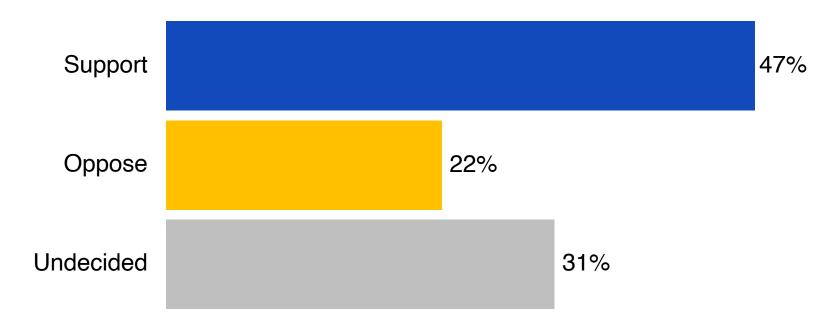
After the vote on Question 1, CMP's parent company, Avangrid, filed a lawsuit against the State of Maine and the Maine Legislature to block Question 1 from becoming law. Regardless of how you voted on Question 1, do you support or oppose the effort by Avangrid to overturn the results of the election on Question 1?



Support for Moving to Consumer-Owned Utility



Next November, Maine voters may vote on a ballot measure to replace investor-owned utilities like Central Maine Power with a consumer-owned utilities that are locally controlled and privately operated. Do you support or oppose this proposal to replace investor-owned utilities with a consumer-owned model, or are you undecided?



CMP's Actions Make Voters More Supportive of Move



Does the fact that CMP is continuing to clear trees for a transmission corridor in Western Maine, despite the outcome on Question 1, make you more supportive, less supportive, or have no effect on your position about whether Maine should replace investor-owned utilities with consumer-owned utilities that are locally controlled and privately operated?

