

TO: Interested parties

FROM: Benenson Strategy Group

RE: Oregon Polling Results

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Methodology

Benenson Strategy Group conducted 1000 telephone interviews from January 12-15, 2015 on behalf of Americans for Responsible Solutions. All respondents were registered voters in Oregon who are likely to vote in the 2016 presidential election. The sample included an oversample of gun households to ensure adequate representation within the survey. The margin of error for the data set is $\pm 3.02\%$ at the 95% confidence level and it is higher among subgroups.

Key Findings

- Voters in Oregon demonstrate strong, across the board support for expanded background checks.
 - 87% of voters support background checks on all gun purchases, including 70% who strongly support expanded background checks.¹
 - What's more, 83% of gun owners in Oregon support background checks, including 59% who strongly support it.
- This support is not surprising given the sentiment in the state of wanting to keep guns out of the wrong hands.
 - 78% of Oregon voters agree that commonsense gun laws like background checks on all gun sales don't threaten Second Amendment rights, but help keep guns out of the wrong hands and keep our neighborhoods safe (72% of gun owners agree as well).²
 - 69% of voters agree that small changes to our gun laws might not prevent every criminal from getting a gun, but it will prevent many, and that's worth it (59% of gun owners agree).³

¹ Full text of question read as: Do you support or oppose this law? Requiring everyone to pass a background check before buying a gun, no matter where they buy it.

² Full text of question read as: Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Common sense gun laws, like requiring background checks on all gun sales, don't threaten our Second Amendment rights, but they would help keep guns out of the wrong hands and keep our neighborhoods safe.

³ Full text of question read as: Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Small changes to our gun laws might not prevent every criminal from getting a gun, but it will prevent many, and that's worth it.

