



**KENTUCKY POLL RESULTS**

625 Kentucky voters interviewed statewide by Mason-Dixon Polling & Research, Inc. of Washington, D.C. from January 7 through January 8, 2010. Margin for error is plus or minus 4%.

**QUESTION: Cockfighting is illegal in all 50 states and a felony in about 80% of states. Kentucky, however, has one of the weakest penalties for cockfighting in the country, with the fines so low they are often the equivalent to a minor traffic ticket.**

**Would you support or oppose legislation that would increase the state penalty for illegal cockfighting to a felony?**

	<u>STATE</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOMEN</u>	<u>DEMS</u>	<u>REPS</u>	<u>INDS</u>
SUPPORT	72%	65%	79%	70%	76%	64%
OPPOSE	19%	23%	15%	20%	18%	21%
UNDECIDED	9%	12%	6%	10%	6%	15%

**QUESTION: Which of the following best describes your view about cockfighting in Kentucky: (ORDER ROTATED)**

**- Cockfighting is a big industry in Kentucky that supports families and is a tradition that has been around for centuries. Cockfighting should be preserved.**

**- Cockfighting is animal cruelty and its practice is associated with gambling, drugs and other illicit crimes. Cockfighting should be a felony crime in Kentucky.**

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TRADITION	12%	22%	2%	12%	13%	11%
CRUELTY	79%	66%	92%	78%	81%	73%
NOT SURE	9%	12%	6%	8%	6%	16%

**QUESTION: Would you be more likely or less likely to vote for a state legislative candidate who supported increasing the penalty for cockfighting, or would it have no impact on your vote?**

	<u>STATE</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOMEN</u>	<u>DEMS</u>	<u>REPS</u>	<u>INDS</u>
MORE LIKELY	44%	35%	53%	51%	35%	37%
LESS LIKELY	5%	7%	3%	4%	6%	9%
NO IMPACT/DK	51%	58%	44%	45%	59%	54%