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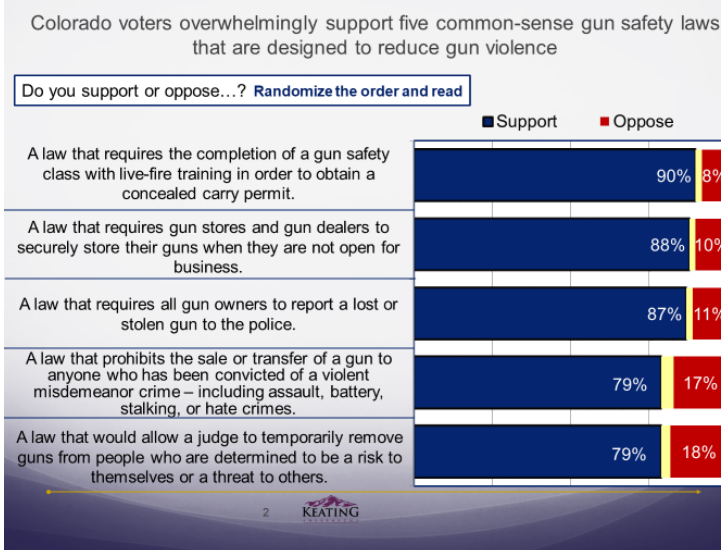
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Re: **Colorado voters overwhelmingly support five common-sense gun safety laws that are designed to reduce gun violence DRAFT**

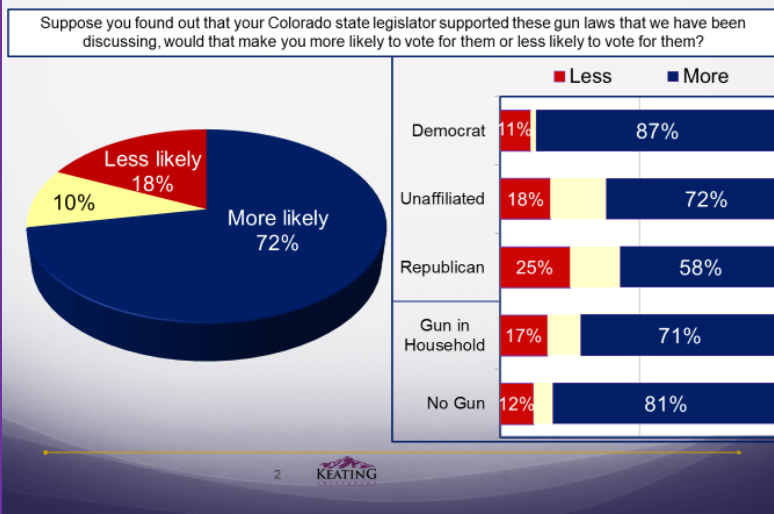


This recent poll of voters statewide in Colorado, conducted December 6-11, 2018 shows that Colorado voters overwhelmingly support five different common-sense gun safety laws that are designed to reduce gun violence. In addition, each one of these gun safety laws is supported by 77% to 90% of those who live in a household with a gun. The five common sense gun safety laws that are strongly supported by Colorado voters statewide include the following laws, ranked by strength of support:

- **A law that requires the completion of a gun safety class with live-fire training in order to obtain a concealed carry permit. (90% Support – 8% Oppose)**
- **A law that requires gun stores and gun dealers to securely store their guns when they are not open for business. (88% Support – 10% Oppose)**
- **A law that requires all gun owners to report a lost or stolen gun to the police. (87% Support – 11% Oppose)**
- **A law that prohibits the sale or transfer of a gun to anyone who has been convicted of a violent misdemeanor crime, including assault, battery, stalking, or hate crimes. (79% Support – 17% Oppose)**
- **A law that would allow a judge to temporarily remove guns from people who are determined to be a risk to themselves or a threat to others. (79% Support – 18% Oppose)**



7 of 10 Colorado voters say they would be more likely to vote for their state legislator if their state legislator supported all five of the gun laws



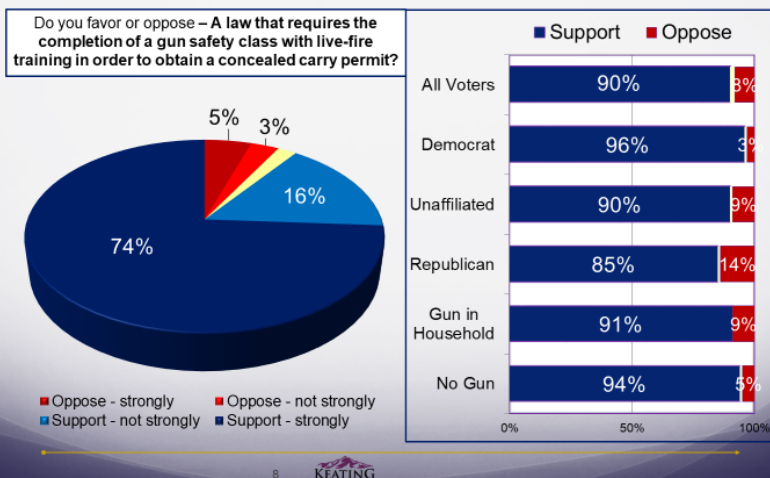
Based on these poll results, the Colorado state legislature should take into account the desires of Colorado voters to reduce gun violence and pass all five of these common sense gun safety laws in the upcoming 2019 Colorado legislative session.

By a 4-to-1 margin, 72% of Colorado voters say they would *be more likely* to vote for their state legislator if they found out that their state legislator supported the gun laws that we've been discussing, compared to 18% who would be *less likely* to vote for them. In gun households, 71% are more likely to vote for their legislator if they found out they supported these laws.

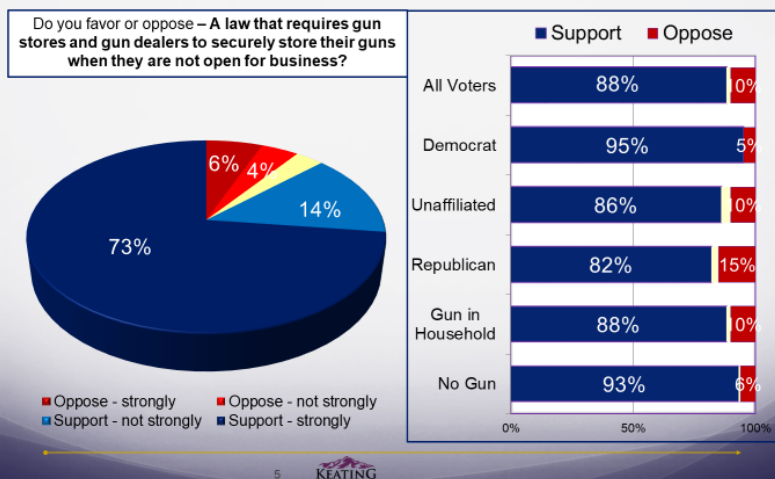
Gun Safety Class for A Concealed Carry Permit

Training on how to use and fire a gun can help improve gun safety for those who desire a concealed carry permit. The law requiring completion of a live-fire training gun safety class to get a concealed carry permit is supported nearly universally by 9-of-10 Colorado voters, including 74% who *strongly support* it. This law is supported intensely across all political persuasions - by registered Democrats (96% Support), Unaffiliated (90% Support) and Republicans (85% Support). This law is equally supported by gun owner households (90% Support) and by non-gun households (94% support).

Colorado voters overwhelmingly support a law that requires a gun safety class with live-fire training in order to obtain a concealed carry permit



Colorado voters overwhelmingly support a law that requires gun stores and gun dealers to securely store their guns



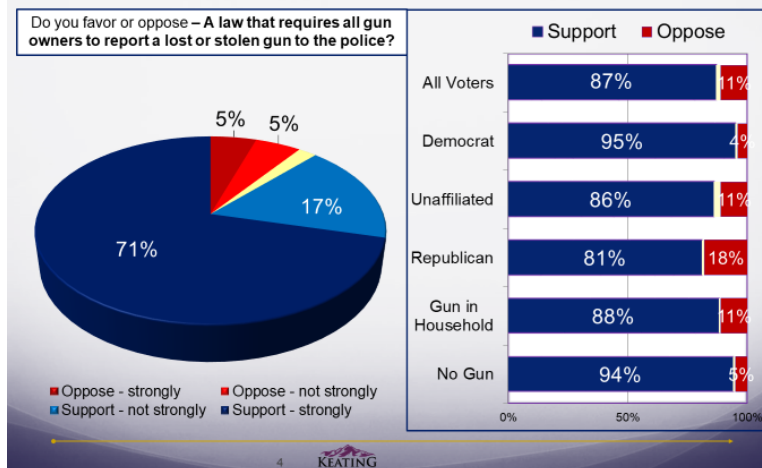
Secure Gun Storage For Gun Stores and Dealers

Securely storing guns when businesses are closed can help improve gun safety because it prevents gun theft. The law that requires gun stores and gun dealers to securely store their guns when they are not open for business is supported by the lion's share - 88% - of Colorado voters, including 72% who *strongly support* it. This law is strongly supported across-the-board by registered Democrats (95% Support), Unaffiliated (86% Support) and Republicans (82% Support), as well as by gun households (88% Support). This laws is equally supported all around Colorado and in the suburban Jefferson and Arapahoe Counties (88% Support).

Report A Lost Or Stolen Gun

Requiring the reporting of lost or stolen guns can help improve gun safety by preventing the illegal sale or transfer of guns. The law requiring all gun owners to report a lost or stolen gun to the police is supported by 87% of Colorado voters, including 71% who *strongly support* it. This law is strongly supported by registered Democrats (95% Support), Unaffiliated (86% Support) and Republicans (81% Support), as well as by 9-of-10 gun households (88% Support). This law is equally supported by more urban voters in Denver / Boulder counties (88% Support) and in the more rural counties (88% Support).

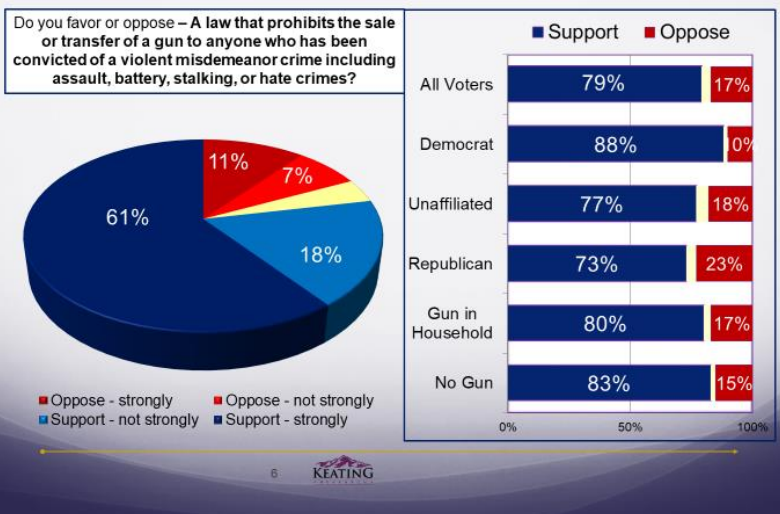
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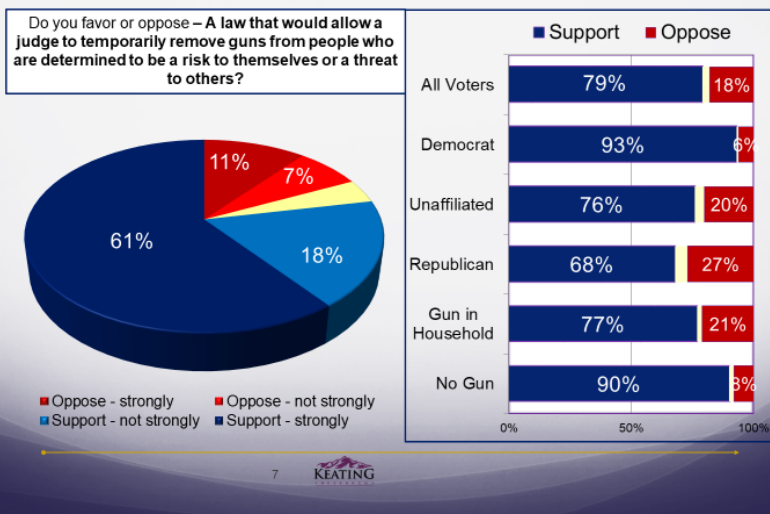
Prohibit the Sale or Transfer Of A Gun To Anyone Convicted Of a Violent Misdemeanor

Making it harder for those convicted of a violent misdemeanor crime to obtain a gun can help reduce gun crimes. The law that prohibits the sale or transfer of a gun to anyone who has been convicted of a violent misdemeanor crime – including assault, battery, stalking or hate crimes is supported by 8-of-10 (79%) of Colorado voters, including 61% who *strongly support* it. This law is supported by a large majority of registered Democrats (88% Support), Unaffiliated (77% Support) and Republicans (73% Support), as well as by gun households (80% Support). This law is equally supported by men (77% Support) and women (81% Support).

Colorado voters overwhelmingly support a law that prohibits the sale or transfer of a gun to anyone who has been convicted of a violent misdemeanor



Colorado voters overwhelmingly support a law that would allow a judge to temporarily remove guns from people who are determined to be a risk



Extreme Risk Protection Order

Temporarily removing guns from those who are at risk to themselves or others can help prevent gun violence before they commit it. The law that would allow a judge to temporarily remove guns from people who are determined to be a risk to themselves or a threat to others is supported by 79% of Colorado voters, including 58% who *strongly support* it. This law is strongly supported by registered Democrats (93% Support), Unaffiliated (76% Support) and Republicans (68% Support), as well as by gun households (77% Support). This law is equally supported by younger age 18-49 (79% Support) and older age 50+ (79% Support).

Keating Research is recognized by Democrats and Republicans alike as providing extremely accurate polling in Colorado. This poll data is based on live-interviewer telephone surveys among a random sample of 600 active voters statewide in Colorado, including 60% conducted on cell phones and 40% conducted on a land lines, from December 6-11, 2018. The sample is representative of active voters based on gender, age, ethnicity, region and party registration. The worst-case margin of error at the 95% level for the sample of 600 is + or – 4.0%.