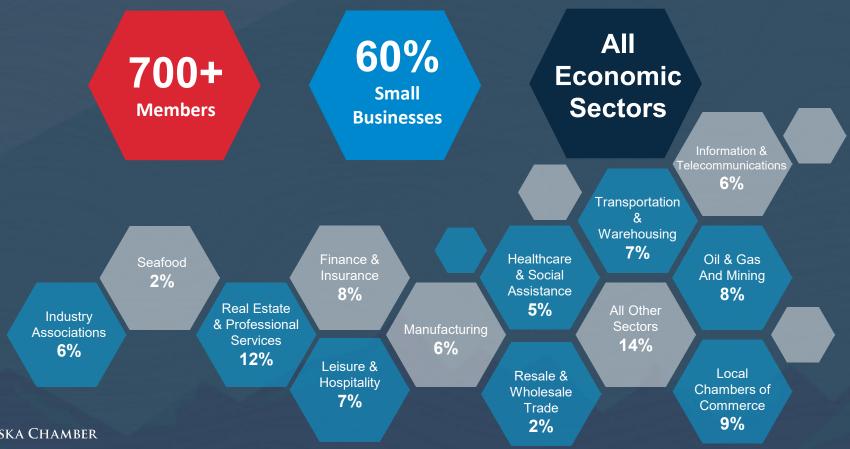
# ALASKA CHAMBER

The leading voice advancing business in Alaska

Kenai-Soldotna Chamber of Commerce November 9, 2022

## Who we are



### **Statewide**



# Board of Directors

The Alaska Chamber has representation in all regions of the state.

### **Alaska Strong**

Our members are located in 23 of the 29 boroughs/census areas, and 88% of our members are headquartered in Alaska.



### **Impactful**

Our membership's direct business activity supports more than 58,000 total Alaskan jobs and \$4.6 billion in total wages annually.

#### Generous

77% of members make cash contributions that support hundreds of nonprofits throughout Alaska, giving on average of \$200,000 annually.





## **Policy Setting Process:**

1.
Policy
Submission

2. Submissions Reviewed

Members
Vote

4.
Priorities
Established

5. ADVOCACY IN ACTION

Any Alaska Chamber member in good standing can submit a position. Legislative Affairs Committee reviews submissions, hears from policy proponent, and advances submission to membership.

Alaska Chamber members vote on policy submissions. Priorities and positions ratified by Board of Directors. Full membership notified of the positions and priorities the Alaska Chamber will be advocating for the following year.



One member, one vote

## 2022 Priorities

1

Support a meaningful spending cap on operating budget expenditures

2

Support a comprehensive approach to create a sustainable state budget



Fielded: **March 25-31, 2022** 

Sample: 603 Alaska Likely Voters

2022

# **Public Opinion Survey Results**



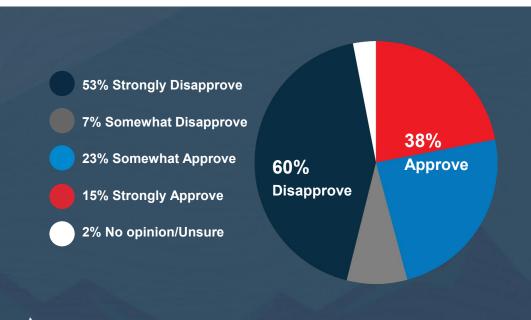






### **President Biden Job Approval**

Do you approve or disapprove of the job Joe Biden is doing as president?



LOCATION	APPROVE	DISAPPROVE
Anchorage	45%	53%
Southcentral	23%	77%
Interior	35%	64%
Southeast	46%	50%
Rural	35%	57%
TIME IN AK	APPROVE	DISAPPROVE
0-9 yrs	34%	63%
10-20 yrs	33%	65%
20+ yrs		60%





**Economy** 



## Results: Rating Alaska's Economy

Generally speaking, how would you rate Alaska's current economy?

2022	2021	2020
Total good 44%	35%	51%
Total not good 54%	63%	48%

Location	Total Good	Total Not Good
Anchorage	45%	53%
Southcentral	41%	<b>57%</b>
Interior	45%	54%
Southeast	44%	55%
Rural	49%	49%

Do you think things are headed in the right direction, or that things have gotten off on the wrong track?

	2021	
Right track	32%	33%
Wrong track 65%	61%	61%

Location	Right Track	Wrong Track
Anchorage	25%	69%
Southcentral	24%	70%
Interior	29%	59%
Southeast	34%	57%
Rural	43%	56%

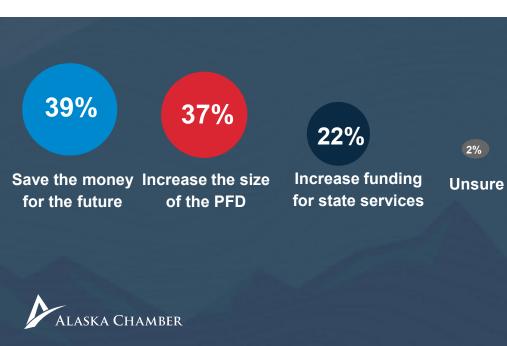






What do you think should be the top priority for the budget surplus?

### **Budget Surplus**

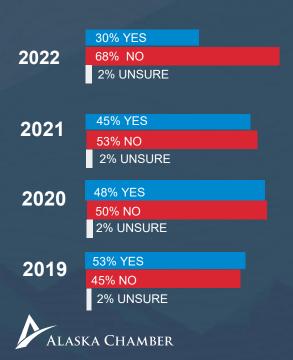


Location	Save	PFD	Spend
Anchorage	43%	33%	22%
Southcentral	36%	43%	17%
Interior	31%	42%	27%
Southeast	41%	32%	24%
Rural	31%	44%	22%

Party	Save	PFD	Spend
Democrat	27%	27%	45%
Republican	36%	50%	12%
Non-partisan	. 46%	28%	24%
Undeclared	46%	31%	20%

#### More taxes needed?

Thinking longer term, do you believe more taxes are needed to fund stategovernment?



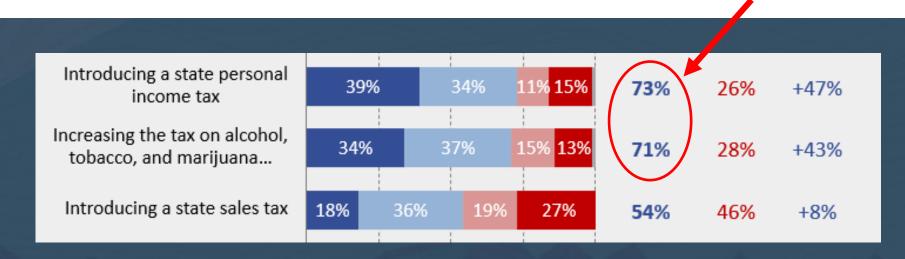
LOCATION	YES	NO	
Anchorage	34%	63%	
Southcentral	18%	79%	
Interior	34%	65%	
Southeast	36%	60%	
Rural	25%	70%	

#### **INDUSTRY**

Education	44%	53%
Government	34%	66%
Business/Office Work	22%	55%
Healthcare	29%	71%
Retail/Personal Care	30%	66%
Resource Dev	29%	66%
Construct./Trade	19%	81%
Transportation	25%	71%

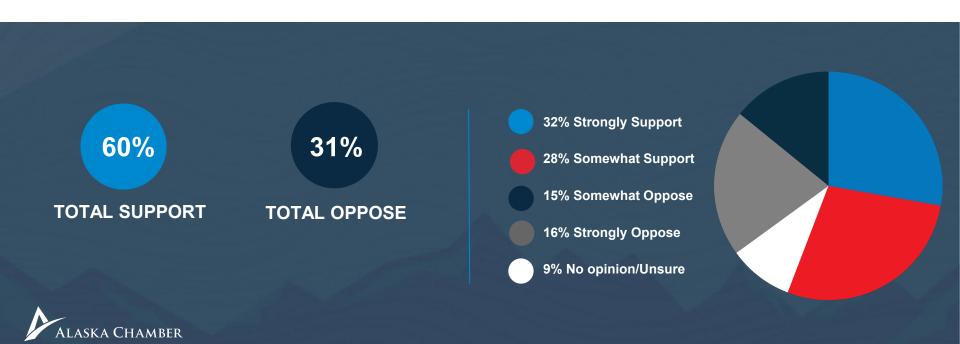
#### Opinion on Taxes (among 30% who think more taxes are needed)

Please tell me whether you support or oppose each of the following tax increases.





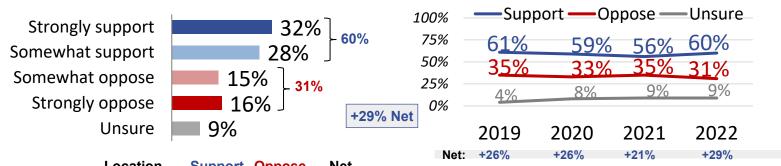
# Do you support or oppose a state constitutional amendment to put in place a spending cap on state spending?



### Constitutional Spending Cap

+8% total change since Apr 2021

Do you support or oppose a state constitutional amendment to put in place a spending cap on state spending?



Location	Support	<u> Oppose</u>	<u>net</u>
Anchorage	59%	32%	+27%
Southcentral	70%	22%	€48%
Interior	49%	40%	+9%
Southeast	51%	40%	+11%
Rural (n42)	66%	29%	+37%
Gender			
Male	63%	32%	+31%
Female	57%	31%	+26%
Age			
18-34 yrs old	60%	27%	+33%
35-44 yrs old	58%	33%	+25%
45-54 yrs old	67%	27%	F40%
55-64 yrs old	66%	26%	40%
65+ yrs old	51%	40%	<del>(11%)</del>

Party	Support	Oppose	Net
Democrat	34%	53%	19%
Republican	81%	12%	69%
Non-Partisan	49%	45%	+4%
Undeclared	59%	32%	+27%
Union household			
Public employee	49%	44%	+5%
Other union (n41)	51%	41%	+10%
Non-union	62%	29%	<b>433%</b>
Opinion of Chambe	r		
Favorable	63%	31%	+32%
Unfavorable	59%	34%	+25%
Unsure	56%	29%	+27%



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All Bills Committee Schedule Bills We're Tracking It was a wild week in Juneau, which can only mean one thing: We are nearing the end.

House rejects Senate's budget

On Saturday, the House met lo vote on whether to concur with the Senate's budget and ended up rejecting. It his followed days of speculation about what would happen after the Senate stumed everyone and voted for a supersized budget early last week. The budget, which combined the operating, supplemental, and capital budgets into one single bill, would have appropriated more than \$10 billion in state funds. In our view, the bill prescribed a level of spending that was unsustainable and would ultimately lead to taxes on the business community, and we communicated that in a letter sent to each member of the Legislature. We heard this methor, already sits where when an ansake new of last his was heard in the Senate France committee. The justification given for the senation beguing the properties of the properties of the properties of senation produced in the Senate France committee.

Information and insights



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