

## SB 1047 Survey



Online sample of 1000 California respondents fielded over web panels on July 9th, 2024 and weighted to education, gender, race, survey engagement, and 2020 election results. The margin of error is +/- 5.2%.

**1) Some policy makers are proposing a law in California, Senate Bill 1047, which would require that companies that develop advanced AI conduct safety tests and create liability for AI model developers if their models cause catastrophic harm and they did not take appropriate precautions. Supporters of this legislation say that future powerful AI models may be used for dangerous purposes such as cyber attacks and to aid in developing biological weapons. They say that as AI models increase in power, California must ensure that model developers are taking appropriate safety precautions. Opponents of this legislation say that this policy will harm AI innovation in California. They say that supporters of the bill are fear mongering and such a policy will needlessly create red tape and push companies outside of California. They worry that laws like this will hit small AI developers and open source developers hardest. Do you support or oppose this legislation?**

	All	D	I	R
Support the policy .....	59	71	51	44
Oppose the policy .....	20	10	24	33
Not sure .....	22	19	25	23

**2) Do you support or oppose the following elements of Senate Bill 1047? Require safety measures for advanced AI models to prevent hazardous capabilities and risks to public safety.**

	All	D	I	R
Support.....	74	83	66	66
Oppose .....	5	1	9	9
Not sure.....	20	16	25	24

**3) Do you support or oppose the following elements of Senate Bill 1047? Create a new Frontier Model Division to oversee developer compliance with AI safety requirements.**

	All	D	I	R
Support.....	53	68	43	36
Oppose .....	13	4	20	23
Not sure.....	34	28	37	41

**4) Do you support or oppose the following elements of Senate Bill 1047? Mandate cybersecurity protections, testing, safety protocols, and risk management for high-risk AI models.**

	All	D	I	R
Support.....	73	83	61	66
Oppose .....	9	6	12	13
Not sure.....	18	11	27	21

**5) Do you support or oppose the following elements of Senate Bill 1047? Require companies providing cloud computing for AI to track who builds AI models and assess risks.**

	All	D	I	R
Support.....	59	70	47	49
Oppose .....	11	5	15	17
Not sure.....	31	25	38	34

**6) Do you support or oppose the following elements of Senate Bill 1047? Hold developers of large models liable for catastrophic harms caused by their models.**

	All	D	I	R
Support.....	70	80	60	63
Oppose .....	9	3	18	12
Not sure.....	20	17	22	25

**7) Do you support or oppose the following elements of Senate Bill 1047? Require that AI companies test large models to determine whether they're capable of catastrophic harm.**

	All	D	I	R
Support.....	67	75	59	59
Oppose .....	11	9	13	13
Not sure.....	22	16	27	29

**8) Do you support or oppose the following elements of Senate Bill 1047? Establish a public cloud computing platform to support safe AI research and innovation.**

	All	D	I	R
Support.....	54	64	43	46
Oppose .....	11	6	16	15
Not sure.....	35	30	41	39

**9) Do you support or oppose the following elements of Senate Bill 1047? Require that models have emergency shutdown capabilities such that model developers can disable instances of their model in their position in case of an emergency.**

	All	D	I	R
Support.....	73	79	67	70
Oppose .....	6	3	9	8
Not sure.....	20	18	24	22

**10) Which of the following arguments for and against the bill do you most agree with? Supporters of this legislation say that future powerful AI models may be used for dangerous purposes such as cyber attacks and to aid in developing biological weapons. They say that as AI models increase in power, California must ensure that model developers are taking appropriate safety precautions. Opponents of this legislation say that this policy will harm AI innovation in California. They say that supporters of the bill are fear mongering and such a policy will needlessly create red tape and push companies outside of California. They worry that laws like this will hit small AI developers and open source developers hardest.**

	All	D	I	R
I most agree with the arguments from supporters .....	57	69	50	42
I most agree with the arguments from opponents .....	16	11	15	28
Not sure .....	27	21	35	30

**11) Do you think that your representatives in the California state legislature should vote for or against the AI regulation bill, Senate Bill 1047?**

	All	D	I	R
Vote for Senate Bill 1047 .....	47	56	38	39
Vote against Senate Bill 1047 .....	15	10	14	25
Not sure .....	38	34	48	36

**12) If the state legislature passes the AI regulation bill, Senate Bill 1047, do you think Governor Newsom should sign the bill or Veto it?**

	All	D	I	R
Newsom should sign SB 1047.....	52	66	40	38
Newsom should veto SB 1047 .....	14	7	13	28
Not sure.....	34	27	47	33

**13) If your state representative supported the AI regulation bill, Senate Bill 1047, would you be more likely to vote for them or vote against them in the next election?**

	All	D	I	R
More likely to vote for them .....	38	47	29	30
More likely to vote against them.....	16	11	15	25
It wouldn't make a difference .....	47	42	56	45

**14) Do you think Senate Bill 1047 is too aggressive in regulating AI, just right, or not aggressive enough?**

	All	D	I	R
Too aggressive in regulating AI.....	14	11	12	23
Just right .....	60	65	60	53
Not aggressive enough.....	25	25	29	23

**15) Some people say that California is a center of innovation, so we should lead on regulating AI. Others say that overly harsh regulations could push companies out of California, and we need to create the conditions for AI companies to thrive. Which comes closer to your view?**

	All	D	I	R
California should lead on regulating AI .....	57	71	48	38
California should avoid harsh regulations on AI .....	16	11	14	29
Not sure.....	27	18	38	32