

**Results of Missouri Republican Statewide Survey on US Senate Race and Josh Hawley**  
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In a completed survey of 1,022 likely 2018 Missouri Republican primary voters, JTD Strategies found:

- 1) Missouri Republicans are divided on whether Josh Hawley should run for US Senate, and almost half don't want Hawley to ultimately run.
- 2) A strong majority of Missouri Republicans (almost three out of four) would like to have additional candidates enter the primary race even if Josh Hawley runs.
- 3) Not even one out of five Republican voters want Josh Hawley to run for US Senate and for the Missouri primary campaign to be uncontested.
- 4) Half of Missouri Republicans believe Josh Hawley is vulnerable to the attack that he is using his position as attorney general as a stepping stone to US Senate — context of political hypocrisy claims owing to Hawley's 2016 campaign (e.g., "Ladders" ad).

Methodology: JTD Strategies conducted a Missouri statewide, IVR, close-ended survey of likely 2018 Republican primary voters via landline phone interviews. The voter universe the survey sample came from notably included households where voters have consistently participated in every Republican primary since 2012. JTD Strategies isolated a randomized statewide sample of 20,000 residences from this targeted voter universe and achieved 1,022 fully completed interviews on the evening of Wednesday, July 26<sup>th</sup>. The margin of error at the 95% confidence interval for 1,022 Republican voters is  $\pm 3.1\%$ .

**Q1: Should Missouri Attorney General Josh Hawley run for US Senate?**

Yes = 55% (562)

No = 45% (460)

**Q2: If Missouri Attorney General Josh Hawley does run for US Senate, do you want to see additional Republican candidates enter the primary race?**

Yes = 71.7% (733)

No = 28.3% (289)

Of the Republicans who affirmatively answered that Josh Hawley should run (Q1), only 184 (18%) responded "no" to Q2 as well — less than one out of five Republican voters want for Hawley to run and for the primary field to clear if he does. We suspect the other 10% answering "no" to Q2, who also answered "no" to Q1, do not currently support Hawley but also would prefer an uncontested primary.

**Q3: Is Josh Hawley vulnerable to the political attack that he is using his position as Missouri attorney general as a stepping stone to run for US Senate?**

Yes = 49.5% (506)

No = 50.5% (516)