

Survey: Most TN Voters Concerned about Negative Short-Term Rental Impact

Large majorities of Tennessee residents are concerned about the negative impact of short-term rentals in their communities, according to a new survey conducted by Morning Consult on behalf of the Alliance for Stronger Communities.

81% of Tennessee voters believe it is important for local officials to actively monitor short-term rental properties to deter criminal activity in residential areas.

59% of Tennessee voters agree that the presence of short-term rental properties in residential communities is harmful to a neighborhood's sense of community.

54% agree that commercial rental properties, including short-term rentals, should not be in residential areas.

72% of Tennessee voters agree that the presence of commercial short-term rental properties in residential communities raises concerns about neighborhood safety.

Among the top concerns about short-term rental properties...

- ⇒ 66% of voters are concerned about noise disturbances.
- ⇒ **65**% of voters are concerned about party houses.
- ⇒ **53**% of voters are concerned about trash or litter issues.
- ⇒ **50%** of voters are concerned about damage to property.

75% agree that lawmakers should prioritize the interests of homeowners and renters in residential areas above those of out-of-state commercial investors.

59% agree that the presence of short-term rental properties in residential communities can lower the value of surrounding properties.

59% agree that the presence of short-term rental properties in residential communities would deter them from buying or renting in a certain neighborhood.

73% think that active oversight is important to ensure short-term rental owners and companies pay their fair share of taxes.

76% of Tennessee voters support preserving local control of short-term rentals.

66% of voters agree that residential areas should be inhabited by people who intend to live there for more than a few days.

Morning Consult Survey Methodology: This poll was conducted between March 11-17, 2023, among a sample of 600 registered voters from Tennessee. Interviews were conducted online and weighted to approximate a sample of Tennessee RVs based on age, gender, education, and 2020 presidential vote choice. Results from the full survey have a margin of error of plus or minus 4 percentage points.