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- **Voters in Ohio overwhelmingly support (89%-support vs. 7%-oppose) women having access to contraception. In May, we found similar numbers at the national level (88%-10%).**
 - 87% of Republican voters, 88% of ticket-splitters and 93% of Democratic voters support access as do 93% of moderates, 81% of very conservative voters, 84% of conservative Republicans and 83% of self-IDed Pro-Lifers.
 - Among those who attend church at least once a week, 83% support access as do 84% of Catholic voters and 80% of devout right voters (those that indicate they are conservative and attend church at least once a week).

- **Voters also express overwhelmingly support for Title X, the federally funded public health program which provides funding to local programs that provide contraception.**
 - 84% support the government providing funding to programs that provide low income women with a method of contraception including 75% of Republican voters, 86% of ticket-splitters and 92% of Democratic voters. In addition, 75% of Pro-Lifers, 76% of somewhat conservative voters and 71% of very conservative voters support these programs as do 74% of weekly church attendees, 66% of conservative weekly church attendees and 82% of Catholic voters.
 - 85% support the government providing funding to programs that provide women without health insurance with a method of contraception including 75% of Republican voters, 88% of ticket-splitters, 93% of Democratic voters, 77% of Pro-Lifers, 78% of somewhat conservative voters, 71% of very conservative voters and 72% of conservative Republicans. Among weekly church attendees, 77% support government funding these programs as do 67% of conservative weekly church attendees and 82% of Catholic voters.

- **71% of voters also express support for the President's budget request of \$286 million for Title X programs and 57% would support an increase.**
 - 64% of Republican voters, 71% of ticket-splitters and 78% of Democratic voters support the President's budget request as do 64% of Pro-Lifers, 66% of somewhat conservative voters, 56% of very conservative voters and 60% of conservative Republicans. Among weekly church attendees, 62% support the President's request as do 70% of Catholic voters.

- 57% would support an increase in funding when informed that the President's \$286 million request is only enough to provide services to about half of the women seeking services. Republicans oppose this increase (41%-support vs. 51%-oppose), while 60% of ticket-splitters and 73% of Democratic voters support the increase. Pro-Lifers split on the increase (47%-support vs. 47%-oppose), while a majority of somewhat conservative voters (50%) support the increase. 49% of frequent church attendees support an increase as do 59% of Catholic voters.

- **The public does not see Pro-Life Senators or Members of Congress as violating their Pro-Life position if they supported funding Title X, nor do they believe such a Member or Senator was being inconsistent.**
 - Overall, 63% do not think a Pro-Life Senator or Member had violated their Pro-Life position if they supported funding Title X, as do 63% of Republican voters, 68% of ticket-splitters and 60% of Democratic voters. Among Pro-Lifers, 59% do not believe the Pro-Life position would be violated as do 58% of somewhat conservative voters and 61% of conservative Republican voters. And, a majority (58%) of frequent church attendees and 68% of Catholics would not see this as a violation.

 - And, 57% of the public would not see such a Member as being inconsistent, including 57% of Republican voters, 61% of ticket-splitters and 56% of Democratic voters. 52% of Pro-Lifers, 52% of somewhat conservative voters and 57% of conservative Republicans would also not think their Member or Senator was being inconsistent if they supported Title X funding. Among frequent church attendees, 50% would not see an inconsistency while 63% of Catholic voters would not see an inconsistency.

- **Providing more access to contraception is viewed as more effective in reducing the number of abortions in this country than enacting more restrictive abortion laws (64% to 26%).**
 - While a plurality of Republican voters support more access (39% enact more restrictive laws vs. 45% provide more access), ticket-splitters (70%) and Democratic voters (78%) overwhelmingly support more access. 57% of somewhat conservative voters believe more access is effective as do frequent church attendees (39%-more restrictive laws vs. 50%-more access) while 64% of Catholic voters believe more access would be most effective.

American Viewpoint conducted this survey of 800 Ohio voters from September 26 and 27, 2005. All interviews were conducted by telephone. The margin of error for the entire study is plus or minus 3.5%. The margin of error for the various subgroups will be higher.