State of the State Survey
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Michigan grades Congress:

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

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Congress Job Approval Starts 2014 at 13%

13.1 Approve 79.4 Disapprove
3/2-4/6/14

3/20-24/14
Michigan gives Congress poor marks too.

Congress Approval 9%

House Approval 11%

Senate Approval 11%
Congress grades: decidedly “poor”
Who gives Congress high marks in Michigan?

Very few.

Congress rates poorly with every demographic category measured in this round of SOSS.
Michigan adults ranking Congress “excellent or “good”
Do we like the individual chambers – U.S. House or U.S. Senate – any better?
U.S. Congress Approval Rating

All Michigan 9%

U.S. House Approval Rating

All Michigan 11%

U.S. Senate Approval Rating

All Michigan 11%
1. Is there any difference between men and women in their approval of the U.S. House and Senate?

2. Is there any difference in their approval when they are told the chamber’s majority party?
# U.S. Congress Rated by Gender

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Conclusion?

We just don’t like Congress – even when prompted by the information that our party is in charge.
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