Roanoke College Poll Topline and Select Party Crosstabs November 2022 Politics, Political Anxiety, Midterms, Abortion December 6, 2022

Hi, I'm_____ and I'm calling from Roanoke College. How are you? We're conducting a survey of Virginia residents regarding important issues and your opinion is very important to us; we're not selling anything and won't ask for any money. Your responses are anonymous and confidential. Are you 18 or older and a resident of Virginia?

1. Do you think things in the COUNTRY are generally going in the right direction or do you think things have gotten off on the wrong track?

	Right direction	Wrong track	Unsure	Refused
Nov. 2022	28%	68%	4%	1%
Aug. 2022	25%	72%	3%	0%
May 2022	21%	77%	3%	0%
Feb. 2022	29%	67%	3%	1%
Nov. 2021	31%	66%	4%	0%
Sept. 2021	35%	58%	7%	1%
Aug. 2021	33%	58%	7%	2%
May 2021	42%	53%	5%	1%
Feb. 2021	39%	53%	8%	1%
Nov. 2020	28%	62%	9%	1%
Oct. 2020	30%	63%	6%	1%
Aug. 2020	16%	79%	4%	1%
May 2020	33%	61%	6%	0%
Feb. 2020	39%	53%	8%	0%
Nov. 2019	26%	65%	10%	0%
Aug. 2019	31%	61%	7%	1%
Feb. 2019	37%	56%	6%	1%
Nov. 2018	34%	58%	6%	2%
Aug. 2018	37%	56%	7%	1%
June 2018	30%	64%	6%	1%
Feb. 2018	31%	57%	10%	1%
Nov. 2017	24%	69%	7%	0%
Oct. 2017	30%	64%	6%	1%
Sept. 2017	30%	63%	7%	1%
Aug. 2017	29%	63%	8%	1%
Feb. 2017	31%	57%	10%	1%
Jan. 2017	32%	52%	16%	1%

2. Do you think things in the Commonwealth of Virginia are generally going in the right direction or do you think things have gotten off on the wrong track?

	Right direction	Wrong track	Unsure	Refused
Nov. 2022	47%	48%	4%	1%
Aug. 2022	51%	45%	4%	0%
May 2022	50%	44%	5%	2%
Feb. 2022	47%	47%	5%	1%
Sept. 2021	52%	43%	5%	1%
Aug. 2021	52%	43%	4%	1%
May 2021	50%	40%	8%	2%
Feb. 2021	52%	40%	8%	1%
Nov. 2020	53%	37%	8%	2%
Aug. 2020	45%	49%	6%	0%
May 2020	57%	37%	6%	0%
Feb. 2020	49%	44%	6%	2%
Aug. 2018	58%	30%	10%	2%
Oct. 2017	48%	40%	12%	1%
Sept. 2017	52%	37%	11%	1%
Aug. 2017	46%	41%	11%	2%
Jan. 2017	52%	29%	18%	1%

3. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Glenn Youngkin is handling his job as Governor of Virginia?

	Approve	Disapprove	Mixed	Refused
Nov. 2022	52%	41%	2%	5%
Aug. 2022	55%	35%	2%	7%
May 2022	53%	35%	2%	10%
Feb. 2022	50%	41%	3%	7%
Last measurements for	or Gov. Ralph Northan	n		
Aug. 2021	52%	38%	6%	5%
May 2021	47%	35%	6%	12%
Feb. 2021	49%	33%	10%	8%
Nov. 2020	53%	33%	9%	5%
Aug. 2020	53%	41%	5%	2%
May 2020	59%	29%	6%	6%
Feb. 2020	40%	41%	11%	9%
Nov. 2019	35%	28%	23%	13%
Aug. 2019	37%	29%	21%	14%
Feb. 2019	32%	39%	16%	13%
Aug. 2018	54%	18%	13%	15%
June 2018	43%	36%	14%	7%
Feb. 2018				

4. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as President of the United States?

	Approve	Disapprove	Mixed	Refused
Nov. 2022	41%	55%	3%	2%
Aug. 2022	39%	57%	3%	1%
May 2022	37%	57%	4%	2%
Feb. 2022	41%	53%	4%	3%
Oct. 2021	44%	50%	4%	2%
Sept. 2021	50%	45%	3%	2%
Aug. 2021	48%	43%	7%	2%
May 2021	47%	39%	9%	5%
Feb. 2021	47%	30%	8%	15%

5. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way the U.S. Congress is handling its job?

	Approve	Disapprove	Mixed	Refused
Nov. 2022	27%	68%	2%	2%
Aug. 2022	23%	68%	5%	4%
Feb. 2022	21%	72%	3%	4%
Aug. 2021	17%	71%	7%	5%
May 2020	20%	63%	13%	5%
Feb. 2020	20%	60%	16%	4%
Oct. 2017	10%	80%	8%	3%
Sept. 2017	11%	76%	10%	3%
Aug. 2017	7%	79%	10%	4%
Feb. 2017	20%	62%	12%	6%
Jan. 2017	19%	64%	12%	6%

Please tell me if you have a generally favorable or unfavorable impression of the following people and organizations or if you don't know enough about them to have formed an opinion. [ROTATED]

6. Glenn Youngkin

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Mixed/Unsure	DK/Refused
Nov. 2022	50%	40%	1%	9%
Aug. 2022	51%	37%	3%	10%
May 2022	46%	37%	3%	15%
Feb. 2022	46%	42%	1%	12%
Oct. 2021	45%	37%	16%	1%
Sept. 2021	40%	41%	17%	3%
Aug. 2021	27%	21%	3%	50%
7. Joe Biden				
	Favorable	Unfavorable	Mixed/Unsure	DK/Refused
Nov. 2022	44%	51%	2%	3%
Aug. 2022	41%	55%	3%	2%
May 2022	38%	56%	3%	3%

Feb. 2022	43%	52%	2%	3%
Sept. 2021	51%	46%	2%	1%
Aug. 2021	48%	43%	5%	4%
Feb. 2021	47%	29%	14%	10%
Nov. 2020	46%	36%	9%	9%
Oct. 2020	53%	43%	3%	1%
Aug. 2020	51%	38%	7%	4%
May 2020	36%	39%	15%	10%
Feb. 2020	37%	37%	18%	8%
8. Donald Trump				
-	Favorable	Unfavorable	Mixed/Unsure	DK/Refused
Nov. 2022	33%	60%	3%	3%
Aug. 2022	37%	58%	3%	3%
May 2022	34%	59%	4%	3%
Feb. 2022	37%	56%	3%	4%
Oct. 2021	37%	54%	6%	3%
Feb. 2021	24%	58%	14%	4%
Nov. 2020	33%	53%	10%	5%
Oct. 2020	41%	56%	3%	1%
Aug. 2020	37%	55%	7%	2%
May 2020	36%	49%	12%	4%
Feb. 2020	32%	54%	10%	4%
Sept. 2017	35%	54%	8%	3%
Aug. 2017	31%	53%	13%	3%
Feb. 2017	29%	49%	13%	9%
Jan. 2017	30%	48%	18%	4%
Jan. 2016	22%	63%	13%	2%
Nov. 2015	23%	55%	13%	9%
9. The United Stat	es Supreme Cou	rt		
	Favorable	Unfavorable	Mixed/Unsure	DK/Refused
Nov. 2022	40%	53%	3%	5%
Aug. 2022	37%	53%	3%	7%
May 2022	46%	42%	4%	9%

10. You may have heard from the news speculation that Governor Youngkin may seek the Republican nomination for President of the U.S. in 2024. Do you think that he should do so?

	Yes	No	Unsure	Refused
Nov. 2022	34%	52%	1%	9%
Aug. 2022	36%	54%	6%	4%

11. You may have heard that former President Trump has announced that he will again be running for president in 2024. Do you agree or disagree that he should run? Is that strongly or somewhat?

Strongly Agree	17%
Somewhat Agree	14%
Neither Agree nor Disagree	8%
Somewhat Disagree	11%
Strongly Disagree	48%
Refused/No Answer	2%

12. And if the choice were between Governor Youngkin and former President Trump and you were voting in the Republican primary, who would you vote for? [for ALL respondents; see cross tabs for Republican-only response]

	Nov. 2022	Aug. 2022
Governor Youngkin	44%	37%
Former President Trump	25%	29%
Someone Else	11%	12%
Not Voting in R. Primary	16%	17%
Unsure	3%	3%
Refused	2%	2%

13. Which of the following do you feel is the most important issue facing Virginia today? [PERMUTED]

Economy / Jobs	23%	Voting/Election Issues	4%
Inflation	27%	Climate Change	8%
Abortion	9%	Immigration	2%
Gun Policy	10%	Crime	8%
COVID-19	1%	Other/No Answer	3%
Race Issues	5%		

14. Do you think that the results of the recent midterm elections will make it more likely, less likely, or make no difference in being able to get things done in Washington?

More Likely	29%
Less Likely	25%
No Difference	42%
Refused / No Answer	4%

15. When you think about the next few years, if you had to choose, which is the bigger concern for you right now? Are you more concerned about whether the U.S. will ...

have a strong economy or not.	51%
have a functioning democracy or not.	46%
Refused / Don't Know	3%

16. How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do what is right? Just about always, most of the time, only some of the time, or never?

	Always	Most of the time	Sometimes	Never	Unsure/Refused
Nov. 2022	4%	18%	56%	22%	1%
May 2022	2%	17%	56%	24%	1%
Nov. 2021	3%	18%	52%	27%	1%
Aug. 2021	1%	18%	63%	17%	2%
Feb. 2021	2%	16%	63%	16%	3%
Nov. 2020	1%	17%	60%	18%	4%
May 2020	0%	16%	64%	17%	2%
Nov. 2019	3%	13%	61%	20%	4%
Feb. 2019	1%	11%	70%	16%	2%
Nov. 2018	1%	13%	61%	22%	2%
May 2018	1%	11%	70%	18%	0%
Feb. 2018	2%	17%	62%	18%	2%
Nov. 2017	2%	14%	60%	24%	1%
Oct. 2017	1%	11%	72%	17%	0%
Aug. 2017	1%	14%	61%	23%	2%

17. Which of the following statements is closer to your view: Ordinary citizens can do a lot to influence the government in Washington if they are willing to make the effort OR There's not much ordinary citizens can do to influence the government in Washington?

	Citizens can influence govt.	Cannot	Unsure/Refused
Nov. 2022	58%	40%	3%
May 2022	52%	46%	2%
Nov. 2021	60%	38%	2%
Aug. 2021	55%	41%	4%
Feb. 2021	52%	45%	3%
Nov. 2020	61%	35%	4%
May 2020	47%	49%	4%
Nov. 2019	58%	38%	5%
Feb. 2019	56%	38%	6%
Nov. 2018	63%	30%	8%
May 2018	57%	41%	2%
Feb. 2018	65%	32%	4%
Nov. 2017	63%	34%	3%
Oct. 2017	57%	41%	2%
Aug. 2017	60%	37%	4%

18. Thinking about the way things are going in politics today ... on the issues that matter to you would you say your side has been winning more often than it's been losing, or losing more often than it's been winning?

Winning	Losing	Both	Unsure/Refused
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Nov. 2022	32%	58%	3%	7%
May 2022	22%	65%	3%	9%
Nov. 2021	29%	58%	4%	9%
Aug. 2021	30%	49%	7%	14%
Feb. 2021	26%	50%	11%	14%
Nov. 2020	33%	42%	10%	15%
May 2020	29%	50%	11%	10%
Nov. 2019	28%	43%	12%	18%
Feb. 2019	27%	44%	16%	14%
Nov. 2018	34%	42%	14%	10%
May 2018	23%	60%	11%	7%
Feb. 2018	29%	51%	11%	9%
Nov. 2017	27%	53%	10%	10%
Oct. 2017	23%	61%	10%	6%
Aug. 2017	22%	57%	13%	8%

19. Which comes closest to your feelings about how the federal government is working? Are you enthusiastic, satisfied, dissatisfied, or angry?

	Enthusiastic	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	Angry Unsur	e/Refused
Nov. 2022	6%	24%	51%	17%	1%
May 2022	3%	21%	52%	21%	3%
Nov. 2021	3%	26%	47%	20%	3%
Aug. 2021	2%	28%	45%	21%	5%
Feb. 2021	6%	32%	41%	14%	8%
Nov. 2020	2%	24%	49%	19%	6%
May 2020	3%	25%	49%	19%	5%
Nov. 2019	3%	21%	50%	19%	8%
Feb. 2019	1%	21%	49%	20%	8%
Nov. 2018	2%	25%	49%	18%	7%
May 2018	3%	15%	54%	26%	3%
Feb. 2018	3%	23%	45%	21%	8%
Nov. 2017	2%	19%	60%	14%	5%
Oct. 2017	3%	15%	55%	24%	3%
Aug. 2017	1%	15%	57%	22%	5%

20. When you think about the future of the United States, which do you agree with more: the country's best years are ahead of us or the country's best years are behind us?

	Best ahead	Best behind	Same/Unsure	Refused
Nov. 2022	50%	46%	3%	1%
May 2022	44%	52%	4%	1%
Nov. 2021	49%	45%	5%	1%
Aug. 2021	54%	40%	5%	2%
Feb. 2021	59%	30%	9%	2%

Nov. 2020	62%	29%	8%	2%
May 2020	60%	31%	7%	1%
Nov. 2019	55%	32%	10%	3%
Feb. 2019	55%	35%	10%	0%
Nov. 2018	57%	33%	8%	2%
May 2018	56%	37%	7%	1%
Feb. 2018	56%	34%	10%	1%
Nov. 2017	57%	37%	6%	1%
Oct. 2017	57%	37%	6%	1%
Aug. 2017	56%	32%	11%	1%

21. Looking broadly at the important issues facing the United States, do you think that Americans are united in facing those challenges or is the nation divided?

	United	Divided	Both/Unsure	Refused
Nov. 2022	16%	82%	1%	1%
May 2022	13%	85%	2%	0%
Nov. 2021	14%	84%	2%	0%
Aug. 2021	8%	89%	3%	1%
Feb. 2021	5%	91%	3%	1%
Nov. 2020	8%	88%	3%	1%
May 2020	10%	86%	4%	0%
Nov. 2019	7%	90%	4%	0%
Feb. 2019	8%	88%	4%	0%
Nov. 2018	6%	89%	3%	2%
May 2018	11%	87%	2%	0%
Feb. 2018	13%	84%	3%	0%
Nov. 2017	10%	86%	3%	1%
Oct. 2017	11%	88%	2%	0%
Aug. 2017	8%	88%	4%	0%

22. How closely have you been following news about Russia's invasion of Ukraine? Very closely, somewhat closely, or not too closely?

	May 2022	Aug. 2022	Nov. 2022
Very Closely	30%	27%	29%
Somewhat Closely	46%	46%	44%
Not Too Closely	23%	27%	26%
Unsure/Refused	0%	0%	1%

23. Do you think the worst of the war in Ukraine is over or do you think the worst of the war in Ukraine is yet to come?

	May 2022	Aug. 2022	Nov. 2022
Worst Over	26%	27%	36%

Worst Yet to Come	66%	64%	55%
Unsure/Refused	8%	9%	10%

24. Changing topics, do you think abortion should be legal under any circumstances, legal only under certain circumstances, or illegal in all circumstances?

	Legal – All	Legal – Some	Illegal All	Unsure/Refused
Nov. 2022	42%	45%	11%	2%
Aug. 2022	40%	48%	10%	3%
May 2022	35%	53%	11%	1%
Aug. 2015	31%	46%	17%	6%
July 2013	30%	46%	18%	3%
Oct. 2012	32%	47%	15%	0%

25. And finally, do you agree or disagree with the Supreme Court's reversal of Roe versus Wade that happened in mid-June? [May 2022, asked about released draft opinion]

	May 2022	Aug. 2022	Nov. 2022
Agree	32%	35%	27%
Disagree	57%	60%	66%
Unsure/Mixed	8%	3%	4%
Refused	3%	3%	3%

26. Code respondent's sex [NOT ASKED]

Male	49%
Female	51%

27. Region

Southwest Virginia	11%
Southside	8%
Shenandoah Valley	6%
Central Virginia/Richmond	24%
Northern Virginia	29%
Tidewater	23%

28. Thanks so much for your patience. I have a few questions about you for statistical purposes. Are you currently married, living with a partner, divorced, separated, widowed, or have you never been married?

Married	47%
Living with partner	9%
Divorced	7%
Separated	2%
Widowed	6%
Never married	29%
Refused	1%

29. How much education have you completed?

Less than high school	3%
High School	23%
Some college/technical school	23%
Associate's Degree	8%
Bachelor's Degree	26%
Advanced Degree	17%
Refused	1%

30. In what year were you born? [CODED INTO CATEGORIES]

18-29		22%
30-44		27%
45-64		35%
65 or olde	er	15%
Refused		1%

31. Are you of Hispanic origin or descent, such as Mexican, Dominican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or some other Spanish background?

Yes, Hispanic	8%
No, not Hispanic	92%
Refused	0%

32. Would you consider yourself Caucasian or white, African-American or Black, Asian or some other race?

75%
18%
5%
2%

33. I'm going to read several income groups. When I come to the group that includes your annual family income, please stop me.

12%
12%
12%
20%
14%
27%
4%

34. Politically speaking, do you consider yourself to be liberal, moderate or conservative?

Liberal	23%
Moderate	39%
Conservative	29%
Other/Unsure	5%
Refused	3%

35. And would you describe your political party affiliation as Democrat, Republican, Independent, some other party or no affiliation?

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Democrat	32%
Republican	24%
Independent	30%
Other/None	12%
Refused	2%

35a. [IF INDEPENDENT, OTHER OR REFUSED] As of today, do you lean more toward the Democratic party or toward the Republican party? [RESULTS ARE COMBINED WITH THOSE IN Q. 34]

Democrat	46%
Republican	39%
Independent/Neither/Refused	16%

Thank you for your time and have a nice <HOUR1>.

Party Crosstabs

Party Crosstabs	Democrat	Republican	Independent
USA Right Direction	49%	8%	24%
VA Right Direction	39%	56%	49%
Job Approval Youngkin	31%	85%	51%
Job Approval Biden	81%	4%	32%
Job Approval U.S. Congress	45%	13%	22%
Favorability Youngkin	26%	83%	45%
Favorability Biden	86%	3%	37%
Favorability Trump	12%	72%	27%
Favorability U.S. Supreme Court	30%	58%	38%
Youngkin Should Run for President	26%	52%	39%
Trump Should Run (Strongly/Somewhat Agree)	16%	59%	25%
Vote Choice Youngkin vs Trump			
Youngkin	46%	39%	43%
Trump	11%	52%	21%
Someone Else	15%	4%	13%
Unsure	1%	3%	4%
Midterms: More Likely to Get Things Done	39%	26%	24%
Concern: Strong Economy or Not	35%	67%	54%
Concern: Functioning Democracy or Not	63%	30%	43%
Trust Government Always/Most of Time	35%	12%	18%
Citizens Can Influence Government	72%	47%	54%
Your Side Winning on Issues	56%	18%	24%
Dissatisfied/Angry w/ Federal Government	52%	84%	72%
Best Years Ahead	64%	38%	47%
U.S. Issues, Americans United	23%	13%	12%
Russia – Following News Very/Somewhat Closely	84%	62%	27%
Russia – Worst Yet to Come	52%	57%	56%
Abortion Legal All	64%	15%	42%
Abortion Legal Some	31%	61%	47%
Abortion Illegal All	5%	22%	9%
Roe v. Wade Overturned Agreement	18%	51%	22%