Roanoke College Poll Topline and Select Party Crosstabs November 2021 COVID-19 and Political Anxiety December 2, 2021

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. 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. 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 Uns	sure/Refused
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%

3. 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. 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%

4. 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
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%

5. 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. 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%

6. 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. 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%

7. 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. 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%

8. Regarding the [COVID] vaccine, are you currently fully vaccinated, are you awaiting a second dose, are you unvaccinated and have plans to take the vaccine, or do you not plan to take the vaccine?

	Fully or Waiting 2nd	Will Take	Won't Take	Refused
Nov. 2021	78%	2%	13%	4%
Sept. 2021	82%	3%	11%	4%
May 2021	62%	14%	19%	6%
Feb. 2021	18%	54%	23%	6%

8a. [IF FULLY VACCINATED] And have you gotten a booster or third shot, are you intending to get one soon, are you not yet eligible for one but will when it's available for you, or are you not planning to get another dose?

Gotten Booster or Third Shot	24%
Intending or Will Get When Eligible	51%
Not Planning	22%
Unsure/Refused	3%

9. For each of the following situations, how likely are you to wear a mask? Very likely, somewhat likely, somewhat unlikely, or very unlikely? [Combined into Very/Somewhat Likely or Very/Somewhat Unlikely]

	V/SW Likely	V/SW Unlikely
Shopping Inside Grocery Store	73%	26%
Shopping at Inside Retail	72%	28%
Shopping at Outside Retail Establishments	51%	48%
Being in Any Other Public Place with Other People Around	67%	30%
Visiting with Friends/Family at Yours or Their House	33%	66%
Working in Close Proximity to Others	73%	26%

Dining Inside at a Restaurant/Bar	57%	42%
Dining Outside at a Restaurant/Bar	39%	59%
Going to Indoor Art, Entertainment, or Music Venue	71%	28%
Going to Outdoor Art, Entertainment, or Music Venue	50%	48%
Going to Public Park or Beach	33%	66%
Going to Hair Salon or Barbershop	64%	34%
Going to Nail Salon	60%	31%

10. Code respondent's sex [NOT ASKED]

Male	49%
Female	51%

11. Region

Southwest Virginia	13%
Southside	10%
Shenandoah Valley	6%
Central Virginia/Richmond	21%
Northern Virginia	28%
Tidewater	22%

12. 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	49%
Living with partner	7%
Divorced	7%
Separated	4%
Widowed	5%
Never married	28%
Refused	1%

13. How much education have you completed?

Less than high school	2%
High School	18%
Some college/technical school	21%
Associate's Degree	12%
Bachelor's Degree	25%
Advanced Degree	21%
Refused	1%

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

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18-29			22%
30-44			27%
45-64			35%
65 or older			16%

Refused 1%

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

Yes, Hispanic 5% No, not Hispanic 94% Refused 1%

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

White / Hispanic / Latino	75%
African-American	18%
Asian/Other/multi-racial	5%
Refused	1%

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

Less than \$20,000	9%
\$20,000-\$35,000	12%
\$35,000-\$50,000	12%
\$50,000-\$75,000	15%
\$75,000-\$100,000	16%
More than \$100,000	27%
Refused	9%

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

Liberal	22%
Moderate	35%
Conservative	33%
Other/Unsure	6%
Refused	5%

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

Democrat	31%
Republican	26%
Independent	22%
Other/None	18%
Refused	4%

19. a. [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. 19]

Democrat	42%
Republican	39%
Independent/Neither/Refused	19%

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

Party Crosstabs

V	Democrat	Republican
USA right direction	56%	3%
Trust gov't always/most of time	35%	6%
Citizens can influence gov't	71%	58%
Your side winning on issues	47%	16%
Federal gov't dissatisfied/angry	45%	81%
Best years ahead	66%	30%
U.S. issues, Americans united	20%	9%
Fully or partially vaccinated	90%	67%
Not planning to get vaccinated	3%	24%
Booster shot done/planned	81%	62%
No plans for booster shot	18%	37%
Likely to wear mask:		
Grocery Store	90%	52%
Indoor Retail	88%	49%
Outdoor Retail	73%	33%
Public Places	86%	47%
Visiting Friends/Family Indoor	45%	17%
At Work	88%	54%
Dining Inside	76%	35%
Dining Outside	59%	21%
Art/Entertainment Indoors	85%	49%
Art/Entertainment Outdoors	68%	30%
Public Park/Beach	47%	19%
Hair Salon/Barbershop	79%	43%
Nail Salon	78%	37%