

Roanoke College Poll
August 24, 2015

Hi, I'm _____ and I'm calling from Roanoke College. How are you today/this evening? We're conducting a survey of Virginia residents regarding important issues and your opinion is very important to us. Your responses are anonymous and confidential.

1. First, to be sure that we get a representative sample of Virginians, would you please tell me in what county do you live? IF NOT IN COUNTY, THEN WHICH CITY. IF THERE IS A CITY AND COUNTY WITH THE SAME NAME, ASK IF THEY LIVE IN CITY OR COUNTY.

*CL REGION [CODED AUTOMATICALLY, NOT ASKED]

Southwest Virginia	10%
Southside	8%
Shenandoah Valley	6%
Central Virginia/Richmond	19%
Northern Virginia	31%
Tidewater	26%

Questions 2-4, 5-31 [TO BE RELEASED LATER]

4. Code respondent's sex [NOT ASKED]

Male	47%
Female	53%

32. 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	55%
Living with partner	3%
Divorced	9%
Separated	3%
Widowed	5%
Never married	26%
Refused	1%

33. How much education have you completed?

Less than high school	1%
High School	17%
Some college/technical school	24%
Associate's Degree	10%
Bachelor's Degree	29%
Advanced Degree	17%
Refused	0%

34. [If refused, remind them that all their information is anonymous and confidential and ask them to please reconsider. We use this only to classify people correctly into broad age groups.] And in what year were you born?

34. a. [IF REFUSED] This information is really important to us only for statistical purposes. Would you feel comfortable telling which of the following age groups includes you: 18-29, 30-44, 45-64, or 65 or older? [RECODED INTO AGE CATEGORIES]

18-29	19%
30-44	27%
45-64	40%
65 or older	14%
Refused	1%

35. [IF THEY HESITATE OR REFUSE, REMIND THEM THIS IS FOR STATISTICAL PURPOSES ONLY. THEIR RESPONSES ARE ANONYMOUS AND CONFIDENTIAL. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE GET THIS INFORMATION SO THEY CAN BE CLASSIFIED CORRECTLY.] Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin?

Yes, Hispanic	6%
No, not Hispanic	91%
Refused	3%

36. [NOTE THAT SOME HISPANICS OR LATINOS MAY IDENTIFY AS WHITE OR AFRICAN-AMERICAN, SO BE SURE TO ASK THIS QUESTION] What is your race? Are you White, African-American, or some other race?

White / Hispanic / Latino	74%
African-American	20%
Other/multi-racial	5%
Refused	2%

37. 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	7%
\$20,000-\$35,000	11%
\$35,000-\$50,000	13%
\$50,000-\$75,000	16%
\$75,000-\$100,000	15%
More than \$100,000	23%
Refused	17%

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

Liberal	19%
Moderate	31%
Conservative	38%
Other/Unsure	6%
Refused	7%

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

Democrat	34%
Republican	28%
Independent	16%
Other	9%
No party/Refused	14%

40. Thanks for your patience. I have a few final questions related to other important issues. 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	29%
Wrong track	62%
Unsure	8%
Refused	1%

41. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Terry McAuliffe is handling his job as Governor of Virginia?

Approve	44%
Disapprove	15%
Mixed/Unsure	23%
Refused	18%

42. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President of the United States?

Approve	42%
Disapprove	42%
Mixed/Unsure	12%
Refused	4%

43. As you know, there has been a great deal of discussion recently about the Confederate battle flag. Some people see the flag as a symbol of Southern pride, while others see it as a racist symbol. Which is closer to your view?

Southern pride	42%
Racist symbol	31%
Both/Unsure	23%
Refused	5%

44. Regardless of your view of the flag, do you think it should be removed from the vanity license plates issued by DMV?

Yes	36%
No	53%
Unsure	10%
Refused	1%

45. And should we remove the statues at many courthouses in Virginia that commemorate the soldiers who died in the Civil War?

Yes	5%
No	86%
Unsure	8%
Refused	1%

46. Do you happen to know if you had any relatives who fought in the Civil War?

Yes	31%
No	43%
Unsure	24%
Refused	1%

46.a. [IF YES] Did your relatives fight for the South or the North?

South	52%
North	14%
Relatives on both sides	24%
Unsure	10%
Refused	1%

47. Do you think abortion should be legal under any circumstances, legal only under certain circumstance, or illegal in all circumstances?

Legal under any circumstances	31%
Legal only under certain circumstance	46%
Illegal in all circumstances	17%
Unsure	4%
Refused	2%

48. Do you have a generally favorable or unfavorable view of group Planned Parenthood?

Favorable	41%
Unfavorable	30%
Mixed/Unsure	25%
Refused	4%

49. As you may know, in the past several weeks, several videos have been posted online regarding how Planned Parenthood performs abortions and handles fetal tissue. Have you watched any portion of these videos?

Yes	29%
No	66%
Unsure	3%
Refused	2%

50. How closely have you followed the stories about Planned Parenthood in the news or in conversations with other people--very closely, somewhat closely, or not closely at all?

Very closely	12%
Somewhat closely	29%
Not closely at all	55%
Refused	4%

51. Are you registered to vote in Virginia?

Yes	88%
No	11%
Refused	1%

52. How likely is it that you will register and vote in the Presidential election for in 2016? Would you say it is very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not likely?

Very likely	56%
Somewhat likely	19%
Not very likely	7%
Not likely	17%
Refused	1%

53. [IF REGISTERED OR VERY OR SOMEWHAT LIKELY TO REGISTER AND VOTE]
The 2016 presidential election is far away, but if the election for president were today, who would you vote for if the candidates were: [READ LIST] [IF NEEDED: "If you had to decide today?"] [N=585]

		Registered voters only
Hillary Clinton, the Democrat	45%	43%
Donald Trump, the Republican	32%	32%
Unsure	23%	25%

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		Registered voters only
Hillary Clinton, the Democrat	42%	42%
Jeb Bush, the Republican	41%	40%
Unsure	18%	18%

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		Registered voters only
Hillary Clinton, the Democrat	42%	42%
Scott Walker, the Republican	38%	38%
Unsure	20%	21%

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		Registered voters only
Hillary Clinton, the Democrat	41%	42%
Marco Rubio, the Republican	40%	40%
Unsure	19%	19%

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