

#241065 ANNUAL FALL STATEWIDE VA QUESTIONNAIRE (PHONE/WEB)
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UNIVERSITY OF MARY WASHINGTON

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NOTE: Some questions are being held for subsequent release.

The University of Mary Washington's Virginia Survey Fall 2024 was conducted by Research America Inc. between September 3 and September 9, 2024. The survey included a total of **1,000 Virginia residents** (unweighted), consisting of **870 registered voters** and **774 likely voters**. The data collection was carried out through a mixed-mode approach: **600 respondents** were contacted by phone (**80%** cell phones and **20%** landlines), and **400 respondents** were contacted via online panel.

Interviews were conducted in English, and the final dataset was **weighted** to correct for known demographic discrepancies, including age, gender, and race/ethnicity, ensuring that the results are representative of the Virginia population. The **margin of error** for the total sample is **+/- 3.1%**, while the margin of error for likely voters is **+/- 4.1%**.

Interviewing dates: Starting Tuesday, September 3, 2024 – Monday, September 9, 2024

Interviewing language: English only

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MAIN SURVEY INTERVIEW (PHONE/WEB)

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[ASK ALL:]

SEX.

49% Male
51% Female

[ASK ALL:]

USDIRECT Overall, would you say that things in the U.S. are headed more in the right direction or the wrong direction?

16% Right
30% Mixed
51% Wrong
3% Don't know
Refused

[ASK ALL:]

VADIRECT Overall, would you say that things in the Commonwealth of Virginia are headed more in the right direction or the wrong direction?

24% Right
43% Mixed
26% Wrong

7% Don't know
Refused

[ASK ALL:]

BIDEN Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president?

37% Approve
53% Disapprove
10% Unsure/Don't know
<1% Refused

[ASK ALL:]

GOV Do you approve or disapprove of the way Glenn Youngkin [YOUNG-KIN] is handling his job as governor?

46% Approve
34% Disapprove
20% Unsure/Don't know
1% Refused

END SECTION TIMER

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[ASK ALL:]

[RANDOMIZE OPTIONS]

ELECT24A Thinking about the 2024 election for U.S. president... If the election were held today and the candidates were [**RANDOMIZE first two**: (Donald Trump, the Republican,), (Kamala Harris, the Democrat,)] [(Green Party nominee, Jill Stein), and (Chase Oliver, Libertarian)]

...for whom would you vote?

44% Donald Trump
44% Kamala Harris
2% Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. (RFK, Jr. option was removed 2nd day in the field)
<1% Jill Stein
<1% Chase Oliver
2% Other candidate
2% None / Would not vote
5% Don't know
1% Refused

For Likely Voters n= 756

Donald Trump	46%	
Kamala Harris	47%	
Robert F. Kennedy	2%	
Jill Stein	0%	
Chase Oliver	0%	
Other candidate	2%	
None / Would not vote		0%
Don't know	3%	

Refused 1%

[ASK ALL:]

[RANDOMIZE OPTIONS]

ELECT24AA If the election were held today and the candidates were **[RANDOMIZE first two: (Donald Trump, the Republican,) and (Kamala Harris, the Democrat,)]**

...for whom would you vote?

45% Donald Trump
 45% Kamala Harris
 3% Other candidate
 2% None / Would not vote
 4% Don't know
 1% Refused

For Likely Voters (n=756)

Donald Trump 46%
Kamala Harris 48%
Other candidate 3%
None / Would not vote 0%
Don't know 3%
Refused 1%

[ASK ALL:]

[RANDOMIZE OPTIONS IN PARENS]

ELECT24B Thinking about the 2024 election for the U.S. Senate from Virginia... If the election were held today and the candidates were **[RANDOMIZE: (Hung Cao, the Republican,) (Tim Kaine, the Democrat,)]**

...for whom would you vote?

38% Hung Cao
 45% Tim Kaine
 3% Other candidate
 5% None / Would not vote
 9% Don't know
 <1% Refused

For Likely Voters (n=756)

Hung Cao, the Republican 43%
Tim Kaine, the Democrat 49%
Other candidate 2%
None / Would not vote 0%
Don't know 6%
Refused 0%

[ASK ALL:]

ISSUES In your opinion, what is the most important problem facing the U.S. today?

[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF OPTIONS]

[FOLLOW-UP: If respondent picks more than one, ask: “Which one of those would be the MOST important problem facing the nation?”

- 20% The economy and jobs
- 4% Health Care
- 13% Immigration
- 4% The Environment and Climate Change
- 4% Crime
- 19% Threats to Democracy
- 5% Gun policy
- 19% Inflation
- 5% Abortion
- 3% Other
- <1% None
- 3% Don't know / Respondent won't pick a single option
- <1% Refused

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[READ TO ALL:] On a different subject...

TRUSTUS How much of the time do you think you can trust the FEDERAL government to do what is right – just about always, most of the time, or only some of the time?

- 7% Just about always
- 20% Most of the time
- 45% Some of the time
- 24% Never
- 3% Don't know
- 1% Refused

[ASK ALL:]

BIGINT Would you say that government is pretty much run by a few big interests looking out for themselves or is it run for the benefit of all the people?

[IF RESPONDENT ASKS WHAT IS MEANT BY “GOVERNMENT,” READ: Please think about the national government.]

- 73% Big interests
- 14% All the people
- 11% Don't know
- 2% Refused

[READ TO ALL:] Next, I'd like to get your views on some issues that are being discussed in the country today.

[RANDOMIZE ORDER OF OPTIONS IN PARENTHESES]

ECONUS Would you say that, over the past 12 months, the U.S. economy has (gotten worse), stayed the same, or (gotten better)?

- 36% Much worse
- 21% Somewhat worse
- 13% Stayed the same
- 18% Somewhat better
- 8% Much better
- 3% Don't know
- 1% Refused

[ASK ALL:]

ABLEGAL Do you think abortion should be...? **[RANDOMIZE DISPLAY OF OPTIONS - 1-4 AND 4-1]**

- 22% Legal in all cases
- 35% Legal in most cases
- 28% Illegal in most cases
- 9% Illegal in all cases
- 4% Don't know
- 2% Refused

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[READ TO ALL:] Finally, just a few questions for statistical purposes only...

[ASK ALL:]

HH1 How many adults, age 18 and over, currently live in your household, INCLUDING YOURSELF?

- 21% 1
- 47% 2
- 13% 3
- 7% 4
- 1% 5
- 3% 6 or greater
- 4% Don't know
- 4% Refused

[ASK ALL:]

EDUCLVL What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received? **[DO NOT READ]**

[MAKE FULL NOTE AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEWERS: Enter code 3-HS graduate if Respondent completed vocational, business, technical, or training courses after high school that did NOT

count toward an associate degree from a college, community college or university (e.g., training for a certificate or an apprenticeship)]

- 1% Less than high school (Grades 1-8 or no formal schooling)
- 4% High school incomplete (Grades 9-11 or Grade 12 with NO diploma)
- 24% High school graduate (Grade 12 with diploma or GED certificate)
- 18% Some college, no degree (includes some community college)
- 8% Two-year associate degree from a college or university
- 23% Four-year college or university degree/Bachelor's degree (e.g., BS, BA, AB)
- 3% Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree
- 19% Postgraduate or professional degree, including master's, doctorate, medical or law degree (e.g., MA, MS, PhD, MD, JD)
- <1% Don't know
- <1% Refused

[ASK ALL:]

HISP Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban or some other Spanish background?

- 6% Yes
- 92% No
- <1% Don't know
- 2% Refused

[ASK ALL:]

RACE What is your race? Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race?

[IF RESPONDENT SAYS HISPANIC OR LATINO, PROBE: Do you consider yourself a white (Hispanic/Latino) or a black (Hispanic/Latino)? IF RESPONDENT DOES NOT SAY WHITE, BLACK OR ONE OF THE RACE CATEGORIES LISTED, RECORD AS 'OTHER']

- 68% White
- 19% Black or African-American
- 2% Asian or Pacific Islander
- 4% Mixed race
- 2% Native American/American Indian
- 2% Other (**SPECIFY**)
- 1% Don't know
- 2% Refused

[ASK ALL:]

[PN: RANDOMIZE OPTIONS IN PARENS]

PARTY Generally speaking, do you consider yourself (a Democrat), (a Republican), or an independent?

- 32% Democrat
- 34% Republican
- 22% Independent
- 2% Other (**SPECIFY**)
- 7% None/No party/No preference
- 2% Don't know
- 1% Refused

[ASK ALL:]

IDEO In general, would you describe your political views as very liberal, liberal, moderate, conservative, or very conservative?

10%	Very Liberal
16%	Liberal
34%	Moderate
20%	Conservative
14%	Very Conservative
4%	Don't know
2%	Refused

[ASK ALL:]

INCOME Last year -- that is, in 2023 -- what was your total household income from all sources, before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category. **[READ]**

6%	Less than \$10,000
6%	10 to under \$20,000
8%	20 to under \$30,000
6%	30 to under \$40,000
7%	40 to under \$50,000
14%	50 to under \$75,000
11%	75 to under \$100,000
15%	100 to under \$150,000, OR
19%	\$150,000 or more?
1%	Don't know
7%	Refused

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THANK RESPONDENT: That concludes our interview. Thanks again for your time. Have a nice (day/evening).

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