

Roanoke College Poll Topline
U.S. Senate Election
June 5, 2018

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 confidential.

1. Are you registered to vote in Virginia?

Yes	100%
No [TERMINATE]	0%

2. 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	37%
Wrong track	53%
Unsure	9%
Refused	1%

3. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President of the United States?

Approve	36%
Disapprove	49%
Mixed	13%
Don't Know/Refused	2%

4. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Ralph Northam is handling his job as Governor of Virginia?

Approve	44%
Disapprove	15%
Mixed	16%
Don't Know/Refused	26%

Please tell me if you have a generally favorable or unfavorable impression of the following people or if you don't know enough about them to have formed an opinion:

5. Tim Kaine

Favorable	44%
Unfavorable	29%
Mixed	9%
Don't know/Refused	17%

6. Nick Freitas	
Favorable	4%
Unfavorable	1%
Mixed	2%
Don't know/Refused	93%

7. Corey Stewart	
Favorable	11%
Unfavorable	8%
Mixed	4%
Don't know/Refused	77%

8. E. W. Jackson	
Favorable	4%
Unfavorable	4%
Mixed	2%
Don't know/Refused	91%

9. a. The 2018 election for senator is a few months away, but if the election for senator were held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were: [ROTATE FIRST TWO; READ FIRST TWO ONLY]

Tim Kaine, the Democrat	45%
Nick Freitas, the Republican	30%
Undecided/NA [VOLUNTERED ONLY]	25%

9. b. The 2018 election for senator is a few months away, but if the election for senator were held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were: [ROTATE FIRST TWO; READ FIRST TWO ONLY]

Tim Kaine, the Democrat	45%
E. W. Jackson, the Republican	30%
Undecided/NA [VOLUNTERED ONLY]	26%

9. c. The 2018 election for senator is a few months away, but if the election for senator were held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were: [ROTATE FIRST TWO; READ FIRST TWO ONLY]

Tim Kaine, the Democrat	44%
Corey Stewart, the Republican	33%
Undecided/NA [VOLUNTERED ONLY]	23%

10. What is the most important issue to you in this election?

Economy--jobs, unemployment, debt, etc.	26%
Health care/ Obamacare	12%
Education	9%
Gun control	5%
Immigration	5%
Stopping Donald Trump/elect Democrats	4%
Taxes	3%
Honesty/character/corruption	3%
Gun rights/Second Amendment	2%
Terrorism/national security	2%
Abortion	2%
Transportation/infrastructure	2%
Support Trump/elect Republicans	2%
Race relations	1%
Leadership	1%
Pipelines/climate change/environment	1%
Other	10%
Refused	10%

11. 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?

Just about always	3%
Most of the time	11%
Only some of the time	63%
Never	22%
Unsure	1%
Refused	1%

12. 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 government	60%
Citizens can NOT influence government	37%
Unsure	2%
Refused	1%

13. 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 more	29%
Losing more	47%
Wins some, lose some/Equal/Unsure [VOL]	12%
Unsure	10%
Refused	2%

14. 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 years ahead	59%
Best years behind	33%
Same/Unsure	8%
Refused	1%

15. 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	11%
Divided	85%
Both/Unsure	3%
Refused	1%

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

Enthusiastic	3%
Satisfied	24%
Dissatisfied	50%
Angry	17%
Unsure	5%
Refused	1%

17. Finally, what do you think is more important - to protect the right of Americans to own guns, OR to control gun ownership?

	Protect owners	Control guns	Unsure/Refused
May 2018	46%	44%	9%
Jan. 2016	50%	41%	9%
Jan. 2015	50%	42%	7%

18. Code respondent's sex [NOT ASKED]

Male	49%
Female	51%

19. Region

Southwest Virginia	10%
Southside	10%
Shenandoah Valley	5%
Central Virginia/Richmond	20%
Northern Virginia	30%
Tidewater	25%

20. 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	59%
Living with partner	3%
Divorced	9%
Separated	4%
Widowed	8%
Never married	18%
Refused	1%

21. How much education have you completed?

Less than high school	2%
High School	17%
Some college/technical school	20%
Associate's Degree	11%
Bachelor's Degree	30%
Advanced Degree	21%
Refused	0%

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

18-29	12%
30-44	23%
45-64	46%
65 or older	19%
Refused	1%

23. Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin?

Yes, Hispanic	3%
No, not Hispanic	94%
No answer	3%

24. What is your race? Are you White, African-American, or some other race?

White / Hispanic / Latino	70%
African-American	19%
Other/multi-racial	10%
Refused	2%

25. 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	5%
\$20,000-\$35,000	10%
\$35,000-\$50,000	13%
\$50,000-\$75,000	18%
\$75,000-\$100,000	16%
More than \$100,000	30%
Refused	8%

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

Liberal	19%
Moderate	36%
Conservative	36%
Other/Unsure	5%
Refused	5%

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

Democrat	28%
Republican	27%
Independent	24%
Other/None	13%
Refused	9%

27. 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. 27]

Democrat	42%
Republican	42%
Neither/Refused	16%

Thank you for your time and have a nice <HOUR1>. If you have any questions or comments about this survey, you may contact Dr. Harry Wilson at (540) 375-2415. You may also contact the Roanoke College Institutional Review Board at (540) 375-24xx.