Roanoke College Poll Topline
Gubernatorial Election
August 2017

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. Are you registered to vote in Virginia?
   Yes 100%
   No [TERMINATE] 0%

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:

2. Donald Trump
   Favorable 31%
   Unfavorable 53%
   Mixed 13%
   Don’t know/Refused 3%

3. Terry McAuliffe
   Favorable 41%
   Unfavorable 30%
   Mixed 12%
   Don’t know/Refused 17%

4. Ed Gillespie
   Favorable 28%
   Unfavorable 19%
   Mixed 15%
   Don’t know/Refused 39%

5. Ralph Northam
   Favorable 25%
   Unfavorable 15%
   Mixed 8%
   Don’t know/Refused 53%
6. How likely is it that you will vote in the election for governor in November? Is it very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not likely at all?

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7. If the election for governor was held today and you had to decide right now, would you vote for [ROTATE FIRST THREE; READ FIRST THREE ONLY]

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<td>Ed Gillespie, the Republican</td>
<td>35%</td>
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<td>Ralph Northam, the Democrat</td>
<td>41%</td>
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<td>Cliff Hyra, the Libertarian</td>
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<td>Undecided [VOLUNTERED ONLY]</td>
<td>21%</td>
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<td>Refused [TERMINATE]</td>
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7a. [IF UNSURE] Are you leaning toward voting for a particular candidate—Gillespie, Northam, or Hyra?

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<td>Northam</td>
<td>12%</td>
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<td>Hyra</td>
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<td>Undecided</td>
<td>81%</td>
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7b. TOTALS INCLUDING “LEANERS” [CALCULATED]

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<td>43%</td>
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<td>Hyra</td>
<td>4%</td>
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<td>Undecided</td>
<td>17%</td>
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8. What is the most important issue to you in this election?
   - Economy--jobs, unemployment, debt, etc. 28%
   - Taxes 5%
   - Immigration 2%
   - Terrorism 1%
   - Economic inequality 3%
   - Race relations/Confederate statutes 5%
   - Abortion 1%
   - Gun control/gun rights 1%
   - Pipelines 1%
   - Budget deficit/ debt 1%
   - Education 6%
   - Health care/ Obamacare 14%
   - Climate change/environment 2%
   - Honesty/character/corruption 4%
   - Leadership 3%
   - Stopping Donald Trump 3%
   - Transportation/infrastructure 2%
   - LGBT rights 1%
   - Other 11%
   - Refused 8%

9. 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 63%
   - Unsure 8%
   - Refused 1%

10. 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 46%
    - Wrong track 41%
    - Unsure 11%
    - No answer 2%

11. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President of the United States?
    - Approve 28%
    - Disapprove 57%
    - Mixed 14%
    - Don't Know/Refused 2%
12. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Terry McAuliffe is handling his job as Governor of Virginia?

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<td>Mixed</td>
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<td>Don't Know/Refused</td>
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13. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Congress is handling its job?

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<td>Approve</td>
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<td>Disapprove</td>
<td>79%</td>
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<td>Mixed</td>
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<td>Refused/Don't Know</td>
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14. 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?

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<td>Just about always</td>
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<td>Most of the time</td>
<td>14%</td>
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<td>Only some of the time</td>
<td>60%</td>
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<td>Never</td>
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<td>Unsure</td>
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15. 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?

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<td>Citizens CAN influence government</td>
<td>60%</td>
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<td>Citizens can NOT influence government</td>
<td>36%</td>
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<td>Unsure</td>
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16. 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?

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<td>Winning more</td>
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<td>Losing more</td>
<td>57%</td>
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<td>Wins some, lose some/Equal [VOL]</td>
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<td>Unsure</td>
<td>7%</td>
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17. 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?

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<td>Best years ahead</td>
<td>55%</td>
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<td>Best years behind</td>
<td>32%</td>
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<td>Same/Unsure</td>
<td>12%</td>
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<td>Refused</td>
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18. Looking broadly at the important issues facing the United States, do you think that Americans are united in facing these challenges or is the nation divided?

- United: 8%
- Divided: 88%
- Unsure/both: 4%
- Refused: 0%

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

- Enthusiastic: 1%
- Satisfied: 14%
- Dissatisfied: 58%
- Angry: 22%
- Unsure: 5%
- Refused: 1%

20. All things considered, today do you feel proud of the United States, are you ashamed of the country, or are you between proud and ashamed?

- Proud: 47%
- Ashamed: 14%
- Between: 37%
- Unsure: 1%
- Refused: 1%

20a. [IF BETWEEN] Are you closer to feeling proud or feeling ashamed?

- Proud: 25%
- Ashamed: 35%
- Between: 36%
- Unsure: 3%
- Refused: 1%

21. Do you think the next governor of Virginia should work with President Trump regularly to get as much as he can for Virginia, work with Trump only when a core interest is at stake for Virginia, or oppose Trump at every opportunity?

- Work w/ Trump regularly: 57%
- Only when core interest at stake: 28%
- Always oppose: 10%
- Unsure: 5%
- Refused: 1%
22. Do you see the election for governor as a referendum on Trump, a decision for the future of Virginia, or both?

- Trump referendum: 5%
- Future of VA: 43%
- Both: 45%
- Unsure: 6%
- Refused: 1%

23. Code respondent's sex [NOT ASKED]

- Male: 49%
- Female: 51%

24. Region

- Southwest Virginia: 11%
- Southside: 8%
- Shenandoah Valley: 7%
- Central Virginia/Richmond: 20%
- Northern Virginia: 31%
- Tidewater: 24%

25. 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: 60%
- Living with partner: 5%
- Divorced: 8%
- Separated: 1%
- Widowed: 6%
- Never married: 19%
- Refused: 1%

26. How much education have you completed?

- Less than high school: 2%
- High School: 14%
- Some college/technical school: 23%
- Associate's Degree: 9%
- Bachelor's Degree: 27%
- Advanced Degree: 25%
- Refused: 1%
27. In what year were you born? [CODED INTO CATEGORIES]
   18-29  13%
   30-44  23%
   45-64  45%
   65 or older  18%
   Refused  2%

28. Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin?
   Yes, Hispanic  7%
   No, not Hispanic  90%
   No answer  4%

29. What is your race? Are you White, African-American, or some other race?
   White / Hispanic / Latino  74%
   African-American  20%
   Other/multi-racial  4%
   Refused  2%

30. 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  11%
   $50,000-$75,000  17%
   $75,000-$100,000  15%
   More than $100,000  30%
   Refused  10%

31. Politically speaking, do you consider yourself to be liberal, moderate or conservative?
   Liberal  21%
   Moderate  35%
   Conservative  36%
   Other/Unsure  5%
   Refused  3%

32. And would you describe your political party affiliation as Democrat, Republican, Independent, some other party or no affiliation?
   Democrat  35%
   Republican  31%
   Independent  22%
   Other  7%
   Refused  5%
32a. [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. 40]

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<td>Republican</td>
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<td>Neither/Refused</td>
<td>42%</td>
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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) 375-24--.