

Roanoke College Poll |August 11-15, 2025
Topline and Select Party Crosstabs

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?

Direction of US/VA and Approval Ratings

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
Aug. 2025	39%	60%	2%
May 2025	33%	66%	2%
Feb. 2025	31%	67%	1%
Nov. 2024	24%	73%	3%
Oct. 2024	25%	64%	10%
Aug. 2024	27%	71%	2%
May 2024	27%	70%	3%
Feb. 2024	24%	73%	3%
Nov. 2023	23%	74%	3%
Aug. 2023	24%	73%	3%
May 2023	25%	71%	4%
Feb. 2023	27%	69%	2%
Nov. 2022	28%	68%	5%
Aug. 2022	25%	72%	3%
May 2022	21%	77%	3%
Feb. 2022	29%	67%	4%
Nov. 2021	31%	66%	4%
Sept. 2021	35%	58%	8%
Aug. 2021	33%	58%	9%
May 2021	42%	53%	6%
Feb. 2021	39%	53%	9%
Nov. 2020	28%	62%	10%
Oct. 2020	30%	63%	7%
Aug. 2020	16%	79%	5%
May 2020	33%	61%	6%
Feb. 2020	39%	53%	8%

2. 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	Wrong track	Unsure/Refused
Aug. 2025	52%	45%	3%
May 2025	45%	51%	4%
Feb. 2025	51%	47%	2%
Nov. 2024	52%	43%	5%
Oct. 2024	46%	35%	20%
Aug. 2024	51%	46%	4%
May 2024	53%	42%	6%
Feb. 2024	53%	42%	5%
Nov. 2023	50%	43%	7%
Aug. 2023	49%	44%	7%
May 2023	48%	45%	7%
Feb. 2023	55%	39%	5%
Nov. 2022	47%	48%	5%
Aug. 2022	51%	45%	4%
May 2022	50%	44%	7%
Feb. 2022	47%	47%	6%
Sept. 2021	52%	43%	6%
Aug. 2021	52%	43%	5%
May 2021	50%	40%	10%
Feb. 2021	52%	40%	9%
Nov. 2020	53%	37%	10%
Aug. 2020	45%	49%	6%
May 2020	57%	37%	6%
Feb. 2020	49%	44%	8%

3. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the way Glenn Youngkin is handling his job as Governor of Virginia?

	Approve	Disapprove	Mixed	Refused
Aug. 2025	50%	43%	2%	5%
May 2025	46%	48%	1%	4%
Feb. 2025	53%	39%	3%	5%
Nov. 2024	52%	39%	1%	8%
Aug. 2024	59%	36%	1%	4%
May 2024	52%	40%	3%	5%
Feb. 2024	53%	38%	3%	6%
Nov. 2023	52%	39%	3%	6%
Aug. 2023	51%	40%	3%	6%
May 2023	51%	40%	4%	5%
Feb. 2023	57%	35%	2%	4%
Nov. 2022	52%	41%	2%	5%
Aug. 2022	55%	35%	2%	7%
May 2022	53%	35%	2%	10%
Feb. 2022	50%	41%	3%	7%

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

	Approve	Disapprove	Mixed	Refused
Aug. 2025	41%	56%	1%	1%
May 2025	31%	65%	1%	3%
Feb. 2025	37%	59%	2%	2%
Oct. 2020	41%	56%	3%	1%
Aug. 2020	37%	58%	4%	1%
May 2020	36%	54%	8%	2%
Feb. 2020	36%	52%	11%	1%
Nov. 2019	32%	51%	14%	3%
Aug. 2019	27%	53%	17%	3%
Feb. 2019	38%	48%	11%	3%
Aug. 2018	32%	53%	12%	3%
June 2018	36%	53%	9%	2%
Feb. 2018	32%	50%	11%	7%
Oct. 2017	36%	53%	9%	2%
Oct. 2017	35%	58%	6%	2%
Sept. 2017	36%	56%	8%	1%
Aug. 2017	27%	58%	13%	2%
Feb. 2017	32%	50%	11%	7%

Favorability Ratings of Political Figures and Organizations

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

5. Glenn Youngkin

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Mixed/Unsure	DK/Refused
Aug. 2025	50%	42%	2%	6%
May 2025	44%	50%	0%	6%
Feb. 2025	48%	42%	1%	8%
Nov. 2024	48%	38%	3%	11%
Aug. 2024	54%	40%	1%	5%
May 2024	49%	40%	3%	8%
Feb. 2024	48%	41%	3%	9%
Nov. 2023	50%	39%	3%	8%
Aug. 2023	48%	41%	3%	9%
May 2023	46%	42%	2%	10%
Feb. 2023	52%	35%	2%	9%
Nov. 2022	50%	40%	1%	9%
Aug. 2022	51%	37%	3%	10%
May 2022	46%	37%	3%	15%
Feb. 2022	46%	42%	1%	12%
Oct. 2021	45%	37%	16%	1%
Sept. 2021	40%	41%	17%	3%
Aug. 2021	27%	21%	3%	50%

6. Donald Trump

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Mixed/Unsure	DK/Refused
Aug. 2025	41%	57%	1%	2%
May 2025	33%	64%	1%	2%
Feb. 2025	37%	58%	2%	4%
Nov. 2024	41%	55%	2%	3%
Oct. 2024	38%	54%	6%	2%
Aug. 2024	40%	57%	1%	1%
May 2024	36%	57%	3%	4%
Feb. 2024	34%	59%	2%	4%
Nov. 2023	33%	58%	5%	4%
Aug. 2023	30%	65%	3%	3%
May 2023	31%	63%	3%	3%
Feb. 2023	33%	58%	3%	4%
Nov. 2022	33%	60%	3%	3%
Aug. 2022	37%	58%	3%	3%
May 2022	34%	59%	4%	3%
Feb. 2022	37%	56%	3%	4%
Oct. 2021	37%	54%	6%	3%
Feb. 2021	24%	58%	14%	4%
Nov. 2020	33%	53%	10%	5%
Oct. 2020	41%	56%	3%	1%
Aug. 2020	37%	55%	7%	2%
May 2020	36%	49%	12%	4%
Feb. 2020	32%	54%	10%	4%

7. Abigail Spanberger

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Mixed/Unsure	DK/Refused
Aug. 2025	44%	38%	0%	17%
May 2025	41%	40%	0%	19%
Feb. 2025	37%	37%	1%	26%

8. Winsome Earle-Sears

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Mixed/Unsure	DK/Refused
Aug. 2025	36%	43%	1%	21%
May 2025	32%	48%	1%	19%
Feb. 2025	34%	39%	1%	27%

9. Are you registered to vote in Virginia

Yes	91%
No	9%

9.a. [IF REGISTERED] How likely is it that you will vote in November's election when Virginia elects the governor and other statewide offices. Is it very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not likely at all?

Very likely	83%
Somewhat likely	12%
Not very likely [SKIP TO Q14]	4%
Not likely at all?/Refused [SKIP TO Q14]	2%

10. a. [IF LIKELY] If the election for governor was held today and you had to decide right now, would you vote for [ROTATE FIRST TWO] [N=602]

Abigail Spanberger, the Democrat	46%
Winsome Earle-Sears, the Republican	39%
Some other candidate	1%
Undecided	14%
Refused	0%

10. b. [IF LIKELY] If the election for lieutenant governor was held today and you had to decide right now, would you vote for [ROTATE FIRST TWO]

Ghazala Hashmi, the Democrat	38%
John Reid, the Republican	35%
Some other candidate	2%
Undecided	25%
Refused	0%

10. c. [IF LIKELY] If the election for attorney general was held today and you had to decide right now, would you vote for [ROTATE FIRST TWO]

Jay Jones, the Democrat	41%
Jason Miyares, the Republican	38%
Some other candidate	1%
Undecided	21%
Refused	0%

11. How certain are you that you that you will vote for **Response to 10.a.** ? Very certain, somewhat certain, not very certain, or not at all certain?

Very certain	76%
Somewhat certain	21%
Not very certain	3%
Not at all certain	0%
Unsure/Refused	0%

12. What is the most important issue to you in this election? Would you say inflation or the cost of living, jobs, crime, abortion, gun control, or something else?

Inflation/cost of living	54%
Jobs	6%
Crime	11%
Abortion	7%
Gun Control	4%
Something else	18%
Unsure/Refused	1%

13. How enthusiastic are you about voting in this November's elections? Would you say you are very enthusiastic, somewhat enthusiastic, not too enthusiastic, or not at all enthusiastic?

Very enthusiastic	50%
Somewhat enthusiastic	34%
Not too enthusiastic	15%
Not at all enthusiastic	2%
Unsure/Refused	0%

Politics

14. Because Donald Trump served one term as president, you probably had some ideas of how well he would do as president now. Overall, has he done better than you expected, worse than you expected or about the same as you expected?

Better	28%
Worse	45%
Same	27%
Unsure/Refused	1%

15. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President in the following areas: the Economy?

Approve	43%
Disapprove	56%
Unsure/mixed	1%
Refused	0%

16. Foreign policy?

Approve	42%
Disapprove	55%
Unsure/mixed	3%
Refused	0%

17. Immigration?

Approve	43%
Disapprove	54%
Unsure/mixed	1%
Refused	1%

Please tell me which party you think is best able to handle the following issues, the Democratic Party, the Republican Party, both parties equally, or neither party. [ROTATE]

18. Inflation and rising prices

Democratic	33%
Republican	36%
Both	10%
Neither	19%
Unsure/Refused	2%

19. Immigration

Democratic	33%
Republican	40%
Both	10%
Neither	15%
Unsure/Refused	2%

20. Health care

Democratic	46%
Republican	27%
Both	10%
Neither	16%
Unsure/Refused	1%

21. Taxes and spending

Democratic	33%
Republican	35%
Both	9%
Neither	22%
Unsure/Refused	1%

22. Education

Democratic	45%
Republican	31%
Both	11%
Neither	12%
Unsure/Refused	2%

23. The debt and deficit

Democratic	28%
Republican	34%
Both	12%
Neither	24%
Unsure/Refused	2%

24. Concerns of people like you	
Democratic	38%
Republican	31%
Both	8%
Neither	21%
Unsure/Refused	2%

25. Social security	
Democratic	42%
Republican	28%
Both	10%
Neither	18%
Unsure/Refused	2%

26. Medicare and Medicaid	
Democratic	47%
Republican	26%
Both	10%
Neither	16%
Unsure/Refused	1%

27. The environment	
Democratic	48%
Republican	24%
Both	11%
Neither	16%
Unsure/Refused	1%

Demographics

28. Gender	
Male	48%
Female	52%
Other/No answer	1%

29. Region	
Central Virginia/Richmond	18%
Northern Virginia	30%
Shenandoah Valley	6%
Southside	9%
Southwest Virginia	13%
Tidewater	23%

30. Are you currently married, living with a partner, divorced, separated, widowed, or have you never been married?

Married	49%
Living with partner	6%
Divorced	12%
Separated	2%
Widowed	7%
Never married	23%
Refused	1%

31. How much education have you completed?

Less than High school	0%
High School	19%
Some College/Technical School	21%
Associate's Degree	11%
Bachelor's Degree	25%
Advanced Degree	24%
Refused	0%

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

18-29	10%
30-44	22%
45-64	42%
65 or older	26%
Refused	1%

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

Yes, Hispanic	3%
No, not Hispanic	96%
Refused	1%

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

White / Caucasian	73%
African-American	16%
Asian/Other/multi-racial	10%
Refused	2%

35. What income group includes your annual family income?

Less than \$20,000	7%
\$20,000-\$35,000	10%
\$35,000-\$50,000	10%
\$50,000-\$75,000	17%
\$75,000-\$100,000	16%
More than \$100,000	36%
Refused	4%

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

Liberal	22%
Moderate	32%
Conservative	38%
Other/Unsure	5%
Don't know/Refused	3%

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

Democrat	35%
Republican	33%
Other/Independent	29%
Don't know/No answer	3%

37.a. [IF INDEPENDENT, OTHER OR REFUSED] As of today, do you lean more toward the Democratic party or toward the Republican party?

Democratic Party	38%
Republican Party	25%
Independent/Neither	35%
Don't know/No answer	3%

Select Party Crosstabs

	<i>Democrat</i>	<i>Republican</i>	<i>Independent</i>
USA Right Direction	6%	85%	28%
VA Right Direction	28%	83%	45%
Job Approval Youngkin	19%	88%	46%
Job Approval Trump	6%	88%	33%
Favorability Youngkin	18%	88%	47%
Favorability Trump	7%	86%	33%
Favorability Earle-Sears	10%	70%	30%
Favorability Spanberger	75%	18%	42%
Vote for Spanberger	88%	3%	42%
Vote for Earle-Sears	3%	90%	26%
Vote for Hashmi	78%	1%	32%
Vote for Reid	2%	84%	20%
Vote for Jones	81%	1%	36%
Vote for Miyares	3%	86%	27%
Trump better than expected	5%	59%	20%
Trump worse than expected	77%	10%	47%

	<i>Vote for Spanberger</i>	<i>Vote for Earle-Sears</i>
Very certain	78%	74%
Somewhat certain	20%	22%
Very enthusiastic	61%	52%
Somewhat enthusiastic	26%	38%
Most important issue		
Inflation	50%	55%
Jobs	6%	5%
Crime	4%	21%
Abortion	7%	7%
Gun control	6%	1%
Something else	27%	11%