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In Virginia governor's race, Democratic candidate Spanberger leads GOP's Earle-Sears, 49% to 37%
Commonwealth Poll also finds Youngkin's approval at 49%, Trump's at 40% – and most voters disapproving of the president.

RICHMOND, Va. (July 16, 2025) - Today, the L. Douglas Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs at Virginia Commonwealth University released findings on key policy issues from its latest Commonwealth Poll, conducted between June 19 and July 3. The poll captures voter sentiment in advance of Virginia's 2025 statewide election, offering insights into candidate matchups and the issues most important to voters.

"The poll results show a clear message from the voters: Performance matters, and so do priorities. This poll should be a wakeup call," said L. Douglas Wilder, the 66th governor of Virginia. "Governor Youngkin's slipping numbers among independents and the overwhelming disapproval of Trump make clear that Virginia voters are not buying political spin. They want action on the issues that hit hardest: the rising costs of living, threats to women's rights and immigration policies. The shift from education to economic and personal freedoms shows an engaged electorate."

Wilder continued: "As always has been maintained in this space, money and its influence will play a pivotal role in all of the elections. The people are speaking. The question is: Are the 'leaders' listening?"

In the race for governor, former rep. Abigail Spanberger, the Democratic candidate, leads Republican Lt. Gov. Winsome Earle-Sears, 49% to 37%, among registered voters in Virginia. This marks an increase in both Spanberger's support and her lead compared with the Wilder School's December 2024 Commonwealth Poll, which had Spanberger ahead 45% to 35%.

The races for lieutenant governor and attorney general show similar dynamics. Democratic state Sen. Ghazala Hashmi leads former radio host John Reid of the GOP, 46% to 36%, while Democratic former Del. Jay Jones holds a 47% to 38% advantage over Republican Attorney General Jason Miyares. Nearly half of independents (47%) report being undecided, a trend consistent across all three matchups. All three races fall outside the poll's margin of error of plus or minus 4.16 percentage points.

Approval ratings

Among registered voters, 49% approve of the job Republican Gov. Glenn Youngkin is doing, while 39% disapprove. Support is highest among Republicans (84%) and lowest among Democrats (20%), with

independents closely split (51% disapprove). These numbers reflect a slight decline overall for Youngkin compared with the December 2024 Commonwealth Poll, when 51% of voters approved and 38% disapproved of the governor's performance.

President Donald Trump remains less popular among Virginia voters. Overall, 40% approve of the job he is doing, while 55% disapprove. The partisan divide is sharp, with 84% of Republicans approving, compared with disapproval from 93% of Democrats and 66% of independents.

Top issues influencing voters

When asked which issue would most influence their vote in the upcoming election, 28% of voters identified the rising cost of living, followed by women's reproductive rights (14%) and immigration (14%).

These results reflect a clear shift from the December 2024 Commonwealth Poll, when 58% of voters cited the cost of living as their top concern and 14% named K-12 education as their second-most important issue. The findings suggest a reshaping of voter priorities heading into the fall.

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About the L. Douglas Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs at VCU

Ranked in the top 15% of graduate schools of public affairs in the nation by U.S. News & World Report — No. 39 among the top 40 Graduate Schools of Public Affairs, No. 6 in Homeland Security, and No. 33 in Public Management and Leadership — the L. Douglas Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs at Virginia Commonwealth University advances excellence in governance and promotes evidence-based public policy across Virginia and beyond.

The school offers a range of graduate, post-baccalaureate, and doctoral programs in key policy areas, including criminal justice; homeland security and emergency preparedness; public administration; public policy and administration; and urban and regional planning.

Additionally, the Wilder School is home to robust Centers and Institutes for Public Policy, which provide applied research and services in state and local government, social equity, and leadership to clients in government, nonprofit organizations, businesses, and the general public. Learn more at wilder.vcu.edu.

About VCU and VCU Health

Virginia Commonwealth University is a major, urban public research university with national and international rankings in sponsored research. Located in downtown Richmond, VCU enrolls more than 28,000 students in more than 200 degree and certificate programs in the arts, sciences and humanities across VCU's 12 schools and three colleges. The VCU Health brand represents the VCU health sciences academic programs, the VCU Massey Comprehensive Cancer Center and the VCU Health System, which comprises VCU Medical Center (the only academic medical center in the region), Community Memorial Hospital, Tappahannock Hospital, Children's Hospital of Richmond at VCU, and MCV Physicians. The clinical enterprise includes a collaboration with Sheltering Arms Institute for physical rehabilitation services. For more, please visit vcu.edu and vcuhealth.org.

About the VCU Commonwealth Poll

For nearly three decades, the VCU Wilder School Commonwealth Poll within the Centers and Institutes for Public Policy has been an important bellwether for policymakers in Virginia and beyond on a range of topics, including voting intentions, economic and workforce development, education, housing, public

health, public safety and racial equity. The Commonwealth Poll is a featured 2020 Presidential Election Poll by CNN, approved based on a rigorous review of methodologies and assumptions that ensure that CNN-cited polling entities are employing the gold standard in public opinion research.

Methodology

The Summer 2025 Commonwealth Poll, sponsored by Virginia Commonwealth University, obtained telephone interviews with a representative sample of 809 adults, ages 18 or older, living in Virginia. Findings referenced in this release reflect the views of 764 respondents who identified as registered voters. Telephone interviews were conducted by landline (80) and cell phone (729, including 558 without a landline telephone). The survey was conducted by Responsive Management. Interviews were conducted in English from June 19, 2025, to July 3, 2025.

In telephone survey research, design weights are often employed to reduce bias, correcting for differences in the probability of selection due to non-response and non-coverage. The sample was weighted in an exit poll design to match the 2021 Virginia electorate, that is, Virginia voters who voted in the 2021 gubernatorial election. The geographic and demographic weighting parameters were obtained from the 2021 Virginia CNN Exit Poll. Two sampling frames were employed: one frame representing those with a listed landline and a second frame consisting of RDD cellular numbers. A two-stage weighting procedure was used to weight this dual-frame sample. Weighting was accomplished using the Anesrake package, which implements the American National Election Study (ANES) weighting algorithm. The total sample design effect using the exit poll weighting design for this survey is 1.46 and the margin of error for the entire sample is ± 4.16 percentage points.

A combination sample consisted of a listed landline sample and a cellular random digit dial (RDD) sample to represent all adults in Virginia who have access to a listed landline or cellular telephone. Both samples were provided in their proper proportions according to state telephone type usage by Marketing Systems Group, a leader in providing research-based statistical samples. The cellular RDD sample was prescreened for disconnected numbers.

As many as seven attempts were made to contact every landline telephone number, and as many as five attempts were made to contact each cell phone number. Calls were made at different times of day and different days of the week to maximize the chance of contacting potential respondents. Each telephone number received at least one daytime call when necessary.

In addition to the five attempted phone calls for each cell number, cell numbers that were not reachable in five attempts were sent a message via Short Message Service (SMS) with one final request to participate in the study. The SMS message contained a link that would lead the respondent to the internet survey. Of the 729 surveys completed with cell sample, 66 were completed using the link provided in the SMS message. For the landline sample, the computer questionnaire instructed interviewers to ask to speak with the youngest adult currently at home. Selecting respondents in this manner has resulted in data that closely mirrors the population's age when combined with cellular sampling. For the cellular sample type, interviews were conducted with an adult who answered the telephone. Response rates were computed according to American Association for Public Opinion Research standards. Thus, the response rate for the landline sample is 6.0 percent. The response rate for the cellular sample is 8.8 percent.

Wilder School Commonwealth Poll Summer 2025

State-wide survey of Virginians^[2]

June 19, 2025, to July 3, 2025

Number of Respondents: 809

RSEX. What is your gender?

	Respondent %	N
Male	50%	435
Female	50%	372
Transgender: Female to Male	0%	0
Transgender: Male to Female	0%	0
Intersex	0%	0
Non-binary	0%	0
Refused	0%	2

1. Are you registered to vote in Virginia at your current address?

	Respondent %	N
Yes	94%	764
No	5%	41
Don't know	0%	2
Refused	0%	2

3. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Glenn Youngkin is handling his job as the Governor of Virginia?

	Respondent %	N
Strongly approve	26%	219
Somewhat approve	23%	174
Somewhat disapprove	17%	138
Strongly disapprove	22%	190
No opinion	5%	46
Don't know	6%	42

4. Do you approve or disapprove of the way that Donald Trump is handling his job as President of the United States?

	Respondent %	N
Strongly approve	27%	212
Somewhat approve	13%	99
Somewhat disapprove	6%	52

Strongly disapprove	50%	409
No opinion	3%	25
Don't know	2%	12

5. If the election for governor were held today and you had to decide right now, for whom would you vote?

	Respondent %	N
Abigail Spanberger, the Democrat	48%	402
Winsome Earle-Sears, the Republican	36%	286
Someone else	1%	8
Wouldn't vote	1%	13
Undecided	12%	91
Refused	2%	9

6. If the election for Lieutenant governor were held today and you had to decide right now, for whom would you vote?

	Respondent %	N
Ghazala Hashmi, the Democrat	45%	366
John Reid, the Republican	36%	285
Someone else	0%	4
Wouldn't vote	2%	19
Undecided	15%	125
Refused	2%	10

7. If the election for Attorney General were held today and you had to decide right now, for whom would you vote?

	Respondent %	N
Jay Jones, the Democrat	46%	381
Jason Miyares, the Republican	37%	297
Someone else	0%	2
Wouldn't vote	2%	15
Undecided	13%	106
Refused	1%	8

8. What is the most important issue impacting how you vote?

	Respondent %	N
Tax burden	6%	51
Rising cost of living	29%	238
Education	9%	73

Women's reproductive rights	14%	103
Crime	8%	58
Maintaining democracy and civility	0%	0
Gun control	0%	0
Federal workforce reduction efforts	7%	56
Immigration	14%	123
Other	9%	78
No opinion	1%	10
Don't know	3%	19

Tables for Subgroup Analysis^[3]

		Do you approve or disapprove of the way Glenn Youngkin is handling his job as the governor of Virginia?					
		Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Somewhat disapprove	Strongly disapprove	No opinion/Don't know	Total
		Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Unweighted Count
Region	Northwest	36.4%	23.4%	12.2%	20.1%	7.8%	117
	Northern VA	26.8%	15.4%	18.5%	27.7%	11.6%	222
	West	25.5%	32.3%	14.1%	16.0%	12.1%	121
	South Central	18.5%	24.7%	16.7%	25.3%	14.8%	185
	Tidewater	26.5%	27.2%	19.8%	15.2%	11.3%	164
Age	18-24 years	6.2%	30.4%	22.8%	25.2%	15.4%	46
	25-34 years	12.4%	28.4%	7.5%	22.9%	28.8%	81
	35-44 years	18.7%	22.8%	20.1%	19.8%	18.6%	103
	45-54 years	23.8%	22.9%	18.5%	19.8%	15.0%	110
	55-64 years	30.4%	21.4%	19.2%	25.4%	3.5%	162
	65 years or older	37.6%	22.8%	14.8%	20.0%	4.8%	275
	Refused	29.9%	14.8%	17.0%	23.5%	14.8%	32
Education	Less than high school	40.4%	33.7%	0.0%	0.0%	25.8%	5
	High school incomplete	28.7%	47.6%	0.0%	15.9%	7.8%	26
	High school graduate	25.1%	29.1%	18.8%	12.8%	14.2%	114
	Some college, no degree	38.2%	19.1%	8.9%	24.2%	9.7%	102
	Associate degree from a college or university	19.6%	26.2%	18.7%	21.5%	13.9%	90
	Bachelor's degree	26.0%	16.7%	21.6%	22.8%	12.8%	225
	Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree	36.1%	16.0%	27.1%	19.6%	1.2%	21

	Postgraduate or professional degree, including master's, doctorate, medical or law degree	23.8%	23.2%	15.8%	30.9%	6.3%	210
	Don't know\Refused	20.5%	1.2%	17.3%	24.6%	36.5%	16
Family Income	Less than \$20,000	13.9%	42.9%	14.8%	10.3%	18.2%	29
	20 to under \$35,000	20.0%	38.5%	16.2%	16.3%	9.0%	41
	35 to under \$50,000	16.1%	30.0%	22.6%	23.5%	7.9%	60
	50 to under \$70,000	25.7%	25.6%	18.2%	16.0%	14.5%	85
	70 to under \$100,000	23.7%	23.2%	19.0%	25.5%	8.6%	124
	100 to under \$150,000	33.7%	17.0%	11.2%	28.3%	9.8%	137
	\$150,000 or more	25.8%	21.2%	19.2%	25.6%	8.2%	201
	Don't know\Refused	32.4%	17.4%	15.1%	15.0%	20.1%	132
What is your gender?	Male	30.2%	21.9%	15.3%	21.7%	10.9%	435
	Female	22.7%	24.2%	18.7%	21.9%	12.5%	372
	Refused	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	100.0%	0.0%	2
Race	White	32.1%	22.2%	17.1%	21.3%	7.4%	602
	Black, African American	5.7%	27.7%	19.8%	22.2%	24.7%	108
	Asian	7.9%	11.2%	4.7%	40.4%	35.7%	16
	Other or mixed race	14.4%	25.0%	20.6%	23.9%	16.2%	45
	Don't know\Refused	31.8%	23.5%	7.6%	20.2%	17.0%	38
Hispanic Ethnicity	Hispanic	15.0%	20.1%	8.4%	34.8%	21.8%	42
	Non-Hispanic	27.1%	23.6%	17.6%	21.1%	10.5%	750
	Don't know\Refused	26.8%	10.8%	14.5%	18.8%	29.1%	17
VA Voter Registration	Registered	27.4%	22.3%	17.3%	22.4%	10.6%	764
	Not registered	10.7%	33.8%	13.8%	8.8%	32.9%	41
	Don't know/Refused	0.0%	39.3%	0.0%	60.7%	0.0%	4
Do you normally consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, or an independent ? (Leaners assigned to their party.)	Democrat	1.9%	18.2%	25.6%	42.0%	12.2%	370
	Republican	57.4%	26.8%	5.7%	2.4%	7.7%	325
	Independent	18.4%	32.4%	20.6%	9.5%	19.2%	99
	Something else\Don't know\Refused	14.6%	10.7%	23.6%	17.8%	33.3%	15

		Do you approve or disapprove of the way that Donald Trump is handling his job as President of the United States?					
		Strongly approve	Somewhat approve	Somewhat disapprove	Strongly disapprove	No opinion/Don't know	Total
		Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Unweighted Count
Region	Northwest	34.6%	16.0%	4.7%	43.7%	1.0%	117
	Northern VA	22.8%	13.0%	7.2%	52.5%	4.5%	222
	West	35.0%	21.8%	3.9%	31.0%	8.4%	121
	South Central	16.9%	8.9%	6.0%	60.5%	7.7%	185
	Tidewater	29.7%	7.9%	5.9%	52.1%	4.4%	164
Age	18-24 years	11.5%	17.6%	5.6%	52.2%	13.1%	46
	25-34 years	12.1%	9.8%	10.4%	52.2%	15.5%	81
	35-44 years	21.7%	13.0%	10.6%	49.1%	5.6%	103
	45-54 years	20.7%	15.6%	7.1%	53.8%	2.7%	110
	55-64 years	29.3%	10.7%	5.2%	53.5%	1.3%	162
	65 years or older	39.7%	14.0%	2.6%	42.0%	1.8%	275
	Refused	23.8%	7.4%	0.0%	52.2%	16.6%	32
Education	Less than high school	60.4%	0.0%	0.0%	33.0%	6.6%	5
	High school incomplete	21.8%	36.8%	4.6%	31.4%	5.4%	26
	High school graduate	30.1%	11.7%	6.4%	45.6%	6.3%	114
	Some college, no degree	42.5%	13.8%	3.5%	34.5%	5.7%	102
	Associate degree from a college or university	28.8%	8.6%	4.4%	53.3%	4.9%	90
	Bachelor's degree	20.9%	12.2%	7.8%	56.7%	2.3%	225
	Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree	41.3%	2.3%	2.3%	54.2%	0.0%	21
	Postgraduate or professional degree, including master's, doctorate, medical or law degree	20.6%	12.3%	6.6%	55.9%	4.6%	210
	Don't know/Refused	11.9%	11.7%	0.0%	38.2%	38.2%	16
Family Income	Less than \$20,000	17.1%	31.1%	2.8%	46.3%	2.7%	29
	20 to under \$35,000	26.1%	13.6%	5.8%	52.3%	2.2%	41
	35 to under \$50,000	27.1%	13.0%	14.2%	44.8%	0.9%	60
	50 to under \$70,000	25.9%	17.8%	6.0%	45.4%	5.0%	85
	70 to under \$100,000	28.5%	7.6%	4.0%	53.5%	6.5%	124

	100 to under \$150,000	33.8%	7.2%	3.2%	49.2%	6.7%	137
	\$150,000 or more	21.6%	13.1%	9.4%	53.3%	2.5%	201
	Don't know\Refused	27.7%	14.4%	2.4%	46.1%	9.4%	132
What is your gender?	Male	28.8%	14.3%	5.3%	44.5%	7.2%	435
	Female	24.4%	11.3%	6.6%	54.9%	2.8%	372
	Refused	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	27.4%	72.6%	2
Race	White	32.6%	15.0%	4.0%	46.0%	2.4%	602
	Black, African American	3.8%	6.4%	9.9%	72.4%	7.6%	108
	Asian	0.0%	0.0%	18.0%	82.0%	0.0%	16
	Other or mixed race	16.8%	11.1%	15.0%	38.2%	18.9%	45
	Don't know\Refused	34.2%	8.4%	3.2%	34.8%	19.4%	38
Hispanic Ethnicity	Hispanic	12.2%	20.1%	5.7%	46.8%	15.2%	42
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	Don't know\Refused	13.0%	11.5%	10.8%	32.0%	32.7%	17
VA Voter Registration	Registered	27.2%	13.1%	5.1%	50.2%	4.3%	764
	Not registered	18.2%	6.4%	20.7%	37.0%	17.8%	41
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	Something else\Don't know\Refused	7.2%	13.4%	0.0%	35.1%	44.4%	15

		If the election for GOVERNOR were held today and you had to decide right now, for whom would you vote?						
		Abigail Spanberger, the Democrat	Winsome Earle-Sears, the Republican	Someone else	Wouldn't vote	Undecided	Refused	Total
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	Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree	51.6%	48.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	21
	Postgraduate or professional degree, including master's, doctorate, medical or law degree	56.7%	31.2%	0.2%	0.2%	9.8%	1.9%	210
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Family Income	Less than \$20,000	40.1%	35.0%	0.0%	6.3%	11.7%	7.0%	29
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Race	White	43.5%	44.4%	1.0%	1.0%	9.5%	0.6%	602
	Black, African American	72.3%	9.0%	3.7%	2.0%	11.9%	1.2%	108
	Asian	54.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	45.3%	0.0%	16
	Other or mixed race	39.1%	30.0%	0.0%	1.7%	15.8%	13.4%	45
	Don't know\Refused	51.6%	26.7%	0.0%	1.3%	20.4%	0.0%	38
Hispanic Ethnicity	Hispanic	48.3%	28.7%	0.0%	1.1%	11.5%	10.4%	42
	Non-Hispanic	47.9%	37.4%	1.3%	1.2%	11.1%	1.0%	750
	Don't know\Refused	57.7%	13.0%	1.8%	0.0%	27.6%	0.0%	17
VA Voter Registration	Registered	49.1%	37.1%	1.1%	1.0%	10.9%	0.9%	764
	Not registered	29.5%	25.4%	3.4%	5.8%	24.0%	11.9%	41
	Don't know\Refused	70.9%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	18.6%	10.5%	4
Do you normally consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, or an independent? (Leans assigned to their party.)	Democrat	90.0%	1.5%	1.5%	0.5%	5.0%	1.6%	370
	Republican	6.2%	81.4%	1.2%	1.4%	9.0%	0.8%	325
	Independent	24.9%	24.0%	0.4%	3.3%	47.4%	0.0%	99
	Something else\Don't know\Refused	49.8%	7.2%	0.0%	3.3%	20.2%	19.4%	15

		If the election for LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR were held today and you had to decide right now, for whom would you vote?						
		Gahzal Hashmi, the Democrat	John Reid, the Republican	Someone else	Wouldn't vote	Undecided	Refused	Total
		Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Unweighted Count
Region	Northwest	35.4%	45.1%	0.9%	2.5%	16.1%	0.0%	117
	Northern VA	51.6%	31.2%	0.0%	0.9%	14.2%	2.0%	222
	West	29.0%	52.6%	0.0%	3.0%	14.6%	0.8%	121
	South Central	58.7%	24.0%	0.8%	1.5%	13.6%	1.5%	185

	Tidewater	42.2%	35.7%	0.3%	2.2%	17.4%	2.2%	164
Age	18-24 years	46.6%	33.9%	0.0%	2.4%	12.9%	4.2%	46
	25-34 years	40.7%	22.1%	1.0%	3.7%	23.6%	8.9%	81
	35-44 years	44.4%	32.6%	0.7%	3.5%	17.4%	1.4%	103
	45-54 years	50.8%	32.2%	0.0%	1.0%	16.1%	0.0%	110
	55-64 years	48.9%	36.5%	0.5%	2.1%	11.9%	0.0%	162
	65 years or older	41.3%	47.8%	0.0%	0.3%	10.1%	0.4%	275
	Refused	46.3%	20.4%	0.0%	1.3%	30.6%	1.4%	32
Education	Less than high school	59.6%	40.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	5
	High school incomplete	28.5%	41.4%	0.0%	4.8%	19.9%	5.4%	26
	High school graduate	43.6%	42.4%	0.0%	1.5%	10.7%	1.8%	114
	Some college, no degree	33.4%	49.8%	0.0%	3.1%	12.8%	0.9%	102
	Associate degree from a college or university	44.6%	28.1%	1.1%	2.9%	21.4%	1.9%	90
	Bachelor's degree	50.9%	32.5%	0.4%	1.0%	15.3%	0.0%	225
	Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree	46.7%	43.6%	4.8%	0.0%	4.9%	0.0%	21
	Postgraduate or professional degree, including master's, doctorate, medical or law degree	51.9%	30.5%	0.0%	1.3%	13.6%	2.6%	210
	Don't know\Refused	32.9%	11.9%	0.0%	3.1%	49.2%	2.8%	16
Family Income	Less than \$20,000	36.8%	24.1%	0.0%	7.9%	24.3%	7.0%	29
	20 to under \$35,000	46.7%	36.1%	2.3%	0.0%	14.9%	0.0%	41
	35 to under \$50,000	44.4%	40.4%	0.0%	4.1%	10.3%	0.8%	60
	50 to under \$70,000	47.3%	35.6%	0.6%	0.0%	13.8%	2.6%	85
	70 to under \$100,000	54.5%	32.5%	0.7%	2.2%	10.2%	0.0%	124
	100 to under \$150,000	46.5%	36.2%	0.3%	3.3%	10.8%	2.9%	137
	\$150,000 or more	48.2%	35.0%	0.0%	0.5%	15.1%	1.2%	201

	Don't know\Refused	34.0%	39.9%	0.0%	1.3%	23.7%	1.0%	132
What is your gender?	Male	40.0%	39.5%	0.7%	1.8%	16.5%	1.6%	435
	Female	51.1%	32.2%	0.0%	1.9%	13.5%	1.4%	372
	Refused	27.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	72.6%	0.0%	2
Race	White	40.3%	44.4%	0.4%	1.5%	12.6%	0.7%	602
	Black, African American	72.9%	8.1%	0.0%	3.6%	14.2%	1.2%	108
	Asian	72.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	27.6%	0.0%	16
	Other or mixed race	34.2%	29.3%	0.9%	1.7%	21.8%	12.0%	45
	Don't know\Refused	40.2%	20.7%	0.0%	1.3%	37.9%	0.0%	38
Hispanic Ethnicity	Hispanic	41.2%	33.1%	1.0%	1.1%	14.7%	8.9%	42
	Non-Hispanic	46.1%	36.5%	0.3%	1.9%	14.1%	1.1%	750
	Don't know\Refused	33.1%	14.8%	0.0%	0.0%	52.1%	0.0%	17
VA Voter Registration	Registered	46.5%	36.3%	0.3%	1.6%	14.4%	0.9%	764
	Not registered	28.0%	26.8%	1.2%	5.8%	27.4%	10.7%	41
	Don't know\Refused	42.1%	28.8%	0.0%	0.0%	18.6%	10.5%	4
Do you normally consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, or an independent? (Leaners assigned to their party.)	Democrat	87.1%	3.2%	0.1%	1.1%	6.9%	1.6%	370
	Republican	3.9%	80.9%	0.3%	1.7%	12.6%	0.5%	325
	Independent	26.9%	13.9%	1.3%	4.7%	52.5%	0.7%	99
	Something else\Don't know\Refused	24.5%	7.2%	0.0%	3.3%	45.6%	19.4%	15

		If the election for ATTORNEY GENERAL were held today and you had to decide right now, for whom would you vote?						
		Jay Jones, the Democrat	Jason Miyares, the Republican	Someone else	Wouldn't vote	Undecided	Refused	Total
		Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Unweighted Count
Region	Northwest	34.2%	45.7%	0.0%	2.5%	17.0%	0.6%	117

	Northern VA	53.2%	34.3%	0.0%	0.9%	10.4%	1.1%	222
	West	34.8%	51.1%	0.0%	1.3%	11.9%	0.8%	121
	South Central	57.2%	26.3%	0.2%	0.6%	14.4%	1.2%	185
	Tidewater	42.2%	36.2%	0.3%	3.9%	15.2%	2.2%	164
Age	18-24 years	56.9%	29.3%	0.0%	1.4%	12.4%	0.0%	46
	25-34 years	41.1%	22.4%	1.0%	2.7%	24.5%	8.2%	81
	35-44 years	45.2%	33.4%	0.0%	3.5%	16.5%	1.4%	103
	45-54 years	51.8%	35.9%	0.0%	1.0%	10.9%	0.5%	110
	55-64 years	47.1%	40.2%	0.0%	1.3%	11.4%	0.0%	162
	65 years or older	42.6%	47.8%	0.0%	1.6%	7.5%	0.5%	275
	Refused	49.0%	21.8%	0.0%	1.3%	27.9%	0.0%	32
Education	Less than high school	59.6%	40.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	5
	High school incomplete	24.3%	38.8%	0.0%	4.8%	26.7%	5.4%	26
	High school graduate	42.4%	43.6%	0.0%	1.0%	11.8%	1.3%	114
	Some college, no degree	34.6%	51.5%	0.0%	6.4%	7.5%	0.0%	102
	Associate degree from a college or university	47.1%	28.8%	0.0%	1.4%	20.2%	2.6%	90
	Bachelor's degree	53.5%	32.5%	0.4%	0.8%	12.8%	0.0%	225
	Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree	47.9%	48.4%	0.0%	0.0%	3.7%	0.0%	21
	Postgraduate or professional degree, including master's, doctorate, medical or law degree	50.2%	35.3%	0.0%	1.1%	11.5%	2.0%	210
	Don't know/Refused	56.9%	11.9%	0.0%	3.1%	25.3%	2.8%	16

Family Income	Less than \$20,000	44.2%	32.2%	0.0%	7.9%	8.8%	7.0%	29
	20 to under \$35,000	48.3%	31.6%	0.0%	0.0%	20.1%	0.0%	41
	35 to under \$50,000	47.1%	32.7%	0.0%	8.5%	10.9%	0.8%	60
	50 to under \$70,000	45.9%	40.4%	0.6%	0.0%	10.6%	2.6%	85
	70 to under \$100,000	52.7%	36.5%	0.0%	1.5%	9.3%	0.0%	124
	100 to under \$150,000	45.0%	37.3%	0.3%	3.3%	11.1%	3.1%	137
	\$150,000 or more	48.4%	37.6%	0.0%	0.2%	13.0%	0.8%	201
	Don't know\Refused	39.5%	39.9%	0.0%	0.4%	20.2%	0.0%	132
What is your gender?	Male	42.8%	42.1%	0.2%	1.2%	12.6%	1.1%	435
	Female	50.1%	32.1%	0.0%	2.4%	13.9%	1.5%	372
	Refused	27.4%	72.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2
Race	White	41.2%	46.3%	0.1%	1.6%	10.2%	0.6%	602
	Black, African American	73.2%	8.4%	0.0%	3.2%	14.0%	1.2%	108
	Asian	67.7%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	32.3%	0.0%	16
	Other or mixed race	39.2%	25.1%	0.9%	1.7%	23.7%	9.4%	45
	Don't know\Refused	40.6%	26.6%	0.0%	1.3%	31.5%	0.0%	38
Hispanic Ethnicity	Hispanic	50.3%	28.2%	1.0%	1.1%	13.4%	6.1%	42
	Non-Hispanic	45.9%	38.4%	0.0%	1.9%	12.7%	1.0%	750
	Don't know\Refused	53.2%	14.8%	0.0%	0.0%	32.1%	0.0%	17
VA Voter Registration	Registered	47.1%	38.1%	0.0%	1.6%	12.5%	0.7%	764
	Not registered	31.6%	23.2%	1.2%	5.8%	27.4%	10.7%	41
	Don't know/Refused	70.9%	18.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	10.5%	4
Do you normally consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, or an independent? (Leaners assigned)	Democrat	88.2%	2.4%	0.1%	1.7%	6.3%	1.2%	370
	Republican	3.5%	83.5%	0.0%	1.3%	11.1%	0.5%	325
	Independent	27.0%	20.6%	0.4%	3.6%	48.3%	0.0%	99
	Something else\Don't know\Refused	45.2%	7.2%	0.0%	3.3%	24.9%	19.4%	15

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		What is the most important issue impacting how you vote? (Part 1)					
		Tax burden	Rising cost of living	Education	Womens reproductive rights	Crime	Maintaining democracy and civility
		Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %
Region	Northwest	13.5%	31.0%	5.7%	11.7%	3.3%	0.0%
	Northern VA	5.5%	23.6%	11.0%	14.3%	6.4%	0.0%
	West	5.7%	29.3%	8.6%	16.0%	12.5%	0.0%
	South Central	2.6%	31.9%	9.7%	12.8%	10.2%	0.0%
	Tidewater	5.2%	31.3%	8.2%	14.7%	7.6%	0.0%
Age	18-24 years	2.8%	43.0%	7.7%	9.4%	4.7%	0.0%
	25-34 years	3.9%	34.9%	11.5%	15.0%	7.7%	0.0%
	35-44 years	10.4%	31.6%	15.1%	13.6%	9.2%	0.0%
	45-54 years	3.4%	30.3%	9.6%	18.1%	10.7%	0.0%
	55-64 years	7.4%	29.6%	7.8%	15.3%	6.9%	0.0%
	65 years or older	5.6%	20.9%	5.9%	11.4%	6.9%	0.0%
	Refused	4.5%	21.0%	9.0%	12.3%	5.4%	0.0%
Education	Less than high school	0.0%	33.7%	19.2%	6.6%	0.0%	0.0%
	High school incomplete	2.2%	43.5%	4.0%	14.6%	9.3%	0.0%
	High school graduate	3.6%	36.2%	10.6%	9.5%	9.8%	0.0%
	Some college, no degree	2.8%	37.8%	4.1%	13.5%	6.5%	0.0%
	Associate degree from a college or university	6.2%	21.5%	8.8%	21.1%	8.2%	0.0%
	Bachelor's degree	8.5%	23.4%	9.1%	14.7%	8.0%	0.0%
	Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree	10.4%	7.6%	9.6%	5.9%	0.0%	0.0%
	Postgraduate or professional degree, including master's, doctorate, medical or law degree	6.6%	26.1%	12.6%	16.2%	7.2%	0.0%
	Don't know/Refused	11.9%	22.9%	0.0%	0.0%	1.2%	0.0%
Family Income	Less than \$20,000	7.3%	37.7%	0.0%	18.4%	15.1%	0.0%

	20 to under \$35,000	2.4%	53.9%	0.9%	8.3%	8.8%	0.0%
	35 to under \$50,000	4.3%	38.9%	4.2%	10.3%	7.2%	0.0%
	50 to under \$70,000	5.1%	32.0%	8.2%	14.7%	0.8%	0.0%
	70 to under \$100,000	6.2%	30.0%	17.2%	19.5%	7.7%	0.0%
	100 to under \$150,000	4.2%	27.3%	9.6%	13.3%	7.4%	0.0%
	\$150,000 or more	8.2%	24.7%	9.9%	15.7%	9.4%	0.0%
	Don't know\Refused	6.6%	17.9%	7.6%	9.6%	8.1%	0.0%
What is your gender?	Male	7.3%	31.5%	8.9%	9.0%	6.2%	0.0%
	Female	4.8%	25.7%	9.4%	19.0%	9.4%	0.0%
	Refused	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	27.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Race	White	7.3%	27.9%	8.1%	14.6%	7.0%	0.0%
	Black, African American	1.9%	36.1%	10.5%	11.7%	11.8%	0.0%
	Asian	0.0%	22.7%	4.1%	12.8%	5.7%	0.0%
	Other or mixed race	2.1%	23.2%	16.1%	11.5%	11.3%	0.0%
	Don't know\Refused	8.3%	25.2%	11.4%	16.3%	1.7%	0.0%
Hispanic Ethnicity	Hispanic	2.1%	22.7%	19.5%	10.3%	6.9%	0.0%
	Non-Hispanic	6.3%	29.0%	8.5%	14.7%	7.9%	0.0%
	Don't know\Refused	7.0%	27.1%	6.0%	0.0%	4.3%	0.0%
VA Voter Registration	Registered	6.4%	28.2%	8.8%	14.1%	7.4%	0.0%
	Not registered	0.0%	33.5%	15.8%	13.3%	14.6%	0.0%
	Don't know/Refused	0.0%	39.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Do you normally consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, or an independent? (Leaners assigned to their party.)	Democrat	1.3%	26.1%	11.6%	25.5%	3.7%	0.0%
	Republican	11.2%	31.4%	5.2%	3.4%	12.4%	0.0%
	Independent	6.5%	24.6%	15.3%	7.3%	9.5%	0.0%
	Something else\Don't know\Refused	7.2%	45.7%	0.0%	1.6%	0.0%	0.0%

		What is the most important issue impacting how you vote? (Part 1)					
		Tax burden	Rising cost of living	Education	Womens reproductive rights	Crime	Maintaining democracy and civility
		Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %	Row Valid N %
Region	Northwest	13.5%	31.0%	5.7%	11.7%	3.3%	0.0%
	Northern VA	5.5%	23.6%	11.0%	14.3%	6.4%	0.0%
	West	5.7%	29.3%	8.6%	16.0%	12.5%	0.0%
	South Central	2.6%	31.9%	9.7%	12.8%	10.2%	0.0%

	Tidewater	5.2%	31.3%	8.2%	14.7%	7.6%	0.0%
Age	18-24 years	2.8%	43.0%	7.7%	9.4%	4.7%	0.0%
	25-34 years	3.9%	34.9%	11.5%	15.0%	7.7%	0.0%
	35-44 years	10.4%	31.6%	15.1%	13.6%	9.2%	0.0%
	45-54 years	3.4%	30.3%	9.6%	18.1%	10.7%	0.0%
	55-64 years	7.4%	29.6%	7.8%	15.3%	6.9%	0.0%
	65 years or older	5.6%	20.9%	5.9%	11.4%	6.9%	0.0%
	Refused	4.5%	21.0%	9.0%	12.3%	5.4%	0.0%
	Less than high school	0.0%	33.7%	19.2%	6.6%	0.0%	0.0%
Education	High school incomplete	2.2%	43.5%	4.0%	14.6%	9.3%	0.0%
	High school graduate	3.6%	36.2%	10.6%	9.5%	9.8%	0.0%
	Some college, no degree	2.8%	37.8%	4.1%	13.5%	6.5%	0.0%
	Associate degree from a college or university	6.2%	21.5%	8.8%	21.1%	8.2%	0.0%
	Bachelor's degree	8.5%	23.4%	9.1%	14.7%	8.0%	0.0%
	Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree	10.4%	7.6%	9.6%	5.9%	0.0%	0.0%
	Postgraduate or professional degree, including master's, doctorate, medical or law degree	6.6%	26.1%	12.6%	16.2%	7.2%	0.0%
	Don't know\Refused	11.9%	22.9%	0.0%	0.0%	1.2%	0.0%
Family Income	Less than \$20,000	7.3%	37.7%	0.0%	18.4%	15.1%	0.0%
	20 to under \$35,000	2.4%	53.9%	0.9%	8.3%	8.8%	0.0%
	35 to under \$50,000	4.3%	38.9%	4.2%	10.3%	7.2%	0.0%
	50 to under \$70,000	5.1%	32.0%	8.2%	14.7%	0.8%	0.0%
	70 to under \$100,000	6.2%	30.0%	17.2%	19.5%	7.7%	0.0%
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	\$150,000 or more	8.2%	24.7%	9.9%	15.7%	9.4%	0.0%
	Don't know\Refused	6.6%	17.9%	7.6%	9.6%	8.1%	0.0%
What is your gender?	Male	7.3%	31.5%	8.9%	9.0%	6.2%	0.0%
	Female	4.8%	25.7%	9.4%	19.0%	9.4%	0.0%
	Refused	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	27.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Race	White	7.3%	27.9%	8.1%	14.6%	7.0%	0.0%

	Black, African American	1.9%	36.1%	10.5%	11.7%	11.8%	0.0%
	Asian	0.0%	22.7%	4.1%	12.8%	5.7%	0.0%
	Other or mixed race	2.1%	23.2%	16.1%	11.5%	11.3%	0.0%
	Don't know\Refused	8.3%	25.2%	11.4%	16.3%	1.7%	0.0%
Hispanic Ethnicity	Hispanic	2.1%	22.7%	19.5%	10.3%	6.9%	0.0%
	Non-Hispanic	6.3%	29.0%	8.5%	14.7%	7.9%	0.0%
	Don't know\Refused	7.0%	27.1%	6.0%	0.0%	4.3%	0.0%
VA Voter Registration	Registered	6.4%	28.2%	8.8%	14.1%	7.4%	0.0%
	Not registered	0.0%	33.5%	15.8%	13.3%	14.6%	0.0%
	Don't know/Refused	0.0%	39.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Do you normally consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, or an independent? (Leaners assigned to their party.)	Democrat	1.3%	26.1%	11.6%	25.5%	3.7%	0.0%
	Republican	11.2%	31.4%	5.2%	3.4%	12.4%	0.0%
	Independent	6.5%	24.6%	15.3%	7.3%	9.5%	0.0%
	Something else\Don't know\Refused	7.2%	45.7%	0.0%	1.6%	0.0%	0.0%

[1] The American Association for Public Opinion Research. 2016. Standard Definitions: Final Dispositions of Case Codes and Outcome Rates for Surveys. 9th edition. AAPOR.

[2] Percentages may add to 99 or 101 due to rounding. Cells that are blank contain no cases. Cells with a zero percent entry contain cases, but the percentage is less than 0.5%.

[3] Cells with 0% may have observations but are less than 1%. Cells may add to 99% or 101% due to rounding.