

Crosstabs: Party And Regions

South Carolina Policy Council Poll of 1,200 Registered Voters Jan. 24 to Feb. 01, 2026, MOE +/- 2.77%

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Under current law, in a case with multiple defendants, an individual defendant in a lawsuit can sometimes be held responsible for all damages, even if they were only partly at fault. A 2025 law reduced this practice for the hospitality industry. Supporters say continuing reform would make the system fairer, while critics argue it could limit compensation for victims. Do you support or oppose continuing to reform South Carolina's liability laws, so defendants are responsible only for damages equal to their percentage of fault? *	24
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Are you now employed full-time, part-time, self-employed, or not employed? *

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Nearly always Column %	30%	31%	32%	25%	30%	29%	31%	30%	41%	30%	29%	31%	29%	32%
Part of the time Column %	10%	7%	12% A	14% A	10%	6%	13% D	11% D	26% DEF	10%	5%	11% H	10% H	14% H
Seldom Column %	3%	2%	2%	8% AB	3%	1%	3%	4% D	8% D	3%	2%	4%	3%	4%
Never vote Column %	3%	0%	4% A	8% AB	3%	1%	5% D	3% D	9% D	3%	3%	2%	4%	2%

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Very Satisfied Column %	19%	29% BC	9%	9%	19%	28% EFG	11%	14%	6%	19%	18%	23% J	15%	21%
Somewhat Satisfied Column %	29%	43% BC	11%	24% B	29%	45% EF	19% F	9%	38% EF	29%	29%	28%	30%	26%
Somewhat Dissatisfied Column %	20%	17%	22% A	26% A	20%	15%	33% DFG	16%	18%	20%	23%	20%	21%	17%
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Total Dissatisfied Column %	51%	27%	78% AC	63% A	51%	27%	68% DG	75% DG	43% D	51%	51%	48%	52%	52%
Not Sure Column %	2%	1%	2%	3% A	2%	1%	1%	1%	13% DEF	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%

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Total Satisfied Column %	60%	80% BC	36%	51% B	60%	82% EFG	50% F	33%	53% F	60%	62%	63% J	55%	62%
Very Satisfied Column %	19%	28% BC	10%	10%	19%	29% EFG	9%	14% E	5%	19%	19%	22% J	14%	23% J
Somewhat Satisfied Column %	41%	53% BC	25%	40% B	41%	52% EF	41% F	19%	48% F	41%	42%	41%	41%	39%
Somewhat Dissatisfied Column %	23%	12%	34% A	30% A	23%	12%	32% DG	33% DG	16%	23%	23%	22%	22%	25%
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Total Dissatisfied Column %	39%	19%	63% AC	46% A	39%	18%	49% D	65% DEG	41% D	39%	36%	36%	44% I	37%
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Strongly approve Column %	12%	17% BC	8%	8%	12%	19% EFG	7%	9%	3%	12%	17% JK	16% J	8%	10%
Somewhat approve Column %	41%	54% BC	23%	39% B	41%	54% EFG	38% F	22%	31%	41%	43%	46% J	37%	38%
Somewhat disapprove Column %	23%	15%	30% A	34% A	23%	16%	34% DF	25% D	21%	23%	23%	22%	23%	27%
Strongly disapprove Column %	16%	7%	32% AC	11% A	16%	7%	12% D	40% DEG	11%	16%	15%	9%	22% HI	17% I
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No opinion Column %	7%	7%	7%	8%	7%	5%	9% DF	5%	34% DEF	7%	3%	7% H	10% H	8% H

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Strongly support Column %	42%	56% BC	29%	31%	42%	60% EFG	28%	28%	42% F	42%	41%	43%	43%	42%
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Somewhat oppose Column %	14%	8%	20% A	16% A	14%	7%	22% DF	15% D	15% D	14%	15%	10%	16% I	14%
Strongly oppose Column %	5%	2%	9% A	6% A	5%	2%	4%	12% DE	6%	5%	6%	4%	5%	6%
Total oppose Column %	19%	10%	29% A	22% A	19%	9%	26% D	27% D	21% D	19%	21% I	13%	21% I	19%
I'm not sure Column %	9%	6%	11% A	16% A	9%	6%	14% DF	7%	22% DF	9%	10% K	10%	10% K	5%

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No														
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Somewhat support Column %	44%	44% C	48% C	35%	44%	44% G	44% G	48% G	18%	44%	59% IJK	40%	39%	41%
Somewhat oppose Column %	12%	9%	14% A	18% A	12%	7%	17% D	12% D	26% DF	12%	9%	12%	12%	18% HIJ
Strongly oppose Column %	5%	2%	8% A	4%	5%	2%	5%	8% DE	10% D	5%	3%	4%	6%	4%
Total oppose Column %	17%	11%	22% A	22% A	17%	9%	22% D	20% D	36% DEF	17%	12%	16%	18%	22% H
I'm not sure Column %	18%	16%	19%	25% A	18%	15%	24% DF	14%	40% DEF	18%	10%	20% H	20% H	22% H

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Yes, services have improved significantly Column %	7%	6%	8%	7%	7%	5%	6%	13% DE	5%	7%	11% JK	8%	6%	5%
Yes, services have improved somewhat Column %	24%	29% BC	19%	19%	24%	29% EFG	20% G	21% G	6%	24%	29% J	27% J	18%	24%
No, services have not improved much Column %	40%	38%	41%	44%	40%	38%	41%	41%	51%	40%	36%	40%	41%	46% H
No, services have not improved at all Column %	21%	19%	26% A	19%	21%	19%	23%	24%	18%	21%	20%	18%	26% IK	18%
Total not improved Column %	62%	57%	66% A	64%	62%	57%	64% D	65% D	69%	62%	55%	58%	67% HI	64%
I'm not sure Column %	8%	8%	7%	11%	8%	9% F	10% F	1%	20% DEF	8%	5%	7%	9%	8%

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Overall, how satisfied are you with the quality of K-12 public education in South Carolina? *

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Very satisfied														
Column %	10%	11%	9%	12%	10%	10%	9%	12%	11%	10%	17% IJK	11%	8%	7%
Somewhat satisfied														
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Somewhat dissatisfied														
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Very dissatisfied														
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Somewhat support Column %	28%	27%	27%	31%	28%	28%	28%	29%	19%	28%	25%	28%	30%	26%
Somewhat oppose Column %	17%	15%	18%	19%	17%	9%	27% DF	16% D	33% DF	17%	14%	15%	21% HIK	14%
Strongly oppose Column %	13%	9%	19% AC	13%	13%	11%	14%	17% D	7%	13%	15%	12%	10%	19% IJ
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Total important Column %	82%	87% BC	77% BC	78% BC	82%	89% EF	74% EF	82% E	81%	82%	81%	86%	81%	82%
Very important Column %	59%	70% BC	44% BC	55% B	59%	70% EFG	48% EF	54% F	47% G	59%	52% H	65% HI	57% J	62% K
Somewhat important Column %	24%	17% AC	33% AC	23% AC	24%	19% D	26% D	28% D	35% D	24%	29% IK	21% I	24%	20% K
Neither important nor unimportant Column %	7%	5% A	10% A	7%	7%	5% DF	11% DF	6% D	5%	7%	10% IK	5% I	7%	4% K
Somewhat unimportant Column %	5%	4% A	8% A	4%	5%	3% D	6%	8% D	4%	5%	4%	5%	5%	7%
Not important at all Column %	2%	1% A	3% A	3% A	2%	1% D	2%	4% D	0%	2%	3% I	1% I	2%	1%
Total not important Column %	7%	4% A	10% A	7%	7%	4% D	8% D	12% D	4%	7%	7%	6%	7%	8%
I'm not sure Column %	4%	4% AB	3% AB	8% AB	4%	3% DF	7% DF	1% F	9% F	4%	2% H	4%	5%	6% H

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Which of the following is your biggest concern about South Carolina public schools? [ROTATE] *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Academic quality and standards Column %	25%	24%	26%	23%	25%	24% G	26% G	28% G	7%	25%	28%	23%	24%	24%
School safety Column %	23%	18%	30% AC	22%	23%	18%	24% D	29% D	29%	23%	18%	18%	27% HI	27% HI
Curriculum content that emphasizes social or political views over core academic subjects Column %	20%	27% B	8%	23% B	20%	30% EFG	13% G	10%	3%	20%	22% K	23% K	19% K	12%
Teacher quality Column %	11%	11%	10%	9%	11%	8%	10%	10%	38% DEF	11%	9%	14%	10%	9%
Parental transparency and involvement Column %	6%	6%	5%	9% B	6%	8%	5%	5%	5%	6%	5%	6%	6%	7%
Use of district-issued devices in the classroom Column %	3%	4%	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%	4%	0%	3%	6% IJ	2%	2%	4%
Something else: Column %	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	1%	2%	4% D	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
I do not have any major concerns about public schools Column %	8%	6%	12% AC	4%	8%	5%	11% DG	9% D	3%	8%	6%	8%	7%	9%
I'm not sure Column %	4%	3%	3%	7% AB	4%	3% F	5% F	0%	15% DEF	4%	4%	4%	2%	6% J

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Do you agree or disagree with issuing laptops or digital devices to students in South Carolina public schools for educational purposes? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Total agree Column %	76%	72%	87% AC	68%	76%	72%	77%	84% DEG	73%	76%	84% IJK	73%	75%	75%
Strongly agree Column %	41%	32%	56% AC	33%	41%	33%	40% D	55% DE	42%	41%	45% J	42%	36%	44%
Somewhat agree Column %	36%	40% B	31%	35%	36%	39% F	37% F	29%	31%	36%	39% I	31%	39% I	31%
Somewhat disagree Column %	11%	12% B	7%	15% B	11%	11%	9%	10%	10%	11%	8%	11%	10%	14%
Strongly disagree Column %	8%	12% BC	3%	7% B	8%	13% EF	6% F	3%	10%	8%	4%	10% H	9% H	8%
Total disagree Column %	19%	24% B	10%	22% B	19%	24% EF	15%	13%	19%	19%	13%	21% H	19% H	21% H
I'm not sure Column %	5%	4%	3%	11% AB	5%	4%	8% DF	3%	8%	5%	3%	6%	5%	3%

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Last year, Governor Henry McMaster issued an executive order requiring state agencies to disclose lawmakers' funding requests and post detailed spending information online. Supporters say this improves transparency, while critics argue existing laws are sufficient. Do you support or oppose making these transparency requirements permanent through state law? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Total support Column %	77%	85% BC	68%	74%	77%	88% EFG	69% G	72% G	45%	77%	78%	81% K	76%	72%
Strongly support Column %	45%	53% BC	35%	45% B	45%	57% EFG	31% G	47% EG	8%	45%	43%	50% J	42%	47%
Somewhat support Column %	32%	32%	33%	30%	32%	31%	38% DF	25%	36%	32%	35% K	31%	34% K	25%
Somewhat oppose Column %	9%	6%	13% A	10% A	9%	3%	14% D	11% D	27% DEF	9%	13% I	7%	9%	9%
Strongly oppose Column %	2%	0%	3% A	2% A	2%	1%	3% D	3% D	2%	2%	0%	0%	3% HI	4% HI
Total oppose Column %	11%	6%	16% A	13% A	11%	3%	17% D	14% D	29% DEF	11%	13% I	7%	12% I	12% I
I'm not sure Column %	12%	9%	16% A	13%	12%	8%	14% D	14% D	26% DEF	12%	9%	12%	12%	15% H

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South Carolina law requires state agencies to use zero-based budgeting, meaning agencies are supposed to regularly justify all of their spending from scratch, rather than simply building on last year's budget. Do you think the governor should enforce the existing law and require full implementation of zero-based budgeting? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Yes														
Column %	63%	72% BC	54%	55%	63%	76% EFG	52% G	57% G	35%	63%	67% J	68% J	55%	67% J
No														
Column %	13%	7%	22% AC	14% A	13%	5%	20% D	20% D	17% D	13%	16%	12%	14%	10%
I'm not sure														
Column %	24%	21%	24%	30% A	24%	19%	28% D	23%	48% DEF	24%	17%	20%	31% HIK	23%

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In South Carolina, judges are screened by the Judicial Merit Selection Commission (JMSC) before being elected by the General Assembly. Some argue this system creates conflicts of interest, while others say it preserves legislative oversight. Do you support or oppose changing South Carolina's current system for selecting judges? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Total support Column %	58%	63% C	58% C	48% C	58%	65% EFG	54% G	57% G	28% G	58%	64% JK	60%	56% J	54% K
Strongly support Column %	22%	25% C	22% C	15% C	22%	27% EG	17% G	24% EG	5% G	22%	23%	28% J	18% J	22%
Somewhat support Column %	36%	37%	36%	33%	36%	37%	38%	33%	23%	36%	41% IK	32% I	37%	32% K
Somewhat oppose Column %	14%	10% A	16% A	20% A	14%	12% G	19% DG	15% G	3% G	14%	11% H	14%	17% H	12%
Strongly oppose Column %	4%	3%	6%	4%	4%	3%	5%	6%	1%	4%	4%	3%	5%	5%
Total oppose Column %	18%	14% A	22% A	24% A	18%	15% G	23% DG	21% DG	4% G	18%	15% H	17%	22% H	17%
I'm not sure Column %	23%	24%	21% B	28% B	23%	20% DEF	22% DEF	22% DEF	68% DEF	23%	21%	23%	23%	29%

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Which of the following methods for selecting judges do you prefer? [ROTATE] *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Direct election of judges by voters Column %	45%	38%	53% A	51% A	45%	42%	50% D	45%	53%	45%	45%	42%	46%	49%
South Carolina's current system involving the JMSC and the legislature Column %	21%	23% C	21%	16%	21%	24% EG	18% G	23% G	2%	21%	27% IJ	20%	18%	21%
Judges nominated by the governor and confirmed by the Senate Column %	19%	25% BC	13%	15%	19%	23% EG	15% G	19% G	6%	19%	20%	22%	18%	17%
I'm not sure Column %	14%	14%	13%	18%	14%	11%	17% D	12%	40% DEF	14%	9%	16% H	17% H	13%

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Under current law, in a case with multiple defendants, an individual defendant in a lawsuit can sometimes be held responsible for all damages, even if they were only partly at fault. A 2025 law reduced this practice for the hospitality industry. Supporters say continuing reform would make the system fairer, while critics argue it could limit compensation for victims. Do you support or oppose continuing to reform South Carolina's liability laws, so defendants are responsible only for damages equal to their percentage of fault? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Yes														
Column %	64%	64%	64%	62%	64%	66% G	61% G	68% G	36%	64%	71% J	64%	59%	64%
No														
Column %	16%	13%	20% A	14%	16%	12%	18% D	19% D	20%	16%	13%	14%	17%	18%
I'm not sure														
Column %	21%	23% B	16%	24% B	21%	22% F	21% F	13%	45% DEF	21%	16%	23%	24% H	17%

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Should a bar or restaurant be legally responsible for damages caused by someone who was not visibly intoxicated when they were served alcohol? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Yes														
Column %	24%	23%	27%	22%	24%	21%	26% D	26%	33%	24%	19%	28% H	23%	28% H
No														
Column %	61%	63% C	61%	54%	61%	66% EG	52%	63% E	49%	61%	61%	54%	66% I	58%
I'm not sure														
Column %	15%	14%	13%	24% AB	15%	13%	21% DF	12%	18%	15%	20% J	19% J	11%	14%

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Which approach do you think South Carolina should take when it comes to energy use by large data centers? [ROTATE] *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Data centers should be required to generate their own power and not rely on energy facilities funded by utility ratepayers Column %	40%	39%	45% AC	34%	40%	42% EG	32%	51% DEG	23%	40%	36%	40%	42%	43%
Data centers should be required to pay the costs of upgrading facilities to increase energy generation capacity Column %	39%	38%	40%	39%	39%	38%	43% F	33%	41%	39%	46% IJK	37%	38%	34%
Data centers should be allowed to use ratepayer-funded energy generation, like other large customers Column %	8%	9%	7%	11% B	8%	7%	12% DG	8%	3%	8%	11% K	9%	8%	5%
I'm not sure Column %	12%	14% B	8%	15% B	12%	13% F	13% F	7%	33% DEF	12%	7%	14% H	12% H	18% HJ

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Large data centers require massive and long-term electricity supplies, often driving the need for new power plants or major grid upgrades. If data centers continue to be served by state-regulated utilities, some propose requiring them to enter into long-term power purchase agreements so they help pay for the power generation needed to serve them. Do you support or oppose requiring data centers to enter into these power purchase agreements? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Total support Column %	76%	77%	78% C	71% C	76%	82% EG	71% G	81% EG	37%	76%	82% JK	78%	74%	73%
Strongly support Column %	41%	46% B	33%	42% B	41%	49% EG	30% G	43% EG	10%	41%	42%	44%	40%	35%
Somewhat support Column %	36%	32%	45% AC	29%	36%	32%	41% D	38%	26%	36%	39%	35%	34%	37%
Somewhat oppose Column %	8%	8%	7%	11%	8%	5%	11% D	9% D	25% DEF	8%	9%	9%	9%	7%
Strongly oppose Column %	3%	2%	5% A	3%	3%	1%	5% D	4% D	6%	3%	2%	2%	4%	4%
Total oppose Column %	11%	10%	12%	14%	11%	6% D	16% D	13% D	31% DEF	11%	11%	11%	13%	10%
I'm not sure Column %	12%	13%	10%	16% B	12%	12% F	14% F	6%	33% DEF	12%	8%	11%	13% H	17% HI

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The failed V.C. Summer nuclear project led to higher electricity bills for many South Carolina residents. If utilities are reviving V.C. Summer primarily to serve data centers, do you think the utility providers should be required to help offset electricity costs for residential customers? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Yes														
Column %	74%	74%	74%	73%	74%	79% EG	70% G	74% G	43%	74%	79% J	73%	72%	73%
No														
Column %	15%	14%	18% A	14%	15%	10%	17% D	20% D	30% DE	15%	15%	14%	16%	16%
I'm not sure														
Column %	11%	12% B	8%	13% B	11%	11% F	12% F	6%	26% DEF	11%	6%	13% H	12% H	12% H

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Between 2013 and 2023, the South Carolina Department of Transportation's budget nearly doubled. According to the Federal Highway Administration, road conditions have declined, while others say increased funding is still necessary. Should the state continue increasing DOT funding without first implementing structural reforms to better understand how transportation dollars are being spent? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Yes														
Column %	32%	32%	32%	30%	32%	31%	29%	38% DEG	21%	32%	30%	39% HJK	31%	25%
No														
Column %	58%	58%	58%	56%	58%	60% F	58%	52%	61%	58%	61%	54%	59%	56%
I'm not sure														
Column %	10%	9%	10%	14%	10%	9%	13% D	9%	18% D	10%	9%	7%	10%	18% HIJ

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In South Carolina, the State Department of Transportation currently owns and maintains the majority of roads and is therefore responsible for their repair. Should the state instead allow counties and municipalities to own and manage smaller roads, enabling local communities to more quickly address repairs and other infrastructure needs? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Yes														
Column %	65%	65%	65%	64%	65%	67% G	63% G	66% G	42%	65%	62%	69%	65%	61%
No														
Column %	18%	16%	20%	17%	18%	15%	20%	21% D	14%	18%	22% IJ	15%	15%	23% IJ
I'm not sure														
Column %	18%	20%	15%	18%	18%	18%	18%	14%	44% DEF	18%	16%	16%	21%	16%

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Some lawmakers have proposed allowing physician assistants and nurse practitioners to provide care without direct physician supervision in order to address healthcare workforce shortages. Supporters say this would expand access to care, especially in underserved areas, while critics argue that physician oversight is important for patient safety. Do you support or oppose allowing physician assistants and nurse practitioners to practice independently? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Total support Column %	62%	61%	65%	60%	62%	60%	62% G	69% DG	46%	62%	64%	63%	62%	59%
Strongly support Column %	24%	24%	27% C	19%	24%	24% E	17%	35% DEG	18%	24%	22%	26%	24%	25%
Somewhat support Column %	38%	38%	37%	41%	38%	36%	45% DFG	34%	28%	38%	42%	37%	38%	34%
Somewhat oppose Column %	18%	15%	21% A	21%	18%	17%	20%	19%	10%	18%	19%	18%	17%	20%
Strongly oppose Column %	13%	16% BC	10%	9%	13%	17% EFG	11%	8%	5%	13%	11%	11%	13%	17% I
Total oppose Column %	31%	31%	30%	30%	31%	34% G	31% G	27%	15%	31%	30%	29%	29%	37%
I'm not sure Column %	7%	7%	5%	11% B	7%	6%	8% F	4%	39% DEF	7%	6%	8%	9% K	4%

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When it comes to medical malpractice laws, which do you believe is more important? [ROTATE] *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Protecting patients' rights to sue for medical harm Column %	21%	20%	26% AC	16%	21%	22% G	17% G	28% EG	6%	21%	24%	19%	18%	27% IJ
Reducing healthcare costs and provider shortages Column %	21%	24% B	18%	18%	21%	22% G	20% G	23% G	7%	21%	21%	21%	22%	20%
Both equally Column %	52%	50%	52%	58%	52%	52% F	57% F	44%	71% DF	52%	51%	56% K	54% K	45%
I'm not sure Column %	5%	6%	4%	7%	5%	4%	6%	5%	16% DEF	5%	4%	4%	5%	9% HI

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■ Significant difference within groups: ABCDEFGHIJK

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Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a...? [ROTATE] *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Democrat Column %	35%	0%	100% AC	0%	35%	8%	45% D	72% DEG	37% D	35%	41% J	33%	31%	40% J
Independent Column %	16%	0%	0%	94% AB	16%	11%	29% DF	10%	17%	16%	16%	18%	16%	13%
Republican Column %	48%	100% BC	0%	0%	48%	81% EFG	25% F	18%	38% F	48%	42%	47%	52% H	47%
Something else: Column %	1%	0%	0%	6% AB	1%	0%	1%	1%	8% DEF	1%	1%	1%	2%	0%

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■ Significant difference within groups: ABCDEFGHJ

South Carolina Policy Council Poll of 1,200 Registered Voters Jan. 24 to Feb. 01, 2026, MOE +/- 2.77%

Would you call yourself a... [BASE: Republican] *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	576	576	-	-	576	419	87	51	18	576	112	142	232	90
Strong Republican Column %	73%	73%	-	-	73%	77% E	52%	81% E	74%	73%	74%	77%	70%	77%
Not a very strong Republican Column %	27%	27%	-	-	27%	23%	48% DF	19%	26%	27%	26%	23%	30%	23%

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■ Significant difference within groups: DEF

South Carolina Policy Council Poll of 1,200 Registered Voters Jan. 24 to Feb. 01, 2026, MOE +/- 2.77%

Would you call yourself a... [BASE: Democrat] *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	420	-	420	-	420	40	157	205	18	420	107	100	136	77
Strong Democrat Column %	67%	-	67%	-	67%	57%	63%	72%	65%	67%	76% IK	63%	66%	62%
Not a very strong Democrat Column %	33%	-	33%	-	33%	43%	37%	28%	35%	33%	24%	37% H	34%	38% H

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■ Significant difference within groups: **HIK**

South Carolina Policy Council Poll of 1,200 Registered Voters Jan. 24 to Feb. 01, 2026, MOE +/- 2.77%

Do you think of yourself as... [BASE: Independent or something else] [ROTATE] *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	204	-	-	204	204	57	105	30	12	204	45	57	77	25
Closer to the Republican Party														
Column %	33%	-	-	33%	33%	72% EFG	18%	20%	14%	33%	37%	27%	36%	32%
Closer to the Democratic Party														
Column %	26%	-	-	26%	26%	12%	27% D	52% DEG	13%	26%	25%	27%	26%	24%
Strictly Independent														
Column %	41%	-	-	41%	41%	16%	55% DF	28%	72% DF	41%	38%	46%	38%	44%

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 Significant difference within groups: DEFG

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Would you describe yourself as feeling “politically homeless” today—that is, you don’t feel represented by either major party? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Yes														
Column %	35%	25%	40% A	57% AB	35%	24%	46% D	44% D	32%	35%	38%	35%	34%	35%
No														
Column %	52%	64% BC	47% C	26%	52%	64% EFG	40%	48% EG	29%	52%	46%	53%	52%	56% H
I’m not sure														
Column %	13%	11%	13%	17% A	13%	12% F	15% F	7%	40% DEF	13%	16% K	12%	14%	9%

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 Significant difference within groups: ABCDEFGHK

South Carolina Policy Council Poll of 1,200 Registered Voters Jan. 24 to Feb. 01, 2026, MOE +/- 2.77%

2024 Presidential Ballot *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,105	556	389	159	1,105	501	303	265	35	1,105	254	267	404	179
Donald Trump Column %	58%	96% BC	7%	53% B	58%	89% EFG	40% F	22%	49% F	58%	51%	58%	65% HK	54%
Kamala Harris Column %	38%	3%	88% AC	39% A	38%	7%	56% D	74% DEG	39% D	38%	44% J	37%	34%	40%
Someone else Column %	4%	2%	5% A	8% A	4%	3%	4%	3%	12% D	4%	5% J	5% J	1%	7% J

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■ Significant difference within groups: ABCDEFGHJK

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In the November 2024 election for Congress, did you vote for the Democratic candidate, a Republican candidate, or someone else in your district? [ROTATE]

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Republican candidate Column %	52%	92% BC	4%	39% B	52%	87% EFG	31% F	19%	34% F	52%	50%	52%	56%	49%
Democrat candidate Column %	35%	2%	86% AC	27% A	35%	6%	49% DG	71% DEG	30% D	35%	43% IJ	34%	32%	35%
Someone else Column %	4%	1%	5% A	8% A	4%	3%	5% D	3%	7%	4%	3%	3%	2%	8% HIJ
I did not vote Column %	9%	5%	6%	26% AB	9%	4%	15% DF	7% D	29% DEF	9%	4%	10% H	10% H	9% H

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Significant difference within groups: ABCDEFGHIJ

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How likely are you to vote in South Carolina's gubernatorial primary election this year? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Very likely Column %	64%	72% BC	61% C	49%	64%	75% EFG	50% G	69% EG	22%	64%	68%	64%	62%	65%
Somewhat likely Column %	21%	17%	24% A	23%	21%	15%	28% D	22% D	17%	21%	21%	22%	18%	25% J
Not very likely Column %	5%	4%	6%	8% A	5%	3%	10% DF	4%	8%	5%	5%	3%	7% I	6%
Not at all likely Column %	3%	1%	3% A	8% AB	3%	2%	3%	4%	9% D	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
I'm not sure Column %	7%	6%	5%	12% AB	7%	5% F	9% DF	2%	43% DEF	7%	2%	9% HK	10% HK	2%

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■ Significant difference within groups: ABCDEFGHIJK

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Which party's primary election are you most likely to vote in? Would you choose either the Republican or Democratic primary? [BASE: Very or somewhat likely to vote in South Carolina's gubernatorial primary] [ROTATE] *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,018	512	360	147	1,018	468	271	261	19	1,018	236	255	355	172
Republican primary Column %	54%	94% BC	1%	40% B	54%	87% EFG	31% F	20%	11%	54%	50%	54%	57%	51%
Democratic primary Column %	34%	1%	89% AC	18% A	34%	5%	46% D	73% DE	70% DE	34%	38%	33%	32%	36%
I'm not sure which primary I would choose Column %	11%	4%	9% A	37% AB	11%	8%	19% DF	6%	19% F	11%	12%	11%	9%	12%
I would not vote in either primary Column %	1%	1%	1%	5% AB	1%	0%	3% DF	1%	0%	1%	0%	2%	1%	1%

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 Significant difference within groups: ABCDEFG

South Carolina Policy Council Poll of 1,200 Registered Voters Jan. 24 to Feb. 01, 2026, MOE +/- 2.77%

GOP Gov. Ballot: Thinking ahead to the 2026 Republican primary election for Governor, if that election were held today among the following candidates, for whom would you vote? [BASE: Likely Republican primary voter] [ROTATE] *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	540	476	5	59	540	406	81	52	2	540	116	137	199	88
Nancy Mace, U.S. Congresswoman Column %	18%	18%	32%	20%	18%	19% E	9%	27% E	14%	18%	39% IJK	16%	12%	10%
Alan Wilson, Attorney General Column %	12%	11%	45% A	18%	12%	13%	12%	10%	0%	12%	11%	15%	12%	10%
Pam Evette, Lieutenant Governor Column %	12%	12%	10%	10%	12%	12%	9%	9%	0%	12%	6%	11%	13%	17% H
Ralph Norman, U.S. Congressman Column %	11%	12%	0%	4%	11%	9%	19% D	12%	0%	11%	7%	9%	18% HIK	4%
Josh Kimbrell, State Senator Column %	4%	3%	0%	6%	4%	2%	10% D	3%	0%	4%	5%	4%	3%	3%
Undecided Column %	43%	43%	13%	43%	43%	44%	40%	39%	86%	43%	32%	45% H	42%	56% HJ

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Significant difference within groups: ADEHIJK

South Carolina Policy Council Poll of 1,200 Registered Voters Jan. 24 to Feb. 01, 2026, MOE +/- 2.77%

Dem Gov. Ballot: Thinking ahead to the 2026 Democratic primary election for Governor, if that election were held today among the following candidates, for whom would you vote? [BASE: Likely Democratic primary voter] [ROTATE] *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	348	5	316	26	348	22	125	187	13	348	91	83	114	61
Jermaine Johnson, State Representative Column %	25%	33%	25%	28%	25%	24%	22%	25%	57% DEF	25%	21%	32%	22%	28%
Mullins McLeod, Charleston Attorney Column %	8%	20%	9%	0%	8%	3%	7%	10%	0%	8%	5%	15% HJ	4%	12%
Undecided Column %	67%	46%	66%	72%	67%	73%	70% G	65%	43%	67%	73% I	53%	74% I	60%

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■ Significant difference within groups: DEFGHIJ

South Carolina Policy Council Poll of 1,200 Registered Voters Jan. 24 to Feb. 01, 2026, MOE +/- 2.77%

GOP AG Primary: Thinking ahead to the 2026 Republican primary election for Attorney General, if that election were held today among the following candidates, for whom would you vote? [BASE: Likely Republican primary voter] [ROTATE] *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	543	479	4	59	543	404	84	53	2	543	116	137	202	87
Stephen Goldfinch, State Senator														
Column %	12%	12%	45%	11%	12%	9%	15%	34% DE	0%	12%	6%	21% HJ	7%	21% HJ
David Pascoe, First Circuit Solicitor														
Column %	8%	8%	15%	9%	8%	7%	9%	13%	14%	8%	15% I	3%	8%	7%
David Stumbo, Eighth Circuit Solicitor														
Column %	8%	7%	40% A	14%	8%	7%	9%	12%	0%	8%	11% K	8%	8%	2%
Undecided														
Column %	71%	73% B	1%	66% B	71%	76% F	67% F	42%	86%	71%	68%	68%	77%	69%

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■ Significant difference within groups: ABDEFHIJK

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Age Grouped *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
18 to 24 Column %	6%	2%	10% A	10% A	6%	2%	8% D	11% D	5%	6%	6%	7%	6%	4%
25 to 34 Column %	15%	13%	17%	16%	15%	10%	14%	22% DE	35% DE	15%	10%	15%	17% H	16%
35 to 44 Column %	13%	12%	14%	15%	13%	11%	15%	13%	12%	13%	13%	15%	13%	10%
45 to 54 Column %	15%	13%	18% A	15%	15%	11%	20% D	16%	14%	15%	14%	14%	17%	12%
55 to 64 Column %	18%	21% B	14%	16%	18%	21% EF	15%	14%	28% EF	18%	19% K	19% K	19% K	12%
65 or older Column %	33%	39% BC	27%	27%	33%	45% EFG	27% G	24% G	6%	33%	37% IJ	28%	28%	47% IJ

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■ Significant difference within groups: ABCDEFGHIJK

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Thinking about your general approach to issues, do you consider yourself to be... *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Very liberal Column %	10%	4%	20% AC	4%	10%	0%	0%	41% DEG	0%	10%	11%	10%	8%	13% J
Somewhat liberal Column %	14%	5%	29% AC	10% A	14%	0%	0%	59% DEG	0%	14%	12%	14%	13%	18%
Moderate Column %	29%	15%	37% A	52% AB	29%	0%	100% DFG	0%	0%	29%	30%	31%	29%	26%
Somewhat conservative Column %	22%	33% BC	7%	19% B	22%	50% EFG	0%	0%	0%	22%	23%	23%	19%	25%
Very conservative Column %	21%	40% BC	2%	9% B	21%	50% EFG	0%	0%	0%	21%	20%	19%	26% IK	15%
Not sure Column %	4%	3%	4%	6%	4%	0%	0%	0%	100% DEF	4%	4%	3%	5%	4%

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■ Significant difference within groups: ABCDEFGIJK

South Carolina Policy Council Poll of 1,200 Registered Voters Jan. 24 to Feb. 01, 2026, MOE +/- 2.77%

Which of the following are you? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Male														
Column %	47%	51% B	38%	53% B	47%	55% EFG	44%	39%	40%	47%	55% K	48% K	48% K	33%
Female														
Column %	53%	49%	61% AC	47%	53%	45%	56% D	61% D	60% D	53%	45%	52%	52%	67% HIJ
Other														
Column %	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%

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■ Significant difference within groups: ABCDEFGHIJK

South Carolina Policy Council Poll of 1,200 Registered Voters Jan. 24 to Feb. 01, 2026, MOE +/- 2.77%

How many infants and children under 18 years of age live in your household today? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
None Column %	68%	71% B	63%	70%	68%	73% EF	63%	63%	69%	68%	69%	68%	65%	72%
1 to 2 Column %	27%	24%	30%	26%	27%	22% D	30% D	31% D	27%	27%	28%	24%	29%	23%
3 or more Column %	6%	5%	8%	4%	6%	5%	7%	6%	5%	6%	3%	8% H	6% H	5%

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■ Significant difference within groups: BDEFH

South Carolina Policy Council Poll of 1,200 Registered Voters Jan. 24 to Feb. 01, 2026, MOE +/- 2.77%

Which of the following best describes your race or ethnicity? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
White, non-Hispanic Column %	72%	91% BC	46% B	71% B	72%	89% EFG	62% E	55% F	59% G	72%	72%	65% I	78% IK	69% K
Black or African American Column %	22%	4% A	47% AC	22% A	22%	7% D	32% D	36% D	32% D	22%	20% J	29% HJ	15% J	30% HJ
Asian Column %	1%	1% A	2% A	1%	1%	0% DF	3% DF	0% F	1%	1%	3% IJK	0% I	1% J	0% K
Hispanic Column %	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	2% D	1% E	5% DE	5%	2%	3%	2%	4% K	1% K
Other Column %	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	1%	2%	3%	1%
Prefer not to say Column %	0%	0% A	0% B	2% AB	0%	0%	1%	0%	3%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%

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■ Significant difference within groups: ABCDEFGHIJK

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Which of the following best describes your household's total income in 2025, BEFORE taxes? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
< \$15,000 Column %	7%	3%	10% A	11% A	7%	2%	10% D	11% D	20% DE	7%	9%	6%	6%	6%
\$15,000-\$24,999 Column %	5%	4%	7% A	6%	5%	4%	6%	5%	10%	5%	4%	5%	6%	4%
\$25,000-\$34,999 Column %	8%	9% B	5%	11% B	8%	7%	7%	10%	11%	8%	2%	14% HJK	7% H	7% H
\$35,000-\$49,999 Column %	15%	14%	17%	12%	15%	12%	17%	18% D	15%	15%	10%	12%	16% H	24% HIJ
\$50,000-\$74,999 Column %	19%	21%	17%	18%	19%	21%	18%	16%	29% F	19%	14%	15%	22% HI	27% HI
\$75,000-\$99,999 Column %	16%	21% BC	12%	12%	16%	22% EFG	13% G	12% G	4%	16%	19% K	16% K	17% K	10%
\$100,000-124,999 Column %	10%	10%	11%	10%	10%	11%	12% F	7%	8%	10%	12% J	15% JK	7%	7%
\$125,000-\$149,999 Column %	7%	8%	7%	5%	7%	8% EG	5%	9% EG	0%	7%	13% IJK	6%	6%	3%
\$150,000-199,999 Column %	5%	5%	4%	6%	5%	6%	5%	4%	0%	5%	5%	5%	5%	6%
\$200,000 and over Column %	6%	4%	8% A	6%	6%	6%	6%	7%	0%	6%	11% IJK	4%	5%	5%
I'm not sure Column %	2%	1%	1%	5% AB	2%	1%	3% D	1%	4%	2%	1%	1%	3%	1%

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Significant difference within groups: ABCDEFGHIJK

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Which of the following best describes your current education level? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Some high school or less Column %	10%	8%	9%	17% AB	10%	5%	10% D	15% DE	30% DEF	10%	7%	7%	11%	13% HI
High school graduate Column %	28%	29%	29%	23%	28%	28%	29%	25%	30%	28%	17%	26% H	30% H	43% HIJ
Associate degree (two-year post-secondary degree) Column %	11%	12%	11%	7%	11%	12%	9%	13%	6%	11%	10%	14% K	11% K	6%
Some college but no degree Column %	19%	19%	20%	17%	19%	19%	20%	18%	17%	19%	17%	23% K	19%	16%
Bachelor's degree Column %	20%	20%	19%	22%	20%	23% G	20% G	17%	8%	20%	34% IJK	17%	17%	12%
Master's or professional degree Column %	9%	9%	8%	10%	9%	11% G	9% G	7%	0%	9%	15% JK	11% J	5%	7%
Doctoral degree Column %	3%	2%	4%	3%	3%	3%	2%	5%	2%	3%	1%	1%	5% HI	3%
Prefer not to say Column %	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	7% DEF	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%

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What is your current marital status? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Married Column %	52%	63% BC	42% BC	44% BC	52%	67% EFG	47% F	34% F	41% F	52%	52%	48%	55%	53%
Widowed Column %	7%	8% C	8% C	4% C	7%	8%	7%	8%	3%	7%	8%	8%	5% J	12% J
Divorced Column %	8%	7%	9%	11%	8%	8%	9%	8%	13%	8%	10%	11% JK	6% H	6% H
Separated Column %	3%	3%	3%	5%	3%	1% DE	3% DE	7% DE	11% DE	3%	1% H	3%	4% H	5% H
Never married Column %	21%	13% A	29% A	29% A	21%	11% D	25% D	34% DE	20%	21%	21%	23%	22%	15%
Prefer not to say Column %	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0% DEF	1% DEF	0% DEF	8% DEF	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
Living with partner Column %	8%	6% A	10% A	6%	8%	5% D	10% D	10% D	6%	8%	8%	7%	7%	9%

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Do you own or rent your home? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Own														
Column %	71%	77% BC	67%	65%	71%	81% EFG	68% G	63% G	46%	71%	77% J	73% J	66%	73%
Rent														
Column %	29%	23%	33% A	35% A	29%	19%	32% D	37% D	54% DEF	29%	23%	27%	34% HI	27%

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Thinking about your religion, are you... *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Protestant Column %	37%	47% BC	26%	29%	37%	50% EFG	33% FG	22% G	6%	37%	32%	37%	41% HK	32%
Roman Catholic Column %	13%	18% B	6%	15% B	13%	19% EFG	10%	10%	2%	13%	19% J	13%	9%	15% J
Mormon Column %	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
Orthodox (e.g., Greek or Russian Orthodox) Column %	2%	3%	1%	1%	2%	3% E	1%	1%	0%	2%	0%	3% H	2% H	3% H
Jewish Column %	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	4% DE	0%	2%	3% I	0%	1%	3% I
Muslim Column %	1%	1%	3% C	0%	1%	1%	1%	3% D	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%
Buddhist Column %	1%	0%	2% A	1%	1%	0%	3% D	1% D	1%	1%	3% JK	1%	0%	0%
Hindu Column %	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Atheist Column %	3%	2%	5% A	3%	3%	2%	2%	8% DE	0%	3%	7% JK	4%	2%	1%
Agnostic Column %	3%	1%	5% A	4% A	3%	1%	2%	7% DE	0%	3%	2%	2%	4%	4%
Something else Column %	22%	19%	26% A	24%	22%	15%	30% DF	21% D	53% DEF	22%	15%	21%	28% HI	23% H
Nothing in particular Column %	15%	7%	23% A	21% A	15%	9%	16% D	21% D	37% DEF	15%	18% J	17% J	11%	18% J

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Would you describe yourself as a 'born-again' or evangelical Christian? [BASE: Protestant] *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	438	268	111	59	438	256	117	63	3	438	85	110	181	61
Yes														
Column %	61%	67% BC	56%	47%	61%	64%	60%	53%	33%	61%	55%	58%	66%	62%
No														
Column %	39%	33%	44% A	53% A	39%	36%	40%	47%	67%	39%	45%	42%	34%	38%

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■ Significant difference within groups: ABC

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Are you now employed full-time, part-time, self-employed, or not employed? *

	Party				Ideology					SC Regions				
	Total	Republican A	Democrat B	Independent or Other C	Total	Conservative D	Moderate E	Liberal F	Refused G	Total	Charleston / Low Country H	Columbia / Piedmont I	Greenville / Upstate J	Myrtle Beach / Pee Dee K
Sample Size	1,200	576	420	204	1,200	515	350	286	49	1,200	264	300	444	192
Full-time Column %	41%	39%	45%	38%	41%	38%	45% D	41%	51%	41%	40% K	42% K	47% K	27%
Part-time Column %	9%	8%	10%	7%	9%	8%	9%	9%	8%	9%	8%	10%	7%	11%
Self-employed Column %	7%	6%	7%	8%	7%	7%	6%	9%	4%	7%	7%	7%	7%	7%
Not employed Column %	12%	9%	14% A	16% A	12%	8%	15% D	14% D	31% DEF	12%	12%	13%	12%	11%
Retired Column %	31%	36% B	23%	29%	31%	39% EFG	25% G	26% G	3%	31%	31%	28%	26%	44% HIJ
I'm not sure Column %	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	3%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%

* Denotes variable with statistically significant findings

■ Significant difference within groups: ABDEFGHIJK

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Are you now employed full-time, part-time, self-employed, or not employed? *

Weight Variable = Weight, Confidence Level = 95%

* Denotes variable with statistically significant findings
 Significant difference within groups: ABDEFGHIJK