

# REPORT



Ohio Interview Schedule

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**Interviewing:** March 25 - 31, 2013

**Respondents:** 605 Registered Ohio Voters

**Method:** Telephone

**Sample:** Random Digit Dial

**Weighting:** Results are weighted to be representative of registered voters in Ohio

**Margin of Error:** +/- 4% at 95% confidence

**SCREENER**

S1 Are you currently registered to vote in the state of Ohio?

	Total
Base	605
Yes	100%
No	0%
Don't know	0%

S2 Did you vote in the last (2012) Presidential election?

	Total
Base	605
Yes	93%
No	7%
Don't know	0%
Decline to answer	0%

**QUESTIONNAIRE**

Q1. In general, do you think things in the nation are headed in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track?

	Total
Base	605
Right direction	32%
Wrong direction	60%
Not sure	8%

Q2. In general, do you think things in the state of Ohio are headed in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track?

	Total
Base	605
Right direction	49%
Wrong direction	41%
Not sure	11%

Q3. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that Barack Obama is doing as President?

	Total
Base	605
Approve	40%
Disapprove	55%
Not sure	5%

Q4. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that Congress is doing?

	Total
Base	605
Approve	13%
Disapprove	79%
Not sure	9%

Q5. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that John Kasich is doing as Governor?

	Total
Base	605
Approve	47%
Disapprove	38%
Not sure	15%

Q6. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that the Ohio legislature is doing?

	Total
Base	605
Approve	44%
Disapprove	34%
Not sure	22%

Do you agree or disagree with the following statements? And is that strongly or somewhat agree/disagree?

Q7. Increasing energy taxes, like taxes on oil and natural gas companies, hurts everyone because those tax increases could drive up energy costs for consumers.

	Total
Base	605
<b>AGREE (NET)</b>	<b>75%</b>
Strongly Agree	59%
Somewhat Agree	16%
Neither Agree nor Disagree	0%
<b>DISAGREE (NET)</b>	<b>22%</b>
Somewhat Disagree	9%
Strongly Disagree	13%
Don't Know/Refuse	2%

Q8. Increasing energy taxes, like taxes on oil and natural gas companies, could kill jobs and negatively impact the economy.

	Total
Base	605
<b>AGREE (NET)</b>	<b>69%</b>
Strongly Agree	50%
Somewhat Agree	19%
Neither Agree nor Disagree	0%
<b>DISAGREE (NET)</b>	<b>27%</b>
Somewhat Disagree	12%
Strongly Disagree	15%
Don't Know/Refuse	3%

Q9. Now is not the time for politicians in Washington to raise energy taxes. They should solve the country's budget issues without hurting consumers and taxpayers.

	Total
Base	605
<b>AGREE (NET)</b>	<b>81%</b>
Strongly Agree	69%
Somewhat Agree	12%
Neither Agree nor Disagree	1%
<b>DISAGREE (NET)</b>	<b>15%</b>
Somewhat Disagree	8%
Strongly Disagree	7%
Don't Know/Refuse	3%

Q10. Raising taxes only on America's oil and natural gas industry, or just on a handful of companies, as some politicians in Washington have recommended, would be bad tax policy, as well as unfair and discriminatory.

	Total
Base	605
<b>AGREE (NET)</b>	<b>67%</b>
Strongly Agree	44%
Somewhat Agree	23%
Neither Agree nor Disagree	1%
<b>DISAGREE (NET)</b>	<b>26%</b>
Somewhat Disagree	13%
Strongly Disagree	13%
Don't Know/Refuse	7%

Now turning your attention to some issues in the state of Ohio, as you may know, the Governor has proposed increasing the tax on oil and natural gas that is being produced in the state of Ohio. This tax is called a "severance tax". Please let me know if you agree or disagree with the following statements? And is that strongly or somewhat agree/disagree?

Q11. Increasing the severance tax on Ohio's oil and natural gas industry could slow development of these critically needed energy resources.

	Total
Base	605
<b>AGREE (NET)</b>	<b>68%</b>
Strongly Agree	43%
Somewhat Agree	25%
Neither Agree nor Disagree	2%
<b>DISAGREE (NET)</b>	<b>25%</b>
Somewhat Disagree	11%
Strongly Disagree	14%
Don't Know/Refuse	5%

Q12. Increasing the severance tax on Ohio’s oil and natural gas industry could kill jobs, not just in the oil and natural gas industry but in other sectors as well.

	Total
Base	605
<b>AGREE (NET)</b>	<b>69%</b>
Strongly Agree	50%
Somewhat Agree	19%
Neither Agree nor Disagree	1%
<b>DISAGREE (NET)</b>	<b>24%</b>
Somewhat Disagree	14%
Strongly Disagree	10%
Don’t Know/Refuse	6%

Q13. Increasing the severance tax on Ohio’s oil and natural gas industry could end up harming the state’s economy because companies might go to other states for energy production.

	Total
Base	605
<b>AGREE (NET)</b>	<b>76%</b>
Strongly Agree	54%
Somewhat Agree	22%
Neither Agree nor Disagree	1%
<b>DISAGREE (NET)</b>	<b>19%</b>
Somewhat Disagree	8%
Strongly Disagree	11%
Don’t Know/Refuse	4%

Q14. Increasing the severance tax on Ohio’s oil and natural gas industry could end up hurting consumers of gasoline and home heating fuels.

	Total
Base	605
<b>AGREE (NET)</b>	<b>77%</b>
Strongly Agree	58%
Somewhat Agree	19%
Neither Agree nor Disagree	1%
<b>DISAGREE (NET)</b>	<b>17%</b>
Somewhat Disagree	8%
Strongly Disagree	9%
Don’t Know/Refuse	5%

## DEMOGRAPHICS

### Gender

	Total
Base	605
Male	49%
Female	51%

### Age

	Total
Base	605
18 - 24	3%
25 - 34	10%
35 - 49	33%
50 - 64	30%
65+	20%
Refused	3%

### Education

	Total
Base	605
<b>HIGH SCHOOL OR LESS (NET)</b>	<b>42%</b>
Less than high school	4%
High school graduate	38%
<b>ATTENDED COLLEGE OR COLLEGE DEGREE (NET)</b>	<b>48%</b>
Some college	20%
Associates	12%
College graduate	16%
Post-graduate	9%
Refused	1%

### Party

	Total
Base	605
<b>REPUBLICAN (NET)</b>	<b>30%</b>
Strong Republican	19%
Not-so-strong Republican	11%
<b>INDEPENDENT (NET)</b>	<b>24%</b>
Lean Republican	12%
Lean Democrat	6%
Do Not Lean Either Way	5%
<b>DEMOCRAT (NET)</b>	<b>32%</b>
Strong Democrat	23%
Not-so-strong Democrat	8%
Other	9%

Ideology

	Total
Base	605
<b>CONSERVATIVE (NET)</b>	<b>55%</b>
Very Conservative	26%
Somewhat Conservative	29%
Neither	5%
<b>LIBERAL (NET)</b>	<b>33%</b>
Somewhat Liberal	20%
Very Liberal	13%
Don't know/Refused	6%

Race/Ethnicity

	Total
Base	605
White	77%
Hispanic	1%
Black or African American	11%
Mixed Race	4%
Native American or Alaskan Native	2%
Asian or Pacific Islander	1%
Some other race	1%
Don't know/Refused	3%

Which of the following best describes where you live?

	Total
Base	605
Rural	38%
Urban	15%
Suburban	44%



Income

	Total
Base	605
Less than \$5,000	3%
\$5,000 but less than \$10,000	2%
\$10,000 but less than \$15,000	3%
\$15,000 but less than \$20,000	6%
\$20,000 but less than \$25,000	3%
\$25,000 but less than \$30,000	4%
\$30,000 but less than \$35,000	4%
\$35,000 but less than \$40,000	4%
\$40,000 but less than \$50,000	7%
\$50,000 but less than \$60,000	7%
\$60,000 but less than \$75,000	9%
\$75,000 but less than \$80,000	4%
\$80,000 but less than \$100,000	8%
\$100,000 or more	15%
Refused	22%