

REPORT

What America Is Thinking On Energy Issues

2016 Election Night Poll – Actual Voters

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Interviewing: November 8, 2016
Respondents: 890 Actual Voters
Method: Telephone
Weighting: Results are weighted to be representative of registered voters nationwide.
Sampling Error: +/- 3% at 95% confidence

Q1 As you prepared to vote today, how important to you was the issue of the nation’s economy?

	Total	GOP	Ind	Dem
Important [NET]	97%	98%	98%	96%
Very important	83%	92%	82%	76%
Somewhat important	14%	6%	16%	20%
Not important [NET]	1%	1%	2%	2%
Not very important	1%	1%	1%	2%
Not at all important	0%	-	1%	0%
Don’t know/Refused	1%	1%	-	2%

Q2 As you prepared to vote today, how important to you was the issue of creating jobs here in the U.S.?

	Total	GOP	Ind	Dem
Important [NET]	99%	99%	98%	98%
Very important	82%	89%	79%	75%
Somewhat important	17%	10%	19%	23%
Not important [NET]	1%	-	1%	2%
Not very important	0%	-	0%	1%
Not at all important	1%	-	1%	1%
Don’t know/Refused	0%	0%	0%	0%

Q3 According to government and international data, the United States is leading the top 20 economies in the world in reducing greenhouse gas emissions from energy. As you may know, greenhouse gases contribute to climate change. How important is it to you that the U.S. is doing better than all of the other major economies in Europe and elsewhere when it comes to reducing greenhouse gases?

	Total	GOP	Ind	Dem
Important [NET]	78%	58%	84%	93%
Very important	54%	32%	52%	78%
Somewhat important	24%	26%	32%	16%
Not important [NET]	20%	38%	15%	6%
Not very important	10%	20%	6%	4%
Not at all important	10%	18%	9%	2%
Don’t know/Refused	3%	4%	1%	1%

Q4 As you may know, the increased use of natural gas in generating electricity has played a key role in the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions. Do you support or oppose the role natural gas is playing in reducing U.S. greenhouse gases?

	Total	GOP	Ind	Dem
Support [NET]	77%	82%	80%	76%
Strongly support	41%	46%	41%	41%
Somewhat support	36%	36%	39%	35%
Oppose [NET]	9%	9%	7%	9%
Somewhat oppose	5%	6%	3%	7%
Strongly oppose	4%	3%	4%	2%
Don't know/Refused	14%	9%	13%	15%

Q5 As you may know, today's advanced gasoline and diesel motor fuels are helping cars and trucks run cleaner, more efficiently and longer. How important to you is the fact that U.S. transportation fuels are helping reduce air pollution?

	Total	GOP	Ind	Dem
Important [NET]	92%	90%	89%	97%
Very important	65%	54%	61%	78%
Somewhat important	27%	36%	28%	19%
Not important [NET]	6%	8%	7%	1%
Not very important	3%	5%	3%	1%
Not at all important	3%	3%	4%	0%
Don't know/Refused	2%	1%	4%	0%

Q6 Do you support or oppose increased production of oil and natural gas resources located here in the U.S.?

	Total	GOP	Ind	Dem
Support [NET]	80%	94%	76%	71%
Strongly support	57%	82%	52%	37%
Somewhat support	23%	12%	24%	34%
Oppose [NET]	14%	4%	15%	24%
Somewhat oppose	6%	1%	10%	10%
Strongly oppose	8%	3%	5%	14%
Don't know/Refused	7%	3%	10%	5%

Now, I am going to read you a series of statements. For each statement, please tell me if you agree or disagree with that statement.

Q7 Agree/Disagree: Increased access to domestic oil and natural gas resources could lead to more American jobs.

	Total	GOP	Ind	Dem
Agree [NET]	86%	97%	77%	81%
Strongly agree	66%	82%	59%	55%
Somewhat agree	20%	15%	18%	26%
Disagree [NET]	10%	2%	20%	13%
Somewhat disagree	6%	1%	13%	9%
Strongly disagree	4%	1%	7%	4%
Don't know/Refused	4%	2%	4%	6%

Q8 Agree/Disagree: Increased access to domestic oil and natural gas resources could help stimulate the economy.

	Total	GOP	Ind	Dem
Agree [NET]	87%	96%	84%	81%
Strongly agree	60%	79%	59%	44%
Somewhat agree	27%	17%	25%	37%
Disagree [NET]	9%	3%	14%	12%
Somewhat disagree	5%	1%	8%	7%
Strongly disagree	4%	2%	6%	5%
Don't know/Refused	4%	1%	3%	7%

Q9 Agree/Disagree: Increased access to domestic oil and natural gas resources could help lower energy costs for American consumers

	Total	GOP	Ind	Dem
Agree [NET]	82%	90%	84%	76%
Strongly agree	47%	64%	39%	40%
Somewhat agree	35%	26%	45%	36%
Disagree [NET]	14%	7%	13%	18%
Somewhat disagree	7%	4%	4%	9%
Strongly disagree	7%	3%	9%	9%
Don't know/Refused	4%	3%	4%	6%

Q10 Agree/Disagree: Increased access to domestic oil and natural gas resources could help strengthen America’s energy security.

	Total	GOP	Ind	Dem
Agree [NET]	85%	95%	84%	76%
Strongly agree	60%	78%	54%	47%
Somewhat agree	25%	17%	30%	29%
Disagree [NET]	12%	4%	11%	18%
Somewhat disagree	7%	2%	7%	12%
Strongly disagree	5%	2%	4%	6%
Don’t know/Refused	3%	1%	5%	5%

Q11 Agree/Disagree: Increased access to domestic oil and natural gas resources could help America become more of an energy power in the world, and enable us to assist our allies in Europe and elsewhere who need energy resources.

	Total	GOP	Ind	Dem
Agree [NET]	74%	84%	76%	62%
Strongly agree	45%	61%	35%	35%
Somewhat agree	29%	23%	41%	27%
Disagree [NET]	23%	14%	19%	33%
Somewhat disagree	12%	6%	8%	20%
Strongly disagree	11%	8%	11%	13%
Don’t know/Refused	4%	3%	4%	5%

Q12 As you may know, some in Congress are considering making changes to the Federal tax laws. Would you support or oppose higher taxes that could decrease investment in energy production and reduce energy development here in the U.S.?

	Total	GOP	Ind	Dem
Support [NET]	19%	7%	20%	31%
Strongly support	6%	2%	6%	11%
Somewhat support	13%	5%	14%	20%
Oppose [NET]	72%	86%	70%	62%
Somewhat oppose	22%	22%	22%	25%
Strongly oppose	50%	64%	48%	37%
Don’t know/Refused	8%	6%	10%	8%

Q13 Do you agree or disagree that federal government regulations could contribute to increased costs for gasoline to consumers?

	Total	GOP	Ind	Dem
Agree [NET]	75%	88%	76%	66%
Strongly agree	45%	60%	47%	28%
Somewhat agree	30%	28%	29%	38%
Disagree [NET]	19%	8%	20%	26%
Somewhat disagree	9%	3%	14%	12%
Strongly disagree	10%	5%	6%	14%
Don't know/Refused	6%	3%	4%	8%

Q14 As you may know, much of the gasoline in the U.S. market currently contains up to a 10% ethanol blend. Most auto manufacturers have said they will not cover vehicle damage caused by higher ethanol fuel blends. Given that situation, how concerned are you about government requirements that would increase the amount of ethanol in gasoline?

	Total	GOP	Ind	Dem
Concerned [NET]	75%	86%	69%	71%
Very concerned	47%	61%	40%	40%
Somewhat concerned	28%	25%	29%	31%
Not Concerned [NET]	20%	10%	26%	24%
Not very concerned	12%	6%	19%	13%
Not at all concerned	8%	4%	7%	11%
Don't know/Refused	5%	4%	6%	5%

Q15 Do you support or oppose increased development of the country's energy infrastructure?

	Total	GOP	Ind	Dem
Support [NET]	81%	85%	81%	77%
Strongly support	55%	69%	53%	44%
Somewhat support	26%	16%	28%	33%
Oppose [NET]	12%	7%	10%	16%
Somewhat oppose	7%	5%	4%	10%
Strongly oppose	5%	2%	6%	6%
Don't know/Refused	8%	8%	8%	6%

Q16 Do you support or oppose legislation that could increase the cost of domestic oil and natural gas operations and thus potentially drive up energy costs to American consumers?

	Total	GOP	Ind	Dem
Support [NET]	16%	8%	17%	22%
Strongly support	5%	4%	4%	6%
Somewhat support	11%	4%	13%	16%
Oppose [NET]	77%	86%	78%	68%
Somewhat oppose	22%	21%	18%	25%
Strongly oppose	55%	65%	60%	43%
Don't know/Refused	7%	6%	6%	10%

Q17 Some people believe that the U.S. should establish a national energy policy that ensures a secure supply of abundant, affordable and available energy for the American people in an environmentally responsible manner. Would you support or oppose such an energy policy?

	Total	GOP	Ind	Dem
Support [NET]	77%	76%	79%	79%
Strongly support	48%	42%	53%	52%
Somewhat support	29%	34%	26%	27%
Oppose [NET]	16%	18%	14%	17%
Somewhat oppose	7%	7%	7%	8%
Strongly oppose	9%	11%	7%	9%
Don't know/Refused	6%	6%	7%	4%

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Gender

	Total
Base	890
Male	47%
Female	53%

Political Party

	Total
Base	890
REPUBLICAN (NET)	34%
Strong Republican	26%
Not-so-strong Republican	8%
INDEPENDENT (NET)	22%
Lean Republican	9%
Lean Democrat	7%
Do not lean either way	5%
DEMOCRAT (NET)	35%
Strong Democrat	23%
Not-so-strong Democrat	11%
Other	5%
Not sure	1%
Decline to answer	2%

Ideology

	Total
Base	890
CONSERVATIVE (NET)	60%
Very conservative	28%
Somewhat conservative	32%
Neither	5%
LIBERAL (NET)	29%
Somewhat liberal	19%
Very liberal	10%
Don't know/Refused	6%

Age

	Total
Base	890
18 – 34	9%
35 – 64	60%
65+	30%
Don't know/Refused	1%

Education

	Total
Base	890
HIGH SCHOOL OR LESS (NET)	34%
Less than high school	4%
High school graduate	30%
ATTENDED COLLEGE OR COLLEGE DEGREE (NET)	53%
Some college	22%
Associate's degree	9%
College graduate	22%
Post-graduate	12%
Don't know/Refused	1%

Race/Ethnicity

	Total
Base	890
White	71%
Black or African American	12%
Hispanic	8%
Asian or Pacific Islander	2%
Native American or Alaskan Native	1%
Some other race	2%
Don't know/Refused	3%

Household Income

	Total
Base	890
Less than \$5,000	1%
\$5,000 but less than \$10,000	3%
\$10,000 but less than \$15,000	4%
\$15,000 but less than \$20,000	4%
\$20,000 but less than \$25,000	4%
\$25,000 but less than \$30,000	5%
\$30,000 but less than \$35,000	3%
\$35,000 but less than \$40,000	4%
\$40,000 but less than \$50,000	7%
\$50,000 but less than \$60,000	8%
\$60,000 but less than \$75,000	6%
\$75,000 but less than \$80,000	5%
\$80,000 but less than \$100,000	6%
\$100,000 or more	21%
Don't know/Refused	20%