



## MASON-DIXON POLLING & STRATEGY

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### HOW THE POLL WAS CONDUCTED

**This poll was conducted by Mason-Dixon Polling & Strategy, Inc. of Jacksonville, Florida from January 23 through January 25, 2018. A total of 625 registered Virginia voters were interviewed statewide by telephone.**

**Those interviewed were randomly selected from a phone-matched Virginia voter registration list that included both land-line and cell phone numbers. Quotas were assigned to reflect voter registration by county.**

**The margin for error, according to standards customarily used by statisticians, is no more than  $\pm 4$  percentage points. This means that there is a 95 percent probability that the "true" figure would fall within that range if all voters were surveyed. The margin for error is higher for any subgroup, such as a gender or age grouping**

**QUESTION: Oil and Gas development off Virginia’s coast is being considered. Modern technology can determine how much oil and gas is off our coast. If large quantities exist, and development can be done in an environmentally friendly way, employing 30,000 people, would you support or oppose this effort?**

	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
<b>STATE</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>6%</b>

<u>REGION</u>	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
Northern Virginia	50%	45%	5%
Shenandoah/Piedmont	54%	39%	7%
Richmond Metro	54%	39%	7%
Hampton Roads	55%	41%	4%
Lynchburg/Southside	67%	24%	9%
Roanoke/Southwest	63%	31%	6%

<u>SEX</u>	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
Men	61%	37%	2%
Women	49%	41%	10%

<u>AGE</u>	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
<50	52%	43%	5%
50+	57%	36%	7%

<u>RACE</u>	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
White	60%	35%	5%
Black	39%	52%	9%

<u>PARTY ID</u>	<u>SUPPORT</u>	<u>OPPOSE</u>	<u>UNDECIDED</u>
Democrat	35%	59%	6%
Republican	81%	16%	3%
Independent	54%	37%	9%

## DEMOGRAPHICS

### **PARTY REGISTRATION:**

Democrat	253 (40%)
Republican	192 (31%)
Independent or Other	180 (29%)

### **AGE:**

18-34	117 (19%)
35-49	167 (27%)
50-64	189 (30%)
65+	145 (23%)
Refused	7 (1%)

### **RACE/ETHNICITY:**

White/Caucasian	427 (70%)
Black/African American	125 (19%)
Hispanic	33 (6%)
Other	28 (3%)
Refused	12 (2%)

### **SEX:**

Male	295 (47%)
Female	330 (53%)

### **REGION:**

Northern Virginia	170 (27%)
Shenandoah/Piedmont	95 (15%)
Richmond Metro	90 (14%)
Hampton Roads	125 (20%)
Lynchburg/Southside	75 (12%)
Roanoke/Southwest	70 (11%)

## VIRGINIA POLL REGIONS

**NORTHERN VIRGINIA:** Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun and Prince William counties and the independent cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Manassas and Manassas Park.

**SHENANDOAH/PIEDMONT:** Stafford, Spotsylvania, King George, Caroline, Louisa, Fluvanna, Albemarle, Nelson, Greene, Orange, Madison, Culpepper, Fauquier, Rappahannock, Clarke, Frederick, Warren, Shenandoah, Page, Rockingham, Augusta and Rockbridge counties and the independent cities of Charlottesville, Fredericksburg, Staunton, Harrisonburg, Winchester, Waynesboro, Staunton, Buena Vista and Lexington.

**RICHMOND METRO:** Chesterfield, Henrico, Hanover, Powhatan, Goochland, New Kent and Charles City counties and the independent cities of Richmond and Colonial Heights.

**HAMPTON ROADS:** Accomack, Northampton, Northumberland, Westmoreland, Lancaster, Middlesex, Mathews, Richmond, Essex, King & Queen, King William, Gloucester, James City and York counties and the independent cities of Williamsburg, Newport News, Hampton, Poquoson, Norfolk, Portsmouth, Virginia Beach, Chesapeake and Suffolk.

**LYNCHBURG/SOUTHSIDE:** Isle of Wight, Sussex, Surry, Southampton, Greensville, Dinwiddie, Prince George, Brunswick, Mecklenburg, Lunenburg, Nottoway, Amelia, Prince Edward, Cumberland, Buckingham, Appomattox, Amherst, Campbell, Charlotte, Halifax, Pittsylvania, Henry, Franklin and Bedford counties and the independent cities of Petersburg, Hopewell, Franklin, Emporia, Danville, Martinsville, Lynchburg and Bedford.

**ROANOKE/SOUTHWEST:** Highland, Bath, Alleghany, Botetourt, Roanoke, Craig, Montgomery, Floyd, Patrick, Giles, Pulaski, Carroll, Grayson, Wythe, Bland, Tazewell, Smyth, Washington, Buchanan, Dickenson, Russell, Wise, Scott and Lee counties and the independent cities of Roanoke, Salem, Radford, Covington, Galax, Norton and Bristol.