

# SURVEY OF WEST VIRGINIA REGISTERED VOTERS

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Hello, this is \_\_\_\_\_ with Dynata, a public opinion research company. May I please speak with Mr./Ms. \_\_\_\_\_? Mr./Ms. \_\_\_\_\_, we're talking with people in West Virginia today for just a few minutes about some important issues facing the state. We are not trying to sell anything, your answers are completely confidential, and we would really appreciate your cooperation. (DO NOT PAUSE)

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FOR CELL PHONE SAMPLE:

CELL 1. Have I reached you on a cell phone?

YES .....1 GO TO Q. CELL 2  
NO .....2 GO TO Q. A

CELL 2. Are you in a place right now where you can safely take the survey?

YES .....1 GO TO Q. A  
NO .....2 CALLBACK  
NOT WILLING TO TAKE SURVEY .....3 THANK AND CLOSE  
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED .....4 THANK AND CLOSE

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A. Are you registered to vote in the county in which you live?

YES .....1 GO TO Q. C  
NO .....2 GO TO Q. B

B. Is there anyone else in your household who is registered to vote in your county? IF YES ASK: May I speak with that person please?

YES .....1 GO TO INTRO  
NO .....2 THANK AND CLOSE

C. In the midterm elections for Congress next year, would you say you are absolutely certain to vote, very likely to vote, not very likely to vote, or certainly will not vote?

ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN .....62%  
VERY LIKELY .....25%  
NOT VERY LIKELY .....7%  
CERTAINLY WILL NOT .....2%  
DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION .....3%

Results based on 500 respondents,, MoE  $\pm 4.38$  percent. Totals may not equal 100 percent due to rounding.

D. How would you prefer to vote next year in the midterm elections: in person on election day, in person during an early voting period before election day, or by mail before election day?

ELECTION DAY .....	60%
EARLY VOTING PERIOD.....	24%
MAIL .....	13%
DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION .....	3%

E. Are you, or is any member of your family, employed by a political campaign, an elected official, or a media organization?

NO..... 100% GO TO Q.D1

D1. In politics today, do you normally think of yourself as (ROTATE: a Republican, an independent, or a Democrat)?

IF REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT, ASK: Would you consider yourself a strong or a not-so-strong Republican/Democrat?

IF INDEPENDENT, ASK: Do you think of yourself as closer to the (ROTATE: Republican or Democratic Party)?

STRONG REP .....	36%
NOT-SO-STRONG REP .....	7%
IND LEAN REP.....	12%
IND/NO PREF .....	14%
IND LEAN DEM .....	7%
NOT-SO-STRONG DEM.....	5%
STRONG DEM.....	15%
REFUSED .....	3%

PARTY REGISTRATION FROM SAMPLE:

REPUBLICAN.....	38%
DEMOCRAT .....	35%
LIBERTARIAN .....	1%
MOUNTAIN .....	0%
OTHER/NO PARTY .....	26%

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## Political Environment

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1. Which of the following comes closer to your view about the one-point-seven-five trillion-dollar social welfare and climate change bill promoted by Joe Biden and Democrats in Congress:

a. The social welfare and climate change bill is necessary because the country has ignored the needs of working families for too long. This bill would set the United States on course to meet its climate goals, create millions of good-paying jobs, and enable more Americans to join and remain in the labor force.

b. The social welfare and climate change bill is unnecessary and would increase taxes and inflation, and actually harm the economy while putting more power in the federal government.

NECESSARY ..... 31%  
 UNNECESSARY ..... 62%  
 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION ..... 7%

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## Joe Manchin

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I would like to read you a list of names and have you tell me, for each one, whether you've heard of that person and, if so, whether you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of them. If you haven't heard of the person, just say so: (RANDOMIZE)

IF FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE, ASK: Would that be very (favorable/unfavorable), or just somewhat (favorable/unfavorable)?

	<i>VERY FAV</i>	<i>SMWHT FAV</i>	<i>SMWHT UNFAV</i>	<i>VERY UNFAV</i>	<i>NO OPINION</i>	<i>NEVER HEARD OF</i>
2. Joe Manchin	20%	32%	21%	18%	7%	2%

3. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: Joe Manchin has represented West Virginia well in the U.S. Senate and deserves reelection. He resists the extremes of both parties and has improved legislation for West Virginia by taking an independent position on issues.

IF AGREE/DISAGREE, ASK: And would that be strongly agree/disagree, or just somewhat agree/disagree?)

STRONGLY AGREE ..... 23%  
 SOMEWHAT AGREE ..... 34%  
 SOMEWHAT DISAGREE ..... 16%  
 STRONGLY DISAGREE ..... 21%  
 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION ..... 6%

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## Build Back Better

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Now I would like to read you some statements about the social welfare and climate change bill, also known as Build Back Better. For each one, please indicate if that statement makes you much more likely to support the bill, somewhat more likely to support the bill, somewhat less likely to support the bill, or much less likely to support the bill, or if that statement would have no real effect on your support for the bill: (RANDOMIZE)

	<i>MUCH MORE LIKELY</i>	<i>SMWHT MORE LIKELY</i>	<i>SMWHT LESS LIKELY</i>	<i>MUCH LESS LIKELY</i>	<i>NO REAL EFFECT</i>	<i>DON'T KNOW</i>
4. The bill would add to inflation in the next two years, raising prices for American families.	11%	6%	14%	55%	9%	4%
5. The bill is not really paid for, and instead uses budget gimmicks like pretending programs will end after only a year to hide the true cost. Without the gimmicks the bill costs twice as much as supporters claim.	8%	6%	10%	53%	14%	7%

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## Demographics

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Now I have a few questions just for statistical purposes.

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D2. When thinking about politics today, do you normally consider yourself to be (ROTATE: very conservative, somewhat conservative, moderate, somewhat liberal, or very liberal)?

VERY CONSERVATIVE .....	27%
SOMEWHAT CONSERVATIVE .....	31%
MODERATE .....	18%
SOMEWHAT LIBERAL.....	11%
VERY LIBERAL .....	9%
NO OPINION .....	3%

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D3. Would you say that the area where you live is urban, suburban, small town, or rural?

URBAN.....	8%
SUBURBAN.....	12%
SMALL TOWN .....	42%
RURAL .....	37%
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED.....	1%

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D4. Would you please stop me when I read the correct category for your age?

18 TO 34 .....	25%
35 TO 44 .....	16%
45 TO 54 .....	15%
55 TO 64 .....	15%
65 OR OLDER.....	28%

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D5. What was the last year of school you completed?

LESS THAN HIGH SCHOOL .....	4%
HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE.....	33%
SOME COLLEGE .....	21%
COLLEGE GRADUATE .....	28%
POST-COLLEGE .....	13%
REFUSED .....	0%

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Those are all the questions I have. Thank you very much for sharing your opinions with us.

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D6. Gender: (from observation)

MALE .....	48%
FEMALE.....	52%

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D7. COUNTY FIPS

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