

**NATIONAL SURVEY OF REGISTERED VOTERS  
REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES**

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Hello, this is \_\_\_\_\_ with Ayres, McHenry & Associates, a public opinion research company. We're talking with people today for just a few minutes about some issues facing the country. We are not trying to sell anything, your answers are completely confidential, and we would really appreciate your cooperation (DO NOT PAUSE).

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

YES .....GO TO QUESTION 1  
NO .....GO TO QUESTION B

B. Is there anyone else in your household who is registered to vote in your county?

YES ..... May I speak with that person please? GO TO INTRO  
NO .....THANK AND CLOSE

1. Which statement comes closest to your view about global warming: it probably is happening, it probably is not happening, or I don't know if it is happening?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
PROBABLY HAPPENING .....	71%	56%	75%	81%
PROBABLY NOT HAPPENING .....	6%	13%	4%	3%
DON'T KNOW IF HAPPENING .....	23%	31%	22%	17%

2. If global warming is happening, do you think it is due (ROTATE: more to the normal cycles in the earth's environment, or more to human activity such as burning fossil fuels)?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
NORMAL CYCLES .....	29%	47%	27%	16%
HUMAN ACTIVITY .....	53%	37%	57%	64%
IS NOT HAPPENING (VOLUNTEERED) .....	0%	1%	1%	0%
DON'T KNOW .....	18%	16%	15%	20%

3. Do you think it is possible or not possible to reduce the effects of global warming?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
POSSIBLE .....	70%	61%	71%	78%
NOT POSSIBLE .....	20%	28%	20%	13%
DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION .....	10%	11%	10%	9%

4. Do you think it is possible or not possible for you as an individual to do anything about global warming?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
POSSIBLE .....	59%	49%	62%	66%
NOT POSSIBLE .....	32%	42%	32%	25%
DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION .....	9%	9%	7%	9%

5. Do you think it is possible or not possible to reduce the overall amount of greenhouse gases in the United States that are released by the burning of fossil fuels?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
POSSIBLE .....	80%	76%	83%	83%
NOT POSSIBLE .....	10%	13%	11%	9%
DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION .....	10%	12%	7%	9%

Most people are willing to do some things but not others to save energy. How about you? Would you be willing or not willing to do each of the following to save energy and reduce the amount of greenhouse gases that are released by the burning of fossil fuels: (RANDOMIZE)

		<i>WILLING</i>	<i>NOT WILLING</i>	<i>DON'T KNOW</i>
6. Recycle glass, cans, and newspapers	<i>ALL</i>	94%	5%	1%
	<i>REP</i>	92%	7%	1%
	<i>IND</i>	95%	5%	0%
	<i>DEM</i>	97%	3%	1%
7. Wash clothes in cold water	<i>ALL</i>	82%	16%	2%
	<i>REP</i>	80%	18%	2%
	<i>IND</i>	84%	14%	2%
	<i>DEM</i>	83%	15%	2%
8. Use warm rather than hot water in your dishwasher	<i>ALL</i>	71%	21%	8%
	<i>REP</i>	64%	29%	7%
	<i>IND</i>	76%	17%	7%
	<i>DEM</i>	75%	16%	9%
9. Turn your thermostat down two degrees in winter and up two degrees in summer	<i>ALL</i>	90%	8%	3%
	<i>REP</i>	90%	8%	2%
	<i>IND</i>	91%	6%	3%
	<i>DEM</i>	89%	9%	2%
10. Turn down the temperature in your hot water heater to the warm setting of 120 degrees	<i>ALL</i>	84%	12%	4%
	<i>REP</i>	80%	17%	4%
	<i>IND</i>	87%	11%	3%
	<i>DEM</i>	84%	11%	5%
11. Choose energy efficient light bulbs that cost twelve times more than regular bulbs but last twelve times as long	<i>ALL</i>	82%	15%	3%
	<i>REP</i>	75%	23%	2%
	<i>IND</i>	87%	11%	2%
	<i>DEM</i>	85%	11%	4%
12. Choose energy efficient appliances that cost several hundred dollars more initially but end up costing less over the life of the appliance because of lower energy costs	<i>ALL</i>	87%	9%	4%
	<i>REP</i>	89%	9%	2%
	<i>IND</i>	86%	10%	4%
	<i>DEM</i>	89%	8%	3%
13. Choose the most fuel efficient vehicle of the size that meets your needs	<i>ALL</i>	85%	11%	4%
	<i>REP</i>	82%	16%	2%
	<i>IND</i>	87%	9%	4%
	<i>DEM</i>	87%	9%	5%
14. Caulk around windows and doors	<i>ALL</i>	95%	4%	2%
	<i>REP</i>	96%	3%	2%
	<i>IND</i>	94%	4%	2%
	<i>DEM</i>	95%	4%	1%
15. Drive less, and walk, bike, carpool, or take mass transit instead	<i>ALL</i>	70%	27%	3%
	<i>REP</i>	61%	36%	4%
	<i>IND</i>	73%	25%	3%
	<i>DEM</i>	76%	22%	2%
16. Combine driving trips when running errands	<i>ALL</i>	91%	6%	3%
	<i>REP</i>	92%	6%	2%
	<i>IND</i>	90%	7%	3%
	<i>DEM</i>	93%	4%	4%

Now I have a few questions just for statistical purposes.

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

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
VERY LIBERAL.....	7%	2%	8%	13%
SOMEWHAT LIBERAL.....	18%	5%	16%	33%
MODERATE.....	23%	15%	31%	21%
SOMEWHAT CONSERVATIVE.....	29%	43%	26%	21%
VERY CONSERVATIVE.....	17%	33%	13%	9%
NO OPINION.....	6%	2%	6%	4%

18. 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?	STRONG REPUBLICAN.....	19%
	NOT-SO-STRONG REPUBLICAN.....	10%
	INDEPENDENT LEAN REPUBLICAN.....	6%
	INDEPENDENT/NO PREFERENCE.....	15%
IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK: Do you think of yourself as closer to the (ROTATE: Republican or Democratic Party)?	INDEPENDENT LEAN DEMOCRAT.....	11%
	NOT-SO-STRONG DEMOCRAT.....	10%
	STRONG DEMOCRAT.....	23%
	REFUSED.....	6%

19. About how often do you attend religious services: never, a few times a year, a few times a month, once a week, or more than once a week?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
NEVER.....	15%	8%	19%	17%
FEW TIMES A YEAR.....	24%	16%	27%	28%
FEW TIMES A MONTH.....	14%	16%	11%	13%
ONCE A WEEK.....	29%	35%	28%	26%
MORE THAN ONCE A WEEK.....	16%	24%	12%	13%
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED.....	3%	1%	3%	1%

20. Do you consider yourself a part of the conservative Christian political movement, also known as the Religious Right?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
YES.....	15%	21%	12%	12%
NO.....	77%	71%	82%	82%
DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION.....	8%	8%	6%	6%

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

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
18 TO 34.....	14%	15%	14%	14%
35 TO 49.....	27%	31%	27%	25%
50 TO 64.....	30%	27%	31%	34%
65 OR OLDER.....	27%	26%	27%	28%
REFUSED.....	2%	2%	1%	0%

22. Is the area where you live urban, suburban, small town, or rural?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
URBAN.....	20%	13%	23%	25%
SUBURBAN.....	28%	29%	27%	28%
SMALL TOWN.....	27%	31%	26%	25%
RURAL.....	22%	23%	22%	20%
DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION.....	3%	3%	3%	2%

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23. What is the last year of education you completed?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
LESS THAN HIGH SCHOOL.....	6%	5%	5%	8%
HIGH SCHOOL GRAD.....	25%	25%	26%	24%
SOME COLLEGE.....	26%	25%	28%	25%
COLLEGE GRAD.....	25%	28%	24%	24%
POST-COLLEGE.....	16%	15%	16%	17%
REFUSED.....	2%	2%	1%	2%

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24. Would you please stop me when I read the correct category for your total household income?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
\$15,000 OR LESS.....	9%	6%	7%	13%
\$15,000 TO \$30,000.....	13%	11%	13%	15%
\$30,000 TO \$50,000.....	19%	22%	18%	20%
\$50,000 TO \$75,000.....	15%	14%	13%	17%
\$75,000 TO \$100,000.....	12%	15%	14%	9%
\$100,000 OR MORE.....	13%	14%	13%	12%
REFUSED.....	19%	18%	22%	13%

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25. Are you from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background?

IF "NO," ASK: What would you say is your main race: white, African-American, Asian, or something else?

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
YES/HISPANIC.....	8%	6%	8%	10%
NO/WHITE.....	80%	92%	81%	70%
NO/BLACK/AFRICAN-AMERICAN.....	10%	1%	8%	18%
NO/ASIAN.....	1%	0%	1%	0%
OTHER.....	1%	1%	2%	1%
REFUSED.....	0%	0%	0%	0%

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26. Finally, in which state do you live? STATE FIPS CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

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That's all the questions I have. Thank you very much for sharing your opinions with us.

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27. Gender (from observation)

	<i>ALL</i>	<i>REP</i>	<i>IND</i>	<i>DEM</i>
MALE.....	48%	50%	53%	43%
FEMALE.....	52%	50%	47%	57%

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