



SENTIMENT TOWARDS VIRGINIA GOVERNMENT
 IPSOS PUBLIC AFFAIRS RESEARCH WITH UVA CENTER FOR POLITICS
 N=636 Virginia Adults via the KnowledgePanel

METHODOLOGY:

The survey was conducted using the web-enabled Ipsos KnowledgePanel, a probability-based panel designed to be representative of the U.S. population. Initially, participants are chosen scientifically by a random selection of telephone numbers and residential addresses. Persons in selected households are then invited by telephone or by mail to participate in the web-enabled KnowledgePanel. For those who agree to participate, but do not already have Internet access, Ipsos provides at no cost a laptop and ISP connection. People who already have computers and Internet service are permitted to participate using their own equipment. Panelists then receive unique log-in information for accessing surveys online, and then are sent emails throughout each month inviting them to participate in research.

Standard sourcing language for external media public release efforts:

The study was conducted online with Ipsos’s KnowledgePanel Omnibus. The KnowledgePanel is the largest probability-based panel designed to be representative of the US general population, including non-internet households by providing them with web-enabled devices. The study consisted of 636 interviews with a representative sample of Virginia residents, aged 18+, conducted between February 15th and 19th, 2019. The margin of sampling error at the 95% confidence level is +/-4 percentage points. The study includes N=289 self-identified Democrats and N=299 Republicans.

V105. Would you say things in Virginia are heading in the...

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>Democrats</u> | <u>Republicans</u> |
|-----------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Right direction | 54% | 70% | 29% |
| Wrong direction | 42 | 22 | 71 |
| Refused | 5 | 8 | * |

V110. Overall, do you approve, disapprove or neither approve nor disapprove of the job performance of the following elected officials?

A. Donald Trump

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>Democrats</u> | <u>Republicans</u> |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Approve | 25% | 1% | 58% |
| Neither approve nor disapprove | 14 | 8 | 23 |
| Disapprove | 56 | 83 | 18 |
| Refused | 4 | 8 | * |

B. Ralph Northam

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>Democrats</u> | <u>Republicans</u> |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Approve | 17% | 25% | 7% |
| Neither approve nor disapprove | 44 | 54 | 31 |
| Disapprove | 34 | 13 | 62 |
| Refused | 5 | 8 | 1 |



C. Mark Warner

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>Democrats</u> | <u>Republicans</u> |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Approve | 39% | 57% | 19% |
| Neither approve nor disapprove | 37 | 31 | 37 |
| Disapprove | 19 | 4 | 44 |
| Refused | 5 | 8 | 1 |

V125 Are you currently registered to vote in Virginia, or not?

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>Democrats</u> | <u>Republicans</u> |
|----------------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Yes, registered to vote | 82% | 81% | 92% |
| No, not registered to vote | 12 | 9 | 8 |
| Not sure | 1 | 2 | -- |
| Refused | 5 | 8 | * |

V140 If you were to vote in the November 2019 Virginia election, for which party's candidates would you vote for in that election?

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>Democrats</u> | <u>Republicans</u> |
|--|--------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Only Republican candidates | 21% | *% | 48% |
| A Republican and a Democrat | 4 | 1 | 6 |
| Only Democratic candidates | 34 | 64 | * |
| Neither Republicans nor Democrats [ANCHOR] | 4 | 3 | 5 |
| Not at all sure [ANCHOR] | 27 | 20 | 37 |
| Will not vote [ANCHOR] | 6 | 3 | 2 |
| Refused | 6 | 8 | 1 |

V141 If you were to vote in the November 2020 Virginia election for president, for which party's candidate would you vote for in that election?

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>Democrats</u> | <u>Republicans</u> |
|--------------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|
| The Republican candidate | 25% | 1% | 59% |
| The Democratic candidate | 45 | 79 | 4 |
| Someone else | 3 | * | 4 |
| Not at all sure [ANCHOR] | 20 | 11 | 30 |
| Will not vote [ANCHOR] | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Refused | 5 | 8 | 1 |

V142 If you were to vote in the November 2020 Virginia election for U.S. Senate, for which party's candidates would you vote for in that election?

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>Democrats</u> | <u>Republicans</u> |
|--------------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|
| The Republican candidate | 26% | *% | 60% |
| The Democratic candidate | 43 | 77 | 1 |
| Someone else | 2 | * | 4 |
| Not at all sure [ANCHOR] | 23 | 14 | 33 |
| Will not vote [ANCHOR] | 2 | 1 | 2 |
| Refused | 5 | 8 | -- |



Recently, a photo from Governor Northam’s medical school yearbook page from 1984 emerged showing two people, one in a Ku Klux Klan costume and another dressed in blackface. Northam acknowledged he had appeared in blackface at a singing competition impersonating Michael Jackson that same year but denied being in the photo.

V200 Do you believe Governor Northam should resign as Governor?

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>Democrats</u> | <u>Republicans</u> |
|--------------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Yes, he should resign | 31% | 20% | 43% |
| No, he should not resign | 43 | 46 | 41 |
| Not at all sure | 21 | 27 | 16 |
| Refused | 5 | 8 | * |

V215 Do you believe the state legislature should remove Governor Northam from office by impeachment if he does not resign?

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>Democrats</u> | <u>Republicans</u> |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Yes, he should be impeached | 21% | 14% | 27% |
| No, he should not be impeached | 56 | 60 | 55 |
| Not at all sure | 18 | 18 | 18 |
| Refused | 5 | 8 | * |

V216. If there is a vacancy in the office of governor, the lieutenant governor would become governor. Do you believe the new governor should be able to serve the remainder of the term through 2021, or should there be a special election later this year to fill the remaining two years of the term?

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>Democrats</u> | <u>Republicans</u> |
|--|--------------|------------------|--------------------|
| The new governor should serve the remainder of the term. | 36% | 43% | 29% |
| There should be a special election. | 42 | 31 | 56 |
| Not at all sure | 18 | 18 | 14 |
| Refused | 4 | 8 | -- |

Recently, Virginia Lieutenant Governor Justin Fairfax has been accused by two different women of sexual assaults in the early 2000s. Fairfax has said the sexual encounters were consensual.

V220 Do you believe Lieutenant Governor Fairfax should resign?

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>Democrats</u> | <u>Republicans</u> |
|--------------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Yes, he should resign | 35% | 23% | 48% |
| No, he should not resign | 25 | 31 | 22 |
| Not at all sure | 34 | 37 | 30 |
| Refused | 6 | 10 | * |

V230 Do believe the state legislature should remove Lieutenant Governor Fairfax from office by impeachment if he does not resign?

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>Democrats</u> | <u>Republicans</u> |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Yes, he should be impeached | 28% | 17% | 39% |
| No, he should not be impeached | 33 | 37 | 32 |
| Not at all sure | 33 | 38 | 28 |
| Refused | 6 | 8 | 2 |



V231. If there is a vacancy in the office of lieutenant governor, the governor would appoint a replacement. Do you believe the appointee should be able to serve the remainder of the term through 2021, or should there be a special election later this year to fill the remaining two years of the term?

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>Democrats</u> | <u>Republicans</u> |
|---|--------------|------------------|--------------------|
| The appointee should serve the remainder of the term. | 37% | 46% | 31% |
| There should be a special election. | 43 | 32 | 58 |
| Not at all sure | 15 | 14 | 10 |
| Refused | 5 | 8 | 1 |

V260 Recently, Attorney General Mark Herring admitted to wearing blackface when he was 19 as a way of imitating an African-American rapper. Do you believe Herring should resign?

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>Democrats</u> | <u>Republicans</u> |
|--------------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Yes, he should resign | 19% | 14% | 26% |
| No, he should not resign | 56 | 56 | 56 |
| Not at all sure | 19 | 22 | 18 |
| Refused | 6 | 9 | * |

V270 Do you believe the state legislature should remove Attorney General Herring from office by impeachment if he does not resign?

| | <u>Total</u> | <u>Democrats</u> | <u>Republicans</u> |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Yes, he should be impeached | 14% | 9% | 18% |
| No, he should not be impeached | 61 | 61 | 63 |
| Not at all sure | 19 | 23 | 18 |
| Refused | 6 | 8 | * |