

FINAL June 2018 STUDY

Region:

(N=500)	n	%
Southwest -----	74	14.80
West-----	77	15.40
Central-----	130	26.00
Northeast -----	144	28.80
Philly -----	75	15.00

Hello, my name is _____. I am conducting a survey for Suffolk University, and I would like to get your opinions on some political questions. Would you be willing to spend five minutes answering some questions?

QUOTA GENDER, PARTY, & AGE... SCREEN.

Thank You. Are you currently registered to vote? {IF YES, PROCEED. IF NO/ UNDECIDED, TERMINATE}

1. Gender

(N=500)	n	%
Male -----	245	49.00
Female -----	255	51.00

2. How likely are you to vote in the upcoming elections for Governor and U.S. Senate - would you say you are almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or that it is not likely you will vote?

(N=500)	n	%
Almost certain-----	448	89.60
Probably vote -----	52	10.40

3. Are you currently registered as a Democrat, Republican, or Unaffiliated/Independent?

(N=500)	n	%
Democrat -----	242	48.40
Republican -----	195	39.00
Unaffiliated/Independent -----	44	8.80
Other -----	10	2.00
Refused -----	9	1.80

4. What is your age category?

(N=500)	n	%
18-24 Years -----	33	6.60
25-34 Years -----	81	16.20
35-44 Years -----	88	17.60
45-54 Years -----	83	16.60
55-64 Years -----	92	18.40
65-74 Years -----	79	15.80
75+ Years -----	39	7.80
Refused -----	5	1.00

5. For statistical purposes only, can you please tell me your ethnic background/ancestry? (READ)

(N=500)	n	%
White/Caucasian -----	401	80.20
Black/African-American -----	48	9.60
American Indian / Alaska Native -----	2	0.40
Asian -----	2	0.40
Native Hawaiian / Other Pacific Islander -----	2	0.40
Hispanic/Latino -----	20	4.00
Other -----	10	2.00
Don't Know -----	15	3.00

6. If the General Election for United States Senate were held today and the candidates were {ROTATE} Democrat Bob Casey Jr. or Republican Lou Barletta, for whom would you vote or toward whom would you LEAN at this time? {ROTATE 6.1 to 6.2 ONLY}

(N=500)	n	%
Vote/Lean Casey - Democrat -----	235	47.00
Vote/Lean Barletta – Republican-----	158	31.60
Vote/Lean Someone Else-----	4	0.80
Undecided -----	103	20.60

7. How interested are you in the Senate race - extremely interested, very interested, somewhat interested, not very interested, or not at all interested?

(N=500)	n	%
Extremely interested -----	164	32.80
Very interested -----	142	28.40
Somewhat interested -----	147	29.40
Not very interested -----	29	5.80
Not at all interested-----	12	2.40
Undecided -----	6	1.20

8. What is the most important issue when voting for U.S. Senate - {RANDOMIZE} the economy, immigration, Donald Trump, foreign affairs, trade, healthcare, corruption, or gun control?

(N=500)	n	%
The economy -----	102	20.40
Immigration-----	70	14.00
Donald Trump-----	94	18.80
Foreign affairs -----	9	1.80
Trade-----	4	0.80
Healthcare -----	87	17.40
Corruption -----	41	8.20
Gun control-----	48	9.60
Undecided -----	45	9.00

9. If the General Election for Governor were held today and the candidates were {ROTATE} Democrat Tom Wolf and Republican Scott Wagner, for whom would you vote or toward whom would you LEAN at this time? {ROTATE 9.1 to 9.2}
- | (N=500) | n | % |
|-------------------------------------|-----|-------|
| Vote/Lean Wolf - Democrat ----- | 243 | 48.60 |
| Vote/Lean Wagner - Republican ----- | 180 | 36.00 |
| Vote/Lean Someone Else----- | 7 | 1.40 |
| Undecided ----- | 70 | 14.00 |
10. How interested are you in the Governor's race – extremely interested, very interested, somewhat interested, not very interested, or not at all interested?
- | (N=500) | n | % |
|----------------------------|-----|-------|
| Extremely interested ----- | 189 | 37.80 |
| Very interested ----- | 159 | 31.80 |
| Somewhat interested ----- | 113 | 22.60 |
| Not very interested ----- | 22 | 4.40 |
| Not at all interested----- | 14 | 2.80 |
| Undecided ----- | 3 | 0.60 |
11. What is the most important issue when voting for Governor– {RANDOMIZE} the economy, education, taxes, abortion, opioids, healthcare, corruption, gun control?
- | (N=500) | n | % |
|-------------------|-----|-------|
| The economy ----- | 115 | 23.00 |
| Education ----- | 85 | 17.00 |
| Taxes ----- | 80 | 16.00 |
| Abortion ----- | 17 | 3.40 |
| Opioids ----- | 23 | 4.60 |
| Healthcare ----- | 50 | 10.00 |
| Corruption ----- | 39 | 7.80 |
| Gun control ----- | 47 | 9.40 |
| Undecided ----- | 44 | 8.80 |
12. Which of the following three statements comes closest to your view: {ROTATE 1 & 2}
- | (N=500) | n | % |
|---|-----|-------|
| “I want my vote in November to support the direction President Trump is leading the nation.” ---- | 178 | 35.60 |
| “I want my vote in November to change the direction President Trump is leading the nation.” ---- | 219 | 43.80 |
| “My vote this November doesn't have much to do with President Trump and his policies.” ----- | 81 | 16.20 |
| Undecided ----- | 21 | 4.20 |
| Refused ----- | 1 | 0.20 |

12A. As you may know, there's been a furor over how to treat immigrants with children when they cross the border without authorization. Which comes closer to your view?

(N=500)	n	%
The border needs to be secure, even if it creates hardships for immigrant families with children -----	169	33.80
Immigrant families with children deserve to stay together, even if it complicates efforts to secure the border -----	296	59.20
Undecided -----	31	6.20
Refused -----	4	0.80

Great. I am going to read you a list of individuals in state and national politics. For each, please tell me if your opinion of them is generally favorable or generally unfavorable. If you are undecided or if you have never heard of someone, just tell me that. First take Donald Trump. Is your opinion of Donald Trump generally favorable or generally unfavorable?
(RANDOMIZE 14-17)

(N=500)	<u>NEVER HEARD</u>	<u>FAVORABLE</u>	<u>UNFAVORABLE</u>	<u>HOF/UNDECIDED</u>
13. Donald Trump	0 0.00	207 41.40	257 51.40	36 7.20
14. Scott Wagner	64 12.80	135 27.00	139 27.80	162 32.40
15. Bob Casey	13 2.60	268 53.60	132 26.40	87 17.40
16. Lou Barletta	151 30.20	106 21.20	96 19.20	147 29.40
17. Tom Wolf	12 2.40	252 50.40	156 31.20	80 16.00

18. Do you think Pennsylvania is heading in the right direction or is on the wrong track?

(N=500)	n	%
Right direction -----	216	43.20
Wrong track -----	182	36.40
Undecided -----	102	20.40

19. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as President?

(N=500)	n	%
Approve -----	208	41.60
Disapprove -----	254	50.80
Undecided -----	38	7.60

20. Do you believe Donald Trump has kept his campaign promises in Pennsylvania?

(N=500)	n	%
Yes -----	227	45.40
No -----	218	43.60
Undecided -----	55	11.00

21. Is your standard of living better now than it was four years ago, worse, or about the same?

(N=500)	n	%
Better now -----	156	31.20
Worse now -----	84	16.80
About the same-----	254	50.80
Undecided -----	5	1.00
Refused -----	1	0.20

22. Looking ahead a year, do you think you and your family will be better off financially, worse off, or about the same?

(N=500)	n	%
Will be better off -----	172	34.40
Will be worse off-----	81	16.20
About the same-----	229	45.80
Undecided -----	18	3.60
Refused -----	0	0.00

23. How would you rate economic conditions in Pennsylvania today - excellent, good, fair, or poor?

(N=500)	n	%
Excellent -----	17	3.40
Good -----	174	34.80
Fair -----	223	44.60
Poor -----	61	12.20
Undecided -----	22	4.40
Refused -----	3	0.60

24. Do you believe that the congressional districts in Pennsylvania created initially after the 2010 census were fair or unfair?

(N=500)	n	%
Fair -----	116	23.20
Unfair -----	220	44.00
Undecided -----	151	30.20
Refused -----	13	2.60

25. Do you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with the State Supreme Court's order to re-draw those congressional districts?

(N=500)	n	%
Strongly agree -----	102	20.40
Agree -----	127	25.40
Disagree -----	105	21.00
Strongly disagree -----	41	8.20
Undecided -----	122	24.40
Refused -----	3	0.60

26. Should the next governor of Pennsylvania move to ban semi-automatic weapons like the AR-15 rifle?

(N=500)	n	%
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Yes -----	304	60.80
No-----	169	33.80
Undecided -----	23	4.60
Refused -----	4	0.80

27. In Pennsylvania, it is illegal to sell or lease a firearm to anyone under 18 years of age. Would you strongly support, support, oppose, or strongly oppose raising the age requirement to buy a firearm from 18 to 21 years old?

(N=500)	n	%
Strongly support -----	229	45.80
Support -----	112	22.40
Oppose -----	72	14.40
Strongly oppose -----	62	12.40
Undecided -----	23	4.60
Refused -----	2	0.40

28. Thinking about Pennsylvania, how corrupt would you say the state government is (ROTATE ASCENDING/DESCENDING) - extremely corrupt, very corrupt, somewhat corrupt, not very corrupt, not at all corrupt?

(N=500)	n	%
Extremely corrupt -----	58	11.60
Very corrupt -----	79	15.80
Somewhat corrupt -----	249	49.80
Not very corrupt -----	53	10.60
Not at all corrupt-----	15	3.00
Undecided -----	46	9.20

29. Pennsylvania’s minimum wage is \$7.25 per hour, which is also the federal minimum wage. Governor Tom Wolf has proposed a \$12 per hour minimum wage, and some lawmakers have suggested raising it to \$15 an hour. Which of the following is closest to what you think the state minimum wage should be?

(N=500)	n	%
\$7.25 per hour, the current minimum wage -----	59	11.80
\$9 per hour -----	114	22.80
\$12 per hour -----	161	32.20
\$15 per hour -----	122	24.40
\$20 per hour -----	23	4.60
Undecided -----	18	3.60
Refused -----	3	0.60

30. Some state legislators are calling for changing election laws to allow “open primaries”, in which unaffiliated voters, also known as independents, could vote in either the Democratic or Republican primary to choose that party’s nominee. Would you support a bill to have open primaries in Pennsylvania elections?

(N=500)	n	%
Yes -----	338	67.60

No-----	118	23.60
Undecided -----	40	8.00
Refused -----	4	0.80

31. In the 2016 election for president did you vote for (ROTATE) Democrat Hillary Clinton, Republican Donald Trump, (ROTATE) Green party Jill Stein, Libertarian Gary Johnson...or did you not vote in the presidential election?

(N=500)	n	%
Democrat Hillary Clinton -----	223	44.60
Republican Donald Trump-----	218	43.60
Green Party Jill Stein -----	5	1.00
Libertarian Party Gary Johnson -----	8	1.60
Did not vote -----	21	4.20
Undecided -----	15	3.00
Refused -----	10	2.00

{FOR 31.1 – 31.4 ONLY}

32. Do you regret your vote in 2016?

(N=454)	n	%
Yes -----	29	6.39
No-----	414	91.19
Undecided -----	11	2.42
Refused -----	0	0.00

{FOR 31.5 ONLY}

33. Do you regret not voting in the 2016 election?

(N=21)	n	%
Yes -----	8	38.10
No-----	8	38.10
Undecided -----	5	23.80
Refused -----	0	0.00

THE FINAL QUESTIONS WILL HELP US CLASSIFY YOUR ANSWERS WITH OTHERS TAKING THE SURVEY

34. Are there any members of your household who are union members?

(N=500)	n	%
Yes -----	121	24.20
No-----	376	75.20
Undecided -----	3	0.60

35. Do you currently have children in the school system?

(N=500)	n	%
Yes -----	135	27.00
No-----	363	72.60
Undecided -----	2	0.40

36. Are you or are any members of your household gun owners?

(N=500)	n	%
Yes -----	253	50.60
No-----	236	47.20
Undecided -----	11	2.20

[THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. HAVE A NICE DAY/EVENING.]