



## Virginia Republican Primary Voters - May 2021

605 Republican Primary Voters, Statewide.

May 5-6, 2021

### Q1. Do you usually vote in Republican primary elections, Democratic primary elections, or do you not usually vote in primary elections?

- 100% Republican primary elections
- 0 Democratic primary elections
- 0 Don't usually vote in primary elections

### Q2. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Joe Biden is doing as President?

- 1% Strongly approve
- 2 Somewhat approve
- 5 Somewhat disapprove
- 92 Strongly disapprove
- 1 Not sure

**3% Total Approve**  
**97 Total Disapprove**

### Q3. The Republican Party is holding a nominating convention this Saturday. Which candidate would you prefer your convention delegates vote for?

- 29% Amanda Chase
- 25 Glenn Youngkin
- 13 Pete Snyder
- 7 Kirk Cox
- 2 Sergio de la Pena
- 1 Octavia Johnson
- 0 Peter Doran
- 25 Not sure

### Q4. Regardless of who you support, which candidate do you think will win the nominating convention this weekend?

- 27% Glenn Youngkin
- 15 Amanda Chase
- 12 Pete Snyder
- 10 Kirk Cox
- 0 Sergio de la Pena
- 0 Peter Doran
- 0 Octavia Johnson
- 36 Not sure

**Q5. When it comes to the nominating convention, which do you agree with more:**

- 41% I believe the convention will be rigged in favor of the candidates supported by the party establishment
- 34 I believe the convention will run smoothly and the winner will reflect the person who has the broadest support of Republican voters statewide
- 24 Not sure

**Q6. (If support Amanda Chase) If Amanda Chase does not win the convention this weekend, and there are legitimate questions about the way the convention is run and how the votes are counted, do you support or oppose her running in the general election as an Independent?**

- 55% Strongly support
- 14 Somewhat support
- 11 Somewhat oppose
- 8 Strongly oppose
- 11 Not sure

**69% Total support**

**20 Total oppose**

**Q7. How favorable are your feelings about each of the following people. If you haven't heard of them, please indicate it.**

|                   | <u>Favorable</u> |      |     | <u>Unfavorable</u> |      | Never Heard of | Total Fav  | Total Unfav |
|-------------------|------------------|------|-----|--------------------|------|----------------|------------|-------------|
|                   | Very             | Smwt | Neu | Smwt               | Very |                |            |             |
| Donald Trump      | 75%              | 14   | 3   | 3                  | 4    | 2              | <b>89%</b> | <b>7</b>    |
| Amanda Chase      | 31%              | 20   | 18  | 8                  | 6    | 16             | <b>51%</b> | <b>14</b>   |
| Glenn Youngkin    | 19%              | 27   | 19  | 11                 | 6    | 17             | <b>46%</b> | <b>17</b>   |
| Pete Snyder       | 12%              | 20   | 25  | 8                  | 5    | 28             | <b>33%</b> | <b>14</b>   |
| Kirk Cox          | 9%               | 15   | 29  | 8                  | 5    | 34             | <b>24%</b> | <b>13</b>   |
| Sergio de la Pena | 5%               | 6    | 20  | 3                  | 4    | 62             | <b>11%</b> | <b>7</b>    |
| Octavia Johnson   | 1%               | 4    | 26  | 4                  | 4    | 60             | <b>6%</b>  | <b>8</b>    |
| Peter Doran       | 0%               | 5    | 26  | 3                  | 2    | 65             | <b>5%</b>  | <b>4</b>    |

**Q8. When considering politics and government, do you think of yourself as:**

- 53% Very conservative
- 34 Somewhat conservative
- 12 Moderate
- 1 Somewhat liberal
- 0 Very liberal
- 1 Not sure

**Q9. In the election for President last November, who did you vote for?**

- 95% Donald Trump, the Republican
- 2 Joe Biden, the Democrat
- 2 Jo Jorgensen, the Libertarian
- 1 Did not vote
- 0 Not registered/Too young/Ineligible

**Demographic questions were asked at the beginning of the survey**

**D1. What is your gender?**

- 53% Male
- 47 Female

**D2. In what year were you born?**

- 10% 18 to 34
- 17 35 to 49
- 36 50 to 64
- 37 65 or older

**D3. In what ZIP code do you currently live?**

- 31% Northern Virginia
- 29 Central Virginia/Richmond
- 24 Tidewater/Hampton Roads/Eastern Shore
- 11 Shenandoah
- 5 Southwest/Blue Ridge

**D4. What is your race or ethnicity?**

- 89% White / Caucasian
- 7 Other
- 2 Hispanic or Latino/a
- 1 American Indian or Alaska Native
- 1 Asian / Pacific Islander
- 1 Black or African American

**D5. What is the highest level of education you have completed?**

- 15% High school diploma or less
- 32 Some college, but no degree
- 17 Associate's degree, or two-year college degree
- 22 Bachelor's degree, or four-year college degree
- 14 Graduate degree

**D6. Are you registered to vote in Virginia?**

- 100% Yes

**D7. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a:**

66% Strong Republican  
9 Weak Republican  
19 Ind Republicans  
5 Independents  
1 Ind Democrats  
1 Weak Democrat  
0 Strong Democrat

**75% Republican**  
**24 Independent/Other**  
**1 Democrat**

**94% *Strong + Weak + Indep Repubs***  
**5 *Independents***  
**1 *Strong + Weak + Indep Dems***

## Methodology

Change Research surveyed 605 registered voters who say they usually vote in primary elections from May 5th through May 6th. We used the following sources to recruit respondents:

- targeted advertisements on Facebook
- targeted advertisements on Instagram
- targeted advertisements on individual websites via Google and/or Facebook's ad platform

Regardless of which of these sources a respondent came from, they were directed to a survey hosted on SurveyMonkey's website.

Ads placed on social media targeted any person living in Virginia. Those who indicated that they were not registered to vote were terminated as were those who said they usually vote in Democratic primaries or do not vote in primaries at all. As the survey fielded, Change Research used dynamic online sampling: adjusting ad budgets, lowering budgets for ads targeting groups that were overrepresented and raising budgets for ads targeting groups that were underrepresented, so that the final sample was roughly representative of the population across different groups. The survey was conducted in English.

The survey was commissioned by Change Research for public release and was conducted online by Change Research. Post-stratification was performed on gender, age, race, and Change Research's defined political regions. Weighting parameters were based on people who have voted in one of the last two statewide primaries in 2017 and 2018 with an adjustment to reflect their age at the time of voting. This data was obtained from the voter file. That is, if a given age bracket or gender group represented x% of the Republican primary electorate, then that same group would be weighted to x% in this survey.

The modeled margin of error\* for this survey is 4.4 points, which uses effective sample sizes\*\* that adjust for the design effect of weighting.

\* We adopt The Pew Research Center's convention for the term "modeled margin of error"<sup>(1)</sup> (mMOE) to indicate that our surveys are not simple random samples in the pure sense, similar to any survey that has either non-response bias or for which the general population was not invited at random. A common, if imperfect, convention for reporting survey results is to use a single, survey-level mMOE based on a normal approximation. This is a poor approximation for proportion estimates close to 0 or 1. However, it is a useful communication tool in many settings and is reasonable in places where the proportion of interest is close to 50%. We report this normal approximation for our surveys assuming a proportion estimate of 50%.

\*\* The effective sample size adjusts for the weighting applied to respondents, and is calculated using Kish's approximation <sup>(2)</sup>.

(1)

<https://www.pewresearch.org/methods/2018/01/26/for-weighting-online-opt-in-samples-what-matters-most/>

(2) Kish, Leslie. Survey Sampling, 1965.

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