

NBC News/Marist Poll  
August 2018  
Pennsylvania Questionnaire

Residents: n=825 MOE +/-3.9%  
Registered Voters: n=713 MOE +/-4.2%  
Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.  
Screener

<Marist Poll Introduction> Are you 18 years of age or older?

Do you consider your permanent home address to be in Pennsylvania?

Which county in Pennsylvania do you live in?

Are you registered to vote at your current address in Pennsylvania?

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GENDER GUESS

		Adults	Reg. Voters
		Column %	Column %
TRUDP105. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as president?	Approve	38%	37%
	Disapprove	52%	53%
	Unsure	10%	10%
TRUDP105R. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump is doing as president? [And, would you say you strongly approve/disapprove of the job he is doing or just approve/disapprove?]	Strongly approve	24%	25%
	Approve	14%	13%
	Disapprove	11%	10%
	Strongly disapprove	40%	42%
	Unsure	10%	10%
TRUD020R. Overall, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Donald Trump?	Favorable	35%	35%
	Unfavorable	56%	56%
	Unsure-Never Heard	10%	8%
USCNGSNBC1. Now, knowing it is a long way off, what is your preference for the outcome of this November's congressional elections: [Asked of Registered Voters]	A Congress controlled by Republicans		41%
	A Congress controlled by Democrats		47%
	Unsure		13%
CGIMPT18. Do you think November's election for Congress is very important, important, not very important, or not important at all? [Asked of Registered Voters]	Very important		71%
	Important		24%
	Not very important		2%
	Not important at all		2%
	Unsure		1%
USCNGS01. If November's election for Congress were held today, which party's candidate are you more likely to vote for in your district: [Asked of Registered Voters]	Democrat		51%
	Republican		39%
	Vol: Neither		3%
	Undecided		7%
SNWLNS18. If November's election for U.S. Senate in Pennsylvania were held today, whom would you support if the candidates are [including those who are undecided yet leaning toward a candidate]: [Asked of Registered Voters]	Bob Casey, the Democrat		53%
	Lou Barletta, the Republican		38%
	Other		1%
	Undecided		8%
STSSN18. Would you say that you strongly support <candidate>, somewhat support <candidate>, or do you think that you might vote differently on Election Day? [Asked of Registered Voters with a Candidate Preference for U.S. Senate]	Strongly support		50%
	Somewhat support		36%
	Might vote differently		11%
	Unsure		3%

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<b>GVWLN18. If November's election for governor in Pennsylvania were held today, whom would you support if the candidates are [including those who are undecided yet leaning toward a candidate]: [Asked of Registered Voters]</b>	Tom Wolf, the Democrat		54%
	Scott Wagner, the Republican		40%
	Other		<1%
	Undecided		6%
<b>STSGV18. Would you say that you strongly support &lt;candidate&gt;, somewhat support &lt;candidate&gt;, or do you think that you might vote differently on Election Day? [Asked of Registered Voters with a Candidate Preference for Governor]</b>	Strongly support		56%
	Somewhat support		33%
	Might vote differently		9%
	Unsure		2%
<b>CASB020R. Overall, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Bob Casey?</b>	Favorable	44%	48%
	Unfavorable	31%	34%
	Unsure-Never Heard	25%	18%
<b>BARL020R. Overall, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Lou Barletta?</b>	Favorable	27%	30%
	Unfavorable	22%	24%
	Unsure-Never Heard	51%	45%
<b>WOLT020R. Overall, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Tom Wolf?</b>	Favorable	48%	51%
	Unfavorable	37%	39%
	Unsure-Never Heard	15%	10%
<b>WAGS020R. Overall, do you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of Scott Wagner?</b>	Favorable	32%	36%
	Unfavorable	31%	34%
	Unsure-Never Heard	37%	30%
<b>CNGVTISS1R. Now, let me list some issues that may factor into deciding your vote for Congress in November. Please tell me which one of these items you think will be the most important factor in deciding your vote. [Asked of Registered Voters]</b>	The economy and jobs		24%
	Health care		23%
	Immigration		13%
	Federal taxes and spending		10%
	Guns		8%
	Foreign policy and terrorism		7%
	Abortion		6%
	Vol. All equally		6%
	Vol. None		<1%
	Other		2%
	Unsure		1%
<b>CNGVTISS2R. And, which of these issues will be the second most important factor in deciding your vote? [Asked of Registered Voters; Exclude first choice]</b>	The economy and jobs		20%
	Health care		18%
	Federal taxes and spending		17%
	Immigration		13%
	Foreign policy and terrorism		12%
	Guns		12%
	Abortion		6%
	Vol. All equally		<1%
	Vol. None		<1%
	Other		1%
	Unsure		<1%

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<b>CGVTMSG1. Will your vote for Congress in November 2018 be a vote to send a message that we need: [Asked of Registered Voters]</b>	<b>More Democrats to be a check and balance to Donald Trump</b>		55%
	<b>More Republicans who will help Donald Trump pass his agenda</b>		35%
	<b>Vol: Sending a different message</b>		4%
	<b>Vol: Not sending a message</b>		1%
	<b>Unsure</b>		5%
<b>TARIMECO1. Do you think raising tariffs and barriers to imports from other countries will do more to:</b>	<b>Protect American jobs and help the U.S. economy</b>	27%	28%
	<b>Raise the costs of consumer goods and hurt the U.S. economy</b>	45%	46%
	<b>Or, will it not have much impact one way or the other on the U.S. economy?</b>	14%	14%
	<b>Vol. Mixed, some of both</b>	4%	4%
	<b>Unsure</b>	10%	8%

**Nature of the Sample: NBC News/Marist Pennsylvania Poll of 825 Adults**

This survey of 825 adults was conducted August 12th through August 16th, 2018 by The Marist Poll sponsored and funded in partnership with NBC News. Adults 18 years of age and older residing in the state of Pennsylvania were contacted on landline or mobile numbers and interviewed in English by telephone using live interviewers. Mobile telephone numbers were randomly selected based upon a list of telephone exchanges from throughout the state of Pennsylvania from Survey Sampling International. The exchanges were selected to ensure that each region was represented in proportion to its population. Mobile phones are treated as individual devices. After validation of age, personal ownership, and non-business-use of the mobile phone, interviews are typically conducted with the person answering the phone. To increase coverage, this mobile sample was supplemented by respondents reached through random dialing of landline phone numbers from Survey Sampling International. Within each landline household, a single respondent is selected through a random selection process to increase the representativeness of traditionally under-covered survey populations. Assistance was provided by Luce Research and The Logit Group for data collection. The samples were then combined and balanced to reflect the 2016 American Community Survey 5-year estimates for age, gender, income, race, and region. Results are statistically significant within  $\pm 3.9$  percentage points. There are 713 registered voters. The results for this subset are statistically significant within  $\pm 4.2$  percentage points. The error margin was adjusted for sample weights and increases for cross-tabulations.

[For nature of the sample and additional tables, please visit The Marist Poll](#)