

# Magellan Strategies

## Virginia Competitive Federalism Issues Survey Topline Results

Magellan Strategies is pleased to present the topline results of an automated landline and cell phone survey of 691n likely 2016 general election voters in the state of Virginia. The interviews were conducted January 26<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016. This survey has a margin of error of +/- 3.73% at the 95 percent confidence interval. This survey was weighted based upon past general election voting demographics for the non-primary, "middle" voting population.

T1. Are you registered to vote in Virg	inia?
Yes	100%
T2. How likely are you to vote in Senate and Congress?	November election for President, the United State.
Extremely Likely to Vote	86%
Very Likely to Vote	
Somewhat Likely to Vote	
T3. When it comes to elections for	President, the United States Senate and Congress

T3. When it comes to elections for President, the United States Senate and Congress, which of the following choices best describe how you typically vote? Please wait to hear all options.

Few More Democrats than Republicans	29%
Both Parties Equally	28%
Few More Republicans than Democrats	

Thinking now about the challenges Americans face today....

T4. Please tell me if you agree or disagree with the following statement. Most of America's major problems are better handled by the federal government than by individual state governments.

Agree	18%
Disagree	64%
Unsure / No opinion	

T5. Please tell me if you agree or disagree with the following statement. The size of the federal government prohibits individual state governments from solving some of their own problems.

Agree	60%
Disagree	28%
Unsure / No opinion	

T6. As you may know, the federal government funds certain programs that are also funded by individual state governments like public education, transportation and Medicaid for low income individuals and families. If you could choose just one government to fund these programs which would it be?

State Government	52%
Federal Government	32%
Unsure / No opinion	16%

T7. Again, the federal government and individual state and local governments fund very similar programs. I am now going to read to you some government services and programs, and I would like you to tell me if you think the federal government or a state government should be the sole provider and manager of that service or program. Let's get started.

Who should be the sole provider and manager of public schools and educating students??

State Government	54%
Both State & Federal Governments	32%
Federal Government	13%
Unsure / No opinion	1%

T8. Who should be the sole provider and manager of Medicaid and healthcare for low-income individuals and families?

State Government	34%
Both State & Federal Governments	32%
Federal Government	31%
Unsure / No opinion	3%

T9. Who should be the sole provider and manager of roads, transportation and public transit projects?

State Government	44%
Both State & Federal Governments	42%
Federal Government	13%
Unsure / No opinion	1%

T10. Who should be the sole manager of our forests, water, the environment and our natural resources?

Both State & Federal Governments	36%
Federal Government	34%
State Government	28%
Unsure / No opinion	2%

T11. Who should be the sole provider and manager of enforcing our immigration laws and policies?

Federal Government	56%
Both State & Federal Governments	29%
State Government	12%
Unsure / No opinion	3%

T12. Who should be the sole provider and manager of welfare programs like food stamps and public housing?

State Government	48%
Both State & Federal Governments	34%
Federal Government	16%
Unsure / No opinion	2%

T13. Who should be	e the sole manager	of our crime,	punishment a	and law enforcement
agencies?				

Both State & Federal Governments	51%
State Government	32%
Federal Government	15%
Unsure / No opinion	2%

## T14. Who should oversee and manage unions and labor laws?

State Government	37%
Federal Government	30%
Both State & Federal Governments	25%
Unsure / No opinion	. 8%

## T15. Who should oversee and manage the ownership of public lands?

44%
33%
18%
5%

T16. Please tell me if you agree or disagree with the following statement. Individuals making their own decisions in the marketplace will always allocate resources better than any centralized government planning process.

Agree	58%
Disagree	26%
Unsure / No opinion	

T17. Which of the following three statements comes closest to your point of view regarding national security and foreign policy issues? Please wait to hear all options.

Deploy troops and weapons around world	36%
Keep terrorist away & stay out of the Middle East	26%
Fight using drones & missiles, no troops deployed	24%
Unsure / No opinion	14%

#### T18. Are you a man or a woman?

Women	53%
Men	47%

#### T19. Which of the following age groups applies to you?

18-34	25%
35-44	20%
45-54	20%
55-64	17%
65+	18%

### T20. What is your marital status?

Married	61%
Single, Never Been Married	18%
Widowed	9%
Separated or Divorced	8%
Single, Living with a Partner	2%
Unsure / No opinion	

#### T21. What is your race?

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%
%
%
%
%

T22. Do you consider yourself to be a Republican, a Democrat or an Independent voter?

Independent or Other	47%
Republican	
Democrat	21%
Don't Know or Refused	1%

#### **Survey Methodology**

This survey was conducted dialing both automated landline and live cell phone sample. The sample used for this survey was randomly drawn from a state of Virginia voter file. This survey was weighted based upon past general election voting demographics for the non-primary, "middle" voting population. The interviews were conducted January 26<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Three attempts were made to interview each household in the sample. This survey has a margin of error of +/- 3.73% at the 95 percent confidence interval.