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Virginia Competitive Federalism Issues Survey Topline Results

Magellan Strategies is pleased to present the topline results of a 767n automated landline and cell phone survey of 2016 general election voters in the state of Virginia. The interviews were conducted December 5th - 6th, 2016. This survey has a margin of error of +/- 3.54% 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 and what do you consider yourself as a Republican, a Democrat or an Independent voter?

Independent 47%
Democrat 29%
Republican 24%

T2. Did you vote in the November election for President, the United States Senate and Congress?

Yes 100%

T3. Thinking about the past election, for whom did you vote for President? Did you vote for Hillary Clinton the Democrat candidate, Donald Trump the Republican candidate, Gary Johnson the Libertarian candidate, Jill Stein the Green Party candidate or some other candidate, or did you not vote for President?

Trump 43%
Clinton 43%
Johnson 5%
Stein 1%
Other Candidate 4%
Did not vote for President 0%
Unsure or Refused 4%

T4. Among the following list of issues which do you think should be the top priority that President elect Donald Trump and Congress should be addressing the most?

Creating jobs and growing our economy	29%
National security and terrorism.....	17%
Healthcare.....	12%
Education	11%
Government spending and the national debt	7%
Immigration.....	5%
Cutting government waste	5%
Transportation funding for roads and bridges.....	3%
Other.....	5%
Unsure or Refused.....	6%

T5. Among the following list of issues which do you think should be the top priority that Governor McAuliffe and the state legislature should be addressing the most?

Creating good jobs and growing our economy	25%
Improving public education.....	21%
Addressing the rising costs of healthcare.....	16%
Improving roads and transportation	10%
Protecting communities from acts of violence.....	8%
Bringing efficiency to state government spending	7%
Protecting the environment.....	4%
Addressing the rising costs of housing.....	3%
Other.....	2%
Unsure or Refused.....	4%

T6. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Terry McAuliffe is doing as Governor?

Approve	42%
Disapprove.....	34%
Unsure or Refused.....	24%



T7. Even though it is a long way off... If the election for Governor in 2017 were being held today, would you vote for the Democrat candidate, the Republican candidate, an outside, non-career politician candidate, a libertarian candidate, or a green party candidate?

Democrat Candidate	32%
Republican Candidate	32%
Non-Career Politician Candidate	14%
Libertarian Candidate	3%
Green Party Candidate	1%
Other.....	2%
Undecided or Refused.....	16%

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

T8. Please tell me if you agree or disagree with the following statement. Most of America's major domestic problems are better handled by the federal government than by individual state governments.

Agree.....	30%
Disagree.....	59%
Unsure or Refused.....	11%

T9. 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.....	57%
Disagree.....	31%
Unsure or Refused.....	12%

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, after hearing the program 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 program. Let's get started...



T10. Who should be the sole provider and manager of public schools and educating students?

State or Local Government 58%
Both State & Federal Governments 28%
Federal Government..... 12%
Unsure or No Opinion 2%

T11. Who should be the sole provider and manager of welfare programs like Medicaid and healthcare for low-income individuals and families?

State or Local Government 38%
Federal Government..... 31%
Both State & Federal Governments 29%
Unsure or No Opinion 2%

T12. Who should be the sole provider and manager of roads, transportation and public transit projects?

State or Local Government 48%
Both State & Federal Governments 33%
Federal Government..... 17%
Unsure or No Opinion 2%

T13. Who should be the sole provider and manager of energy resources and regulations?

Federal Government..... 44%
Both State & Federal Governments 31%
State or Local Government 22%
Unsure or No Opinion 3%

T14. When it comes to welfare, education, transportation and energy, do you want President-elect Donald Trump and the new Congress to:

Split power/money more equally with states..... 46%
Move power/money from Washington to states 37%
Keep power/money in Washington DC..... 12%
Unsure or No Opinion 5%



T15. Are you a man or a woman?

Women 53%
Men..... 47%

T16. Which of the following age groups applies to you?

18-34 25%
35-44 20%
45-54 20%
55-64 17%
65+ 18%
Refused 0%

T17. What is your marital status?

Married 61%
Single, Never Been Married..... 20%
Separated or Divorced..... 8%
Widowed 7%
Single, Living with a Partner 3%
Unsure or No opinion 1%

T18. What is the highest level of education that you have completed?

Grade School 1%
Some High School..... 2%
Graduated High School 12%
Some College 22%
Graduated from College 33%
Some Graduate or Professional School 30%
Unsure or No opinion 0%



T19. For statistical purposes only, what was the total income of everyone in your household last year before taxes?

Less than \$15,000	4%
Between \$16,000 and \$30,000	11%
Between \$31,000 and \$50,000	17%
Between \$51,000 and \$75,000	17%
Between \$76,000 and \$100,000	13%
Between \$101,000 and \$150,000	16%
More than \$150,000.....	15%
Unsure or Refused.....	7%

T20. What is your racial or ethnic background?

White	75%
Black or African American.....	19%
Hispanic or Latino.....	3%
Asian.....	1%
Other Racial Group.....	2%
Don't Know or Refused	0%

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 December 5th - 6th, 2016. Three attempts were made to interview each household in the sample. This survey has a margin of error of +/- 3.54% at the 95 percent confidence interval.

