

November 2022 Winthrop Poll

Q.1 To confirm, are you at least 18 years of age or older and a current resident of South Carolina?

Yes to both ..... 1  
No to either or Refused .. 2

[S - IF THE ANSWER IS 2, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 65]

Q.2 What is your age as of your last birthday?

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Q.3 Would you describe yourself as male or female?

Male ..... 1  
Female ..... 2  
Non-binary or other .. 3  
Refused ..... 4

Q.4 And the last of our classification questions, what is your race or ethnicity?

White (or Caucasian) ..... 1  
African American (or Black) .. 2  
Hispanic ..... 3  
Asian ..... 4  
Native American ..... 5  
Multiracial ..... 6  
Other ..... 7  
Refused ..... 8

Q.5 Are you currently registered to vote in South Carolina?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2  
Don't Know .. 3  
Refused ..... 4

Q.6 Do you approve or disapprove of the way **Joe Biden** is handling his job as President of the United States?

[CALLER: if 'not sure/don't know,' probe with, "It doesn't have to be specific, just in general, would you say you more approve or more disapprove?"]

Approve ..... 1  
Disapprove .. 2  
Not Sure ..... 3  
Refused ..... 4

Q.7 Do you approve or disapprove of the way **Henry McMaster** is handling his job as Governor of South Carolina?

[CALLER: if 'not sure/don't know,' probe with, "It doesn't have to be specific, just in general, would you say you more approve or more disapprove?"]

Approve ..... 1  
Disapprove .. 2  
Not Sure ..... 3  
Refused ..... 4

Q.8 Do you approve or disapprove of the way **Lindsey Graham** is handling his job as a United States Senator for South Carolina?

[CALLER: if 'not sure/don't know,' probe with, "It doesn't have to be specific, just in general, would you say you more approve or more disapprove?"]

Approve ..... 1  
Disapprove .. 2  
Not Sure ..... 3  
Refused ..... 4

Q.9 Do you approve or disapprove of the way **Tim Scott** is handling his job as a United States Senator for South Carolina?

[CALLER: if 'not sure/don't know,' probe with, "It doesn't have to be specific, just in general, would you say you more approve or more disapprove?"]

Approve ..... 1  
Disapprove .. 2  
Not Sure ..... 3  
Refused ..... 4

Q.10 Would you say that your view of former South Carolina governor **Nikki Haley** is generally favorable or unfavorable?

Would you say very or somewhat [favorable/unfavorable]?

[CALLER: if 'not sure/don't know,' probe with, "It doesn't have to be specific, just in general, would you say your opinion is more favorable or unfavorable"]

- Very Favorable ..... 1
- Somewhat Favorable ..... 2
- Neither Favorable nor Unfavorable .. 3
- Somewhat Unfavorable ..... 4
- Very Unfavorable ..... 5
- Refused ..... 6

Q.11 Would you say that your view of **Donald Trump** is generally favorable or unfavorable?

Would you say very or somewhat [favorable/unfavorable]?

[CALLER: if 'not sure/don't know,' probe with, "It doesn't have to be specific, just in general, would you say your opinion is more favorable or unfavorable"]

- Very Favorable ..... 1
- Somewhat Favorable ..... 2
- Neither Favorable nor Unfavorable .. 3
- Somewhat Unfavorable ..... 4
- Very Unfavorable ..... 5
- Refused ..... 6

Q.12 In the past year, do you feel that you have been discriminated against because of your race or ethnicity?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2
- Not Sure .. 3
- Refused ... 4

Q.13 In the past year, has there been a time when you felt that you could not express your political opinions out of fear of being verbally attacked or harassed?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2
- Not Sure .. 3
- Refused ... 4

Q.14 Would you favor or oppose a law legalizing medical marijuana prescribed by a doctor?

- Favor ..... 1
- Oppose ... 2
- Not Sure .. 3
- 4

Refused

Q.15 Would you favor or oppose a law legalizing the recreational use of marijuana?

- Favor ..... 1
- Oppose ... 2
- Not Sure .. 3
- Refused ... 4

Q.16 Would you favor or oppose a law legalizing gambling on sports in the state of South Carolina?

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- Favor ..... 1
- Oppose ... 2
- Not Sure .. 3
- Refused ... 4

Q.17 Which of the following comes closest to your opinion about what to do with monuments or memorials to Confederate soldiers who died during the Civil War?

[CALLER: Only read 1-4 in the order they appear]

[READ ANSWERS IN RANDOM ORDER, EXCEPT THE LAST 2]

- Leave them just as they are ..... 1
- Leave them, but add a plaque or marker for context and historical interpretation .. 2
- Move them to a museum ..... 3
- Remove them completely ..... 4
- Don't Know ..... 5
- Refused ..... 6

Q.18 Some people say the confederate battle flag reminds them of white supremacy and racial conflict. Other people say the confederate battle flag is a symbol of southern heritage and pride.

Do you think the flag is **more** a symbol of racial conflict or of southern pride?

[CALLER: if they say "Both" prompt with "which do you feel it is **MORE** of a symbol of?"]

- Racial Conflict ..... 1
- Southern Pride ..... 2
- Equally both [volunteered, only if they say 'both' a second time after prompt] .. 3
- Not Sure ..... 4
- Refused ..... 5

Q.19 Do you feel that generations of slavery and discrimination do or do not make it difficult for black people to work their way out of the lower class?

Do you feel that way Strongly or Somewhat?

- Strongly DO make it difficult ..... 1
- Somewhat DO make it difficult ..... 2
- Somewhat do NOT make it difficult .. 3
- Strongly do NOT make it difficult ..... 4
- Not Sure ..... 5
- Refused ..... 6

Q.20 Do you believe that the results of the 2020 Presidential election were fair and accurate?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2
- Not Sure .. 3
- Refused ... 4

Q.21 Should a woman be able to obtain a legal abortion if the pregnancy threatens the woman's life or health?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2
- Not Sure .. 3
- Refused ... 4

Q.22 Should a woman be able to obtain a legal abortion if the pregnancy is the result of rape?

- (27)
- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2
- Not Sure .. 3
- Refused ... 4

Q.23 Should a woman be able to obtain a legal abortion if the baby is likely to be born with severe disabilities or health problems?

(28)  
Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2  
Not Sure .. 3  
Refused ... 4

Q.24 Should a woman be able to obtain a legal abortion for any reason whatsoever?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2  
Not Sure .. 3  
Refused ... 4

Q.25 Do you think marriages between same-sex couples should or should not be recognized by the law as valid, with the same rights as a marriage between a man and a woman?

Yes, should be recognized as valid ..... 1  
No, should not be recognized as valid .. 2  
Not Sure ..... 3  
Refused ..... 4

Q.26 Regardless of how you voted in the last election, in general, do you consider yourself a Democrat, Republican, Independent, or something else?

[CALLER: code as Independent if they say "Tea Party," "No Party," "Neither," or "None of the above"]

[Only code as Something Else if they actually name another political party]

Democrat ..... 1  
Republican ..... 2  
Independent ..... 3  
Something Else ..... 4  
Don't Know/Refused .. 5

[S - IF THE ANSWER IS 2, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 28]  
[S - IF THE ANSWER IS 3, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 29]  
[S - IF THE ANSWER IS 4, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 32]  
[S - IF THE ANSWER IS 5, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 32]

Q.27 Would you say that you are a Strong or Not So Strong Democrat?

Strong ..... 1  
Not so strong ..... 2  
Don't Know/Refused .. 3

[S - IF THE ANSWER IS 1-3, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 32]

Q.28 Would you say that you are a Strong or Not So Strong Republican?

- Strong ..... 1
- Not so strong ..... 2
- Don't Know/Refused .. 3

[S - IF THE ANSWER IS 1-3, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 30]

Q.29 Would you say that you lean more toward the Republican party, lean more toward the Democratic party, or lean toward neither party?

- Lean Republican ..... 1
- Lean Democrat ..... 2
- Neither ..... 3
- Don't Know/Refused .. 4

[S - IF THE ANSWER IS 1-4, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 32]

Q.30 Do you think Nikki Haley should run for president in 2024?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2
- Not Sure .. 3
- Refused ... 4

Q.31 If both Nikki Haley and Donald Trump ran for the Republican Nomination for President in 2024, would you support Nikki Haley, Donald Trump, **or** someone else who might run?

- Nikki Haley ..... 1
- Donald Trump ..... 2
- Someone else who might run .. 3
- Not Sure ..... 4
- Refused ..... 5

Q.32 What is your present religion, if any? Are you Protestant, Roman Catholic, Jewish, Mormon, Jehovah's Witness, Muslim, Orthodox such as Greek or Russian Orthodox, Buddhist, Hindu, atheist, agnostic, something else, or spiritual, but nothing in particular?

[CALLER: code Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian, Lutheran, Episcopalian, AME, AME-Zion, Church of Christ, Church of God in Christ, Pentecostal, Full Gospel, and any "Non-denominational Christian Church" as "Protestant" – basically, any Christian who is non-Orthodox or non-Catholic is a Protestant]

[CALLER: use two digit codes. e.g., "05" for "five"]

Protestant (non-Catholic Christian including Baptist, AME, AME Zion, Methodist, Lutheran, Episcopal, Presbyterian, Wesleyan, non-denominational Christian, etc.)	1
Roman Catholic	2
Jewish	3
Mormon	4
Jehovah's Witness	5
Muslim	6
Orthodox such as Russian or Greek Orthodox	7
Buddhist	8
Hindu	9
atheist	10
agnostic	11
something else	12
spiritual, but nothing in particular	13
Refused	14

[S - IF THE ANSWER IS 3-14, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 34]

Q.33 Would you describe yourself as an evangelical Christian, or not?

Yes	1
No	2
Not Sure	3
Refused	4

Q.34 Which of the following statements comes closest to describing your views about the Bible –

[CALLER: read options 1-3 only]

the Bible is the actual word of God and is to be taken literally, word for word	1
the Bible is the inspired word of God but not everything in it should be taken literally	2
Or the Bible is an ancient book of fables, legends, history, and moral guidelines recorded by man	3
Not Sure	4
Refused	5



Q.35 How important would you say religion is in your own life: Very important, Fairly important, or Not very important?

- Very Important ..... 1
- Fairly Important ..... 2
- Not Very Important .... 3
- Not Sure ..... 4
- Prefer not to answer .. 5

Q.36 Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services... more than once a week, once a week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, seldom, or never?

- More than once a week .. 1
- Once a week ..... 2
- Once or twice a month ... 3
- Few times a year ..... 4
- Seldom ..... 5
- Never ..... 6
- Refused ..... 7

Q.37 For the next few questions, please tell us how much discrimination there is against each of these groups in our society today. The first is...

Black people...how much discrimination is there against this group in our society today?  
A lot, some, only a little, or none at all?

- A lot ..... 1
- Some ..... 2
- Only a little .. 3
- None at all .. 4
- Refused ..... 5

Q.38 Hispanics...how much discrimination is there against this group in our society today? A lot, some, only a little, or none at all?

- A lot ..... 1
- Some ..... 2
- Only a little .. 3
- None at all .. 4
- Refused ..... 5

Q.39 White people...how much discrimination is there against this group in our society today?  
A lot, some, only a little, or none at all?

- A lot ..... 1
- Some ..... 2
- Only a litte .. 3
- None at all .. 4
- Refused ..... 5

Q.40 Asian people...how much discrimination is there against this group in our society today?  
A lot, some, only a little, or none at all?

- A lot ..... 1
- Some ..... 2
- Only a little .. 3
- None at all .. 4
- Refused ..... 5

Q.41 Gays and Lesbians...how much discrimination is there against this group in our society today? A lot, some, only a little, or none at all?

- A lot ..... 1
- Some ..... 2
- Only a little .. 3
- None at all .. 4
- Refused ..... 5

Q.42 Women...how much discrimination is there against this group in our society today? A lot, some, only a little, or none at all?

- A lot ..... 1
- Some ..... 2
- Only a little .. 3
- None at all .. 4
- Refused ..... 5

Q.43 Men...how much discrimination is there against this group in our society today? A lot, some, only a little, or none at all?

- A lot ..... 1
- Some ..... 2
- Only a little .. 3
- None at all .. 4
- Refused ..... 5

Q.44 Jews...how much discrimination is there against this group in our society today? A lot, some, only a little, or none at all?

- A lot ..... 1
- Some ..... 2
- Only a little .. 3
- None at all .. 4
- Refused ..... 5

Q.45 Muslims...how much discrimination is there against this group in our society today? A lot, some, only a little, or none at all?

- A lot ..... 1
- Some ..... 2
- Only a little .. 3
- None at all .. 4
- Refused ..... 5

Q.46 Christians...how much discrimination is there against this group in our society today? A lot, some, only a little, or none at all?

- A lot ..... 1
- Some ..... 2
- Only a little .. 3
- None at all .. 4
- Refused ..... 5

Q.47 Conservatives...how much discrimination is there against this group in our society today? A lot, some, only a little, or none at all?

- A lot ..... 1
- Some ..... 2
- Only a little .. 3
- None at all .. 4
- Refused ..... 5

Q.48 Liberals...how much discrimination is there against this group in our society today? A lot, some, only a little, or none at all?

- A lot ..... 1
- Some ..... 2
- Only a little .. 3
- None at all .. 4
- Refused ..... 5

Q.49 For these next questions, we want you to tell us whether you strongly disagree, disagree, are undecided, agree, or strongly agree with each statement. The first is...

The federal government should declare the United States a Christian nation.

- Strongly Disagree .. 1
- Disagree ..... 2
- Undecided ..... 3
- Agree ..... 4
- Strongly Agree ..... 5
- Refused ..... 6

Q.50 America holds a special place in God's plan.

Do you strongly disagree, disagree, are undecided, agree, or strongly agree?

(56)  
Strongly Disagree .. 1  
Disagree ..... 2  
Undecided ..... 3  
Agree ..... 4  
Strongly Agree ..... 5  
Refused ..... 6

Q.51 It is critical that our government maintains a separation of church and state.

Do you strongly disagree, disagree, are undecided, agree, or strongly agree?

Strongly Disagree .. 1  
Disagree ..... 2  
Undecided ..... 3  
Agree ..... 4  
Strongly Agree ..... 5  
Refused ..... 6

Q.52 I consider founding documents, like the Declaration of Independence and the US Constitution, to be divinely inspired.

Do you strongly disagree, disagree, are undecided, agree, or strongly agree?

Strongly Disagree .. 1  
Disagree ..... 2  
Undecided ..... 3  
Agree ..... 4  
Strongly Agree ..... 5  
Refused ..... 6

Q.53 I consider being a Christian an important aspect of being truly American.

Do you strongly disagree, disagree, are undecided, agree, or strongly agree?

Strongly Disagree .. 1  
Disagree ..... 2  
Undecided ..... 3  
Agree ..... 4  
Strongly Agree ..... 5  
Refused ..... 6

Q.54 Which of the following best describes your regional identity?

[CALLER: Only read 1-3 in the order they appear]

[READ ANSWERS IN RANDOM ORDER, EXCEPT THE LAST 2]

- Non-Southerner ..... 1
- Converted Southerner .. 2
- Native Southerner ..... 3
- Don't Know ..... 4
- Refused ..... 5

Q.55 On a scale of one to ten where one represents VERY LIBERAL and ten represents VERY CONSERVATIVE where would you place YOURSELF?

[CALLER: If they say "Very Liberal" or "Very Conservative," make sure you have them clarify by saying a number 1-10]

[CALLER: use two digit codes. e.g., "05" for "five"]

- 1-Very Liberal ..... 1
- 2- ..... 2
- 3- ..... 3
- 4- ..... 4
- 5- ..... 5
- 6- ..... 6
- 7- ..... 7
- 8- ..... 8
- 9- ..... 9
- 10-Very Conservative ... 10
- Don't Know ..... 11
- Prefer not to answer ..... 12

Q.56 As you may know, after every Census, electoral districts are redesigned in order to reflect any changes in the population. This happens for all Congressional districts as well as districts for State House and State Senate.

2022 will be the first election using the newly drawn districts from the 2020 Census. Do you believe the electoral districts in South Carolina were redrawn in a fair manner?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2
- Don't Know .. 3
- Refused ..... 4

Q.57 How closely have you been following the Congressional hearings concerning the events that happened at the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021? Very closely, somewhat closely, not closely, or not at all?

Very closely ..... 1  
Somewhat closely .. 2  
Not closely ..... 3  
Not at all ..... 4  
Refused ..... 5

Q.58 Do you believe Donald Trump should be charged with a crime for his involvement in the events that happened at the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2  
Not Sure .. 3  
Refused ... 4

Q.59 Our final questions simply seek to measure how closely you follow state and national politics.

To the best of your knowledge, the U.S. House of Representatives is currently controlled by Republicans or Democrats?

Republicans ..... 1  
Democrats ..... 2  
Not Sure/Refused .. 3

Q.60 To the best of your knowledge, the South Carolina state legislature is controlled by Republicans or Democrats?

Republicans ..... 1  
Democrats ..... 2  
Not Sure/Refused .. 3

Q.61 To the best of your knowledge, the governor of South Carolina is a Republican or a Democrat?

Republican ..... 1  
Democrat ..... 2  
Not Sure/Refused .. 3

Q.62 To the best of your knowledge, the president of the United States is a Republican or a Democrat?

- Republican ..... 1
- Democrat ..... 2
- Not Sure/Refused .. 3

Q.63 What is the highest level of education you have completed?

- Less than High School ..... 1
- High School graduate/GED .. 2
- Some college ..... 3
- Two-year tech college grad .. 4
- Four-year college grad ..... 5
- Post Graduate ..... 6
- Refused ..... 7

Q.64 Which of the following categories best describes your TOTAL household YEARLY income? Please stop me when I reach the correct category.

Under 15 thousand, 15 to 20 thousand, 20 to 30 thousand, 30 to 40 thousand, 40 to 50 thousand, 50 to 75 thousand, 75 to 100 thousand, 100 to 125 thousand, 125 to 175 thousand, 175 to 250 thousand, over 250 thousand.

[CALLER: code as two digit; i.e., 1 as 01]

- Under \$15,000 ..... 1
- \$15,000-\$20,000 ..... 2
- \$20,000-\$30,000 ..... 3
- \$30,000-\$40,000 ..... 4
- \$40,000-\$50,000 ..... 5
- \$50,000-\$75,000 ..... 6
- \$75,000-\$100,000 ..... 7
- \$100,000-\$125,000 ..... 8
- \$125,000-\$175,000 ..... 9
- \$175,000-\$250,000 .... 10
- Over \$250,000 ..... 11
- Don't Know/Refused ... 12

[S - IF THE ANSWER IS 1-99, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 66]

Q.65 Thank you, but we're only interviewing people who [live in South Carolina/are 18 years of age or older] at this time. Have a great day!

[CALLER: hang up, press 1 to continue, and code as **No Eligible Respondent**]

Continue .. 1

[S - IF THE ANSWER IS 1, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 67]

Q.66 That is all the information we're looking for today! Thank you very much for your assistance.

[CALLER: hang up and press 1 to continue]

Continue .. 1

Q.67 [CALLER: press 1 then assign the appropriate call code]

Continue to call codes .. 1