

West Virginia

Survey of 1000 Likely Voters

Conducted April 3-5, 2013

By Pulse Opinion Research

NOTE: Margin of Sampling Error, +/- 3 percentage points with a 95% level of confidence

1* The government reports that 20 million Americans who want a full-time job cannot find one. Over the next two years how would you rate their prospects of getting a job...excellent, good, fair or poor?

5% Excellent
13% Good
30% Fair
49% Poor
3% Not sure

2* In West Virginia, the broad unemployment rate is 18% for less-educated citizens who have no more than a high school diploma and who want a full-time job. Over the next two years how would you rate the prospects that the state's economy will produce a lot more jobs for these citizens....excellent, good, fair or poor?

4% Excellent
11% Good
30% Fair
54% Poor
1% Not sure

3* Congress is considering a bill to give work permits to an estimated 7 million illegal immigrant workers. Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose the work permits?

18% SUPPORT
7% You strongly support work permits
11% Somewhat support
79% OPPOSE
16% Somewhat oppose
63% Strongly oppose
3% Not sure

4* [answered ONLY by 185 likely voters who support permits] Do you support giving work permits to nearly all illegal immigrants, most of them, some of them or only a few of them?

25% Nearly all
31% Most
35% Some
7% A few
2% Not sure

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5* Do you believe less educated illegal immigrants compete with less-educated Americans for construction, hospitality and other service jobs?

67% Yes
21% No
12% Not sure

6* How much moral responsibility do you feel Congress has to help protect the ability of current illegal immigrants to hold a job and support their families without fear of deportation: a lot, some, very little or none?

12% A lot
21% Some
23% Very little
39% None
6% Not sure

INTENSITY: 12% A lot
39% None

7* How much moral responsibility do you feel Congress has to help protect unemployed or low-wage Americans from having to compete with foreign workers for U.S. jobs: A lot, some, very little or none?

60% A lot
19% Some
11% Very little
7% None
2% Not sure

8* In recent years, the government has issued permanent green cards to approximately 1 million new immigrants each year. Is this number too high, too low or about right?

64% Too high
4% Too low
23% About right
9% Not sure

INTENSITY: 60% A lot
7% None

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9* Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree that the United States is faced with labor shortages and needs more immigrant workers?

16% AGREE
 7% Strongly agree
 9% Somewhat agree
79% DISAGREE
 23% Somewhat disagree
 56% Strongly disagree
5% Not sure

INTENSITY: 7% Strongly agree
 56% Strongly disagree

10* On the issue of fighting illegal immigration, is the government doing too much, not enough or about the right amount?

11% Too much
68% Not enough
13% About the right amount
8% Not sure

11* Some in Congress want to grant legal status – including work permits, driver’s licenses and travel documents -- to illegal immigrants and then, after the border is considered secure, allow them to pursue citizenship. Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this approach?

24% SUPPORT
 8% Strongly support
 16% Somewhat support
73% OPPOSE
 20% Somewhat oppose
 53% Strongly oppose
3% Not sure

INTENSITY: 8% Strongly support
 53% Strongly oppose

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12* Others in Congress have said that before legalization can be considered for illegal immigrants, the government must demonstrate it is fully enforcing immigration laws to secure the border, to track visitors and to ensure that foreign citizens don't illegally take U.S. jobs and public benefits. Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose this approach?

70% SUPPORT
 50% Strongly support
 20% Somewhat support
23% OPPOSE
 9% Somewhat oppose
 14% Strongly oppose
7% Not sure

INTENSITY: 50% Strongly support
 14% Strongly oppose

13* (forces choice between Questions 11 & 12) In terms of dealing with illegal immigrants do you prefer the approach that first gives legal status and jobs to illegal immigrants, followed by border security and then citizenship, OR do you prefer first demonstrating full enforcement of immigration laws before considering legalization?

18% Legalization first, followed by border security and then citizenship
68% Full enforcement first, before considering legalization
14% Not sure

14* Are you more likely to vote for a political party that supports enforcing immigration laws first or that supports legalizing illegal immigrants first?

76% A political party that supports enforcing immigration laws first
10% A political party that supports legalizing illegal immigrants first
14% Not sure

15* What is the government's most urgent priority in setting immigration policy this year: Bring otherwise law-abiding illegal immigrants out of the shadows, protecting unemployed less-educated Americans from competition from foreign workers, or ensuring that employers get the foreign workers they need to keep the economy strong?

16% Bring illegal immigrants out of the shadows
70% Protect unemployed Americans from foreign-worker competition
8% Ensure employers get workers they need for strong economy
6% Not sure

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16* Do you favor or oppose requiring all employers to use E-Verify to electronically ensure that they are hiring only legal workers for U.S. jobs?

81% Favor

6% Oppose

13% Not sure

On April 3-5, 2013 Pulse Opinion Research conducted a survey of 1000 likely voters in West Virginia. The margin of sampling error for the full sample is +/- 3.0% percentage points with a 95% level of confidence. This means that an identical survey conducted under the same circumstances would generate a result within the margin of sampling error 19 times out of 20.

The survey was conducted using an established automated polling methodology. For 90% of the sample calls were placed to randomly-selected phone numbers through a process that insures appropriate geographic representation. 10% of the sample was conducted via online surveys of those individuals who use a cell-phone as their primary telephone. After the calls and on-line surveys are completed, the raw data is processed through a weighting program to insure that the sample reflects the overall population in terms of age, race, gender, political party, and other factors. The processing step is required because different segments of the population answer the phone in different ways. For example, women answer the phone more than men, older people are home more and answer more than younger people, and rural residents typically answer the phone more frequently than urban residents.

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