

NORTH DAKOTA

Survey of 500 Likely Voters
Conducted April 25-28, 2013
By Pulse Opinion Research

NOTE: Margin of Sampling Error, +/- 4.5 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?

6% Excellent
28% Good
36% Fair
27% Poor
2% Not sure

2* In North Dakota, the broad unemployment rate is 10% 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?

34% Excellent
42% Good
17% Fair
5% Poor
2% 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?

28% SUPPORT
10% You strongly support work permits
18% Somewhat support
70% OPPOSE
20% Somewhat oppose
50% Strongly oppose
3% Not sure

INTENSITY: 10% Strongly support
50% Strongly oppose

4* [answered ONLY by 28% of 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?

27% Nearly all
35% Most
35% Some
3% Not sure

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

69% Yes
22% No
9% 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
24% Some
26% Very little
34% None
4% Not sure

INTENSITY: 12% A lot
34% 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?

46% A lot
35% Some
11% Very little
6% None
2% Not sure

INTENSITY: 46% A lot
6% None

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?

49% Too high
6% Too low
25% About right
19% Not sure

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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?

20% AGREE
 4% Strongly agree
 16% Somewhat agree
73% DISAGREE
 32% Somewhat disagree
 41% Strongly disagree
7% Not sure

INTENSITY: 4% Strongly agree
 41% Strongly disagree

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

5% Too much
73% Not enough
12% About the right amount
10% Not sure

11* SOME in Congress propose giving work permits to illegal immigrants first and then implementing border and workplace enforcement to stop future flows of illegal workers over the next 10 years. OTHERS in Congress say the enforcement at the borders and workplace must be implemented first and then the work permits can be considered. Which to you prefer for dealing with illegal immigrants?

23% Work permits first, followed by 10 years of implementing enforcement
68% Full enforcement first, before considering work permits
9% Not sure

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

69% A political party that supports enforcing immigration laws first
14% A political party that supports legalizing illegal immigrants first
17% Not sure

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13* 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?

20% Bring illegal immigrants out of the shadows
57% Protect unemployed Americans from foreign-worker competition
16% Ensure employers get workers they need for strong economy
7% Not sure

14* 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
7% Oppose
12% Not sure

15* In terms of dealing with the illegal immigrant population of 11 million, would you prefer that the United States deport most, deport only some but ensure the rest take no jobs or taxpayer assistance, or provide most with legal status and work permits?

38% Deport most
25% Deport some but ensure no jobs or assistance for the rest
23% Legal status and work permits for most
13% Not sure

16* If congress were to give work permits to illegal immigrants, should it offset the job competition for unemployed Americans by reducing green cards for future immigrant workers?

48% Yes, offset with reduction in future immigrant workers
17% No offsets in future immigration
34% Not sure

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