

The following survey was commissioned by the Alliance for Citizenship, Partnership for a New American Economy, and Republicans for Immigration Reform to understand voter perceptions of immigration reform.

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Virginia Immigration Poll Toplines

Conducted: June 4-5, 2013

Respondents: 500

Margin of Error: +/-4.38%

Results:

Q: There is bipartisan immigration reform legislation being debated in Washington. The bill would secure our borders, block employers from hiring undocumented immigrants, and make sure that undocumented immigrants already in the U.S. with no criminal record register for legal status. If a long list of requirements is met over more than a decade, it provides eligibility for a path to citizenship. Would you support or oppose this proposal?

Strongly Support	32%
Somewhat Support	31%
Somewhat Oppose	11%
Strongly Oppose	8%
Not sure	18%
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Total	100%

Q: Do you support or oppose an immigration reform plan that ensures undocumented immigrants currently living in the U.S. pay a penalty, learn English, pass a criminal background check, pay taxes, and wait a minimum of thirteen years before they can be eligible for citizenship?

Strongly Support	43%
Somewhat Support	26%
Somewhat Oppose	13%
Strongly Oppose	12%
Not sure	6%
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Total	100%

Q: Would you be more likely or less likely to vote for an elected official who votes for this legislation?

More Likely	60%
Less Likely	23%
Would not make a difference	17%
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Total	100%

Q: Now, I'm going to read you a statement. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree. My Senator should support this legislation because everyone agrees our immigration system is broken and this bill is tough, but fair. It would tighten border security, crack down on employers who hire undocumented immigrants and solve this problem once and for all.

Strongly Agree	52%
Somewhat Agree	26%
Somewhat Disagree	10%
Strongly Disagree	8%
Not sure	4%
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Total	100%

Q: How important is it that the U.S. fix its immigration system this year?

Very Important	65%
Somewhat Important	21%
Not Too Important	10%
Not Important At All	3%
Not sure	1%
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Total	100%

Demographics:

Gender

Female	53%
Male	47%
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Total	100%

Age

18 to 35	19%
36 to 50	20%
51 to 65	38%
66 and older	23%
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Total	100%

Race/Ethnicity

White	72%
Black	18%
Hispanic	2%
Anything Else	8%
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Total	100%

Party Affiliation

Republican	38%
Democrat	36%
Independent/Any other party	26%
Total	100%