
LCV Education Fund – Standard Questions for State Polling Project

Now I want you to think about the future. I'm going to read you a short list of issues. For each one, please tell me how concerned you are about that issue on a scale of 0 to 10, in which 10 means you are extremely concerned about the issue, 5 means you are somewhat concerned, and 0 means you are not concerned at all. You can use any number in between 0 and 10.

- Education
- Clean air and water
- Crime and drugs
- Taxes
- Sprawl and over-development
- Medicare and Social Security
- Global Warming
- Health Care
- The environment

Thinking specifically about (state), what, if any, conservation or environmental concerns do you worry about the most? (do not read options, write in response. Use these few standard questions and add a few state specific.)

- Water quality
- Air quality
- Sprawl and uncontrolled growth
- Traffic congestion
- Clean up of hazardous and toxic waste
- Open space or wilderness preservation

Split sample

In making a voting decision, how important are conservation or environmental issues for you when deciding how to vote?

OR

In making a voting decision, how important are issues involving clean water, clean air and open space for you in deciding how to vote?

- Very important, they are a primary factor in deciding how to vote
- Somewhat important, they are one of several issues you consider
- Not very important, they are not necessarily an issue you consider
- Not at all important, they are just not a consideration in deciding how to vote

Now let me read you four statements about the environment and please tell me which comes closest to your own view.

- The laws protecting the environment are not strong enough and stronger laws should be enacted.
- The current laws are tough enough but they are not enforced, existing laws should be strictly enforced.
- The current laws and enforcement of those laws are fine and should be left alone.
- The current laws protecting the environment and enforcement of those laws are too strict and need to be relaxed.

Please tell me which of the following statements comes closest to your own views, even if neither of the statements matches your views exactly. [ROTATE STATEMENTS]

- We can have a clean environment and a strong economy at the same time without having to choose one over the other
- Sometimes a clean environment and a strong economy are in conflict and we must choose one over the other
- (Don't know/refused)

Split sample

Now let me read you two short statements about two candidates and please tell me which one you favor.

Candidate A believes we must protect the environment, and supports strong laws and enforcement of those laws.

Candidate B believes there are too many government regulations, and supports efforts to relieve the burden of regulation on business.

- Candidate A, strongly
- Candidate A, not strongly
- Candidate B, strongly
- Candidate B, not strongly
- Not sure