Study #14242--page 1 FFYF Battleground State Survey – **West Virginia**

Interviews: 302 likely 2022 voters

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Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.

S1. First, are you currently registered to vote in Nevada?

Registered	100	CONTINUE
Not registered	-	TERMINATE
Not sure	-	

S2. For statistical purposes only, and to ensure that we have a representative sample, would you please tell me how old you are? (IF "REFUSED," ASK:) Well, would you tell me which age group you belong to?

18-24	5
25-29	8
30-34	5
35-39	7
40-44	7
45-49	9
50-54	8
55-59	9
60-64	9
65 -69	11
70-74	12
75 and older	10
Refused	-

Regardless of how you may be registered, do you consider yourself as a (ROTATE "DEMOCRAT" AND "REPUBLICAN":) a Democrat, a Republican, or something else? (IF INITIAL RESPONSE IS NOT SURE or REFUSED, SAY:) As a reminder, your answer is completely confidential and is being used for statistical purposes only. With that in mind, which would you say best describes you? (IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:) Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican) or not a very strong (Democrat/Republican)? (IF "SOMETHING ELSE," ASK:) Would you say you lean more toward Republicans, lean more toward Democrats, or do you not lean either way?

Strong Democrat	17
Not very strong Democrat	7
Something else/lean Democrat	6
Something else/do not lean either way	14
Something else/lean Republican	14
Not very strong Republican	10
Strong Republican	33
Total Democrat	29
Total Republican	57

S4a. Some of the people did not vote in the 2020 election for president and other offices because they were too busy, didn't like any of the choices, or for some other reason. What about you? Did you vote in the 2020 election for president?

Yes, voted	98	Skip to QS5a
No, did not vote	2	CONTINUE
Not sure	-	

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY 'NO, DID NOT VOTE' OR 'NOT SURE' IN QS4a.)

S4b. Were you already registered to vote at the time of the November 2020 presidential election, or did you register to vote after the November 2020 election?

Registered to vote at the time of the November 2020 election	-	TERMINATE
Registered to vote after the November 2020 election	57	CONTINUE
Not sure	43	

S5. And to ensure that we have a representative sample, would you please tell me whether you are of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin? And again, for statistical purposes only, what is your race--white, Black or African American, Asian or Pacific Islander, Native American or American Indian, or something else?

White	93
Black/African American	3
Hispanic/Latino/Spanish origin	2
Asian/Pacific Islander	-
Native American/American Indian	-
Other	1
Not sure/refused	_

S6. Which of the following best describes your current employment situation?

Employed full time	44
Employed part time (less than 35 hours a week)	6
Laid off/unemployed but looking for work	3
Disabled, unable to work	7
Stay-at-home parent	3
Full-time student	2
Retired	35
Not sure/refused	_

1. How big of a problem do you think each of the following is in the United States today--a very big problem, a pretty big problem, somewhat of a problem, or not really a problem?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PROPORTION WHO SAY VERY OR PRETTY BIG PROBLEM

	Total Big <u>Problem</u>	Very Big <u>Problem</u>	Pretty Big <u>Problem</u>	Somewhat Of A <u>Problem</u>	Not Really A <u>Problem</u>	Not Sure
The cost of living for families, including the cost of rent, groceries, and child care	87	67	20	10	2	1
The federal budget deficit	77	60	16	12	8	4
The cost of prescription drugs	71	52	19	16	7	6
The pace of economic recovery from the pandemic	63	39	24	26	8	3
Extreme weather and other effects of climate change	28	16	11	27	43	2

2. As you may know, Congress is considering legislation that would lower the cost of prescription drugs, address climate change by increasing the use of clean energy, and make child care more available and more affordable for families. Do you favor or oppose Congress passing legislation like this? (IF 'FAVOR' OR 'OPPOSE,' ASK:) And is that strongly or somewhat (favor/oppose)?

Favor—strongly	33
Favor—somewhat	26
Oppose—somewhat	10
Oppose—strongly	23
Not sure	9
Total Favor	59
Total Oppose	32

3. How important do you think it is that this legislation do each of the following things?

(READ ITEM)--do you think that it is very important, pretty important, not that important, or not important at all that the legislation do this?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PROPORTION WHO SAY VERY OR PRETTY IMPORTANT

					Not	
	Total	Very	Pretty	Not That	Important	Not
	<u>Important</u>	<u>Important</u>	<u>Important</u>	<u>Important</u>	At All	<u>Sure</u>
Lower the cost of prescription drugs	87	60	26	9	3	1
Lowering the cost of child care for families	75	45	30	14	7	3
Address climate change by increasing the use of clean energy	46	23	23	18	34	1

4. Which of the following statements do you agree with more?

This legislation should NOT include making child care more available and affordable because the country cannot afford to do this	26
This legislation SHOULD include child care because it will make the cost of living more affordable for families and help parents be able to work	65
Not sure	8

5a. Do you think that helping to open more child care and early learning programs and lowering child care costs for families are a good investment or bad investment of taxpayers' money? (IF 'GOOD' OR 'BAD' ASK:) And do you think that this is a very or somewhat (good/bad) investment?

Very good investment	44
Somewhat good investment	29
Somewhat bad investment	10
Very bad investment	10
Not sure	7
Total Good Investment	73
Total Bad Investment	20

5b. Right now there are tens of thousands of parents across the country who need child care for their young children but who are unable to get it, because there is a shortage of child care programs and many of those that do exist are too expensive for families to afford.

Which of the following statements do you agree with more when it comes to the high cost and shortage of child care? (READ LIST.)

The high cost and shortage of child care will get better on its own, without action from the government	36
The only way child care will be affordable and meeting demand is if the government takes action to ensure it is	55
Not sure	9

6. Do you think federal government spending in general is...? (READ LIST.)

Too high for what the country can afford	64
About right	16
Too low for all the things the country needs	15
Not sure	6

7. Do you have any children under the age of 18? (IF "REFUSED," READ:) Just as a reminder, this interview is completely confidential.

Yes	22	SKIP TO Q.8b/c
No	78	CONTINUE
Not sure/refused	_	

8abc. From what you know, at any point in the past several years have any of the following had trouble finding child care for their children?

	Had Trouble Finding	Did Not Have Trouble Finding	Not
	<u>Childcare</u>	<u>Childcare</u>	Sure
You personally *	30	70	-
Any of your coworkers **	48	42	10
A friend or family member of yours	41	56	3

^{*} Asked only of respondents who say they have kids under age 18 in Q7

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY 'YES' TO Q8a, Q8b, or Q8c.)

9. Thinking about any of the people you know who had trouble finding child care in the past several years, did it cause them major problems, some problems, or no real problems?

Major problems	45
Some problems	52
No real problems	2
Not sure	-

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY 'YES' TO COWORKERS IN Q8b.)

10a. Thinking specifically about your coworkers, when they had trouble finding child care, did this affect their ability to work?

Yes, affected their ability to work	92
No, did not affect their ability to work	8
Not sure	-

^{**} Asked only of respondents who are employed full or part time in QS6.

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY 'YES' TO COWORKERS IN Q8b.)

10b. Did it have an impact on your work or on your company?

Yes, had an impact on my work or company	70
No, did not have an impact on my work or company	30
Not sure	1

11. I am going to read you a few short statements for why lowering the cost of child care SHOULD be included in the legislation we have been discussing. Please indicate whether you think this is a very convincing, somewhat convincing, not that convincing, or not at all convincing reason for including making child care affordable in this legislation.

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PROPORTION WHO SAY VERY OR SOMEWHAT CONVINCING

	Total Convincing	Very <u>Convincing</u>	Somewhat Convincing	Not That Convincing	Not Convincing <u>At All</u>	Not Sure
It will help families make ends meet at a time when many parents are struggling with other essential expenses like food and gas	73	46	27	11	13	2
It will strengthen the economy over the long term by ensuring that parents who need to work have affordable, reliable, high-quality care for their children	73	42	31	9	16	1
It will provide stable, high-quality care and learning for millions of young children at a time in their lives when brain development and stability is most important.	72	41	31	12	13	3
It will strengthen the education system because children will start kindergarten better prepared to learn.	70	44	26	10	18	2
It will help millions of women who were forced to leave their jobs because of the pandemic to get back into the workforce	68	37	31	11	19	3
It will reduce shortages and long waitlists for child care in communities across the country, in part by raising wages for child care teachers so that they can stay in the profession	66	31	36	13	19	2
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12. Now I will read you a few more statements. This time please tell me whether you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each one.

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PROPORTION WHO SAY STRONGLY OR SOMEWHAT AGREE

	Total <u>Agree</u>	Strongly <u>Agree</u>	Somewhat <u>Agree</u>	Somewhat <u>Disagree</u>	Strongly <u>Disagree</u>	Not <u>Sure</u>
Caring for young children is not a partisan issue, so Democratic AND Republican members of Congress should support making child care more available and affordable	75	47	28	9	12	4
Your community would benefit from having child care be more available and affordable	72	43	28	10	15	3
Ensuring that tens of thousands of parents with young children are able to work is as important as dealing with prescription drug costs and clean energy	69	34	35	13	15	3
Making child care more available and affordable will help the economy recover from the pandemic by helping people get back to work	67	39	28	13	18	3

13.	If your member of Congress votes to pass this federal funding legislation and it does NOT include making
	child care more available and affordable for families, how would this make you feel about your member of
	Congress?

Upset with them	18
Disappointed with them	40
Pleased with them	19
Happy with them	6
Not sure	16
Total Upset/Disappointed	59
Total Pleased/Happy	25

These last few questions are for statistical purposes only.

F1. What is the last grade that you completed in school? (INTERVIEWER: IF INITIAL RESPONSE IS "NOT SURE" OR REFUSED, SAY:) As a reminder, your answer is completely confidential and is being used for statistical purposes only.

Grade school	2
Some high school	4
High school graduate	31
Some college, no degree	17
Vocational training/2-year college	12
4-year college/bachelor's degree	19
Some postgraduate work, no degree	1
2 or 3 years' postgraduate work/master's degree.	10
Doctoral/law degree	2
Not sure/refused	2

F2. Thinking about your general approach to issues, do you consider yourself to be liberal, middle of the road, or conservative? (IF "LIBERAL" OR "CONSERVATIVE," ASK:) Do you consider yourself to be very (liberal/conservative) or somewhat (liberal/conservative)?

Total Conservative	45
Total Liberal	16
Not sure	6
Very conservative	28
Somewhat conservative	17
Middle of the road	34
Somewhat liberal	7
Very liberal	9

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY THEY VOTED IN QS4a.)

F3. Which candidate did you vote for in the election for president between Joe Biden, the Democrat, Donald Trump, the Republican, and Jo Jorgensen, the Libertarian?

Joe Biden, the Democrat	30
Donald Trump, the Republican	66
Jo Jorgensen, the Libertarian	-
Howie Hawkins, the Green Party	
Candidate	1
Not sure/refused	3

F4. Which of the following best describes the area where you live?

Urban	7
Suburban	
Small town	39
Rural	37
Not sure	3

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENT WHO SAY THEY ARE PARENTS IN Q7.)

F3. Are any of your children age five or younger?

Yes	45
No	55
Not sure/refused	1

F4. If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, what would the total be? I'm going to read some income ranges, please stop me when I reach the range for your family--less than ten thousand dollars, between ten thousand dollars and twenty thousand dollars, between thirty thousand dollars and forty thousand dollars, between forty thousand dollars and fifty thousand dollars, between fifty thousand dollars and seventy-five thousand dollars, between seventy-five thousand dollars and one hundred and one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, or more than one hundred and fifty thousand dollars?

Less than \$10,000	4
Between \$10,000 and \$20,000	6
Between \$20,000 and \$30,000	11
Between \$30,000 and \$40,000	14
Between \$40,000 and \$50,000	10
Between \$50,000 and \$75,000	14
Between \$75,000 and \$100,000	10
Between \$100,000 and \$150,000	11
More than \$150,000	8
Not sure/refused	13