



State Science and Technology Institute Frequency Questionnaire

March 17-21, 2020
800 National Likely Voters

Q.6 Are you registered to vote in (STATE)?

	Total
Yes.....	100
No	-
Not sure	-

(ref:SCREEN1)

Q.7 How often would you say you vote?

	Total
Always.....	69
Nearly always	31
Part of the time.....	-
Seldom	-
Never	-
Not sure	-

(ref:VOTEFREQ)

Q.8 What are the chances of your voting in the election for President in November 2020?

	Total
Almost certain to vote	92
Probably will vote.....	8
50-50 chance will vote	-
Will not vote	-
Not sure	-

(ref:CP2020)

Q.9 Please rate your level of enthusiasm about voting in the election for President in November 2020 on a scale from zero to ten, where zero means you're not at all enthusiastic about voting next year and ten means you're extremely enthusiastic about voting next year.

	Total
10.....	53
9.....	9
8.....	10
7.....	7
6.....	3
5.....	7
4.....	1
3.....	3
2.....	2
1.....	2
0.....	1
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
10.....	53
8-10.....	73
6-10.....	83
0-5.....	17
Mean.....	8.3
(ref:ENTHUSIM)	

Q.10 Generally speaking, do you think that things in this country are going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

	Total
Right direction.....	44
Wrong track.....	56
Not sure.....	-
Right - Wrong.....	-11
(ref:DIRECT)	

Q.11 Overall, do you think the economy is:

	Total
Getting better.....	29
About the same.....	20
Getting worse.....	52
Don't know/not sure.....	-
(ref:ECONDIR)	

Q.12 Thinking about the next 3 years, do you think the economy will:

	Total
Get better	52
Stay the same.....	20
Get worse.....	28
Not sure	0
 Better - Worse	 24
(ref:ECONFUTR)	

Q.13 What best describes your financial situation?

	Total
I do not earn enough money to make ends meet or to pay all my bills at the end of the month.	8
I make ends meet and can pay my bills, but I live paycheck to paycheck and have no additional money for spending or saving.	23
I can pay my bills and have a little additional money at the end of each month for spending or saving.	41
I can pay my bills and have additional income for spending and to save money for a home purchase, investments, or retirement at the end of each month.	28
Not sure	-
 Total No additional	 31
Total Additional	69
(ref:FINSITCH)	

Q.14 How concerned are you that the coronavirus outbreak will push the United States into a recession?

	Total
Very concerned.....	59
Somewhat concerned	32
Not very concerned	7
Not at all concerned.....	1
Not sure	-
 Very/Somewhat Concerned.....	 92
Not very/Not at all Concerned.....	8
(ref:CORVIRUS)	

Q.15 Please read the following description of an initiative some people have proposed.

As a country, we lead the world in scientific and medical research and innovative ideas. America is home to 40 percent of the world's Nobel Prize winners - the highest of any country - and two-thirds of the world's top 30 universities. However, both of these figures have dropped sharply in the past decade and we often fail to convert much of that research into benefits for all Americans - economic benefits like new jobs and new companies and quality of life benefits like medical treatments and cures.

We need a new approach that increases our economic prosperity and quality of life through science, technology, innovation and entrepreneurship. This is where the Innovative Science & Technology for Economic Prosperity (iSTEP) initiative comes in.

This is a comprehensive initiative focused on converting our nation's strength in research into new businesses and jobs and to bring the benefits of American innovation to the American people. Among other things, it calls for:

-Increased investment in scientific research;

-A dedicated effort to convert government-funded research into new companies and jobs;

-Streamlining government regulations so innovators can more easily, but still safely, bring new products/technologies/cures to the American people;

-Increasing access to financing for innovative start-ups and existing companies that are creating new products and jobs; and,

-Making smarter investments in science, technology, engineering and math education in U.S. high schools, universities, and community colleges to ensure we have a workforce trained for the future.

Overall, would you say you support or oppose this idea?

	Total
Strongly support	46
Somewhat support.....	48
Somewhat oppose	4
Strongly oppose	1
(Don't know/Refused)	-
Total support.....	95
Total oppose.....	5
Support - Oppose	89
(ref:PROPSAL)	

Q.17 How much do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements about this idea?

	Strong Agree	Smwt Agree	Smwt Disag	Strong Disag	Not Sure	Total Agree	Total Disag	Agree - Disag
17 If this initiative is fully developed, it can change the American economy for the better.	39	53	7	1	0	92	8	84
20 If this initiative is fully developed, it can help people adapt to a changing economy.	38	51	9	2	0	89	11	78
19 If this initiative is fully developed, it can open up opportunities for my children, grandchildren and the next generation.....	45	44	8	3	0	88	11	77
18 If this initiative is fully developed, it can open up opportunities for me or people like me. (ref:INITDESC)	28	47	19	6	0	74	25	49

Q.21 Are you more or less likely to support a candidate for public office who supports the proposal you just read?

	Total
Much more likely	30
Somewhat more likely	49
Somewhat less likely	6
Much less likely	1
No difference	14
Not sure	-
Total More Likely.....	78
Total Less Likely.....	7
More Likely - Less Likely.....	71
(ref:CANDPRO)	

Q.22 This initiative would involve a number of different policies. Here is a list of several specific policy changes some people have proposed to support this initiative. I want you to indicate your level of support for each.

	Strong Supp	Smwt Supp	Smwt Oppos	Strong Oppos	Not Sure	Total Supp	Total Oppos	Supp - Oppos
26 Ensure that the U.S. has a workforce that is trained for the jobs of the future.	57	35	6	1	-	93	7	86
31 Make it easier for U.S. businesses to use promising research results from universities and federal labs to improve existing products and create new products and services.....	41	49	7	2	0	91	9	82
32 Strengthen federal guidelines and accountability standards to improve energy efficiency, public health and waste reduction.....	45	45	8	2	-	91	9	81
24 Fund programs that help turn promising research into new products, companies and jobs.....	41	48	9	2	-	89	11	79
29 Focus on innovation that will result in cleaner air and water and reduce climate change.....	49	40	9	3	0	88	11	77
30 Provide low-interest financing to American manufacturers to help them modernize their production facilities in the U.S.....	38	50	9	2	-	88	12	76
23 Increase the ability of start-up companies to access early stage financing and capital.....	34	54	10	2	0	88	12	76
28 Streamline government regulations for innovators, but still ensure the safety of new products, technologies and medicines.....	40	47	10	2	-	87	13	75
22 Have the federal government partner with cities, states, and non-profit organizations to help fund locally designed strategies that encourage the creation and growth of innovation-oriented companies.....	36	51	10	3	-	87	13	75
25 Increase federal funding for research.....	41	46	11	2	-	87	13	73

	Strong Supp	Smwt Supp	Smwt Oppos	Strong Oppos	Not Sure	Total Supp	Total Oppos	Supp -
27 Provide a loan forgiveness program for students majoring in science, technology, engineering or math.....	35	38	19	9	0	72	27	45

Q.59 Now that you have more information, please review the previous description of the iStep proposal below.

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Overall, would you say you support or oppose this idea?

	Total
Strongly support	41
Somewhat support.....	54
Somewhat oppose	4
Strongly oppose	1
Not sure	-
Total Support.....	95
Total Oppose	5
Support - Oppose	90
(ref:PRPSLVT2)	

Q.60 Finally for statistical purposes, what is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

	Total
1 - 11th grade	1
High School graduate	18
Non-college post H.S.....	1
Some college.....	39
College graduate	25
Post-graduate school	16
(Don't know/Refused)	-
(ref:EDUC)	

Q.61 What is your current marital status?

	Total
Married	53
Living with partner	8
Single.....	24
Separated/Divorced	10
Widowed.....	5
(Don't know/Refused)	-
(ref:MARITAL)	

Q.62 Do you have any children 18 years of age or younger living at home?

	Total
Yes.....	26
No	74
Not sure	-
(ref:KIDS)	

Q.63 Is there anyone over the age of 18 currently living with you? Please select all that apply.

	Total
Yes, my significant other or partner.....	55
Yes, roommates or friends.....	5
Yes, my parents.....	10
Yes, children or grandchildren over the age of 18.....	14
No	27
Not sure	-
(ref:KIDS18HOME)	

Q.64 Where do you get most of your news about what is happening?

	Total
Local television news	52
Newspapers	25
National news websites like CNN.com, FoxNews.com, or NewYorkTimes.com.....	32
Cable networks such as CNN or Fox News	36
National network news such as ABC, CBS, or NBC.....	45
Social media like Facebook, Twitter, or Instagram	33
Radio news and talk	23
Other.....	3
Not sure	-
(ref:D3CNEWS)	

Q.65 How interested are you in politics and current affairs?

	Total
Very interested	48
Somewhat interested.....	41
Not very interested	8
Not at all interested	2
Not sure	-
Very/Somewhat.....	89
(ref:POLINT)	

Q.66 During the past four months, how often have you discussed policy/politics on any social networking site?

	Total
Daily	21
A few times each week	20
A few times each month	11
A few times during the past four months	10
Not at all	38
(ref:SNDISCUS)	

Q.67 Which of the following best describes your level of interest in and engagement with public policy news and information?

	Total
I do not pay attention to public policy news and information.	6
I am somewhat aware of public policy news and information, but don't actively focus on them.	20
I am fairly informed about public policy news and information, but don't actively seek out additional information.....	27
I actively seek out news and information about public policy, but don't generally share it.	20
I actively seek out and share news and information about public policy.	15
I actively seek out and share news and information, and advocate my point of view about public policy.	12
Actively seek out.....	47
(ref:ENGAGE)	

Q.68 Thinking about things you've done over the past 12 months, which of the following activities have you done related to ANY political or societal issue? Please select all that apply.

	Total
Contacted a politician	18
Attended a political event.....	10
Attended a public meeting.....	12
Ran for/held political office.....	2
Served on a local committee.....	7
Served as an organization officer.....	5
Wrote a letter to the editor of a newspaper.....	5
Signed a petition	30
Worked for a political party	4
Made a speech to a public audience.....	4
Wrote an article for a magazine/newspaper	4
Was an active member of a political party.....	6
None of the above	49
(ref:POLACLST)	

Q.69 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a(n):

	Total
Strong Democrat.....	27
Weak Democrat	13
Independent-lean Democrat.....	8
Independent	10
Independent-lean Republican.....	7
Weak Republican	9
Strong Republican.....	26
(Don't know/Refused)	-
(ref:PTYID1)	

Q.72 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Liberal, Moderate, or Conservative?

	Total
Liberal	26
Moderate.....	43
Conservative	31
Not sure	-
(ref:IDEO1)	

Q.73 Which of the following statements would you say best describes you?

	Total
I almost always vote for Democratic candidates.....	26
I vote for Democrats more often than I vote for Republicans	18
I vote equally for Democrats and Republicans.....	17
I vote for Republicans more often than I vote for Democrats	17
I almost always vote for Republican candidates.....	22
Not sure	-
Total Dems more	44
Total Reps more	40
Dems - Reps.....	4
(ref:TCKTSPLT)	

Q.74 Are you currently:

	Total
Employed full time	42
Employed part time	11
Unemployed, looking for work.....	4
Unemployed, not looking for work	2
Retired	28
Homemaker	7
Student	4
Other.....	2
Not sure	-

Total Employed..... 53
(ref:EMPLOY)

Q.75 For statistical purposes only, which of these categories best describes your total household income last year, that is in 2014?

	Total
Less than \$10,000	6
\$10,000 to \$19,999.....	7
\$20,000 to \$29,999.....	10
\$30,000 to \$49,999.....	18
\$50,000 to \$74,999.....	16
\$75,000 to \$99,999.....	18
\$100,000 to \$149,999.....	17
\$150,000 to \$199,999.....	4
\$200,000 or more	5
Not sure	-

Under \$50K 40
\$50K or more..... 60
(ref:INCOME2)

Q.76 What is your race?

	Total
White	74
African American or Black.....	12
Hispanic or Latino	10
Asian or Pacific Islander	3
American Indian or Native American	0
Other.....	1
Not sure	-

(ref:RACE)

Q.4 What is your gender?

	Total
Male	47
Female	53
(ref:GENDER)	

Q.5 In what year were you born?

	Total
18 - 24	10
25 - 29	7
30 - 34	9
35 - 39	7
40 - 44	9
45 - 49	6
50 - 54	5
55 - 59	9
60 - 64	13
65 and over	24
(No answer)	-
(ref:AGE)	