

Coastal Counties Poll Toplines

Methodology

Poll number: pr2314

Interview Dates: Nov 7-17, 2023

Sample Population: 2038 Adults (18+) in U.S. coastal counties.

Sample Selection: Scientific online poll - stratified sample of panel respondents.

Weighting Parameters: The sample was weighted based on the American Community Survey 5 year estimates (2021) in the United States's coastal counties for age, gender, educational attainment, census coastline region, census divisions, and Hispanic ethnicity. Weighting for race is based on estimates from the U.S. Census Bureau's Decennial Census.

This topline provides weighted percentages, as well as the unweighted N-size for the total sample. Due to the effects of weighting and rounding, figures may or may not add up to 100%. The standard deviation of the weights was: 0.2510105. The maximum weight was: 2.0199579. The minimum weight was: 0.4306916. 95% of the weights were between 0.6092958, 1.5979019.

Margin of Error: The 95% credibility interval for this survey is +/- 2.3%, which includes the square root of the design effect (DEFT): 1.031007.

Q1...Thinking about the country's energy supply, do you think the U.S. should...?

Response	Percent	N
Phase out the use of oil, coal and natural gas completely, relying instead on renewable energy sources such as wind and solar power only	29%	588
Use a mix of energy sources including oil, coal and natural gas along with renewable energy sources	71%	1,450

Q2...And do you think that ...?

Response	Percent	N
The country should eventually stop using oil, coal and natural gas, but we aren't ready yet	57%	812
The country should never stop using oil, coal and natural gas	43%	638

Q3...Here is a picture of an offshore wind farm, where turbines generate electricity from wind blowing across the sea. How much have you seen, read, or heard about offshore wind energy in U.S. waters?

Response	Percent	N
A lot	13%	268
Some	42%	875
Not much	30%	597
Nothing at all	15%	298

Q4...Generally speaking, do you have a favorable or unfavorable view of offshore wind energy?

Response	Percent	N
Very favorable	27%	561
Somewhat favorable	39%	800
Somewhat unfavorable	11%	220
Very unfavorable	7%	137
Not sure	16%	320

Q5x1...As far as you remember, have you gotten information about U.S. offshore wind energy from the following sources? - TV advertisements

Response	Percent	N
Yes	30%	525
No	58%	1,010
Not sure	12%	205

Q5x2...As far as you remember, have you gotten information about U.S. offshore wind energy from the following sources? - TV news

Response	Percent	N
Yes	53%	929
No	36%	620
Not sure	11%	191

Q5x3...As far as you remember, have you gotten information about U.S. offshore wind energy from the following sources? - Newspaper articles

Response	Percent	N
Yes	38%	683
No	51%	885
Not sure	10%	172

Q5x4...As far as you remember, have you gotten information about U.S. offshore wind energy from the following sources? - Family, friends, or neighbors

Response	Percent	N
Yes	35%	615
No	57%	990
Not sure	8%	135

Q5x5...As far as you remember, have you gotten information about U.S. offshore wind energy from the following sources? - Elected officials (such as governor, mayor, or member of Congress)

Response	Percent	N
Yes	27%	479
No	60%	1,038
Not sure	13%	223

Q5x6...As far as you remember, have you gotten information about U.S. offshore wind energy from the following sources? - Social media

Response	Percent	N
Yes	48%	834
No	43%	738
Not sure	10%	168

Q5x7...As far as you remember, have you gotten information about U.S. offshore wind energy from the following sources? - Flyers in the mail

Response	Percent	N
Yes	10%	180
No	80%	1,394
Not sure	10%	166

Q5x8...As far as you remember, have you gotten information about U.S. offshore wind energy from the following sources? - Street advertisements (such as billboards or signs)

Response	Percent	N
Yes	14%	243
No	75%	1,306
Not sure	11%	191

Q6...On the whole, has what you've seen, read, or heard about offshore wind energy been more positive or more negative?

Response	Percent	N
Much more positive than negative	25%	438
Somewhat more positive than negative	33%	563
About equally positive and negative	29%	506
Somewhat more negative than positive	9%	154
Much more negative than positive	4%	79

Q7...How reliable do you consider offshore wind energy?

Response	Percent	N
Very reliable	22%	453
Somewhat reliable	42%	855
Not too reliable	13%	268
Not at all reliable	5%	103
Not sure	18%	359

Q8...Generally speaking, do you support or oppose the construction of offshore wind farms to harness wind energy in U.S. waters?

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	28%	578
Somewhat support	40%	814
Somewhat oppose	10%	202
Strongly oppose	7%	147
Not sure	15%	297

Q9...Do you support or oppose the construction of offshore wind farms to harness wind energy in U.S. waters near where you live?

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	25%	516
Somewhat support	38%	764
Somewhat oppose	12%	235
Strongly oppose	11%	214
Not sure	15%	309

Q10...When it comes to offshore energy development, which of the following do you prefer?

Response	Percent	N
Building more offshore wind farms	53%	1,077
Expanding offshore drilling for oil and gas	22%	453
No preference	25%	508

Q11...When it comes to wind energy, which of the following do you prefer?

Response	Percent	N
Building more offshore wind farms	31%	639
Building more wind farms on land	32%	669
No preference	36%	730

Q12x1...Do you think expanding offshore wind in U.S. waters is good or bad for...? - Jobs and the economy

Response	Percent	N
Good	55%	1,113
Makes no difference	21%	429
Bad	8%	174
Not sure	16%	322

Q12x2...Do you think expanding offshore wind in U.S. waters is good or bad for...? - U.S. energy independence

Response	Percent	N
Good	61%	1,248
Makes no difference	17%	362
Bad	7%	149
Not sure	14%	279

Q12x3...Do you think expanding offshore wind in U.S. waters is good or bad for...? - Energy bills paid by consumers

Response	Percent	N
Good	50%	1,021
Makes no difference	22%	443
Bad	9%	188
Not sure	19%	386

Q12x4...Do you think expanding offshore wind in U.S. waters is good or bad for...? - Wildlife

Response	Percent	N
Good	31%	633
Makes no difference	17%	353
Bad	29%	586
Not sure	23%	466

Q12x5...Do you think expanding offshore wind in U.S. waters is good or bad for...? - The Climate

Response	Percent	N
Good	50%	1,031
Makes no difference	24%	479
Bad	9%	181
Not sure	17%	347

Q12x6...Do you think expanding offshore wind in U.S. waters is good or bad for...? - Public health

Response	Percent	N
Good	47%	950
Makes no difference	27%	553
Bad	9%	182
Not sure	18%	353

Q13...As you may know, the U.S. government has recently sold a number of leases to developers of offshore wind farms. These leases allow the developers to build offshore wind farms within designated tracts of U.S. waters and have generated more than \$5.75 billion in revenue for U.S. taxpayers so far. Do you support or oppose the U.S. government selling more leases to expand development of offshore wind farms?

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	25%	255
Somewhat support	34%	338
Somewhat oppose	14%	143
Strongly oppose	10%	97
Not sure	17%	165

Q14...As you may know, the U.S. government has set a goal of building enough offshore wind farms to power 10 million homes by 2030. Do you support or oppose this plan?

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	29%	594
Somewhat support	36%	732
Somewhat oppose	11%	228
Strongly oppose	10%	212
Not sure	14%	272

Q15...Would you be more or less likely to support a candidate for public office who supports expanding offshore wind energy in the United States, or would it make no difference either way?

Response	Percent	N
Much more likely	18%	374
Somewhat more likely	30%	609
Makes no difference either way	19%	379
Somewhat less likely	10%	211
Much less likely	11%	219
Not sure	13%	246

approveBiden...Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as President?

Response	Percent	N
Strongly approve	14%	307
Somewhat approve	25%	502
Somewhat disapprove	20%	413
Strongly disapprove	34%	702
Not sure	6%	114

rdwt... Generally speaking, would you say that things in this country are headed in the right direction or would you say that things are headed off on the wrong track?

Response	Percent	N
Right direction	24%	496
Wrong track	60%	1,222
Not sure	16%	320

Sample Statistics (Weighted Frequencies)

Var1	Freq
Age18-34	29.7%
Age35-54	34%
Age55+	36.3%
Gender-Female	51.1%
Gender-Male	48.9%
Race-Black	12.3%
Race-Other	35.2%
Race-White	52.5%
Education-Advanced	13.5%
Education-Bachelors	21.6%
Education-LessThanBachelors	64.9%
party-ID: Democrat	45.1%
party-ID: Independent	22.4%
party-ID: Republican	32.5%
Hispanic-No	76.2%
Hispanic-Yes	23.8%
Coastline_Region: Atlantic	47.9%
Coastline_Region: Gulf of Mexico	16.5%
Coastline_Region: Pacific	35.6%
Division: East South Central Division	1.1%
Division: Middle Atlantic Division	18.4%
Division: New England Division	8.7%
Division: Pacific Division	35.8%
Division: South Atlantic Division	27.7%
Division: West South Central Division	8.3%