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PUBLIC POLL RELEASE: South Carolina & Virginia's 7th Congressional District

South Carolina: Incumbent Sen. Lindsey Graham (R) holds a 10-point lead over his challenger, Jaime Harrison (D), in our survey of likely voters in the Palmetto State. Graham's 51%-41% lead overall closely mirrors President Trump's 51%-39% lead over Joe Biden in the same poll. Harrison is ahead with independent voters by a 47%-42% margin. But this is not enough to effectively overcome the Republican tilt of the state overall: Graham's 93% support among fellow Republicans is more than enough to make up for his weakness with independents. Our survey was conducted from October 31st to November 2nd via live telephone interviews to landlines and cell phones with an overall sample size of 912 respondents. The margin of error for topline results, account for design effect, is generally ± 4%.

South Carolina Senate Ballot Test (with Leaners) by Party Identification

	Republicans	Democrats	Independents
Harrison (D)	5.2%	91.7%	47.2%
Graham (R)	92.8%	4.1%	41.8%
Other/Unsure/Refused	2.1%	4.2%	11.0%

Virginia-7: Our survey of likely voters in the district finds incumbent Rep. Abigail Spanberger (D) leading her challenger, Nick Freitas (R), by a 10-point margin. Spanberger's 51.6%-41.4% lead overall is buoyed by her 21-point lead among independents. Both candidates excel among their self-described partisans: Spanberger wins 97% of Democrats, and Freitas has the backing of 91% of Republicans. Our survey was conducted from October 31st to November 2nd via live telephone interviews to landlines and cell phones with an overall sample size of 573 respondents. The margin of error for topline results, accounting for design effect, is generally ± 4.6%.

Virginia CD 7 Ballot Test (with Leaners) by Party Identification

	Republicans	Democrats	Independents
Spanberger (D)	4.8%	97.3%	56.4%
Freitas (R)	90.6%	1.8%	35.0%
Other/Unsure/Refused	4.6%	1.0%	8.6%

Full toplines and additional crosstabs available on our GitHub.

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