PPIC STATEWIDE SURVEY: *Californians and the Environment*

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1,700 CALIFORNIA ADULT RESIDENTS; ENGLISH, SPANISH

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1 Landline

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county S2c. In which California county do you live?

1 Alameda

2 Alpine

3 Amador

4 Butte

5 Calaveras

6 Colusa

7 Contra Costa

8 Del Norte

9 El Dorado

10 Fresno

11 Glenn

12 Humboldt

13 Imperial

14 Inyo

15 Kern

16 Kings

17 Lake

18 Lassen

19 Los Angeles

20 Madera

21 Marin

22 Mariposa

23 Mendocino

24 Merced

25 Modoc

26 Mono

27 Monterey

28 Napa

29 Nevada

30 Orange

31 Placer

32 Plumas

33 Riverside

34 Sacramento

35 San Benito

36 San Bernardino

37 San Diego

38 San Francisco

39 San Joaquin

40 San Luis Obispo

41 San Mateo

42 Santa Barbara

43 Santa Clara

44 Santa Cruz

45 Shasta

46 Sierra

47 Siskiyou

48 Solano

49 Sonoma

50 Stanislaus

51 Sutter

52 Tehama

53 Trinity

54 Tulare

55 Tuolumne

56 Ventura

57 Yolo

58 Yuba

Q1. First, overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that Jerry Brown is handling his job as governor of California?

1 approve

2 disapprove

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q2. Do you approve or disapprove of the way that Governor Brown is handling environmental issues in California?

1 approve

2 disapprove

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q3. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that the California Legislature is handling its job?

1 approve

2 disapprove

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q4. Do you approve or disapprove of the way that the California Legislature is handling environmental issues in California?

1 approve

2 disapprove

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q5. Next, what do you think is the **most** important **environmental** issue facing California today? [code, don’t read, single record]  
  
[IF RESPONDENT SAYS “pollution,” PLEASE PROBE TO FIND OUT WHAT TYPE OF POLLUTION; IF “pollution in general,” USE PUNCH <17>]

1 air pollution, vehicle emissions, smog

2 delta, delta smelt, peripheral canal

3 energy, fossil fuels, solar, nuclear, wind, alternative

4 fracking, hydraulic fracturing

5 gas prices

6 global warming, climate change, greenhouse gases

7 government regulation—too much, overregulation, politicians, environmentalists

8 immigration, immigrants

9 jobs, economy, budget, taxes

10 Keystone XL Pipeline

11 landfills, garbage, sewage, waste, recycling

12 loss of farmlands, agriculture

13 loss of forests, forest fires, wildfires

14 loss of open space

15 loss of parks, recreation

16 oil drilling, offshore oil drilling, oil production

17 pollution in general

18 population growth, overpopulation

19 protecting wildlife, endangered species

20 toxic waste, contamination from toxic waste

21 traffic congestion, transportation, transit

22 urban sprawl, too much development

23 water pollution of ocean, rivers, lakes, streams, beach pollution

24 water supply, drought, reservoirs

97 other (specify)

98 don’t know (volunteered)

99 refuse (volunteered)

Q6. Next, some people are registered to vote and others are not. Are you **absolutely certain** that you are registered to vote in California?

1 yes [ASK Q6a]

2 no [SKIP TO party]

8 (vol) don’t know [SKIP TO party]

9 (vol) refuse [SKIP TO party]

Q6a. Are you registered as a Democrat, a Republican, another party, or are you registered as a decline-to-state or independent voter? (INTERVIEWER: IF RESPONDENT SAYS THEY ARE REGISTERED AS “Non-Partisan” ENTER PUNCH <4> decline-to-state or Independent)

[IF RESPONDENT REFUSES, SAY “We understand and respect that this information is confidential, we ask only for nonpartisan research purposes and will keep all of this information absolutely anonymous”]

1 Democrat

2 Republican

3 another party [SPECIFY]

4 decline-to-state/independent

8 (vol) don’t know

9 (vol) refuse

party. [CATI PROGRAMMING: DUMMY QUESTION TO COMBINE Q6 AND Q6a]

1 yes, Democrat [ASK Q7]

2 yes, Republican [SKIP TO Q7a]

3 yes, other [SKIP TO Q8]

4 yes, decline to state/ independent [SKIP TO Q7b]

5 yes, don’t know party [SKIP TO Q7b]

6 no [SKIP TO Q7b]

8 (vol) don’t know [SKIP TO Q7b]

9 (vol) refused [SKIP TO Q7b]

Q7. Would you call yourself a strong Democrat or not a very strong Democrat?

1 strong

2 not very strong

8 (vol) don’t know

9 (vol) refuse

[SKIP TO Q8]

Q7a. Would you call yourself a strong Republican or not a very strong Republican?

1 strong

2 not very strong

8 (vol) don’t know

9 (vol) refuse

[SKIP TO Q8]

Q7b. Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party or Democratic Party?

1 Republican Party

2 Democratic Party

3 [VOL] neither

8 (vol) don’t know

9 (vol) refuse

[DELAYED SKIP: IF party=6, 8, or 9, SKIP TO Q13]

Q8. If the November 6th election for governor were being held today, would you vote for [ROTATE] [1] John Cox, a Republican, [OR] [2] Gavin Newsom, a Democrat?

[IF RESPONDENT SAYS THEY WOULD VOTE FOR SOMEONE ELSE, SAY: “Under California’s top-two primary system, only the two candidates receiving the most votes in the primary election advance to the general election. In this case, those candidates are John Cox and Gavin Newsom. If the November 6th election for governor were being held today, would you vote for [ROTATE IN SAME ORDER AS ABOVE] [1] John Cox, a Republican, or [2] Gavin Newsom, a Democrat?”]

[IF NEEDED: “The top-two system does not allow write-in candidates in the general election.”]

1. John Cox, a Republican

2 Gavin Newsom, a Democrat

3 (vol) neither/would not vote for governor

8 (vol) don’t know

9 (vol) refuse

Q9. How closely are you following news about candidates for the 2018 governor’s election—very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely?

1 very closely

2 fairly closely

3 not too closely

4 not at all closely

8 (vol) don’t know

9 (vol) refuse

Q10. In thinking about the California governor’s election in November, how important to you are the candidates’ positions on the environment in determining your vote—very important, somewhat important, or not too important?

1 very important

2 somewhat important

3 not too important

8 (vol) don’t know

9 (vol) refuse

Q11. If the November 6th election for the U.S. Senate were being held today, would you vote for [ROTATE] [1] Kevin De Leon (DAY-LEON), a Democrat, [OR] [2] Dianne Feinstein (FINE-STINE), a Democrat?

[IF RESPONDENT SAYS THEY WOULD VOTE FOR SOMEONE ELSE, SAY: “Under California’s top-two primary system, only the two candidates receiving the most votes in the primary election advance to the general election. In this case, those candidates are Kevin De Leon (DAY-LEON) and Dianne Feinstein (FINE-STINE). If the November 6th election for the U.S. Senate were being held today, would you vote for [ROTATE IN SAME ORDER AS ABOVE] [1] Kevin De Leon (DAY-LEON), a Democrat, or [2] Dianne Feinstein (FINE-STINE), a Democrat?”]

1. Kevin De Leon (DAY-LEON), a Democrat

2 Dianne Feinstein (FINE-STINE), a Democrat

3 neither/would not vote for U.S. Senator (volunteered)

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q12. Which of the following is more important to you in candidates for statewide office, such as governor or U.S. senator, when it comes to environmental issues—[ROTATE] (1) that they work with the Trump Administration [OR] (2) that they push back against the Trump Administration?

1 work with the Trump Administration

2 push back against the Trump Administration

3 [VOL] both

8 [VOL] don’t know

9 [VOL] refuse

Q13. Next, would you say that the supply of water is a big problem, somewhat of a problem, or not much of a problem in your part of California?

1 big problem

2 somewhat of a problem

3 not much of a problem

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q14. The November 6th ballot has a state bond measure of approximately $8.9 billion dollars to pay for various water infrastructure projects. If the election were being held today, would you vote yes or no?

[INTERVIEWER NOTE: If respondent asks if this refers to the statewide water bond passed in the June primary election, please answer “no”.]

1 yes

2 no

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q15. We are interested in the part of California that you live in. Would you say that air pollution is a big problem, somewhat of a problem, or not a problem in your part of California?

1 big problem

2 somewhat of a problem

3 not a problem

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q16. Do you think that air pollution is a more serious health threat in lower-income areas than other areas in your part of California, or not?

1 yes

2 no

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q17. On another topic, which of the following statements reflects your view of **when** the effects of global warming will begin to happen—[rotate order] (1) they have already begun to happen; (2) they will start happening within a few years; (3) they will start happening within your lifetime; (4) they will not happen within your lifetime, but they will affect future generations; [or] (5) they will never happen?

1 already begun

2 within a few years

3 within your lifetime

4 not within lifetime, but will affect future

generations

5 will never happen

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q18. How serious of a threat is global warming to the economy and quality of life for California’s future—do you think that it is a very serious, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not at all serious of a threat?

1 very serious

2 somewhat serious

3 not too serious

4 not at all serious

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q19. Thinking about the possible impact of global warming in California, how concerned are you about more severe wildfires because of extreme weather? Are you very concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned, or not at all concerned about that as an impact?

1 very concerned

2 somewhat concerned

3 not too concerned

4 not at all concerned

8 [VOL] don’t know

9 [VOL] refuse

Q20. How important is the issue of global warming to you personally—extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important?

1 extremely important

2 very important

3 somewhat important

4 not too important

5 not at all important

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q21. Next, to address global warming, do you favor or oppose the state law that requires California to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions to 40 percent below 1990 levels by the year 2030?

1 favor

2 oppose

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q22. Do you favor or oppose a proposed state law that would require 100 percent of the state’s electricity to come from renewable energy sources by the year 2045?

1 favor

2 oppose

8 [VOL] don’t know

9 [VOL] refuse

Q23. Do you favor or oppose the California state government making its own policies, separate from the federal government, to address the issue of global warming?

1 favor

2 oppose

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q24. When it comes to efforts to fight climate change, how important is it to you that California acts as a leader around the world—very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not important at all?

1 very important

2 somewhat important

3 not too important

4 not important at all

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q25. Do you think that California doing things to reduce global warming in the future would cause there to be more jobs for people around the state, would cause there to be fewer jobs, or wouldn’t affect the number of jobs for people around the state?

1 more jobs

2 fewer jobs

3 wouldn’t affect the number of jobs

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q26. Do you think that California doing things to reduce global warming in the future would cause gasoline prices at the pump around the state to increase, or to decrease, or wouldn’t affect gasoline prices at the pump around the state?

1 increase gasoline prices

2 decrease gasoline prices

3 wouldn’t affect gasoline prices

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q27. In order to help reduce global warming, would you be willing or not willing to pay more for electricity if it were generated by renewable sources like solar or wind energy?

1 willing

2 not willing

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q28. How much, if anything, have you heard about the state government policy called “cap-and-trade” that sets limits on greenhouse gas emissions? Have you heard a lot, a little, or nothing at all?

1 a lot

2 a little

3 nothing at all

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q29. In the system called “cap-and-trade,” the California state government issues permits limiting the amount of greenhouse gases companies can put out. Companies that do not use all their permits can sell them to other companies. The idea is that many companies will find ways to put out less greenhouse gases, because that will be cheaper than buying permits. Do you favor or oppose the cap-and-trade system?

1 favor

2 oppose

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q30. Next, how important to you is it that some of the cap-and-trade revenues are spent on projects to improve environmental conditions in lower-income and disadvantaged communities—very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not important at all?

1 very important

2 somewhat important

3 not too important

4 not important at all

8 don’t know (volunteered

Next, I am interested in your views about ocean and marine life along the California coast.

Q31. Thinking about the overall health and quality of the ocean along the California coast today—would you rate them as excellent, good, fair or poor?

1 excellent

2 good

3 fair

4 poor

8 [VOL] don’t know

9 [VOL] refuse

Q32. In the past 10 years, do you think the population of most fish off of the California coast have increased, decreased or stayed about the same?

1 increased

2 decreased

3 stayed the same

8 [VOL] don’t know

9 [VOL] refuse

Q33.How important is the condition of the ocean and beaches to the economy and quality of life for California’s future? Is it very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not important at all?

1 very important

2 somewhat important

3 not too important

4 not important at all

8 [VOL] don’t know

9 [VOL] refuse

Next, thinking about the possible impact of global warming in California,

[ROTATE Q34 and Q35]

Q34. How concerned are you about rising sea levels having an impact on flooding and beach erosion? Are you very concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned, or not at all concerned?

1 very concerned

2 somewhat concerned

3 not too concerned

4 not at all concerned

8 [VOL] don’t know

9 [VOL] refuse

Q35. How concerned are you about ocean warming having an impact on marine and coastal life? Are you very concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned, or not at all concerned?

1 very concerned

2 somewhat concerned

3 not too concerned

4 not at all concerned

8 [VOL] don’t know

9 [VOL] refuse

Please say if you favor or oppose the following proposals. [ROTATE Q36 to Q38]

Q36. How about allowing more oil drilling off the California coast? (Do you favor or oppose this proposal?)

1 favor

2 oppose

8 [VOL] don’t know

9 [VOL] refuse

Q37. How about maintaining the rules and boundaries of national marine sanctuaries and California’s Marine Protected Areas—or M-P-As—to protect fish, wildlife, and their habitat off the California coast? (Do you favor or oppose this proposal?)

1 favor

2 oppose

8 [VOL] don’t know

9 [VOL] refuse

Q38. How about setting higher emissions standards for automobiles? (Do you favor or oppose this proposal?)

1. favor

2 oppose

8 [VOL] don’t know

9 [VOL] refuse

On another topic,

Q39. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way that Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

1 approve

2 disapprove

8 (vol) don’t know

9 (vol) refuse

Q40. Do you approve or disapprove of the way that President Trump is handling environmental issues in the United States?

1 approve

2 disapprove

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q41. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way the U.S. Congress is handling its job?

1 approve

2 disapprove

8 (vol) don’t know

9 (vol) refuse

Q42. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the U.S. Congress is handling environmental issues in the United States?

1 approve

2 disapprove

8 don’t know (volunteered)

9 refuse (volunteered)

Q43. Next, would you consider yourself to be politically:

[READ LIST, ROTATE ORDER TOP TO BOTTOM]

1 very liberal

2 somewhat liberal

3 middle-of-the-road

4 somewhat conservative

5 very conservative

8 (vol) don’t know

9 (vol) refuse

Q44.Generally speaking, how much interest would you say you have in politics—a great deal, a fair amount, only a little, or none?

1 great deal

2 fair amount

3 only a little

4 none

8 (vol) don’t know

9 (vol) refuse

Q45. How often would you say you vote—always, nearly always, part of the time, seldom, or never?

1 always

2 nearly always

3 part of the time

4 seldom

5 never

8 (vol) don’t know

9 (vol) refuse

Q46. And do you plan to vote in the statewide general election on November 6th?

1 yes

2 no

8 [VOL] don’t know

9 [VOL] refuse

[IF RESPONDENT REFUSES ANY D1 TO D14d, SAY: “We understand and respect that this information is confidential, we ask only for research purposes and will keep all of this information absolutely anonymous”]

D1. Finally, we have a few demographic questions. What is your age? [IF NECESSARY: READ LIST]

RECORD AGE (code 18-98) [SKIP TO D2]

99 (vol) refuse [ASK D1a]

D1a. [IF REFUSE ON D1] Could you please tell me if you are between the ages of…? [READ LIST]

1 18 to 24

2 25 to 34

3 35 to 44

4 45 to 54

5 55 to 64

6 65 or older

9 (vol) refuse

D2. Do you own or rent your current residence?

1 own

2 rent

3 [VOL] neither

9 (vol) don’t know/refuse

D3. And how long have you lived at your current address? [IF UNDER 1 YEAR, CODE < 0 >] [PROBE: your best estimate is fine]

RECORD NUMBER OF YEARS (code 0-97) [ASK D4]

98 (vol) don’t know [ASK D3a]

99 (vol) refuse [ASK D3a]

D3a. [IF REFUSE ON D3] Could you please tell me if you have lived at your current address for fewer than five years, five years to under 10 years, 10 years to under 20 years, or 20 years or more?

1 fewer than five years

2 five years to under 10 years

3 10 years to under 20 years

4 20 years or more

5 [VOL] all my life

9 (vol) refuse

D4. Are you a parent, stepparent, or legal guardian of any children 18 or under?

1 yes

2 no

9 (vol) don’t know/refuse

D7. What was the last grade of school that you completed? [IF NECESSARY: READ LIST; ENTER "ASSOCIATES DEGREE" AS PUNCH <3> SOME COLLEGE]

1 some high school or less

2 high school graduate/GED

3 some college

4 college graduate

5 post graduate

6 [VOL] trade school

9 (vol) refuse

D8. Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?

[IF NECESSARY: Such as Mexican-American, Latin American, Central or South American, or Spanish-American?]

1 yes, Hispanic

2 no, NOT Hispanic

9 (vol) don’t know/refused

D8a. For classification purposes, we'd like to know what your racial background is. Are you white, black or African-American, Asian, Pacific Islander or Native Hawaiian, American Indian or an Alaskan native, a member of another race, or a combination of these?

[ACCEPT UP TO TWO ANSWERS]

[IF RESP SAYS "Indian" PROBE: “is that American Indian or Asian Indian?"]

1 white

2 black/African-American

3 Asian

4 Pacific Islander/Native Hawaiian

5 American Indian/Alaskan Native

6 [VOL] Hispanic/Latino

7 other [SPECIFY]

9 (vol) don’t know/refused

D8com D8/D8a\_1/D8b\_2 combined

1 Asian, non-Hispanic

2 black, non-Hispanic

3 Hispanic or Latino, any race

4 white, non-Hispanic

5 other, non-Hispanic

6 multi-race, non-Hispanic

9 refuse

D9. Were you born in the United States?

1 yes [SKIP TO D10]

2 no [ASK D9a]

9 (vol)don’t know/refuse [ASK D9a]

D9a. Are you a U.S. citizen or not?

1 yes, U.S. citizen

2 no, not a U.S. citizen

9 (vol) refuse

D10. Are you a male or female?

1 Male

2 Female

3 (vol.) other

8 (vol.) don't know

9 (vol.) refused

D11. Which of the following **categories** best describes your total annual household income before taxes, from all sources?

[PROBE: your best estimate is fine AND/OR REREAD LIST BEFORE ACCEPTING DON'T KNOW OR REFUSED"]

[IF RESPONDENT REFUSES, SAY “We understand and respect that this information is confidential, we ask only for research purposes and will keep all of this information absolutely anonymous”]

1 under $20,000

2 $20,000 to under $40,000

3 $40,000 to under $60,000

4 $60,000 to under $80,000

5 $80,000 to under $100,000

6 $100,000 to under $200,000

7 $200,000 or more

9 (vol) don’t know/refuse

D12.Including yourself, how many adults 18 years of age or older live in your household?

1 one

2-12 [enter number]

99 [VOL] don’t know/refused

**LANDLINE RESPONDENTS ONLY:**

D13. Now thinking about your telephone use, do you have a working cell phone? [INTERVIEWER: THIS INCLUDES SHARED CELL PHONES.]

1 yes, have cell phone [SKIP TO D15]

2 no, do not [ASK D13a]

9 (vol) don’t know/refuse [ASK D13a]

**ASK IF NO CELL PHONE AND MULTI-PERSON HOUSEHOLD (D13=2,9 AND D12>1):**

D13a. Does anyone in your household have a working cell phone?

1 yes, someone in household has cell phone

2 no

99 (vol) don’t know/refused

[SKIP TO D15]

**CELL PHONE RESPONDENTS ONLY:**

D14. Now thinking about your telephone use, is there at least one telephone INSIDE your home that is currently working and is not a cell phone?

1 yes, has a home telephone

2 no, no home telephone

9 (vol) don’t know/refuse

[QUARTER SAMPLE:]

D15. Finally, would you be willing to talk about these questions with a reporter from a news organization in your region for a story about this survey?

1 yes [RECORD RESPONDENT’S FIRST NAME]

2 no

9 (vol) refuse

language Language

0 English

1 Spanish

gender Gender

1 Male2 Female

likevote Likely Voters

0 Respondent not likely to vote

1 Respondent likely to vote

weight Final Weight