Connecticut Survey Results

Q1 Do you approve or disapprove of President Joe Biden’s job performance?

- Approve .......................................................... 48%
- Disapprove .......................................................... 43%
- Not sure .............................................................. 9%

Q2 Next year in November, there will be a general election in Connecticut for Governor and other important offices. How likely would you say you are to vote in the general election in November of next year: are you certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50/50, or will you probably not vote?

- Certain to vote .................................................. 92%
- Will probably vote .............................................. 8%
- The chances are 50/50 ......................................... 0%
- Will probably not vote ........................................ 0%

Q3 If the candidates for Governor were Democrat Ned Lamont and Republican Bob Stefanowski, who would you vote for?

- Ned Lamont .................................................. 52%
- Bob Stefanowski ............................................ 36%
- Not sure ......................................................... 12%

Q4 If the candidates for Governor were Democrat Ned Lamont and Republican Themis Klarides, who would you vote for?

- Ned Lamont .................................................. 52%
- Themis Klarides ............................................. 32%
- Not sure ......................................................... 16%

Q5 Generally speaking, if the 2022 general election for Governor were held today, would you vote to re-elect Ned Lamont, or do you think it’s time for someone new?

- Would vote to re-elect Ned Lamont ..................... 50%
- Think it’s time for someone new ......................... 41%
- Not sure .......................................................... 9%

Q6 Which of the following issues is the most important to you when choosing a candidate for Governor: jobs and the economy, education and childcare, taxes, crime, health care, local control issues, or something else?

- Jobs and the economy ........................................ 36%
- Education and childcare .................................... 11%
- Taxes .............................................................. 21%
- Crime .............................................................. 5%
- Health care ..................................................... 13%
- Local control issues ......................................... 4%
- Something else / Not sure ................................. 10%

Q7 How familiar are you with public charter schools: very familiar, somewhat familiar, or not that familiar at all?

- Very familiar .................................................... 28%
- Somewhat familiar ........................................... 49%
- Not that familiar at all ...................................... 23%

Q8 I’m going to give you a list of some people and entities in Connecticut. After each one, please tell me if you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of that person or entity. Here’s the first one: Ned Lamont.

- Very favorable ................................................ 34%
- Somewhat favorable ...................................... 26%
- Somewhat unfavorable ................................... 11%
- Very unfavorable ........................................... 25%
- Not sure .......................................................... 3%

Q9 Here’s the next one: Bob Stefanowski.

- Very favorable ................................................ 17%
- Somewhat favorable ...................................... 28%
- Somewhat unfavorable ................................... 14%
- Very unfavorable ........................................... 16%
- Not sure .......................................................... 24%
Q10 Here’s the next one: Themis Klarides.

Very favorable ........................................ 10%
Somewhat favorable ................................ 21%
Somewhat unfavorable ............................... 11%
Very unfavorable ...................................... 10%
Not sure .................................................. 48%

Q11 Here’s the next one: Republicans in the Connecticut legislature.

Very favorable ........................................ 23%
Somewhat favorable ................................ 21%
Somewhat unfavorable ............................... 24%
Very unfavorable ...................................... 22%
Not sure .................................................. 10%

Q12 Here’s the next one: Democrats in the Connecticut legislature.

Very favorable ........................................ 19%
Somewhat favorable ................................ 30%
Somewhat unfavorable ............................... 16%
Very unfavorable ...................................... 29%
Not sure .................................................. 6%

Q13 Here’s the next one: Connecticut public schools.

Very favorable ........................................ 21%
Somewhat favorable ................................ 46%
Somewhat unfavorable ............................... 17%
Very unfavorable ...................................... 10%
Not sure .................................................. 5%

Q14 Here’s the last one: Connecticut public charter schools. Please keep in mind that when we talk about charter schools, charter schools are public schools that are operated independently from the regular school district system, but they are still public schools that are free for students to attend.

Very favorable ........................................ 20%
Somewhat favorable ................................ 34%
Somewhat unfavorable ............................... 17%
Very unfavorable ...................................... 7%
Not sure .................................................. 22%

Q15 Do you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose teaching about the ongoing effects of slavery and racism in the United States in Connecticut schools?

Strongly support ..................................... 48%
Somewhat support .................................. 15%
Somewhat oppose ................................... 10%
Strongly oppose ..................................... 23%
Not sure .................................................. 5%

Q16 How familiar are you with Critical Race Theory: very familiar, somewhat familiar, or not that familiar at all?

Very familiar .......................................... 48%
Somewhat familiar .................................. 37%
Not that familiar at all .............................. 15%

Q17 Based on what you know, do you think Critical Race Theory is currently being taught in Connecticut public schools, or not?

Think Critical Race Theory is currently being taught in Connecticut public schools .......... 28%
Do not think Critical Race Theory is currently being taught in Connecticut public schools .. 40%
Not sure .................................................. 32%
Q18 Now I’m going to read you some current and potential policies related to K-12 education, meaning kindergarten, elementary, middle, and high school. After each one, please tell me whether you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose the policy. Here’s the first one: Requiring all students who are eligible for the coronavirus vaccine to be fully vaccinated against the coronavirus.

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Q19 Here’s the next one: Requiring all teachers doing in-person learning to be fully vaccinated against the coronavirus.

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Q20 Here’s the next one: Requiring all students and teachers to wear masks inside schools.

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Q21 Here’s the next one: Using federal stimulus money from the American Rescue Plan to help school districts fund high-impact tutoring, meaning one-on-one or small group tutoring three days a week, for students who fell behind due to the coronavirus pandemic.

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Q22 Here’s the last one: Providing families more choice in the public school system, including public charter schools, magnet schools, and career academies?

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Q23 I’m going to read you a few proposals for using federal stimulus money from the American Rescue Plan to help students who fell behind in the pandemic complete unfinished learning, and ask you which one you think would be most helpful. The choices are: one-on-one or small group in-school tutoring three days a week; hiring more teachers to decrease class sizes; more professional development for teachers; offering extra-curricular and after school programs; or expanding digital and online learning resources. Which do you think would be most helpful to students who fell behind in the pandemic?

One-on-one or small group in-school tutoring three days a week ........................................... 40%
Hiring more teachers to decrease class sizes ................................................................. 36%
More professional development for teachers ................................................................. 5%
Offering extra-curricular and after school programs ................................................... 11%
Expanding digital and online learning resources .......................................................... 2%
Not sure ....................................................................................................................... 6%

Q24 The amount of money spent to educate students varies widely from district to district in Connecticut. How concerned would you say you are about neighboring towns or cities spending significantly different amounts per student- very concerned, somewhat concerned, not that concerned, or not concerned at all?

Very concerned ........................................................................................................ 34%
Somewhat concerned ............................................................................................. 36%
Not that concerned .................................................................................................. 17%
Not concerned at all .................................................................................................. 8%
Not sure ....................................................................................................................... 5%

Q25 Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree that college admissions offices should consider an applicant’s academic and other achievements in the context of those of other students attending the applicant’s high school or living in the applicant’s neighborhood?

Strongly agree ................................................................. 28%
Somewhat agree .............................................................. 36%
Somewhat disagree ........................................................... 10%
Strongly disagree ............................................................. 8%
Not sure ....................................................................................................................... 17%

Q26 Do you believe that the way in which our communities are divided—based on race and socio-economic status—is contributing to Connecticut’s economic challenges, or not?

Believe that the way in which our communities are divided is contributing to Connecticut’s economic challenges ........................................... 52%
Do not believe that the way in which our communities are divided is contributing to Connecticut’s economic challenges ........................................... 33%
Not sure ....................................................................................................................... 14%

Q27 Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree that both public and private colleges should be prohibited from giving greater weight in admissions to applicants who are related to graduates of the same school, sometimes referred to as a legacy preference?

Strongly agree ................................................................. 36%
Somewhat agree .............................................................. 20%
Somewhat disagree ........................................................... 22%
Strongly disagree ............................................................. 13%
Not sure ....................................................................................................................... 9%
Q28 I’m going to tell you a little bit more about some of the potential candidates for Governor next year, and after each one, ask you if it makes you much more likely, somewhat more likely, somewhat less likely, or much less likely to support that candidate, or if it doesn’t make a difference. Here’s the first one: Bob Stefanowski, who is a likely Republican candidate for Governor, has called for harsher discipline for youths who commit crimes, claiming Connecticut had a long summer of teenagers wielding weapons, stealing cars, and increasing homicide rates. Does hearing this make you much more likely, somewhat more likely, somewhat less likely, or much less likely to support Bob Stefanowski, or does it not make a difference?

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Q29 Here’s the next one: Governor Ned Lamont, a Democrat, supports additional mental health and behavioral support for young people by increasing the number of social workers and guidance counselors in Connecticut schools. Does hearing this make you much more likely, somewhat more likely, somewhat less likely, or much less likely to support Ned Lamont, or does it not make a difference?

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Q30 Here’s the last one: Governor Ned Lamont, a Democrat, has invested upfront in early strategies that will set up young people for success by using federal funding from the American Rescue Plan to launch an early literacy effort called “Right to Read.” The new legislation utilizes the science of reading, requiring a research-based approach in every K-3 classroom in Connecticut and increased interventions. Does hearing this make you much more likely, somewhat more likely, somewhat less likely, or much less likely to support Ned Lamont, or does it not make a difference?

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Q31 Having heard all the information in this survey, let me ask you again: If the candidates for Governor were Democrat Ned Lamont and Republican Bob Stefanowski, who would you vote for?

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Q32 And if the candidates for Governor were Democrat Ned Lamont and Republican Themis Klarides, who would you vote for?

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Q33 In the 2020 election for President, did you vote for Republican Donald Trump, Democrat Joe Biden, someone else, or did you not vote in the election?

Donald Trump .................................................. 37%
Joe Biden.................................................. 57%
Someone else / Did not vote .................. 6%

Q34 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2. If gender non-binary, press 3.

Woman .................................................. 51%
Man.................................................. 46%
Non-binary .................................................. 3%

Q35 If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republican, press 2. If an independent, press 3.

Democrat .................................................. 39%
Republican.................................................. 28%
Independent.................................................. 33%

Q36 If you are Hispanic or Latino, press 1. If white, press 2. If African-American, press 3. If other, press 4.

Hispanic or Latino .................................................. 9%
White .................................................. 72%
African-American .................................................. 12%
Other.................................................. 7%

Q37 If you are 18-45 years old, press 1. If 46-65, press 2. If older than 65, press 3.

18 to 45..................................................38%
46 to 65..................................................40%
Older than 65..................................................22%

Q38 What is the highest level of education you have received: high school graduate or less, some college but did not finish, 2-year college degree, 4-year college degree, or post-graduate degree?

High school graduate or less .................. 25%
Some college but did not finish .................. 22%
2-year college degree .................. 10%
4-year college degree .................. 25%
Post-graduate degree .................. 19%

Q39 Mode

Landline.................................................. 41%
Text.................................................. 59%