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GRANITE STATERS MORE CONCERNED ABOUT VOTER FRAUD IN U.S. THAN IN NH

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DURHAM, NH – A small majority of New Hampshire residents believe voter fraud is a serious problem in the country as a whole, but far fewer believe it is a serious problem in New Hampshire. While few think voter fraud is very significant and affects the outcomes of elections, a plurality think it is somewhat significant and could potentially affect election outcomes. The majority of Granite Staters support New Hampshire's new electoral law requiring documentation for those who register close to an election.

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Election Integrity in the U.S.

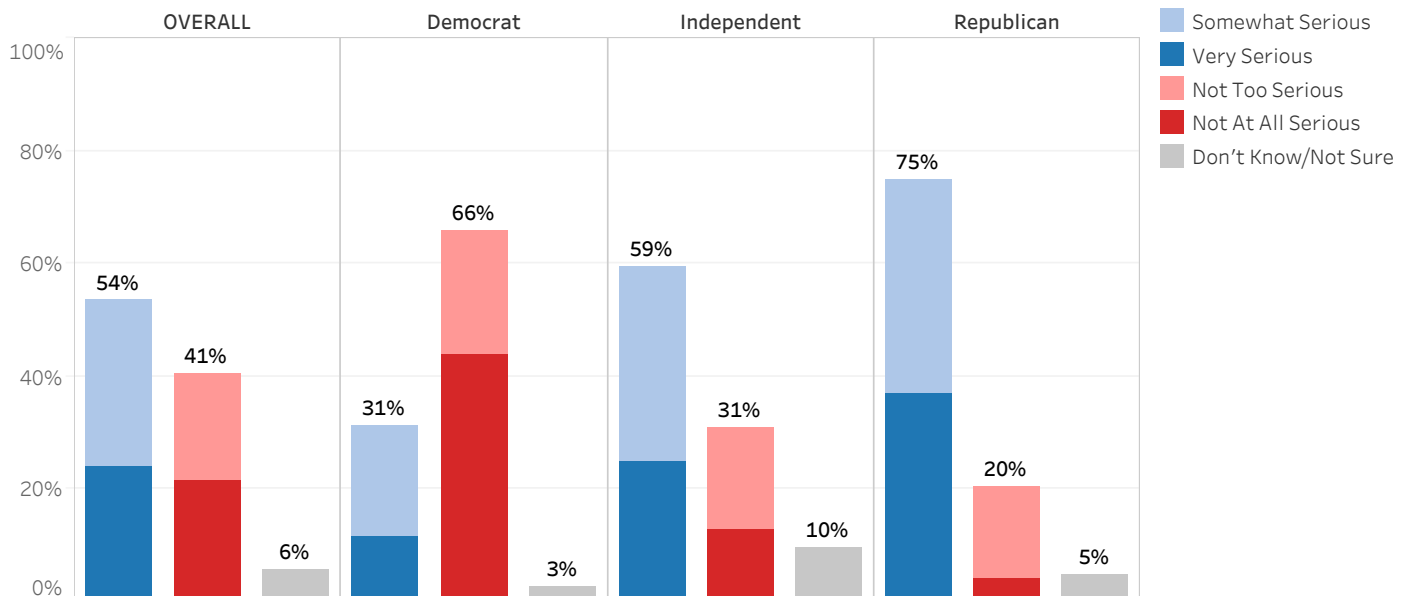
In the wake of the 2016 election, President Trump claimed there was considerable fraud in the election. Trump chartered a special commission to investigate the integrity of U.S. elections which convened in NH in September.

Just over half of Granite Staters (54%) believe voter fraud is a very serious (24%) or somewhat serious (29%) problem in the country as a whole, 41% believe it is not too serious (19%) or not at all serious (22%), and 6% don't know or are unsure.

Three-quarters of Republicans (75%) and 59% Independents believe voter fraud is a serious problem in the country but only 31% of Democrats agree.

Self-described conservatives, those who voted for Donald Trump or did not vote in 2016, those who watch Fox News, those with a high school education or less, and those who primarily get their national news through social media are most likely to say voter fraud is a very or somewhat serious problem in the country while those with a college degree or more education, self-described liberals, those who voted for Hillary Clinton in 2016, and those who primarily get their national news through newspapers are least likely to say so.

Seriousness of Voter Fraud Problem in U.S.

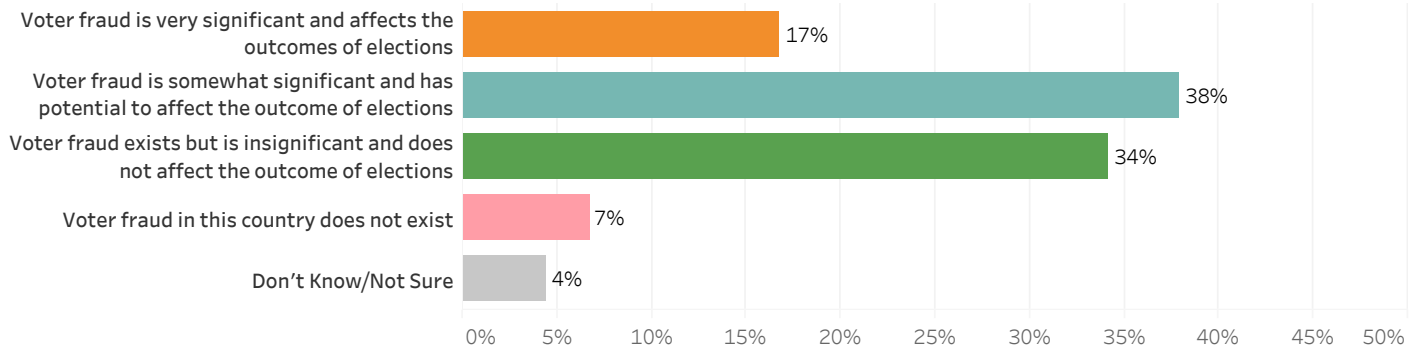


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Seventeen percent of New Hampshire residents believe that voter fraud is very significant and affects the outcomes of elections, 38% say voter fraud is somewhat significant and has the potential to affect the outcome of elections, 34% say voter fraud exists but is insignificant and does not affect the outcome of elections, 7% say voter fraud in this country does not exist, and 4% don't know or are unsure.

Self-described conservatives and those who primarily get their national news through social media are most likely to say voter fraud is very significant and affects the outcomes of elections while those who voted for Hillary Clinton in 2016, self-described liberals, those who primarily get their national news through newspapers, and those who have completed postgraduate work are most likely to say voter fraud exists but is insignificant and does not affect the outcome of elections.

Best Describes View of Voter Fraud in U.S.



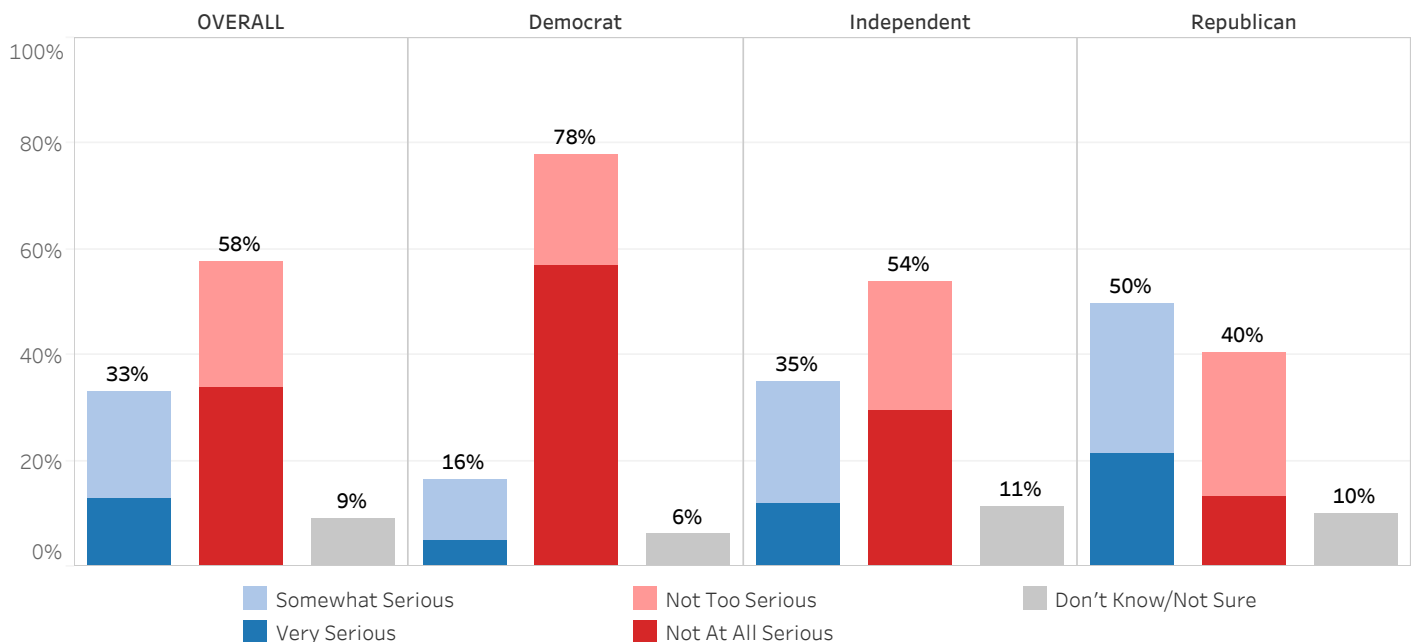
Election Integrity in NH

Only a third Granite Staters (33%) believe voter fraud is a very serious (13%) or somewhat serious (20%) problem in New Hampshire, 58% believe it is not too serious (24%) or not at all serious (34%), and 9% don't know or are unsure.

Half of Republicans (50%) believe voter fraud is a serious problem in the state, but only 35% of Independents and 16% of Democrats agree.

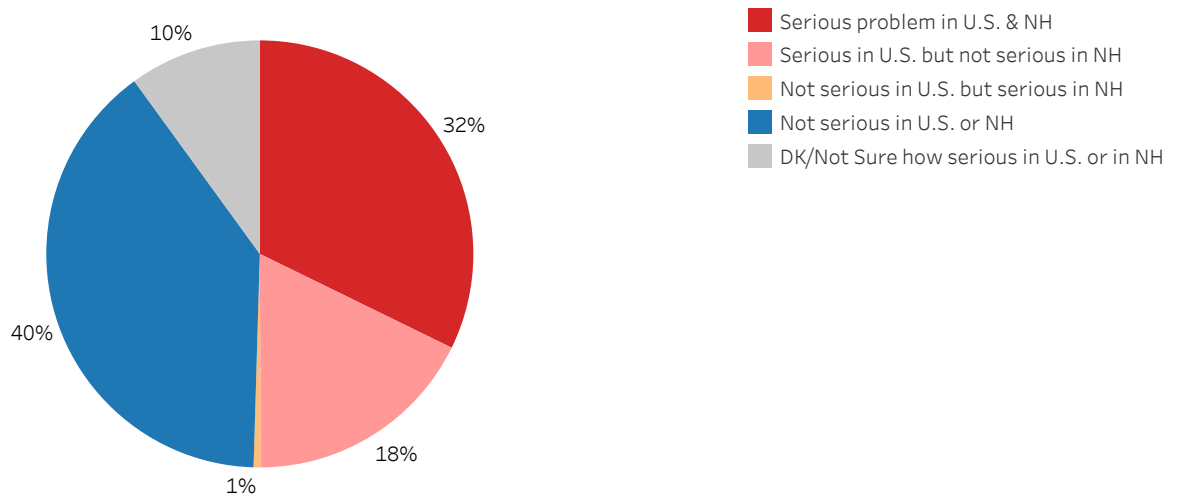
Self-described conservatives, those who voted for Donald Trump or did not vote in 2016, and those who watch Fox News are most likely to say voter fraud is a very or somewhat serious problem in the state while self-described liberals, those who have completed postgraduate work, those who voted for Hillary Clinton in 2016, and those who primarily get their national news from newspapers are least likely to say so.

Seriousness of Voter Fraud Problem in NH



Combining these two questions, 32% of Granite Staters believe voter fraud is a serious problem in the U.S. and in NH, 18% believe it is a serious problem in the country as a whole but not serious in NH, 1% say it is not serious in the U.S. but is a serious problem in NH, 40% say it is not serious in the U.S. or in NH, and 10% don't know or are unsure how serious of a problem it is either in the U.S. or in NH.

Seriousness of Voter Fraud Problem in U.S. by Seriousness of Voter Fraud Problem in NH



NH Voting Law Change

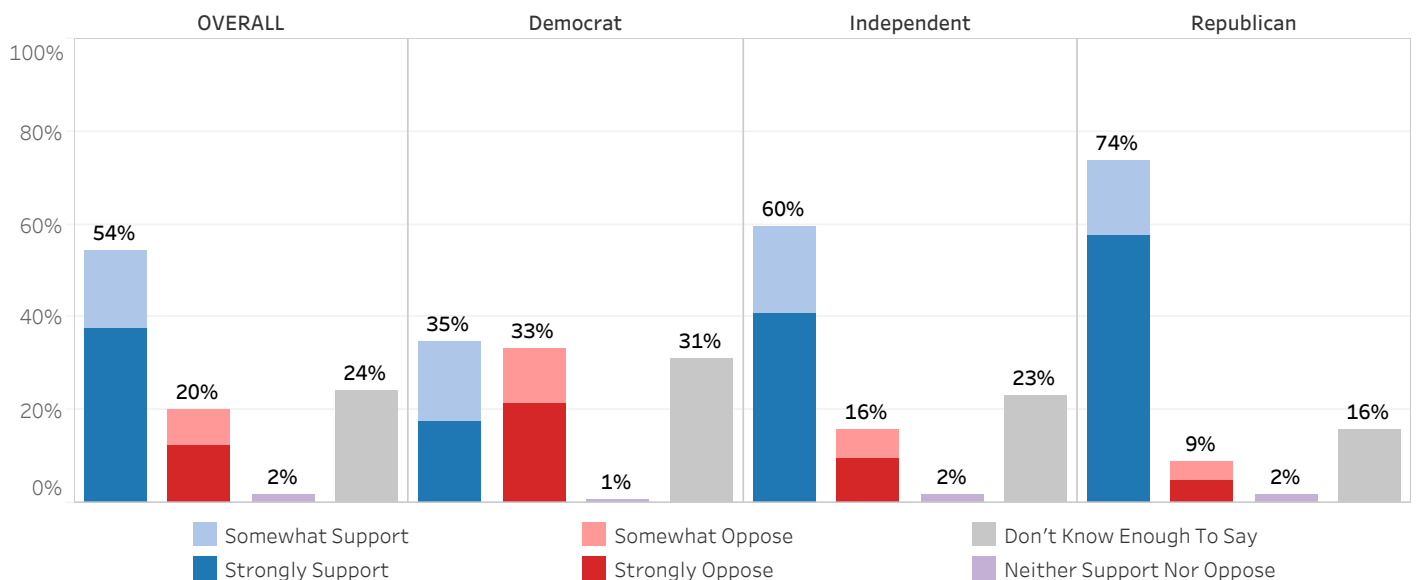
New Hampshire recently passed legislation that requires those who register to vote within 30 days of an election or on Election Day to show proof that they live in the community. If a person cannot provide documentation, they are allowed to vote but must fill out an affidavit swearing to their residency and must provide documentation soon thereafter. If the documentation is not provided, officials are empowered to investigate the individual's residency including visiting their residence.

Just over half (54%) of New Hampshire residents say they strongly support (38%) or somewhat support (17%) this legislation, 20% strongly oppose (12%) or somewhat oppose (8%) it, 2% say they neither support nor oppose it, and 24% don't know enough to say.

Nearly three-quarters (74%) of Republicans and 60% of Independents support this legislation but only 35% of Democrats agree.

Those who voted for Donald Trump or did not vote in 2016, self-described conservatives, those who watch Fox News, and Central/Lakes Region residents are most likely to support this legislation while those who have completed postgraduate work, those who primarily get their national news through newspapers, self-described liberals, and those who voted for Hillary Clinton in 2016 are least likely to support it.

NH Election Law Support



Granite State Poll Methodology

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The random sample used in the Granite State Poll was purchased from Marketing Systems Group (MSG), Horsham, PA. MSG screens each selected telephone number to eliminate non-working numbers, disconnected numbers, and business numbers to improve the efficiency of the sample, reducing the amount of time interviewers spend calling non-usable numbers.

The data have been weighted to adjust for numbers of adults and telephone lines within households. Additionally, data were weighted by respondent sex, age, education, and region of the state to targets from the most recent American Community Survey (ACS) conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau. In addition to potential sampling error, all surveys have other potential sources of non-sampling error including question order effects, question wording effects, and non-response. Due to rounding, percentages may not sum to 100%. The number of respondents in each demographic below may not equal the number reported in cross-tabulation tables as some respondents choose not to answer some questions.

For more information about the methodology used in the Granite State Poll, contact Dr. Andrew Smith at (603) 862-2226 or by email at andrew.smith@unh.edu.

Granite State Poll, November 2017 Demographics

		N	%
Sex of Respondent	Female	483	51%
	Male	463	49%
Level of Education	High school or less	286	31%
	Technical school/Some college	350	37%
	College graduate	184	20%
	Postgraduate work	114	12%
Region of State	Central / Lakes	153	16%
	Connecticut Valley	129	14%
	Manchester Area	154	16%
	Mass Border	259	27%
	North Country	89	9%
	Seacoast	162	17%
Registered to Vote	Reg. Democrat	193	21%
	Reg. Undeclared/Not Reg.	532	57%
	Reg. Republican	208	22%
Party ID	Democrat	372	41%
	Independent	207	23%
	Republican	336	37%

ELECT1: How serious of a problem do you think voter fraud is in the country as a whole?

		<u>Very Serious</u>	<u>Somewhat Serious</u>	<u>Not Too Serious</u>	<u>Not At All Serious</u>	<u>Don't Know/Not Sure</u>	<u>N</u>
STATEWIDE		24%	29%	19%	22%	6%	946
Registered to Vote	Reg. Democrat	9%	19%	19%	48%	4%	193
	Reg. Undeclared/Not Reg.	24%	30%	21%	19%	6%	532
	Reg. Republican	38%	38%	15%	4%	6%	208
Party ID	Democrat	12%	20%	22%	44%	3%	372
	Independent	25%	35%	18%	13%	10%	207
	Republican	37%	38%	16%	4%	5%	336
Ideology	Liberal	13%	17%	22%	45%	3%	229
	Moderate	14%	34%	22%	22%	8%	392
	Conservative	45%	36%	12%	3%	4%	264
Main Source of National News	Newspapers	11%	12%	25%	44%	9%	60
	Other Websites	23%	30%	18%	24%	5%	175
	Radio	18%	27%	19%	28%	7%	136
	Social Media	27%	40%	18%	10%	6%	122
	Television	25%	30%	20%	20%	5%	380
	Other	39%	29%	12%	20%		50
National TV News Source	Watch ABC	23%	31%	19%	22%	5%	379
	Watch CBS	19%	30%	18%	26%	8%	244
	Watch CNN	15%	30%	23%	28%	5%	317
	Watch Fox News	33%	39%	15%	6%	6%	323
	Watch MSNBC	17%	21%	21%	35%	5%	248
	Watch NBC	17%	30%	20%	27%	7%	282
	Watch PBS	20%	24%	19%	33%	4%	308
	Watch Some Other Network	26%	33%	13%	23%	5%	86
	Watch None of the Above	22%	26%	23%	20%	9%	210
Age of Respondent	18 to 34	24%	38%	21%	13%	5%	245
	35 to 49	22%	28%	20%	23%	8%	225
	50 to 64	28%	26%	20%	22%	4%	271
	65 and older	19%	28%	14%	33%	6%	176
Sex of Respondent	Female	21%	28%	22%	22%	6%	483
	Male	27%	30%	16%	21%	6%	463
Level of Education	High school or less	31%	36%	15%	11%	6%	286
	Technical school/Some college	26%	30%	18%	19%	7%	350
	College graduate	19%	25%	25%	28%	4%	184
	Postgraduate work	10%	19%	21%	47%	4%	114
2016 Presidential Vote	Donald Trump	40%	37%	14%	3%	5%	315
	Hillary Clinton	8%	19%	23%	46%	4%	347
	Did Not Vote	32%	35%	20%	4%	9%	179
	Other	13%	33%	18%	32%	5%	67
Region of State	Central / Lakes	23%	29%	24%	17%	6%	153
	Connecticut Valley	22%	28%	16%	27%	7%	129
	Manchester Area	28%	21%	20%	25%	6%	154
	Mass Border	21%	38%	15%	20%	6%	259
	North Country	24%	33%	20%	18%	5%	89
	Seacoast	28%	23%	23%	22%	4%	162
Congressional District	1st District	27%	25%	21%	20%	7%	492
	2nd District	21%	34%	17%	23%	5%	454

ELECT2: How serious of a problem do you think voter fraud is in the state of New Hampshire?

		<u>Very Serious</u>	<u>Somewhat Serious</u>	<u>Not Too Serious</u>	<u>Not At All Serious</u>	<u>Don't Know/Not Sure</u>	<u>N</u>
STATEWIDE		13%	20%	24%	34%	9%	946
Registered to Vote	Reg. Democrat	5%	9%	17%	62%	7%	193
	Reg. Undeclared/Not Reg.	12%	21%	26%	31%	11%	532
	Reg. Republican	22%	30%	25%	16%	7%	208
Party ID	Democrat	5%	11%	21%	57%	6%	372
	Independent	12%	23%	24%	30%	11%	207
	Republican	22%	28%	27%	13%	10%	336
Ideology	Liberal	3%	14%	17%	59%	7%	229
	Moderate	7%	18%	29%	35%	10%	392
	Conservative	29%	28%	20%	14%	9%	264
Main Source of National News	Newspapers	6%	1%	34%	53%	5%	60
	Other Websites	12%	17%	23%	37%	11%	175
	Radio	10%	15%	17%	46%	11%	136
	Social Media	17%	25%	25%	24%	9%	122
	Television	13%	23%	26%	29%	9%	380
	Other	11%	29%	16%	39%	5%	50
National TV News Source	Watch ABC	12%	20%	26%	35%	6%	379
	Watch CBS	5%	21%	28%	37%	10%	244
	Watch CNN	7%	16%	24%	44%	9%	317
	Watch Fox News	23%	30%	26%	11%	11%	323
	Watch MSNBC	6%	13%	25%	48%	9%	248
	Watch NBC	7%	17%	26%	39%	10%	282
	Watch PBS	10%	15%	22%	48%	5%	308
	Watch Some Other Network	12%	20%	22%	33%	14%	86
	Watch None of the Above	9%	20%	22%	35%	13%	210
Age of Respondent	18 to 34	9%	26%	26%	28%	12%	245
	35 to 49	13%	18%	20%	37%	12%	225
	50 to 64	16%	18%	27%	34%	5%	271
	65 and older	12%	20%	21%	41%	8%	176
Sex of Respondent	Female	9%	21%	25%	34%	10%	483
	Male	17%	20%	22%	34%	8%	463
Level of Education	High school or less	18%	24%	23%	26%	9%	286
	Technical school/Some college	11%	23%	24%	30%	13%	350
	College graduate	13%	16%	25%	39%	7%	184
	Postgraduate work	6%	10%	22%	61%	2%	114
2016 Presidential Vote	Donald Trump	26%	29%	22%	14%	9%	315
	Hillary Clinton	2%	11%	21%	62%	5%	347
	Did Not Vote	14%	21%	34%	14%	16%	179
	Other	5%	20%	24%	48%	3%	67
Region of State	Central / Lakes	15%	17%	29%	31%	8%	153
	Connecticut Valley	12%	15%	24%	41%	8%	129
	Manchester Area	13%	21%	26%	30%	10%	154
	Mass Border	11%	21%	21%	34%	13%	259
	North Country	11%	27%	21%	33%	8%	89
	Seacoast	15%	21%	23%	36%	5%	162
Congressional District	1st District	15%	23%	20%	33%	9%	492
	2nd District	11%	17%	28%	35%	9%	454

ELECT3: What best describes your view on voter fraud in the country?

		<u>Voter fraud is very significant and affects the outcomes of elections</u>	<u>Voter fraud is somewhat significant and has potential to affect the outcome of elections</u>	<u>Voter fraud exists but is insignificant and does not affect the outcome of elections</u>
STATEWIDE		17%	38%	34%
Registered to Vote	Reg. Democrat	11%	24%	50%
	Reg. Undeclared/Not Reg.	15%	39%	35%
	Reg. Republican	26%	49%	18%
Party ID	Democrat	9%	27%	51%
	Independent	18%	38%	29%
	Republican	24%	51%	18%
Ideology	Liberal	9%	24%	53%
	Moderate	12%	40%	37%
	Conservative	28%	49%	13%
Main Source of National News	Newspapers	4%	26%	51%
	Other Websites	11%	37%	41%
	Radio	18%	28%	40%
	Social Media	27%	43%	23%
	Television	16%	42%	30%
	Other	21%	43%	33%
National TV News Source	Watch ABC	17%	38%	36%
	Watch CBS	15%	39%	31%
	Watch CNN	14%	32%	42%
	Watch Fox News	24%	46%	21%
	Watch MSNBC	12%	28%	44%
	Watch NBC	14%	36%	36%
	Watch PBS	14%	31%	40%
	Watch Some Other Network	21%	40%	25%
Watch None of the Above	14%	35%	39%	
Age of Respondent	18 to 34	20%	45%	29%
	35 to 49	17%	32%	38%
	50 to 64	14%	39%	36%
	65 and older	17%	31%	34%
Sex of Respondent	Female	16%	35%	37%
	Male	18%	41%	31%
Level of Education	High school or less	24%	37%	27%
	Technical school/Some college	16%	45%	32%
	College graduate	15%	33%	39%
	Postgraduate work	6%	26%	50%
2016 Presidential Vote	Donald Trump	26%	54%	13%
	Hillary Clinton	7%	22%	56%
	Did Not Vote	23%	41%	25%
	Other	9%	35%	53%
Region of State	Central / Lakes	16%	37%	38%
	Connecticut Valley	13%	37%	37%
	Manchester Area	20%	33%	32%
	Mass Border	14%	43%	33%
	North Country	20%	38%	36%
	Seacoast	20%	35%	32%
Congressional District	1st District	19%	36%	33%
	2nd District	14%	40%	35%

ELECT3: What best describes your view on voter fraud in the country?

		<u>Voter fraud is very significant and affects the outcomes of elections</u>	<u>Voter fraud in this country does not exist</u>	<u>Don't Know/Not Sure</u>	<u>N</u>
STATEWIDE		17%	7%	4%	943
Registered to Vote	Reg. Democrat	11%	13%	2%	192
	Reg. Undeclared/Not Reg.	15%	6%	5%	530
	Reg. Republican	26%	3%	4%	208
Party ID	Democrat	9%	11%	2%	371
	Independent	18%	5%	9%	206
	Republican	24%	3%	3%	336
Ideology	Liberal	9%	12%	2%	229
	Moderate	12%	5%	5%	390
	Conservative	28%	5%	5%	264
Main Source of National News	Newspapers	4%	13%	6%	60
	Other Websites	11%	6%	4%	175
	Radio	18%	7%	6%	136
	Social Media	27%	3%	4%	121
	Television	16%	8%	4%	379
	Other	21%	2%	1%	50
National TV News Source	Watch ABC	17%	6%	3%	378
	Watch CBS	15%	10%	5%	243
	Watch CNN	14%	10%	2%	316
	Watch Fox News	24%	4%	5%	323
	Watch MSNBC	12%	12%	4%	247
	Watch NBC	14%	10%	4%	281
	Watch PBS	14%	11%	3%	307
	Watch Some Other Network	21%	7%	6%	86
	Watch None of the Above	14%	5%	7%	209
Age of Respondent	18 to 34	20%	3%	3%	245
	35 to 49	17%	7%	6%	224
	50 to 64	14%	8%	3%	270
	65 and older	17%	11%	7%	175
Sex of Respondent	Female	16%	6%	6%	481
	Male	18%	7%	3%	462
Level of Education	High school or less	24%	4%	8%	286
	Technical school/Some college	16%	5%	2%	349
	College graduate	15%	9%	4%	183
	Postgraduate work	6%	15%	3%	114
2016 Presidential Vote	Donald Trump	26%	4%	3%	315
	Hillary Clinton	7%	12%	2%	345
	Did Not Vote	23%	2%	9%	178
	Other	9%	2%	0%	67
Region of State	Central / Lakes	16%	7%	2%	153
	Connecticut Valley	13%	9%	4%	129
	Manchester Area	20%	9%	6%	153
	Mass Border	14%	4%	5%	258
	North Country	20%	4%	1%	89
	Seacoast	20%	8%	6%	161
Congressional District	1st District	19%	6%	5%	489
	2nd District	14%	7%	4%	454

ELECT4: As you may know, New Hampshire recently passed legislation that requires those who register to vote within 30 days of an election or on Election Day to show proof that they live in the community. If a person cannot provide documentation, they are allowed to vote but must fill out an affidavit swearing to their residency and must provide documentation soon thereafter. If the documentation is not provided, officials are empowered to investigate the individual's residency including visiting their residence. Would you say that you support or oppose this legislation or you don't know enough about this to say?

		<u>Strongly Support</u>	<u>Somewhat Support</u>	<u>Neither Support Nor Oppose</u>
STATEWIDE		38%	17%	2%
Registered to Vote	Reg. Democrat	20%	15%	1%
	Reg. Undeclared/Not Reg.	36%	18%	2%
	Reg. Republican	57%	15%	2%
Party ID	Democrat	18%	17%	1%
	Independent	41%	19%	2%
	Republican	58%	16%	2%
Ideology	Liberal	16%	17%	1%
	Moderate	38%	17%	2%
	Conservative	58%	17%	2%
Main Source of National News	Newspapers	27%	11%	4%
	Other Websites	35%	19%	2%
	Radio	41%	17%	2%
	Social Media	33%	21%	4%
	Television	41%	15%	1%
	Other	36%	24%	
National TV News Source	Watch ABC	39%	16%	2%
	Watch CBS	31%	14%	4%
	Watch CNN	28%	17%	3%
	Watch Fox News	55%	11%	2%
	Watch MSNBC	27%	14%	3%
	Watch NBC	32%	16%	3%
	Watch PBS	34%	12%	3%
	Watch Some Other Network	26%	17%	3%
	Watch None of the Above	33%	23%	0%
Age of Respondent	18 to 34	36%	19%	2%
	35 to 49	35%	20%	1%
	50 to 64	40%	16%	2%
	65 and older	39%	10%	2%
Sex of Respondent	Female	31%	16%	2%
	Male	45%	17%	1%
Level of Education	High school or less	40%	18%	1%
	Technical school/Some college	40%	16%	1%
	College graduate	38%	16%	2%
	Postgraduate work	25%	16%	3%
2016 Presidential Vote	Donald Trump	63%	14%	1%
	Hillary Clinton	18%	15%	2%
	Did Not Vote	34%	26%	1%
	Other	35%	16%	1%
Region of State	Central / Lakes	44%	20%	3%
	Connecticut Valley	30%	23%	2%
	Manchester Area	36%	16%	2%
	Mass Border	34%	16%	0%
	North Country	47%	10%	3%
	Seacoast	40%	14%	1%
Congressional District	1st District	40%	14%	2%
	2nd District	36%	20%	1%

ELECT4: As you may know, New Hampshire recently passed legislation that requires those who register to vote within 30 days of an election or on Election Day to show proof that they live in the community. If a person cannot provide documentation, they are allowed to vote but must fill out an affidavit swearing to their residency and must provide documentation soon thereafter. If the documentation is not provided, officials are empowered to investigate the individual's residency including visiting their residence. Would you say that you support or oppose this legislation or you don't know enough about this to say?

		<u>Somewhat Oppose</u>	<u>Strongly Oppose</u>	<u>Don't Know Enough To Say</u>	<u>N</u>
STATEWIDE		8%	12%	24%	943
Registered to Vote	Reg. Democrat	10%	26%	27%	192
	Reg. Undeclared/Not Reg.	8%	10%	26%	530
	Reg. Republican	3%	7%	16%	208
Party ID	Democrat	12%	22%	31%	371
	Independent	6%	10%	23%	207
	Republican	4%	5%	16%	334
Ideology	Liberal	12%	28%	26%	229
	Moderate	8%	9%	27%	392
	Conservative	3%	5%	15%	261
Main Source of National News	Newspapers	10%	29%	18%	60
	Other Websites	6%	10%	28%	173
	Radio	7%	15%	19%	136
	Social Media	10%	12%	20%	122
	Television	7%	11%	26%	379
	Other	12%	8%	20%	50
National TV News Source	Watch ABC	7%	11%	26%	379
	Watch CBS	7%	13%	30%	244
	Watch CNN	9%	13%	30%	316
	Watch Fox News	5%	6%	19%	321
	Watch MSNBC	7%	18%	31%	248
	Watch NBC	6%	15%	28%	282
	Watch PBS	7%	16%	28%	306
	Watch Some Other Network	4%	18%	34%	86
	Watch None of the Above	10%	14%	20%	210
Age of Respondent	18 to 34	9%	10%	24%	245
	35 to 49	6%	14%	23%	223
	50 to 64	6%	13%	23%	271
	65 and older	8%	14%	26%	175
Sex of Respondent	Female	9%	12%	29%	482
	Male	6%	12%	19%	461
Level of Education	High school or less	9%	8%	24%	286
	Technical school/Some college	4%	10%	28%	347
	College graduate	7%	18%	19%	184
	Postgraduate work	14%	23%	18%	114
2016 Presidential Vote	Donald Trump	4%	4%	14%	313
	Hillary Clinton	12%	22%	31%	345
	Did Not Vote	6%	7%	26%	179
	Other	4%	13%	32%	67
Region of State	Central / Lakes	5%	12%	15%	153
	Connecticut Valley	13%	14%	17%	128
	Manchester Area	6%	17%	22%	154
	Mass Border	6%	11%	33%	257
	North Country	7%	9%	25%	89
	Seacoast	8%	11%	26%	162
Congressional District	1st District	8%	12%	25%	490
	2nd District	7%	13%	23%	453