CGC Polling Results: 4 out of 5 Voters Nationally want Government to Invest in New Jobs in Clean Energy

Coalition for Green Capital
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Voters Nationally

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Even in swing states, voters want clean energy jobs by a 4-to-1 margin, including a majority of Republican voters.

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**Pennsylvania**

- **All**: 75 Yes, 16 Don’t Know, 26 No
- **D**: 87 Yes, 7 Don’t Know, 17 No
- **I**: 77 Yes, 17 Don’t Know, 17 No
- **R**: 59 Yes, 26 Don’t Know, 26 No

**Arizona**

- **All**: 78 Yes, 14 Don’t Know, 14 No
- **D**: 91 Yes, 4 Don’t Know, 4 No
- **I**: 79 Yes, 14 Don’t Know, 14 No
- **R**: 66 Yes, 24 Don’t Know, 24 No

**Michigan**

- **All**: 77 Yes, 15 Don’t Know, 15 No
- **D**: 90 Yes, 4 Don’t Know, 4 No
- **I**: 77 Yes, 17 Don’t Know, 17 No
- **R**: 63 Yes, 25 Don’t Know, 25 No

**Wisconsin**

- **All**: 72 Yes, 16 Don’t Know, 16 No
- **D**: 90 Yes, 3 Don’t Know, 3 No
- **I**: 69 Yes, 17 Don’t Know, 17 No
- **R**: 53 Yes, 31 Don’t Know, 31 No
Voters strongly prefer government investment in clean energy jobs over fossil fuel jobs, even Rs in Pennsylvania.

**Do you think the US government should invest in creating jobs that build clean energy infrastructure, such as wind turbines, solar panels, power lines, and electric vehicle charging equipment?**

**Do you think the US government should invest in creating jobs in drilling for oil and gas and mining for coal?**

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7 out of 10 voters want Congress to deposit $35B in nonprofit, nonpartisan Clean Energy Jobs Fund

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Voters in swing states want Congress to capitalize the Clean Energy Jobs Fund by 3-to-1 margin

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Support for investment in clean energy jobs is just as high as other forms of infrastructure

National Voter Support for Job Creation in Infrastructure

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T. W & S Question: As you may know, at least 26 million Americans lost their jobs in the last five weeks, bringing the national unemployment rate from just 3.5% to around 20% or more - the highest since the Great Depression. Do you think the US government should invest in creating jobs that build transportation, water, and sewage infrastructure?

Comms Question: Do you think the US government should invest in creating jobs that build communications infrastructure, like bringing high speed Internet to rural areas?
4 out of 5 voters say climate change is a Major Crisis or a Real Problem; 2/3’s of Rs think USG should take action

Which is closest to your view? 1. Climate change is a major crisis and we need to take emergency measures to deal with it right now; 2. Climate change is a real problem and we need to take reasonable steps to reduce climate change; 3. Climate change is overblown and we don’t need to do anything about it; 4. Climate change is a hoax and we don’t need to do anything about it

**Voters Nationally**

- **All:**
  - Major Crisis: 40%
  - Real Problem: 39%
  - Overblown: 13%
  - Hoax: 4%

- **Democrats:**
  - Major Crisis: 59%
  - Real Problem: 34%
  - Overblown: 3%
  - Hoax: 3%

- **Independents:**
  - Major Crisis: 22%
  - Real Problem: 56%
  - Overblown: 11%
  - Hoax: 7%

- **Republicans:**
  - Major Crisis: 29%
  - Real Problem: 34%
  - Overblown: 26%
  - Hoax: 6%
Methodology

- Conducted $n = 4,242$ interviews online among likely voters nationwide April 23 – May 1
  - $n = 610$ respondents nationwide
  - $n = 607$ respondents in 2020 Frontline US House districts
  - $n = 605$ respondents in Arizona
  - $n = 604$ respondents in Colorado
  - $n = 606$ respondents in Michigan
  - $n = 604$ respondents in Pennsylvania
  - $n = 606$ respondents in Wisconsin

- Margin of error is +/-4 percentage points
- Respondents are demographically representative of likely 2020 voters (gender, age, ethnicity)
- Don’t know and other low incidence responses may be omitted
- Small subgroups may be omitted due to small sample size (Hispanic MI, PA and WI; AfAmin AZ, CO and Frontline)
- US House districts are US House districts identified by the DCCC as competitive in 2020

Polling conducted by Claster Consulting on behalf of the Coalition for Green Capital, a 501c3 nonprofit that works to expand clean energy markets and address climate change by forming mission-driven finance institutions known as “green banks.”
Thank You

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