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Delaware Voter Survey 2022
Methodology and topline results

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Methodology

Survey firm:	Issues & Answers Network
Field dates:	09/14/2022-09/29/2022
Mode:	Telephone (landlines and cellular phones)
Universe:	Registered voters
Geographic coverage:	State of Delaware
Sample size:	904 respondents
Weights:	Vendor-supplied weights
Response rate:	5.0% for cell phones, 4.8% for landline phones

The 2022 Delaware Statewide Voter Survey was funded by UD's Center for Political Communication (CPC) with support from the College of Arts and Sciences. The study was supervised by the CPC Research Director Phil Jones, a professor in the Department of Political Science and International Relations.

The study was fielded by Issues and Answers Network and obtained telephone interviews with a representative sample of 904 registered voters in Delaware. 59% of respondents were interviewed on a landline telephone and 41% were interviewed on a cell phone. Interviewing was conducted from Sept. 14-29, 2022, in English. Samples were drawn from a list of Delaware registered voters.

Statistical results are weighted by gender, age, race, Hispanic identity, and county to match the population parameters of the adult population in Delaware. The margin of sampling error for the sample of registered voters is ± 3.3 percentage points. Overall, the cooperation rate was 5.0% among cell phone users and 4.8% among landline users.

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Topline results

Note: All statistics are calculated using vendor-supplied survey weights. Some questions designed for administrative purposes and/or concerning sensitive data have been withheld from this release.

Q5: First, how likely are you to vote in the general election this November? Will you definitely vote, probably vote, probably not vote, or definitely not vote?

Definitely will vote	74.0%
Probably will vote	19.7%
Probably will not vote	4.7%
Definitely will not vote	0.8%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	0.8%

Q6: If the election for United States Representative were being held today and the candidates were [**RANDOMIZE:** (Lisa Blunt Rochester, the Democrat), (Lee Murphy, the Republican), (Cody McNutt, the Libertarian), and (David Rogers, the Independent)], who would you vote for?

	All Respondents	Excluding DK/Ref. Responses
Lisa Blunt Rochester	42.2%	50.0%
Lee Murphy	27.8%	32.9%
Cody McNutt	2.9%	3.4%
David Rogers	4.6%	5.5%
None of them/Other Candidate (VOL)	7.0%	8.3%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	15.5%	

Q7: If the election for State Attorney General were being held today and the candidates were [**RANDOMIZE:** (Kathy Jennings, the Democrat), and (Julianne Murray, the Republican)], who would you vote for?

	All Respondents	Excluding DK/Ref. Responses
Kathy Jennings	45.6%	53.0%
Julianne Murray	34.0%	40.0%
None of them/Other Candidate (VOL)	6.5%	8.0%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	13.8%	

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Q8: Is your overall opinion of [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE] very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? How about [NEXT NAME]? **[IF NECESSARY:** Just in general, is your overall opinion of [NAME] very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable?

[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

a. Governor John Carney

Very favorable	18.6%
Mostly favorable	37.3%
Mostly unfavorable	14.4%
Very unfavorable	20.7%
Never heard of (VOL)	0.7%
Can't Rate (VOL)	7.4%
Refused (VOL)	0.9%

b. Lieutenant Governor Bethany Hall-Long

Very favorable	10.9%
Mostly favorable	29.2%
Mostly unfavorable	10.1%
Very unfavorable	11.9%
Never heard of (VOL)	12.6%
Can't Rate (VOL)	24.1%
Refused (VOL)	1.2%

c. Attorney General Kathy Jennings

Very favorable	11.6%
Mostly favorable	31.1%
Mostly unfavorable	11.9%
Very unfavorable	14.5%
Never heard of (VOL)	8.2%
Can't Rate (VOL)	20.7%
Refused (VOL)	1.9%

d. Senator Chris Coons

Very favorable	23.9%
Mostly favorable	24.9%
Mostly unfavorable	16.9%
Very unfavorable	22.0%
Never heard of (VOL)	2.4%
Can't Rate (VOL)	9.5%
Refused (VOL)	0.4%

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e. Senator Tom Carper

Very favorable	16.5%
Mostly favorable	34.7%
Mostly unfavorable	15.3%
Very unfavorable	17.4%
Never heard of (VOL)	4.8%
Can't Rate (VOL)	10.1%
Refused (VOL)	1.3%

f. Representative Lisa Blunt Rochester

Very favorable	21.7%
Mostly favorable	27.7%
Mostly unfavorable	13.4%
Very unfavorable	15.0%
Never heard of (VOL)	7.4%
Can't Rate (VOL)	13.5%
Refused (VOL)	1.3%

Q9: Please tell me how concerned you feel about each of the following happening in this year's general election. The first one is: **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE ITEMS]** – do you feel very concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned, or not concerned at all? **[NEXT ITEM; IF NECESSARY: Do you feel very concerned, somewhat concerned, not too concerned, or not concerned at all about this?]**

[RANDOMIZE]

a. Voter fraud

Very concerned	36.6%
Somewhat concerned	18.0%
Not too concerned	18.8%
Not concerned at all	24.9%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	1.7%

b. The election being rigged

Very concerned	31.5%
Somewhat concerned	17.5%
Not too concerned	16.5%
Not concerned at all	32.1%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	2.7%

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c. Eligible voters not being allowed to vote

Very concerned	43.6%
Somewhat concerned	19.6%
Not too concerned	16.4%
Not concerned at all	17.0%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	3.4%

Q10: Do you support or oppose allowing eligible citizens to vote by mail in Delaware elections?

Support	65.0%
Oppose	30.9%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	4.1%

Q11: Do you support or oppose allowing eligible citizens to register to vote on the same day as the election in Delaware?

Support	60.7%
Oppose	33.8%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	5.4%

Q12: Do you support or oppose laws that protect transgender students from discrimination in schools?

Support	69.3%
Oppose	17.8%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	12.8%

Q13: Do you think the use of marijuana should be made legal, or not?

Support	69.3%
Oppose	17.8%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	12.8%

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Q14: How much of the time do you trust the government in Washington to do what is right—just about always, most of the time, only some of the time, or never?

Just about always	3.8%
Most of the time	19.9%
Only some of the time	44.4%
Never	29.0%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	3.0%

Q15: Do you support or oppose a plan to address climate change by requiring Delaware to reduce carbon emissions by 50% by 2030 and by 90% by 2050?

Support	61.6%
Oppose	31.3%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	7.1%

Q16: Which of the following best describes your view of democracy in the United States today? **[RANDOMIZE FORWARD/REVERSE ORDER OF ITEMS]**

American democracy is under attack	60.8%
American democracy is being tested, but is not under attack	26.5%
American democracy is in no danger	8.0%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	4.7%

Q17: Which political party do you think would do a better job of handling the future of American democracy? **[RANDOMIZE:(The Democratic Party) or (The Republican Party)]?**

American democracy is under attack	44.3%
American democracy is being tested, but is not under attack	33.0%
American democracy is in no danger	3.9%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	18.8%

Q18: How often do you watch **[INSERT; RANDOMIZE]**: regularly, sometimes, hardly ever or never? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **IF NECESSARY:** regularly, sometimes, hardly ever or never?

a. The Fox News Cable Channel

Regularly	14.6%
Sometimes	20.0%
Hardly ever	15.4%
Never	49.4%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	0.7%

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b. MSNBC

Regularly	15.3%
Sometimes	22.0%
Hardly ever	14.9%
Never	46.9%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	0.9%

c. CNN

Regularly	13.2%
Sometimes	30.3%
Hardly ever	16.5%
Never	39.1%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	0.9%

d. National network evening news programs such as ABC World News, CBS Evening News or NBC Nightly News

Regularly	28.9%
Sometimes	27.7%
Hardly ever	11.7%
Never	30.6%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	1.1%

Q19: How often do you get news online: regularly, sometimes, hardly ever or never?

Regularly	55.2%
Sometimes	21.1%
Hardly ever	8.4%
Never	14.4%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	0.8%

Q20: How often do you read a daily newspaper in print or online: regularly, sometimes, hardly ever or never?

Regularly	35.2%
Sometimes	22.8%
Hardly ever	14.6%
Never	26.6%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	0.8%

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PARTY: In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or Independent?

Republican	24.5%
Democrat	37.3%
Independent	33.8%
No preference (VOL)	2.0%
Other Party (VOL)	0.7%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	1.7%

IF ANSWERED REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT IN PARTY, ASK:

PARTYSTR: Would you call yourself a strong [Democrat/Republican] or not a very strong [Democrat/Republican]?

Strong	68.8%
Not very strong	29.7%
Other/Don't know/Refused (VOL)	1.5%

IF ANSWERED INDEPENDENT OR OTHER IN PARTY, ASK:

PARTYLN: As of today, do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

Republican	34.2%
Democratic	39.7%
Other/Don't know/Refused (VOL)	26.0%

ASK REPUBLICANS ONLY:

Q21: Who do you think the Republican Party should nominate as the party's candidate for President in 2024? Donald Trump, or someone else?

Donald Trump	36.5%
Someone else	56.0%
Other/Don't know/Refused (VOL)	7.5%

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ASK REPUBLICANS ONLY:

Q23: If the 2024 Republican primary election for Governor were held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were: [**RANDOMIZE:** (Julianne Murray), (Lee Murphy), and (Colin Bonini)]

Julianne Murray	32.1%
Lee Murphy	22.3%
Colin Bonini	8.5%
None of them/Other candidate (VOL)	6.7%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	30.3%

ASK DEMOCRATS ONLY:

Q24: If the 2024 Democratic primary election for governor were held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were: [**RANDOMIZE:** (Bethany Hall-Long), (Kathy Jennings), and (Matt Meyer)]?

Bethany Hall-Long	18.5%
Kathy Jennings	18.5%
Matt Meyer	12.7%
None of them/Other candidate (VOL)	9.7%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	40.6%

DEMOGRAPHICS:

EDUC2: What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received?

Less than high school (Grades 1-8 or no formal schooling)	1.0%
High school incomplete (Grades 9-11 or Grade 12 with NO diploma)	1.7%
High school graduate (Grade 12 with diploma or GED certificate)	18.1%
Some college, no degree (includes some community college)	14.0%
Two year associate degree from a college or university	10.0%
Four year college or university degree/Bachelor's degree (e.g., BS, BA, AB)	26.8%
Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree	3.3%
Postgraduate or professional degree, including master's, doctorate, medical, or law degree (e.g., MA, MS, PhD, MD, JD)	22.3%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	2.8%

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HISP: Are you, yourself, of Hispanic or Latino origin, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban or some other Spanish background?

Yes	4.0%
No	92.6%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	3.4%

RACE: What is your race? Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race? **[IF R SAYS HISPANIC OR LATINO, PROBE:** Do you consider yourself a WHITE (Hispanic/Latino) or a BLACK (Hispanic/Latino)? **IF R DOES NOT SAY WHITE, BLACK OR ONE OF THE RACE CATEGORIES LISTED, RECORD AS 'OTHER' (CODE 6)]** IF RESPONDENT VOLUNTEERS MORE THAN ONE RACE, CODE AS "4" (MIXED RACE).]

White	66.4%
Black or African-American	19.3%
Asian or Pacific Islander	2.8%
Mixed race	1.8%
Native American/American Indian	0.7%
Other (SPECIFY)	1.2%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	7.8%

COUNTY: Which county do you live in?

Kent County	17.2%
New Castle County	54.6%
Sussex County	24.9%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	4.2%

INC: Last year—that is, in 2021—approximately what was your total family income before taxes? Just tell me when I get to the right category. (**READ**)

Less than \$10,000	3.4%
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	1.5%
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	5.6%
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	7.3%
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	8.0%
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	11.2%
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	12.3%
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	16.0%
\$150,000 or over	12.1%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	22.7%

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IDEO: In general, would you describe your political views as... **[READ]**

Very conservative	13.8%
Somewhat conservative	19.6%
Moderate	28.0%
Somewhat liberal [OR]	16.8%
Very liberal	12.9%
Don't know/Refused (VOL)	9.1%