
Summary of Texas Statewide Voter Survey

Baselice & Associates, Inc. and Fairbank, Maslin, Maulin & Associates are pleased to release the results of this survey. The following results are from a telephone survey of N=803 randomly selected registered voters in the state of Texas. This survey was conducted February 19-22, 2009. The margin of error to the results of this survey is +/- 3.5% at the .95 test level. Results from this survey reveal a large majority of Texas voters have positive attitudes towards environmental conservation and the importance of funding conservation programs.

- Nearly every voter (99%) agrees with the statement that “we each have a personal responsibility to protect the state’s land, water, and wildlife.”
- Seven in nine voters (78%) believe “we can have a clean environment and a strong economy at the same time without having to choose one over the other.”
- Three-quarters of respondents (73%) agree that “more Texas Parks & Wildlife funding is needed now to protect our lands for conservation of natural resources and outdoor recreation. The longer we wait, the more expensive it will be to protect them.”
- Two-thirds of respondents (68%) *disagree* with the statement that “Texans have more than enough natural areas and parks and we do not need to do any more to protect them.”
- A large majority of voters believe it is important to provide funding for a number of environmental programs including:
 - Protecting water quality in rivers, streams, reservoirs, and aquifers (98% important, 86% *extremely or very*)
 - Protecting fish and wildlife (93% important, 66% *extremely or very*)
 - Preserving working farmland and ranches (92% important, 64% *extremely or very*)
 - Protecting the Texas Gulf Coast (90% important, 67% *extremely or very*)
 - Helping to prevent flooding along rivers (88% important, 59% *extremely or very*)