

Survey of Likely Voters Statewide in Oregon

Topline Report – 4-27-2019

Clout Research conducted a telephone survey of likely General Election voters statewide in Oregon regarding political issues. The survey was conducted April 25-26, 2019 and included 775 respondents in both landline and mobile phone-only households. The survey carries a confidence interval of 95% and a margin of error of +/- 3.52 percentage points.

Q1: The average middle-class family in Oregon pays 7.6% of their income in state taxes. Senate Bill 1029 would reduce that rate to 4% for workers earning less than \$50,000 for a single filer or \$100,000 for workers who file a joint tax return. The measure will not change the tax structure for higher income earners. Would you support or oppose this legislation?

Q1

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid SUPPORT	476	61.4	61.4	61.4
Valid OPPOSE	174	22.4	22.4	83.8
Valid NOT SURE	125	16.2	16.2	100.0
Total	775	100.0	100.0	

Q2. Another proposal is House Bill 3410, which would create an Oregon Child Tax Credit of \$1,000 per child up to age 18. For a family earning less than 150% of the federal poverty line, the child tax credit would be refundable on their income tax return. Would you support or oppose this legislation?

Q2

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid SUPPORT	430	55.4	55.4	55.4
Valid OPPOSE	228	29.4	29.4	84.8
Valid NOT SURE	118	15.2	15.2	100.0
Total	775	100.0	100.0	

Q3. On average, Oregon college graduates are carrying as much as \$34,000 in student loan debt. House Bill 3400 would provide a \$1,000 student loan deduction on interest for single tax filers who are making under \$75,000. A married couple filing jointly with less than \$150,000 in income could claim a \$2,000 student loan interest deduction. Would you support or oppose this legislation?

Q3

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid SUPPORT	493	63.6	63.6	63.6
Valid OPPOSE	207	26.8	26.8	90.4
Valid NOT SURE	74	9.6	9.6	100.0
Total	775	100.0	100.0	

Q4. The high cost of rent has become a discussion point in the upcoming presidential election with candidates pitching proposals to help rent-burdened families. Locally, House Bill 3402 seeks to help the 40% of Oregonians who rent their home by providing a Renters Tax Deduction, similar to the mortgage interest deduction for homeowners. The bill would allow up to a \$5,000 deduction from state income taxes to offset rent expenses. Would you support or oppose this legislation?

Q4

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid SUPPORT	334	43.1	43.1	43.1
Valid OPPOSE	274	35.4	35.4	78.5
Valid NOT SURE	167	21.5	21.5	100.0
Total	775	100.0	100.0	

Q5. In Oregon, sole proprietors and small business owners pay higher effective tax rates than large and publicly-traded corporations. House Bill 3421 would ensure that small, local, and family-owned businesses would have a tax rate that is 1% less than large and publicly traded C-Corporations. Would you support or oppose this legislation?

Q5

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid SUPPORT	558	72.1	72.1	72.1
Valid OPPOSE	85	10.9	10.9	83.0
Valid NOT SURE	132	17.0	17.0	100.0
Total	775	100.0	100.0	

Q6. Last November, homeowners saw their property tax bills go up as much as 9%. Many fixed-income seniors are being priced out of their homes with property taxes increasing faster than their income is growing. House Joint Resolution 25 would ask voters to approve a Property Tax Freeze for seniors age 67 and older. Seniors would still pay property taxes, but the amount they would owe would be frozen so that they could live at home without having to worry about how to pay for property tax increases in their old age. If House Joint Resolution 25 were on your ballot today, how would you vote?

Q6

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	SUPPORT	612	79.0	79.0
	OPPOSE	89	11.5	90.5
	NOT SURE	74	9.5	100.0
	Total	775	100.0	100.0

PARTY

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	DEMS	334	43.1	43.1
	GOP	234	30.2	73.3
	INDY	207	26.7	100.0
	Total	775	100.0	100.0

PHILOSOPHY

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	VERY LIBERAL	146	18.9	18.9
	LIBERAL	118	15.3	34.1
	MODERATE	244	31.5	65.6
	CONSERVATIVE	200	25.8	91.4
	VERY CONSERVATIVE	67	8.6	100.0
	Total	775	100.0	100.0

MILITARY

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid ACTIVE DUTY HH	70	9.1	9.1	9.1
VETERAN HH	315	40.7	40.7	49.7
NO MILITARY HH	389	50.3	50.3	100.0
Total	775	100.0	100.0	

UNION

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid PUBLIC UNION HH	101	13.0	13.0	13.0
TRADE UNION HH	96	12.4	12.4	25.4
SERVICE UNION HH	56	7.3	7.3	32.7
NO UNION	522	67.3	67.3	100.0
Total	775	100.0	100.0	

GENDER

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid MEN	362	46.7	46.7	46.7
WOMEN	413	53.3	53.3	100.0
Total	775	100.0	100.0	

MARITAL STATUS

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid MARRIED	551	71.1	71.1	71.1
SINGLE	169	21.9	21.9	93.0
DIVORCED - SEPARATE	54	7.0	7.0	100.0
Total	775	100.0	100.0	

AGE

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
AGE 18-34	126	16.3	16.3	16.3
AGE 35-49	181	23.3	23.3	39.6
Valid AGE 50-64	229	29.5	29.5	69.1
AGE 65 +	239	30.9	30.9	100.0
Total	775	100.0	100.0	

PHONETYPE

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
LANDLINES	620	80.0	80.0	80.0
Valid MOBILES	155	20.0	20.0	100.0
Total	775	100.0	100.0	

CONGRESS DISTRICT

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
1	150	19.4	19.4	19.4
2	152	19.6	19.6	39.0
3	153	19.8	19.8	58.8
Valid 4	164	21.1	21.1	79.9
5	156	20.1	20.1	100.0
Total	775	100.0	100.0	