



Pennsylvania Statewide Poll Results

September 2-3, 2014

Q: Would you say that things in Pennsylvania are going in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track?

Right Direction	31%
Wrong Track	60%
Not sure	9%

Q: In an election for Governor, would you generally prefer to vote for the Republican candidate or the Democratic candidate?

Republican	47%
Democrat	46%
Someone else	4%
Not sure	3%

Now, I am going to read you a list of names. Please indicate whether you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of each.

Barack Obama

Favorable	38%
Unfavorable	60%
Heard of him, but have no opinion	2%
Never heard of him	0%

Pat Toomey

Favorable	37%
Unfavorable	42%
Heard of him, but have no opinion	20%
Never heard of him	2%

Tom Corbett

Favorable	36%
Unfavorable	56%
Heard of him, but have no opinion	8%
Never heard of him	1%

Tom Wolf

Favorable	47%
Unfavorable	41%
Heard of him, but have no opinion	12%
Never heard of him	1%

Jim Cawley

Favorable	15%
Unfavorable	24%
Heard of him, but have no opinion	49%
Never heard of him	12%

Kathleen Kane

Favorable	30%
Unfavorable	40%
Heard of her, but have no opinion	27%
Never heard of her	4%

Q: If the election for Governor were held today, who would you vote for: Tom Corbett, Republican or Tom Wolf, Democrat?

Corbett	41%
Wolf	52%
Not sure	7%

Q: Regardless of your personal choice, which candidate do you expect to win the election for Governor: Tom Corbett, Republican or Tom Wolf, Democrat?

Corbett	33%
Wolf	61%
Not sure	6%

Q: Do you agree or disagree with Governor Corbett's decision to expand Medicaid coverage for low-income individuals, as called for under President Obama's new health care law?

Agree	43%
Disagree	38%
Not sure	19%

Q: Would you support or oppose a tax plan that would increase taxes on families with an annual household income of \$90,000 or more?

Support	34%
Oppose	51%
Not sure	15%

Q: From 2010 to 2012, Tom Wolf had an average income of \$1.5 million. During those years, he paid an average tax rate of 8.7%, well below the average federal income tax rate of 18.1%. Does this information make you more likely or less likely to vote for Tom Wolf?

More likely	22%
Less likely	40%
No difference	35%
Not sure	3%

Q: Governor Corbett has been criticized for cutting education spending. The Governor argues that when \$1 billion in federal education funding ran out, this cut was the only way to avoid raising taxes. How credible do you find this argument?

Very credible	28%
Somewhat credible	20%
Not very credible	29%
Not at all credible	18%
Not sure	5%

Q: Governor Corbett has been criticized for refusing to implement an extraction tax on oil and gas companies drilling in Pennsylvania. Corbett has argued that the extraction tax is unnecessary, pointing to the local impact fee on gas companies, which has provided over \$630 million to local communities. How credible do you find this argument?

Very credible	29%
Somewhat credible	18%
Not very credible	24%
Not at all credible	25%
Not sure	4%

Q: How much do you think reductions in state education spending directly impact the quality of classroom learning?

A great deal	38%
Somewhat	25%
Only a little	20%
Not at all	14%
Not sure	4%

Q: How much do you think reductions in state education spending directly impact property taxes?

A great deal	36%
Somewhat	35%
Only a little	18%
Not at all	6%
Not sure	5%

Q: Thinking about the two candidates for Governor, which one would you rather have a beer with: Tom Corbett or Tom Wolf?

Corbett	37%
Wolf	46%
Not sure	17%

Demographics:

Region

Pittsburgh/Southwest	22%
Northern Tier	17%
Philadelphia/Southeast	29%
South Central	19%
Scranton/Lehigh Valley	12%

Gender

Female	52%
Male	48%

Party Affiliation

Republican	43%
Democrat	48%
Independent or any another party	9%

Age

18 to 39	10%
40 to 54	28%
55 to 65	29%
66 or older	33%

Race/Ethnicity

White	84%
African-American	10%
Other	6%

Ideology

Conservative	39%
Moderate	44%
Liberal	14%
Not sure	3%

Income

Less than \$25,000	12%
\$26,000-\$47,000	26%
\$48,000-\$69,000	17%
\$70,000-\$90,000	17%
\$91,000 and above	27%

METHODOLOGY:

The sample size for the survey is 665 likely voters and the margin of error is +/-3.8%. The Interactive Voice Response (IVR) automated telephone survey was conducted September 2-3, 2014 by Harper Polling. The total percentages for responses may not equal 100% due to rounding.