

# KOMO-S360 STATEWIDE POLL Toplines

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These first few questions are just to make sure we are surveying a representative sample of the entire community. Which of the following best describes your age? 1. Younger than 18 ......TERMINATE Prefer not to answer......TERMINATE 2. Are you registered to vote at your current address in Washington State? No......TERMINATE 3. Which county in Washington State are you registered to vote in? [RECORD FROM DROP-DOWN MENU, COMPUTE INTO REGIONS ON LAST PAGE] 4. How would you describe your gender? Male......47% Female 51 5. Which of the following best describes your race? Black or African American......5 Asian or Pacific Islander......7 Mixed race or multi-racial ......5 

Prefer not to answer 3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For clarity, only the web version of question language is displayed in the topline data



6. How motivated do you currently feel towards voting in the November 2024 election? Please use a scale of 0-10, where "0" means "not motivated at all to vote" and "10" means "extremely motivated to vote".

MOTIVATED (8-10)	83%
NEUTRAL (3-7)	14%
NOT MOTIVATED (0-2)	3%
0 – not motivated at all	
1	1
2	1
3	
4	
5	
6	
7	
8	
9	
10 – extremely motivated	
<u>-</u>	
Not sure	*

7. No matter how frequently you vote in elections, how much power do you feel that your vote **has to make change** on the issues that are important to you? Please rate the amount of power you feel your vote has to make change on a scale of 0 to 10, where "0" mean "your vote has no power at all", and a "10" mean that "your vote has significant power to make changes important to you".

SIGNIFIACANT POWER (8-10)	35%
NEUTRAL (3-7)	
NO POWER (0-2)	
0 – your vote has no power at all	6%
1	5
2	6
3	
4	
5	
6	10
7	
8	
9	
10 – your vote has significant power to make changes important to you	
Not sure	1

8. There will be an election this year in November for a number of federal and state offices including US President, US Congress, state Governor, and some ballot measures. How likely are you to vote in the November 2024 election? (ROTATE)

Almost certain	80%
Very likely	11
Probably	6
Not very likely	2
Not very likely Not likely at all	1
Prefer not to answer	*



9. In general, would you say that things in the state of Washington are heading in the right direction or are things off on the wrong track? (IF MIXED OPINIONS – PROBE:) If you had to choose between the two, would you say right direction or wrong track?

TOTAL RIGHT DIRECTION TOTAL WRONG TRACK		40% 48%
Right direction	28% 12	18% 23
Mixed opinions, lean wrong track	11 37	10 38
Mixed opinions, no lean	8	9
Not sure	4	3

10. Please indicate which TWO of the following issues you think should be the top priorities for Washington's elected leaders to focus on. (ACCEPT MAXIMUM TWO RESPONSES) (RANDOMIZE)

Multiple responses accepted; total does not add to 100%

		2022 Survey
Homelessness	.30%	37%
Crime and public safety	.31	44
Housing costs	.23	19
The economy and jobs	. 15	21
Cost of living, including food, energy, and gas	. 54	27
Climate and the environment		24
Roads, sidewalks, and other infrastructure	. 5	9
Traffic		2
Drug trafficking of substances like fentanyl	. 14	
Abortion / Reproductive rights	.1	
Immigration	.1	
Government / Democracy / Voting rights	.1	
Protecting education	.1	
Big Government / DEI	*	
Other	.1	
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Prefer not to answer	*	

Here is a list of some public figures you may have heard of. Please indicate whether you have a very favorable, somewhat favorable, somewhat unfavorable, or very unfavorable opinion of each one. If you don't recognize the name or if you recognize the name but do not have an opinion, please indicate that.

	RANDOMIZE		TOTAL FAV	TOTAL UNFAV	Very Fav	SW Fav	SW Unfav	Very Unfav	No Opin	Don't Recog	Not Sure
11.	Kamala Harris		55%	42%	40%	15%	6%	36%	2%	*	1
12.	Tim Walz		50%	32%	31	18	7	25	8	8	2
13.	Joe Biden		47%	48%	23	25	11	37	4	*	1
		2022 STW Survey	48%	48%	19	29	7	4%	2	-	2
14.	Jay Inslee		46%	46%	19	27	10	36	5	1	2
15.	Bob Ferguson		41%	31%	18	23	11	20	12	11	4
16.	Donald Trump		35%	61%	21	14	7	55	3	1	*
		2022 STW Survey	32%	62%	18	14	3	59	4	1	2
17.	J.D. Vance		32%	53%	20	12	7	46	7	5	3
18.	Dave Reichert		29%	36%	13	16	15	21	16	16	3
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# **CANDIDATE BALLOT TESTS**

19.	Harris or Reput	ow, there will be an election in November. If the election were held today, would you volican Donald Trump? (IF UNDECIDED/DK) Well, if the election were held today and you lean towards (ROTATE) Democrat Kamala Harris or Republican Donald Trump	you had to decide right now, which
		OCRAT KAMALA HARRIS UBLICAN DONALD TRUMP	
		ocrat Kamala Harrisndecided, but I'm leaning toward Democrat Kamala Harris	
		ndecided, but I'm leaning toward Republican Donald Trump ıblican Donald Trump	
	Com	pletely undecided; no lean whatsoever	4
	 Anotl	her candidat <b>e</b>	2
<del>2</del> 0.	Ferguson or Re	pout the election for Governor of Washington, if the election were held today, would yo epublican Dave Reichert? (IF UNDECIDED/DK) Well, if the election were held today a d you lean towards (ROTATE) Democrat Bob Ferguson or Republican Dave Reichert'	nd you had to decide right now, which
		OCRAT BOB FERGUSONUBLICAN DAVE REICHERT	
		ocrat Bob Fergusonndecided, but I'm leaning toward Democrat Bob Ferguson	
		ndecided, but I'm leaning toward Republican Dave Reichert ıblican Dave Reichert	
	Com	pletely undecided; no lean whatsoever	8
21.	Nick Brown or I	pout the election for Attorney General of Washington, if the election were held today, we Republican Pete Serrano? <b>(IF UNDECIDED/DK)</b> Well, if the election were held today and you lean towards ( <b>ROTATE</b> ) Democrat Nick Brown or Republican Pete Serrano? <b>(R</b>	and you had to decide right now, which
		OCRAT NICK BROWNUBLICAN PETE SERRANO	
		ocrat Nick Brown ndecided, but I'm leaning toward Democrat Nick Brown	
		ndecided, but I'm leaning toward Republican Pete Serranoublican Pete Serrano	



And if the election for Washington Public Lands Commissioner were held today, would you vote for (ROTATE) Democrat Dave Upthegrove or 22. Republican Jaime Herrera Beutler? (IF UNDECIDED/DK) Well, if the election were held today and you had to decide right now, which candidate would you lean towards Democrat Dave Upthegrove or Republican Jaime Herrera Beutler? (ROTATE)

DEMOCRAT DAVE UPTHEGROVE	
REPUBLICAN JAIME HERRERA BEUTLER	38%
Democrat Dave Upthegrove	43%
I'm undecided, but I'm leaning towards Democrat Dave Upthegrove	
I'm undecided, but I'm leaning towards Republican Jaime Herrera Beutler	3
Republican Jaime Herrera Beutler	35
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Completely undecided; no lean whatsoever	15

## **PUBLIC POLICY**

Would you say you are very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied with the quality of the following where you live in Washington State? (IF NOT SURE, FOLLOW-UP ASK:) Would you say you lean more towards satisfied or dissatisfied?

	(RANDOMIZE) (SHOW EACH ONE AT A TIME)	TOTAL SATISFIED	TOTAL DISSATISF IED	Very Satis fied	Some what Satis fied	Lean Satis fied	Lean Dis- satis fied	Some what Dis- satis fied	Very Dis- satis fied	Not sure / REF
23.	The weather	84%	16%	37	45	2	1	9	5	-
24.	The local environment, including public parks and nature preserves	83%	17%	30	51	1	1	12	4	-
25.	The community that you live in	76%	24%	26	49	1	1	16	8	-
26.	(SSA) Access to health care	66%	34%	23	43	1	1	22	11	-
27.	Law enforcement	57%	43%	13	42	2	1	25	17	-
28.	The quality of infrastructure including roads and transit options	52%	48%	8	44	1	1	33	14	-
29.	The quality of education that children receive	51%	49%	11	35	5	4	24	20	-
30.	Public safety	48%	52%	9	38	1	1	29	22	-
31.	(SSB) Affordability of health care	43%	57%	8	33	1	2	28	28	-
32.	The state and local tax rate in Washington State	36%	64%	7	26	3	2	30	32	-
33.	The cost of living, including food, gas and energy	15%	85%	3	12	*	-	33	51	-
34.	The cost of housing	15%	85%	2	12	*	1	28	55	-



#### **STATE BALLOT INITIATIVES**

Turning to a different topic, please read each of the following Washington State initiative measures. Then indicate whether you would vote to enact each measure into law by selecting "Yes" or "No". And is that strongly or somewhat?

	RANDOMIZE – SHOW ONE AT A TIME	TOTAL YES	TOTAL NO	STRO NGLY YES	SMWT YES	SMWT NO	STRO NGLY NO	Not Sure
35.	Initiative Measure No. 2117 concerns carbon tax credit trading:  This measure would prohibit state agencies from imposing any type of carbon tax credit trading and repeal the 2021 Washington Climate Commitment Act (CCA), which established a cap and invest program to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. This measure would decrease funding for investments in transportation, clean air, renewable energy, conservation, and emissions-reduction.	36%	53%	19	17	17	36	11
36.	Initiative Measure No. 2066 concerns regulating energy services, including natural gas and electrification:  This measure would repeal or prohibit certain laws and regulations that discourage natural gas use and/or promote electrification, and require certain utilities, such as Puget Sound Energy (PSE), and local governments to provide natural gas to eligible customers.	47%	38%	26	22	15	22	15
37.	Initiative Measure No. 2124 concerns state long-term care insurance:  This measure would provide that employees and self-employed people must elect to keep coverage under WA Cares and could opt-out any time. It would also repeal a law governing an exemption for employees. This measure would decrease funding for Washington's public insurance program providing long-term care benefits and services.	36%	46%	19	17	19	27	18

38. Moving on to another topic: A U.S. Supreme Court decision this year decided that it is not cruel and unusual punishment if local officials enforce anti-camping laws by dismantling homeless encampments and fining unhoused persons. In your opinion, should public policies to address homelessness and the unhoused population in Washington State prioritize (ROTATE) <br/>
seeing tougher by clearing out encampments and fining individuals>, or <br/>
seeing more sympathetic to the unhoused population by increasing alternative housing options>?

Public policies should be more sympathetic, more alternative housing	2022 STW Survey= 25 53% 5
Not sure	18

39. **[TRACKING]** As you may know, two years ago the Supreme Court overturned the Roe v. Wade decision that had guaranteed the right to abortion since 1973, eliminating the constitutional right to abortion. Do you agree or disagree with the Supreme Court's decision to overturn Roe v. Wade? **(ROTATE)** 

TOTAL AGREETOTAL DISAGREE		30% 65%
Agree, strongly	20% 11	25% 5
Disagree, somewhat	9 55	7 58
Prefer not to answer	5	6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Different question context in 2022: "In your opinion, should the policies to address homelessness in Washington be tougher on the unhoused population, be more sympathetic to the unhoused population, or are the current policies the right approach?"

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40. [TRACKING] (RANDOMIZE ORDER OF STATEMENTS)

<Some people say/ Others say> It's more important to me to elect a candidate for office who shares my views on reproductive health care and abortion, even if that candidate is not from the same political party that I usually vote for.

<Some people say/ Others say> It's more important to me to elect a candidate for office who is from the same political party I usually vote for, even if that candidate does not share my views on reproductive health care and abortion.

Which of these beliefs do you agree with more, even if neither is exactly correct? (ROTATE)

TOTAL SHARES VIEWS	65%	62%
TOTAL POLITICAL PARTY	23%	26%
Shares my views, agree MUCH more	39%	32%
Shares my views, agree SOMEWHAT more	26	29
Support my political party, agree SOMEWHAT more	14	13
Support my political party, agree SOMEWHAT more		13
Prefer not to answer.	11	13

41. How safe or unsafe do you feel when you are out in your community? (ROTATE)

TOTAL SAFETOTAL NOT SAFE	
Very safe Somewhat safe	.30% .49
Not very safe	
Prefer not to answer	.*

42. In your community, how often do you see crime? (ROTATE)

41%
58%
12%
12% 29
47
47 11
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43. (IF QCRIME = 1-3) Being as specific as possible, what type of crime do you see in your community? (CODED OPEN END

Multiple responses accepted; total does not add to 100%

Theft / Breaking and entering / Burglary	36
Drugs / Drug Use / Public intoxication	30
Mugging / Assaults / Robbery	
Street racing / reckless driving / traffic violations	13
Car theft / Grand Theft Auto / Car break ins	12
Vandalism / Graffiti / Littering	12
Shoplifting / Store theft	10
Shooting / Gun violence / Murder	10
Loitering / Squatting / Homelessness	9
Prostitution / Domestic abuse / trafficking	
Gangs / Organized crime	
Teen crime	
N/A	3
Other / Miscellaneous	21



44. How would you describe the change, if any, in the past year when it comes to the crime rate in your community? (ROTATE)

TOTAL NOT CHANGED AT ALL	.29
TOTAL DECREASED	.14%
The crime rate has INCREASED a lot	
The crime rate has not changed at all	.29
The crime rate has DECREASED somewhat	
Not sure	.10

45. Which of the following do you think contributes the most to causing crime and violence in your community? Please select the top two (2).

Multiple responses accepted; total does not add to 100%

Substance abuse and drugs like fentanyl Homelessness / lack of affordable housing Lack of police presence / not enough police on duty Lack of mental health services and facilities Breakdown of traditional values Availability of guns / gun violence Lack of parental presence / supervision of minors Lack of substance abuse treatment services Organized crime / gangs Lack of good paying jobs / unemployment Police presence is harmful / ineffective Lax Laws / Soft on crime policies Government / Legislation / Politicians	31 21 17 14 13 10 8 7 3
Government / Legislation / Politicians	
Other	1
Prefer not to answer / Don't know	3

## (ROTATE Q46 AND Q47)

## 46. (RANDOMIZE ORDER OF STATEMENTS)

<Some people say/ Others say> There is more crime now because criminals are not facing the consequences for their actions and are released back into our streets to commit more crimes.

<Some people say/ Others say> There is more crime now because the criminal justice system is too focused on incarceration rather than rehabilitation and that makes it hard for people to return back into society, receive support, maintain a job, and remain crime-free.

Which of these beliefs do you agree with more, even if neither is exactly correct? (ROTATE)

TOTAL CONSEQUENCES TOTAL REHABILITATION	
Need to face consequences, agree MUCH more	
Need to face consequences, agree MOCT more	17
Need to focus on rehabilitation, agree SOMEWHAT more	
Need to focus on rehabilitation, agree MUCH more	24
Prefer not to answer	4



## 47. (RANDOMIZE ORDER OF STATEMENTS)

<Some people say/ Others say> There is more drug addiction now because politicians are allowing open-air drug dealing, cutting back on police staffing levels, and refusing to address the rise of new, more dangerous drug such as synthetic fentanyl.

<Some people say/ Others say> There is more drug addiction now because the criminal justice system is treating chemical drug dependency as a problem to incarcerate and throw in jail rather than treating it with proven medical treatment like methadone.

Which of these beliefs do you agree with more, even if neither is exactly correct? (ROTATE)

TOTAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TOTAL MEDICAL TREATMENT	
Need to solve with law enforcement, agree MUCH more	
Need to solve with medical treatment, agree SOMEWHAT more	
Prefer not to answer.	.4

#### **DEMOGRAPHICS**

These last few questions are for statistical purposes.

48. What is the highest level of education you have fully completed? (PHONE: READ LIST)

TOTAL NON-COLLEGE	56%
TOTAL COLLEGE+	
Less than high school	10/
High school or GED	
Some college or associates degree	
Bachelor's degree	22
Postgraduate or advanced degree	
Prefer not to answer	1

49. Regardless of how you plan to vote, in politics, as of today, which of the following best describes how you consider yourself? (ROTATE)

TOTAL DEMOCRAT	15%
Strong Democrat	24%
Not strong Democrat	8
Independent, lean Democratic	15
Independent	15
Independent, lean Republican	13
Not strong Republican	7
Strong Republican	11
Something else	5
Prefer not to answer	2



50. Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are **(ROTATE)** Conservative, Moderate, Liberal, or Socialist? Would that be very (conservative/liberal) or just somewhat (conservative/liberal)?

TOTAL LIBERALTOTAL CONSERVATIVE	
Socialist	5%
Very liberalSomewhat liberal	14
Somewhat liberal	20
Moderate	28
Somewhat conservative	18
Very conservative	12
Prefer not to say	

51. **(IF VOTER FILE = VOTED IN 2020, n450)** In the 2020 election for president, did you vote for Democrat Joe Biden, Republican Donald Trump, or someone else?

Democrat Joe Biden	.54%
Republican Donald Trump	.35
Someone else	.7
Did not vote (self-reported)	. 4
Prefer not to answer	

That completes our survey. Thank you VERY MUCH for your time.

REGION [BASED ON QCOUNTY]

King County 30%
Northwest 17
Southwest / Peninsula 33
Eastern Washington 20

QG2020 (from file)

Voted 75% Not voted / Uncoded 25

MODE (FROM VENDOR FILE)

Online Panel (Matched to Voter File) 47% Text-to-Web 53

## **Methodology Statement**

Strategies 360 conducted a mixed-mode survey among 600 registered voters in the State of Washington.

Interviews were conducted October 11 – 16, 2024. A combination of web-hosted survey interviews accessed via text message and voter-file-matched online panel were used to ensure greater coverage of the population sampled. All interviews were conducted of registered voters derived from the state voter file.

The margin of error for a survey of 600 interviews is  $\pm 4\%$  at the 95% confidence level. The margin of error is higher for subsamples.

Fieldwork	Logit
Target population	Registered voters in the State of Washington
Sampling method	Respondents for this survey were selected from two distinct sources: Logit's Votified opt-in online panel, matched to state voter files, and via SMS text-to-web link contact from L2 telephonic voter file samples. This dual-method approach leverages the advantages of a pre-screened panel willing to participate and the targeted reach of telephonic files, enhancing the representativeness and diversity of the respondent pool.
Sampling procedures	To ensure the quality and integrity of our Votified online sample, several security measures are employed. These include digital fingerprinting to prevent duplicate responses, secure encryption to protect respondent data, Captcha to block automated entries, automated speeder checks to exclude rushed and insincere responses, and the Research Defender panel security platform for continuous monitoring against fraud. These robust practices safeguard the reliability and authenticity of survey results, crucial in obtaining actionable insights.
Weighting	The sample was weighted according to gender, age, race, party registration, in-state region by ZIP code aggregated, 2020 election turnout and Presidential vote, and current voter registration status. Demographic weighting targets derived from the TargetSmart statewide queries of registered voters.
Number of respondents	600 (Registered voters)
Margin of error	± 4% (Registered voters)