



## Our Commonwealth Poll Results

### *Pennsylvania Statewide*

*July 10-11, 2016*

**Q:** Which of the following vacation destinations is your favorite: Deep Creek Lake in Western Maryland; Jersey Shore; New York City; Maryland's Eastern Shore; The Poconos, or Upstate New York?

Deep Creek Lake, Maryland	5%
Jersey Shore	33%
New York City	12%
Maryland's Eastern Shore	16%
The Poconos	15%
Upstate New York	7%
Not sure	12%

**Q:** Now I am going to read you a list of professions and institutions in society. Please indicate whether you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of each– or if you have no opinion.

#### **Lawyers**

<i>Total Favorable</i>	48%
<i>Total Unfavorable</i>	36%
Very favorable	12%
Somewhat favorable	36%
Somewhat unfavorable	26%
Very unfavorable	10%
No opinion	16%

#### **Doctors**

<i>Total Favorable</i>	83%
<i>Total Unfavorable</i>	11%
Very favorable	47%
Somewhat favorable	36%
Somewhat unfavorable	8%
Very unfavorable	3%
No opinion	6%

## **Hollywood**

*Total Favorable* 30%  
*Total Unfavorable* 57%

Very favorable 7%  
Somewhat favorable 23%  
Somewhat unfavorable 31%  
Very unfavorable 26%  
No opinion 13%

## **Professional Athletes**

*Total Favorable* 49%  
*Total Unfavorable* 40%

Very favorable 12%  
Somewhat favorable 37%  
Somewhat unfavorable 28%  
Very unfavorable 12%  
No opinion 12%

## **Popular Culture**

*Total Favorable* 37%  
*Total Unfavorable* 48%

Very favorable 9%  
Somewhat favorable 28%  
Somewhat unfavorable 27%  
Very unfavorable 21%  
No opinion 16%

## **Construction Workers**

*Total Favorable* 84%  
*Total Unfavorable* 7%

Very favorable 43%  
Somewhat favorable 41%  
Somewhat unfavorable 6%  
Very unfavorable 1%  
No opinion 9%

### **Police Officers**

*Total Favorable* 86%  
*Total Unfavorable* 11%

Very favorable 60%  
Somewhat favorable 26%  
Somewhat unfavorable 7%  
Very unfavorable 4%  
No opinion 3%

### **Small Business Owners**

*Total Favorable* 91%  
*Total Unfavorable* 3%

Very favorable 63%  
Somewhat favorable 28%  
Somewhat unfavorable 2%  
Very unfavorable 1%  
No opinion 6%

### **CEOs and Corporate Executives**

*Total Favorable* 30%  
*Total Unfavorable* 58%

Very favorable 5%  
Somewhat favorable 25%  
Somewhat unfavorable 30%  
Very unfavorable 28%  
No opinion 13%

### **Pollsters**

*Total Favorable* 34%  
*Total Unfavorable* 45%

Very favorable 6%  
Somewhat favorable 28%  
Somewhat unfavorable 28%  
Very unfavorable 17%  
No opinion 21%

Now I am going to ask you a few questions about some of your personal preferences...

**Q:** Do you like lemon in your glass of water?

Yes	60%
No	35%
Not sure	5%

**Q:** There has been a recent rise in popularity in men's facial hair, particularly beards. Do you like beards?

Yes	40%
No	48%
Not sure	12%

**Q:** In general, do you like music from the 1980s?

Yes	63%
No	23%
Not sure	14%

**Q:** Which of the following salad dressings is your favorite: Ranch, French, Italian, Thousand island, Caesar, Blue cheese or Balsamic Vinaigrette?

Ranch	26%
French	11%
Italian	15%
Thousand Island	11%
Caesar	4%
Blue Cheese	17%
Balsamic Vinaigrette	13%
Not sure	3%

**Q:** Which of the following brands of potato chips do you prefer: Herr's, Utz, Martin's, Bon Ton, Bickel's or Snyder's of Hanover?

Herr's	29%
Utz	31%
Martin's	8%
Bon Ton	1%
Bickel's	3%
Snyder's of Hanover	12%
Not sure	17%

People across the state of Pennsylvania say some words in different ways...

**Q:** How do you generally say the words “You all”: Yous, Yinz, Yous Guys, Y’all OR You all?

Yous	11%
Yinz	12%
Yous Guys	11%
Y’all	14%
You all	46%
Not sure	6%

**Q:** What generic word do you use to describe carbonated soft drinks: soda or pop?

Soda	77%
Pop	23%
Not sure	0%

**Q:** Who do you generally believe is more accurate in predicting the end of Winter: Punxsutawney Phil or your local Meteorologist?

Local Meteorologist	72%
Punxsutawney Phil	18%
Not sure	10%

**Q:** As you may have heard, the United Kingdom recently voted to leave the European Union, an event that has been referred to in the media as Brexit, or the British Exit. Which region of Pennsylvania would you most like to see leave the Commonwealth in its own Brexit?

Pittsburgh and the Southwest	7%
Philadelphia and the Southeast	29%
Scranton and the Lehigh Valley	4%
South Central PA	4%
Northern Tier	4%
Not sure	53%

**Q:** Do you believe you are happier, not as happy or about as happy as the average Pennsylvanian?

Happier	42%
Not as happy	19%
About as happy	34%
Not sure	5%

**Q:** Do you believe you are smarter, not as smart, or about as smart as the average Pennsylvanian?

Smarter	46%
Not as smart	7%
About as smart	41%
Not sure	7%

**Q:** Do you believe you are healthier, not as healthy, or about as healthy as the average Pennsylvanian?

Healthier	33%
Not as healthy	20%
About as healthy	46%
Not sure	1%

**Q:** How likely do you think the United States is to face a catastrophic event that threatens our power or water supply in the next 10 years?

Very likely	29%
Somewhat likely	42%
Not at all likely	19%
Not sure	11%

**Q:** And do you believe your family is prepared for a catastrophic event that threatens our power or water supply?

Yes	22%
No	58%
Not sure	20%

**Q:** On political issues, do you consider yourself to be Very Conservative, Somewhat Conservative, Moderate, Somewhat Liberal or Very Liberal?

Very Conservative	17%
Somewhat Conservative	30%
Moderate	31%
Somewhat Liberal	10%
Very Liberal	10%
Not sure	2%

**Q: Were you born in Pennsylvania?**

Yes	77%
No	24%

**Q: In your work setting, are you a boss or an employee?**

Boss	32%
Employee	50%
Not sure	18%

***Demographics***

**Region**

Northern Tier	14%
Philadelphia/Southeast	34%
Pittsburgh/Southwest	22%
Scranton/Lehigh Valley	12%
South Central	18%

**Media Market**

BUFFALO	0%
ELMIRA (CORNING)	0%
ERIE	4%
HARRISBURG-LNCSTR-LEB-YORK	13%
JOHNSTOWN-ALTOONA-ST COLGE	6%
PHILADELPHIA	41%
PITTSBURGH	24%
WILKES BARRE-SCRANTON-HZTN	11%
YOUNGSTOWN	1%

**Gender**

Female	53%
Male	47%

**Age**

18 to 39	20%
40 to 54	25%
55 to 64	20%
65 to 74	19%
75 or older	16%

**Race**

White	83%
African-American	11%
Any other race	6%

**Political Party Affiliation**

Republican	38%
Democrat	40%
Independent or any other party	22%

**METHODOLOGY:**

*The sample size for the survey is 500 adults in Pennsylvania and the margin of error is +/-4.4%. Responses were gathered through land line interviews conducted using Interactive Voice Response (IVR). The survey was conducted July 10-11, 2016 by Harper Polling. The total percentages for responses may not equal 100% due to rounding.*