



National Tracking Survey – Energy

Project: 140909
N= 1,340 Likely Voters
Margin of Error: +/- 2.7%
Dates: October 3-9, 2014

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RV1. Are you registered to vote at your present address, or not?

Yes 100%

RV2. Are you absolutely certain you are registered to vote at your present address, or is there a chance your registration has lapsed?

Absolutely certain you are registered 100%

LV1. How likely is it that you will vote in the November 2014 general election for United States Senate, Congress and other political offices?

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Very likely	87%
Somewhat likely	13%
Not too likely	0%
Not likely at all	0%



NAM1. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statement: Affordable energy is critical to the U.S. economy

	National N=633
Total Agree	94%
Total Disagree	3%
Strongly Agree	71%
Somewhat Agree	23%
Somewhat Disagree	2%
Strongly Disagree	1%
Don't Know/No Opinion	2%

NAM2. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statement: Affordable energy is critical to my daily life and personal finances. (Among half of respondents)

	National N=707
Total Agree	92%
Total Disagree	5%
Strongly Agree	64%
Somewhat Agree	28%
Somewhat Disagree	4%
Strongly Disagree	1%
Don't Know/No Opinion	3%



NAM3. How much have you heard about the new regulations issued by the Obama Administration to reduce carbon emissions from power plants?

	National
Total A lot/Some	55%
Total Not much/Nothing at all	41%
A lot	19%
Some	36%
Not much	28%
Nothing at all	13%
Don't Know/No Opinion	4%



NAM4. Thinking about the Obama administration’s regulations to reduce carbon emissions from power plants, I’m going to read you some statements that describe possible outcomes if the new regulations are started. Please tell me whether each statement makes you more likely or less likely to support new regulations reducing carbon emissions from existing power plants, or whether it makes no difference.

	Total More Likely	Total Less Likely	Much More Likely	Smwt More Likely	Smwt Less Likely	Much Less Likely	No Diff.
The new regulations could lead to job losses in your state	34%	52%	20%	14%	17%	35%	12%
The new regulations could further squeeze middle class Americans (Sample A)	37%	49%	23%	14%	17%	32%	11%
The new regulations could increase electricity bills for low-income Americans and senior citizens (Sample B)	41%	46%	23%	18%	14%	32%	10%
The new regulations could persuade other countries to join the fight against global climate change	47%	33%	25%	22%	16%	17%	16%
The new regulations may only have a limited impact on global climate change or the environment	38%	43%	19%	19%	19%	24%	15%
The new regulations could allow for expansion of the green technology industry	55%	26%	29%	26%	14%	12%	14%
The new regulations could reduce global carbon emissions by as much as 1.5%	47%	33%	20%	27%	16%	17%	16%
The new regulations could increase your yearly household energy costs by as much as \$130	37%	48%	21%	16%	17%	31%	11%
The new regulations could lead to energy rationing in the form of blackouts or brownouts during periods of high energy demand, or extreme weather events like heat waves and snow storms	33%	52%	19%	14%	18%	34%	11%

NAM5. Now that you have learned a little about these regulations, do you support or oppose the Obama administration's new regulations to reduce carbon emissions from power plants?

	National
Total Support	44%
Total Oppose	47%
Strongly Support	19%
Somewhat Support	25%
Somewhat Oppose	16%
Strongly Oppose	31%
Don't Know/No Opinion	9%

NAM6. Do you believe that the federal government should weigh costs and benefits when creating new environmental regulations, or should the goal be to improve the environment at any cost?

	National
Yes, should weigh both costs and benefits when creating new environmental regulations	70%
No, the goal should be to improve the environment at any cost	20%
Don't Know / No Opinion	10%

NAM7. How much extra would you be willing to pay for energy each month if the Obama administration's new regulations to reduce carbon emissions from power plants reduced global carbon emissions by 1.5%? (Among half of respondents)

	National N=628
\$0, nothing	45%
\$5	12%
\$10	15%
\$25	10%
\$50	6%
Don't Know / No Opinion	12%

NAM8. How much extra would you be willing to pay for your household's energy if the Obama administration's new regulations to reduce carbon emissions from power plants reduced global carbon emissions by 1.5%? (Among half of respondents)

	National N=712
\$0, nothing	54%
\$50	15%
\$100	9%
\$200	6%
\$300	4%
Don't Know / No Opinion	12%

NAM9. If the Obama administration's new regulations to reduce carbon emissions from power plants provided no significant improvement on global climate change, but increased your household's average annual energy costs by \$130, would you support or oppose the regulations?

	National
Support	19%
Oppose	70%
Don't Know / No Opinion	11%

NAM10. Which statement about the Obama administration's new regulations to reduce carbon emissions from power plants do you agree with more?

	National
The new regulations will allow for the expansion of the green technology industry	33%
The new regulations will increase costs to families, farmers, schools, hospitals, and businesses, and will harm low-income Americans and senior citizens the most	49%
Don't Know / No Opinion	18%

NAM11. Which statement about the Obama administration’s new regulations to reduce carbon emissions from power plants do you agree with more? (Among half of respondents)

	National N=616
The US must be a leader in addressing global climate change regardless of cost or impact to the economy.	30%
The US economy cannot afford these new costs and potential middle-class job losses.	54%
Don't Know / No Opinion	16%

NAM12. Which statement about the Obama administration’s new regulations to reduce carbon emissions from power plants do you agree with more? (Among half of respondents)

	National N=724
The US should act to address climate change, regardless of what other nations are doing	32%
The US should only act to address climate change in partnership with other nations.	28%
The US should not act to address climate change	21%
Don't Know / No Opinion	18%

NAM13. If a candidate for political office supported the Obama administration’s new regulations to reduce carbon emissions from power plants, would that make you:

	National
More likely to vote for the candidate in the next election	22%
Less likely to vote for the candidate in the next election	39%
It would make no difference in your	26%



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Don't Know / No Opinion

13%

NAM14. Please indicate if you agree or disagree with the following statement: The United States should have an all-of-the-above energy policy, which includes coal, oil, natural gas, nuclear and renewable energy sources.

	National
Total Agree	71%
Total Disagree	14%
Strongly Agree	41%
Somewhat Agree	30%
Somewhat Disagree	8%
Strongly Disagree	6%
Don't Know/No Opinion	15%

NAM15. Please indicate who you think is best equipped to make decisions on regulations to reduce carbon emissions from existing power plants

	National
The Obama Administration	18%
Congress	15%
State and local officials	44%
Don't Know / No Opinion	23%

NAM16. Please indicate which of these statements you agree with more...

	National
President Obama should take Executive Action to forge an international climate change agreement.	19%
President Obama should work with Congress to forge an international climate change agreement.	59%
Don't Know / No Opinion	23%



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