

Oregon RV Poll

November 6 - November 12, 2020



Sample 1,424 Oregon Registered Voters
 Margin of Error ±3.8%

1. All things considered, do you think Oregon is headed in the right direction, or is it off on the wrong track?

Right direction	45%
Wrong track	44%
Don't know	10%

2. Now we'd like you to think about the country as a whole. All things considered, do you think the United States is headed in the right direction, or is it off on the wrong track?

Right direction	26%
Wrong track	63%
Don't know	11%

3. Which of the following best describes you?

Among those who said they had not voted yet in pre-election survey

I definitely voted in the November general election	89%
I'm not sure if I voted in the November general election	3%
I definitely did not vote in the November general election	7%

4. Which of the following best describes how you returned your ballot?

Among those who voted after pre-election survey

Mailed from my residence or place of work	10%
Mailed at the Post Office or a postal mailbox	8%
Dropped off at an elections dropbox or official location (County election office, library) ...	82%
Someone else delivered it for me	0%
Don't remember	1%

5. Did you encounter any problems returning your ballot that may have interfered with your ability to cast your vote as intended?

Among those who voted after pre-election survey

Yes	3%
No	96%
Don't know	2%

6. Did you encounter any problems marking or completing your ballot that may have interfered with your ability to cast your vote as intended?

Among those who voted after pre-election survey

Yes	2%
No	98%
Don't know	0%

7. Prior to each election, the Oregon Secretary of State sends the Voters' Pamphlet to registered voters. Did you look at or read any portion of the Voters' Pamphlet?

Among those who voted after pre-election survey

Yes	82%
No	13%
Don't remember	5%

8. When you looked at or read the Voters' Pamphlet, did you read about the following:

Among those who voted after pre-election survey and used pamphlet

	Yes, I read all or quite a lot	Yes, I read some or a little	No, I did not	Do not remember
Candidates or measures	56%	43%	1%	0%
How to cast or return your ballot	23%	39%	36%	3%
Election security	14%	38%	41%	7%
Misinformation in the Don't Be Fooled section	10%	30%	48%	12%

9. Please select the reason(s) you did not look at or read the Voters' Pamphlet. Select all that apply.

Among those who voted after pre-election survey and did not use pamphlet

It didn't arrive	8%
I had already decided how I was going to vote	80%
I do not find it useful	9%
I misplaced the pamphlet	0%
Other	4%

10. Would you say that you cast your ballot this year earlier than usual, about the same time as usual, or later than usual?

Among all who voted

Earlier than usual	42%
About the same time as usual	55%
Later than usual	2%
Do not recall	1%

11. Why did you cast your ballot this year earlier than usual? Check all that apply.

Among all who voted earlier than usual

Interest in the election	70%
To stop receiving campaign communications	8%
To get it over with	33%
Worries about the post office	42%
Worries about my ballot getting counted	46%
Other	6%

12. For whom did you vote for President of the United States?

Among all who voted

Joe Biden (Democrat)	59%
Donald J. Trump (Republican)	36%
Other	4%
I did not vote in this race	0%
Not sure	1%

13. There has been a lot of discussion recently about potential problems with mail voting. These news stories and statements by public figures may have changed your thoughts about voting by mail this year. [EXPERIMENTAL CONDITION] How much do you think this coverage about concerns related to mail ballots reduced...

	Greatly reduced	Moderately reduced	Slightly reduced	Did not reduce at all
How likely you were to return your ballot by mail?	18%	10%	13%	59%
How likely others were to return their ballot by mail?	15%	30%	26%	29%

14.

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	I don't know
How confident are you that your vote in the November general election was counted as intended this year?	62%	18%	9%	9%	2%
Think about vote counting in [COUNTY NAME]. How confident are you that votes in [COUNTY NAME] will be counted as voters intend?	62%	22%	8%	6%	3%
How confident are you that votes in Oregon were counted as voters intend?	57%	19%	12%	10%	2%
Now thinking about the nation, how confident are you that votes nationwide were counted as voters intend?	35%	27%	16%	19%	2%
How confident are you that votes in other states that use in-person voting on Election Day voting were counted as voters intend?	42%	34%	11%	9%	4%
How confident are you that votes in other states that use full voting by mail were counted as voters intend?	41%	23%	13%	20%	3%

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15. These are activities that are usually against the law. For each, we would like to know how often you think they happen in Oregon.

	Occurs frequently	Occurs occasionally	Occurs infrequently	Almost never occurs	Don't know
People voting more than once in an election	9%	15%	14%	55%	7%
People stealing or tampering with ballots that have been voted	12%	13%	16%	52%	8%
People voting who are not US citizens	17%	15%	12%	51%	6%
People voting with a ballot intended for another person	13%	16%	15%	49%	7%
Officials changing the reported vote count in a way that is not a true reflection of the ballots that were actually cast	11%	13%	12%	55%	10%

16. Now we would like to know how often you think they happen nationwide.

	Occurs frequently	Occurs occasionally	Occurs infrequently	Almost never occurs	Don't know
People voting more than once in an election	15%	17%	14%	48%	5%
People stealing or tampering with ballots that have been voted	17%	16%	17%	44%	7%
People voting who are not US citizens	20%	15%	11%	48%	6%
People voting with a ballot intended for another person nationwide	16%	17%	16%	44%	6%
Officials changing the reported vote count in a way that is not a true reflection of the ballots that were actually cast	17%	15%	17%	42%	8%

17. We now want to ask you about voter suppression activities. We would like to know how often you think that the following happen nationwide.

	Occurs frequently	Occurs occasionally	Occurs infrequently	Almost never occurs	Don't know
Voters are unjustly removed from the voter rolls	26%	27%	17%	20%	10%
Voter identification laws are passed to make it more difficult for some groups to vote	32%	20%	10%	28%	10%
Excessive wait times at polling locations cause some groups to be less able to vote than others	40%	25%	14%	13%	8%
Some groups are less likely to have their mail ballots counted than others	16%	25%	18%	30%	11%

18. As you may know, because of the COVID-19 pandemic and the need for physical distancing, many states are looking to Oregon as a model for how they might conduct their general elections in future elections. That would involve sending a ballot by mail to every registered voter, and giving voters an opportunity to return their marked ballot by mail or to a dropbox. If other states adopt the Oregon model, how likely do you think it is that the following will happen in future elections?

	Extremely likely	Somewhat likely	Neutral	Somewhat unlikely	Extremely unlikely
Voter fraud will increase	17%	14%	10%	17%	42%
Many voters will mismatch their ballots	8%	17%	22%	31%	22%
Voter turnout will increase	48%	29%	15%	6%	2%
Foreign countries will counterfeit ballots	9%	12%	16%	19%	44%

19. At any point prior to the election, did you visit the Oregon Secretary of State's election webpage?

Yes	39%
No	55%
Don't remember	6%

20. When you visited the Oregon Secretary of State's election webpage, was the website down?

Among those who visited SOS webpage

Yes	5%
No	90%
Don't remember	4%

21. How long do counties in Oregon have to certify election results?

One week	6%
Two weeks	8%
Three weeks	6%
Four weeks	4%
Don't know	77%

22. Is it legal to electioneer (hold signs, hand out materials, etc) near an Oregon ballot drop box?

Yes	8%
No	50%
Not sure	42%

23. Is it legal to block access to an Oregon ballot drop box?

Yes	14%
No	80%
Not sure	6%

24. Is it legal to carry a firearm near an Oregon ballot drop box?

Yes	16%
No	34%
Not sure	50%

25. In Oregon, ballots that are postmarked on Election Day but arrive after Election Day are not counted. [EXPERIMENTAL CONDITION] Would you support a change in Oregon's election system that would allow counting of ballots that are postmarked on Election Day but arrive after Election Day?

I support the current requirement that ballots arrive by Election Day	49%
I support a change to allow counting of ballots postmarked by Election Day but arriving after Election Day.	44%
Don't Know	6%