

About the Poll

The Washington Poll is a non-partisan, academic survey research project sponsored by the Washington Institute for the Study of Ethnicity, Race & Sexuality (WISER), a research center at the University of Washington in the School of Social Sciences. Dr. Matt Barreto, an Associate Professor of Political Science is the Director of WISER and a principal investigator on this survey.

The survey was administered by telephone, by the Washington Survey Research Center at the UW, based on a randomly selected list of phone numbers using a list of registered voters. The survey was in the field from October 14 – 26, 2009. A total of 724 registered voters throughout the state of Washington were interviewed, yielding in a 3.6% margin of error. Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Questions/Comments: info@washingtonpoll.org

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2009 Ref-71 Vote Choice :

On statewide referendum 71 – a measure that would expand the rights, responsibilities and obligations accorded to same sex and senior domestic partners to be equivalent to those of married spouses, except that a domestic partnership is not a marriage – how will you vote?

	All Reg Voters	Likely Voters	Already Voted
Yes Ref-71 – Certain	51	51	55
Yes Ref-71 – could change	3	3	0
Undecided – lean Yes Ref-71	2	3	0
Total Yes Ref-71	56	57	55
No Ref-71 – Certain	34	34	45
No Ref-71 – could change	4	3	0
Undecided – lean No Ref-71	1	1	0
Total No Ref-71	39	38	45
Undecided/Don't know	5	5	0

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2009 Referendum-71 Vote Choice:

On Referendum-71, how will you vote?

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	Yes Ref-71	No Ref-71	Undec.
Democrat	82%	16%	2%
Republican	26%	68%	6%
Independent	48%	46%	7%
Puget Sound	60%	35%	5%
Eastern WA	46%	49%	5%
Other Western	55%	40%	4%

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2009 Referendum 71 :

Additional Demographic Cross-tabulations

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	Yes	No	Undec.
Female	62%	33%	6%
Male	49%	47%	5%
Liberal	87%	11%	2%
Moderate	57%	36%	6%
Conservative	27%	68%	5%
No College	49%	46%	5%
College Degree	61%	36%	4%
18-40	64%	32%	4%
41-64	56%	40%	4%
65+	52%	42%	6%

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2009 Initiative-1033 Vote Choice :

This measure would limit the growth of certain state, county and city revenue to annual inflation and population growth, not including voter-approved revenue increases. Revenue collected above the limit would reduce property tax levels – how will you vote?

	All Reg Voters	Likely Voters	Already Voted
Yes I-1033– Certain	30	30	44
Yes I-1033 – could change	8	7	0
Undecided – lean Yes I-1033	3	3	0
Total Yes I-1033	41	40	44
No I-1033 – Certain	38	42	56
No I-1033– could change	5	5	0
Undecided – lean No I-1033	3	2	0
Total No I-1033	46	49	56
Undecided/Don't know	13	10	0

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2009 Initiative-1033 Vote Choice:

On Initiative-1033, how will you vote?

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	Yes I-1033	No I-1033	Undec.
Democrat	22%	68%	11%
Republican	63%	25%	12%
Independent	47%	40%	13%
Puget Sound	41%	47%	12%
Eastern WA	43%	41%	16%
Other Western	40%	48%	12%

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2009 Initiative 1033 :

Additional Demographic Cross-tabulations

(read across→)	Yes	No	Undec.
Female	34%	48%	18%
Male	49%	44%	7%
Liberal	20%	65%	15%
Moderate	36%	54%	10%
Conservative	67%	22%	11%
No College	43%	42%	15%
College Degree	41%	50%	9%
18-40	39%	43%	18%
41-64	42%	47%	11%
65+	42%	48%	10%

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Approval Ratings - 2009

	<u>Obama</u>	<u>Gregoire</u>	<u>State Leg</u>	<u>Congress</u>
Strongly Approve	20%	17%	15%	18%
Somewhat Approve	32%	31%	33%	29%
Somewhat Disapprove	17%	17%	18%	18%
Strongly Disapprove	23%	26%	24%	26%
Don't know	7%	8%	8%	8%

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Additional Results

If you have additional questions and would like to see any additional - or more specific - results, please send us an email; and we will try to accommodate your request.

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