



**Clearpath Modeling Survey January 2023 Topline**

**Survey of n=3,026 National Registered Voters**

**Sampled from a mix of voter-file matched web panel + L2 national voter file**

**Conducted via mix mode, targets of: web (N = 1526) and live telephone interview via landline (N = 750) and cell phone (N = 750)**

**Margin of Error: +/- 2.2 percentage points**

**CLEAN ENERGY**

**1. [QCleanEnergyImport] How important is it to you that your Member of Congress supports policies that promote clean energy?**

	Jan. 2021	Jan. 2023
EXTREMELY/FAIRLY IMPORTANT	78%	75%
NOT THAT/NOT AT ALL IMPORTANT	20%	23%
1. Extremely important	43%	40%
2. Fairly important	35%	35%
3. Not that important	13%	14%
4. Not at all important	7%	9%
5. Unsure	2%	2%

**For each of the following, please tell me if you agree or disagree with the statement.**

**2. [QGOPShouldCare] Clean energy is an issue that Republicans in Congress SHOULD care about. [PHONE: And would you say you STRONGLY (agree/disagree) or just SOMEWHAT (agree/disagree)?]**

	Jan. 2021	Jan. 2023
STRONGLY/SOMEWHAT AGREE	84%	80%
STRONGLY/SOMEWHAT DISAGREE	13%	17%
1. Strongly agree	61%	51%
2. Somewhat agree	24%	29%
3. Somewhat disagree	6%	8%
4. Strongly disagree	7%	8%
5. Unsure	3%	3%

3. **[QGOPDoesCare] Clean energy is an issue that Republicans in Congress DO care about. [PHONE: And would you say you STRONGLY (agree/disagree) or just SOMEWHAT (agree/disagree)?]**

	Jan. 2021	Jan. 2023
STRONGLY/SOMEWHAT AGREE	44%	43%
STRONGLY/SOMEWHAT DISAGREE	48%	46%
1. Strongly agree	15%	14%
2. Somewhat agree	29%	29%
3. Somewhat disagree	20%	21%
4. Strongly disagree	28%	25%
5. Unsure	8%	11%

**IF AGREES GOP SHOULD CARE ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE [QGOPSHOULDCARE 1-2], ASK:**

4. **[QWhyCare] You indicated that you believe Republicans in Congress SHOULD care about clean energy. Which two or three of the following are reasons that you think Republicans in Congress should care about clean energy? [SELECT MULTIPLE, UP TO THREE] [RANDOMIZE ORDER 1-6]**

	(n=2489)
1. Want to protect future generations	57%
2. Want to reduce climate change	53%
3. Want more clean energy, steel and other products made in America	38%
4. Want less expensive clean energy	33%
5. Want to see more bipartisanship	20%
6. Want to beat China at developing clean energy	13%
7. Something else	2%
8. None of these	4%

**ASK ALL:**

5. **[QClimate] Which of the following comes closest to your view? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]**

	Jan. 2021	Jan. 2023
1. Climate change is happening and is caused primarily by human activity	59%	55%
2. Climate change is happening and is caused primarily by natural cycles in the Earth's environment	31%	33%
3. Climate change is not happening	5%	7%
4. Unsure	5%	5%

6. **[Pollutants Battery]** For each of the following, please indicate to what extent you think the substance or chemical named contributes to climate change: A major impact, a minor impact, or no impact at all. If you aren't sure, it is OK to give your best guess.  
**[RANDOMIZE ITEMS IN BATTERY]**

	1. A major impact	2. A minor impact	3. No impact at all	4. Unsure	
		1. A major impact	2. A minor impact	3. No impact at all	
				4. Unsure	
1.	<b>Carbon dioxide</b>	54%	27%	10%	9%
2.	<b>Methane</b>	47%	30%	10%	13%
3.	<b>Natural gas</b>	28%	42%	18%	12%
4.	<b>Hydrogen</b>	17%	34%	26%	23%

7. **[QRegVersusInn]** Which of these statements comes closest to your view, even if neither of them is exactly right? **[RANDOMIZE 1-2]**

		Jan. 2021	Jan. 2023
1.	Rather than more regulation, more innovation and better technology that lets us reduce carbon emissions is the best way	63%	62%
2.	Stricter regulation on carbon emissions is the best way to fight climate change	27%	27%
3.	Unsure	10%	11%

8. **[QReduceEmissions]** Would you say you generally believe or do not believe the following statement?

**“We can reduce carbon emissions in the U.S. without having to impose new regulations on people and new restrictions on our economy.”**

		Jan. 2021	Jan. 2023
1.	Believe	51%	51%
2.	Do not believe	43%	37%
3.	Unsure	6%	11%

9. **[QPossible]** Would you say you generally believe or do not believe the following statement?

**“It is possible for the U.S. to develop cleaner energy sources that can also provide more affordable energy.”**

		Jan. 2021	Jan. 2023
1.	Believe	88%	86%
2.	Do not believe	10%	9%
3.	Unsure	2%	6%

10. [Solutions Battery] For each of the following, please indicate to what extent you think the idea could have an impact on reducing climate change: A major impact, a minor impact, or no impact at all. If you aren't sure, it is OK to give your best guess. [RANDOMIZE ITEMS IN BATTERY]

	1. A major impact	2. A minor impact	3. No impact at all	4. Unsure		
			1. A major impact	2. A minor impact	3. No impact at all	4. Unsure
1. Support the increased use of advanced nuclear power to provide a stable energy source that emits much less carbon			53%	27%	9%	12%
2. Make it simpler to build new clean energy projects without getting too tied up in a cumbersome permitting process			50%	31%	9%	10%
3. Encourage manufacturers to consume less energy and emit less carbon when they produce important industrial products like steel and concrete			49%	31%	12%	8%
4. Require all companies to report how much carbon they emit through their activities, including their entire supply chain, to federal financial regulators			43%	32%	18%	7%
5. Reduce the amount of meat we all eat and change the diet fed to cattle to reduce methane emissions			26%	32%	33%	9%

**11. [Responsible Battery] How much of a role should each of the following play in addressing climate change? [DISPLAY AS GRID] [RANDOMIZE ROWS, RANDOMIZE SCALE 1-3, 3-1]**

	1. A major role	2. A minor role	3. No role at all	4. Unsure
	1.	2.	3.	4.
	A major role	A minor role	No role at all	Unsure
<b>1. The U.S Department of Energy</b>	66%	20%	10%	4%
<b>2. The Environmental Protection Agency</b>	63%	20%	12%	4%
<b>3. The United States Congress</b>	56%	25%	14%	5%
<b>4. Everyday people</b>	53%	34%	10%	3%
<b>5. Large publicly traded corporations</b>	51%	27%	15%	7%
<b>6. International organizations like the United Nations</b>	50%	25%	20%	6%
<b>7. Investors and portfolio managers for large investment funds</b>	34%	34%	23%	9%

## SCREENERS/DEMOGRAPHICS

### 12. [QRegVote] Are you at least 18 years old and registered to vote?

1. Yes		100%
2. No	TERMINATE	-
3. Unsure	TERMINATE	-

#### WEB ONLY:

### 13. [QIndustry] Do you or does anyone in your household work in any of the following industries?

1. Technology		2%
2. Sales		4%
3. Healthcare or the pharmaceutical industry		8%
4. Journalism or the media	TERMINATE	-
5. Food service or the restaurant industry		4%
6. Market research	TERMINATE	-
7. Public relations	TERMINATE	-
8. None of these		83%

#### PHONE ONLY:

### 14. [QIndustryPhone] Do you or does anyone in your household work in journalism, the news media, market research or public relations?

1. Yes	TERMINATE	-
2. No		100%
3. Unsure	TERMINATE	-

#### ASK ALL:

### 15. [QGender] What is your gender? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]

1. Male		47%
2. Female		53%

### 16. [QRace] What is your race? [SELECT MULTIPLE] [RANDOMIZE 1-5]

1. Black		13%
2. White		68%
3. Hispanic/Latino		12%
4. Asian		5%
5. Native American		1%
6. Something else		1%
7. Prefer not to say		2%

**17. [QEducation] What is the highest level of education you have completed?**

1. High school or less	27%
2. Some college	24%
3. Associate degree	14%
4. Bachelor's degree	22%
5. Graduate degree	13%
6. Prefer not to say	*%

**18. [QAge] What is your age? [RECORD OPEN END RESPONSE] [TERMINATE IF UNDER 18]**

1. 18-29	17%
2. 30-39	16%
3. 40-49	16%
4. 50-64	27%
5. 65-100	24%

**19. [QQ2020PresVote] For whom did you vote in the 2020 presidential election? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]**

1. Donald Trump	44%
2. Joe Biden	48%
3. Someone else	2%
4. I did not vote in the 2020 presidential election	6%
5. Unsure	1%

**20. [QHouseVote] For whom did you vote in the race for U.S. House of Representatives in the 2022 midterm election? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]**

1. Voted for the Republican candidate	40%
2. Voted for the Democratic candidate	39%
3. Voted for a third party candidate	2%
4. There wasn't an election in my district	1%
5. I did not vote in the race for U.S. House of Representatives	13%
6. Unsure	5%

**21. [QParty] Regardless of how you typically vote, would you say you consider yourself a ... ? [RANDOMIZE SCALE 1-5, 5-1]**

STRONG/NOT VERY STRONG REPUBLICAN	35%
STRONG/NOT VERY STRONG DEMOCRAT	36%
1. Strong Republican	23%
2. Not very strong Republican	12%
3. Independent	25%
4. Not very strong Democrat	10%
5. Strong Democrat	27%
6. A member of another party	2%
7. Unsure	2%

**IF INDEPENDENT, A MEMBER OF ANOTHER PARTY, OR UNSURE OF PARTY [QPARTY = 3, 6, OR 7], ASK:**

**22. [QPartyLean] Which of the following statements would you say best describes you?  
[RANDOMIZE SCALE 1-4, 4-1]**

	<b>(n=894)</b>
TOTAL VOTES FOR REPUBLICANS	31%
TOTAL VOTES FOR DEMOCRATS	32%
1. I almost always vote for Republican candidates	11%
2. I vote for Republicans more often than I vote for Democrats	19%
3. I vote for Democrats more often than I vote for Republicans	20%
4. I almost always vote for Democratic candidates	12%
5. I vote equally for Democrats and Republicans	26%
6. Unsure	11%

**[Party Consolidated] QParty + QPartyLean**

1. Total Republican+Republican-leaning Independents	43%
2. Total Democratic+Democratic-leaning Independents	46%
3. Total Independent	11%

**ASK ALL:**

**23. [QIdeology] Regardless of how you typically vote, would you say you consider yourself to be...? [RANDOMIZE SCALE 1-5, 5-1]**

VERY/SOMEWHAT CONSERVATIVE	39%
VERY/SOMEWHAT LIBERAL	27%
1. Very conservative	19%
2. Somewhat conservative	20%
3. Moderate	31%
4. Somewhat liberal	15%
5. Very liberal	12%
6. Unsure	3%

**24. [QIncome] Which range includes your annual household income?**

1. Less than \$30,000 per year	17%
2. \$30,000 to \$49,999 per year	18%
3. \$50,000 to \$74,999 per year	20%
4. \$75,000 to \$125,000 per year	20%
5. More than \$125,000 per year	17%
6. Prefer not to say	8%

**25. [QUrbanRural] How would you describe the area in which you live?**

1. City	27%
2. Suburb near city	38%
3. Small town not near a city	14%
4. Rural or country area	20%
5. Unsure	1%



**26. [QMarital] What is your current marital status?**

1. Single, never married	31%
2. Married	49%
3. Separated	2%
4. Divorced	9%
5. Widowed	7%
6. Prefer not to say	2%

**27. [QKids] Do you currently have children under the age of 18 in your home?**

1. Yes	26%
2. No	73%
3. Prefer not to say	1%

## METHODOLOGY

**3,026 registered voters nationwide were surveyed from January 4-11, 2023, with 50% of respondents sampled via online panels and matched to the voter file, 25% of respondents sampled via landline live caller and matched to the voter file, and 25% of respondents sampled via cell live caller and matched to the voter file.**

**The sample was weighted to population benchmarks for registered voters nationwide on gender, age, race/ethnicity, education, region, 2022 U.S. House vote, and 2020 presidential vote. Estimates for gender, age, and region were derived from the L2 voter file. Estimates for race/ethnicity and education were derived from the US Census Bureau's American Community Survey demographic data adjusted to match voter registration estimates from the November 2020 Current Population Survey Voting and Registration Supplement.**

**The margin of error, calculated the way it would be for a random sample and adjusted to incorporate the effect of weighting, is +/- 2.2 percentage points.**