Clearpath Modeling Survey January 2026 Topline
Survey of N=4005 National Registered Voters
Conducted via mix mode: web (n=2005) and live telephone interview via landline (n=985) and cell phone (n=1015)
Field Dates: January 7-17, 2026
Margin of Error: +/- 1.6 Percentage Points

CLEAN ENERGY TRACKING

1. **[QCleanEnergyImport] How important is it to you that your Member of Congress supports policies that promote clean energy? [RANDOMIZE SCALE 1-4, 4-1]**

	Jan. 2021	Jan. 2023	Jan. 2024	Jan. 2025	Jan. 2026
EXTREMELY/FAIRLY IMPORTANT	78%	75%	74%	76%	76%
Extremely important	43%	40%	36%	39%	35%
Fairly important	35%	35%	38%	37%	41%
Not that important	13%	14%	14%	14%	14%
Not at all important	7%	9%	9%	7%	7%
Don't know/Refused/Unsure	2%	2%	3%	3%	4%

[TEXT] For the following two questions, please tell me if you agree or disagree with the statement.

[RANDOMIZE QGOPSHOULDCARE AND QGOPDOESCARE IN SAME WAY]

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	Jan. 2024	Jan. 2025	Jan. 2026
STRONGLY/SOMEWHAT AGREE	84%	80%	79%	81%	82%
STRONGLY/SOMEWHAT DISAGREE	13%	17%	16%	15%	14%
Strongly agree	61%	51%	48%	51%	50%
Somewhat agree	24%	29%	31%	29%	33%
Somewhat disagree	6%	8%	9%	8%	7%
Strongly disagree	7%	8%	8%	7%	7%
Don't know/Refused/Unsure	3%	3%	5%	4%	4%

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	Jan. 2024	Jan. 2025	Jan. 2026
STRONGLY/SOMEWHAT AGREE	44%	43%	46%	48%	43%
STRONGLY/SOMEWHAT DISAGREE	48%	46%	42%	42%	47%
Strongly agree	15%	14%	14%	15%	15%
Somewhat agree	29%	29%	32%	33%	28%
Somewhat disagree	20%	21%	20%	20%	20%
Strongly disagree	28%	25%	22%	22%	28%
Don't know/Refused/Unsure	8%	11%	12%	10%	10%

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

	Jan. 2021	Jan. 2023	Jan. 2024	Jan. 2025	Jan. 2026
Climate change is happening and is caused primarily by human activity	59%	55%	53%	54%	53%
Climate change is happening and is caused primarily by natural cycles in the Earth's environment	31%	33%	33%	34%	34%
Climate change is not happening	5%	7%	7%	6%	7%
Don't know/Refused/Unsure	5%	5%	7%	6%	7%

5. **[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	Jan. 2024	Jan. 2025	Jan. 2026
Rather than more regulation, more innovation and better technology that lets us reduce carbon emissions is the best way to fight climate change.	63%	62%	60%	61%	59%
Stricter regulation on carbon emissions is the best way to fight climate change.	27%	27%	26%	27%	28%
Don't know/Refused/Unsure	10%	11%	15%	12%	14%

[RANDOMIZE QREDUCEEMISSIONS AND QPOSSIBLE [1-2] IN SAME WAY]

6. **[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	Jan. 2024	Jan. 2025	Jan. 2026
Believe	51%	51%	50%	52%	52%
Do not believe	43%	37%	36%	34%	33%
Don't know/Refused/Unsure	6%	11%	14%	14%	15%

7. **[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	Jan. 2024	Jan. 2025	Jan. 2026
Believe	88%	86%	82%	85%	87%
Do not believe	10%	9%	10%	9%	7%
Don't know/Refused/Unsure	2%	6%	8%	6%	6%

8. **[QLeaderToday Battery] Which of the following countries or regions do you think is the world leader in each of the following TODAY? [RANDOMIZE 1-3] [RANDOMIZE ITEMS] [DISPLAY AS GRID]**

1. The U.S.   2. China   3. Europe   4. Somewhere else   5. Don't know/ Refused/Unsure

	The U.S.	China	Europe	Somewhere else	Don't know/ Refused/Unsure
Energy production	48%	19%	9%	7%	16%
Artificial intelligence (AI)	42%	40%	1%	3%	14%

9. **[QDataCentersAI] In the last few months, have you seen, read, or heard anything about the issue of electricity and the power needs of data centers? [RANDOMIZE SCALE 1-3, 3-1]**

Yes, I've heard a lot	29%
Yes, I've heard a little	36%
No, I haven't heard about this	35%

10. **[QDataCentersPower] As AI technology continues to become a bigger part of our economy, the data centers that power AI will also grow and will need significant amounts of energy to power them. Which of the following do you think you agree with more, even if neither is perfect? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]**

We should increase the amount of energy we produce in order to support the growth of AI while keeping energy affordable for the American people	53%
We should not support the growth of AI or the data centers that it relies on	34%
Don't know/Refused/Unsure	13%

11. **[QPowerSource] [ASKED ONLY OF PUNCH 1 IN QDATACENTERSPOWER] You indicated that you think we should increase the amount of energy we produce in order to support the growth of AI. If you could choose, which energy sources should we rely on to do this? You may choose more than one. [RANDOMIZE 1-3] [SELECT MULTIPLE]**

	(n=2112)
Intermittent renewable power sources like solar or wind	60%
Nuclear power	45%
Fossil fuel power sources like coal or gas	27%
None of the above	4%

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12. **[QSupportPermitting] In general, would you support or oppose making it simpler for energy producers to build new clean energy projects without getting too tied up in a cumbersome permitting process? [RANDOMIZE SCALE 1-4, 4-1]**

STRONGLY/SOMEWHAT SUPPORT	73%
STRONGLY/SOMEWHAT OPPOSE	17%
Strongly support	36%
Somewhat support	37%
Somewhat oppose	9%
Strongly oppose	8%
Don't know/Refused/Unsure	10%

13. **[QCost Battery] For each of the following, please indicate whether, if at all, you think implementing the idea would reduce energy costs. If you aren't sure, it is OK to give your best guess. [RANDOMIZE ITEMS] [RANDOMIZE SCALE ORDER 1-3, 3-1]**

	1. Reduce energy costs a lot	2. Reduce energy costs a little	3. Would not reduce energy costs	4. Don't know/Refused/ Unsure

	REDUCE ENERGY COSTS A LOT / A LITTLE	Reduce energy costs a lot	Reduce energy costs a little	Would not reduce energy costs	Don't know/ Refused/Unsure
Make it simpler to build new clean energy projects without getting too tied up in a cumbersome permitting process	**70%**	31%	39%	17%	14%
Support the increased use of advanced nuclear power, geothermal, and other new technologies to provide more electricity	**69%**	37%	32%	15%	16%
Support putting more renewable energy sources like wind and solar on the grid because they don't require fuel	**67%**	34%	33%	24%	9%
Extend tax incentives for new energy production so U.S. companies don't pass that cost on to consumers	**66%**	25%	41%	19%	15%
Keep more fossil fuel energy plants like coal and natural gas operating because the U.S. has an abundance of those resources	**63%**	27%	35%	26%	11%

14. **[QPermitContrast] Which of the following do you agree with more, even if neither is perfect? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]**

We should make it easier for energy producers to get permits to develop new clean energy projects without having burdensome requirements that can often tie up projects for years — 62%

We should keep in place the processes energy producers currently must go through in order to develop new clean energy projects, even if those requirements are sometimes burdensome or slow projects down significantly — 28%

Don't know/Refused/Unsure — 10%

15. **[QTrumpEnergy] In the last few months, have you seen, read, or heard anything about the Trump Administration's policies around energy production in America? [RANDOMIZE SCALE 1-3, 3-1]**

Yes, I've heard a lot — 23%

Yes, I've heard a little — 40%

No, I haven't heard about this — 38%

16. **[QTrumpApproveEnergy] Based on what you know, do you generally approve or disapprove of President Trump's handling of the issue of energy production in America? [RANDOMIZE SCALE 1-4, 4-1]**

STRONGLY/SOMEWHAT APPROVE	43%
STRONGLY/SOMEWHAT DISAPPROVE	46%
Strongly approve	24%
Somewhat approve	20%
Somewhat disapprove	11%
Strongly disapprove	35%
Don't know/Refused/Unsure	10%

DEMOGRAPHICS

17. **[QPartyID] Do you consider yourself a…? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]**

Republican	36%
Democrat	33%
Independent	27%
Member of another party	2%
Don't know/Refused/Unsure	3%

[IF QPartyID = 1. Republican, ASK]
18. **[QPartyGOP] Would you say you are…? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]**

	(n=1338)
Firmly a Republican	73%
Not firmly a Republican	27%

[IF QPartyID = 2. Democrat, ASK]
19. **[QPartyDem] Would you say you are…? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]**

	(n=1426)
Firmly a Democrat	76%
Not firmly a Democrat	24%

[IF QParty=3-5. Independent, Member of another party, or Unsure, ASK]
20. **[QPartyLeanView] Even if neither political party perfectly represents your views, who do you agree with more often on issues that are important to you? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]**

	(n=1291)
Republicans	34%
Democrats	34%
Both equally often	21%
Don't know/Refused/Unsure	11%

21. **[QPartyConsolidated] QPartyID and QPartyLeanView**

	Jan. 2023	Jan. 2024	Jan. 2025	Jan. 2026
Total Republican+Republican-leaning Independents	43%	43%	47%	44%
Total Democratic+Democratic-leaning Independents	46%	43%	43%	42%
Total Independent	11%	13%	10%	14%

22. [QTrumpGOP] Would you say you consider yourself to be primarily a supporter of Donald Trump, or a supporter of the Republican Party? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]

	Jan. 2024	Jan. 2025	Jan. 2026
	(n=1646)	(n=1731)	(n=1696)
Supporter of Donald Trump	44%	55%	52%
Supporter of the Republican Party	46%	39%	40%
I don't support either one	7%	4%	5%
Don't know/Refused/Unsure	3%	3%	3%

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

	Jan. 2021	Jan. 2023	Jan. 2024	Jan. 2025	Jan. 2026
VERY/SOMEWHAT CONSERVATIVE	40%	39%	38%	38%	39%
VERY/SOMEWHAT LIBERAL	30%	27%	29%	28%	28%
Very conservative	18%	19%	17%	18%	17%
Somewhat conservative	22%	20%	21%	20%	22%
Moderate	26%	31%	29%	32%	30%
Somewhat liberal	17%	15%	17%	15%	15%
Very liberal	13%	12%	12%	12%	13%
Don't know/Refused/Unsure	5%	3%	4%	3%	4%

24. [QBallot2024] For whom did you vote in the 2024 presidential election? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]

Donald Trump	45%
Kamala Harris	41%
Someone else	4%
I did not vote in the 2024 presidential election	8%
Don't know/Refused/Unsure	2%

25. [QIncomeHH] Which range includes your total annual household income, before taxes?

Less than $30,000 per year	13%
$30,000 to $49,999 per year	12%
$50,000 to $74,999 per year	19%
$75,000 to $99,999 per year	14%
$100,000 to $124,999 per year	14%
$125,000 or more per year	23%
Don't know/Refused/Prefer not to say	6%

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

	Jan. 2024	Jan. 2025	Jan. 2026
City	28%	27%	24%
Suburb near a city	38%	43%	42%
Small town not near a city	14%	13%	12%
Rural or country area	20%	18%	22%

27. [QMarital] What is your current marital status?

	Jan. 2021	Jan. 2023	Jan. 2024	Jan. 2025	Jan. 2026
Single, never married	26%	31%	29%	28%	29%
Married	56%	49%	47%	52%	50%
Separated	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Divorced	8%	9%	12%	9%	11%
Widowed	6%	7%	10%	7%	7%
Don't know/Refused/Prefer not to say	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%

28. [QOwnHome] Do you currently own or rent your home? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]

	Jan. 2024	Jan. 2025	Jan. 2026
Own	68%	69%	70%
Rent	28%	27%	26%
Something else (Please specify)	2%	2%	3%
Don't know/Refused/Prefer not to say	1%	2%	1%

29. [QParent] Are you a parent or guardian of one or more children who are under the age of 18? [RANDOMIZE 1-2]

No	71%
Yes	29%
Don't know/Refused/Prefer not to say	*%

SCREENERS / DEMOGRAPHIC QUOTAS (ASKED AT BEGINNING OF SURVEY)

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

Yes		100%
No	TERMINATE	-
Unsure	TERMINATE	-

[IF PHONE INTERVIEW, ASK]

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

		(n=2000)
Yes	TERMINATE	-
No		100%
Unsure	TERMINATE	-

[IF WEB INTERVIEW, ASK]

32. [QIndustry] Do you or does anyone in your household work in any of the following industries? [SELECT MULTIPLE] [RANDOMIZE 1-7]

		(n=2005)
Technology		5%
Sales		7%
Healthcare or the pharmaceutical industry		11%
Journalism or the media	TERMINATE	-
Food service or the restaurant industry		8%
Market research	TERMINATE	-
Public relations	TERMINATE	-
None of these		74%

33. [QGender] Do you describe yourself as a man, a woman, or in some other way?

Woman	52%
Man	47%
In some other way	*%

34. [QRace] What is your race or ethnicity? [SELECT MULTIPLE] [RANDOMIZE 1-6]

White	71%
Black or African American	14%
Hispanic or Latino	13%
Asian	5%
Native American or Alaska Native	1%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1%
Other race or ethnicity (Please specify)	1%

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

High school or less	28%
Some college	18%
Associate degree	11%
Bachelor's degree	25%
Graduate degree	17%
Prefer not to say	1%

36. [QAge] What is your age?

18-34	25%
35-49	24%
50-64	24%
65+	27%

37. [QGenericCongressional] If the election for Congress were held today and you had to make a choice, for whom would you vote? [RANDOMIZE SCALE 1-4, 4-1]

	Jan. 2024	Jan. 2025	Jan. 2026
DEFINITELY/PROBABLY THE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE	43%	46%	43%
DEFINITELY/PROBABLY THE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE	42%	43%	44%
Definitely the Republican candidate	29%	30%	27%
Probably the Republican candidate	13%	15%	16%
Probably the Democratic candidate	13%	14%	14%
Definitely the Democratic candidate	29%	29%	30%
Unsure	15%	11%	13%

METHODOLOGY

4,005 registered voters nationwide were surveyed from January 7-17, 2026, 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, 2024 U.S. House vote, and 2024 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 +/- 1.6 percentage points.