



SAINT ANSELM COLLEGE SURVEY CENTER FEBRUARY 2018 POLL EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

These results are from the inaugural Saint Anselm College Survey Center poll based on interviews with 428 randomly-selected registered voters in the state of New Hampshire. Interviews were conducted by landline and cellular phone between February 21st and February 23rd. The overall survey has a margin of sampling error of 4.7% with a confidence interval of 95%; the margin of sampling error on questions specific to the congressional districts is 6.7% for District 1 and 6.7% for District 2.

New Hampshire Institute of Politics Executive Director Neil Levesque summarized the results, saying, “This poll really shows a clear difference between the two major parties: the Democrats have very high partisan intensity on questions related to President Trump, the direction of the country, and this fall’s Congressional elections. By contrast, Republicans are more fractured: 23% have an unfavorable view of Trump, 21% believe the country is on the wrong track, and only 82% would vote for a Republican congressional candidate today. The one bright spot for Republicans is Governor Chris Sununu, who despite the polarized environment carries a 59% favorability rating among all voters. Senators Shaheen and Hassan are also well-liked by voters, with 60% and 55% favorability respectively.”

HIGHLIGHTS OF SURVEY:

Impression of Public Officials:

Respondents were asked of their impression of President Donald Trump, Governor Chris Sununu, Senator Jeanne Shaheen, Senator Maggie Hassan, Congresswoman Carol Shea-Porter, and Congresswoman Ann McLane Kuster.

	Trump	Sununu	Shaheen	Hassan	Shea-Porter	Kuster
Favorable	35.8	58.6	60.4	55.0	46.3	41.0
Unfavorable	61.5	32.1	34.6	37.4	33.3	37.7
No Opinion	2.7	9.3	5.0	7.7	20.4	21.2

Job Performance of Public Officials:

Respondents were asked if they approve of the job performance of President Trump, Governor Sununu, Senators Shaheen and Hassan, and Congresswomen Shea-Porter and Kuster.

	Trump	Sununu	Shaheen	Hassan	Shea-Porter	Kuster
Approve	36.3	57.0	56.7	53.3	46.8	45.3
Disapprove	60.9	31.3	34.4	36.8	36.6	33.5
No Opinion	2.8	11.7	9.0	9.9	16.7	21.2

Direction of the Country:

Respondents were asked if they believe that things in our country are heading in the right direction, or gotten off on the wrong track:

	Dem	GOP	IND	Total
Right Track	1.5	66.1	28.8	31.2
Wrong Track	94.7	21.0	59.4	59.2
No Opinion	3.8	12.9	11.8	9.6

Generic Congressional Ballot:

Respondents were asked if they would vote for the Democratic or Republican candidate if the election for Congress were held today:

	Dem	GOP	IND	Total
Democratic	93.3	7.2	39.8	47.0
Republican	0.7	82.4	27.5	35.1
Other	3.7	7.2	26.9	14.0
No Opinion	2.2	3.2	5.8	4.0

Russian Election Interference:

Respondents were asked their level of concern about Russian interference in our elections:

	Dem	GOP	IND	Total
Very Concerned	74.4	21.8	51.5	50.0
Somewhat Concerned	17.3	20.1	22.2	20.1
Not at all Concerned	8.3	58.1	26.3	29.9

Key Demographic Attributes:

	Count	Percent
Female	221	51.6
Male	207	48.4
18-34	49	11.5
35-44	58	13.6
45-54	83	19.3
55-64	104	24.3
65+	134	31.3
Congressional District 1	216	50.5
Congressional District 2	212	49.5
Registered Dem	133	31.1
Registered GOP	125	29.2
Independent	171	39.7