

**America's Voice / People for the American Way Virginia Gubernatorial 2013 Election Eve Poll**

1. Thinking about the 2013 election here in Virginia, what are the most important issues facing the [Latino/Hispanic/Asian-American] community that our politicians should address?[Open ended, record up to two per respondent]

	Latino	Asian
Create more jobs / Fix the economy	29	43
Immigration reform/DREAM Act	53	11
Health care	14	26
Education reform/schools	21	19
War in Afghanistan / Foreign policy	*	1
Housing / mortgages	*	2
Gas or energy prices	*	*
Discrimination against Latinos/Asians	4	7
Taxes	2	9
Global warming/environment	*	2
Something else	16	20
Don't know/Refuse	10	15

11. Thinking back over all the times you have voted, have you ever voted for a Republican in any local, state, or national election?

	Latino	Asian
Yes	58	68
No	38	25
Don't Know/Refuse	4	7

12. During the 2013 campaign Terry McAuliffe said Virginia will not tolerate any sort of discrimination against immigrants and that he wants the federal government to pass a responsible pathway to citizenship for undocumented immigrants. As Governor he says he would support the Virginia DREAM Act to allow undocumented immigrant students to pay in-state tuition and attend public universities. Do these policies make you feel more enthusiastic about McAuliffe, less enthusiastic about McAuliffe, or have no effect on how you feel about McAuliffe?

	Latino	Asian
More enthusiastic about McAuliffe	56	40
Less enthusiastic about McAuliffe	15	21
No effect	25	29
Don't Know/Refuse	5	12

13. As a Virginia State Senator, Ken Cuccinelli sponsored a law to take away citizenship from children whose parents are undocumented immigrants. As attorney general Cuccinelli proposed policies authorizing local police to stop and check the papers of anyone they think might be undocumented. Do these policies make you feel more enthusiastic about Cuccinelli, less enthusiastic about Cuccinelli, or have no effect on how you feel about Cuccinelli?

	Latino	Asian
More enthusiastic about Cuccinelli	8	17
Less enthusiastic about Cuccinelli	64	50
No effect	24	24
Don't Know/Refuse	5	12

14a. [SPLIT A] Last year, Republican candidate for Governor Ken Cuccinelli compared our immigration policy to the policy for controlling rats. He said dealing with immigrants was like dealing with rats – quote “If you don’t move an animal at least 25 miles away, it will come back, it will cross a river. You can’t break up rat families... it is worse than our immigration policy.” End quote. Does this statement make you feel more favorable or less favorable about the Republican Party as a whole?

	Latino	Asian
More favorable towards Republicans	5	13
Less favorable towards Republicans	70	59
No effect	19	15
Don't Know/Refuse	6	13

14[SPLIT B] As a state Senator, Republican candidate for Governor Ken Cuccinelli sponsored a bill that would allow employers to fire any workers who did not speak English. Workers who spoke Spanish or Chinese at work, even if they were on break, could be fired and then denied unemployment benefits. Does this statement make you feel more favorable or less favorable about the Republican Party as a whole?

	Latino	Asian
More favorable towards Republicans	5	11
Less favorable towards Republicans	75	67
No effect	11	12
Don't Know/Refuse	10	10

15. How important was the issue of immigration, and what the two candidates for Governor said about immigration in your decision to vote, and who to vote for in this election? Was it [ROTATE FRONT TO BACK] the most important issue – one of the important issues – somewhat important – not really important] to your voting decision?

	Latino	Asian
The most important issue	22	19
One of the most important issues	31	27
Somewhat important	25	23
Not really important	18	24
Don't know/Refuse	4	7

17a. [Split A] Even though a majority of members in the House of Representatives support the comprehensive immigration bill, Speaker of the House, Republican John Boehner has said he will not allow the House to vote on the bill unless a majority of Republicans members support it. If Republican John Boehner, who is in charge of the Congress, does NOT allow the immigration bill to move forward and have a vote, will you feel more favorable to Republicans in Congress or less favorable to Republicans in Congress?

	Latino	Asian
Much more favorable	9	17
Somewhat more favorable	5	7
Somewhat less favorable	16	8
Much less favorable	53	39
No effect	7	13
Don't know/Refuse	10	16
<b>Total Favorable</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Total Unfavorable</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>47</b>

17b: [Split B] Even though a majority of the Republican members in the House of Representatives oppose the comprehensive immigration bill, the Speaker of the House, Republican John Boehner could allow the bill to move forward if a majority, made up of both Democrats and Republicans, agree. If Republican John Boehner, who is in charge of the Congress, allows the immigration bill to move forward for a bipartisan vote, will you feel more favorable to Republicans in Congress or less favorable to Republicans in Congress?

	Latino	Asian
Much more favorable	11	17
Somewhat more favorable	30	26
Somewhat less favorable	10	12
Much less favorable	21	14
No effect	19	14
Don't know/Refuse	10	17
<b>Total Favorable</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>Total Unfavorable</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>26</b>

### Methodology

Latino Decisions interviewed 400 Latino voters and 400 Asian American voters participating in the Virginia 2013 general election. Voters were contacted by landline and cell phone between November 1- November 4. Latino respondents had the option to take the survey in English or Spanish and Asian American respondents had the option to take the survey in English, Korean, Mandarin, Tagalog, or Vietnamese, at their choosing. Initial sampling was based on Latinos and Asian Americans who had voted in the 2009 election, or newer registrants who voted in both the 2010 and 2012 general elections. To take the survey, respondents were asked if they had already voted early or by absentee ballot, or if not, if they were certain to vote in the Nov 5 election. Each ethnic group sample carries a margin of error of +/- 4.9%.