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## GOLD CIRCLE MEMBERS

### Scott Rasmussen Washington Survey of 800 Registered Voters Conducted February 21-26, 2024

1\* Do you approve or disapprove of the way each of the following is performing his or her job?

Total			
	Favorable	Unfavorable	Net
<b>Senator Maria Cantwell</b>	49%	36%	+13
<b>Senator Patty Murray</b>	50%	39%	+11
<b>Attorney General Bob Ferguson</b>	41%	31%	+10
<b>Governor Jay Inslee</b>	45%	49%	-4
<b>President Joe Biden</b>	46%	52%	-6

Source: RMG Research, Inc.

#### Senator Maria Cantwell

- 21% Strongly approve
- 28% Somewhat approve
- 15% Somewhat disapprove
- 21% Strongly disapprove
- 16% Not sure

#### Senator Patty Murray

- 22% Strongly approve
- 28% Somewhat approve
- 14% Somewhat disapprove
- 25% Strongly disapprove
- 11% Not sure





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#### Attorney General Bob Ferguson

15%	Strongly approve
26%	Somewhat approve
12%	Somewhat disapprove
19%	Strongly disapprove
28%	Not sure

#### Governor Jay Inslee

19%	Strongly approve
26%	Somewhat approve
15%	Somewhat disapprove
34%	Strongly disapprove
6%	Not sure

#### President Joe Biden

21%	Strongly approve
25%	Somewhat approve
17%	Somewhat disapprove
35%	Strongly disapprove
3%	Not sure





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*2\* Okay... does the United States provide too much individual freedom, too much government control, or is the balance about right?*

2%	Far too much individual freedom
12%	Somewhat too much individual freedom
30%	Somewhat too much government control
29%	Far too much government control
23%	About the right balance
4%	Not sure

*3\* What about the state of Washington? Does Washington provide too much individual freedom, too much government control, or is the balance about right?*

5%	Far too much individual freedom
10%	Somewhat too much individual freedom
21%	Somewhat too much government control
28%	Far too much government control
34%	About the right balance
3%	Not sure





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*4\* In terms of how you will vote in this year's general election, how important are each of the following issues:*

Total	
	Very important
<b>Economy</b>	70%
<b>Crime</b>	68%
<b>Homelessness</b>	55%
<b>Taxes</b>	53%
<b>Abortion</b>	52%
<b>Education</b>	50%
<b>Immigration</b>	50%
<b>The environment</b>	47%
<b>Energy independence</b>	40%
<b>Transgender rights</b>	23%

Source: RMG Research, Inc.

### Economy

70%	Very important
25%	Somewhat important
3%	Not very important
1%	Not at all important
1%	Not sure

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*4\* In terms of how you will vote in this year's general election, how important are each of the following issues:*

#### Crime

68%	Very important
25%	Somewhat important
4%	Not very important
2%	Not at all important
1%	Not sure

#### Homelessness

55%	Very important
33%	Somewhat important
8%	Not very important
3%	Not at all important
1%	Not sure

#### Taxes

53%	Very important
34%	Somewhat important
9%	Not very important
2%	Not at all important
1%	Not sure





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*4\* In terms of how you will vote in this year's general election, how important are each of the following issues:*

#### Abortion

52%	Very important
23%	Somewhat important
13%	Not very important
9%	Not at all important
3%	Not sure

#### Education

50%	Very important
39%	Somewhat important
7%	Not very important
4%	Not at all important
0%	Not sure

#### Immigration

50%	Very important
31%	Somewhat important
14%	Not very important
4%	Not at all important
1%	Not sure





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*4\* In terms of how you will vote in this year's general election, how important are each of the following issues:*

#### The environment

47%	Very important
33%	Somewhat important
11%	Not very important
8%	Not at all important
1%	Not sure

#### Energy independence

40%	Very important
44%	Somewhat important
12%	Not very important
3%	Not at all important
1%	Not sure

#### Transgender rights

23%	Very important
23%	Somewhat important
22%	Not very important
27%	Not at all important
4%	Not sure





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*5\* Okay... which of the following issues is most important?*

27%	Economy
19%	Crime
13%	The environment
13%	Immigration
9%	Abortion
6%	Homelessness
5%	Education
3%	Taxes
2%	Energy independence
1%	Transgender rights







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6\* How effective would each of the following be at addressing homelessness in your area?

Total	
	Very effective
Improving mental health services	39%
Increasing drug and alcohol treatment services	38%
Creating jobs	35%
Increasing policing	32%
Building more government housing	26%
Improving educational opportunities	26%
Reducing regulations for home builders	17%
Arresting people sleeping on the streets	13%
Setting up tent cities for homeless people	10%

Source: RMG Research, Inc.

### Improving mental health services

- 39% Very effective
- 39% Somewhat effective
- 15% Not very effective
- 4% Not at all effective
- 3% Not sure

### Increasing drug and alcohol treatment services

- 38% Very effective
- 35% Somewhat effective
- 18% Not very effective
- 5% Not at all effective
- 4% Not sure

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6\* How effective would each of the following be at addressing homelessness in your area?

#### Creating jobs

35%	Very effective
38%	Somewhat effective
19%	Not very effective
4%	Not at all effective
4%	Not sure

#### Increasing policing

32%	Very effective
31%	Somewhat effective
24%	Not very effective
10%	Not at all effective
3%	Not sure

#### Building more government housing

26%	Very effective
32%	Somewhat effective
20%	Not very effective
19%	Not at all effective
3%	Not sure





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#### Improving educational opportunities

26%	Very effective
40%	Somewhat effective
23%	Not very effective
7%	Not at all effective
4%	Not sure

#### Reducing regulations for home builders

17%	Very effective
28%	Somewhat effective
26%	Not very effective
18%	Not at all effective
11%	Not sure

#### Arresting people sleeping on the streets

13%	Very effective
19%	Somewhat effective
26%	Not very effective
39%	Not at all effective
3%	Not sure





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*6\* How effective would each of the following be at addressing homelessness in your area?*

Setting up tent cities for homeless people

10%	Very effective
19%	Somewhat effective
28%	Not very effective
38%	Not at all effective
5%	Not sure





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7\* To fight climate change, would you favor or oppose each of the following?

Total			
	Favor	Oppose	Net
Implementing a cap and trade system or carbon tax	34%	49%	-15
Lowering speed limits on highways	33%	62%	-29
Requiring smaller cars	28%	69%	-41
Banning gas powered cars	25%	70%	-45
Banning gas stoves	23%	70%	-47
Providing incentives for people to leave suburbs and rural areas to move to cities	22%	69%	-47
Banning the use of natural gas for residential heating	19%	73%	-54
Imposing strict rationing of gas, meat, and energy	16%	80%	-64
Eliminating all but essential airline travel	14%	84%	-70
Restricting travel to visit friends and family	7%	91%	-84

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7\* To fight climate change, would you favor or oppose each of the following?

#### Implementing a cap and trade system or carbon tax

12%	Strongly favor
22%	Somewhat favor
13%	Somewhat oppose
36%	Strongly oppose
16%	Not sure

#### Lowering speed limits on highways

7%	Strongly favor
26%	Somewhat favor
28%	Somewhat oppose
34%	Strongly oppose
5%	Not sure

#### Requiring smaller cars

6%	Strongly favor
22%	Somewhat favor
22%	Somewhat oppose
47%	Strongly oppose
4%	Not sure





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7\* To fight climate change, would you favor or oppose each of the following?

#### Banning gas powered cars

7%	Strongly favor
18%	Somewhat favor
22%	Somewhat oppose
48%	Strongly oppose
4%	Not sure

#### Banning gas stoves

6%	Strongly favor
17%	Somewhat favor
22%	Somewhat oppose
48%	Strongly oppose
7%	Not sure

#### Providing incentives for people to leave suburbs and rural areas to move to cities

6%	Strongly favor
16%	Somewhat favor
19%	Somewhat oppose
50%	Strongly oppose
8%	Not sure





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7\* To fight climate change, would you favor or oppose each of the following?

Banning the use of natural gas for residential heating

4%	Strongly favor
15%	Somewhat favor
20%	Somewhat oppose
53%	Strongly oppose
8%	Not sure

Imposing strict rationing of gas, meat, and energy

5%	Strongly favor
11%	Somewhat favor
18%	Somewhat oppose
62%	Strongly oppose
4%	Not sure

Eliminating all but essential airline travel

4%	Strongly favor
10%	Somewhat favor
14%	Somewhat oppose
70%	Strongly oppose
2%	Not sure







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7\* *To fight climate change, would you favor or oppose each of the following?*

Restricting travel to visit friends and family

3%	Strongly favor
4%	Somewhat favor
8%	Somewhat oppose
83%	Strongly oppose
1%	Not sure

8\* *In order to move to renewable sources and reduce greenhouse gas emissions, how much more would you personally be willing to pay for electricity each month?*

36%	Nothing
17%	Less than \$5 per month
27%	\$5-\$10 per month
13%	\$10-\$25 per month
7%	More than \$25 per month

9\* *Which is more important, reducing greenhouse gas emissions or reducing the cost of electricity and gas for Washington families?*

39%	Reducing greenhouse gas emissions
54%	Reducing the cost of electricity and gas
7%	Not sure





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10\* *Generally speaking, are taxes in Washington too high or too low?*

40%	Much too high
33%	Somewhat too high
4%	Somewhat too low
1%	Much too low
18%	About right
3%	Not sure

11\* *Are taxes in Washington higher, lower, or about the same as in most other states?*

32%	Much higher
39%	Somewhat higher
8%	Somewhat lower
3%	Much lower
8%	About the same
10%	Not sure

12\* *Are you currently paying your fair share of taxes, more than your fair share, or less than your fair share?*

39%	More than my fair share
53%	My fair share
4%	Less than my fair share
4%	Not sure





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*13\* Should local governments be allowed to increase tax rates as they see fit, or should all local tax increases be approved by the voters?*

- 11% Local governments should be allowed to increase tax rates as they see fit
- 84% Local tax increases should be approved by the voters
- 5% Not sure

*14\* What about state taxes? Should the governor and state legislature be allowed to increase tax rates whenever they want, or should statewide tax increases be approved by the voters?*

- 10% The governor and state legislature should be allowed to increase tax rates whenever they want
- 86% Statewide tax increases should be approved by voters
- 4% Not sure

*15\* Would you favor or oppose introducing a state income tax in Washington?*

- 5% Strongly favor
- 12% Somewhat favor
- 20% Somewhat oppose
- 55% Strongly oppose
- 9% Not sure





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*16\* Looking back over the past year, has your income kept up with inflation? Or have you been falling behind?*

22%	Income has kept up with inflation
74%	Income has been falling behind
5%	Not sure

*17\* [Asked of homeowners] Has your home increased in value over the last year?*

61%	Yes
26%	No
13%	Not sure

*18\* [Asked of homeowners] If you sold your home today, what would it cost to buy a comparable home in your area?*

37%	Much more than my current home is worth
30%	Somewhat more than my current home is worth
24%	About the same as my current home
4%	Somewhat less than my current home is worth
1%	Much less than my current home is worth
5%	Not sure





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19\* *How serious a problem is housing affordability in your community?*

54%	Very serious
37%	Somewhat serious
6%	Not very serious
2%	Not at all serious
3%	Not sure

20\* *Which is the best way to make housing more affordable in your community?*

40%	Reduce regulations on building of both apartments and single family homes
33%	Increase rent controls on existing homes
27%	Not sure

#### Methodology

The survey of 800 Likely Primary Voters was conducted online for USTL on February 21-26, 2024. Field work for the survey was conducted by RMG Research, Inc. Certain quotas were applied, and the sample was lightly weighted by gender, age, and race. Likely voters were determined by a screening process within the survey.

The margin of sampling error for the full sample is +/- 3.5 percentage points.

