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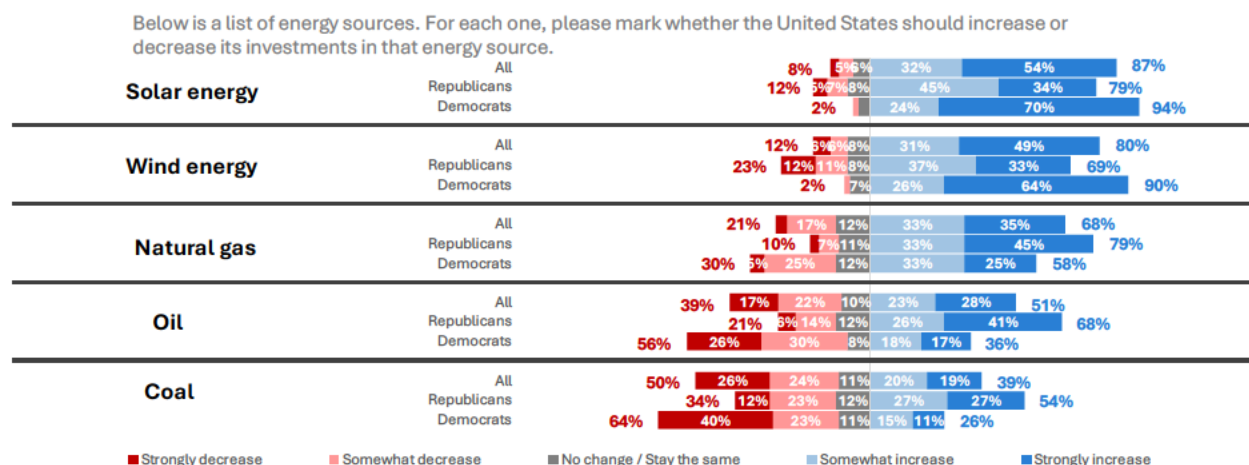
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RE: Recent Polling in Pennsylvania

The Future Of Energy In America

Overall, voters in Pennsylvania support the United States taking an “all of above” approach to energy sources for the future. When asked about each one, a majority of voters support the U.S. increasing investments in solar energy, wind energy, natural gas, and oil. This includes a significant 68% of voters that support increased investment in natural gas. The only energy source Pennsylvanians would like to see a decrease in is coal (50% decrease).

As shown below, a majority of Republicans and Democrats support an increased investment in natural gas, making this a rare bipartisan issue.



This “all of the above” approach to energy sources follows voters’ priorities for the state. A majority of voters (51%) are focused on the economy and the cost of living; in comparison, just 3% want the state to be focused on climate change.

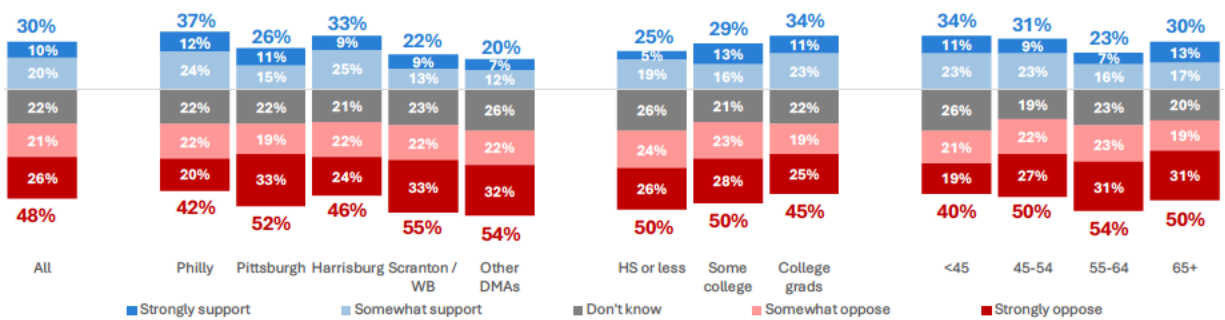


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President Biden's Announcement Regarding LNG Exports

Very few Pennsylvania voters are aware of President Biden's announcement suspending approvals of new facilities that export liquefied natural gas (LNG), with just 31% reporting having seen, read or heard about the announcement. However, voters are clear on how they feel about it. When informed, a plurality (48%) oppose the announcement, just 30% support the announcement, and 22% are unsure of how they feel. As shown below, there is very little benefit to Biden, with just 10% strongly in support of suspension of LNG exports. In contrast, there is considerable risk, with over a quarter of voters (26%) strongly opposed.

And do you support or oppose President Biden suspending approvals of new facilities in the U.S. that export liquefied natural gas?



As illustrated, voters of all age groups and in all media markets are opposed to Biden's suspension of approvals of new facilities that export LNG.

The reasons for opposition are clear. Large majorities of respondents agree with all five statements tested in opposition to the LNG suspension, as shown below. The biggest reasons for opposition are increasing reliance on cleaner, American-made natural gas and protecting Pennsylvania jobs.

	Percentage Agree	Percentage Disagree
Liquefied natural gas is cleaner than coal and natural gas produced in other countries; we should expand liquefied natural gas production to phase out dirtier, foreign-made energy sources.	85%	15%
Pennsylvania is the second-largest natural gas-producing state; a suspension of new exports of liquefied natural gas would threaten thousands of good-paying jobs in Pennsylvania's natural gas industry.	84%	16%

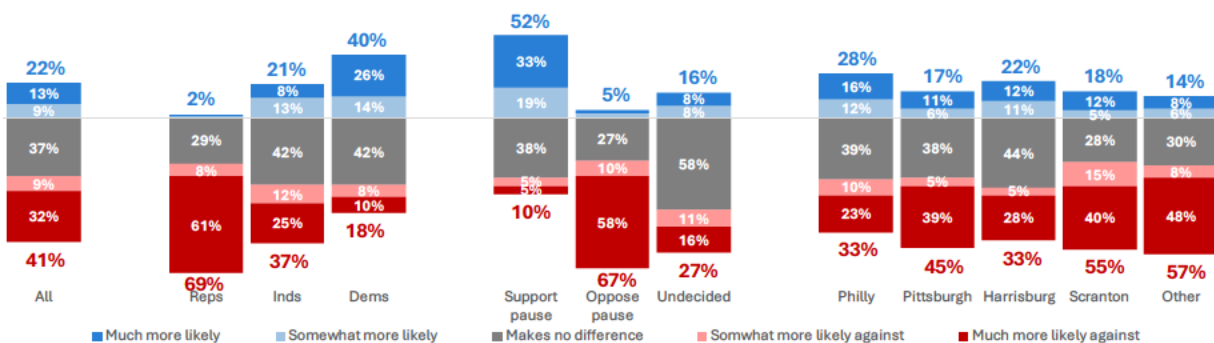


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Russia cut off energy supplies to Europe after invading Ukraine, creating an energy crisis in Europe; the United States should show leadership and support our allies by supplying liquefied natural gas.	76%	24%
We shouldn't suspend new exports of liquefied natural gas, we should increase them; LNG exports could add upwards of \$73 billion to the U.S. economy by 2040.	75%	25%
We shouldn't suspend new exports of liquefied natural gas, we should increase them; LNG exports could create upwards of 453,000 American jobs.	73%	27%

After hearing more about the suspension, opposition to Biden's announcement increases 10-points to 58% opposed. Not only are voters opposed to his suspension of LNG exports, it also impacts Biden on the ballot. Forty-one percent (41%) of voters say they are more likely to vote against Joe Biden based on him suspending approvals for new facilities that export liquefied natural gas, while just 22% are more likely to support him. In the Scranton media market, this increases to a majority of voters (55%) who say they are more likely to vote against Joe Biden based on this announcement (as shown below).

And are you more likely to vote for Joe Biden or more likely to vote against Joe Biden for suspending approvals of new facilities that export liquefied natural gas, or does it not make a difference to your vote?



In contrast, voters appear more aligned with statements by Senator Casey and Senator Fetterman on this issue. After hearing that both U.S. Senators have expressed concern about the negative impacts from the suspension of LNG, voters are more likely to agree with Casey and Fetterman and oppose the suspension. Opposition increases from 48% opposed to 54% more likely to be opposed.



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Methodology

Axis Research conducted a poll of N=601 Pennsylvania voters from February 25th through February 27th, 2024. Respondents are representative of the electorate in terms of gender, age, ethnicity, political affiliation, and regional distribution across the state. The poll was conducted online through a blend of panels to eliminate any bias and have the greatest reach.

The margin of error on these results is $\pm 4.1\%$.