

# TCI Poll Toplines

## Methodology

**Poll number:** pr2025

**Interview Dates:** November 9-15, 2020

**Sample Population:** 3818 registered voters across TCI states (CT, DC, DE, ME, MD, MA, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT, VA).

**Sample Selection:** Scientific online poll - stratified sample of panel respondents.

**Weighting Parameters:** The sample was weighted based on the U.S. Census Bureau's Voting and Registration Supplement to the Current Population Survey for registered voters across TCI states based on age, gender, race, educational attainment, state proportions, and Hispanic ethnicity.

This topline provides weighted percentages, as well as the unweighted N-size for the total sample. Due to the effects of weighting and rounding, figures may or may not add up to 100%. The standard deviation of the weights was: 0.1904898. The maximum weight was: 1.6681629. The minimum weight was: 0.4801848. 95% of the weights were between 0.7037685, 1.3959446.

**Margin of Error:** The 95% credibility interval for this survey is +/- 1.6%, which includes the square root of the design effect (DEFT): 1.0179768.

approve...Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President?

Response	Percent	N
Strongly approve	23%	887
Somewhat approve	18%	707
Somewhat disapprove	11%	424
Strongly disapprove	45%	1,713
Not sure	2%	87

rdwt...Generally speaking, would you say that things in this country are headed in the right direction or would you say that things are headed off on the wrong track?

Response	Percent	N
Right direction	33%	1,286
Wrong track	56%	2,102
Not sure	11%	430

TCI1x1...Do you think your state government is investing too much, not enough, or the right amount in each of the following? If you're not sure, just say so. - Repairing existing roads and bridges

Response	Percent	N
Not enough	53%	2,004
The right amount	30%	1,153
Too much	8%	311
Not sure	9%	350

TCI1x2...Do you think your state government is investing too much, not enough, or the right amount in each of the following? If you're not sure, just say so. - Increasing the availability and quality of public transportation options

Response	Percent	N
Not enough	32%	1,212
The right amount	39%	1,495
Too much	10%	372
Not sure	20%	739

TCI1x3...Do you think your state government is investing too much, not enough, or the right amount in each of the following? If you're not sure, just say so. - Drinking water and wastewater systems

Response	Percent	N
Not enough	34%	1,280
The right amount	43%	1,632
Too much	7%	263
Not sure	17%	643

TCI1x4...Do you think your state government is investing too much, not enough, or the right amount in each of the following? If you're not sure, just say so. - Energy efficiency programs for homeowners, businesses, and low-income houses

Response	Percent	N
Not enough	40%	1,517
The right amount	33%	1,265
Too much	9%	367
Not sure	18%	669

TCI1x5...Do you think your state government is investing too much, not enough, or the right amount in each of the following? If you're not sure, just say so. - Airports

Response	Percent	N
Not enough	14%	540
The right amount	50%	1,918
Too much	12%	454
Not sure	24%	906

TCI1x6...Do you think your state government is investing too much, not enough, or the right amount in each of the following? If you're not sure, just say so. - Reducing pollution that contributes to climate change

Response	Percent	N
Not enough	45%	1,731
The right amount	29%	1,099
Too much	10%	414
Not sure	15%	574

TCI1x7...Do you think your state government is investing too much, not enough, or the right amount in each of the following? If you're not sure, just say so. - Building new roads and bridges

Response	Percent	N
Not enough	41%	1,573
The right amount	36%	1,381
Too much	9%	361
Not sure	13%	503

TCI1x8...Do you think your state government is investing too much, not enough, or the right amount in each of the following? If you're not sure, just say so. - Affordable housing

Response	Percent	N
Not enough	47%	1,777
The right amount	28%	1,093
Too much	11%	452
Not sure	13%	496

TCI1x9...Do you think your state government is investing too much, not enough, or the right amount in each of the following? If you're not sure, just say so. - Broadband internet access and affordability

Response	Percent	N
Not enough	36%	1,352
The right amount	36%	1,380
Too much	9%	359
Not sure	19%	727

TCI1x10...Do you think your state government is investing too much, not enough, or the right amount in each of the following? If you're not sure, just say so. - Electric vehicle charging stations

Response	Percent	N
Not enough	29%	1,132
The right amount	30%	1,146
Too much	13%	512
Not sure	28%	1,028

TCI1x11...Do you think your state government is investing too much, not enough, or the right amount in each of the following? If you're not sure, just say so. - Preparing for the effects of climate change

Response	Percent	N
Not enough	45%	1,731
The right amount	25%	950
Too much	13%	521
Not sure	16%	616

TCI1x12...Do you think your state government is investing too much, not enough, or the right amount in each of the following? If you're not sure, just say so. - Renewable energy, such as wind and solar

Response	Percent	N
Not enough	43%	1,636
The right amount	29%	1,106
Too much	13%	502
Not sure	15%	574

TCI2x1...Are each of the following a major factor, a minor factor, or not a factor at all in deciding what method of transportation you use? - Safety

Response	Percent	N
Major factor	69%	2,654
Minor factor	22%	845
Not a factor at all	8%	319

TCI2x2...Are each of the following a major factor, a minor factor, or not a factor at all in deciding what method of transportation you use? - Cost

Response	Percent	N
Major factor	57%	2,185
Minor factor	32%	1,213
Not a factor at all	11%	420

TCI2x3...Are each of the following a major factor, a minor factor, or not a factor at all in deciding what method of transportation you use? - Reliability

Response	Percent	N
Major factor	69%	2,655
Minor factor	23%	889
Not a factor at all	7%	274

TCI2x4...Are each of the following a major factor, a minor factor, or not a factor at all in deciding what method of transportation you use? - Convenience

Response	Percent	N
Major factor	66%	2,537
Minor factor	26%	980
Not a factor at all	8%	301

TCI2x5...Are each of the following a major factor, a minor factor, or not a factor at all in deciding what method of transportation you use? - Accessibility for individuals with disabilities

Response	Percent	N
Major factor	31%	1,169
Minor factor	31%	1,209
Not a factor at all	38%	1,440

TCI2x6...Are each of the following a major factor, a minor factor, or not a factor at all in deciding what method of transportation you use? - Impact on the environment

Response	Percent	N
Major factor	31%	1,170
Minor factor	45%	1,732
Not a factor at all	24%	916

TCI2x7...Are each of the following a major factor, a minor factor, or not a factor at all in deciding what method of transportation you use? - Speed

Response	Percent	N
Major factor	38%	1,472
Minor factor	44%	1,661
Not a factor at all	18%	685

TCI2x8...Are each of the following a major factor, a minor factor, or not a factor at all in deciding what method of transportation you use? - Health

Response	Percent	N
Major factor	55%	2,093
Minor factor	28%	1,059
Not a factor at all	18%	666

TCI3...Do you think your state government is adequately prepared to deal with the impacts of extreme weather/storms, including flooding, heavy rainfall, and heat waves, on transportation infrastructure?

Response	Percent	N
Not prepared	39%	1,494
Prepared	38%	1,473
Not sure	22%	851

TCI4x1...When it comes to investing in the transportation infrastructure in your local area, how important are each of the following objectives? - Increasing the number of clean public transportation options, such as electric busses and commuter rail, to reduce carbon pollution that contributes to climate change

Response	Percent	N
Very important	45%	1,710
Somewhat important	39%	1,499
Not too important	12%	444
Not at all important	4%	165

TCI4x2...When it comes to investing in the transportation infrastructure in your local area, how important are each of the following objectives? - Increasing the quality, affordability, and access/convenience of public transportation

Response	Percent	N
Very important	46%	1,746
Somewhat important	40%	1,554
Not too important	10%	394
Not at all important	3%	124

TCI4x3...When it comes to investing in the transportation infrastructure in your local area, how important are each of the following objectives? - Reducing harmful pollution that lowers air quality and contributes to asthma and lung disease

Response	Percent	N
Very important	54%	2,067
Somewhat important	34%	1,325
Not too important	8%	315
Not at all important	3%	111

TCI4x4...When it comes to investing in the transportation infrastructure in your local area, how important are each of the following objectives? - Ensuring low-income communities and communities of color have increased access to public transportation

Response	Percent	N
Very important	48%	1,811
Somewhat important	37%	1,428
Not too important	10%	380
Not at all important	5%	199

TCI4x5...When it comes to investing in the transportation infrastructure in your local area, how important are each of the following objectives? - Ensuring essential workers, such as doctors, nurses, and teachers, can get to work safely and on time to perform their duties

Response	Percent	N
Very important	67%	2,532
Somewhat important	27%	1,025
Not too important	5%	186
Not at all important	2%	75

TCI4x6...When it comes to investing in the transportation infrastructure in your local area, how important are each of the following objectives? - Reducing traffic congestion

Response	Percent	N
Very important	48%	1,808
Somewhat important	40%	1,546
Not too important	10%	367
Not at all important	3%	97

TCI4x7...When it comes to investing in the transportation infrastructure in your local area, how important are each of the following objectives? - Designating more walking routes / bike lanes

Response	Percent	N
Very important	30%	1,140
Somewhat important	43%	1,642
Not too important	21%	785
Not at all important	7%	251

TCI5...How important is it to you for your state to reduce carbon pollution at the local level?

Response	Percent	N
Very important	47%	1,791
Somewhat important	36%	1,366
Not too important	13%	485
Not at all important	5%	176

TCI6...Do you approve or disapprove of the job President Donald Trump is doing in handling the coronavirus pandemic?

Response	Percent	N
Strongly approve	23%	873
Somewhat approve	20%	777
Somewhat disapprove	11%	436
Strongly disapprove	44%	1,670
Not sure	2%	62



TCI7...Do you approve or disapprove of the job your state governor is doing in handling the coronavirus pandemic?

Response	Percent	N
Strongly approve	27%	1,023
Somewhat approve	40%	1,537
Somewhat disapprove	15%	574
Strongly disapprove	15%	564
Not sure	3%	120

TCI8...As you may know, in response to the coronavirus pandemic, many governors have formed regional coalitions to address public health concerns and work together to rebuild their economies. Would you support or oppose your governor working with other governors in your region to address other issues, such as expanding transportation?

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	45%	1,717
Somewhat support	35%	1,343
Somewhat oppose	7%	270
Strongly oppose	4%	167
Not sure	9%	321

TCI9...Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: If the federal government fails to reduce the pollution that causes climate change, my state government should take action to reduce pollution.

Response	Percent	N
Strongly agree	41%	1,566
Somewhat agree	33%	1,244
Somewhat disagree	11%	402
Strongly disagree	9%	320
Not sure	8%	286

TCI10...Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: When considering investments in modernizing and upgrading transportation, my state government should prioritize communities of color, including Black, Latino, Asian, and Native American communities, who lack sufficient access to transportation and have historically been more negatively impacted by vehicle pollution.

Response	Percent	N
Strongly agree	31%	1,178
Somewhat agree	35%	1,333
Somewhat disagree	13%	492
Strongly disagree	10%	388
Not sure	11%	427

TCI11...As you may or may not know, 11 Northeast and Mid-Atlantic states and the District of Columbia have joined together in a regional transportation agreement, called the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI). Under TCI, states will cap carbon pollution from the transportation sector and require gasoline companies to pay for the carbon pollution produced by the fuel they sell by purchasing annual allowances. The proceeds generated by this plan would then be reinvested in cleaner, more efficient, and more accessible transportation options. Do you support or oppose your state participating in the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI)?

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	40%	1,522
Somewhat support	31%	1,186
Somewhat oppose	9%	331
Strongly oppose	9%	326
Not sure	12%	453

TCI12...Which of the following statements comes closest to your view on the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI) and recovery from the coronavirus pandemic, even if neither is exactly right?

Response	Percent	N
My state SHOULD join TCI as part of the recovery from the coronavirus pandemic. TCI will help jumpstart my state's economy and create new, good-paying jobs, while reducing air pollution.	70%	2,662
My state should NOT join TCI as part of the recovery from the coronavirus pandemic. TCI will be an economic burden on consumers and families in my state and will increase costs on basic needs like gas and transportation.	30%	1,156

TCI13x1...Do you support or oppose directing proceeds from the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI) to each of the following infrastructure projects in your state? - Adding or upgrading sidewalks to improve walkability and public health

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	42%	1,593
Somewhat support	39%	1,514
Somewhat oppose	9%	364
Strongly oppose	3%	111
Not sure	6%	236

TCI13x2...Do you support or oppose directing proceeds from the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI) to each of the following infrastructure projects in your state? - Increasing access to bikes, scooters, and other shared mobility options

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	27%	1,042
Somewhat support	40%	1,534
Somewhat oppose	15%	583
Strongly oppose	7%	258
Not sure	11%	401

TCI13x3...Do you support or oppose directing proceeds from the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI) to each of the following infrastructure projects in your state? - Adding bike lanes to existing roads and bridges

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	27%	1,033
Somewhat support	39%	1,500
Somewhat oppose	16%	603
Strongly oppose	9%	346
Not sure	9%	336

TCI13x4...Do you support or oppose directing proceeds from the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI) to each of the following infrastructure projects in your state? - Providing consumer rebates or incentives to purchase cleaner-fuel vehicles, like electric vehicles

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	36%	1,367
Somewhat support	38%	1,449
Somewhat oppose	11%	417
Strongly oppose	7%	256
Not sure	9%	329

TCI13x5...Do you support or oppose directing proceeds from the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI) to each of the following infrastructure projects in your state? - Building and expanding charging infrastructure for electric vehicles

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	28%	1,083
Somewhat support	40%	1,513
Somewhat oppose	13%	505
Strongly oppose	7%	267
Not sure	12%	450

TCI13x6...Do you support or oppose directing proceeds from the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI) to each of the following infrastructure projects in your state? - Repairing existing roads and bridges, such as fixing bridges that are in poor condition

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	59%	2,247
Somewhat support	28%	1,084
Somewhat oppose	6%	226
Strongly oppose	2%	87
Not sure	5%	174

TCI13x7...Do you support or oppose directing proceeds from the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI) to each of the following infrastructure projects in your state? - Investing in existing roads and bridges to make them more resilient to the impacts of climate change, such as extreme weather and flooding

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	49%	1,865
Somewhat support	35%	1,337
Somewhat oppose	7%	269
Strongly oppose	3%	120
Not sure	6%	227

TCI13x8...Do you support or oppose directing proceeds from the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI) to each of the following infrastructure projects in your state? - Adding new bus routes and train lines to reach communities, including in rural and suburban locations, that don't currently have access to public transportation

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	39%	1,476
Somewhat support	38%	1,473
Somewhat oppose	10%	376
Strongly oppose	5%	171
Not sure	9%	322

TCI13x9...Do you support or oppose directing proceeds from the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI) to each of the following infrastructure projects in your state? - Increasing the availability of paratransit, or services that supplement mass transit by providing individualized rides without fixed routes or timetables

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	26%	1,008
Somewhat support	38%	1,468
Somewhat oppose	13%	504
Strongly oppose	5%	194
Not sure	17%	644

TCI13x10...Do you support or oppose directing proceeds from the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI) to each of the following infrastructure projects in your state? - Expanding high speed communications and internet, especially to rural communities and those who can least afford this essential service

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	46%	1,751
Somewhat support	35%	1,359
Somewhat oppose	8%	319
Strongly oppose	4%	135
Not sure	7%	254

TCI13x11...Do you support or oppose directing proceeds from the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI) to each of the following infrastructure projects in your state? - Increasing the frequency of buses and trains along existing routes

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	29%	1,112
Somewhat support	41%	1,564
Somewhat oppose	14%	536
Strongly oppose	4%	166
Not sure	12%	440

TCI13x12...Do you support or oppose directing proceeds from the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI) to each of the following infrastructure projects in your state? - Reducing the pollution emitted in shipping ports by installing zero-emission electric equipment

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	37%	1,415
Somewhat support	34%	1,306
Somewhat oppose	11%	425
Strongly oppose	6%	227
Not sure	12%	445

TCI13x13...Do you support or oppose directing proceeds from the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI) to each of the following infrastructure projects in your state? - Improving reliability of public transit (e.g., buses, trains, and subways)

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	44%	1,680
Somewhat support	38%	1,465
Somewhat oppose	8%	298
Strongly oppose	4%	136
Not sure	6%	239

TCI13x14...Do you support or oppose directing proceeds from the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI) to each of the following infrastructure projects in your state? - Modernizing and improving public transit (e.g., replacing older buses with new electric buses, upgrading old subway cars and trains, adding solar to bus stops, upgrading transit stations)

Response	Percent	N
Strongly support	42%	1,605
Somewhat support	37%	1,435
Somewhat oppose	9%	334
Strongly oppose	4%	147
Not sure	8%	297

TCI14x1...How much, if at all, do you trust the following people and groups to provide information about the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI)? - Health professionals, such as doctors, nurses, or first responders

Response	Percent	N
A lot	40%	1,530
Some	41%	1,576
Not much	13%	508
Not at all	5%	204

TCI14x2...How much, if at all, do you trust the following people and groups to provide information about the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI)? - Local government officials

Response	Percent	N
A lot	17%	640
Some	51%	1,936
Not much	23%	861
Not at all	10%	381

TCI14x3...How much, if at all, do you trust the following people and groups to provide information about the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI)? - Business leaders

Response	Percent	N
A lot	11%	443
Some	42%	1,586
Not much	36%	1,365
Not at all	11%	424

TCI14x4...How much, if at all, do you trust the following people and groups to provide information about the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI)? - My state's governor

Response	Percent	N
A lot	25%	978
Some	43%	1,654
Not much	17%	661
Not at all	14%	525

TCI14x5...How much, if at all, do you trust the following people and groups to provide information about the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI)? - President Elect Joe Biden

Response	Percent	N
A lot	18%	703
Some	43%	1,667
Not much	23%	869
Not at all	16%	579

TCI14x6...How much, if at all, do you trust the following people and groups to provide information about the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI)? - Climate scientists

Response	Percent	N
A lot	44%	1,683
Some	35%	1,319
Not much	13%	507
Not at all	8%	309

TCI14x7...How much, if at all, do you trust the following people and groups to provide information about the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI)? - Oil and natural gas companies

Response	Percent	N
A lot	13%	520
Some	36%	1,370
Not much	33%	1,254
Not at all	18%	674

TCI14x8...How much, if at all, do you trust the following people and groups to provide information about the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI)? - Renewable energy companies

Response	Percent	N
A lot	25%	955
Some	47%	1,809
Not much	20%	755
Not at all	8%	299

TCI14x9...How much, if at all, do you trust the following people and groups to provide information about the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI)? - Environmental organizations

Response	Percent	N
A lot	33%	1,282
Some	42%	1,586
Not much	16%	615
Not at all	9%	335

TCI14x10...How much, if at all, do you trust the following people and groups to provide information about the Transportation and Climate Initiative (TCI)? - TV weather forecasters/meteorologists

Response	Percent	N
A lot	19%	723
Some	47%	1,811
Not much	25%	937
Not at all	9%	347

### Sample Statistics

Var1	Freq
Age18-34	24.9%
Age35-54	33%
Age55+	42.1%
Gender-Female	53.6%
Gender-Male	46.4%
Race-Black	15.1%
Race-Other	5.5%
Race-White	79.4%
Education-Advanced	16.5%
Education-Bachelors	25.1%
Education-LessThanBachelors	58.4%
party-ID: Democrat	44.1%
party-ID: Independent	24.5%
party-ID: Republican	28.5%
party-ID: Something else	2.9%
Hispanic-No	92.5%
Hispanic-Yes	7.5%
Connecticut	4.9%
Delaware	1.4%
District of Columbia	1.2%
Maine	2.3%
Maryland	8.7%
Massachusetts	10.2%
New Jersey	11.6%
New York	25.6%
Pennsylvania	19.3%
Rhode Island	1.5%
Vermont	1%
Virginia	12.3%