



HSUS VIRGINIA POLL RESULTS

625 registered voters interviewed statewide by telephone January 16-19, 2012 by Mason-Dixon Polling & Research, Inc.

The margin for error, according to standards customarily used by statisticians, is no more than plus or minus 4 percentage points. This means that there is a 95 percent probability that the "true" figure would fall within that range if the entire population were sampled.

Those interviewed were selected by the random variation of the last four digits of telephone numbers. A cross-section of exchanges was utilized in order to ensure an accurate reflection of the county.

QUESTION: Over three years more than 3,600 captured wild foxes were put in fenced enclosures called "fox pens" where packs of dogs are judged on how they chase down the captive foxes. Often the foxes are chased to exhaustion, caught, and then killed by dogs inside the pen. Recently, Virginia wildlife officials temporarily shut down 31 of the state's 41 fox pens for illegal operating practices.

Do you support or oppose the practice of fox penning?

	<u>STATE</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOMEN</u>	<u>DEMS</u>	<u>REPS</u>	<u>INDS</u>
SUPPORT	8%	10%	6%	9%	9%	7%
OPPOSE	67%	68%	67%	63%	64%	75%
UNDECIDED	25%	22%	27%	28%	27%	18%

QUESTION: Would you support or oppose legislation to prohibit fox pens in Virginia?

	<u>STATE</u>	<u>MEN</u>	<u>WOMEN</u>	<u>DEMS</u>	<u>REPS</u>	<u>INDS</u>
SUPPORT	51%	48%	54%	50%	51%	52%
OPPOSE	23%	29%	17%	21%	23%	25%
UNDECIDED	26%	23%	29%	29%	26%	23%