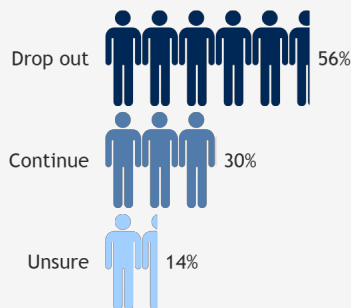# Founders Insight

PUBLIC POLICY RESEARCH

Washington Post Article

September 20th, 2023

VA Candidate

Recently, the Washington Post covered a story about a female candidate for the Virginia House of Delegates who live-streamed having sex with her husband while asking for money to perform other sex acts. Do you believe this disqualifies the candidate from running for office?

Drop out 56%
Continue 30%
Unsure 14%

Actual answer options read:
- Yes, she should drop out of the race
- No, she should continue in the race
- Unsure

Critical Crosstabs:

By Gender

	Female	Male
Drop out	60%	51%
Continue	27%	34%
Unsure	13%	16%

By Education

	HS	College	Grad+
Drop out	60%	55%	48%
Continue	23%	34%	38%
Unsure	17%	11%	13%

By Ideology

	Moderate	Conserv.	Liberal
Drop out	52%	74%	30%
Continue	36%	13%	51%
Unsure	13%	13%	19%

By Age

	18-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
Drop out	50%	34%	55%	59%	65%
Continue	40%	55%	35%	23%	18%
Unsure	10%	11%	10%	18%	17%

By Race

	White	Black	Other
Drop out	56%	62%	46%
Continue	31%	18%	39%
Unsure	13%	20%	15%

By Last 4 Generals

	4	3	2	1	0
Drop out	59%	56%	57%	65%	30%
Continue	25%	29%	34%	21%	55%
Unsure	16%	14%	8%	14%	15%

By Self-Reported Party

	Republican	Democrat	Independent	Other
Drop out	74%	44%	42%	40%
Continue	16%	39%	40%	47%
Unsure	10%	17%	17%	13%

By DMA

	DC	Norfolk	Richmond	Roanoke	Other
Drop out	55%	58%	45%	70%	55%
Continue	35%	31%	38%	11%	20%
Unsure	10%	11%	17%	19%	25%

By Voting Method

	Day of	Early	By Mail	Undecided
Drop out	63%	56%	45%	41%
Continue	25%	28%	48%	32%
Unsure	12%	16%	7%	26%

Methodology and Demographics

Fielded On: September 14-18, 2023

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Method: Landline Interviews and Mobile Text Response

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Population & Sample Description:

854 Likely General Election Voters

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MoE: +/- 3.35

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Weighting: Age, Gender, Education Level, Race, DMA, and Self-Reported Party

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Age

	%
18-34	14%
35-44	14%
45-54	16%
55-64	20%
65+	35%

Gender

	%
Female	53%
Male	47%

Education

	%
HS	46%
College	31%
Grad+	23%

Race

	%
White	75%
Black	13%
Other	11%

Ideology

	%
Moderate	41%
Conserv.	39%
Liberal	20%

Self-Reported Party

	%
Repub.	41%
Dem.	37%
Indep.	18%
Other	4%

Last 4 Generals

	%
4	45%
3	25%
2	13%
1	7%
0	10%

DMA

	%
DC	39%
Norfolk	20%
Richmond	19%
Roanoke	13%
Other	9%

Voting Method

	%
Day of	42%
Early	31%
By Mail	15%
Undecided	12%