GOP Voter Attitudes Towards Cannabis Poll

On behalf of the National Cannabis Roundtable (NCR), Fabrizio, Lee & Associates recently completed a survey of 1,000 self-reported Republican voters nationally (see methodology below). It found GOP voters extremely supportive of legal cannabis companies being given the same rights as any other legal business and that GOP voters want the federal government to get out of the states' way and let them, not the federal government to regulate cannabis. What follows are some of the key take-aways from the data:

- ✓ Nearly 3 in 4 GOP voters (73%) agree that legal Cannabis Companies should be entitled to the same rights as any other legal business.

- ✓ More than 3 in 4 GOP voters (76%) agree that if states legalize Cannabis, the Federal Government should not fight the state, but they should step aside and remove any obstacles.

- ✓ By a lopsided 58%-10% margin, GOP voters say that states should be responsible for regulating legal Cannabis over the Federal Government.

- ✓ Nearly 2 in 3 GOP voters (65%) say that legal Cannabis companies should have access to the banking system and be able to open and use bank accounts like any other legal business.

- ✓ By a clear 51%-33% majority, GOP voters say that legal Cannabis companies should have access to the capital markets and be able to sell stock and be listed on stock exchanges.

- ✓ Over two-thirds of GOP voters (69%) favor sentence reviews for people convicted of non-violent cannabis crimes in states where cannabis is now legal for adult use.

- ✓ By a solid 56%-34% majority, GOP voters favor expunging cannabis convictions from a person's record if adult use cannabis is now legal in their state.

- ✓ Roughly three-quarters of GOP voters (73%) favor legalizing cannabis for medical purposes.

- ✓ Surprisingly, GOP voters are split 47%-46% on legalizing cannabis for adult use.

- ✓ Nearly half of GOP voters (47%) have used cannabis recreationally, for medicinal purposes or both.

✓ Former President Trump maintains the highest favorability and job approval of the GOP figures tested. Senate leader McConnell's image is underwater with GOP voters while House Leader McCarthy garners a 2:1 positive image. The GOP in the Senate and House draw positive job approval ratings.

METHODOLOGY STATEMENT: Fabrizio, Lee & Associates conducted a survey of 1,000 Self-reported Republican voters from August 15th – 21st. The interviews were split 35% cell phone/35% SMS to web/30% landline phone, using live operators for the cell phone and landline phone portions. Geography was matched to past voter turnout in recent elections. Gender, age, race/ethnicity, and education were matched to demographic profiles of Republican voters based on the voter file and exit poll data. Respondents were randomly selected from lists of registered voters. The margin of error at the 95% confidence interval for 1,000 voters is ±3.1%.

KEY DEMOGRAPHICS

Race/Ethnicity

White	88%
Latino/Hispanic	7%
African American/Black	2%
Asian American	1%
Other (DO NOT READ)	2%
DK/Refused (DO NOT READ)	<1%

Age

18-34	16%
35-44	14%
45-54	20%
55-64	22%
65+	28%

Education

High School or less	18%
Some College	40%
4-Year College degree+	42%

Primary Election Vote History (2020, 2018, 2016, 2014)

4-of-4	13%
3-of-4	14%
2-of-4	16%
1-of-4	21%
0-of-4	35%

Gender

MALE	50%
FEMALE	50%

Female, working outside the home	28%
Female, homemaker	22%
Female/Refused	<1%

State

New England	4%
Mid-Atlantic	12%
East North Central	16%
West North Central	8%
South Atlantic	21%
East South Central	7%
West South Central	12%
Mountain	8%
Pacific	12%

General Election Vote History (2020, 2018, 2016, 2014)

4-of-4	46%
3-of-4	22%
2-of-4	11%
1-of-4	11%
0-of-4	10%