2020 Vermonter Poll Results- VT ACLU

This next question is about people incarcerated, or jailed, in Vermont. Do you strongly support, somewhat support, have no opinion, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose reducing the number of people incarcerated in Vermont by investing in community-based alternatives like drug and mental health treatment, restorative justice centers, and other rehabilitation programs?

	Frequency	Percent
Strongly Support	316	56.7
Somewhat Support	124	22.3
Have no opinion	25	4.5
Somewhat Oppose	30	5.4
Strongly Oppose	46	8.3
[Don't Read] Don't Know	12	2.2
[Don't Read] Refused	4	0.7
Total	557	100.0

2020 Vermonter Poll Demographics and Methodology

What is the highest level of education that you have completed?

	2020 VT Poll	**2018 ACS**
Less than High School (no diploma)	2.5%	6.6%
High School graduate (incl. GED)	17.4%	29.4%
Some College or More	80.1%	64.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

How many people are there in your household?

	2020 VT Poll
1	24.2%
2	33.8%
3	18.1%
4	17.0%
5	4.0%
More than 5	2.9%
Total	100.0%

Vermonter Poll average household size: 2.5
2018 ACS average household size: 2.3

How many people in your household are under the age of 18?

	2020 VT Poll
0	71.5%
1	10.5%
2	14.2%
3	2.7%
More than 3	1.2%
Total	100.0%

28.5% of VT Poll respondents reported children under 18 years of age in the household.
21.6% of VT households have children under 18 years of age according to 2018 ACS.

Do you identify as one of the following: Hispanic, Latino, or of Spanish origin?

	2020 VT Poll	2018 ACS
Hispanic or Latino	2.5%	2.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	97.5%	98.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

Listen to the following list and indicate the race category with which you most identify:

	2020 VT Poll	2018 ACS
White or Caucasian	94.2%	94.1%
Black or African American	0.2%	1.2%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	1.0%	0.3%
Asian or Pacific Islander	0.8%	1.9%
Two or more races	3.9%	2.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

Politically do you consider yourself to be:

	2020 VT Poll
A Republican	14.1%
A Democrat	27.1%
An Independent	30.9%

A Progressive	7.9%
Not Politically Affiliated	17.4%
Some Other Political Affiliation	2.5%
Total	100.0%

With what gender do you most identify?

	2020 VT Poll	2018 ACS
Male	45.9%	49.2%
Female	53.3%	50.8%
Some other gender identification	0.8%	-
Total	100.0%	100.0%

Age

	2020 VT Poll	2018 ACS
18 to 24 years	3.8%	10.4%
25 to 34 years	8.8%	12.0%
35 to 44 years	16.2%	11.2%
45 to 54 years	16.9%	12.9%
55 to 64 years	23.3%	15.3%
65 to 74 years	24.0%	12.1%
75 to 84 years	5.2%	5.6%
85 years and over	1.7%	2.1%
Total 18 years and over	100.0%	100.0%
Median Age (18+ population)	57.0	-

Income

	2020 VT Poll	2018 ACS
Less than $25,000	12.8%	19.1%
$25,000-$50,000	21.7%	21.4%
$50,000-$75,000	18.3%	18.6
$75,000-$100,000	15.7%	14.7
More than $100,000	31.5%	26.2%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

2020 Vermonter Poll Methodology
Data were collected by the Center for Rural Studies at the University of Vermont as part of the 2020 Vermonter Poll. The survey was conducted between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. beginning on February 18, 2020 and ending March 1, 2020. Telephone polling was conducted from the University of Vermont using computer-aided telephone interviewing (CATI). A random sample for the poll was drawn from lists of Vermont landline and cellular telephone numbers. Only Vermont residents over the age of eighteen were interviewed. The poll included questions on a variety of subject areas relevant to Vermonters.
A total of 559 Vermont residents over the age of 18 agreed to participate and completed the survey. Based upon 559 valid responses, the overall study results have a margin of error of plus or minus 4.1 percent with a confidence level of 95 percent. This means that if this study were replicated 100 times, 95 of those times, the results would fall within +/-4.1% of the results found in this effort.