

OREGON

PUBLIC OPINION

JANUARY 2019

Survey conducted January 23 through January 24, 2019. 1,075 likely 2020 General Election voters participated in the survey. Survey weighted to match expected turnout demographics for the 2020 General Election. Margin of Error is +/-3.3% with a 95% level of confidence. Totals do not always equal 100% due to rounding.



Q: Oregon wildlife like coyotes, bobcats, foxes, and cougars play a vital role in healthy ecosystems by controlling disease transmission, keeping rodent populations in check, increasing biological diversity, and protecting crops. Do you agree or disagree that wildlife like coyotes, bobcats, foxes, and cougars are an important asset to Oregon's ecosystems?

Agree: 76% Disagree: 17% No opinion: 7%

Q: Wildlife-killing contests are organized events in which participants compete for prizes—typically cash or guns—to see who can kill the most or the largest animals within a certain time period. Participants use high-tech calling devices to lure animals in for an easy kill. In Oregon, wildlife killing contests typically target coyotes. Do you support or oppose a ban in Oregon on wildlife killing contests?

Support: 60% Oppose: 31% No opinion: 9%

Q: Numerous scientific studies point out that the indiscriminate killing of wild animals, like coyotes, will not mitigate conflicts with livestock or pets. Studies show that animal-husbandry practices, such as the use of guard animals or electric fencing, are more effective, humane and cost efficient in protecting domestic animals in the long run. With this in mind, do you support or oppose a ban in Oregon on wildlife-killing contests?

Support: 59% Oppose: 29% No opinion: 12%

Q: Wildlife management professionals have stated that the random killing of coyotes, including in wildlife killing contests, will not reduce their numbers in the long term—and could even increase them by causing more reproduction—and will not increase populations of game species like deer or elk for hunters. With this in mind, do you support or oppose a ban in Oregon on wildlife killing contests?

Support: 58% Oppose: 31% No opinion: 11%



Q: Although voters in Oregon passed two measures to prohibit hound hunting of cougars, hundreds of cougars are still killed every year in Oregon by trophy hunters, where the primary motivation for the hunt is to obtain a trophy for display – either a whole stuffed animal or dismembered animal parts (that is, their heads, hides or claws); and for bragging rights, but not for subsistence. Do you support or oppose trophy hunting of cougars in Oregon?

Support: 28% Oppose: 65% No opinion: 7%



Q: Oregon wildlife like coyotes, bobcats, foxes, and cougars play a vital role in healthy ecosystems by controlling disease transmission, keeping rodent populations in check, increasing biological diversity, and protecting crops. Do you agree or disagree that wildlife like coyotes, bobcats, foxes, and cougars are an important asset to Oregon's ecosystems?

Column %	1	2	3	4	5
Agree	75%	71%	81%	77%	73%
Disagree	17%	21%	12%	16%	17%
No opinion	8%	7%	7%	7%	10%

Table 1. Q by CD

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
Agree	68%	85%	70%
Disagree	23%	10%	19%
No opinion	9%	5%	10%

Table 2. Q by PARTY

Column %	Female	Male
Agree	80%	71%
Disagree	13%	21%
No opinion	8%	8%

Table 3. Q by GENDER

Column %	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Agree	64%	78%	87%
Disagree	26%	14%	8%
No opinion	10%	9%	4%

Table 4. Q by IDEOLOGY



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Column %	1	2	3	4	5
Support	59%	50%	70%	61%	58%
Oppose	31%	41%	22%	29%	30%
No opinion	11%	8%	8%	10%	12%

Table 5. Q by CD

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
Support	47%	74%	51%
Oppose	39%	19%	39%
No opinion	14%	7%	10%

Table 6. Q by PARTY

Column %	Female	Male
Support	68%	49%
Oppose	21%	41%
No opinion	10%	9%

Table 7. Q by GENDER

Column %	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Support	44%	63%	75%
Oppose	44%	27%	19%
No opinion	12%	10%	7%

Table 8. Q by IDEOLOGY



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Column %	1	2	3	4	5
Support	57%	51%	71%	61%	58%
Oppose	29%	39%	19%	29%	30%
No opinion	14%	10%	10%	11%	12%

Table 9. Q by CD

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
Support	46%	73%	54%
Oppose	38%	19%	34%
No opinion	16%	8%	12%

Table 10. Q by PARTY

Column %	Female	Male
Support	69%	49%
Oppose	19%	42%
No opinion	13%	10%

Table 11. Q by GENDER

Column %	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Support	44%	62%	76%
Oppose	42%	27%	17%
No opinion	15%	12%	7%

Table 12. Q by IDEOLOGY



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Column %	1	2	3	4	5
Support	57%	49%	70%	58%	55%
Oppose	34%	39%	20%	30%	30%
No opinion	9%	12%	10%	12%	14%

Table 13. Q by CD

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
Support	46%	71%	51%
Oppose	38%	22%	36%
No opinion	16%	8%	12%

Table 14. Q by PARTY

Column %	Female	Male
Support	66%	48%
Oppose	21%	42%
No opinion	13%	10%

Table 15. Q by GENDER

Column %	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Support	45%	56%	75%
Oppose	40%	31%	19%
No opinion	15%	13%	6%

Table 16. Q by IDEOLOGY



Q: Although voters in Oregon passed two measures to prohibit hound hunting of cougars, hundreds of cougars are still killed every year in Oregon by trophy hunters, where the primary motivation for the hunt is to obtain a trophy for display – either a whole stuffed animal or dismembered animal parts (that is, their heads, hides or claws); and for bragging rights, but not for subsistence. Do you support or oppose trophy hunting of cougars in Oregon?

Column %	1	2	3	4	5
Support	28%	37%	21%	28%	27%
Oppose	65%	57%	73%	65%	63%
No opinion	6%	6%	6%	7%	10%

Table 17. Q by CD

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
Support	35%	19%	35%
Oppose	55%	76%	57%
No opinion	10%	4%	8%

Table 18. Q by PARTY

Column %	Female	Male
Support	18%	41%
Oppose	75%	52%
No opinion	7%	7%

Table 19. Q by GENDER

Column %	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Support	40%	24%	20%
Oppose	51%	68%	76%
No opinion	9%	7%	4%

Table 20. Q by IDEOLOGY



DEMOGRAPHICS

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1	20%
2	20%
3	20%
4	20%
5	20%
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Republican	31%
Democrat	42%
Non-Partisan	27%

Table 22. PARTY

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Female	54%
Male	46%

Table 23. GENDER

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Conservative	33%
Moderate	41%
Liberal	26%

Table 24. IDEOLOGY