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VIRGINIA: ONLY 1 IN 4 VOTERS FIRM ABOUT CHOICE

Bloomberg, Sanders, and Biden lead field

West Long Branch, NJ – Mike Bloomberg, Bernie Sanders, and Joe Biden top the field in Virginia, one of the states that holds their Democratic presidential primary on Super Tuesday. The ***Monmouth ("Mon-muth") University Poll*** finds that most voters prioritize someone who can beat President Donald Trump and unite the country, but few seem to be firmly decided on who that candidate is. In hypothetical head-to-head contests between Sanders and four moderate contenders, the senator from Vermont wins half the time and loses half the time.

Among Virginia voters who are likely to participate in the Democratic primary on March 3, support currently stands at 22% for Bloomberg, 22% for Sanders, and 18% for Biden. They are trailed by Pete Buttigieg (11%), Amy Klobuchar (9%), and Elizabeth Warren (5%). Another 11% of likely primary voters remain undecided and do not lean toward any candidate at this time.

Virginia does not have party registration and any voter may participate in the primary. Among those who identify themselves as Democrats, Sanders (22%), Biden (21%), and Bloomberg (20%) are on equal footing. Other candidates get less support among self-identified Democrats, including Buttigieg (13%), Klobuchar (7%), and Warren (6%). Among those who call themselves independents (plus a small number of self-identified Republicans), Bloomberg (25%) and Sanders (23%) share the lead, followed by Biden (13%), Klobuchar (13%), and Buttigieg (8%), with Warren getting only 2%. White voters are split between Bloomberg (25%) and Sanders (23%), while Biden leads among black voters (37%). One-third of voters under 50 years old prefer Sanders (35%), while a similar number of those aged 65 and over back Bloomberg (32%).

"Virginia provides an interesting test on Super Tuesday. A wide range of candidates appeal to voters here and it is very much a jump ball at this point," said Patrick Murray, director of the independent Monmouth University Polling Institute.

Just 1 in 4 (25%) likely Virginia Democratic primary voters are firmly set on their candidate choice (and another 1% have already voted absentee). Most are open to voting for a different candidate on March 3, with 18% saying there is a high possibility of this happening, 34% saying this is a moderate possibility and 10% saying this is a low possibility. The results out of Iowa and New Hampshire had little impact on how Virginia voters are viewing this race. Fully 81% said the outcomes of those contests did not really change their thinking about the upcoming primary. Among the small number who said they took a second look at the field because of the first two states, just under half said they changed their mind about whom to support (7%) and just over half said they did not (11%).

The poll asked voters how they would vote in a hypothetical two-person race pitting Sanders against one of the more moderate candidates. In these scenarios, Sanders edges past both Klobuchar (45% to 42%) and Buttigieg (44% to 42%) but comes out on the losing end against Bloomberg (41% to 47%) and by an even wider margin against Biden (38% to 51%).

In a Sanders versus Biden matchup, the former vice president has a small lead among white voters (49% Biden to 40% Sanders) and an even wider lead among black voters (63% to 27%). In a Sanders versus Bloomberg matchup, the white voter gap is about the same as for Biden (50% Bloomberg to 39% Sanders), while Sanders has a slight lead among black voters (43% Bloomberg to 49% Sanders). Men are split on Biden (48%) and Sanders (42%), while Biden wins among women (54% to 35%). Against Bloomberg, the race is somewhat closer among women (46% Bloomberg to 42% Sanders) than it is among men (49% Bloomberg to 39% Sanders).

In Sanders versus either Klobuchar or Buttigieg, Sanders wins the black vote by a large margin (60% to 26% against Klobuchar and 56% to 31% against Buttigieg), but loses the white vote (35% to 52% against Klobuchar and 37% to 48% against Buttigieg). Both men and women are nearly evenly divided when Sanders is matched up against either Klobuchar or Buttigieg.

"When pitted against Sanders, Biden and Bloomberg are stronger in Virginia's racially diverse electorate than Klobuchar and Buttigieg. Two of the leading candidates are already well known and the third has been spending a lot of time and money here, so we can't be sure whether these differences are the product of real preferences or just name recognition. This should become clearer when all the candidates start focusing on Super Tuesday," said Murray.

Virginia voters are looking for electability – 62% say beating Trump is more important to their vote than lining up with a candidate on any policy issue. Another 22% say electability is as important as their top policy concern while just 14% say it is less important than issue alignment. Among those who say beating Trump is their top priority, 23% support Biden, 23% support Bloomberg, and 17% support Sanders. Among those who say it is not a top priority, 31% support Sanders and 21% back Bloomberg.

Looking at candidate qualities, 67% of likely Democratic primary voters say they want someone who can unite the country, while 27% say they prefer someone who can bring about change. More than 4 in 10 "change" voters back Sanders (43%), while "unite" voters are divided between Bloomberg (26%) and Biden (19%).

Virginia Democratic primary voters are divided on the possibility of beating Trump in November. Nearly half (45%) think the incumbent will be reelected, while an identical number (45%) think he will lose to the Democrat. A bare majority (54%) of likely primary voters feel optimistic about this year's election (27% very and 27% somewhat), while 41% are pessimistic (20% very and 21% somewhat). Black voters (72%) are more likely than white voters (46%) to feel optimistic about the 2020 election.

The *Monmouth University Poll* was conducted by telephone from February 13 to 16, 2020 with 400 Virginia voters who are likely to vote in the Democratic presidential primary on March 3, 2020, out of 706 registered voters that were contacted for the poll. The question results in this release have a margin of error of +/- 4.9 percentage points. The poll was conducted by the Monmouth University Polling Institute in West Long Branch, NJ.

QUESTIONS AND RESULTS
(* Some columns may not add to 100% due to rounding.)

1.   If the Democratic primary election for president was today, would you vote for [*NAMES WERE ROTATED*]? [*If UNDECIDED:* If you had to vote for one of these candidates at this moment, who do you lean toward?]

(with leaders)	Feb. 2020
Mike Bloomberg	**22%**
Bernie Sanders	**22%**
Joe Biden	**18%**
Pete Buttigieg	**11%**
Amy Klobuchar	**9%**
Elizabeth Warren	**5%**
Tulsi Gabbard	**1%**
Tom Steyer	**0%**
(VOL) Other	**<1%**
(VOL) Undecided	**11%**
(n)	*(400)*

2.   Are you firmly decided on your candidate choice or are you open to the possibility of voting for a different candidate on primary day? [*If OPEN*: Would you rate the possibility of supporting a different candidate as high, moderate, or low?]

		Feb. 2020
Firmly decided		**25%**
Open to different candidate …	high possibility	**18%**
	moderate possibility	**34%**
	low possibility	**10%**
Already voted		*1%*
(VOL) Don't know		**2%**
No first choice (from Q1)		*11%*
(n)		*(400)*

3.   Who would be your second choice if you had to make one?

	Feb. 2020
Joe Biden	**15%**
Pete Buttigieg	**14%**
Mike Bloomberg	**13%**
Amy Klobuchar	**10%**
Bernie Sanders	**10%**
Elizabeth Warren	**9%**
Tulsi Gabbard	**2%**
Tom Steyer	**2%**
Already voted	*1%*
(VOL) No one	**4%**
(VOL) Undecided	**19%**
(n)	*(400)*

4.   Did the results of the New Hampshire primary and Iowa caucuses make you take a second look at any of the candidates, or did this not really change your thinking about who you will support in the primary? [*If TOOK A SECOND LOOK:* Did you actually change your mind about who to support or not?]

		Feb. 2020
Took a second look, and…	changed mind	**7%**
	did not change mind	**11%**
Not really change thinking		**81%**
Already voted		*1%*
(VOL) Don't know		**1%**
(n)		*(400)*

5.   I am going to read you a few pairs of candidate names. If the Democratic nomination came down to just these two candidates by the Virginia primary, who would you vote for? [*CANDIDATE PAIRS WERE ROTATED AND NAMES WERE ROTATED*]

Bernie Sanders and Joe Biden

	Feb. 2020
Bernie Sanders	**38%**
Joe Biden	**51%**
Already voted	*1%*
(VOL) Neither	**3%**
(VOL) Undecided	**7%**
(n)	*(400)*

Bernie Sanders and Pete Buttigieg

	Feb. 2020
Bernie Sanders	**44%**
Pete Buttigieg	**42%**
Already voted	*1%*
(VOL) Neither	**6%**
(VOL) Don't know	**7%**
(n)	*(400)*

Bernie Sanders and Amy Klobuchar

	Feb. 2020
Bernie Sanders	**45%**
Amy Klobuchar	**42%**
Already voted	*1%*
(VOL) Neither	**5%**
(VOL) Don't know	**7%**
(n)	*(400)*

Bernie Sanders and Mike Bloomberg

	Feb. 2020
Bernie Sanders	**41%**
Mike Bloomberg	**47%**
Already voted	**1%**
(VOL) Neither	**4%**
(VOL) Don't know	**7%**
(n)	*(400)*

6.   When thinking about who you are supporting in the Democratic primary, how much of a factor is beating Donald Trump next November – is it more important than any policy issue you are concerned with, about as important as your top policy concern, or less important than your top policy concern?

	Feb. 2020
More important	**62%**
About as important	**22%**
Less important	**14%**
(VOL) Don't know	**1%**
(n)	*(400)*

7.   If you had to choose, are you more concerned about choosing a candidate who can bring about change or a candidate who can unite the country?

	Feb. 2020
Bring about change	**27%**
Unite the country	**67%**
(VOL) Neither	**3%**
(VOL) Don't know	**3%**
(n)	*(400)*

8.   Do you feel optimistic or pessimistic about the 2020 presidential election? [Is that very or somewhat optimistic/pessimistic?]

	Feb. 2020
Very optimistic	**27%**
Somewhat optimistic	**27%**
Somewhat pessimistic	**21%**
Very pessimistic	**20%**
(VOL) Neither, don't care	**3%**
(VOL) Don't know	**2%**
(n)	*(400)*

9.   As of right now, what do you think the chances are that Donald Trump gets reelected in November – do you think he will definitely get reelected, probably get reelected, probably lose to the Democrat, or definitely lose to the Democrat?

	Feb. 2020
Definitely get reelected	**6%**
Probably get reelected	**39%**
Probably lose to the Democrat	**34%**
Definitely lose to the Democrat	**11%**
(VOL) Depends on the Democrat	**2%**
(VOL) Don't know	**7%**
(n)	*(400)*

METHODOLOGY
The *Monmouth University Poll* was sponsored and conducted by the Monmouth University Polling Institute from February 13 to 16, 2020 with a statewide random sample of 706 Virginia voters drawn from a list of registered voters who participated in a primary or general election in the 2016, 2017, or 2018 election cycles (excluding those who have consistently voted in Republican primaries), or have registered to vote since November 2018. This includes 305 contacted by a live interviewer on a landline telephone and 401 contacted by a live interviewer on a cell phone, in English. Results are based on 400 voters who are likely to vote in the Democratic presidential primary on March 3, 2020. Monmouth is responsible for all aspects of the survey design, data weighting and analysis. The full sample is weighted for age, gender, race, education, and region based on state voter registration list information and U.S. Census information (CPS 2018 supplement). Data collection support provided by Braun Research (field) and Aristotle (voter sample). For results based on the sample of likely Democratic primary voters, one can say with 95% confidence that the error attributable to sampling has a maximum margin of plus or minus 4.9 percentage points (unadjusted for sample design). Sampling error can be larger for sub-groups (see table below). In addition to sampling error, one should bear in mind that question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of opinion polls.

DEMOGRAPHICS (weighted)

Self-Reported Party
62% Democrat
33% Independent
5% Republican

43% Male
57% Female

17% 18-34
22% 35-49
33% 50-64
29% 65+

62% White, non-Hispanic
27% Black
6% Hispanic
5% Asian, other

45% No degree
55% 4 year degree

33% NoVA (CD 8/10/11)
49% East (CD 1/2/3/4/7)
18% West (CD 5/6/9)

MARGIN OF ERROR

		unweighted sample	*moe (+/-)*
LIKELY DEMOCRATIC VOTERS		*400*	*4.9%*
SELF REPORTED	*Democrat*	*249*	*6.2%*
PARTY ID	*Other*	*147*	*8.1%*
POLITICAL IDEOLOGY	*Liberal*	*135*	*8.4%*
	Moderate/Conservative	*256*	*6.1%*
GENDER	*Male*	*184*	*7.2%*
	Female	*216*	*6.7%*
AGE	*18-49*	*129*	*8.6%*
	50-64	*137*	*8.4%*
	65+	*129*	*8.6%*
RACE	*White*	*257*	*6.1%*
	Black	*96*	*10.0%*
COLLEGE GRADUATE	*No degree*	*150*	*8.0%*
	4 year degree	*248*	*6.2%*
INCOME	*<$50K*	*92*	*10.2%*
	$50 to <100K	*104*	*9.6%*
	$100K+	*164*	*7.7%*
REGION	*NoVA (CD 8/10/11)*	*129*	*8.6%*
	East (CD 1/2/3/4/7)	*171*	*7.5%*
	West (CD 5/6/9)	*100*	*9.8%*

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		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
1. If the Democratic primary election for president was today, would you vote for...[READ LIST]? [with leaners] [8 names were read. Names appearing below received support from at least one poll respondent. See press release for full list of candidates]	Joe Biden	18%	21%	13%	16%	19%	16%	19%	12%	23%	20%
	Bernie Sanders	22%	22%	23%	32%	18%	24%	21%	35%	20%	10%
	Elizabeth Warren	5%	6%	2%	11%	2%	3%	6%	7%	5%	3%
	Pete Buttigieg	11%	13%	8%	11%	11%	11%	11%	14%	11%	8%
	Amy Klobuchar	9%	7%	13%	7%	11%	12%	7%	5%	9%	16%
	Mike Bloomberg	22%	20%	25%	16%	25%	21%	23%	15%	23%	32%
	Tulsi Gabbard	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	2%	0%	0%	1%	2%
	[VOL] Other	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
	Undecided	11%	9%	14%	7%	12%	10%	12%	12%	10%	9%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME			REGION
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50-100K	$100K+	NoVa CD8\10\11
1. If the Democratic primary election for president was today, would you vote for...[READ LIST]? [with leaners] [8 names were read. Names appearing below received support from at least one poll respondent. See press release for full list of candidates]	Joe Biden	10%	37%	16%	19%	16%	14%	19%	15%
	Bernie Sanders	23%	18%	26%	20%	34%	26%	16%	21%
	Elizabeth Warren	6%	3%	2%	7%	2%	3%	9%	9%
	Pete Buttigieg	11%	10%	10%	12%	9%	9%	13%	7%
	Amy Klobuchar	14%	0%	4%	14%	5%	11%	12%	12%
	Mike Bloomberg	25%	18%	24%	21%	21%	30%	18%	26%
	Tulsi Gabbard	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%	0%
	[VOL] Other	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%
	Undecided	10%	13%	17%	6%	10%	8%	11%	9%

		REGION	
		East CD1\2\3\4\7	West CD5\6\9
1. If the Democratic primary election for president was today, would you vote for...[READ LIST]? [with leaners] [8 names were read. Names appearing below received support from at least one poll respondent. See press release for full list of candidates]	Joe Biden	19%	22%
	Bernie Sanders	25%	19%
	Elizabeth Warren	2%	5%
	Pete Buttigieg	14%	9%
	Amy Klobuchar	7%	10%
	Mike Bloomberg	21%	19%
	Tulsi Gabbard	2%	1%
	[VOL] Other	0%	0%
	Undecided	11%	16%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY	
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64
2. Are you firmly decided on your candidate choice or are you open to the possibility of voting for a different candidate on primary day? [IF "OPEN" ASK] Would you rate the possibility of supporting a different candidate as high, moderate, or low?	Firmly decided	25%	28%	21%	29%	24%	29%	22%	23%	26%
	Open, high possibility	18%	15%	21%	15%	19%	18%	17%	15%	21%
	Open, moderate possibility	34%	37%	28%	36%	33%	31%	35%	39%	34%
	Open, low possibility	10%	8%	12%	10%	9%	9%	11%	11%	7%
	[Already voted]	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%
	[VOL] Dont know	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	1%	2%	0%	2%
	No first choice [Q1]	11%	9%	14%	7%	12%	10%	12%	12%	10%

		AGE 3-WAY	RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME			REGION
		65+	White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50-100K	$100K+	NoVa CD8\10\11
2. Are you firmly decided on your candidate choice or are you open to the possibility of voting for a different candidate on primary day? [IF "OPEN" ASK] Would you rate the possibility of supporting a different candidate as high, moderate, or low?	Firmly decided	29%	26%	27%	25%	26%	26%	27%	22%	25%
	Open, high possibility	17%	17%	15%	19%	17%	24%	16%	16%	17%
	Open, moderate possibility	27%	33%	38%	31%	35%	31%	38%	34%	36%
	Open, low possibility	12%	11%	5%	5%	13%	5%	9%	14%	12%
	[Already voted]	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
	[VOL] Dont know	5%	2%	2%	1%	2%	3%	1%	2%	1%
	No first choice [Q1]	9%	10%	13%	17%	6%	10%	8%	11%	9%

		REGION	
		East CD1\2\3\4\7	West CD5\6\9
2. Are you firmly decided on your candidate choice or are you open to the possibility of voting for a different candidate on primary day? [IF "OPEN" ASK] Would you rate the possibility of supporting a different candidate as high, moderate, or low?	Firmly decided	26%	23%
	Open, high possibility	17%	21%
	Open, moderate possibility	35%	25%
	Open, low possibility	7%	12%
	[Already voted]	1%	2%
	[VOL] Dont know	3%	1%
	No first choice [Q1]	11%	16%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
3. Who would be your second choice if you had to make one?	Joe Biden	15%	16%	12%	13%	16%	18%	12%	18%	11%	15%
	Bernie Sanders	10%	12%	7%	10%	11%	9%	11%	14%	9%	7%
	Elizabeth Warren	9%	9%	10%	15%	7%	8%	11%	13%	9%	6%
	Pete Buttigieg	14%	14%	13%	12%	15%	11%	16%	8%	18%	17%
	Amy Klobuchar	10%	10%	11%	13%	9%	12%	9%	7%	13%	11%
	Mike Bloomberg	13%	12%	13%	14%	12%	10%	15%	12%	9%	17%
	Tom Steyer	2%	2%	3%	3%	2%	4%	1%	1%	5%	1%
	Tulsi Gabbard	2%	0%	5%	0%	3%	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%
	[Already voted]	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%
	[VOL] No one	4%	5%	3%	4%	4%	6%	3%	5%	4%	3%
	Undecided	19%	17%	23%	15%	20%	17%	21%	18%	19%	19%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME			REGION
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50-100K	$100K+	NoVa CD8\10\11
3. Who would be your second choice if you had to make one?	Joe Biden	13%	21%	19%	11%	25%	14%	11%	11%
	Bernie Sanders	5%	22%	14%	8%	12%	11%	9%	6%
	Elizabeth Warren	11%	4%	6%	12%	9%	10%	11%	12%
	Pete Buttigieg	17%	7%	15%	13%	7%	17%	17%	20%
	Amy Klobuchar	14%	3%	5%	14%	6%	9%	15%	13%
	Mike Bloomberg	9%	19%	10%	15%	14%	9%	12%	11%
	Tom Steyer	2%	2%	0%	4%	1%	2%	4%	2%
	Tulsi Gabbard	3%	1%	1%	3%	1%	6%	1%	2%
	[Already voted]	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
	[VOL] No one	4%	3%	5%	4%	6%	5%	3%	7%
	Undecided	20%	17%	24%	15%	19%	17%	18%	17%

		REGION	
		East CD1\2\3\4\7	West CD5\6\9
3. Who would be your second choice if you had to make one?	Joe Biden	17%	15%
	Bernie Sanders	13%	12%
	Elizabeth Warren	9%	6%
	Pete Buttigieg	12%	7%
	Amy Klobuchar	6%	15%
	Mike Bloomberg	14%	12%
	Tom Steyer	3%	2%
	Tulsi Gabbard	3%	1%
	[Already voted]	1%	2%
	[VOL] No one	4%	1%
	Undecided	18%	28%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY	
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64
4. Did the results of the NH primary and IA caucuses make you take a second look at any of the candidates or did this not really change your thinking about who you will support in the primary? [IF 2nd LOOK:Did you actually change your mind about who to sup	Second look, changed mind	7%	5%	10%	6%	8%	6%	8%	5%	9%
	Second look, did not change mind	11%	12%	9%	9%	11%	13%	8%	8%	14%
	Not really change thinking	81%	82%	79%	83%	80%	79%	82%	86%	76%
	[Already voted]	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	0%	2%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%

		AGE 3-WAY	RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		65+	White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50-100K	$100K+
4. Did the results of the NH primary and IA caucuses make you take a second look at any of the candidates or did this not really change your thinking about who you will support in the primary? [IF 2nd LOOK:Did you actually change your mind about who to sup	Second look, changed mind	8%	9%	4%	7%	7%	6%	5%	10%
	Second look, did not change mind	10%	10%	9%	10%	11%	8%	8%	11%
	Not really change thinking	79%	80%	86%	81%	81%	84%	87%	78%
	[Already voted]	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%

		REGION		
		NoVa CD8\10\11	East CD1\2\3\4\7	West CD5\6\9
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	Second look, did not change mind	11%	10%	11%
	Not really change thinking	80%	84%	73%
	[Already voted]	0%	1%	2%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	0%	2%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
5A. Bernie Sanders and Joe Biden: If the Democratic nomination came down to just these two candidates by the Virginia primary, who would you vote for?	Bernie Sanders	38%	36%	41%	48%	34%	42%	35%	54%	30%	27%
	Joe Biden	51%	53%	47%	44%	55%	48%	54%	35%	62%	61%
	[Already voted]	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%
	[VOL] Neither	3%	3%	5%	1%	4%	4%	3%	1%	4%	6%
	[VOL] Dont know	7%	7%	7%	5%	7%	6%	8%	10%	4%	5%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME			REGION
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50-100K	$100K+	NoVa CD8\10\11
5A. Bernie Sanders and Joe Biden: If the Democratic nomination came down to just these two candidates by the Virginia primary, who would you vote for?	Bernie Sanders	40%	27%	42%	35%	45%	44%	34%	36%
	Joe Biden	49%	63%	44%	57%	42%	47%	59%	54%
	[Already voted]	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
	[VOL] Neither	5%	0%	5%	2%	4%	3%	2%	3%
	[VOL] Dont know	4%	10%	9%	5%	9%	7%	5%	7%

		REGION	
		East CD1\2\3\4\7	West CD5\6\9
5A. Bernie Sanders and Joe Biden: If the Democratic nomination came down to just these two candidates by the Virginia primary, who would you vote for?	Bernie Sanders	40%	34%
	Joe Biden	47%	56%
	[Already voted]	1%	2%
	[VOL] Neither	3%	5%
	[VOL] Dont know	9%	3%

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			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
5B. Bernie Sanders and Pete Buttigieg: If the Democratic nomination came down to just these two candidates by the Virginia primary, who would you vote for?	Bernie Sanders	44%	49%	39%	54%	41%	45%	44%	59%	38%	32%
	Pete Buttigieg	42%	42%	41%	40%	45%	40%	44%	28%	48%	56%
	[Already voted]	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%
	[VOL] Neither	6%	2%	12%	0%	9%	9%	4%	5%	6%	6%
	[VOL] Dont know	7%	6%	8%	5%	6%	6%	7%	7%	7%	4%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME			REGION
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50-100K	$100K+	NoVa CD8\10\11
5B. Bernie Sanders and Pete Buttigieg: If the Democratic nomination came down to just these two candidates by the Virginia primary, who would you vote for?	Bernie Sanders	37%	56%	48%	41%	53%	49%	38%	41%
	Pete Buttigieg	48%	31%	35%	48%	32%	41%	51%	48%
	[Already voted]	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
	[VOL] Neither	8%	3%	6%	6%	7%	5%	5%	5%
	[VOL] Dont know	5%	10%	9%	5%	7%	6%	6%	6%

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		East CD1\2\3\4\7	West CD5\6\9
5B. Bernie Sanders and Pete Buttigieg: If the Democratic nomination came down to just these two candidates by the Virginia primary, who would you vote for?	Bernie Sanders	47%	45%
	Pete Buttigieg	40%	39%
	[Already voted]	1%	2%
	[VOL] Neither	6%	7%
	[VOL] Dont know	7%	7%

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			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
5C. Bernie Sanders and Amy Klobuchar: If the Democratic nomination came down to just these two candidates by the Virginia primary, who would you vote for?	Bernie Sanders	45%	49%	38%	56%	40%	44%	46%	63%	41%	26%
	Amy Klobuchar	42%	40%	47%	34%	48%	42%	43%	28%	43%	61%
	[Already voted]	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%
	[VOL] Neither	5%	4%	7%	3%	6%	7%	3%	1%	7%	7%
	[VOL] Dont know	7%	6%	8%	5%	6%	6%	8%	7%	7%	5%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME			REGION
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50-100K	$100K+	NoVa CD8\10\11
5C. Bernie Sanders and Amy Klobuchar: If the Democratic nomination came down to just these two candidates by the Virginia primary, who would you vote for?	Bernie Sanders	35%	60%	57%	35%	54%	46%	39%	41%
	Amy Klobuchar	52%	26%	26%	56%	26%	45%	53%	47%
	[Already voted]	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
	[VOL] Neither	5%	4%	7%	3%	10%	2%	3%	5%
	[VOL] Dont know	6%	9%	9%	6%	9%	6%	4%	8%

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5C. Bernie Sanders and Amy Klobuchar: If the Democratic nomination came down to just these two candidates by the Virginia primary, who would you vote for?	Bernie Sanders	50%	38%
	Amy Klobuchar	38%	45%
	[Already voted]	1%	2%
	[VOL] Neither	5%	6%
	[VOL] Dont know	6%	9%

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			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
5D. Bernie Sanders and Mike Bloomberg: If the Democratic nomination came down to just these two candidates by the Virginia primary, who would you vote for?	Bernie Sanders	41%	44%	36%	54%	35%	39%	42%	59%	39%	21%
	Mike Bloomberg	47%	47%	47%	38%	52%	49%	46%	31%	48%	69%
	[Already voted]	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%
	[VOL] Neither	4%	3%	6%	2%	5%	5%	4%	3%	4%	4%
	[VOL] Dont know	7%	5%	10%	4%	7%	6%	8%	8%	7%	4%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME			REGION
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50-100K	$100K+	NoVa CD8\10\11
5D. Bernie Sanders and Mike Bloomberg: If the Democratic nomination came down to just these two candidates by the Virginia primary, who would you vote for?	Bernie Sanders	39%	49%	45%	38%	54%	45%	37%	34%
	Mike Bloomberg	50%	43%	41%	53%	35%	49%	50%	52%
	[Already voted]	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%
	[VOL] Neither	5%	1%	5%	3%	5%	3%	4%	5%
	[VOL] Dont know	5%	7%	8%	6%	5%	3%	8%	9%

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		East CD1\2\3\4\7	West CD5\6\9
5D. Bernie Sanders and Mike Bloomberg: If the Democratic nomination came down to just these two candidates by the Virginia primary, who would you vote for?	Bernie Sanders	46%	39%
	Mike Bloomberg	46%	43%
	[Already voted]	1%	2%
	[VOL] Neither	2%	9%
	[VOL] Dont know	5%	7%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
6. When thinking about who you are supporting in the Democratic primary, how much of a factor is beating Donald Trump next November - is it more important than any policy issue you are concerned with, about as important as your top policy concern, or less	More important	62%	73%	46%	69%	59%	57%	67%	43%	72%	76%
	About as important	22%	19%	27%	22%	23%	25%	20%	38%	14%	11%
	Less important	14%	7%	26%	8%	18%	17%	12%	18%	13%	12%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	2%	2%	0%	2%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME			REGION
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50-100K	$100K+	NoVa CD8\10\11
6. When thinking about who you are supporting in the Democratic primary, how much of a factor is beating Donald Trump next November - is it more important than any policy issue you are concerned with, about as important as your top policy concern, or less	More important	59%	75%	58%	65%	62%	53%	68%	55%
	About as important	23%	17%	22%	22%	19%	29%	21%	29%
	Less important	17%	8%	18%	12%	18%	17%	11%	14%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	0%	2%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%

		REGION	
		East CD1\2\3\4\7	West CD5\6\9
6. When thinking about who you are supporting in the Democratic primary, how much of a factor is beating Donald Trump next November - is it more important than any policy issue you are concerned with, about as important as your top policy concern, or less	More important	64%	70%
	About as important	20%	15%
	Less important	14%	14%
	[VOL] Dont know	1%	1%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY		
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64	65+
7. If you had to choose, are you more concerned about choosing a candidate who can bring about change or a candidate who can unite the country?	Bring about change	27%	27%	26%	35%	23%	30%	24%	40%	22%	15%
	Unite the country	67%	69%	65%	60%	72%	64%	70%	54%	73%	79%
	[VOL] Neither	3%	2%	5%	3%	2%	4%	2%	2%	2%	5%
	[VOL] Dont know	3%	2%	4%	2%	3%	2%	4%	4%	3%	2%

		RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME			REGION
		White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50-100K	$100K+	NoVa CD8\10\11
7. If you had to choose, are you more concerned about choosing a candidate who can bring about change or a candidate who can unite the country?	Bring about change	25%	31%	27%	27%	33%	25%	25%	28%
	Unite the country	67%	67%	67%	67%	62%	70%	71%	67%
	[VOL] Neither	4%	0%	3%	3%	3%	4%	1%	1%
	[VOL] Dont know	4%	2%	3%	3%	2%	1%	3%	4%

		REGION	
		East CD1\2\3\4\7	West CD5\6\9
7. If you had to choose, are you more concerned about choosing a candidate who can bring about change or a candidate who can unite the country?	Bring about change	27%	24%
	Unite the country	66%	71%
	[VOL] Neither	4%	2%
	[VOL] Dont know	3%	3%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY	
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64
8. Do you feel optimistic or pessimistic about the 2020 presidential election? [PROBE: Is that very or somewhat (optimistic\pessimistic)]?	Very optimistic	27%	29%	23%	25%	28%	27%	26%	23%	31%
	Somewhat optimistic	27%	32%	20%	28%	27%	25%	29%	31%	26%
	Somewhat pessimistic	21%	20%	23%	23%	20%	23%	19%	24%	16%
	Very pessimistic	20%	15%	26%	20%	20%	19%	20%	19%	20%
	[VOL] Neither, dont care	3%	3%	4%	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%	2%
	[VOL] Dont know	2%	1%	4%	2%	2%	2%	3%	1%	4%

		AGE 3-WAY	RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME			REGION
		65+	White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50-100K	$100K+	NoVa CD8\10\11
8. Do you feel optimistic or pessimistic about the 2020 presidential election? [PROBE: Is that very or somewhat (optimistic\pessimistic)]?	Very optimistic	25%	20%	37%	32%	22%	38%	24%	25%	24%
	Somewhat optimistic	25%	26%	35%	26%	28%	29%	31%	23%	20%
	Somewhat pessimistic	23%	25%	12%	16%	25%	12%	21%	23%	26%
	Very pessimistic	21%	22%	15%	19%	20%	14%	23%	23%	23%
	[VOL] Neither, dont care	4%	3%	2%	5%	2%	4%	1%	3%	4%
	[VOL] Dont know	2%	4%	0%	3%	2%	3%	1%	3%	3%

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		East CD1\2\3\4\7	West CD5\6\9
8. Do you feel optimistic or pessimistic about the 2020 presidential election? [PROBE: Is that very or somewhat (optimistic\pessimistic)]?	Very optimistic	29%	26%
	Somewhat optimistic	30%	33%
	Somewhat pessimistic	16%	23%
	Very pessimistic	22%	8%
	[VOL] Neither, dont care	3%	3%
	[VOL] Dont know	0%	7%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 3-WAY	
			Dem	Other	Lib	Mod, Con	Male	Female	18-49	50-64
9. As of right now, what do you think the chances are that Donald Trump gets re-elected in November - do you think he will definitely get re-elected, probably get re-elected, probably lose to the Democrat, or definitely lose to the Democrat?	Definitely get re-elected	6%	4%	11%	6%	7%	6%	6%	9%	5%
	Probably get re-elected	39%	37%	44%	41%	39%	43%	37%	37%	43%
	Probably lose to the Democrat	34%	37%	29%	33%	35%	37%	32%	35%	34%
	Definitely lose to the Democrat	11%	14%	7%	11%	12%	6%	15%	12%	12%
	[VOL] Depends on the Democrat	2%	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%	3%
	[VOL] Dont know	7%	6%	8%	6%	7%	6%	8%	5%	4%

		AGE 3-WAY	RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE		INCOME		
		65+	White	Black	No	Yes	<$50K	$50-100K	$100K+
9. As of right now, what do you think the chances are that Donald Trump gets re-elected in November - do you think he will definitely get re-elected, probably get re-elected, probably lose to the Democrat, or definitely lose to the Democrat?	Definitely get re-elected	4%	5%	8%	10%	3%	7%	7%	6%
	Probably get re-elected	39%	39%	32%	35%	43%	37%	47%	36%
	Probably lose to the Democrat	36%	37%	33%	33%	35%	32%	33%	38%
	Definitely lose to the Democrat	9%	7%	20%	11%	11%	16%	8%	12%
	[VOL] Depends on the Democrat	1%	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%
	[VOL] Dont know	11%	9%	5%	9%	5%	6%	3%	7%

		REGION		
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9. As of right now, what do you think the chances are that Donald Trump gets re-elected in November - do you think he will definitely get re-elected, probably get re-elected, probably lose to the Democrat, or definitely lose to the Democrat?	Definitely get re-elected	2%	8%	11%
	Probably get re-elected	37%	42%	38%
	Probably lose to the Democrat	35%	33%	35%
	Definitely lose to the Democrat	12%	10%	13%
	[VOL] Depends on the Democrat	4%	1%	1%
	[VOL] Dont know	11%	6%	2%