

Hello, my name is _____ and I am conducting a survey for Suffolk University and I would like to get your opinions on some issues in the USVI and the U.S. This academic survey provides us with a great opportunity to understand the issues that most affect the people of the United States Virgin Islands (USVI). Would you be willing to spend seven minutes answering some questions to help us out? (If YES proceed; if NO terminate.)

1. Are you currently living on: {READ}

(N=500)	n	%
Saint Thomas -----	233	46.60
Saint Croix -----	232	46.40
Saint John-----	23	4.60
Or another island-----	12	2.40

2. Which do you most closely identify as – male, female, or non-binary (transgender, gender variant, non-conforming)?

(N=500)	n	%
Male -----	243	48.60
Female-----	249	49.80
Non-binary (transgender, gender variant, non-conforming) -----	8	1.60

3. What is your age category? {READ}

(N=500)	n	%
18-24 Years -----	47	9.40
25-34 Years -----	75	15.00
35-49 Years -----	117	23.40
50-64 Years -----	140	28.00
65-74 Years -----	68	13.60
75+-----	41	8.20
Refused-----	12	2.40

4. For statistical purposes only, can you please tell me what your ethnic background / ancestry is? {READ}

(N=500)	n	%
White/Caucasian -----	74	14.80
Black -----	344	68.80
American Indian/Alaska Native -----	4	0.80
Asian -----	3	0.60
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander -----	3	0.60
Hispanic/Latino -----	10	2.00
Two or more races-----	38	7.60
Other -----	18	3.60
Don't know -----	6	1.20

5. How long have you lived in the USVI? (READ)

(N=500)	n	%
Less than 5 years -----	18	3.60
5-10 years -----	34	6.80
10-25 years -----	63	12.60
More than 25 years -----	187	37.40
All my life -----	196	39.20
Undecided -----	1	0.20
Refused-----	1	0.20

6. Do you support or oppose the Virgin Islands becoming an independent country?
(N=500)
- | | n | % |
|-----------------|-----|-------|
| Support ----- | 96 | 19.20 |
| Oppose ----- | 294 | 58.80 |
| Undecided ----- | 107 | 21.40 |
| Refused----- | 3 | 0.60 |
7. Do you support or oppose the Virgin Islands becoming a U.S. state?
(N=500)
- | | n | % |
|-----------------|-----|-------|
| Support ----- | 316 | 63.20 |
| Oppose ----- | 115 | 23.00 |
| Undecided ----- | 65 | 13.00 |
| Refused----- | 4 | 0.80 |
8. How well do you believe the Virgin Islands are represented in U.S. politics? {ROTATE ASC-DESC}
(N=500)
- | | n | % |
|------------------------------|-----|-------|
| Overrepresented ----- | 16 | 3.20 |
| Adequately represented ----- | 120 | 24.00 |
| Underrepresented----- | 334 | 66.80 |
| Undecided ----- | 27 | 5.40 |
| Refused----- | 3 | 0.60 |
- I'm going to read you several statements. For each, please tell me if you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with each statement: {ROTATE 9-10}
9. "When it comes to the U.S., I feel like I am a second-class citizen." {ROTATE ASC-DESC}
(N=500)
- | | n | % |
|-------------------------|-----|-------|
| Strongly agree ----- | 252 | 50.40 |
| Somewhat agree ----- | 99 | 19.80 |
| Somewhat disagree ----- | 51 | 10.20 |
| Strongly disagree ----- | 75 | 15.00 |
| Undecided ----- | 19 | 3.80 |
| Refused----- | 4 | 0.80 |
10. "I should have the right to vote in U.S. presidential elections." {ROTATE ASC-DESC}
(N=500)
- | | n | % |
|-------------------------|-----|-------|
| Strongly agree ----- | 399 | 79.80 |
| Somewhat agree ----- | 55 | 11.00 |
| Somewhat disagree ----- | 12 | 2.40 |
| Strongly disagree ----- | 16 | 3.20 |
| Undecided ----- | 18 | 3.60 |
| Refused----- | 0 | 0.00 |
11. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Joe Biden is doing as president?
(N=500)
- | | n | % |
|-----------------|-----|-------|
| Approve----- | 325 | 65.00 |
| Disapprove----- | 75 | 15.00 |
| Undecided ----- | 91 | 18.20 |
| Refused----- | 9 | 1.80 |
12. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Albert Bryan is doing as governor?
(N=500)
- | | n | % |
|-----------------|-----|-------|
| Approve----- | 296 | 59.20 |
| Disapprove----- | 131 | 26.20 |
| Undecided ----- | 68 | 13.60 |
| Refused----- | 5 | 1.00 |

Now, I am going to read you a short list of individuals and for each, please tell me if your opinion of them is generally favorable or generally unfavorable. If you are undecided or if you have never heard of someone, just tell me that. First take Joe Biden. Is your opinion of Joe Biden generally favorable or generally unfavorable? (RANDOMIZE 14-20)

(N=500)	<u>NEVER HEARD</u>	<u>FAVORABLE</u>	<u>UNFAVORABLE</u>	<u>HOF/UNDECIDED</u>
13. Joe Biden	2 0.40	361 72.20	76 15.20	61 12.20
14. Albert Bryan	5 1.00	313 62.60	111 22.20	71 14.20
15. Donald Trump	1 0.20	68 13.60	374 74.80	57 11.40
16. Ron DeSantis	132 26.40	51 10.20	231 46.20	86 17.20
17. Nikki Haley	236 47.20	49 9.80	114 22.80	101 20.20
18. Kamala Harris	31 6.20	290 58.00	76 15.20	103 20.60
19. Stacey Plaskett	30 6.00	394 78.80	38 7.60	38 7.60
20. Tregenza Roach	45 9.00	279 55.80	85 17.00	91 18.20

21. How much do you think climate change is impacting your local community? {ROTATE ASC-DESC}

(N=500)	n	%
Significantly-----	220	44.00
Somewhat-----	142	28.40
Not too much-----	82	16.40
Not at all-----	29	5.80
Undecided-----	23	4.60
Refused-----	4	0.80

I'm going to read you some conditions and services on the island. Please tell me if you would rate each one {ROTATE ASC-DESC} excellent, good, fair, poor.

(N=500)	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Fair</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Undecided</u>
22. The current state of the USVI economy	12 2.40	89 17.80	211 42.20	175 35.00	13 2.60
23. The quality of roads and bridges	4 0.80	42 8.40	141 28.20	306 61.20	7 1.40
24. The quality of medical care	6 1.20	56 11.20	141 28.20	286 57.20	11 2.20
25. The reliability of power and electricity	10 2.00	36 7.20	110 22.00	337 67.40	7 1.40
26. The quality of local police	22 4.40	101 20.20	226 45.20	136 27.20	15 3.00
27. The quality of education in public schools	18 3.60	88 17.60	167 33.40	209 41.80	18 3.60
28. The quality of housing	13 2.60	56 11.20	168 33.60	236 47.20	27 5.40
29. Do you have health insurance – yes or no? (N=500)			n		%
Yes-----			380		76.00
No-----			115		23.00
Undecided-----			3		0.60
Refused-----			2		0.40
30. Are you able to cover the cost of prescribed medications when needed – yes or no? (N=500)			n		%
Yes-----			398		79.60
No-----			71		14.20
Undecided-----			26		5.20
Refused-----			5		1.00
31. How would you rate your island's handling of the COVID-19 pandemic - excellent, good, fair, or poor? (N=500)			n		%
Excellent-----			153		30.60
Good-----			188		37.60
Fair-----			120		24.00
Poor-----			31		6.20
Undecided-----			7		1.40
Refused-----			1		0.20
32. In your opinion how satisfied are you with your local government? {ROTATE ASC-DESC} (N=500)			n		%
Very satisfied-----			52		10.40
Somewhat satisfied-----			256		51.20
Not very satisfied-----			98		19.60
Not at all satisfied-----			78		15.60
Undecided-----			13		2.60
Refused-----			3		0.60

33. Which political party best represents your views? {RANDOMIZE}
(N=500)

	n	%
Democratic Party-----	272	54.40
Republican Party-----	39	7.80
Independent Citizens Movement of the Virgin Islands-----	89	17.80
Undecided-----	76	15.20
Refused-----	24	4.80

THE FINAL TWO QUESTIONS WILL HELP US CLASSIFY YOUR ANSWERS WITH OTHERS TAKING THE SURVEY.

34. What is the highest level of education you have completed? (READ LIST)
(N=500)

	n	%
Some high school-----	91	18.20
High school graduate-----	168	33.60
Some college-----	68	13.60
Trade/technical/vocational training-----	29	5.80
College graduate-----	81	16.20
Master's or PhD-----	50	10.00
Undecided-----	5	1.00
Refused-----	8	1.60

35. Which of the following household income categories comes closest to your annual household income? {READ}

(N=500)

	n	%
Less than \$15,000 per year-----	98	19.60
\$15,000 - \$30,000 per year-----	71	14.20
\$30,000 - \$45,000 per year-----	70	14.00
\$45,000 - \$60,000 per year-----	65	13.00
\$60,000 - \$75,000 per year-----	54	10.80
\$75,000 - \$90,000 per year-----	38	7.60
\$90,000 - \$105,000 per year-----	21	4.20
Over \$105,000 per year-----	66	13.20
Undecided-----	17	3.40

[THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. HAVE A NICE DAY/EVENING.]