

Global Warming Questions

1. In 2006 California passed a new law that requires the state to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases that cause global warming by about 17 percent over the next ten years. Generally speaking, do you favor or oppose this new law? (IF FAVOR OR OPPOSE:) Do you (favor) (oppose) it strongly or somewhat?
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| FAVOR STRONGLY | 34% |
| FAVOR SOMEWHAT | 24 |
| OPPOSE SOMEWHAT | 13 |
| OPPOSE STRONGLY | 25 |
| NO OPINION | 4 |
2. One way to achieve this goal is to charge a fee to those companies that release greenhouse gases over their permitted level. The state would then return most of the money collected from this fee back to all state residents either directly or through a reduction in taxes. Generally speaking, do you favor or oppose this proposal? (IF FAVOR OR OPPOSE:) Do you (favor) (oppose) it strongly or somewhat?
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| FAVOR STRONGLY | 41% |
| FAVOR SOMEWHAT | 23 |
| OPPOSE SOMEWHAT | 10 |
| OPPOSE STRONGLY | 21 |
| NO OPINION | 5 |
3. There are different ways that the state could give back to California residents the fees it collects from those who emit greenhouse gases. I am going to read some of them, and please tell me whether you favor or oppose each as a way of returning the fees it collects back to state residents. (READ ITEMS IN RANDOM ORDER, ASKING:) Do you favor or oppose this method?
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| () a. mail every Californian an equal share of the proceeds in the form of an annual check..... | 40% | 54 | 6 |
| () b. give taxpayers a tax rebate when they file their state income taxes | 63% | 33 | 4 |
| () c. reduce the state sales tax | 57% | 38 | 5 |
| () d. reduce electricity rates charged to residential customers..... | 66% | 32 | 2 |
4. Which of the four methods of returning the fees collected back to state residents would you support the most? (RE-READ CATEGORIES IN RANDOM ORDER)
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| () mailing an annual check to every Californian | 14% |
| () giving taxpayers a tax rebate when they file their state income taxes | 29 |
| () reducing the state sales tax | 28 |
| () reducing electricity rates | 23 |
| NO OPINION..... | 6 |
5. What if the state offered to increase the amount of money it would give back to residents if the money was spent on purchasing energy efficient appliances or home improvements? Would you favor or oppose this method?
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| FAVOR | 66% |
| OPPOSE | 31 |
| NO OPINION | 3 |

6.	Do you agree strongly, agree somewhat, disagree somewhat or disagree strongly with the following statement: "I believe California can reduce greenhouse gases that contribute to global warming and expand jobs and economic prosperity at the same time."	AGREE STRONGLY44%..4152 AGREE SOMEWHAT25.....3331 DISAGREE SOMEWHAT . 10 128 DISAGREE STRONGLY... 19 117 NO OPINION232
7.	Do you think that recent changes in state energy policy encouraging new cleaner energy technologies will add jobs in California, take away jobs, or not make much of a difference?	ADD JOBS 36% ..N/AN/A REDUCE JOBS 14.....N/A.....N/A NOT MUCH DIFFERENCE. 41N/A.....N/A NO OPINION 9.....N/A.....N/A

N/A: Not asked.