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NATIONAL PUBLIC OPINION SURVEY

MARCH 2019

Survey conducted March 3 through March 5, 2019. 1,091 registered voters participated in the survey. Survey weighted to match expected turnout demographics for the 2020 General Election. Margin of Error is +/-2.97% with a 95% level of confidence. Totals do not always equal 100% due to rounding.

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Q1: Trophy hunting is killing an animal solely to display the head, hide, or parts and not for the purpose of eating the animal. Do you support or oppose trophy hunting?

Support: 23%
Oppose: 65%
Not sure: 12%

Q2: Botswana is an African country that banned trophy hunting in 2014 and this has saved an estimated 2,400 elephants and 140 leopards from hunters over the past five years. Do you support or oppose the continuation of Botswana's trophy hunting ban?

Support: 65%
Oppose: 26%
Not sure: 10%

Q3: The president of Botswana is considering overturning the ban and starting trophy hunting in the country again. Do you support or oppose keeping the trophy hunting ban in place?

Support: 67%
Oppose: 23%
Not sure: 10%

Q4: The U.S. is the second largest source of tourists to Botswana. Assuming that you were planning to visit Africa, if the president of Botswana overturns the trophy hunting ban, would you boycott Botswana and visit another African country that does not allow trophy hunting, like Kenya?

Yes: 62%
No: 27%
Not sure: 10%

Q5: The president of Botswana is also considering allowing elephants to be killed in large numbers and their meat processed and canned as pet food. Do you support or oppose elephant culling as is proposed?

Support: 14%
Oppose: 78%
Not sure: 8%



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Q6: If the president of Botswana allows elephants to be killed and made into pet food, would you boycott Botswana and visit another African country that does not allow culling, like Kenya?

Yes: 66%
No: 24%
Not sure: 10%

Q7: Is it important to you that elephants are protected from trophy hunting?

Important: 75%
Not important: 16%
Not sure: 8%

Q8: Independent elephant researchers say that elephant poaching for the illegal ivory trade has increased five-fold in Botswana between 2014 and 2018. Are you worried about elephant poaching?

Yes: 72%
No: 17%
Not sure: 11%

Q9: If the president of Botswana resumes elephant trophy hunting and killing of elephants to make pet food when the population is already impacted by poaching, do you think this will harm Botswana's conservation image?

Yes: 73%
No: 16%
Not sure: 11%



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Q1: Trophy hunting is killing an animal solely to display the head, hide, or parts and not for the purpose of eating the animal. Do you support or oppose trophy hunting?

Column %	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Support	22%	25%	22%
Oppose	65%	66%	63%
Not sure	14%	9%	15%

Table 1. Q1 by IDEOLOGY

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
Support	23%	15%	32%
Oppose	67%	77%	52%
Not sure	10%	8%	17%

Table 2. Q1 by PARTY

Column %	Female	Male
Support	19%	28%
Oppose	73%	56%
Not sure	8%	16%

Table 3. Q1 by GENDER

Column %	18-29	30-39	40-49	50-69	70+
Support	52%	64%	25%	13%	12%
Oppose	31%	35%	58%	77%	75%
Not sure	17%	1%	17%	10%	13%

Table 4. Q1 by AGE



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Q2: Botswana is an African country that banned trophy hunting in 2014 and this has saved an estimated 2,400 elephants and 140 leopards from hunters over the past five years. Do you support or oppose the continuation of Botswana's trophy hunting ban?

Column %	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Support	67%	67%	57%
Oppose	23%	23%	34%
Not sure	10%	10%	9%

Table 5. Q2 by IDEOLOGY

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
Support	72%	64%	60%
Oppose	19%	31%	25%
Not sure	9%	5%	15%

Table 6. Q2 by PARTY

Column %	Female	Male
Support	68%	61%
Oppose	24%	27%
Not sure	8%	12%

Table 7. Q2 by GENDER

Column %	18-29	30-39	40-49	50-69	70+
Support	42%	52%	50%	76%	72%
Oppose	49%	33%	34%	17%	21%
Not sure	8%	15%	16%	7%	7%

Table 8. Q2 by AGE



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Q3: The president of Botswana is considering overturning the ban and starting trophy hunting in the country again. Do you support or oppose keeping the trophy hunting ban in place?

Column %	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Support	69%	72%	55%
Oppose	19%	20%	36%
Not sure	12%	8%	9%

Table 9. Q3 by IDEOLOGY

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
Support	75%	68%	59%
Oppose	16%	28%	24%
Not sure	9%	4%	16%

Table 10. Q3 by PARTY

Column %	Female	Male
Support	72%	61%
Oppose	21%	26%
Not sure	7%	13%

Table 11. Q3 by GENDER

Column %	18-29	30-39	40-49	50-69	70+
Support	42%	44%	51%	80%	77%
Oppose	45%	42%	33%	14%	14%
Not sure	13%	13%	16%	6%	9%

Table 12. Q3 by AGE



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Q4: The U.S. is the second largest source of tourists to Botswana. Assuming that you were planning to visit Africa, if the president of Botswana overturns the trophy hunting ban, would you boycott Botswana and visit another African country that does not allow trophy hunting, like Kenya?

Column %	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Yes	62%	65%	58%
No	23%	27%	34%
Not sure	15%	8%	9%

Table 13. Q4 by IDEOLOGY

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
Yes	65%	66%	57%
No	24%	26%	31%
Not sure	10%	8%	13%

Table 14. Q4 by PARTY

Column %	Female	Male
Yes	69%	55%
No	21%	34%
Not sure	10%	11%

Table 15. Q4 by GENDER

Column %	18-29	30-39	40-49	50-69	70+
Yes	47%	36%	49%	69%	77%
No	41%	58%	35%	20%	16%
Not sure	11%	5%	16%	12%	7%

Table 16. Q4 by AGE



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Q5: The president of Botswana is also considering allowing elephants to be killed in large numbers and their meat processed and canned as pet food. Do you support or oppose elephant culling as is proposed?

Column %	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Support	15%	11%	19%
Oppose	74%	83%	74%
Not sure	11%	6%	7%

Table 17. Q5 by IDEOLOGY

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
Support	15%	10%	17%
Oppose	77%	86%	71%
Not sure	8%	4%	12%

Table 18. Q5 by PARTY

Column %	Female	Male
Support	14%	14%
Oppose	81%	73%
Not sure	5%	12%

Table 19. Q5 by GENDER

Column %	18-29	30-39	40-49	50-69	70+
Support	38%	35%	13%	10%	5%
Oppose	59%	61%	71%	82%	88%
Not sure	3%	4%	16%	7%	7%

Table 20. Q5 by AGE



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Q6: If the president of Botswana allows elephants to be killed and made into pet food, would you boycott Botswana and visit another African country that does not allow culling, like Kenya?

Column %	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Yes	66%	67%	62%
No	20%	24%	30%
Not sure	13%	8%	8%

Table 21. Q6 by IDEOLOGY

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
Yes	70%	69%	60%
No	20%	22%	29%
Not sure	10%	9%	11%

Table 22. Q6 by PARTY

Column %	Female	Male
Yes	72%	59%
No	20%	29%
Not sure	8%	12%

Table 23. Q6 by GENDER

Column %	18-29	30-39	40-49	50-69	70+
Yes	61%	33%	52%	72%	80%
No	33%	64%	32%	15%	13%
Not sure	6%	3%	16%	13%	7%

Table 24. Q6 by AGE



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Q7: Is it important to you that elephants are protected from trophy hunting?

Column %	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Important	76%	76%	71%
Not important	13%	15%	23%
Not sure	10%	8%	6%

Table 25. Q7 by IDEOLOGY

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
Important	79%	78%	69%
Not important	12%	19%	18%
Not sure	9%	3%	13%

Table 26. Q7 by PARTY

Column %	Female	Male
Important	80%	70%
Not important	13%	20%
Not sure	7%	10%

Table 27. Q7 by GENDER

Column %	18-29	30-39	40-49	50-69	70+
Important	57%	46%	61%	86%	87%
Not important	40%	36%	25%	9%	6%
Not sure	3%	18%	14%	6%	7%

Table 28. Q7 by AGE



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Q8: Independent elephant researchers say that elephant poaching for the illegal ivory trade has increased five-fold in Botswana between 2014 and 2018. Are you worried about elephant poaching?

Column %	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Yes	76%	73%	61%
No	14%	17%	24%
Not sure	10%	9%	16%

Table 29. Q8 by IDEOLOGY

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
Yes	79%	74%	64%
No	14%	20%	17%
Not sure	7%	6%	19%

Table 30. Q8 by PARTY

Column %	Female	Male
Yes	74%	69%
No	15%	20%
Not sure	11%	11%

Table 31. Q8 by GENDER

Column %	18-29	30-39	40-49	50-69	70+
Yes	56%	34%	56%	84%	85%
No	37%	47%	27%	8%	6%
Not sure	7%	19%	17%	8%	9%

Table 32. Q8 by AGE



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Q9: If the president of Botswana resumes elephant trophy hunting and killing of elephants to make pet food when the population is already impacted by poaching, do you think this will harm Botswana's conservation image?

Column %	Conservative	Moderate	Liberal
Yes	73%	73%	71%
No	13%	18%	18%
Not sure	13%	9%	11%

Table 33. Q9 by IDEOLOGY

Column %	Republican	Democrat	Non-Partisan
Yes	75%	78%	66%
No	14%	16%	18%
Not sure	10%	6%	16%

Table 34. Q9 by PARTY

Column %	Female	Male
Yes	77%	67%
No	12%	21%
Not sure	11%	12%

Table 35. Q9 by GENDER

Column %	18-29	30-39	40-49	50-69	70+
Yes	57%	48%	63%	79%	84%
No	37%	41%	19%	10%	8%
Not sure	6%	12%	18%	11%	8%

Table 36. Q9 by AGE



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DEMOGRAPHICS

	%
Conservative	36%
Moderate	43%
Liberal	21%

Table 37. IDEOLOGY

	%
White	63%
African American	16%
Hispanic	16%
Other	5%

Table 38. RACE

	%
Republican	29%
Democrat	35%
Non-Partisan	37%

Table 39. PARTY

	%
Female	53%
Male	47%

Table 40. GENDER

	%
18-29	8%
30-39	10%
40-49	19%
50-69	36%
70+	27%

Table 41. AGE