

**2021 Jack County – County Judge/Windfarm Research**

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**Screen & Introduction**

Q0. Hi, this is \_\_\_\_ with Anderson Williams Research and we are reaching out to you today to get your opinion on questions that will be considered on July 12th by the Jack County Commissioner’s Court. For statistical purposes, can you please confirm if you are...  
[VOTERNAME]?

- 1. Press 1 for Yes
- 2. Press 2 for No

**Turnout**

T1. On a scale of 1 to 7, how often do you vote in your local Jack County elections? Please use your phone’s keypad to enter a number from 1 to 7, where 1 means you never vote and 7 means you vote in every local election?  
[CODE NUMERIC 1-7]

**Propensity Respondents 137**

Certain to vote 51.8%  
Uncertain to vote 48.2%

**Basic Questions**

Q1. Do you support or oppose building new wind farms in Jack County?

- 1. Press 1 for Strongly Support
- 2. Press 2 for Somewhat Support
- 3. Press 3 for Somewhat Oppose
- 4. Press 4 for Strongly Oppose
- 5. Press 5 if you are Unsure

**Support New Wind Farms Support 29.9%**

**Oppose 58.4%**  
Strong Support 18.2%  
Some Support 11.7%  
Unsure 11.7%  
Some Oppose 10.2%  
Strong Oppose 48.2%

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Q2. Do you support or oppose the Jack County Commissioner's Court giving tax breaks to a proposed wind farm?

1. Press 1 for Strongly Support
2. Press 2 for Somewhat Support
3. Press 3 for Somewhat Oppose
4. Press 4 for Strongly Oppose
5. Press 5 if you are Unsure

**Support Tax Breaks for Support 23.5%**

**Wind Farms Oppose 68.2%**

Strong Support 14.4%

Some Support 9.1%

Unsure 8.3%

Some Oppose 9.8%

Strong Oppose 58.3%

Q3. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of County Judge Brian Umphress?

1. Press 1 for Very Favorable.
2. Press 2 for Somewhat Favorable
3. Press 3 for Somewhat Unfavorable
4. Press 4 for Very Unfavorable
5. Press 5 if you have No Opinion of Brian Umphress
6. Press 6 if you have Never Heard of Brian Umphress

**Umphress Image Name ID 90.4%**

**Favorable 51.2%**

**Unfavorable 9.6%**

Very Favorable 33.6%

Somewhat Favorable 17.6%

No Opinion 29.6%

Somewhat Unfavorable 4.8%

Very Unfavorable 4.8%

Never Heard Of 9.6%

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**More or Less**

Q4. Would you be more or less likely to vote to reelect Judge Brian Umphress, if he supported building new wind farms and offering tax breaks to the companies that build them?

1. Press 1 for Much Less Likely

2. Press 2 for Less Likely
3. Press 3 for More Likely
4. Press 4 for Much More Likely
5. Press 5 if this would have No Effect on your vote

**Effect of Tax Break on More Likely 14.3%**  
**Umphress Re-Elect Less Likely 52.9%**

Much More 5.9%  
 Some More 8.4%  
 No Effect 32.8%  
 Some Less 16.8%  
 Much Less 36.1%

### Message Tests

Now I'm going to read a series of short statements about wind farms. Please, using your phone's keypad, tell me how strongly you AGREE or DISAGREE with each statement on a scale from 1 to 7, where 1 means that you strongly DISAGREE with the statement and 7 means that you strongly AGREE. The first one is...

Q5. The Jack County Commissioners should impose standard safety restrictions such as setbacks on any new turbines built in Jack County. Please answer using your keypad, 1 through 7.

**Impose Standard Safety Agree 48.0%**  
**Restrictions Disagree 45.1%**

1 10.8%  
 2 2.9%  
 4 31.4%  
 5 6.9%  
 6 5.9%  
 7 42.2%

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Q6. Wind farms produce little additional electricity and are hurting the reliability of the Texas electrical grid. Please answer using your keypad, 1 through 7.

**Wind Farms Hurt Texas Agree 49.5%**  
**Grid Reliability Disagree 26.9%**

1 18.3%  
 2 5.4%

3 3.2%  
 4 23.7%  
 5 5.4%  
 6 7.5%  
 7 36.6%

Q7. Wind farms are an eyesore and lower the property value of the surrounding land. Please answer using your keypad, 1 through 7.

**Wind Farms Lower Property Value Agree 55.4%**  
**Disagree 30.4%**

1 21.7%  
 2 1.1%  
 3 7.6%  
 4 14.1%  
 5 3.3%  
 6 3.3%  
 7 48.9%

Q8. The noise pollution and safety hazards of 650-foot-tall wind turbines harm the quality of life for our neighbors who live near them. Please answer using your keypad, 1 through 7.

**Wind Farms Harm Quality of Life Agree 59.3%**  
**Disagree 24.2%**

1 18.7%  
 2 3.3%  
 3 2.2%  
 4 16.5%  
 5 6.6%  
 6 6.6%  
 7 46.2%

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Q9. The Jack County Commissioners should reject tax breaks for wind farms like the commissioners in neighboring Montague and Clay counties have. Please answer using your keypad, 1 through 7.

**Reject Wind Farms Like Montague & Clay Did Agree 66.7%**  
**Disagree 18.4%**

1 14.9%  
 2 1.1%  
 3 2.3%

4 14.9%  
5 5.7%  
6 4.6%  
7 56.3%

Q10. Wind turbines are a safe and environmentally friendly means of energy production and Jack County should support their construction. Please answer using your keypad, 1 through 7.

**Jack Should Support  
Wind Agree 27.4%  
Farms Disagree 57.1%**

1 47.6%  
2 3.6%  
3 6.0%  
4 15.5%  
5 6.0%  
6 4.8%  
7 16.7%

Q11. We should not be giving a foreign, French-owned company tax breaks to build wind turbines in Jack County. Please answer using your keypad, 1 through 7.

**No Tax Breaks for French Agree 76.5%  
Company Disagree 18.5%**

1 14.8%  
2 1.2%  
3 2.5%  
4 4.9%  
5 4.9%  
6 2.5%  
7 69.1%

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### Generic Reelect Test

Q12. Would you vote to reelect your County Commissioner and County Judge if they supported the building of new wind farms through tax incentives?

1. Press 1 if you would definitely reelect your Commissioner and Judge
2. Press 2 if you would definitely vote to NOT reelect your Commissioner and Judge
3. Press 3 if you would consider other candidates before making a decision

**Re-Elect County Comm**

**& Definitely Re-Elect 26.9%**

**Judge if they supported Consider Other Candidates 32.1%**

**wind farms? Definitely Not Re-Elect 41.0%**

## Demographic Panel

Now I have just a few more questions for demographic purposes only:

D1. Thinking back to the recent November General Election for the President, did you vote for Donald Trump, Joe Biden, or Another Candidate?

1. Press 1 for Democrat, Joe Biden
2. Press 2 for Republican, Donald Trump
3. Press 3 for Another Candidate not listed
4. Press 4 if you are unsure
5. Press 5 if you did not vote for anyone in this contest

D2. What is your current age?

1. Press 1 for 18 to 24
2. Press 2 for 25 to 34
3. Press 3 for 35 to 44
4. Press 4 for 45 to 54
5. Press 5 for 55 to 64
6. Press 6 for 65 or older

D3. What is your gender?

1. Press 1 for female
2. Press 2 for male
3. Press 3 for other

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D4. Which of the following best describes your race or ethnicity?

1. Press 1 for White
2. Press 2 for Black
3. Press 3 for Hispanic
4. Press 4 for Asian
5. Press 5 for another race or ethnicity not listed

Thanks for your time! Have a nice day.