



## Protect Our Wildlife VT: 2017 Vermonter Poll Frequency Tables

Okay, I'm now going to ask you a couple questions about wildlife policies in Vermont.

**Should Vermont ban the use of steel jaw leghold, body gripping traps and any types of drowning traps?**

		Frequency	Valid Percent
Valid	Yes	384	62.8
	No	125	20.5
	[DO NOT READ] Don't Know	84	13.7
	[DO NOT READ] Refused	18	2.9
	Total	611	100.0

**(Analysis Without Don't Know/Refused)**

**Should Vermont ban the use of steel jaw leghold, body gripping traps and any types of drowning traps?**

		Frequency	Valid Percent
Valid	Yes	384	75.4
	No	125	24.6
	Total	509	100.0

Vermont wildlife policies allow certain species, including coyotes, crows, porcupines, skunks and weasels to be killed without limit even when there is no intent to consume or use the remains. This is called "wanton waste" killing. Should Vermont wildlife policies prohibit the "wanton waste" of wildlife, except when these animals are causing damage to property or agricultural products?

		Frequency	Valid Percent
Valid	Yes	384	62.8
	No	161	26.4
	[DO NOT READ] Don't Know	46	7.5
	[DO NOT READ] Refused	20	3.3
	Total	611	100.0

**(Analysis Without Don't Know/Refused)**

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		Frequency	Valid Percent
Valid	Yes	384	70.5
	No	161	29.5
	Total	545	100.0

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## **2017 Center for Rural Studies: Vermonter Poll Methods**

The data used in this report were collected by the Center for Rural Studies at the University of Vermont as part of the 2017 Vermonter Poll. The survey was conducted between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. on weekdays beginning on February 21, 2017 and ending on February 28, 2017. The telephone polling was conducted from the University of Vermont using computer-aided telephone interviewing (CATI). A random sample for the poll was drawn from a list of Vermont landline and cellular telephone numbers. Only Vermont residents over the age of eighteen were interviewed. The poll included questions on a variety of issues related to public policy in the state of Vermont.

A total of 2,960 eligible potential respondents were contacted. Of these, 2,347 refused to take the survey and 613 completed a survey. The response rate for the 2017 Vermonter Poll was 20.7%. Based upon 613 valid responses, the overall results have a margin of error of plus or minus 4.0 percent with a confidence level of 95 percent.

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