

Good morning,

This is Rio Lacanlale of the RGJ and USA Today Network. Happy Friday, and hope you're doing well.

We just got the results back from an early August survey conducted by Suffolk University for the RGJ & USA TODAY. I wanted to extend an opportunity to the campaign and/or Mr. Marchant to provide a comment for a standalone story on the results of the SOS race and election integrity.

**Please note:** The results of the survey shared in this e-mail are **embargoed until 6 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 22**, when the survey and stories related to the poll will go live on [rgj.com](http://rgj.com). Once published, the full survey, results and crosstabs will be available for download on our website. **Please do not share the results contained in this email publicly before the embargo is lifted on Monday morning.**

Suffolk University polled 500 likely midterm voters across the state, all of whom are registered to vote in Nevada. It is the first general election poll to include all certified candidates who will appear on the November ballot rather than only the GOP/Democratic candidates.

\*\*My deadline for a comment is **6 p.m. today**. I sincerely apologize for the short notice. We received the results from Suffolk yesterday so I, too, have a tight turnaround. If you need a little more time, please let me know and I'll do my best to accommodate!

If you have any other questions, my cell is 702-739-4968, or you can email me. Thanks in advance!

**EMBARGOED RESULTS:**

The survey found Marchant leading Aguilar, 31% to 27%. The poll's margin of error is +/- 4.4%. The survey also shows that 26% of respondents remain undecided.

9. For secretary of state, there are 5 choices on your ballot in the following order. (READ .1-4) At this point who would you vote for or lean toward if the election for secretary of state were held today?

(N=500)	n	%
Francisco Aguilar, Democratic Party-----	133	26.60
Ross Crane, Libertarian Party-----	12	2.40
Janine Hansen, Independent American Party-----	34	6.80
Jim Marchant, Republican Party-----	157	31.40
None of these candidates-----	33	6.60
Undecided-----	131	26.20

Election integrity was ranked as the third most important issue facing Nevadans today, behind inflation/the economy and abortion.

11. I'm going to read you a list of 10 issues. Please tell me which ONE do you think is the MOST important issue to you this year?

(N=500)	n	%
Inflation / Economy-----	171	34.20
Schools / Education-----	51	10.20
Abortion-----	63	12.60
Election fraud-----	56	11.20
Climate change-----	47	9.40
Public safety-----	24	4.80
Guns-----	30	6.00
Drugs / Opioids-----	3	0.60
COVID-19-----	0	0.00
Affordable housing-----	37	7.40
Undecided-----	18	3.60

31% of respondents ranked Nevada's election system as extremely trustworthy, and 14% ranked it not at all trustworthy.

22. On a scale of 1-10, where **1 is not at all trustworthy** and **10 is extremely trustworthy**, how much do you trust results from Nevada's election system?

(N=500)	n	%
1 – Not at all trustworthy-----	71	14.20
2-----	25	5.00
3-----	20	4.00
4-----	33	6.60
5-----	53	10.60
6-----	33	6.60
7-----	23	4.60
8-----	50	10.00
9-----	34	6.80
10 – Extremely trustworthy-----	154	30.80
Undecided-----	3	0.60
Refused-----	1	0.20
Mean-----	6.42	

For context, if it's helpful, here's a breakdown of demographics on the questions specific to the SOS race and election system trustworthiness.

BANNER 1																				
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	GENDER		AREA			LIKELY TO VOTE			PARTY			AGE					RACE			
	TOTAL	MALE	FE-MALE	CLARK	CTRL	WASHOE	VERY	SMWT	DEM	REP	IND/OTHER	18-24	25-34	35-49	50-64	65-74	OVER 75	WHITE	BLACK	HISP
Total	500	237	255	356	61	83	461	39	171	160	161	36	85	122	130	76	47	295	46	100
	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
Francisco Aguilar, Democratic Party	133	53	78	104	9	20	126	7	108	1	23	12	20	28	40	20	10	76	18	26
	27%	22%	31%	29%	15%	24%	27%	18%	63%	1%	14%	33%	24%	23%	31%	26%	21%	26%	39%	26%
Ross Crane, Libertarian Party	12	9	3	10	2	-	11	1	-	2	10	3	2	3	2	-	2	5	1	4
	2%	4%	1%	3%	3%		2%	3%		1%	6%	8%	2%	2%	2%		4%	2%	2%	4%
Janine Hansen, Independent American Party	34	18	14	24	5	5	30	4	2	3	29	6	8	10	8	2	-	16	1	11
	7%	8%	5%	7%	8%	6%	7%	10%	1%	2%	18%	17%	9%	8%	6%	3%		5%	2%	11%
Jim Marchant, Republican Party	157	94	61	97	36	24	153	4	2	122	32	2	22	41	41	31	19	110	5	28
	31%	40%	24%	27%	59%	29%	33%	10%	1%	76%	20%	6%	26%	34%	32%	41%	40%	37%	11%	28%
None of these candidates	33	14	19	25	4	4	30	3	14	11	6	1	7	10	6	4	5	16	4	5
	7%	6%	7%	7%	7%	5%	7%	8%	8%	7%	4%	3%	8%	8%	5%	5%	11%	5%	9%	5%
Undecided	131	49	80	96	5	30	111	20	45	21	61	12	26	30	33	19	11	72	17	26
	26%	21%	31%	27%	8%	36%	24%	51%	26%	13%	38%	33%	31%	25%	25%	25%	23%	24%	37%	26%

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1 - Not at all trustworthy	71	43	27	56	11	4	67	4	6	43	22	-	6	22	21	11	10	45	3	13
	14%	18%	11%	16%	18%	5%	15%	10%	4%	27%	14%		7%	18%	16%	14%	21%	15%	7%	13%
2	25	14	11	16	4	5	24	1	2	11	12	1	4	4	8	4	4	15	1	5
	5%	6%	4%	4%	7%	6%	5%	3%	1%	7%	7%	3%	5%	3%	6%	5%	9%	5%	2%	5%
3	20	6	13	12	6	2	18	2	2	14	3	1	5	2	8	2	2	12	-	4
	4%	3%	5%	3%	10%	2%	4%	5%	1%	9%	2%	3%	6%	2%	6%	3%	4%	4%		4%
4	33	19	14	23	6	4	31	2	3	18	12	1	5	11	10	5	1	17	2	7
	7%	8%	5%	6%	10%	5%	7%	5%	2%	11%	7%	3%	6%	9%	8%	7%	2%	6%	4%	7%
5	53	30	22	33	9	11	51	2	5	27	20	4	9	15	7	12	6	30	4	12
	11%	13%	9%	9%	15%	13%	11%	5%	3%	17%	12%	11%	11%	12%	5%	16%	13%	10%	9%	12%
6	33	15	18	25	3	5	31	2	4	14	15	3	7	8	8	6	1	19	5	8
	7%	6%	7%	7%	5%	6%	7%	5%	2%	9%	9%	8%	8%	7%	6%	8%	2%	6%	11%	8%
7	23	7	15	16	2	5	22	1	6	8	9	6	6	3	2	4	1	12	2	6
	5%	3%	6%	4%	3%	6%	5%	3%	4%	5%	6%	17%	7%	2%	2%	5%	2%	4%	4%	6%
8	50	22	27	39	5	6	39	11	21	12	15	7	8	9	14	3	8	24	8	12
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	31%	28%	34%	30%	21%	40%	31%	23%	60%	6%	24%	22%	33%	36%	30%	32%	21%	32%	39%	28%
Undecided	3	-	3	3	-	-	2	1	1	-	2	-	1	-	-	1	1	3	-	-
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Refused	1	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
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Mean	6.42	6.00	6.80	6.39	5.34	7.30	6.38	6.92	8.70	4.23	6.11	7.50	6.86	6.31	6.28	6.25	5.70	6.42	7.53	6.34