Survey question wording and topline

2021 PEW RESEARCH CENTER'S AMERICAN TRENDS PANEL WAVE 89 April 2021 April 20-29, 2021 TOTAL N=13,749

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ASK ALL:

ENV2

Do you favor or oppose EXPANDING each of the following sources of energy in our country? **[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]**

| | <u>Favor</u> | <u>Oppose</u> | No answer |
|---|--------------|---------------|-----------|
| a. More offshore oil and gas drilling | | | |
| in U.S. waters Apr 20-29, 2021 Apr 29-May 5, 2020 | 43 40 | 55 58 | 3 2 |
| Oct 1-13, 2019 | 42 | 56 | 1 |
| Mar 27-Apr 9, 2018 | 39 | 60 | 1 |
| May 10-Jun 6, 2016 | 45 | 52 | 3 |
| b. More nuclear power plants to | | | |
| generate electricity | 50 | 47 | 2 |
| Apr 20-29, 2021 Apr 29-May 5, 2020 | 43 | 47 55 | 3 2 |
| Oct 1-13, 2019 | 43 49 | 49 | 2 |
| Mar 27-Apr 9, 2018 | 44 | 54 | 2 |
| May 10-Jun 6, 2016 | 43 | 54 | 3 |
| c. More coal mining | | | |
| Apr 20-29, 2021 | 36 | 61 | 3 |
| Apr 29-May 5, 2020 | 33 | 65 | 2 |
| Oct 1-13, 2019 | 35 27 | 63 | 2 2 |
| Mar 27-Apr 9, 2018 May 10-Jun 6, 2016 | 37 41 | 61 57 | 3 |
| , | 41 | 37 | 3 |
| d. More solar panel "farms" | 0.4 | 1.4 | 2 |
| Apr 20 May 5 2020 | 84 90 | 14 9 | 2 1 |
| Apr 29-May 5, 2020 Oct 1-13, 2019 | 90 92 | 8 | 1 |
| Mar 27-Apr 9, 2018 | 89 | 10 | 1 |
| May 10-Jun 6, 2016 | 89 | 9 | 2 |
| e. More hydraulic fracturing, | | | |
| sometimes called "fracking," for | | | |
| oil and natural gas | | | |
| Apr 20-29, 2021 | 41 | 56 | 3 |
| Apr 29-May 5, 2020 | 37 | 60 | 3 |
| Oct 1-13, 2019 | 38 | 60 | 2 |
| Mar 27-Apr 9, 2018 May 10-Jun 6, 2016 | 39 42 | 58 53 | 2 5 |
| 11ay 10-Juli 0, 2010 | 44 | 33 | 3 |

ENV2 CONTINUED...

ASK FORM 1 ONLY [N=6,860]:

| f. More wind turbine "farms" | | | |
|------------------------------|----|----|---|
| Apr 20-29, 2021 | 77 | 20 | 2 |
| Apr 29-May 5, 2020 | 83 | 16 | 2 |
| Oct 1-13, 2019 | 85 | 14 | 1 |
| Mar 27-Apr 9, 2018 | 85 | 13 | 2 |
| May 10-Jun 6, 2016 | 83 | 14 | 3 |

ASK FORM 2 ONLY [N=6,889]:

g. More offshore wind turbine

"farms"

Apr 20-29, 2021 75 23 3

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ASK FORM 1 [N=6,860]:

WINDHRD How much, if anything, have you read or heard about generating electricity from wind turbine "farms"?

Apr 20-29,

2021
20 A lot
64 A little
16 Nothing at all
<1 No answer

ASK FORM 1 [N=6,860]:

WIND1 Thinking about generating electricity from wind turbine "farms," do you think... [RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

a. The cost to consumers from wind power is...

Apr 20-29,

2021
26 Higher than most other energy sources
35 Lower than most other energy sources
34 About the same as most other energy sources
5 No answer

b. The reliability of wind power is...

Apr 20-29,

2021

18 More reliable than most other energy sources

44 Less reliable than most other energy sources

35 About the same as most other energy sources

No answer

c. The overall effect on the environment from wind power is...

| Apr 20-29, | |
|-------------|---|
| <u>2021</u> | |
| 65 | Better for the environment than most other energy sources |
| 10 | Worse for the environment than most other energy sources |
| 23 | About the same for the environment as most other energy sources |
| 3 | No answer |

ASK FORM 2 [N=6,889]:

SOLARHRD How much, if anything, have you read or heard about generating electricity from solar panel "farms"?

| Apr 20-29, | |
|-------------|----------------|
| <u>2021</u> | |
| 17 | A lot |
| 64 | A little |
| 19 | Nothing at all |
| <1 | No answer |

ASK FORM 2 [N=6,889]:

SOLAR1 Thinking about generating electricity from solar panel "farms," do you think...

[RANDOMIZE ITEMS]

a. The cost to consumers from solar power is...

| Apr 20-29, <u>2021</u> | |
|---------------------------|---|
| 31 | Higher than most other energy sources |
| 36 | Lower than most other energy sources |
| 30 | About the same as most other energy sources |
| 4 | No answer |

b. The reliability of solar power is...

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Apr 20-29,

2021
24 More reliable than most other energy sources
35 Less reliable than most other energy sources
38 About the same as most other energy sources
3 No answer
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c. The overall effect on the environment from solar power is...

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Apr 20-29,

2021

70 Better for the environment than most other energy sources

7 Worse for the environment than most other energy sources

21 About the same for the environment as most other energy sources

2 No answer
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