

National Poll Finds Strong Support for Increasing Renewable Fuels

With continuing high fuel prices across the United States and long-term concerns with fuel supply in response to the war in Ukraine and the U.S. ban on Russian oil imports, a new national poll finds strong support among registered voters for expanding the supply of fuel with domestic renewable sources like ethanol—support that is even stronger than increasing domestic oil production.

The following are top results from the survey:

- More than four out of five adults (83%) surveyed support the United States increasing renewable fuel production, compared to increasing domestic oil drilling (70%) and increasing oil imports (40%). More than half of those surveyed (52%) expressed *strong support* for more renewable fuels.
- Nearly three out of four adults (72%) support increasing the availability of E15, the 15% ethanol blend, to replace oil imports from Russia. RFA has been working hard to make this blend available for drivers year-round, and both automakers and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency consider it safe for nearly all autos and light trucks on the road today.
- More than two-thirds of adults (69%) say it should be important for the U.S. government to incentivize the automotive industry to increase the production of flex-fuel vehicles. In recent weeks, E85 prices have been 30-40% below gasoline prices. Today, only one out of every 15 cars on the road is a flex-fuel vehicle that can use E85.
- Nearly three out of five American adults (58%) have a favorable opinion of ethanol made from corn, and two-thirds (66%) support the nation's Renewable Fuel Standard policy.

The poll was conducted by Morning Consult with more than 2,000 registered voters between March 23 and 25, 2022. It has a margin of error of 2%.

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