



Policymakers must not forget how vital chemicals are to the supply chain when it comes to making the things America can't live without. New proposed restrictions from the Biden Administration, however, could limit access to and the cost of essential products, harm the U.S. economy, and jeopardize American competitiveness in the global market.

What North Carolinians believe about regulatory overreach on the chemical sector:

- Three-in-five North Carolinians agree imposing additional EPA restrictions on the chemical sector could result in fewer jobs for American manufacturing workers (65%) and disruptions to critical supply chains like those for semiconductors, consumer electronics, and health care technology (64%).
- Agreement on these projected outcomes, as well as concern about them, is bipartisan among North Carolina adults. Women and Republicans in the state tend to express greater concern than others.
- 75% of North Carolinians, including 73% of Democrats, agree that with high inflation causing financial strife for families across the U.S., now is not the time for new federal restrictions that could increase the cost of goods like vehicles, homes, consumer electronics, and household products.
- 73% of North Carolinians, including 72% of Democrats, are concerned about the potential impact of increased restrictions on the U.S. chemical sector on local economies who depend on it for jobs and economic activity.
- **68% of North Carolinians**, including 70% of Democrats, agree that new laws and restrictions on the chemical sector should not come at the expense of the United States' competitiveness in the global economy.
- 71% of North Carolinians, including 76% of Democrats, agree that the Biden Administration should review additional restrictions proposed by agencies like the EPA more carefully.

- 70% of North Carolinians agree that the EPA should do more to ensure that the restrictions they impose don't harm the U.S. economy.
- More than half of North Carolinians agree that the EPA imposes an excessive number of restrictions (55%), and that the EPA reaches beyond its regulatory authority (53%).
- **North Carolinians agree** that regulatory overload is harmful to:
 - The affordability of products, including medicine, for American families (71%)
 - The U.S. Economy (69%)
 - The amount of goods produced in the U.S. (68%)
 - U.S. Energy Production (65%)
 - Technical Innovation in the U.S., including renewable energy (62%)
 - U.S. economic edge against countries like China and Russia (60%)

This poll was conducted between August 11–August 16, 2023, among a sample of 1001 North Carolina Adults. The interviews were conducted online. Results from the full survey have a margin of error of plus or minus 3 percentage points.

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