Delawareans say they are convinced and ready to act.

In 2014, Delaware residents were surveyed about their thoughts on climate change and sea level rise. Delawareans believe that climate change and sea level rise are happening and are a threat to our state. They think we should act now and they believe that their own actions make a difference.

Residents in Delaware believe climate change and sea level rise are happening and are a threat.

- 79% Are convinced that climate change is happening
- 70% Are convinced that sea level rise is happening

Delawareans think immediate action should be taken to reduce the impacts of climate change and sea level rise.

- 76% Say to act now on climate change
- 72% Say to act now on sea level rise

Delawareans support key strategies to respond to and prepare for sea level rise.

- 85% Change building codes and regulations to reduce risk in flood prone areas
- 71% Elevate buildings in areas of risk using private funding
- 77% Avoid building new structures in areas at risk from sea level rise
- 72% Increase funding for research
- 64% Allow beaches and wetlands to naturally migrate inland

Residents support local and state governments spending more money on public construction projects if it means that the structures could withstand sea level rise.

- 70% Support
- 20% Oppose
- 10% Not Sure

Delawareans report having personally experienced the impacts of climate change and sea level rise.

- 53% Have experienced climate change
- 28% Have experienced sea level rise

Residents in Delaware believe climate change and sea level rise are happening and are a threat.

- 65% Delawareans agree that they can personally take actions to reduce climate change

Delawareans think immediate action should be taken to reduce the impacts of climate change and sea level rise.

- 72% Say to act now on sea level rise
- 76% Say to act now on climate change

The full report is available online at WWW.DE.GOV/CLIMATESLRSURVEY

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