



**HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY POLL
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ELEMENTS	DETAILS
Population represented	Adults in North Carolina
Sample size	384
Mode of data collection	Telephone (Random Digit Dial (RDD) landline and cellular telephones)
Type of sample (probability/non-probability)	Probability, using RDD samples of landline and cellular telephones generated by Survey Sampling International
Start and end dates of data collection	2/19 - 2/23 and 2/25-2/28
Margin of sampling error for total sample	Approximately plus or minus 5 percentage points
Are the data weighted?	Yes, relative to U.S. Census estimates for gender, race, and age, and CDC estimates for phone usage (cell only, landline only, or both).
Survey sponsor	High Point University Survey Research Center, High Point, NC
Survey/Data collection supplier	High Point University Survey Research Center. The Center is located within the Nido R. Qubein School of Communications on the High Point University campus. Student interviewers staff the 32 stations equipped with WinCati computer assisted telephone interviewing systems.
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Attached is the full text of survey questions our interviewers asked. Interested parties can access results from the survey at <http://src.highpoint.edu/> and should contact the Director of the Survey Research Center for additional information.

Survey questions: Below are questions the Survey Research Center fielded for this study. They represent the text as read by the interviewers, plus options that appeared to interviewers but were not offered to respondents (in parentheses). Percentages may not add to 100 because of rounding.

Do you think it will be best for the future of the country if we take an active part in world affairs, or if we stay out of world affairs?

Active part	56%
Stay out	36%
(Don't know/refused)	8%

On the whole, would you say you are satisfied or dissatisfied with the position of the United States in the world today?

Satisfied	29%
Dissatisfied	64%
(Don't know/refused)	7%

Thinking about current U.S. relations with the rest of the world, would you say that the world is becoming safer or more dangerous for the U.S. and the American people?

Safer	19%
More dangerous	74%
(Don't know/refused)	7%

Right now, what country in the world, if any, poses the greatest threat to the United States?

(Iran)	42%
(China)	21%
(Afghanistan)	6%
(North Korea)	3%
(Iraq)	1%
(Pakistan)	1%
(Mexico)	1%
(Russia)	1%
(Israel)	1%
(U.S.)	1%
(None)	10%
(Other)	14%

There has been a lot of talk these days in Washington D.C. about reducing the size of the U.S. military. Do you think having a smaller military will reduce its effectiveness, or do you think a smaller military can be just as effective in facing future threats?

Smaller military reduces effectiveness	58%
Smaller military can be just as effective	34%
(Don't know/refused)	8%

How much, if anything, have you heard about recent tensions between the U.S. and Iran over Iran's nuclear program, a lot, a little, or nothing at all?

A lot	52%
A little	38%
Nothing at all	9%
(Don't know/refused)	1%

Thinking about U.S. relations with Iran is it more important for the U.S. to stop Iran from building nuclear weapons even if it means using military force, OR avoid using military force even if Iran is then able to build nuclear weapons?

Stop Iran from building nuclear weapons even if it means using military force	56%
Avoid using military force even if Iran is then able to build nuclear weapons	30%
(Don't know/refused)	14%

How well is the U.S. military effort in Afghanistan going?

Very well	7%
Fairly well	39%
Not too well	34%
Not at all well	10%
(Don't know/refuse)	10%

Do you think the U.S. should keep military troops in Afghanistan until the situation has stabilized, or do you think the U.S. should remove troops as soon as possible?

Keep military troops in Afghanistan until the situation is stabilized	45%
Remove troops from Afghanistan as soon as possible	49%
(Don't know/refused)	7%

Demographics

What is the last year of schooling you have completed?

(1-11 th grade)	7%
(High school graduate)	20%
(Some college)	22%
(College graduate)	34%
(Graduate school)	17%
(Don't know/Refused)	1%

Are you currently...

Employed for wages	49%
Self-employed	10%
Out of work and looking for work	5%
Out of work but not currently looking for work	1%
A homemaker	4%
A student	8%
Retired	20%
Unable to work	5%

Would you please stop me when I read the correct category for your total household income?

25 thousand dollars or less	15%
25 to 50 thousand dollars	23%
50 to 75 thousand dollars	19%
75 to 100 thousand dollars	14%
100 to 150 thousand dollars	9%
150 to 250 thousand dollars	3%
More than 250 thousand dollars	2%
(Don't know/refused)	15%

Age

18 - 24	15%
25 - 34	23%
35 - 44	19%
45 - 54	14%
55 - 64	9%
65 and older	3%

How often do you attend worship services? Would you say never, a few times a year, a few times a month, almost every week, every week, or more than once a week?

Never	12%
A few times a year	27%
A few times a month	13%
Almost every week	14%
Every week	22%
More than once a week	12%

Are you, or is any member of your household, a member of the armed forces or a veteran?

Yes, an active member of armed forces	4%
Yes, veteran	25%
Yes, both	1%
No	68%
(Don't know/Refused)	2%

What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

White	70%
African-American or Black	21%
Hispanic or Latino	2%
Native American	2%
Asian	1%
(Multiple or Other)	2%
(Don't know/refused)	2%

How would you best describe your current relationship status?

Single	27%
Engaged	4%
Living with your significant other	5%
Married	56%
Widowed	7%
(Don't know/refused)	1%

Gender

Male	48%
Female	52%