# HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY POLL
## MEMO RELEASE 3/1/2012

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<th>ELEMENTS</th>
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<td>Population represented</td>
<td>Adults in North Carolina</td>
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<td>Sample size</td>
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<td>Mode of data collection</td>
<td>Telephone (Random Digit Dial (RDD) landline and cellular telephones)</td>
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<td>Type of sample (probability/non-</td>
<td>Probability, using RDD samples of landline and cellular telephones generated by Survey Sampling International</td>
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<td>Start and end dates of data collection</td>
<td>2/19 – 2/23 and 2/25-2/28</td>
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<td>Are the data weighted?</td>
<td>Yes, relative to U.S. Census estimates for gender, race, and age, and CDC estimates for phone usage (cell only, landline only, or both).</td>
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<td>Survey sponsor</td>
<td>High Point University Survey Research Center, High Point, NC</td>
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<td>Survey/Data collection supplier</td>
<td>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.</td>
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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/](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?

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<td>Active part</td>
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<td>Stay out</td>
<td>36%</td>
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<td>(Don’t know/refused)</td>
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On the whole, would you say you are satisfied or dissatisfied with the position of the United States in the world today?

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<td>Satisfied</td>
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<td>Dissatisfied</td>
<td>64%</td>
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<td>(Don’t know/refused)</td>
<td>7%</td>
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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?

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<td>Safer</td>
<td>19%</td>
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<td>More dangerous</td>
<td>74%</td>
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Right now, what country in the world, if any, poses the greatest threat to the United States?

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<td>(Iran)</td>
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<td>(Afghanistan)</td>
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<td>(U.S.)</td>
<td>1%</td>
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<td>(None)</td>
<td>10%</td>
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<td>(Other)</td>
<td>14%</td>
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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?

- (1-11th 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%