



**HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY POLL
MEMO RELEASE 2/10/2017 (UPDATE)**

ELEMENTS	DETAILS
Population represented	Adults in North Carolina
Sample size	405 Adults in North Carolina
Mode of data collection	Telephone (landline and cellular telephones). Interviews conducted in English.
Type of sample (probability/non-probability)	Probability, using RDD samples of landline and cellular telephones generated by Survey Sampling International. Landline respondents were randomly selected within household by asking to speak with the person age 18 or older who has had the most recent birthday.
Start and end dates of data collection	January 28 – February 3, 2017
Margin of sampling error for total sample	Approximately 4.9 percentage points for the all adult sample. Approximately 5.1 percentage points for the registered voter sample. The margin of error is not adjusted for sample weights.
Are the data weighted?	Yes, relative to U.S. Census (2014 American Community Survey and Population Estimates Program) estimates for age, race and gender; CDC estimates for phone usage (cell only, landline only, or both); and North Carolina State Board of Elections party registration statistics.
Survey sponsor and funded by	High Point University Survey Research Center, High Point, NC
Survey/Data collection supplier	High Point University Survey Research Center. The Center is located on the High Point University campus. Student interviewers staff the 42 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://www.highpoint.edu/src> 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. Percentages less than one percent are denoted with a *

Registered Voter Screening

These days, many people are so busy they can't find time to register to vote, or move around so often they don't get a chance to re-register. Are you NOW registered to vote in your precinct or election district or haven't you been able to register so far?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	92	100
No	8	0
(Don't know/Refuse)	*	
	n= 405	n=373

Are you absolutely certain that you are registered to vote or is there a chance that your registration has lapsed because you moved or some other reason?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Yes, absolutely certain	92	100
Chance registration has lapsed	0	0
	n=373	n=373

On November 8th, 2016, North Carolina held its general election for President, U.S. Senate, U.S. House of Representatives and other offices. Did you vote or were you unable to vote for some reason?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	91	91
No	9	9
	n=373	n=373

Direction of Country and Approval of Public Officials

Do you think things in this country are generally going in the right direction or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Right direction	27	28
Wrong track	61	60
(Don't know/Refuse)	12	12
	n= 405	n=373

Would you say that the country is better off or worse off than it was eight years ago?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Better off	36	36
Worse off	49	48
(About the same)	6	6
(Don't know/Refuse)	10	10
	n= 405	n=373

Do you approve or disapprove of the way that Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Approve	36	36
Disapprove	52	51
(Don't know/Refuse)	13	13
	n= 405	n=373

Do you approve or disapprove of the way that Roy Cooper is handling his job as Governor?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Approve	46	47
Disapprove	21	22
(Don't know/Refuse)	33	31
	n= 405	n=373

Do you approve or disapprove of the way that the U.S. Congress is handling its job?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Approve	23	23
Disapprove	60	61
(Don't know/Refuse)	18	16
	n= 405	n=373

Do you approve or disapprove of the way that the North Carolina General Assembly is handling its job?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Approve	27	28
Disapprove	41	43
(Don't know/Refuse)	32	29
	n= 405	n=373

Finances

We are interested in how people are getting along financially these days. Would you say that you and your family living there are better off or worse off financially than you were a year ago?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Better Off	43	44
Worse Off	21	20
(Neither better nor worse)	34	34
(Don't know/Refuse)	2	2
	n= 405	n=373

Now looking ahead, do you think that a year from now you and your family living there will be better off financially, or worse off, or just about the same as now?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Better off	42	42
Worse off	15	15
Just about the same as now	37	37
(Don't know/Refuse)	6	6
	n= 405	n=373

Now turning to business conditions in the country as a whole, do you think that during the next twelve months we'll have good times financially, or bad times, or what?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Good times	41	42
Bad times	32	31
Neither good nor bad, both good and bad	9	9
(Good times with qualifications)	6	7
(Bad times with qualifications)	3	3
(Don't know/Refuse)	9	8
	n=405	n=373

Donald Trump as President

Who do you want to see take the lead role in setting policy for the country -- President Trump, Republicans in Congress, or Democrats in Congress?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
President Trump	23	23
Republicans in Congress	21	22
Democrats in Congress	40	40
(Don't know/Refuse)	16	16
	n=405	n=373

As best you can tell, do you approve or disapprove of DONALD TRUMP's policies and plans for the future?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Approve	40	41
Disapprove	52	52
(Don't know/Refuse)	8	7
	n=405	n=373

Generally, do you think DONALD TRUMP will be successful or unsuccessful in getting his programs passed into law?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Successful	67	67
Unsuccessful	23	25
(Don't know/Refuse)	9	8
	n=405	n=373

How concerned are you that Donald Trump's relationships with organizations, businesses or foreign governments conflict with his ability to serve the country's best interests? Are you ...

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Very concerned	45	46
Somewhat concerned	14	12
Not too concerned	16	16
Not at all concerned	23	24
(Don't know/Refuse)	1	1
	n=405	n=373

Roy Cooper as Governor

Who do you want to see take the lead role in setting policy for the state of North Carolina -- Governor Cooper, Republicans in the General Assembly, or Democrats in the General Assembly?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Governor Cooper	35	34
Republicans in the General Assembly	31	33
Democrats in the General Assembly	24	24
(Don't know/Refuse)	10	9
	n=405	n=373

As best you can tell, do you approve or disapprove of Roy Cooper's policies and plans for the future?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Approve	46	48
Disapprove	19	20
(Don't know/Refuse)	35	32
	n=405	n=373

Generally, do you think Roy Cooper will be successful or unsuccessful in getting his programs passed into law?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Successful	42	42
Unsuccessful	33	35
(Don't know/Refuse)	24	23
	n=404	n=372

Relations between Democrats and Republicans

Do you think relations between Republicans and Democrats in Washington will get better this year, get worse, or stay the same as they are now?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Get better	21	21
Get worse	53	52
Stay about the same	24	25
(Don't know/Refuse)	2	2
	N= 405	n=373

Do you think relations between Republicans and Democrats in Raleigh will get better this year, get worse, or stay the same as they are now?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Get better	21	21
Get worse	37	38
Stay about the same	37	36
(Don't know/Refuse)	5	5
	n=405	n=373

Now, thinking about the American people as a whole after the 2016 elections, do you think that people in the U.S. are more united, more divided, or not much different than usual.

	All Adults	Registered Voters
More united	8	7
More divided	75	75
Not much different than usual	16	17
(Don't know/Refuse)	1	1
	n=405	n=373

Now, thinking about the people of North Carolina as a whole after the 2016 elections, do you think that people in North Carolina are more united, more divided, or not much different than usual.

	All Adults	Registered Voters
More united	10	10
More divided	44	44
Not much different than usual	45	45
(Don't know/Refuse)	1	1
	n=404	n=372

Foreign Affairs

Now we would like to ask you some questions about foreign affairs issues. 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?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Active part	64	65
Stay out	29	29
(Don't know/Refuse)	7	7
	n=403	n=371

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?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Safer	10	11
More dangerous	85	84
(Don't know/Refuse)	5	5
	n=403	n=371

Now, I'd like your opinion about some possible international concerns for the U.S. For each one please let me know if you think that it is a major threat, a minor threat or not a threat to the well being of the United States....

All Adults (n=402)

	Major threat	Minor threat	Not a threat	(Don't know/ Refuse)
North Korea's nuclear program	72	20	4	4
Russia's power and influence	61	28	8	4
Jobs based in the U.S. moving overseas	60	26	10	4
Global climate change	55	23	19	3
China's emergence as a world power	50	32	15	3
A large number of refugees leaving countries like Iraq and Syria	44	33	19	4
The conflict between Israelis and Palestinians	39	40	15	6

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Registered Voters (n=373)

	Major threat	Minor threat	Not a threat	(Don't know/ Refuse)
North Korea's nuclear program	73	19	4	4
Russia's power and influence	61	28	8	4
Jobs based in the U.S. moving overseas	61	25	11	3
Global climate change	54	24	20	3
China's emergence as a world power	51	31	15	3
A large number of refugees leaving countries like Iraq and Syria	44	33	20	4
The conflict between Israelis and Palestinians	40	39	15	6

Demographics

Do you consider yourself to be of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	4	3
No	95	96
(Don't know/Refuse)	1	1
	n=402	n=370

What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
African-American or Black	21	21
White or Caucasian	70	71
Native American	2	2
Asian	1	*
(Multiple or Other)	2	2
(Don't know/Refuse)	3	3
	N=405	n=373

What is the last year of schooling you have completed?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
(1-11 th grade)	4	3
(High school graduate)	17	16
(Some college)	21	22
(College graduate)	36	37
(Graduate school)	21	22
(Don't know/ Refused)	*	1
	n=402	n=370

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

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	30	31
No	69	68
(Don't know/Refuse)	*	*
	n=402	n=370

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

	All Adults	Registered Voters
25 thousand dollars or less	11	11
25 to 50 thousand dollars	15	15
50 to 75 thousand dollars	20	19
75 to 100 thousand dollars	18	18
100 to 150 thousand dollars	12	13
150 to 250 thousand dollars	6	5
More than 250 thousand dollars	2	3
(Don't know/Refuse)	16	15
	n=402	n=370

Do you have a gun in your home?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	47	49
No	48	46
(Don't know)	5	5
	n=402	n=370

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.

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Never	19	18
A few times a year	25	27
A few times a month	17	15
Almost every week	11	12
Every week	17	18
More than once a week	8	8
(Don't know/Refuse)	3	3
	n=405	n=373

Would you describe yourself as a "born again" or evangelical Christian, or not?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	45	46
No	51	50
(Don't know)	4	4
	n=405	n=373

In politics today, do you generally consider yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, or what?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Democrat	36	35
Republican	31	32
(Independent/unaffiliated)	30	30
(Other)	1	1
(Don't know/Refuse)	3	3
	n=405	n=370

Thinking about politics today, do you generally consider yourself to be very conservative, somewhat conservative, moderate, somewhat liberal, or very liberal?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Very conservative	10	11
Somewhat conservative	26	27
Moderate	32	32
Somewhat liberal	16	15
Very liberal	12	12
(Other)	*	0
(Don't know/Refuse)	3	3
	n=402	n=370

How would you best describe your current relationship status?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Single	32	31
Engaged	3	4
Living with significant other	5	5
Married	53	54
Widowed	5	5
(Don't know/Refuse)	1	1
	n=402	n=370

Gender

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Male	48	49
Female	52	51
	n=405	n=373

Age (Calculated using birth year)

In what year were you born?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
18 - 24	13	12
25 - 34	18	17
35 - 44	20	20
45 - 54	19	20
55 - 64	15	16
65 and older	16	17
	n=405	n=373