



**HIGH POINT UNIVERSITY POLL  
MEMO RELEASE 4/7/2017 (UPDATE)**

<b>ELEMENTS</b>	<b>DETAILS</b>
Population represented	Adults in North Carolina.
Sample size	416 Adults in North Carolina (371 self-identified registered voters).
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	March 25 – March 30, 2017
Margin of sampling error for total sample	Approximately plus or minus 4.8 percentage points for the all adult sample. Approximately plus or minus 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 as well as CDC estimates for phone usage (cell only, landline only, or both).
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	90	100
No	10	0
	n= 416	n= 371

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	99	100
Chance registration has lapsed	1	0
	n= 373	n=371

On November 8<sup>th</sup>, 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= 371	n= 371

*Direction of Country and Presidential Approval*

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	26	25
Wrong track	65	65
(Don't know/Refuse)	10	10
	n= 416	n= 371

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

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Better off	40	40
Worse off	46	46
(About the same)	9	9
(Don't know/Refuse)	5	5
	n= 416	n= 371

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

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Approve	36	35
Disapprove	54	56
(Don't know/Refuse)	10	9
	n= 416	n= 371

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

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Approve	49	51
Disapprove	24	22
(Don't know/Refuse)	28	27
	n= 416	n= 371

Do you approve or disapprove of the way that Richard Burr is handling his job as United States Senator?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Approve	25	24
Disapprove	34	36
(Don't know/Refuse)	41	40
	n= 416	n= 371

Do you approve or disapprove of the way that Thom Tillis is handling his job as United States Senator?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Approve	33	32
Disapprove	34	35
(Don't know/Refuse)	33	33
	n= 416	n= 371

*Politics in Washington DC*

Should Democrats in Congress spend more time working with President Trump or more time opposing what President Trump is trying to accomplish?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Working with	61	61
Opposing	30	31
(Don't know/Refuse)	9	9
	n= 416	n= 371

In 2010, Congress passed and President Obama signed into law a health reform bill. Based on what you know about this law, would you say you approve or disapprove of the law?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Approve	50	51
Disapprove	44	44
(Don't know/Refuse)	6	6
	n= 416	n= 371

This law is often referred to as the Affordable Care Act or Obamacare. Do you think President Trump and Congress should repeal all of that health care law, should repeal parts of the healthcare law but keep other parts, or should not repeal any of the Affordable Care Act?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Repeal all	21	21
Repeal some parts, but keep other parts	52	51
Not repeal any of the law	24	24
(Don't know/Refuse)	4	4
	n= 416	n= 371

*Politics in Raleigh*

As you may know, Governor Cooper recently introduced a budget that reflected his policy priorities. How much would you say you have heard about his budget proposal?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
A lot	8	9
A little bit	27	28
Not much at all	62	61
(Don't know/Refuse)	3	3
	n= 416	n=371

Overall, and based on what you know about Governor Cooper's budget proposal, how much would you say you approve or disapprove of his priorities? Would you say you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Strongly approve	10	11
Somewhat approve	30	29
Somewhat disapprove	13	13
Strongly disapprove	6	6
(Don't know/Refuse)	42	42
	n= 416	n=371

The General Assembly will pass a version of the budget that Governor Cooper must accept or reject. Do you think that that budget should include many more of the Governor's priorities, many more of the General Assembly's priorities, or a balanced amount from both?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
More of governor's priorities	13	13
More of General Assembly's priorities	9	9
Balanced amount of both	60	59
(Don't know/Refuse)	19	18
	n= 416	n=371

*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	67
Stay out	26	24
(Don't know/Refuse)	9	9
	n= 416	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	12	12
More dangerous	79	79
(Don't know/Refuse)	9	9
	n= 416	n=371

Do you believe that globalization, especially the increasing connections of our economy with others around the world is mostly good or mostly bad for the United States?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Mostly good	54	55
Mostly bad	35	34
(Don't know/Refuse)	11	11
	n= 416	n=371

I am going to read a list of things that might be affected by international trade. For each one, please let me know whether you think international trade is good or bad for that group overall. (RANDOMIZED LIST)

All Adults (n=416)

	Good	Bad	(Don't Know/ Refuse)
The US Economy	79	16	6
Consumers Like You	73	19	8
American Companies	68	25	7
Your Own Standard of Living	64	23	14
Creating Jobs in the United States	51	41	9
Job Security for American Workers	42	47	11

Registered Voters (n=371)

	Good	Bad	(Don't Know/ Refuse)
The US Economy	80	15	5
Consumers Like You	76	18	7
American Companies	70	25	6
Your Own Standard of Living	63	23	14
Creating Jobs in the United States	50	42	8
Job Security for American Workers	40	49	11

How effective do you think each of the following approaches is to achieving the foreign policy goals of the United States: very effective, somewhat effective, not very effective or not effective at all?

All Adults (n=416)

	Very Effective	Somewhat Effective	Not Very Effective	Not At All Effective	(Don't know/ Refuse)
Maintaining Existing Alliances	52	35	5	2	7
Maintaining the U.S. Military	51	32	6	3	8
Building New Alliances with Other Countries	45	34	7	6	8
Strengthening the United Nations	35	29	13	14	8
Signing International Agreements	34	38	10	8	11

Registered Voters (n=371)

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Maintaining Existing Alliances	54	32	6	2	7
Building New Alliances with Other Countries	46	35	7	5	8
Strengthening the United Nations	36	30	13	14	8
Signing International Agreements	35	39	10	7	10



### Demographics

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

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	3	3
No	96	97
(Don't know/Refuse)	1	1
	n= 416	n= 371

What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
African-American or Black	21	21
White or Caucasian	69	70
Native American	2	2
Asian	1	*
(Multiple or Other)	5	5
(Don't know/Refuse)	2	2
	n= 416	n= 371

What is the last year of schooling you have completed?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
(1-11 <sup>th</sup> grade)	5	4
(High school graduate)	16	14
(Some college)	27	27
(College graduate)	29	30
(Graduate school)	22	24
(Don't know/ Refused)	1	1
	n= 416	n= 371

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

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	29	28
No	71	71
(Don't know/Refuse)	*	*
	n= 416	n= 371

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	12	11
25 to 50 thousand dollars	17	16
50 to 75 thousand dollars	16	17
75 to 100 thousand dollars	12	13
100 to 150 thousand dollars	10	10
150 to 250 thousand dollars	9	10
More than 250 thousand dollars	2	2
(Don't know/Refuse)	21	21
	n= 415	n= 369

Do you have a gun in your home?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	45	45
No	50	49
(Refuse)	5	6
	n= 411	n= 366

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	21	20
A few times a year	23	24
A few times a month	17	17
Almost every week	10	10
Every week	18	20
More than once a week	9	9
(Don't know/Refuse)	1	1
	n= 415	n= 369

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

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	43	43
No	54	54
(Don't know)	4	3
	n= 415	n= 369

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

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Democrat	35	37
Republican	29	29
(Independent/unaffiliated)	29	27
(Other)	5	4
(Don't know/Refuse)	3	3
	n= 415	n= 369

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	13	13
Somewhat conservative	22	24
Moderate	31	30
Somewhat liberal	16	18
Very liberal	12	12
(Other)	1	1
(Don't know/Refuse)	4	3
	n= 415	n= 369

Overall, how qualified do you feel to do the job of an elected official? Would you say: not at all qualified, somewhat qualified, qualified, or very qualified?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Not at all qualified	38	37
Somewhat qualified	30	29
Qualified	17	17
Very qualified	13	15
(Don't know)	3	2
	n= 415	n= 369

Which one of the following statements comes closest to your opinion about men and women as political leaders?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Men generally make better political leaders than women	6	6
Women generally make better political leaders than men	9	9
In general, women and men make equally good political leaders	84	84
(Don't know/Refuse)	1	1
	n= 415	n= 369

How would you best describe your current relationship status?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Single	33	32
Engaged	5	5
Living with significant other	5	4
Married	47	49
Widowed	7	7
(Don't know/Refuse)	3	4
	n=415	n=369

Gender

	All Adults	Registered Voters
Male	49	48
Female	51	52
	n= 416	n= 371

Age (Calculated using birth year)

In what year were you born?

	All Adults	Registered Voters
18 - 24	12	10
25 - 34	18	17
35 - 44	19	20
45 - 54	19	19
55 - 64	15	17
65 and older	17	18
	n= 416	n= 371