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Population represented:	Adults (people over the age of 18) in North Carolina.
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Mode of data collection:	Online interviews collected through one survey instrument within High Point University's Qualtrics account. All interviews conducted in English.
Type of sample:	Non-probability samples from <a href="#">Dynata's</a> online panels (North Carolina, USA).
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Data quotas and weighting:	<p>High Point University's SRC worked with Dynata to fill quotas for age, gender, education, race, and ethnicity. The data is weighted toward population parameters for age, gender, race, education, and ethnicity published by the U.S. Census for the North Carolina.</p> <p>The High Point University Survey Research Center (SRC) produces weights through an iterative procedure within SPSS.</p>
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Sample supplier:	Online panel (North Carolina, USA) provided by Dynata. Respondents were compensated according to their agreements with Dynata.
Commitment to transparency:	The <a href="#">HPU Poll reports methodological details</a> in accordance with the standards set out by <a href="#">AAPOR's Transparency Initiative</a> , and the HPU Survey Research Center is a Charter Member of the Initiative.

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Below are questions the Survey Research Center fielded for this study. They represent the text as it appeared to respondents. Statements in brackets are rotated to ensure respondents do not receive a set order of response options. This helps maintain question construction integrity by avoiding respondent agreement based on question composition. Example: [agree or disagree] or [disagree or agree]. Items that are rotated for the same reason are noted. Percentages may not add to 100 because of rounding. Percentages less than one percent are denoted with an \*

*Registered Voters and Generic Ballots*

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?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	83	100
No	14	*
Unsure	2	*

Are you absolutely certain that you are registered to vote, or is there a chance that your registration has lapsed because you moved or for some other reason? (Asked only of respondents who said above that they were registered to vote, n = 792)		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes, absolutely certain	95	100
Chance registration has lapsed	3	*
No, not registered	1	*
Unsure	1	*

If the elections for U.S. Congress were being held today, would you vote for the [Republican Party's candidate or the Democratic Party's candidate] for U.S. House of Representatives in your district?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Republican	40	43
Democrat	37	41
Another Party	8	7
Unsure	15	9

If the elections for U.S. Senate were being held today, would you vote for the [Republican Party's candidate or the Democratic Party's candidate] to represent North Carolina in the U.S. Senate?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Republican	39	43
Democrat	39	43
Another Party	7	5
Unsure	15	10

If the elections for the North Carolina House of Representatives in Raleigh were being held today, would you vote for the [Republican Party's candidate or the Democratic Party's candidate] for North Carolina House in your district?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Republican	39	43
Democrat	40	43
Another Party	6	4
Unsure	15	10

If the elections for the North Carolina Senate in Raleigh were being held today, would you vote for the [Republican Party's candidate or the Democratic Party's candidate] for North Carolina Senate in your district?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Republican	40	42
Democrat	40	43
Another Party	5	4
Unsure	15	11

*Country and State Direction*

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]?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Right direction	34	36
Wrong track	55	56
Unsure	12	9

Do you think things in North Carolina [are generally going in the right direction or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track]?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Right direction	36	37
Wrong track	40	41
Unsure	24	22

### *Approval Ratings*

Do you [approve or disapprove] of the way that Donald Trump is handling his job as president?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Approve	41	43
Disapprove	47	48
Unsure	12	9

Do you [approve or disapprove] of the way that the United States Supreme Court is handling its job?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Approve	35	38
Disapprove	42	43
Unsure	23	19

Do you [approve or disapprove] of the way that North Carolina's Supreme Court is handling its job?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Approve	33	36
Disapprove	29	30
Unsure	37	35

Do you [approve or disapprove] of the way that the U.S. Congress is handling its job?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Approve	31	34
Disapprove	49	50
Unsure	20	16

Do you [approve or disapprove] of the way that North Carolina's General Assembly is handling its job?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Approve	35	37
Disapprove	32	33
Unsure	33	30

Do you [approve or disapprove] of the way that Josh Stein is handling his job as Governor?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Approve	46	51
Disapprove	24	25
Unsure	30	24

Here is a list of issues North Carolina Governor Josh Stein has to deal with. Please indicate whether you [approve or disapprove] of Governor Stein's handling of each issue. (Respondents were presented with 12 randomized issues from the list)			
<i>NC Resident Adults</i>			
	Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
Supporting veterans	51	21	28
Voting integrity	50	21	29
Civil rights	49	18	33
Recovery from Hurricane Helene	49	30	21
Law enforcement	48	26	26
School safety	48	27	25
Agriculture	48	18	35
Education	47	27	26
Transportation infrastructure	46	25	29
Job creation	45	26	29
Health care in general	44	30	27
Medicaid	42	31	27
Guns	41	30	30
Opioids like Fentanyl	41	28	32
Rural development	40	28	32
Climate change	39	24	37
Abortion	38	30	32
Immigration	38	30	32
Cybersecurity	38	23	39
Housing prices	34	39	27
Taxes	33	37	31
LGBTQ policies	31	28	41
Inflation	29	41	30

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<i>Registered Voters</i>			
	Approve	Disapprove	Unsure
Voting integrity	55	21	24
Supporting veterans	55	18	27
Civil rights	52	18	30
Recovery from Hurricane Helene	51	30	19
Law enforcement	50	26	24
School safety	50	26	24
Education	49	29	23
Job creation	48	24	28
Agriculture	48	18	34
Transportation infrastructure	47	26	27
Health care in general	46	30	24
Opioids like Fentanyl	45	26	29
Medicaid	45	29	26
Rural development	43	27	30
Climate change	42	24	34
Guns	42	30	28
Abortion	40	31	30
Immigration	40	31	29
Cybersecurity	39	23	39
Taxes	37	36	27
Housing prices	37	37	27
LGBTQ policies	32	28	40
Inflation	31	40	29

Here is that same list of issues that government officials in Raleigh have to deal with. How important do you think it is for elected officials in Raleigh to deal with each of these issues? Would you say very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not at all important? (Respondents were presented with 12 randomized issues from the list)

*NC Resident Adults*

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Very Important	Not at all Important	Unsure
School safety	73	17	3	2	5
Education	71	18	3	2	6
Health care in general	67	22	4	2	6
Recovery from Hurricane Helene	67	21	6	1	6
Inflation	66	19	5	1	8
Medicaid	65	21	8	2	4
Law enforcement	63	23	4	3	7
Taxes	61	23	9	2	6
Housing prices	61	27	7	1	4
Supporting veterans	60	23	7	2	7
Job creation	59	26	7	1	7
Civil rights	57	20	11	5	7
Guns	57	20	11	5	6
Voting integrity	56	25	10	2	8
Opioids like Fentanyl	56	26	7	4	7
Cybersecurity	55	29	8	2	7
Agriculture	54	29	8	2	7
Immigration	50	25	11	6	9
Transportation infrastructure	48	33	9	2	8
Abortion	46	25	13	7	9
Climate change	42	25	14	11	8
Rural development	40	33	15	4	8
LGBTQ policies	24	22	16	25	12



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*Registered Voters*

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Very Important	Not at all Important	Unsure
School safety	74	17	4	2	3
Education	72	18	4	2	4
Health care in general	70	23	3	1	4
Inflation	69	20	5	2	5
Law enforcement	67	22	5	2	5
Recovery from Hurricane Helene	67	2	5	1	4
Medicaid	65	23	7	2	3
Taxes	64	23	9	1	4
Housing prices	62	28	7	1	3
Supporting veterans	61	24	8	2	4
Job creation	60	28	7	1	4
Guns	60	20	11	4	5
Voting integrity	59	26	10	2	4
Opioids like Fentanyl	58	28	6	3	5
Civil rights	57	22	12	5	5
Cybersecurity	57	29	8	2	5
Agriculture	55	31	8	2	5
Immigration	53	24	12	6	5
Transportation infrastructure	50	34	9	2	6
Abortion	48	26	14	7	5
Climate change	44	26	14	12	5
Rural development	42	34	15	3	6
LGBTQ policies	25	24	16	26	8

Below is a list of issues that elected officials in Raleigh might have to deal with. For each issue, please tell me whether you think the Republicans in the North Carolina General Assembly OR North Carolina Governor Josh Stein would do a better job dealing with the issue. (Respondents were presented with 12 randomized issues from the list)

<i>NC Resident Adults</i>						
	NC Governor Josh Stein	Republicans in the NC General Assembly	Both Equally	Neither	Unsure	Difference Stein – NCGA GOP
Climate change	27	16	24	17	17	11
LGBTQ policies	28	18	18	16	20	10
Health care in general	31	22	23	11	12	9
School safety	30	21	26	11	13	9
Civil rights	28	20	25	11	15	8
Recovery from Hurricane Helene	28	20	30	11	13	8
Job creation	26	20	29	9	17	6
Abortion	29	23	21	11	17	6
Cybersecurity	26	20	27	10	17	6
Transportation infrastructure	27	22	27	9	16	5
Opioids like Fentanyl	25	20	27	10	18	5
Rural development	26	21	24	9	20	5
Inflation	27	23	23	11	17	4
Law enforcement	28	25	27	7	14	3
Taxes	28	25	24	9	14	3
Housing prices	24	21	24	13	18	3
Agriculture	26	23	28	6	17	3
Medicaid	27	24	23	11	15	3
Education	27	25	26	9	13	2
Supporting veterans	25	23	31	9	13	2
Guns	29	27	20	9	15	2
Voting integrity	25	26	23	8	17	-1
Immigration	25	30	19	11	16	-5

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<i>Registered Voters</i>						
LGBTQ policies	32	19	18	14	16	13
Job creation	29	22	30	7	12	12
Climate change	30	18	23	16	13	12
School safety	33	22	27	9	9	11
Health care in general	34	24	22	9	10	10
Recovery from Hurricane Helene	30	21	30	10	9	9
Civil rights	31	23	24	10	12	8
Cybersecurity	27	21	28	9	14	6
Inflation	29	25	23	11	13	6
Abortion	31	25	20	10	14	6
Housing prices	27	22	24	13	14	5
Rural development	29	24	27	8	14	5
Transportation infrastructure	28	24	27	8	12	4
Guns	33	29	20	7	11	4
Opioids like Fentanyl	27	23	29	9	12	4
Agriculture	29	26	28	4	13	4
Medicaid	30	26	23	11	10	4
Law enforcement	30	26	27	7	10	4
Education	30	27	25	8	10	3
Taxes	30	28	24	8	11	2
Supporting veterans	28	27	30	6	9	1
Voting integrity	28	31	23	7	12	-3
Immigration	26	32	19	9	14	-6

Now we would like to ask you about the 2024 elections.

How much confidence do you have that the 2024 election results accurately reflected the votes that were cast? Would you say you have a lot of confidence, some confidence, or no confidence that the reported results accurately reflect the votes that were cast?

	NC Resident Adults	Registered voters
A lot of confidence	38	42
Some confidence	35	35
No confidence	17	15
Unsure	11	7

Now we would like to ask you about the 2026 elections next year.

How much confidence do you have that the 2026 election results will accurately reflect the votes that will be cast? Would you say you have a lot of confidence, some confidence, or no confidence that the reported results will accurately reflect the votes that will be cast?

	NC Resident Adults	Registered voters
A lot of confidence	30	33
Some confidence	43	44
No confidence	15	14
Unsure	12	9

### *Consumer Sentiment*

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?

	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Better Off	24	26
Worse Off	35	35
Neither better nor worse off	34	35
Unsure	7	4

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.		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Better Off	30	32
Worse Off	25	25
Just about the same as now	35	36
Unsure	10	7

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?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Good times	20	22
Bad times	27	27
Neither good nor bad OR both good and bad	26	26
Good times with qualifications	11	12
Bad times with qualifications	7	7
Unsure	10	7

Looking ahead, which would you say is more likely, that in the country as a whole we'll have continuous good times during the next five years or so, or that we'll have periods of widespread unemployment or depression, or what?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Widespread unemployment or depression	26	26
Continuous good times	24	26
Neither	11	10
A mix of both	30	32
Unsure	8	7

About the big things people buy for their homes, such as furniture, a refrigerator, stove, television, and things like that. Generally speaking, do you think now is a good time or bad time for people to buy major household items?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Good time	23	25
Bad time	34	35
Neither good time nor bad time	33	33
Unsure	10	8

### *Economy*

How would you rate current U.S. economic conditions?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Excellent	9	9
Good	28	30
Only fair	40	38
Poor	24	23

Do you believe the U.S. economy is getting better, staying the same, or getting worse?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Getting better	25	28
Staying the same	29	28
Getting worse	45	44

How confident are you that the U.S. economy will avoid a recession in the next 12 months?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Very confident	18	20
Somewhat confident	31	31
Not too confident	31	31
Not at all confident	20	19

Do you support recent tariffs that the Trump administration imposed on imports from foreign countries?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	32	36
No	52	51
Unsure	16	13

Do you believe these tariffs will lead to more American jobs?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	32	35
No	47	47
Unsure	21	18

### Inflation

Changing topics again to talk about inflation. Thinking about the prices you are currently paying for products on this list compared to last year, would you say prices are much higher, somewhat higher, about the same as last year, somewhat lower, or much lower? (Items presented in a randomized order)

#### *NC Resident Adults*

	Much higher price	Somewhat higher price	About the same	Somewhat lower	Much lower	Unsure or don't buy
Meat	44	29	17	5	2	4
Eggs	36	29	15	11	4	4
Electricity for your house	34	33	24	5	1	4
Electronics	31	30	21	5	2	11
Fruits and vegetables	30	36	23	6	2	3
Clothing	28	34	27	6	1	5
Gas for your car	26	22	29	15	4	4
Milk	26	31	29	8	2	5
Bread	25	31	32	6	2	4
Natural gas for your house	23	22	21	5	1	27
Toys	23	22	21	5	1	28
Water	21	30	35	5	2	8

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#### *Registered Voters*

	Much higher price	Somewhat higher price	About the same	Somewhat lower	Much lower	Unsure or don't buy
Meat	44	30	16	6	2	3
Eggs	35	30	17	11	4	4
Electricity for your house	33	34	25	4	1	3
Fruits and vegetables	30	37	24	6	1	3
Electronics	28	32	22	4	2	12
Clothing	27	35	27	6	1	5
Gas for your car	25	22	30	16	4	4
Milk	25	30	31	8	2	4
Bread	25	31	33	5	2	4
Natural gas for your house	23	23	22	5	1	27
Toys	22	23	21	5	1	29
Water	20	30	36	5	2	8

How much have concerns about inflation affected major spending decisions you have made this year?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
A lot	38	39
Some	40	38
Not much at all	18	19
Unsure	5	3

Generally speaking, has the inflation we have seen over the past few months been worse than you expected, not as bad as you expected, or about what you expected?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Worse than expected	34	35
Not as bad as expected	27	28
About as expected	31	32
Unsure	7	5

Thinking about the future, do you believe inflation will be higher, lower, or about the same 12 months from now?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Higher	46	46
About the same as now	30	31
Lower	16	16
Unsure	9	7



*Favorability Ratings*

Here is a list of people and things. Please indicate whether you have [favorable or unfavorable] view of each of them. (Respondents were presented with 15 randomized people and institutions from the list)			
<i>NC Resident Adults</i>			
	Favorable	Unfavorable	Unsure/Not familiar with this person or thing
North Carolina National Guard	61	12	27
Canada	59	22	19
Josh Stein	51	24	26
North Carolina Department of Public Safety	49	20	31
North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	46	17	37
Ukraine	44	33	24
Roy Cooper	42	35	23
North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation	42	23	36
Donald Trump	41	50	9
North Carolina Department of Justice	41	27	32
North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality	41	22	37
North Carolina Supreme Court	40	31	29
North Carolina Department of Revenue	40	25	35
North Carolina General Assembly	39	27	35
Israel	38	39	23
Mexico	38	38	25
North Carolina Department of Public Instruction	38	25	38
North Carolina Department of Commerce	37	23	40
Volodymyr Zelensky	36	32	32
Joe Biden	34	52	15
The US Supreme Court	34	45	21
The U.S. Congress	29	52	20
Benjamin Netanyahu	23	40	36
Saudi Arabia	20	47	32
China	19	66	20
Iran	14	66	20
Michael Whatley	14	23	63
Vladimir Putin	12	68	20
Russia	11	70	20
North Korea	10	70	20

Here is a list of people and things. Please indicate whether you have [favorable or unfavorable] view of each of them. (Respondents were presented with 15 randomized people and institutions from the list)

*Registered Voters*

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Unsure/Not familiar with this person or thing
North Carolina National Guard	64	11	26
Canada	63	21	16
Josh Stein	54	23	23
North Carolina Department of Public Safety	53	18	29
Ukraine	48	31	20
Roy Cooper	47	34	19
North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services	47	17	36
Donald Trump	45	48	7
North Carolina Department of Justice	45	25	30
North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation	45	22	33
North Carolina Supreme Court	43	30	28
Israel	43	40	17
North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality	43	21	37
North Carolina General Assembly	42	28	30
North Carolina Department of Revenue	42	26	32
North Carolina Department of Public Instruction	41	25	34
North Carolina Department of Commerce	41	21	37
The US Supreme Court	38	46	16
Volodymyr Zelensky	38	32	30
Mexico	38	40	21
Joe Biden	37	52	10
The U.S. Congress	32	52	16
Benjamin Netanyahu	25	40	35
Saudi Arabia	20	49	31
China	19	62	19
Michael Whatley	15	23	62
Iran	13	71	16
Vladimir Putin	12	73	16
Russia	11	73	16
North Korea	10	74	17

### *Driving*

How often do you personally drive a car or other vehicle?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Daily	54	56
A few times a week	25	27
Once a week	4	3
A few times a month	5	4
Seldom	4	3
Never	6	5
Don't know	2	1
Refused	1	*

How long have you had a driver's license?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
1 – 5 years	12	12
6 – 10 years	7	6
11 – 15 years	7	6
16 – 20 years	9	9
21 – 25 years	7	6
26+ years	49	53
Don't know	1	*
I don't have a driver's license	9	6
Refused	1	1

How often do you talk on the phone while driving?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Always	4	5
Almost always	3	4
Sometimes	20	20
Rarely	35	37
Never	35	34
Don't know	1	*
Refused	1	1

How often do you text while driving?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Always	3	3
Almost always	1	2
Sometimes	8	8
Rarely	20	20
Never	67	66
Don't know	0	0
Refused	2	1

How often do you wear your seatbelt while driving?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Always	83	85
Almost always	7	7
Sometimes	3	3
Rarely	3	3
Never	2	2
Don't know	1	*
Refused	1	1

Distracted driving increases the risk of accidents.		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Strongly disagree	9	9
Somewhat disagree	3	3
Neither agree nor disagree	6	5
Somewhat agree	9	9
Strongly agree	74	75

Compared with five years ago, do you think people in your local community are driving...		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
A lot more safely	7	7
Somewhat more safely	13	14
Neither more nor less safely	25	25
Somewhat less safely	21	21
A lot less safely	28	29
Don't know	6	5
Refused	*	*

How much of a problem do you think each of the following is in your local community? (Items were presented in a randomized order)					
<i>NC Resident Adults</i>					
	Major Problem	Minor Problem	Not a Problem	Don't Know	Refused
People driving while distracted by their cellphones	67	20	6	6	1
People driving aggressively, such as by tailgating, weaving through traffic, or running red lights	61	24	9	5	*
People driving too fast	60	25	9	6	1
People driving under the influence of alcohol	50	28	10	12	1
People driving in a way that puts cyclists or pedestrians at risk	44	31	14	10	1
People driving under the influence of marijuana	34	28	20	17	1

How much of a problem do you think each of the following is in your local community? (Items were presented in a randomized order)					
<i>Registered Voters</i>					
	Major Problem	Minor Problem	Not a Problem	Don't Know	Refused
People driving while distracted by their cellphones	69	20	5	5	*
People driving aggressively, such as by tailgating, weaving through traffic, or running red lights	63	25	9	4	0
People driving too fast	62	26	8	4	1
People driving under the influence of alcohol	51	29	10	10	*
People driving in a way that puts cyclists or pedestrians at risk	45	33	13	9	1
People driving under the influence of marijuana	36	28	18	17	1

How often do you see people displaying "road rage" – that is, expressing uncontrolled anger toward someone else while driving?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Extremely often	12	13
Very often	20	20
Sometimes	39	40
Rarely	21	21
Never	6	5
Don't Know	3	2
Refused	*	*

Do you think the cost of car insurance has gone up because of dangerous driving?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	51	53
Maybe/Unsure	31	32
No	10	10
Don't know	7	6
Refused	1	*

Would you consider joining a driving monitoring program with your insurance provider to receive a discount on your car insurance (e.g., Progressive Snapshot)?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	36	39
Maybe/Unsure	36	35
No	24	23
Have done	3	3

Are you or will you be looking for a new/used vehicle in the next 6 months?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	22	23
Maybe/Unsure	30	28
No	48	49

Thinking now about electric vehicles (EVs), which of the following applies to you -- you currently own an electric vehicle, you are seriously considering buying an electric vehicle, you might consider buying an electric vehicle in the future, or you would not buy an electric vehicle?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Currently own	10	11
Seriously considering	11	11
Might consider in the future	30	31
Would not buy	41	41
Don't know	7	6
Refused	2	1

Are electric vehicles (EVs) better for the environment than gas vehicles?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	32	35
Maybe/Unsure	40	39
No	28	26

How concerned are you about charging infrastructure availability for electric vehicles?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Very concerned	29	31
Somewhat concerned	26	27
Neither concerned or unconcerned	31	29
Somewhat unconcerned	5	5
Very unconcerned	9	8

### *Mental Health*

Now we would like to ask you about a different set of issues. You likely have heard of some 3-digit telephone lines, such as 911 and 311. Have you heard of the new 3-digit line, 988?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	23	24
No	69	68
Unsure	8	8

Have you or someone you know used the 988 line?				
	NC Resident Adults		Registered Voters	
	Me	Someone I know	Me	Someone I know
Yes	7	6	7	6
No	85	71	85	72
Unsure	8	23	8	8

How familiar are you with the mental health care system in North Carolina?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Very familiar	15	15
Somewhat familiar	5	4
Not very familiar	29	28
I have heard of it, but that's it	39	39
Unsure	12	13



Consider the mental health care system in North Carolina. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable view of this system?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Very favorable	14	15
Somewhat favorable	34	33
Somewhat unfavorable	27	28
Very unfavorable	17	17
Unsure	8	8

How much improvement, if any, is needed in North Carolina when it comes to mental health education for young people?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Significant improvement is needed	45	47
Slight improvement is needed	20	18
Not a lot of improvement is needed	26	27
There is no need for improvement	8	7
Unsure	1	1

Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with each of the following statements: (Respondents were presented with four of the following items in a randomized order)					
<i>NC Resident Adults</i>					
	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree	Unsure
Young people need more mental health resources dedicated to them and their unique needs	48	11	30	10	2
I have close friends or family that I feel comfortable turning to for help if I am in a mental health crisis	41	10	32	11	6
People with mental health conditions face discrimination in their everyday life	37	12	37	10	4
Mental health impacts all major policy issues in our country right now	37	14	33	11	5
I am not content with the status of mental health treatment in this country	36	14	31	13	6
I would be afraid the police may hurt my loved one or me while responding to a mental health crisis	27	12	32	17	11
I don't know what to do if someone I love were experiencing a mental health crisis	14	10	27	28	22

Please indicate how much you agree or disagree with each of the following statements: (Respondents were presented with four of the following items in a randomized order)					
<i>Registered Voters</i>					
	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree	Unsure
Young people need more mental health resources dedicated to them and their unique needs	51	29	10	2	8
I have close friends or family that I feel comfortable turning to for help if I am in a mental health crisis	43	32	11	7	8
I am not content with the status of mental health treatment in this country	38	31	13	6	12
Mental health impacts all major policy issues in our country right now	38	33	11	5	13
People with mental health conditions face discrimination in their everyday life	37	38	11	4	11
I would be afraid the police may hurt my loved one or me while responding to a mental health crisis	28	33	17	12	11
I don't know what to do if someone I love were experiencing a mental health crisis	15	26	28	24	8

For each of these statements, please indicate whether you strongly disagree, somewhat disagree, somewhat agree, or strongly agree. (Items were presented in a randomized order)					
<i>NC Resident Adults</i>					
	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree	Unsure
I believe social media has a noticeable impact on people's mental health and anxiety levels.	11	10	24	45	9
I believe that talking openly about mental health can help reduce stigma.	11	11	28	40	10
I think society is becoming more open and supportive about discussing mental health.	11	18	41	19	11
I feel that mental health is treated with the same importance as physical health in my community or organization.	20	31	23	13	13

For each of these statements, please indicate whether you strongly disagree, somewhat disagree, somewhat agree, or strongly agree. (Items were presented in a randomized order)					
<i>Registered Voters</i>					
	Strongly disagree	Somewhat disagree	Somewhat agree	Strongly agree	Unsure
I believe social media has a noticeable impact on people's mental health and anxiety levels.	12	10	23	47	8
I believe that talking openly about mental health can help reduce stigma.	12	11	27	42	8
I think society is becoming more open and supportive about discussing mental health.	11	18	43	21	8
I feel that mental health is treated with the same importance as physical health in my community or organization.	20	32	23	14	11

In the past month, how often have you felt stressed, anxious, or down?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Very often	23	22
Sometimes	33	33
Rarely	27	28
Never	13	14
Not sure	4	3

In general, how would you describe your current mental and emotional health?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Excellent	19	20
Good	44	45
Fair	25	25
Poor	9	8
Not sure	3	2

In the past year, have you talked to anyone for support with your mental health? (Items were presented in a randomized order)			
<i>NC Resident Adults</i>			
	Yes	No	Unsure
A professional	26	70	5
A friend	37	59	4
A family member	37	59	4

In the past year, have you talked to anyone for support with your mental health? (Items were presented in a randomized order)			
<i>Registered Voters</i>			
	Yes	No	Unsure
A professional	25	72	3
A friend	37	60	3
A family member	37	60	3

Which of the following do you use to learn about resources and information related to mental health? (Items were presented in a randomized order)			
<i>NC Resident Adults</i>			
	Yes	No	Unsure
Social media	28	64	8
Books or journals	31	60	9
Podcasts	21	72	8
Websites	43	48	8
Medical doctor or primary care provider	49	44	8
Mental health providers, such as psychologists or counselors	38	54	8

Which of the following do you use to learn about resources and information related to mental health? (Items were presented in a randomized order)			
<i>Registered Voters</i>			
	Yes	No	Unsure
Social media	28	65	7
Books or journals	33	60	7
Podcasts	22	72	6
Websites	44	49	7
Medical doctor or primary care provider	50	43	6
Mental health providers, such as psychologists or counselors	38	55	7

How important do you believe it is to actively take care of your mental health?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Extremely important	57	58
Very important	25	25
Somewhat important	13	12
Not very important	2	2
Not important at all	*	*
Not sure	3	2

In the past year, have you taken any steps to improve or maintain your mental health (e.g., exercise, therapy, journaling, setting boundaries)?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes, regularly	35	35
Yes, occasionally	31	32
I've thought about it but haven't taken action	13	12
No, I haven't	18	18
Not sure	4	3

If you were going through a tough time, how likely are you to turn to someone for help?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Very likely	35	36
Somewhat likely	37	38
Not very likely	17	16
Not at all likely	6	5
Not sure	6	4

*Hurricanes and Extreme Weather*

How concerned are you that North Carolina will be struck by one or more hurricanes before the end of this year?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Very concerned	23	25
Somewhat concerned	38	39
Not very concerned	26	25
Not at all concerned	7	7
Unsure	7	5

Thinking about severe weather like hurricanes. Which of these items, if any, do you make sure you buy before a major storm hits? (Respondents were presented with five of the following items in a randomized order)			
<i>NC Resident Adults</i>			
	Yes	No	Unsure
Water	83	14	4
Extra batteries	71	24	5
Extra gasoline for your car	69	26	5
Bread	66	27	7
Toilet Paper	65	30	6
Eggs	47	48	5
Milk	46	48	7
Fruit	46	46	8
Plywood or other materials to protect your home	30	61	9
Beer or other alcoholic beverages	28	67	5



Thinking about severe weather like hurricanes. Which of these items, if any, do you make sure you buy before a major storm hits? (Respondents were presented with five of the following items in a randomized order)			
<i>Registered Voters</i>			
	Yes	No	Unsure
Water	82	14	3
Extra batteries	71	25	4
Extra gasoline for your car	70	25	5
Bread	67	28	5
Toilet Paper	64	32	4
Eggs	47	49	5
Fruit	47	46	7
Milk	45	50	5
Plywood or other materials to protect your home	31	63	7
Beer or other alcoholic beverages	29	68	4

Are you aware of resources to help you prepare for hurricanes, storms, and flooding such as flood zone maps?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	54	57
No	34	31
Unsure	12	12

Do you have homeowners/renters' insurance or some other insurance policy that covers natural disasters, including flooding?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	46	48
No	39	38
Unsure	15	14

Do you know some who personally suffered losses as a result of Hurricane Helene? If so, who?			
<i>NC Resident Adults</i>			
	Yes	No	Unsure
Me	17	79	4
At least one friend	27	67	7
At least one family member	21	73	7

Do you know some who personally suffered losses as a result of Hurricane Helene? If so, who?			
<i>Registered Voters</i>			
	Yes	No	Unsure
Me	17	80	3
At least one friend	28	67	5
At least one family member	19	75	5

Overall, how much has each of these people, groups, or institutions helped with the recovery in North Carolina from Hurricane Helene? Would you say they have helped a lot, some, or not much at all with the recovery? (Respondents were presented with five of the following items in a randomized order)				
<i>NC Resident Adults</i>				
	A lot	Some	Not much at all	Unsure
Local people helping each other	66	17	9	8
Private non governmental organizations	42	31	11	17
North Carolina National Guard	39	34	11	17
States that border North Carolina	26	39	13	22
Federal Emergency Management Agency or FEMA	25	39	24	12
Governor Josh Stein	25	35	18	21
U.S. military	25	35	18	22
President Donald Trump	23	24	40	14
North Carolina General Assembly	16	41	17	26
U.S. Congress	13	32	37	18

Overall, how much has each of these people, groups, or institutions helped with the recovery in North Carolina from Hurricane Helene? Would you say they have helped a lot, some, or not much at all with the recovery? (Respondents were presented with five of the following items in a randomized order)

*Registered Voters*

	A lot	Some	Not much at all	Unsure
Local people helping each other	69	18	6	6
Private non governmental organizations	46	31	9	14
North Carolina National Guard	40	35	11	14
States that border North Carolina	30	40	12	18
Governor Josh Stein	28	39	17	15
Federal Emergency Management Agency or FEMA	27	40	23	10
U.S. military	26	38	17	19
President Donald Trump	24	26	41	9
North Carolina General Assembly	17	43	16	23
U.S. Congress	14	34	36	15

Does climate change contribute to the frequency of storms like Helene or is it not a factor?

	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Climate change contributes to these storms	54	57
Climate change is not a factor	26	27
Unsure	20	17

How concerned are you that another storm as destructive as Helene will hit North Carolina in the next year?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Very concerned	24	27
Somewhat concerned	40	40
Not very concerned	23	22
Not at all concerned	6	5
Unsure	8	6

*Political Knowledge*

Do you happen to know which party currently has the most members in the U.S. House of Representatives? (Parties were randomized)		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Democrats	10	11
Republicans (CORRECT)	58	63
Equal numbers of Democrats and Republicans	8	7
Unsure	24	20

Do you happen to know which party is more conservative at the national level? (Parties were randomized)		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Democrats	16	15
Republicans (CORRECT)	60	66
Unsure	24	19

Do you happen to know which branch of government can declare a law unconstitutional? (Branches of government were presented in a randomized order)		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Congress	14	14
President	9	9
Supreme Court (CORRECT)	60	58
Unsure	24	19

As far as you know, does the federal government spend more on Social Security or foreign aid?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Social Security (CORRECT)	24	26
Foreign aid	36	36
About the same on each program	10	10
Unsure	29	27

Do you happen to know what elected office J.D. Vance currently holds? (Offices were presented in a randomized order)		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Vice President (CORRECT)	69	74
Secretary of State	6	5
Member of Congress	6	5
Governor of Ohio	2	2
Unsure	18	14

### *Constitution Day*

What is the supreme law of the land in the United States?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
The U.S. Constitution (CORRECT)	76	78
The Declaration of Independence	12	11
State Constitutions	7	6
Magna Carta	5	4

<b>Awareness 1:</b> Are you aware that September 17, 2025 is National Constitution Day? (Each respondent got one of three awareness questions about National Constitution Day, responses were presented in a randomized order)		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	18	20
No	70	71
Unsure	12	9

**Awareness 2:** Which day this year will people in the U.S. celebrate National Constitution Day? (Each respondent got one of three awareness questions about National Constitution Day, responses were presented in a randomized order)

	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
September 17 <sup>th</sup> (CORRECT)	20	22
October 8 <sup>th</sup>	3	4
November 30 <sup>th</sup>	5	4
December 11th	2	2
Unsure	70	68

**Awareness 3:** Which holiday will people in the U.S. celebrate on September 17th of this year? (Each respondent got one of three awareness questions about National Constitution Day, responses were presented in a randomized order)

	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
National Constitution Day (CORRECT)	70	73
Labor Day	14	13
Memorial Day	12	9
National Pasta Day	4	4

What year was the U.S. Constitution signed? (Responses were presented in a randomized order)

	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
1787 (CORRECT)	29	31
1976	7	6
1776	57	57
1803	7	6

Which amendment to the U.S. Constitution guarantees freedom of speech, religion, and the press? (Responses were presented in a randomized order)

	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
First (CORRECT)	71	74
Fifth	15	13
Tenth	5	4
Fourteenth	9	9

Which branch of government is established in Article I of the Constitution? (Responses were presented in a randomized order)		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Legislative (CORRECT)	45	48
Judicial	18	16
Executive	31	32
Federal Reserve	6	5

How many amendments have been made to the U.S. Constitution? (Responses were presented in a randomized order)		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
27 (CORRECT)	50	52
10	19	18
33	20	19
45	12	12

What is the purpose of the system of checks and balances in the U.S. Constitution? (Responses were presented in a randomized order)		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
To prevent any one branch of government from becoming too powerful (CORRECT)	72	74
To ensure equal pay	10	9
To regulate campaign finance	7	6
To manage state budgets	12	11

Who is known as the "Father of the Constitution"? (Responses were presented in a randomized order)		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
James Madison (CORRECT)	26	27
George Washington	22	21
Thomas Jefferson	41	42
Benjamin Franklin	11	10

Which branch of the federal government has the power to declare war? (Responses were presented in a randomized order)		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Congress (Legislative) (CORRECT)	50	54
The President (Executive)	44	42
The Supreme Court (Judicial)	5	4
State Governors	1	1

What is the name of the first 10 amendments to the U.S. Constitution? (Responses were presented in a randomized order)		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Bill of Rights (CORRECT)	84	86
Federalist Papers	6	5
Articles of Confederation	7	6
Magna Carta	3	2

How many U.S. Senators does each state have? (Responses were presented in a randomized order)		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Two (CORRECT)	63	67
One	15	15
Five	8	7
Four	14	12

Which amendment to the U.S. Constitution lowered the voting age to 18? (Responses were presented in a randomized order)		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
26 <sup>th</sup> amendment (CORRECT)	46	49
19 <sup>th</sup> amendment	21	21
3 <sup>rd</sup> amendment	13	12
15 <sup>th</sup> amendment	20	19



Who has the power to nominate justices to the U.S. Supreme Court? (Responses were presented in a randomized order)		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
The President of the United States (CORRECT)	61	66
The U.S. House of Representatives	11	9
The U.S. Senate	14	12
The Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court	14	13

Which amendment abolished slavery in the United States? (Responses were presented in a randomized order)		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
13 <sup>th</sup> (CORRECT)	49	51
14 <sup>th</sup>	20	20
15 <sup>th</sup>	13	12
19 <sup>th</sup>	18	18

What document did the current U.S. Constitution replace? Which amendment abolished slavery in the United States? (Responses were presented in a randomized order)		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
The Articles of Confederation (CORRECT)	50	52
The Magna Carta	17	16
The Mayflower Compact	13	12
The Emancipation Proclamation	20	19

### *Daylight Saving*

Switching topics. Currently in most of the country clocks are set forward by one hour in the spring, called daylight saving time, and are set back by one hour in the fall, to standard time. Which of these do you prefer – change to year-round daylight-saving time (later sunrise, more daylight in the evening), change to year-round standard time (earlier sunrise, less daylight in the evening), keep the current system?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Change to year-round daylight-saving time (later sunrise, more daylight in the evening)	40	43
Change to year-round standard time (earlier sunrise, less daylight in the evening)	11	9
Keep the current system	23	23
Unsure	25	25

### *Armadillos*

How much have you heard about the rapid increase in the number of armadillos in North Carolina?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
A lot	6	7
A little bit	21	21
Not much at all	64	65
Unsure	9	7

Have you seen an armadillo here in North Carolina that was not in a zoo or otherwise in captivity?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	13	14
No	81	81
Unsure	6	5

How concerned are you about the number of armadillos in North Carolina?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Extremely concerned	5	6
Very concerned	8	8
Somewhat concerned	11	10
Not very concerned	25	26
Not at all concerned	37	39
Unsure	14	12

2024 Voter

On November 5th, 2024, North Carolina held its general election for president, Governor, and other offices. Did you vote in that general election or did you not vote?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes, I voted	67	78
No, I did not vote	28	18
Unsure	5	4

Did you vote in the primary elections for President, Governor, U.S. House of Representatives, and other offices in March 2024 or were you unable to vote for some reason?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes, I voted	62	73
No, I did not vote	32	23
Unsure	6	4

Did you vote in the 2022 general elections that included votes for U.S. Senate, U.S. House, and other offices or were you unable to vote for some reason?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes, I voted	63	72
No, I did not vote	37	28

### *Demographics*

Finally, a few questions for statistical purposes. How would you describe yourself, would you say female, male, or do you identify differently?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Male	48	48
Female	50	50
I identify differently	1	1
Refused	1	1

Age by category [Calculated based on birth year provided by respondent]		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
18-24	12	11
25-34	17	15
35-44	17	17
45-54	17	17
55-64	17	17
65 and greater	19	21
Refused	2	2

Would you say you live in a rural, a suburban, or an urban area?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Rural	34	33
Suburban	44	46
Urban	18	19
Unsure	3	2

In which region of North Carolina would you say you live?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
coastal plain (in the east)	29	28
piedmont (in the center)	60	61
mountains (in the west)	12	11

Do you consider yourself to be of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	10	10
No	89	89
Unsure	1	1

What racial group best describes you, would you say African-American or Black, White or Caucasian, Native American, Asian, or something else?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
African-American or Black	22	22
White or Caucasian	70	70
Native American	2	1
Asian	2	2
Multiple or other	4	5
Unsure	1	1

Do you have a gun in your home?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	39	41
No	61	59

Would you describe yourself as a "born again" or evangelical Christian, or not?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	39	41
No	56	55
Unsure	5	4

How important is religion in your life?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Very important	42	43
Somewhat important	27	27
Not too important	12	12
Not at all important	17	17
Unsure	3	2

Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services... more than once a week, once a week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, seldom, or never?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
More than once a week	9	8
Once a week	22	23
Once or twice a month	10	10
A few times a year	14	14
Seldom	20	19
Never	24	23
Unsure	4	3

What is the last year of schooling you have completed?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
1 - 11th grade	3	2
High school graduate	33	31
Some college	32	34
College graduate	19	22
Graduate school	11	12
Unsure	1	1

Are you currently in an education or training program?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Yes	10	10
No	88	89
Unsure	2	1

What is your total income from all sources, before taxes?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Less than \$25,000	22	18
\$25,00 to less than \$50,000	26	26
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	19	19
\$75,000 to less than \$100,000	12	12
\$100,000 to less than \$150,000	11	12
\$150,000 to less than \$250,000	6	7
\$250,000 or more	2	3
Unsure	3	3

In politics today, do you consider yourself to be a Republican, Democrat, or what?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Republican	34	37
Democrat	30	32
Independent/Unaffiliated	29	28
Other	2	1
Unsure	5	1

How would you best describe your current relationship status?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Single/never married/divorced	41	40
Engaged	4	4
Living with significant other	9	8
Married	40	42
Widowed	5	6
Unsure	1	*

Thinking about politics today, do you generally consider yourself to be very conservative, somewhat conservative, moderate, somewhat liberal or very liberal?		
	NC Resident Adults	Registered Voters
Very conservative	17	19
Somewhat conservative	20	22
Moderate	32	32
Somewhat liberal	10	11
Very liberal	9	10
Other	2	1
Don't know	8	4
Refused	1	1