NC Civitas Poll April 2016

Interview Schedule
N = 600 Likely Voters (30% Cell Phones)
Margin of Error = +/- 4.00%
Field Dates: April 23-25, 2016

(ASK ALL)

1. First, are you registered to vote at this address?

    100%   Yes **(CONTINUE)**

2. First, do you feel things in North Carolina are generally headed in the right direction or have things gotten off on the wrong track?

    31%   Right Direction
    58%   Wrong Track
    10%   Don't Know/Unsure (DO NOT READ)
    --   Refused (DO NOT READ)

5/13	6/13	10/13	12/13	1/14	3/14	4/14	5/14	6/14	9/14	10/14	2/15	3/15	7/15	10/15	11/15	
41%	40%	33%	31%	29%	32%	29%	33%	31%	29%	31%	42%	38%	39%	37%	39%	Right Dir.
46%	53%	57%	57%	60%	57%	60%	59%	59%	58%	55%	47%	48%	47%	46%	51%	Wrong Track
13%	7%	10%	12%	11%	11%	10%		10%	13%	13%	11%	14%	13%	17%	10%	DK (DNR)
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1/11	2/11	3/11	5/11	7/11	9/11	10/11	1/12	2/12	5/12	7/12	9/12	11/12	1/13	2/13	3/13	4/13	
34%	33%	36%	31%	28%	25%	23%	27%	24%	24%	25%	34%	35%	38%	37%	39%	37%	Right Dir.
54%	53%	50%	57%	60%	62%	63%	57%	58%	62%	63%	53%	50%	41%	50%	46%	48%	Wrng Trk
12%	14%	15%	13%	11%	12%	13%	16%	17%	14%	12%	12%	15%	21%	12%	15%	15%	DK (DNR)
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3. If the election for State Legislator in your area were held today, would you be voting for the: **(ROTATE)**

    38%   Republican candidate
    45%   Democrat candidate
    7%   Neither/Other/Independent (DO NOT READ)
    10%   Don't Know/Undecided/Need More Info (DO NOT READ)
    *   Refused (DO NOT READ)

4/13	5/13	10/13	12/13	1/14	4/14	5/14	6/14	9/14	10/14	2/15	3/15	7/15	10/15	11/15	
38%	39%	37%	39%	39%	41%	41%	42%	40%	42%	37%	37%	34%	39%	36%	Rep candidate
42%	42%	38%	42%	39%	44%	39%	45%	43%	42%	40%	39%	38%	39%	38%	Dem candidate
6%	6%	6%	5%	4%	3%	4%	2%	2%	3%	7%	6%	11%	8%	9%	Neither (DNR)
13%	13%	18%	14%	18%	12%	15%	11%	15%	12%	15%	18%	16%	14%	16%	DK (DNR)
1%	1%	1%	--	--	--	1%	--	--	2%	1%	--	--	--	--	Ref. (DNR)

1/11	2/11	3/11	5/11	7/11	9/11	10/11	1/12	2/12	5/12	7/12	9/12	11/12	1/13	2/13	3/13	
44%	39%	39%	40%	40%	38%	36%	38%	40%	43%	45%	41%	46%	40%	37%	43%	Rep candidate
36%	38%	37%	34%	36%	31%	36%	36%	37%	41%	42%	44%	44%	40%	41%	35%	Dem candidate
6%	8%	7%	4%	7%	6%	6%	7%	3%	3%	2%	3%	4%	6%	6%	7%	Neither (DNR)
13%	14%	15%	22%	17%	23%	20%	17%	17%	12%	10%	11%	5%	13%	14%	15%	DK (DNR)
1%	1%	--	--	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	Ref. (DNR)

Now I am going to read you a list of people active in politics. After I read each name, please tell me if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of that person. If you never heard of them, just tell me and we'll go on to the next one…the (first/next) one is…(**RANDOMIZE)**

	TOTAL FAV	**TOTAL UNFAV**	VERY FAV	SMWT FAV	SMWT UNFAV	VERY UNFAV	HRD OF/ NO OPIN	NEVER HRD OF
4. Pat McCrory								
4/16	**39%**	**49%**	17%	22%	14%	35%	9%	3%
11/15	46%	42%	19%	27%	18%	24%	10%	2%
10/15	54%	37%	22%	33%	17%	20%	6%	2%
7/15	52%	36%	18%	34%	13%	23%	9%	2%
3/15	52%	36%	16%	36%	15%	22%	11%	1%
2/15	51%	37%	16%	35%	14%	23%	10%	2%
9/14	47%	36%	25%	21%	11%	25%	13%	4%
6/14	47%	43%	19%	28%	15%	28%	9%	2%
5/14	48%	38%	18%	30%	13%	25%	10%	4%
4/14	44%	42%	17%	27%	14%	28%	11%	3%
3/14	44%	46%	20%	24%	14%	32%	9%	1%
1/14	43%	44%	18%	25%	15%	28%	11%	2%
10/13	43%	44%	17%	26%	15%	29%	12%	1%
6/13	49%	32%	23%	26%	13%	19%	18%	1%
4/13	54%	30%	25%	28%	12%	18%	13%	3%
3/13	56%	25%	28%	28%	9%	16%	15%	3%
7/12	51%	24%	26%	25%	9%	14%	14%	11%
5/12	48%	20%	24%	24%	7%	13%	17%	15%
5. Roy Cooper								
4/16	**35%**	**20%**	15%	20%	10%	11%	20%	25%
11/15	30%	15%	14%	16%	8%	7%	24%	31%
10/15	52%	17%	18%	34%	9%	8%	23%	8%
7/15	38%	17%	11%	27%	8%	9%	30%	15%
6. Barack Obama								
4/16	**52%**	**45%**	33%	19%	9%	37%	3%	--
7/15	49%	47%	27%	22%	8%	39%	4%	--
3/15	46%	50%	23%	23%	9%	40%	5%	--
2/15	48%	49%	28%	20%	9%	40%	3%	--
7/14	45%	52%	27%	19%	7%	45%	3%	--
6/14	49%	50%	26%	23%	6%	43%	1%	--
5/14	45%	52%	29%	16%	9%	43%	2%	--
4/14	48%	48%	29%	20%	10%	38%	3%	--
3/14	46%	52%	29%	17%	9%	43%	2%	--
1/14	46%	50%	27%	19%	9%	42%	3%	--
10/13	43%	52%	28%	15%	8%	43%	5%	--
6/13	49%	47%	29%	20%	12%	35%	5%	--
4/13	49%	46%	32%	17%	10%	37%	5%	--
3/13	45%	52%	31%	14%	9%	43%	3%	--
11/12	49%	48%	40%	9%	6%	42%	3%	--
10/12	50%	48%	39%	11%	8%	40%	2%	1%
7/12	47%	50%	33%	14%	7%	43%	2%	--
5/12	50%	48%	35%	15%	11%	37%	2%	--
2/12	49%	48%	33%	16%	9%	38%	4%	--
10/11	47%	48%	30%	17%	11%	37%	4%	1%
7. Hillary Clinton								
4/16	**43%**	**52%**	21%	22%	10%	41%	5%	*
8. Bernie Sanders								
4/16	**49%**	**42%**	20%	29%	15%	27%	8%	*

9.   Donald Trump
4/16   **30%**   **65%**   13%   18%   13%   52%   5%   --

10.   Ted Cruz
4/16   **35%**   **54%**   10%   25%   16%   39%   10%   1%

11.   And, do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the term "Political Correctness?"

   23%   **Total Favorable**
   56%   **Total Unfavorable**

   6%   Very Favorable
   17%   Somewhat Favorable
   21%   Somewhat Unfavorable
   34%   Very Unfavorable
   19%   Heard of/ No opinion (DO NOT READ)
   3%   Never Heard of (DO NOT READ)

Now thinking ahead to the November Election...

12.   This year for state and local offices do you think you will vote... (ROTATE TOP-TO-BOTTOM, BOTTOM-TO-TOP)

   32%   **Total Republicans**
   37%   **Total Democrats**

   12%   For all of the Republicans
   19%   For mostly Republicans
   25%   For some of the Republicans and some of the Democrats
   16%   For mostly Democrats
   21%   For all of the Democrats
   7%   Don't Know/ Undecided (DO NOT READ)
   --   Refused (DO NOT READ)

13.   All things being equal, in the election for Congress or other elected offices, would you be more likely to vote for... (ROTATE)

   40%   An experienced politician
   34%   A political outsider
   25%   Don't Know
   1%   Refused (DO NOT READ)

14.   This year when it comes to voting, will you be more motivated to come out and vote based on state or national issues?

   13%   State Issues
   35%   National Issues
   49%   Both Equally (DO NOT READ)
   1%   Neither/ Something else (DO NOT READ)
   2%   Don't Know (DO NOT READ)
   --   Refused (DO NOT READ)

RANDOMIZE Q15-18

Thinking about the election for President for a moment... I am going to read you a series of potential Presidential matchups. Please tell me which candidate you would vote for, out of just the two candidates I read you, for each.

15. In the election for President, for whom would you vote between... (READ IN ORDER, DO NOT ROTATE)

     37%   Donald Trump, the Republican,
     49%   ... or Hillary Clinton, the Democrat?
     10%   Lean/Undecided

     32%   Definitely Trump
     5%   Probably Trump
     3%   Lean Trump
     6%   Undecided (DO NOT READ)
     1%   Lean Clinton
     6%   Probably Clinton
     42%   Definitely Clinton
     2%   Someone Else (DO NOT READ)
     2%   Refused (DO NOT READ)

16. For whom would you vote between... (READ IN ORDER, DO NOT ROTATE)

     35%   Donald Trump, the Republican,
     54%   ... or Bernie Sanders, the Democrat?
     8%   Lean/Undecided

     30%   Definitely Trump
     5%   Probably Trump
     2%   Lean Trump
     5%   Undecided (DO NOT READ)
     1%   Lean Sanders
     9%   Probably Sanders
     45%   Definitely Sanders
     2%   Someone Else (DO NOT READ)
     1%   Refused (DO NOT READ)

17. For whom would you vote between... (READ IN ORDER, DO NOT ROTATE)

     40%   Ted Cruz, the Republican,
     46%   ... or Hillary Clinton, the Democrat?
     10%   Lean/Undecided

     32%   Definitely Cruz
     8%   Probably Cruz
     4%   Lean Cruz
     4%   Undecided (DO NOT READ)
     2%   Lean Clinton
     5%   Probably Clinton
     41%   Definitely Clinton
     2%   Someone Else (DO NOT READ)
     2%   Refused (DO NOT READ)

18. For whom would you vote between... (READ IN ORDER, DO NOT ROTATE)

36% Ted Cruz, the Republican,
52% ... or Bernie Sanders, the Democrat?
9% Lean/Undecided

28% Definitely Cruz
9% Probably Cruz
4% Lean Cruz
5% Undecided (DO NOT READ)
1% Lean Sanders
9% Probably Sanders
42% Definitely Sanders
1% Someone Else (DO NOT READ)
1% Refused (DO NOT READ)

19. If the election for US Senate were being held today and you had to make a choice, for whom would you vote between... (READ IN ORDER, DO NOT ROTATE)

37% Richard Burr, the Republican,
35% Deborah K. Ross, the Democrat,
6% ... or Sean Haugh, the Libertarian?
21% Lean/Undecided

26%	DEFINITELY BURR	3%	DEFINITELY HAUGH
11%	PROBABLY BURR	3%	PROBABLY HAUGH
2%	LEAN BURR	1%	LEAN HAUGH
30%	DEFINITELY ROSS	16%	HARD UNDECIDED (DNR)
6%	PROBABLY ROSS	*	NAMED OTHER (DNR)
2%	LEAN ROSS	1%	REFUSED (DNR)

20. If the election for Governor were being held today and you had to make a choice, for whom would you vote between... (READ IN ORDER, DO NOT ROTATE)

36% Pat McCrory, the Republican,
46% Roy Cooper, the Democrat,
5% ...or Lon Cecil, the Libertarian?
12% Lean/Undecided

30%	DEFINITELY MCCRORY	4%	DEFINITELY CECIL
7%	PROBABLY MCCRORY	1%	PROBABLY CECIL
2%	LEAN MCCRORY	*	LEAN CECIL
38%	DEFINITELY COOPER	9%	HARD UNDECIDED (DNR)
8%	PROBABLY COOPER	--	NAMED OTHER (DNR)
2%	LEAN COOPER	1%	REFUSED (DNR)

21. If the election for North Carolina Attorney General were being held today and you had to make a choice, for whom would you vote between... (READ IN ORDER, DO NOT ROTATE)

32% Buck Newton, the Republican,
37% ... or Josh Stein, the Democrat?
30% Lean/Undecided

23% Definitely Newton
9% Probably Newton
3% Lean Newton
24% Undecided (DO NOT READ)

3%   Lean Stein
9%   Probably Stein
28%   Definitely Stein
2%   Refused (DO NOT READ)

22.   If the election for State Treasurer were being held today and you had to make a choice, for whom would you vote between... (READ IN ORDER, DO NOT ROTATE)

27%   Dale R. Folwell, the Republican,
39%   ... or Dan Blue III, the Democrat?
33%   Lean/Undecided

18%   Definitely Folwell
8%   Probably Folwell
3%   Lean Folwell
27%   Undecided (DO NOT READ)
2%   Lean Blue
8%   Probably Blue
31%   Definitely Blue
1%   Refused (DO NOT READ)

And thinking about issues in North Carolina…

23.   Have you seen, read or heard about the new Charlotte Bathroom Ordinance or the legislation recently passed by the state legislature and signed by Governor McCrory that kept laws across the state uniform and kept the Charlotte ordinance from taking effect? Would you say you have seen, read, or heard... (ROTATE TOP-TO-BOTTOM, BOTTOM-TO-TOP)

85%   Total Great Deal/Some
13%   Total Not too much/ None

68%   A great deal of news
17%   Some news
7%   Not too much news
6%   No news at all
2%   Don't know (DO NOT READ)
--   Refused (DO NOT READ)

24.   As you may know, the Charlotte City Council passed a new Bathroom Ordinance that allowed transgender people to use the bathroom or locker room of their choice – including the bathroom and locker room of the opposite biological sex. Now I am going to read you two viewpoints on this topic and then please tell me which one you agree with more... (ROTATE)

29%   Supporters of the ordinance say this a reasonable policy for transgender people who may prefer to use the bathroom of the opposite biological sex because they feel unsafe or uncomfortable using the bathroom of their own biological sex.

61%   Opponents of the ordinance say this is an unreasonable policy because it creates a loophole that gives sexual predators access to women's locker rooms and bathrooms, and women and girls feel unsafe and uncomfortable being forced to share the women's bathroom with a biological man who may or may not identify as female.

7%   Other/Neither/Both (DO NOT READ)
2%   Don't Know/ Refused (DO NOT READ)

25.   And based on what you know, which of the following statements are you more likely to agree with? (ROTATE)

47%   "The state legislature and Governor were right to act and I agree with their decision to make sure North Carolina had a uniform law across the state and stop the Charlotte Bathroom Ordinance from taking effect."

43%   "The state legislature and Governor should not have gotten involved and I disagree with their decision to stop the Charlotte Bathroom Ordinance from taking effect."

6%   Other/Neither/Both (DO NOT READ)

4%   Don't Know/ Refused (DO NOT READ)

26.   I am going to read you two more viewpoints on this topic and please tell me which one do you agree with more? ROTATE

31%   (Some/Other) people say the repeal of the Charlotte Bathroom Ordinance is more about discrimination and unfairly targeting lesbian, gay and transgender people.

59%   (Other/Some) people say the repeal of the Charlotte Bathroom Ordinance is more about safety and privacy by keeping men out of women's bathrooms and girls' locker rooms.

5%   Both (DO NOT READ)

5%   Not Sure (DO NOT READ)

1%   Refused (DO NOT READ)

27.   Do you support or oppose the businesses and performing artists who are boycotting North Carolina because of the bathroom law in North Carolina?

42%   Total Support
48%   Total Oppose

27%   Strongly Support

15%   Somewhat Support

14%   Somewhat Oppose

35%   Strongly Oppose

9%   Don't Know/ Need More Information (DO NOT READ)

1%   Refused (DO NOT READ)

28.   Do you agree or disagree with a Virginia federal court ruling ordering girls and boys in public middle schools to share locker room, bathroom and shower facilities?

11%   Total Agree
80%   Total Disagree

7%   Strongly Agree

4%   Somewhat Agree

7%   Somewhat Disagree

72%   Strongly Disagree

8%   Undecided/Don't Know (DO NOT READ)

1%   Refused (DO NOT READ)

And now, turning to other issues…

29.   Do you feel your utility bills over the last 7 or 8 years have been rising, falling or staying about the same?

63%   Total Rising
2%   Total Falling

29%   Rising significantly

34%   Rising a little bit

1%   Falling significantly

1%   Falling a little bit

30%   Stayed about the same

5%   Don't Know (DO NOT READ)

--   Refused (DO NOT READ)

30.   There is a proposed state constitutional amendment for voters, A Taxpayer Protection Act, which would place limitations on the amount the state budget could grow every year – largely tied to the growth rate of inflation plus population. There are provisions included which would allow the legislature and governor to override the Taxpayer Protection Act under extraordinary circumstances with a supermajority of legislators voting. Do you support or oppose the Taxpayer Protection Act?

57%   Total Support
17%   Total Oppose

28%   Strongly Support
30%   Somewhat Support
9%   Somewhat Oppose
8%   Strongly Oppose
26%   Don't Know/ Need More Information (DO NOT READ)
*   Refused (DO NOT READ)

And before we finish…

31.   A recent bill introduced in the U.S. House would, in part, allow states to prevent refugees from settling in their states or part of their states. Do you support or oppose giving states the right to prevent refugee resettlement in their communities?

47%   Total Support
45%   Total Oppose

33%   Strongly Support
14%   Somewhat Support
16%   Somewhat Oppose
29%   Strongly Oppose
7%   Don't Know/ Need More Information (DO NOT READ)
--   Refused (DO NOT READ)

Now I just have a few questions for statistical purposes, and then we'll be finished….

32.   First, in what year were you born? (Record exact year. 9999=Refused)

7%   18-25
18%   26-40
29%   41-55
20%   56-65
26%   66+

33.   Would you say you are a liberal or conservative in your political beliefs?

30%   Total Liberal
24%   Total Moderate
43%   Total Conservative

13%   Very Liberal
16%   Somewhat Liberal
23%   Somewhat Conservative
20%   Very Conservative
3%   Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ)
*   Refused (DO NOT READ)

34.   In terms of your current employment status, would you say you… (RANDOMIZE)

11%   Are Self Employed
32%   Work for a Private Company
10%   Work for Government

5%   Are a Spouse (Homemaker)
34%   Are Retired
7%   Are Unemployed
2%   Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ)

35.   Do you currently have children age 17 or younger living at home with you?

29%   Yes
71%   No
1%   Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ)

36   Do you consider yourself a born-again or evangelical Christian or not?

56%   Yes
38%   No
2%   Depends (DO NOT READ)
3%   Don't Know/ Unsure/ Refused(DO NOT READ)

37.   Which category best describes your race or ethnicity? (RANDOMIZE)

70%   Caucasian
23%   African-American
3%   Hispanic
1%   Native American
1%   Asian
1%   Other (Specify)
1%   Refused (DO NOT READ)

38.   Gender (By observation)

48%   Men
52%   Women

39.   Geographic Area (From Sample)

21%   Charlotte
13%   Western
19%   Piedmont Triad
20%   Triangle
12%   Northeast
15%   Southeast

40.   Party Reg (From Sample)

33%   Republican
25%   Independent/Other
42%   Democratic

CELL PHONE SCREENERS:

(AT BEGINING OF THE SURVEY, ASK C1-C5 TO CELL PHONE RESPONDENTS ONLY)

C1.   Just to confirm, have I reached you on your cell phone?

100% Yes

C2.   And, for your safety, are you currently driving?

      100%   No

C3.   Do you currently live in North Carolina, or do you live in some other state?

      100%   North Carolina

C4.   And, in which county in North Carolina do you currently reside? (OPEN END)

      SEE CROSSTABS FOR FULL RESULTS

C5.   Do you have a landline at home in addition to your cell phone, or is your cell phone the only telephone you have?

      100%   Cell phone is only telephone **(CONTINUE TO Q1)**