



An in-depth examination of North Carolina voter attitudes on
important current issues

Registered Voters in North Carolina

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Key Insights

The Meredith Poll conducted a survey of North Carolina registered voters. The online sample--from Dynata--used a census quota to get our respondents. After the survey was completed, we **weighted** the survey for **gender, party affiliation, and education** so that our sample most closely resembles North Carolina.

The sample had 699 respondents, giving us a confidence interval of +/- 3.5%. The survey was in the field October 15-18, 2021.

Satisfaction with direction of the country and state

By a two-to-one margin, North Carolinians are dissatisfied with the direction of the **country**. Less than 30 percent of respondents—a low figure for the history of the Meredith Poll—are satisfied with the direction of the country. Over half of Democratic respondents were satisfied with the direction of the country, but fewer than one-in-five Republicans and Unaffiliated voters were satisfied. Half (50%) of the Black respondents were satisfied, but most respondents of other racial and ethnic groups were dissatisfied. Younger voters (40 years old and younger) indicated more satisfaction than older voters by a large margin and those who identified as more liberal were more satisfied than those who were moderate or more conservative.

These differences suggest that many people on the political left are more optimistic with the country after the 2020 elections and Democratic control over the executive and legislative branches of government. Policy issues favored by these groups are being discussed in Washington. This optimism is not shared broadly by voters in North Carolina, including those who are unaffiliated voters. This suggests that the Democratic Party may have trouble in the midterm elections, particularly if it is perceived that the party is controlled by the progressive wing.

North Carolinians are less dissatisfied with the direction of the **state** (a net satisfaction of -8.5 percentage points). Under 40 percent of respondents were satisfied with how things are going in North Carolina with just over 60 percent of Democrats being satisfied, but less than 30 percent of Republicans and unaffiliated voters.

Although more people are satisfied with the direction of the state, the partisan divide demonstrates that most people see the state through the same political lens that they see the country. Despite Republicans holding a majority in the state legislature, Republican respondents in the state generally perceive the direction of the state as negatively as they perceive the direction of the country.

Approval of President Joe Biden and Governor Roy Cooper

President Joe Biden is slightly underwater with his approval in North Carolina (47.8 approve v. 48.1 disapprove). This approval rating is similar to that of former President Donald Trump at this point in his presidency. The partisan divide is predictable with 87.4 percent of Democrats approving of the job that Joe Biden is doing as president, while 85.9 percent of Republicans disapprove. There is one important difference, however. Less than one-third of Democrats strongly approve of the job that President Biden is doing, while just under 70 percent of all Republicans strongly disapprove of

Biden's performance. Among unaffiliated voters in North Carolina, Biden has a net -7.5 gap in his approval/disapproval ratings.

Biden has strong approval ratings from Black, Hispanic/Latinx, and more educated (a bachelor's degree or higher) respondents, although Biden's 74.5 percent approval among Black respondents and 61.5 percent approval among Hispanic/Latinx respondents is significantly lower than the percentage of voters in those groups that voted for him in November.

Governor Roy Cooper continues to have relatively strong approval, given the strong partisan divide within the state. His net approval ratings are almost +22 (57.4% approve v. 35.6% disapprove). Just over 82 percent of Democrats approve of the job Cooper is doing, while 55.9 percent of unaffiliated voters do. On the other hand, 69.4 percent of Republicans disapprove of the job Cooper is doing, but their intensity in their disapproval is not as strong as it is for President Biden, with under one-third of all Republicans strongly disapproving of Cooper's performance as governor.

Political Partisanship and the Desire for a Viable Third Party

Although political partisans agree on very little, Democrats and Republicans, as well as others, agree that the country is more divided than in the past. Over three-quarters of the respondents indicated that partisanship was worse today than in the past with over 80 percent of Republicans and unaffiliated voters feeling this way and just under two-thirds of Democrats. Almost half of the respondents indicated that they thought political partisanship would be worse in five years, with one-quarter thinking it will be the same. Only 12.4 percent felt that partisanship would be better in five years. Over half of the Republicans and unaffiliated voters in the sample thought things would be worse in five years, while just over one-third of the Democrats felt this way.

This polarization is driven by many factors—media fragmentation, politicians who no longer use compromise, and even fundamental beliefs about what is true—but it is noteworthy that this is the highest level of pessimism expressed about the inability of the country to come together since we began asking questions about polarization in 2015.

This high level of partisanship is also reflected in the views of the two major parties. Both parties are perceived as very extreme in their policies and approach to governing with over half of the Democratic respondents indicating that the Republican Party was more extreme, while a majority of the Democrats surveyed indicated that the Republican Party was more extreme. A significant number of Democrats (23.1%) and Republicans (17.6%) indicate that their own party is the most extreme. A plurality of unaffiliated voters—over 36 percent—felt that both parties are too extreme.

The belief that both major parties are too extreme reflects the issue that a plurality of respondents (just over 40%) stated they were ideologically moderate. An almost equal number of respondents indicated they were left-of-center (28.6%) or right-of-center (31.3%).

It is no surprise, with the results listed above, that almost 60 percent of North Carolinians believe the two major parties do a poor job of representing citizens and that a viable third party would improve politics. Over half of Republicans in the sample and over 70 percent of unaffiliated voters expressed a preference for a third party. Just under half of Democrats did, as well. All demographic groups expressed strong support, including Black and Hispanic/Latinx voters, long supportive of

the Democratic Party. One surprising finding was that older voters had higher levels of support for a viable third party than did the youngest voters in the sample.

This level of support for a viable third party is bad news for the two major parties. Although the institutional barriers for having a third party be competitive in federal, state, or local elections are high, these responses show a high level of dissatisfaction for the direction that both parties are heading with the Democratic Party being increasingly in control of those on the far left and the Republican Party being controlled by those on the far right.

Support for Infrastructure and Reconciliation Bill Items

Despite President Joe Biden being slightly underwater in his approval ratings, many of the policies associated with his presidency and those who is campaigning the hardest for are very popular with North Carolinians. We took many specific pieces of the \$1.1 trillion infrastructure bill and \$3.5 trillion (original price tag) reconciliation bill and asked North Carolinians whether each of these pieces was critical to the country's future, or important, somewhat important, or not important at all. The following pieces were considered by at least half of the respondents as either critical or important to the county's future:

- Improve the electric grid (50.1% critical; 32.1% important)
- Modernize water systems (42.9% critical; 36.8% important)
- Construct roads and bridges (43.9% critical; 34% important)
- Provide universal pre-K education (20.8% critical; 30.7% important)
- Build and maintain rural broadband (28% critical; 36.1% important)
- Raise taxes on those earning over \$400,000 (36.4% critical; 22.4% important)

On the other hand, several issues were deemed less important by North Carolinians—with less than 50% critical and important:

- Create a paid family leave program (22.4% critical; 26% important)
- Free community college education (20.5% critical; 27% important)

On the “hard infrastructure” issues like improving the electric grid and constructing roads and bridges, there was general agreement among partisan groups about the importance of these issues. However, on the “human infrastructure” issues, like a universal pre-K education system, Democrats and unaffiliated voters placed far more importance on these issues than did Republican voters. There were also partisan differences in support of raising taxes on those earning over \$400,000—78.4% of Democrats, 42.3 % of Republicans, and 56.2% of unaffiliated respondents think raising taxes is critical or important to the future of the country.

There is little surprise that partisans generally agreed on the need for hard infrastructure projects and that there were great differences over human infrastructure policies, as well as raising taxes. These differences between Democrats and Republicans are long-standing and reflect fundamental ideological differences.

The Teaching of Racial and Gender History in NC K-12 Schools and Critical Race Theory

The issue of how K-12 education approaches the teaching of race and gender has become a major cultural issue in today's politics. North Carolina Lieutenant Governor Mark Robinson, for example, has been very outspoken about how these issues are taught in classrooms across the state and the legislature passed a bill—HB 324—about how social studies should be taught. Governor Cooper vetoed that bill.

Because of the public attention the teaching of race and gender has received in the state, as well as across the nation, a sizable number of North Carolinians question whether these and other issues are being taught fairly in classes. Only 34.5 percent of the respondents agreed with the statement that social studies was being taught fairly in state schools, while 32.1 percent disagreed. Just over 40 percent of Republicans disagreed that social studies was being taught fairly, while just over 23 percent of Democrats also disagreed.

The issue of how these topics should be taught was the subject of the recently passed and vetoed HB 324. Just over half of those surveyed (50.6%) agreed with Governor Cooper's veto of the legislation, while just over 30 percent disagreed. Support for the governor's veto unsurprisingly, broke along party lines with almost 70 percent of Democrats supporting the governor's use of the veto, while just over 38 percent of Republicans supported it.

On specific topics within racial and gender history, a high percentage of North Carolinians (over 75%) think the history of slavery, women's suffrage, and the Civil Rights Movement ought to be taught in North Carolina public schools. Although there were some differences in how people in different demographic groups responded to questions related to those specific topics, by and large, there is similar support for North Carolina teachers covering those topics in social studies classrooms.

It is the topic of Critical Race Theory on which major differences appeared in our survey. Although this theory was relatively unknown outside of legal academic communities until just recently and is not in any curriculum guides for North Carolina K-12 schools, has become a proxy for how topics like the history of slavery has been taught. Over half of our respondents (56.1%) indicated that they had some or a lot of familiarity with Critical Race Theory, while just over 40 percent had little or no familiarity with it. Even the lack of familiarity did not stop people from offering their descriptions of Critical Race Theory as we asked people for the word or phrase that best describes it. Almost 600 of the respondents took time to write their responses. Democratic respondents described Critical Race Theory in very positive terms, with words such as "necessary" and "honest" being some of the most frequently used. On the other hand, Republican respondents were far more negative in their descriptions, using terms such as "reverse racism" and "bullshit" to describe the theory.

Topline Results

Satisfaction with the way things are going in the United States today

All in all, are you satisfied with the direction of the United States today?

Response	Number	Percentage
Yes	206	29.6
No	421	60.4
Don't know	69	10.0

N= 696

Satisfaction with the way things are going in the North Carolina today

All in all, are you satisfied with the direction of North Carolina today?

Response	Number	Percentage
Yes	270	38.6
No	329	47.1
Don't know	100	14.3

N= 699

Approval of President Joe Biden

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president?

Response	Number	Percentage
Strongly approve	110	15.8
Approve	223	32.0
Disapprove	93	13.4
Strongly disapprove	242	34.7

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Don't know	28	4.1
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N=696

Approval of Governor Roy Cooper

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

Response	Number	Percentage
Strongly approve	139	19.9
Approve	262	37.5
Disapprove	117	16.7
Strongly disapprove	132	18.9
Don't know	48	6.9

N=698

Political Partisanship

Division in the country

What is your view--do you think this country is more divided these days than in the past, or not?

Response	Number	Percentage
More politically divided	534	76.3
Less politically divided	49	7.1
About the same	95	13.6
Don't know	20	3.0

N=698

Future division in the country

Thinking about five years from now, do you think the country will be:

Response	Number	Percentage
More politically divided	337	48.2
Less politically divided	86	12.4
About the same	167	24.0
Don't know	108	15.5

N=698

The Parties

Thinking about the political parties, please tell me if each of the phrases below best describes the Democratic Party and its leaders, the Republican Party and its leaders, both, or neither.

Which party is more extreme?
Is more extreme in its positions.

Response	Number	Percentage
The Democratic Party	244	35.0
The Republican Party	222	31.8
Both	169	24.2
Neither	27	4.0
Don't know	35	5.1

N= 697

Which party can best manage the federal government?
Can better manage the federal government.

Response	Number	Percentage
The Democratic Party	220	31.6
The Republican Party	236	34.0
Both	69	9.8
Neither	132	19.1
Don't know	37	5.4

N= 694

Which party is most concerned with the needs of the people?

Is more concerned with the needs of people like me.

Response	Number	Percentage
The Democratic Party	248	35.6
The Republican Party	215	31.0
Both	55	7.9
Neither	138	19.8
Don't know	39	5.7

N= 695

Which party governs more ethically?

Governs in a more ethical and honest way.

Response	Number	Percentage
The Democratic Party	226	32.7
The Republican Party	180	26.0
Both	62	9.0
Neither	185	26.8
Don't know	38	5.5

N= 691

Do we need a third party?

In your view, do the Democratic and Republican parties do an adequate job of representing the American people, or do they do such a poor job that a third party is needed?

Response	Number	Percentage
The two parties do an adequate job of representing Americans	146	21.1
The two parties do not do an adequate job of	411	59.2

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representing Americans and a third party is needed.		
Don't know	137	19.7
No answer/Refused		

N=694

Infrastructure and reconciliation bills

Below there are some policy issues being debated in Congress as part of the Infrastructure and Reconciliation bills. Please indicate how important you think each policy is for the future of the United States.

Improve the electric grid

Improving the electric grid and other parts of the energy sector.

Response	Number	Percentage
This is critical for the future of the US.	348	50.1
This is important for the future of the US, but not critical.	223	32.1
This is somewhat important for the future of the US.	99	14.3
This is not important for the future of the US.	24	3.5

N=694

Modernize water systems

Modernizing drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater systems.

Response	Number	Percentage
This is critical for the future of the US.	299	42.9
This is important for the future of the US, but not critical.	257	36.8

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This is somewhat important for the future of the US.	123	17.6
This is not important for the future of the US.	18	2.6

N=697

Construct roads and bridges

Construction of bridges, roads, rail lines, ports, and other types of “hard infrastructure”.

Response	Number	Percentage
This is critical for the future of the US.	305	43.9
This is important for the future of the US, but not critical.	236	34.0
This is somewhat important for the future of the US.	141	20.4
This is not important for the future of the US.	12	1.8

N=694

Provide universal pre-K

Universal pre-Kindergarten for all American children.

Response	Number	Percentage
This is critical for the future of the US.	145	20.8
This is important for the future of the US, but not critical.	214	30.7
This is somewhat important for the future of the US.	189	27.1
This is not important for the future of the US.	149	21.4

N=697

Building and maintaining rural broadband internet.

Response	Number	Percentage
This is critical for the future of the US.	194	28.0
This is important for the future of the US, but not critical.	250	36.1
This is somewhat important for the future of the US.	204	29.5
This is not important for the future of the US.	44	6.4

N=692

Create a paid family leave program

Creation of a national paid family leave program.

Response	Number	Percentage
This is critical for the future of the US.	155	22.4
This is important for the future of the US, but not critical.	180	26.0
This is somewhat important for the future of the US.	186	26.9
This is not important for the future of the US.	171	24.8

N=693

Provide free community college education

Free community college.

Response	Number	Percentage
This is critical for the future of the US.	142	20.5

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This is important for the future of the US, but not critical.	187	27.0
This is somewhat important for the future of the US.	140	20.2
This is not important for the future of the US.	225	32.4

N=694

Raise taxes on incomes over \$400,000

Raising income taxes on households with incomes over \$400,000.

Response	Number	Percentage
This is critical for the future of the US.	253	36.4
This is important for the future of the US, but not critical.	155	22.4
This is somewhat important for the future of the US.	130	18.8
This is not important for the future of the US.	156	22.5

N=697

How racial and gender history is taught in NC K-12

Now we are going to ask you some questions about how social studies is taught in North Carolina public schools.

How fair is social studies education

K-12 students in NC are receiving a fair and accurate social studies education.

Response	Number	Percentage
Strongly agree	76	10.9
Somewhat agree	164	23.6
Neither agree nor disagree	233	33.4
Somewhat disagree	139	20.0

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Strongly disagree	84	12.1
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N=697

How important is teaching slavery

How important is the teaching about the history of slavery in social studies classes in NC public schools?

Response	Number	Percentage
Very important	310	44.3
Somewhat important	248	35.5
Somewhat unimportant	72	10.3
Very unimportant	42	6.1
Don't know	25	3.7

N=697

How important is teaching women's suffrage?

How important is the teaching about women's suffrage in social studies classes in NC public schools?

Response	Number	Percentage
Very important	305	43.9
Somewhat important	264	38.0
Somewhat unimportant	63	9.1
Very unimportant	34	4.9
Don't know	29	4.2

N=695

How important is teaching the Civil Rights Movement?

How important is the teaching about the Civil Rights Movement in social studies classes in NC public schools?

Response	Number	Percentage
Very important	328	47.1
Somewhat important	244	35.1
Somewhat unimportant	67	9.7
Very unimportant	32	4.6
Don't know	23	3.4

N=694

Agreement with Roy Cooper's veto of HB 324

Do you agree with Governor Cooper's veto of House Bill 324? This bill would prohibit North Carolina public schools from teaching that there is oppression of one race over another or one gender over another. In addition, it would have required that teachers post their lesson plans a month in advance of teaching them.

Response	Number	Percentage
Strongly agree	221	31.6
Somewhat agree	140	20.1
Neither agree nor disagree	125	18.0
Somewhat disagree	79	11.4
Strongly disagree	132	18.9

N=697

Familiarity with Critical Race Theory

How familiar are you with the idea of "Critical Race Theory"?

Response	Number	Percentage
Very familiar	143	20.6
Somewhat familiar	252	36.2
Not very familiar	169	24.3

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Unfamiliar	118	17.0
Don't know	13	1.9

N=695

How “Critical Race Theory” is described

What word or phrase would you associate with “Critical Race Theory”?



Demographics

Now we would like to ask you some questions about you.

County

What county do you live in?

Response	Number	Percentage
Urban	263	44
Rural	206	34
Suburban	129	22
Prefer not to say		

N=598

Gender

What is your gender?

Response	Number	Percentage
Male	343	49
Female	350	50
Third gender/non-binary	7	1
Prefer not to say	0	0

N=700

Race/Ethnicity

What is your race/ethnicity?

Response	Number	Percentage
White	506	72.6
Black	104	15.0
Hispanic/Latinx	28	4.2
Other	52	7.5

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Prefer not to say	4	0.7
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N=694

Level of Education

What best describes the level of education you last completed?

Response	Number	Percentage
Less than high school diploma	16	2.3
High school diploma	100	14.4
Some college	182	26.3
Bachelor's degree	243	35.0
Graduate or professional degree	150	21.6
Prefer not to say	3	0.5

N=694

Age

What is your age?

Response	Number	Percentage
18-24	60	8.6
25-40	191	27.5
41-56	160	23.0
57-75	236	33.9
76+	47	6.8
Prefer not to say	1	.13

N=694

Political ideology

How would you describe yourself?

Response	Number	Percentage
Very liberal	72	10.4
Somewhat liberal	127	18.2
Somewhere in the middle	281	40.2
Somewhat conservative	120	17.3
Very conservative	97	14.0

N=697

Party Affiliation

What political party do you most identify with?

Response	Number	Percentage
Democratic	238	34
Republican	210	30
Unaffiliated	238	34
Other	14	2
Don't know	0	0

N=700

Cross-tabulations

Direction of the Country

All in all, are you satisfied with the direction of the United States today?

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Democrat	56.9	30.7	12.4
Republican	13.2	82.5	4.2
Unaffiliated	18.2	70.6	11.2
Other	28.6	57.1	14.3
Don't know	35.7	42.9	21.4
White	30.5	61.2	8.3
Black	50.0	35.2	14.8
Hispanic/Latinx	23.1	65.4	11.5
Other	24.0	62.0	14.0
Refused to answer	0.0	100.0	0.0
Male	34.1	57.9	8.0
Female	32.3	57.0	10.7
Third gender/non-binary	0.0	0.0	100.0
Prefer not to say	50.0	50.0	0.0
18-24	47.7	41.5	10.8
25-40	44.7	43.7	11.7
41-56	24.8	64.6	10.6
57-75	28.6	61.7	9.7

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76+	15.2	84.8	0.0
Prefer not to say	0.0	100.0	0.0
Urban	32	48	20
Rural	34	48	18
Suburban	36	44	20
Less than high school diploma	33.3	46.7	20.0
High school diploma	40.2	52.0	7.8
Some College	25.7	64.4	9.9
Bachelor's degree	29.1	59.8	11.1
Graduate or professional degree	43.3	48.0	8.7
Prefer not to say	25.0	75.0	0.0
Very liberal	58.0	30.9	11.1
Somewhat liberal	55.8	32.7	11.6
Somewhere in the middle	26.2	61.9	11.9
Somewhat conservative	21.6	69.0	9.5
Very conservative	10.3	88.7	1.0

Direction of the state

All in all, are you satisfied with the direction of North Carolina today?

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Democrat	61.4	28.8	10.2

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Republican	25.5	62.7	11.8
Unaffiliated	29.4	52.4	18.2
Other	28.6	47.6	23.8
Don't know	42.9	35.7	21.4
White	39.2	49.5	11.3
Black	57.4	27.0	15.6
Hispanic/Latinx	30.8	42.3	26.9
Other	32.0	48.0	20.0
Prefer not to say	0.0	80.0	20.0
Male	43.1	44.7	12.1
Female	40.1	46.1	13.8
Third gender/non-binary	0.0	0.0	100.0
Prefer not to say	50.0	50.0	0.0
18-24	47.7	41.5	10.8
25-40	44.7	43.7	11.7
41-56	24.8	64.6	10.6
57-75	28.6	61.7	9.7
76+	15.2	84.8	0.0
Prefer not to say	0.0	100.0	0.0
Urban	44	45	11

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Rural	38	49	13
Suburban	42	43	15
Less than high school diploma	33.3	46.7	20.0
High school diploma	40.2	52.0	7.8
Some College	25.7	64.4	9.9
Bachelor's degree	29.1	59.8	11.1
Graduate or professional degree	43.3	48.0	8.7
Prefer not to say	25.0	75.0	0.0
Very liberal	58.0	30.9	11.1
Somewhat liberal	55.8	32.7	11.6
Somewhere in the middle	26.2	61.9	11.9
Somewhat conservative	21.6	69.0	9.5
Very conservative	10.3	88.7	1.0

Joe Biden's approval

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president?

	Strongly approve	Approve	Disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Don't know
Democrat	37.2	50.2	6.0	3.2	3.5
Republican	4.2	8.5	17.0	68.9	1.4

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Unaffiliated	5.9	35.9	14.6	34.7	5.9
Other	14.3	19.0	9.5	47.6	9.5
Don't know	21.4	35.7	21.4	7.1	14.3
White	16.5	29.4	11.9	39.2	3.0
Black	31.1	43.4	9.0	11.5	4.9
Hispanic/Latinx	19.2	42.3	30.8	7.7	0.0
Other	8.0	40.0	16.0	24.0	12.0
Prefer not to say	20.0	0.0	40.0	40.0	0.0
Male	18.2	35.1	9.3	35.8	1.6
Female	19.0	31.3	15.1	29.2	5.5
Third gender/non-binary	0.0	0.0	50.0	0.0	50.0
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18-24	32.3	36.9	18.5	7.7	4.6
25-40	25.1	34.7	11.6	24.1	4.5
41-56	10.6	39.8	14.9	31.1	3.7
57-75	17.6	28.2	10.6	40.1	3.2
76+	6.5	17.4	8.7	65.2	2.2
Prefer not to say	50.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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Urban	20	32	30	16	2
Rural	11	20	42	24	3
Suburban	13	22	37	17	1
Less than high school diploma	26.7	26.7	6.7	26.7	13.3
High school diploma	23.5	24.5	7.8	42.2	2.0
Some College	13.0	33.9	15.1	32.3	5.7
Bachelor's degree	17.0	33.6	14.5	32.3	2.6
Graduate or Professional Degree	24.0	38.0	10.0	24.0	4.0
Prefer not to say	50.0	0.0	25.0	25.0	0.0
Very liberal	48.2	42.2	3.6	2.4	3.6
Somewhat liberal	31.3	56.5	5.4	4.1	2.7
Somewhere in the middle	12.7	32.7	20.8	27.3	6.5
Somewhat conservative	5.2	19.8	17.2	55.2	2.6
Very conservative	7.2	5.2	3.1	84.5	0.0

Roy Cooper's approval

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

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	Strongly approve	Approve	Disapprove	Strongly disapprove	Don't know
Democrat	37.9	44.6	6.7	4.2	6.7
Republican	8.0	24.1	36.9	32.5	8.5
Unaffiliated	14.1	41.8	17.6	20.0	6.5
Other	4.8	33.3	33.3	19.0	9.5
Don't know	21.4	35.7	0.0	7.1	35.7
White	20.7	35.4	16.7	20.9	6.2
Black	26.2	43.4	13.9	5.7	10.7
Hispanic/Latinx	23.1	30.8	19.2	7.7	19.2
Other	22.0	40.0	16.0	12.0	10.0
Prefer not to say	20.0	40.0	0.0	20.0	20.0
Male	25.6	35.8	14.7	19.2	4.8
Female	18.5	38.5	17.2	15.4	10.4
Third gender/non-binary	0.0	50.0	0.0	50.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18-24	24.6	40.0	9.2	7.7	18.5
25-40	25.1	35.2	15.1	14.6	10.1
41-56	14.9	42.9	16.8	18.0	7.5
57-75	24.2	35.7	17.2	18.9	4.0

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76+	15.2	30.4	19.6	30.4	4.3
Prefer not to say	50.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Urban	33	35	20	10	2
Rural	19	25	31	23	2
Suburban	23	27	30	17	3
Less than high school diploma	26.7	26.7	13.3	13.3	20.0
High school diploma	1637	32.4	06.7	25.5	8.8
Some College	16.7	37.5	14.6	20.3	10.9
Bachelor's degree	23.8	37.0	19.1	13.6	6.4
Graduate or Professional Degree	29.3	41.3	12.7	12.7	40.0
Prefer not to say	25.0	25.0	0.0	25.0	25.0
Very liberal	47.0	39.8	3.6	4.8	4.8
Somewhat liberal	36.7	50.3	2.7	2.7	7.5
Somewhere in the middle	16.5	39.6	20.4	13.5	10.0
Somewhat conservative	6.0	35.3	27.6	23.3	7.8

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Very conservative	11.3	10.3	21.6	51.5	5.2
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Current political division

What is your view--do you think this country is more divided these days than in the past, or not?

	More politically divided	Less politically divided	About the same	Don't know
Democrat	64.9	14.0	16.8	4.2
Republican	81.1	5.2	11.8	1.9
Unaffiliated	81.1	1.8	13.5	2.9
Other	85.7	9.5	0.0	4.8
Don't know	50.0	14.3	21.4	14.3
White	80.3	6.8	9.9	3.0
Black	54.1	13.9	27.0	4.9
Hispanic/Latinx	65.4	7.7	26.9	0.0
Other	70.0	10.0	14.0	6.0
Prefer not to say	60.0	0.0	40.0	0.0
Male	77.0	9.6	11.8	1.6
Female	71.9	7.3	15.9	4.9
Third gender/non-binary	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	50.0	0.0	50.0	0.0

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18-24	52.3	18.5	27.7	1.5
25-40	63.8	13.1	18.6	4.5
41-56	72.7	8.1	14.9	4.3
57-75	85.9	2.6	8.4	3.1
76+	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Urban	67	14	18	1
Rural	72	10	15	3
Suburban	69	7	20	4
Less than high school diploma	60.0	13.3	20.0	6.7
High school diploma	67.6	12.7	16.7	2.9
Some College	74.5	8.3	12.0	5.2
Bachelor's degree	78.7	6.8	11.9	2.0
Graduate or professional degree	73.3	7.3	16.7	2.7
Prefer not to say	75.0	0.0	25.0	0.0
Very liberal	78.3	10.8	10.8	0.0
Somewhat liberal	67.3	14.3	15.0	3.4
Somewhere in the middle	70.8	7.3	16.5	5.4

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Somewhat conservative	75.0	5.2	18.1	1.7
Very conservative	89.7	3.1	4.1	3.1

Future political division

Thinking about five years from now, do you think the country will be:

	More politically divided	Less politically divided	About the same	Don't know
Democrat	35.8	22.5	26.0	15.8
Republican	57.5	8.5	19.8	14.2
Unaffiliated	51.2	5.9	26.5	16.5
Other	52.4	9.5	19.0	19.0
Don't know	57.1	7.1	14.3	21.4
White	49.5	11.7	22.7	16.1
Black	36.1	24.6	26.2	13.1
Hispanic/Latinx	53.8	11.5	26.9	7.7
Other	42.0	6.0	28.0	24.0
Prefer not to say	80.0	0.0	20.0	0.0
Male	47.6	14.7	23.6	14.1
Female	46.6	12.8	23.4	17.2
Third gender/non-binary	50.0	0.0	50.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	50.0	0.0	50.0	0.0

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18-24	50.8	23.1	21.5	4.6
25-40	45.7	16.6	27.6	10.1
41-56	48.4	11.2	23.6	16.8
57-75	44.5	12.3	21.6	21.6
76+	54.3	2.2	21.7	21.7
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Urban	51	9	35	5
Rural	55	5	30	10
Suburban	49	12	30	9
Less than high school diploma	33.3	33.3	20.0	13.3
High school diploma	45.1	15.7	24.5	14.7
Some College	52.1	13.0	19.3	15.6
Bachelor's degree	46.8	12.8	21.3	19.1
Graduate or professional degree	43.3	12.0	34.0	10.7
Prefer not to say	75.0	0.0	0.0	25.0
Very liberal	47.0	19.3	25.3	8.4
Somewhat liberal	34.7	21.1	23.8	20.4

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Somewhere in the middle	45.4	12.7	26.5	15.4
Somewhat conservative	45.7	10.3	29.3	14.7
Very conservative	71.1	3.1	9.3	16.5

Political parties

Thinking about the political parties, please tell me if each of the phrases below best describes the Democratic Party and its leaders, the Republican Party and its leaders, both, or neither.

Is more extreme

Is more extreme in its positions.

	The Democratic Party	The Republican Party	Both	Neither	Don't know
Democrat	23.2	53.2	15.1	4.9	3.5
Republican	58.3	17.1	18.5	0.9	5.2
Unaffiliated	25.3	25.9	36.5	5.9	6.5
Other	52.4	9.5	14.3	4.8	19.0
Don't know	7.1	14.3	21.4	14.3	42.9
White	36.9	33.5	21.4	3.0	5.2
Black	31.4	33.9	19.0	6.6	9.1
Hispanic/Latin x	19.2	34.6	23.1	15.4	7.7
Other	30.0	21.0	28.0	4.0	6.0
Prefer not to say	40.0	40.0	20.0	0.0	0.0

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Male	36.7	34.8	22.4	3.2	2.9
Female	33.4	32.6	20.4	5.0	8.6
Third gender/non-binary	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18-24	32.3	24.6	23.1	12.3	7.7
25-40	29.3	30.8	25.8	4.0	10.1
41-56	31.7	39.1	19.3	4.3	5.6
57-75	37.6	36.3	20.4	2.7	3.1
76+	60.9	26.1	10.9	0.0	2.2
Prefer not to say	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Urban	35	40	20	5	0
Rural	36	33	24	5	2
Suburban	30	32	30	6	2
Less than high school diploma	33.3	13.3	26.7	0.0	26.7
High school diploma	44.6	28.7	11.9	6.9	7.9
Some College	33.9	30.7	20.8	4.7	9.9

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Bachelor's degree	32.3	34.9	26.8	3.4	2.6
Graduate or professional degree	32.2	40.3	20.8	3.4	3.4
Prefer not to say	25.0	75.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Very liberal	28.9	59.0	7.2	2.4	2.4
Somewhat liberal	13.7	58.9	19.2	4.8	3.4
Somewhere in the middle	25.8	28.8	30.8	5.0	9.6
Somewhat conservative	52.2	13.9	23.5	5.2	5.2
Very conservative	75.3	10.3	9.3	1.0	4.1

Can better manage government

Can better manage the federal government.

	The Democratic Party	The Republican Party	Both	Neither	Don't know
Democrat	68.7	9.9	6.7	10.6	4.2
Republican	3.3	73.9	7.1	11.8	3.8
Unaffiliated	20.7	23.7	15.4	32.5	7.7
Other	4.8	23.8	9.5	38.1	23.8
Don't know	14.3	14.3	0.0	35.7	35.7
White	31.3	38.2	7.9	17.6	5.1

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Black	44.3	21.3	11.5	13.1	9.8
Hispanic/Latin x	28.0	24.0	20.0	20.0	8.0
Other	40.0	18.0	8.0	26.0	8.0
Prefer not to say	40.0	20.0	0.0	40.0	0.0
Male	35.2	32.3	10.3	18.7	3.5
Female	33.6	33.9	7.8	16.4	8.3
Third gender/non-bi nary	50.0	0.0	0.0	50.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18-24	39.1	26.6	10.9	15.6	7.8
25-40	36.4	28.3	12.6	12.1	10.6
41-56	30.0	31.3	11.9	22.5	4.4
57-75	37.0	33.5	4.4	20.7	4.4
76+	21.7	65.2	0.0	13.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Urban	50	26	11	12	2
Rural	37	31	15	14	3
Suburban	36	30	24	4	6

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Less than high school diploma	40.0	20.0	6.7	20.0	13.3
High school diploma	32.4	39.2	7.8	13.7	6.9
Some College	32.8	32.8	9.4	15.1	9.9
Bachelor's degree	31.8	35.6	10.3	19.3	3.0
Graduate or professional degree	39.6	26.8	7.4	20.8	5.4
Prefer not to say	75.0	25.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Very liberal	68.7	14.5	4.8	8.4	3.6
Somewhat liberal	68.5	8.2	6.8	11.0	5.5
Somewhere in the middle	28.2	25.9	14.3	23.2	8.5
Somewhat conservative	6.9	60.3	6.0	20.7	6.0
Very conservative	3.1	72.9	4.2	16.7	3.1

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Is more concerned with people

Is more concerned with the needs of people like me.

	The Democratic Party	The Republican Party	Both	Neither	Don't know
Democrat	76.4	6.0	6.0	8.8	2.8
Republican	5.7	68.4	7.1	13.7	5.2
Unaffiliated	23.1	23.1	10.7	36.1	7.1
Other	14.3	19.0	4.8	38.1	23.8
Don't know	21.4	0.0	7.1	21.4	50.0
White	36.0	35.2	6.6	17.3	4.8
Black	50.8	14.8	9.8	13.9	10.7
Hispanic/Latin x	40.0	12.0	16.0	28.0	4.0
Other	40.8	16.3	6.1	26.5	10.2
Prefer not to say	20.0	20.0	0.0	60.0	0.0
Male	38.6	31.2	8.4	17.7	4.2
Female	39.6	27.9	6.8	18.2	7.6
Third gender/non-binary	50.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	50.0
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18-24	40.6	18.8	12.5	18.8	9.4

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25-40	38.7	22.1	14.6	16.1	8.5
41-56	38.8	29.4	3.8	21.9	6.3
57-75	42.7	32.2	3.1	18.1	4.0
76+	21.7	60.9	2.2	13.0	2.2
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Urban	51	25	10	12	2
Rural	36	28	17	18	1
Suburban	32	32	16	19	1
Less than high school diploma	20.0	6.7	13.3	40.0	20.0
High school diploma	35.3	34.3	7.8	16.7	5.9
Some College	38.7	30.4	6.8	14.7	9.4
Bachelor's degree	36.6	32.3	8.1	19.6	3.4
Graduate or professional degree	48.3	20.8	6.7	18.89	5.4
Prefer not to say	50.0	25.0	0.0	25.0	0.0
Very liberal	79.5	6.0	4.8	8.4	1.2
Somewhat liberal	74.8	5.4	6.8	7.5	5.4

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Somewhere in the middle	31.7	22.0	10.0	26.6	9.7
Somewhat conservative	11.3	55.7	7.8	19.1	6.1
Very conservative	4.1	73.2	3.1	17.5	2.1

Governs more ethically

Governs in a more ethical and honest way.

	The Democratic Party	The Republican Party	Both	Neither	Don't know
Democrat	70.8	3.6	8.5	12.8	4.3
Republican	2.9	62.4	8.6	21.0	5.2
Unaffiliated	21.8	17.1	10.0	44.1	7.1
Other	19.0	14.3	0.0	47.6	19.0
Don't know	14.3	0.0	7.1	28.6	50.0
White	32.5	30.9	6.9	24.4	5.3
Black	49.2	9.0	13.1	17.2	11.5
Hispanic/Latin x	36.0	16.0	12.0	28.0	8.0
Other	32.0	10.0	14.0	36.0	8.0
Prefer not to say	20.0	20.0	0.0	60.0	0.0
Male	36.2	24.3	10.4	25.9	3.2
Female	35.1	25.4	7.3	22.8	9.4

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Third gender/non-binary	50.0	0.0	0.0	50.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18-24	34.9	14.3	19.0	20.6	11.1
25-40	35.7	20.6	15.1	19.1	9.5
41-56	33.3	22.0	4.4	34.6	5.7
57-75	40.4	25.8	4.4	24.9	4.4
76+	19.6	63.0	0.0	15.2	2.2
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Urban	42	22	14	20	2
Rural	31	40	17	10	2
Suburban	25	24	20	26	5
Less than high school diploma	33.3	26.7	20.0	13.3	6.7
High school diploma	31.7	33.7	7.9	15.8	10.9
Some College	33.9	26.6	9.4	20.3	9.9
Bachelor's degree	33.5	25.7	8.7	28.7	3.5
Graduate or professional degree	44.0	14.7	7.3	29.3	4.7

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Prefer not to say	50.0	25.0	0.0	25.0	0.0
Very liberal	69.9	9.6	4.8	13.3	2.4
Somewhat liberal	68.1	4.9	9.0	11.8	6.3
Somewhere in the middle	29.1	17.1	11.6	32.6	9.7
Somewhat conservative	10.3	41.4	6.0	37.1	5.2
Very conservative	6.3	68.8	6.3	14.6	4.2

Third party

In your view, do the Democratic and Republican parties do an adequate job of representing the American people, or do they do such a poor job that a third party is needed?

	The two parties do an adequate job of representing Americans.	The two parties do not do an adequate job of representing Americans and a third party is needed.	Don't know
Democrat	34.9	46.8	18.3
Republican	20.3	59.4	20.3
Unaffiliated	7.7	70.8	21.4
Other	19.0	61.9	19.0
Don't know	14.3	35.7	50.0
White	21.6	58.4	20.0
Black	31.1	51.6	17.2
Hispanic/Latinx	26.9	53.8	19.2
Other	14.3	55.1	30.6
Prefer not to say	0.0	80.0	20.0
Male	26.4	61.4	12.2
Female	20.6	52.7	26.6
Third gender/non-binary	0.0	50.0	50.0
Prefer not to say	0.0	50.0	50.0
18-24	38.5	47.7	13.8

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25-40	32.7	46.2	21.1
41-56	15.6	62.5	21.9
57-75	18.1	62.4	19.5
76+	10.9	69.6	19.6
Prefer not to say	0.0	50.0	50.0
Urban	25	59	16
Rural	37	43	20
Suburban	21	53	26
Less than high school diploma	33.3	33.3	33.3
High school diploma	23.5	52.9	23.5
Some College	24.1	52.4	23.6
Bachelor's degree	20.4	62.6	17.0
Graduate or professional degree	24.3	58.8	16.9
Prefer not to say	25.0	50.0	25.0
Very liberal	39.8	48.2	12.0
Somewhat liberal	27.4	52.7	19.9
Somewhere in the middle	17.4	58.7	23.9
Somewhat conservative	20.0	59.1	20.9
Very conservative	20.6	61.9	17.5

Infrastructure and reconciliation issues

Below there are some policy issues being debated in Congress as part of the Infrastructure and Reconciliation bills. Please indicate how important you think each policy is for the future of the United States.

Improving electric grid

Improving the electric grid and other parts of the energy sector.

	This is critical for the future of the US.	This is important for the future of the US, but not critical.	This is somewhat important for the future of the US.	This is not important for the future of the US.
Democrat	60.6	23.9	12.0	3.5
Republican	35.2	38.6	21.9	4.3
Unaffiliated	50.9	35.5	10.7	3.0
Other	52.4	28.6	9.5	9.5
Don't know	35.7	28.6	28.6	7.1
White	48.0	34.6	13.8	3.6
Black	52.1	20.7	21.5	5.8
Hispanic/Latinx	61.5	23.1	11.5	3.8
Other	52.0	32.0	14.0	2.0
Prefer not to say	80.0	20.0	0.0	0.0
Male	53.8	31.1	12.2	2.9
Female	46.5	31.8	17.3	4.5

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Third gender/non-binary	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	50.0	0.0	0.0	50.0
18-24	56.9	23.1	16.9	3.1
25-40	48.5	27.3	19.2	5.1
41-56	42.5	38.8	15.0	3.8
57-75	55.3	31.9	9.3	3.5
76+	47.8	32.6	17.4	2.2
Prefer not to say	50.0	0.0	50.0	0.0
Urban	55	28	16	1
Rural	50	23	23	4
Suburban	42	39	18	1
Less than high school diploma	53.3	6.7	26.7	13.3
High school diploma	54.9	27.5	12.7	4.9
Some College	43.5	32.5	19.9	4.2
Bachelor's degree	47.6	33.0	15.9	3.4
Graduate or professional degree	55.7	33.6	8.1	2.7

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Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Very liberal	75.9	19.3	3.6	1.2
Somewhat liberal	56.8	25.3	14.4	3.4
Somewhere in the middle	44.4	33.9	17.1	4.7
Somewhat conservative	44.8	40.5	12.1	2.6
Very conservative	38.1	33.0	22.7	6.2

Modernizing water systems

Modernizing drinking water, wastewater, and stormwater systems.

	This is critical for the future of the US.	This is important for the future of the US, but not critical.	This is somewhat important for the future of the US.	This is not important for the future of the US.
Democrat	50.0	35.9	11.3	2.8
Republican	31.1	41.5	23.6	3.8
Unaffiliated	44.1	35.3	18.8	1.8
Other	47.6	14.3	28.6	9.5
Don't know	15.4	53.8	30.8	0.0
White	42.7	36.9	18.1	2.2
Black	40.5	35.5	18.2	5.8
Hispanic/Latin	42.3	34.6	19.2	3.8

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Other	36.0	48.0	12.0	4.0
Prefer not to say	80.0	0.0	20.0	0.0
Male	43.3	40.4	14.7	1.6
Female	41.3	34.5	20.4	3.9
Third gender/non-binary	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	50.0	0.0	0.0	50.0
18-24	36.9	38.5	18.5	6.2
25-40	36.9	40.4	20.2	2.5
41-56	41.3	37.5	18.1	3.1
57-75	49.8	34.4	12.8	3.1
76+	37.0	34.8	28.3	0.0
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Urban	52	36	10	2
Rural	39	43	14	4
Suburban	44	40	12	4
Less than high school diploma	40.0	6.7	33.3	20.0

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High school diploma	43.0	30.0	25.0	2.0
Some College	43.2	36.5	16.7	3.6
Bachelor's degree	39.1	38.7	19.6	2.6
Graduate or professional degree	44.7	44.0	9.3	2.0
Prefer not to say	75.0	0.0	25.0	0.0
Very liberal	57.8	34.9	6.0	1.2
Somewhat liberal	50.7	33.6	12.3	3.4
Somewhere in the middle	40.2	38.2	18.5	3.1
Somewhat conservative	34.5	44.8	17.2	3.4
Very conservative	30.9	32.0	34.0	3.1

Constructing roads and bridges

Construction of bridges, roads, rail lines, ports, and other types of “hard infrastructure”.

	This is critical for the future of the US.	This is important for the future of the US, but not critical.	This is somewhat important for the future of the US.	This is not important for the future of the US.
Democrat	51.4	31.0	14.1	3.5
Republican	29.9	39.8	29.9	0.5
Unaffiliated	47.3	32.0	19.5	1.2

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Other	52.4	23.8	9.5	14.3
Don't know	15.4	30.8	46.2	7.7
White	44.7	34.6	19.2	1.4
Black	35.5	28.1	29.8	6.6
Hispanic/Latinx	46.2	34.6	15.4	3.8
Other	46.0	36.0	16.0	2.0
Prefer not to say	60.0	20.0	20.0	0.0
Male	46.2	34.0	17.6	2.2
Female	41.2	33.1	23.4	2.4
Third gender/non-binary	50.0	50.0	0.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	50.0	0.0	0.0	50.0
18-24	27.7	24.6	44.6	3.1
25-40	35.9	38.4	21.7	4.0
41-56	40.0	36.9	20.6	2.5
57-75	56.6	28.8	13.7	0.9
76+	44.4	37.8	15.6	2.2
Prefer not to say	50.0	50.0	0.0	0.0
Urban	50	30	18	2

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Rural	35	40	20	5
Suburban	42	40	16	2
Less than high school diploma	26.7	33.3	13.3	26.7
High school diploma	41.0	30.0	27.0	2.0
Some College	41.4	31.4	24.6	2.3
Bachelor's degree	43.4	37.4	17.9	1.3
Graduate or professional degree	49.0	32.9	16.8	1.3
Prefer not to say	50.0	25.0	25.0	0.0
Very liberal	53.0	28.9	16.9	1.2
Somewhat liberal	59.3	29.0	9.0	2.8
Somewhere in the middle	39.8	33.6	22.8	3.9
Somewhat conservative	27.8	47.8	23.5	0.9
Very conservative	39.2	27.8	32.0	1.0

Providing universal pre-K education

Universal pre-Kindergarten for all American children.

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	This is critical for the future of the US.	This is important for the future of the US, but not critical.	This is somewhat important for the future of the US.	This is not important for the future of the US.
Democrat	33.9	38.9	18.0	9.2
Republican	13.7	24.5	33.5	28.3
Unaffiliated	14.1	28.2	31.2	26.5
Other	28.6	19.0	19.0	33.3
Don't know	25.0	16.7	41.7	16.7
White	18.8	31.5	28.7	21.0
Black	34.2	29.2	21.7	15.0
Hispanic/Latinx	30.8	42.3	15.4	11.5
Other	24.0	24.0	24.0	28.0
Prefer not to say	40.0	40.0	0.0	20.0
Male	20.9	28.3	26.4	24.4
Female	23.6	33.5	26.4	16.5
Third gender/non-binary	50.0	50.0	0.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18-24	23.4	31.3	20.3	25.0
25-40	34.8	30.3	23.7	11.1

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41-56	18.8	38.1	28.1	15.0
57-75	16.8	29.2	28.8	25.2
76+	10.9	19.6	28.3	41.3
Prefer not to say	50.0	0.0	0.0	50.0
Urban	41	22	10	7
Rural	21	24	24	31
Suburban	30	25	25	20
Less than high school diploma	20.0	20.0	40.0	20.0
High school diploma	26.3	34.3	27.3	12.1
Some College	18.2	30.2	32.3	19.3
Bachelor's degree	22.6	26.1	26.5	24.8
Graduate or professional degree	24.7	39.3	17.3	18.7
Prefer not to say	50.0	25.0	0.0	25.0
Very liberal	38.6	34.9	19.3	7.2
Somewhat liberal	30.3	40.0	22.1	7.6
Somewhere in the middle	21.7	30.6	29.1	18.6

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Somewhat conservative	12.1	31.0	25.9	31.0
Very conservative	12.4	15.5	32.0	40.2

Rural broadband

Building and maintaining rural broadband internet.

	This is critical for the future of the US.	This is important for the future of the US, but not critical.	This is somewhat important for the future of the US.	This is not important for the future of the US.
Democrat	37.9	38.7	18.4	5.0
Republican	20.0	38.6	34.8	6.7
Unaffiliated	24.3	33.1	34.3	8.3
Other	42.9	14.3	28.6	14.3
Don't know	25.0	25.0	41.7	8.3
White	28.0	37.5	28.6	5.9
Black	36.1	27.7	27.7	8.4
Hispanic/Latinx	26.9	57.7	7.7	7.7
Other	24.5	34.7	32.7	8.2
Prefer not to say	40.0	20.0	20.0	20.0
Male	27.7	36.8	29.0	6.5
Female	30.3	36.1	27.2	6.3

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Third gender/non-binary	50.0	0.0	50.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	50.0	0.0	0.0	50.0
18-24	19.7	36.1	34.4	9.8
25-40	34.5	38.1	22.3	5.1
41-56	28.9	38.4	26.4	6.3
57-75	30.0	32.6	30.0	7.5
76+	17.4	41.3	34.8	6.5
Prefer not to say	50.0	50.0	0.0	0.0
Urban	30	32	28	10
Rural	38	36	24	4
Suburban	28	30	30	12
Less than high school diploma	20.0	26.7	40.0	13.3
High school diploma	36.0	26.0	32.0	6.0
Some College	26.6	39.4	28.7	5.3
Bachelor's degree	27.8	37.6	27.4	7.3
Graduate or professional degree	31.5	36.9	24.8	6.7

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Prefer not to say	25.0	25.0	25.0	25.0
Very liberal	58.5	26.8	12.2	2.4
Somewhat liberal	33.1	40.0	20.7	6.2
Somewhere in the middle	26.5	35.0	29.6	8.9
Somewhat conservative	17.5	41.2	35.1	6.1
Very conservative	19.6	36.1	39.2	5.2

Paid family leave

Creation of a national paid family leave program.

	This is critical for the future of the US.	This is important for the future of the US, but not critical.	This is somewhat important for the future of the US.	This is not important for the future of the US.
Democrat	35.6	36.7	19.9	7.8
Republican	13.3	20.9	30.3	35.5
Unaffiliated	16.1	21.4	31.0	21.5
Other	28.6	14.3	23.8	33.3
Don't know	16.7	50.0	16.7	16.7
White	20.3	27.4	26.8	25.6
Black	35.0	32.5	21.7	10.8
Hispanic/Latin	33.3	20.8	37.5	8.3

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Other	18.4	24.5	22.4	34.7
Prefer not to say	40.0	20.0	20.0	20.0
Male	19.9	25.1	26.4	28.6
Female	26.0	30.5	25.7	17.8
Third gender/non-binary	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	50.0	0.0	0.0	50.0
18-24	38.3	31.7	25.0	5.0
25-40	32.0	41.6	18.8	7.6
41-56	20.1	27.0	34.0	18.9
57-75	18.5	18.1	26.4	37.0
76+	4.3	13.0	26.1	56.5
Prefer not to say	50.0	50.0	0.0	0.0
Urban	45	36	16	3
Rural	16	23	38	13
Suburban	20	21	18	41
Less than high school diploma	26.7	13.3	33.3	26.7

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High school diploma	32.7	28.6	22.4	16.3
Some College	23.4	24.5	29.8	22.3
Bachelor's degree	19.1	28.1	26.8	26.0
Graduate or professional degree	22.8	32.9	21.5	22.8
Prefer not to say	75.0	0.0	0.0	25.0
Very liberal	45.1	35.4	17.1	2.4
Somewhat liberal	25.5	42.8	22.8	9.0
Somewhere in the middle	26.6	24.6	27.7	21.1
Somewhat conservative	9.6	18.4	31.6	40.4
Very conservative	10.3	18.6	25.8	45.4

Free community college

Free community college.

	This is critical for the future of the US.	This is important for the future of the US, but not critical.	This is somewhat important for the future of the US.	This is not important for the future of the US.
Democrat	31.9	37.9	20.2	9.9
Republican	10.4	19.0	21.8	48.8
Unaffiliated	16.6	24.9	20.1	38.5

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Other	33.3	14.3	9.5	42.9
Don't know	25.0	41.7	16.7	16.7
White	17.6	26.5	20.9	35.0
Black	40.3	28.6	19.3	11.8
Hispanic/Latinx	23.1	38.5	19.2	19.2
Other	14.3	38.8	18.4	28.6
Prefer not to say	40.0	20.0	20.0	20.0
Male	18.3	26.0	18.6	37.0
Female	23.5	30.9	21.6	24.0
Third gender/non-binary	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18-24	33.9	33.9	21.0	11.3
25-40	35.5	34.5	17.8	12.2
41-56	19.4	24.4	30.0	26.3
57-75	10.6	27.9	17.3	44.2
76+	6.5	10.9	10.9	71.7
Prefer not to say	50.0	50.0	0.0	0.0
Urban	38	19	20	22

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Rural	20	23	34	20
Suburban	20	25	30	25
Less than high school diploma	40.0	26.7	13.3	20.0
High school diploma	29.0	18.0	25.0	28.0
Some College	21.8	32.4	21.3	24.5
Bachelor's degree	16.2	27.2	20.9	35.7
Graduate or professional degree	21.5	33.6	16.1	28.9
Prefer not to say	75.0	0.0	0.0	25.0
Very liberal	47.6	30.5	14.6	7.3
Somewhat liberal	22.1	44.8	22.8	10.3
Somewhere in the middle	22.6	27.6	24.1	25.7
Somewhat conservative	8.1	21.7	20.0	49.6
Very conservative	11.3	12.4	11.3	64.9

Raising income taxes on those making over \$400,000

Raising income taxes on households with incomes over \$400,000.

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	This is critical for the future of the US.	This is important for the future of the US, but not critical.	This is somewhat important for the future of the US.	This is not important for the future of the US.
Democrat	53.7	24.7	15.9	5.7
Republican	21.7	20.8	25.0	32.5
Unaffiliated	33.1	23.1	16.6	27.2
Other	28.6	14.3	19.0	38.1
Don't know	41.7	25.0	8.3	25.0
White	38.0	22.4	16.6	23.0
Black	38.3	27.5	21.7	12.5
Hispanic/Latinx	34.6	15.4	42.3	7.7
Other	40.8	16.3	22.4	20.4
Prefer not to say	40.0	40.0	0.0	20.0
Male	37.3	18.0	19.3	25.4
Female	38.6	27.0	18.4	16.0
Third gender/non-binary	50.0	0.0	0.0	50.0
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18-24	24.2	32.3	25.8	17.7
25-40	36.9	31.8	19.2	12.1

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41-56	37.5	22.5	21.9	18.1
57-75	47.1	12.3	15.0	25.6
76+	19.6	26.1	13.0	41.3
Prefer not to say	50.0	0.0	0.0	50.0
Urban	42	26	20	20
Rural	21	23	20	36
Suburban	27	21	15	37
Less than high school diploma	20.0	6.7	33.3	40.0
High school diploma	35.0	26.0	24.0	15.0
Some College	38.6	22.2	21.2	18.0
Bachelor's degree	37.9	20.4	18.3	23.4
Graduate or professional degree	41.3	26.7	12.7	19.3
Prefer not to say	50.0	25.0	0.0	25.0
Very liberal	67.1	22.0	4.9	6.1
Somewhat liberal	58.2	26.0	12.3	3.4
Somewhere in the middle	34.9	26.4	21.7	17.1

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Somewhat conservative	20.0	17.4	28.7	33.9
Very conservative	13.4	15.5	20.6	50.5

Social Studies Education in NC

Now we are going to ask you some questions about how social studies is taught in North Carolina public schools.

Fair social studies education

K-12 students in NC are receiving a fair and accurate social studies education.

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree or disagree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
Democrat	18.0	28.5	30.3	15.8	7.4
Republican	8.5	19.3	31.6	24.1	16.5
Unaffiliated	6.5	19.4	40.0	21.8	12.4
Other	4.8	28.6	28.6	14.3	23.8
Don't know	21.4	14.3	64.3	0.0	0.0
White	8.7	21.6	32.9	23.8	13.1
Black	26.2	25.4	31.1	9.0	8.2
Hispanic/Latinx	11.5	30.8	34.6	11.5	11.5
Other	8.0	32.0	48.0	6.0	6.0
Prefer not to say	0.0	0.0	60.0	20.0	20.0
Male	11.9	26.6	27.2	20.5	13.8
Female	12.2	20.3	39.3	18.2	9.9

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Third gender/non-binary	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	0.0	0.0	50.0	0.0	50.0
18-24	26.2	38.5	23.1	9.2	3.1
25-40	21.1	30.7	26.1	13.6	8.5
41-56	6.2	23.0	36.6	23.6	10.6
57-75	5.8	14.6	41.2	22.6	15.9
76+	4.3	10.9	32.6	30.4	21.7
Prefer not to say	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0	0.0
Urban	28	32	20	18	2
Rural	10	12	40	28	10
Suburban	15	14	36	18	17
Less than high school diploma	13.3	20.0	40.0	13.3	13.3
High school diploma	21.6	22.5	28.4	15.7	11.8
Some College	6.3	25.5	41.1	17.2	9.9
Bachelor's degree	8.5	22.6	33.6	23.0	12.3
Graduate or professional degree	18.1	22.1	27.5	19.5	12.8

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Prefer not to say	0.0	0.0	50.0	25.0	25.0
Very liberal	39.8	15.7	24.1	13.3	7.2
Somewhat liberal	11.6	30.1	34.2	18.5	5.5
Somewhere in the middle	6.5	25.4	40.4	17.3	10.4
Somewhat conservative	6.9	23.3	31.0	24.1	14.7
Very conservative	9.3	13.4	26.8	25.8	24.7

Importance of teaching slavery history

How important is the teaching about the history of slavery in social studies classes in NC public schools?

	Very important	Somewhat important	Somewhat unimportant	Very unimportant	Don't know
Democrat	60.7	26.7	8.4	2.5	1.8
Republican	30.7	38.7	13.7	10.8	6.1
Unaffiliated	40.6	40.6	9.4	5.9	3.5
Other	47.6	42.9	4.8	0.0	4.8
Don't know	57.1	28.6	7.1	0.0	7.1
White	42.9	36.8	10.1	6.6	3.6
Black	54.1	27.0	12.3	3.3	3.3
Hispanic/Latinx	57.7	26.9	3.8	7.7	3.8

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Other	54.0	30.0	8.0	20.0	6.0
Prefer not to say	60.0	20.0	20.0	0.0	0.0
Male	45.7	35.5	10.5	5.4	2.9
Female	46.6	33.1	9.9	6.0	4.4
Third gender/non-binary	50.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18-24	56.9	24.6	10.8	3.1	4.6
25-40	48.7	31.7	11.6	3.5	4.5
41-56	46.0	34.8	10.6	5.0	3.7
57-75	46.3	38.8	6.2	6.2	2.6
76+	23.9	34.8	19.6	17.4	4.3
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Urban	53	28	10	5	4
Rural	38	38	10	8	6
Suburban	41	40	14	3	2
Less than high school diploma	33.3	33.3	13.3	6.7	13.3

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High school diploma	41.2	31.4	14.7	7.8	4.9
Some College	46.4	32.3	11.5	5.7	4.2
Bachelor's degree	45.5	37.0	8.5	6.0	3.0
Graduate or professional degree	51.3	34.7	7.3	4.0	2.7
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Very liberal	83.1	12.0	3.6	1.2	0.0
Somewhat liberal	59.9	30.6	8.8	0.7	0.0
Somewhere in the middle	38.1	36.9	11.5	6.2	7.3
Somewhat conservative	28.4	50.0	11.2	6.0	4.3
Very conservative	38.1	32.0	12.4	15.5	2.1

Importance of teaching women's suffrage

How important is the teaching about women's suffrage in social studies classes in NC public schools?

	Very important	Somewhat important	Somewhat unimportant	Very unimportant	Don't know
Democrat	62.9	26.9	6.7	0.7	2.8
Republican	30.8	39.3	14.7	10.0	5.2
Unaffiliated	38.8	45.9	7.1	4.7	3.5
Other	42.9	52.4	0.0	0.0	4.8

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Don't know	50.0	42.9	0.0	0.0	7.1
White	43.8	37.1	10.3	5.2	3.6
Black	57.5	29.2	8.3	0.8	4.2
Hispanic/Lat inx	46.2	42.3	3.8	7.7	0.0
Other	44.0	44.0	0.0	4.0	8.0
Prefer not to say	60.0	40.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Male	45.2	38.7	9.7	4.5	1.9
Female	47.7	34.6	8.1	4.4	5.2
Third gender/non- binary	0.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	50.0
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18-24	57.8	29.7	6.3	0.0	6.3
25-40	52.0	33.3	8.6	2.0	4.0
41-56	42.5	39.4	8.8	4.4	5.0
57-75	46.7	38.3	7.0	5.7	2.2
76+	23.9	37.0	21.7	13.0	4.3
Prefer not to say	50.0	50.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Urban	58	24	5	4	9
Rural	40	30	10	10	10

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Suburban	44	42	8	3	4
Less than high school diploma	33.3	33.3	20.0	0.0	13.3
High school diploma	38.2	35.3	12.7	7.8	5.9
Some College	48.4	32.3	9.9	4.7	4.7
Bachelor's degree	45.1	40.3	8.2	3.9	2.6
Graduate or professional degree	52.7	36.0	5.3	3.3	2.7
Prefer not to say	75.0	25.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Very liberal	85.5	12.0	1.2	1.2	0.0
Somewhat liberal	57.5	36.3	3.4	0.7	2.1
Somewhere in the middle	37.1	42.5	10.0	3.5	6.9
Somewhat conservative	31.0	46.6	13.8	6.0	2.3
Very conservative	40.6	28.1	14.6	13.5	3.1

Importance of teaching Civil Rights Movement

How important is the teaching about the Civil Rights Movement in social studies classes in NC public schools?

	Very important	Somewhat important	Somewhat unimportant	Very unimportant	Don't know
Democrat	64.4	26.4	5.3	1.1	2.8
Republican	32.5	40.1	13.7	9.4	4.2
Unaffiliated	45.6	37.3	9.5	4.1	3.6
Other	47.6	42.9	4.8	0.0	4.8
Don't know	78.6	7.1	0.0	7.1	7.1
White	46.4	36.5	8.7	5.2	3.2
Black	60.3	21.5	10.7	2.5	5.0
Hispanic/Latinx	57.7	23.1	7.7	7.7	3.8
Other	54.0	38.0	4.0	0.0	4.0
Prefer not to say	80.0	0.0	20.0	0.0	0.0
Male	46.5	37.2	10.3	3.8	2.2
Female	53.0	30.0	7.3	5.0	4.7
Third gender/non-binary	0.0	50.0	50.0	0.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
18-24	52.3	27.7	12.3	3.1	4.6

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25-40	55.1	29.3	8.6	3.0	4.0
41-56	55.3	31.7	5.0	3.1	5.0
57-75	47.8	37.2	8.8	4.4	1.8
76+	19.6	45.7	13.0	17.4	4.3
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Urban	57	27	10	4	2
Rural	50	25	12	6	7
Suburban	55	32	5	3	4
Less than high school diploma	53.3	13.3	26.7	0.0	6.7
High school diploma	41.2	37.3	8.8	6.9	5.9
Some College	47.6	34.6	8.9	4.7	4.2
Bachelor's degree	49.1	34.6	9.4	3.8	3.0
Graduate or professional degree	58.7	29.3	6.0	4.0	2.0
Prefer not to say	100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Very liberal	79.5	14.5	4.8	1.2	0.0
Somewhat liberal	67.8	25.3	4.1	1.4	1.4

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Somewhere in the middle	45.0	36.5	8.5	3.1	6.9
Somewhat conservative	33.0	45.2	14.8	4.3	2.6
Very conservative	32.0	38.1	12.4	15.5	2.1

Veto of HB 324

Recently, Governor Cooper vetoed HB 324. This bill would have prohibited North Carolina public schools from teaching that there is oppression of one race over another or one gender over another. In addition, it would have required that teachers post their lesson plans a month in advance of teaching them. Do you agree with Governor Cooper’s veto of this bill?

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
Democrat	46.7	23.2	14.0	8.8	7.4
Republican	17.5	20.3	18.4	15.6	28.3
Unaffiliated	30.0	16.5	20.6	11.2	21.8
Other	19.0	14.3	33.3	9.5	23.8
Don't know	21.4	21.4	42.9	7.1	7.1
White	32.0	20.5	16.5	12.1	18.9
Black	39.3	19.7	19.7	10.7	10.7
Hispanic/Latinx	34.6	26.9	15.4	7.7	15.4
Other	22.0	16.0	32.0	8.0	22.0
Prefer not to say	20.0	20.0	20.0	0.0	40.0
Male	37.4	19.5	13.7	8.3	23.1

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Female	28.6	21.1	21.6	14.1	14.6
Third gender/non-binary	0.0	50.0	50.0	0.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	50.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	50.0
18-24	27.7	27.7	26.2	4.6	13.8
25-40	35.2	22.6	22.6	11.6	8.0
41-56	33.5	21.1	17.4	10.6	17.4
57-75	31.7	19.4	12.3	11.9	24.7
76+	28.3	4.3	17.4	19.6	30.4
Prefer not to say	50.0	0.0	0.0	50.0	0.0
Urban	45	27	18	16	4
Rural	28	20	20	16	16
Suburban	33	21	18	14	15
Less than high school diploma	6.7	20.0	53.3	13.3	6.7
High school diploma	27.5	21.6	18.0	12.7	19.6
Some College	27.1	20.8	0.8	12.5	18.8
Bachelor's degree	34.5	18.7	18.7	11.5	16.6

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Graduate or professional degree	42.7	22.0	10.7	8.7	16.0
Prefer not to say	25.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	75.0
Very liberal	71.1	12.0	10.8	1.2	4.8
Somewhat liberal	44.2	23.8	15.6	8.8	7.5
Somewhere in the middle	26.2	20.4	25.4	13.5	14.6
Somewhat conservative	15.5	31.0	12.9	17.2	23.3
Very conservative	19.6	9.3	14.4	11.3	45.4

Familiarity with “Critical Race Theory”

How familiar are you with the idea of “Critical Race Theory”?

	Very familiar	Somewhat familiar	Not very familiar	Unfamiliar	Don't know
Democrat	20.9	36.9	25.9	13.5	2.8
Republican	21.7	36.3	17.0	23.1	1.9
Unaffiliated	18.8	35.9	28.2	15.9	1.2
Other	19.0	42.9	23.8	9.5	4.8
Don't know	14.3	21.4	42.9	0.0	21.4
White	20.4	37.5	22.4	18.5	1.2
Black	22.5	36.7	25.0	10.0	5.8

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Hispanic/Latinx	19.2	26.9	30.8	19.2	3.8
Other	20.0	28.0	36.0	10.0	6.0
Prefer not to say	0.0	20.0	40.0	20.0	20.0
Male	24.6	39.9	21.7	12.8	1.0
Female	17.3	33.1	26.2	19.4	3.9
Third gender/non-binary	0.0	0.0	50.0	50.0	0.0
Prefer not to say	0.0	50.0	0.0	50.0	0.0
18-24	21.9	35.9	28.1	7.8	6.3
25-40	27.3	27.8	25.3	15.7	4.0
41-56	14.4	35.0	26.9	22.5	1.3
57-75	17.6	44.5	21.6	15.0	1.3
76+	23.9	39.1	19.6	15.2	2.2
Prefer not to say	0.0	0.0	0.0	100.0	0.0
Urban	24	30	30	12	3
Rural	13	34	12	40	11
Suburban	18	45	26	14	1

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Less than high school diploma	6.7	26.7	20.0	46.7	0.0
High school diploma	20.8	23.8	24.8	24.8	5.9
Some College	13.6	29.3	27.2	26.2	3.7
Bachelor's degree	23.1	39.7	26.1	9.4	1.7
Graduate or professional degree	26.7	48.0	17.3	7.3	0.7
Prefer not to say	0.0	25.0	50.0	25.0	0.0
Very liberal	41.5	34.1	12.2	11.0	1.2
Somewhat liberal	16.4	45.9	26.7	8.9	2.1
Somewhere in the middle	12.7	29.0	30.1	23.6	4.6
Somewhat conservative	19.0	39.7	20.7	20.7	0.0
Very conservative	30.9	39.2	18.6	9.3	2.1

How “Critical Race Theory” is described

What word or phrase would you associate with “Critical Race Theory”?

Democrats

1. Necessary
2. Truth
3. Honest

Republicans

1. Reverse discrimination
2. Brainwashing
3. Bullshit

Unaffiliated

1. Divisive
2. Confusing
3. Ridiculous

Methodological Information

Mode: Online

Population: N.C. Registered Voters 18+

Dates in the field: October 15-18, 2021

Sample Size: 699

Credibility Interval: +/- 3.5%

Weighting Variables (NC): Gender, Education, and Political Party

Procedures: The Meredith Poll used an online sample provided by Dynata. Participants were recruited into the sample by Dynata and received small amounts of compensation in exchange for their opinions. The survey was not an open-link, posted on social media, but rather was by direct invitation to a very large national pool of people who agree to take online surveys. More information about the Dynata panels and quality tests are available [here](#). Quotas on demographic variables such as gender, race, etc. were applied prior to online survey commencement.

Online interviews were included in the final dataset if respondents spent a minimum length of time on the interview and particular sections, and if a respondent progressed through the entire survey. Respondents were recruited to the survey with a generic description about the fall elections.

Credibility Interval

Unlike a traditional random digit-dial telephone survey, online surveys do not have traditional margins of errors. Nonprobability quota samples like these do not adhere to assumptions of random selection. To account for uncertainty inherent in any sample-based research design, we provide a credibility interval. More information about this technique can be found [here](#). The credibility interval was calculated by inflating traditional confidence intervals by a design effect calculated using the squared sum of weights. For this North Carolina sample, this means: $(1.05 * 2.4 = 3.5)$. We round these values up for presentation of results. As with all surveys, Total survey error often exceeds sampling error.

Weighting Information

Weights were generated in Stata using a technique known as iterative proportional fitting, also known as raking. The weight variable was calculated based on the variables in the table below.

The demographic information was obtained through self-report--respondents answered closed ended questions.

Census—we used Census estimates for weighting.

Age	
18-25	7.2%
26-40	15.2%
41-56	15%
57-75	23%
76+	6.7%

Gender	
Female	51%
Male	49%
Race and Ethnicity	
White	67%
Black	21%
Other	12%

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Educational Attainment	
Less than a bachelor's degree	70%
Bachelor's degree or higher	30%
Location—county of residence	
Rural	39%
Urban	25%
Suburban	36%
Party Affiliation	
Democrat	35.8%
Republican	30.1%
Unaffiliated	33.4%

Other	.7%
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Note: We use the NC Rural Center's categorization of NC counties. The urban counties are: Durham, Forsyth, Guilford, Mecklenburg, New Hanover, and Wake. The suburban counties are: Alamance, Buncombe, Cabarrus, Catawba, Cleveland, Cumberland, Davidson, Gaston, Iredell, Henderson, Orange, Pitt, Rowan, and Union. The remaining counties are rural.

For more information on the Meredith Poll, go to: <https://www.meredith.edu/meredith-poll> or contact:

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