

# Results of SurveyUSA News Poll #18124

Geography: North Carolina RBS  
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500 state of North Carolina registered voters were interviewed by SurveyUSA 04/14/11, exclusively for the JW Pope Civitas Institute of Raleigh.

## 1 Do you approve? Or disapprove? Of the job Bev Perdue is doing as Governor?

500 Registered Voters	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race		Party Affiliation			Tea Party	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Republi	Democr	Indepen	Support	Oppose
Margin of Sampling Error: +/-4.5%																
Approve	40%	39%	40%	35%	41%	39%	43%	39%	40%	33%	60%	19%	56%	39%	15%	73%
Disapprove	52%	57%	48%	58%	51%	53%	46%	54%	50%	58%	33%	73%	36%	53%	80%	19%
Not Sure	8%	5%	12%	7%	8%	8%	11%	8%	9%	9%	7%	8%	8%	9%	5%	8%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Registered Voters	100%	46%	54%	20%	30%	29%	20%	50%	50%	74%	22%	32%	43%	24%	43%	38%

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500 Registered Voters	All	Region			
		Charlott	Greens	Raleigh	Souther
Margin of Sampling Error: +/-4.5%					
Approve	40%	28%	37%	49%	41%
Disapprove	52%	57%	55%	44%	57%
Not Sure	8%	15%	7%	7%	2%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Registered Voters	100%	29%	19%	35%	16%

## 2 If the election for governor in 2012 were held today would you vote for Republican Pat McCrory? Or Democrat Bev Perdue?

500 Registered Voters	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race		Party Affiliation			Tea Party	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Republi	Democr	Indepen	Support	Oppose
Margin of Sampling Error: +/-4.5%																
McCrory (R)	51%	58%	45%	54%	49%	53%	49%	51%	52%	59%	26%	88%	23%	53%	86%	13%
Perdue (D)	39%	37%	41%	32%	41%	40%	43%	38%	41%	32%	64%	5%	64%	42%	7%	79%
Other	5%	4%	6%	5%	6%	5%	5%	5%	5%	6%	4%	6%	5%	5%	4%	4%
Undecided	4%	1%	7%	9%	4%	2%	3%	6%	2%	4%	6%	1%	8%	1%	3%	4%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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Perdue (D)	39%	31%	35%	47%	41%
Other	5%	8%	6%	2%	7%
Undecided	4%	2%	5%	7%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Registered Voters	100%	29%	19%	35%	16%

**3** And if the election for State Legislature were held today, would you be voting for ... The Republican candidate? Or The Democratic candidate?

500 Registered Voters	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race		Party Affiliation			Tea Party	
		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Republi	Democr	Indepen	Support	Oppose
Margin of Sampling Error: +/-4.5%																
Republican Candidate	47%	54%	42%	49%	45%	51%	45%	46%	48%	55%	23%	87%	16%	51%	83%	10%
Democratic Candidate	44%	42%	45%	39%	45%	42%	48%	43%	44%	35%	72%	7%	76%	38%	8%	86%
Other	5%	4%	6%	5%	6%	5%	5%	6%	5%	6%	2%	5%	3%	8%	4%	2%
Undecided	4%	1%	6%	7%	4%	2%	3%	5%	2%	4%	3%	1%	6%	4%	4%	2%
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Margin of Sampling Error: +/-4.5%					
Republican Candidate	47%	53%	46%	42%	52%
Democratic Candidate	44%	32%	41%	54%	45%
Other	5%	10%	4%	3%	2%
Undecided	4%	5%	9%	1%	1%
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**4** Currently, the state pays for all of the state employees' and teacher's health insurance costs. This year, the state legislature passed a bill requiring state employees and teachers to pay between \$11 and \$22 each month for their health insurance. Do you think state employees and teachers should continue receiving free health insurance? Or pay between \$11 and \$22 a month?

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		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Republi	Democr	Indepen	Support	Oppose
Margin of Sampling Error: +/-4.3%																
Continue Receiving Free	35%	31%	39%	52%	35%	27%	32%	42%	29%	31%	47%	26%	49%	24%	21%	43%
Pay Between \$11 And \$22	62%	66%	58%	47%	63%	69%	65%	56%	67%	66%	49%	71%	48%	74%	77%	53%
Not Sure	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%	4%	3%	2%	4%	2%	5%	4%	3%	2%	2%	4%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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**5** Governor Perdue wants to spend an additional \$14 million in tax dollars so state employees and teachers can continue to receive free health insurance. Do you agree? Or disagree? With Governor Perdue?

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		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Republi	Democr	Indepen	Support	Oppose
Margin of Sampling Error: +/-4.3%																
Agree	32%	29%	35%	46%	27%	29%	31%	35%	30%	29%	44%	16%	49%	25%	16%	49%
Disagree	63%	68%	58%	49%	67%	68%	62%	60%	66%	66%	54%	76%	46%	74%	80%	48%
Not Sure	5%	3%	6%	5%	6%	2%	7%	6%	4%	5%	2%	8%	5%	1%	4%	3%
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Margin of Sampling Error: +/-4.3%					
Agree	32%	24%	31%	43%	26%
Disagree	63%	67%	65%	55%	70%
Not Sure	5%	9%	4%	3%	4%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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**6** Governor Perdue vetoed the legislature's plan to have state employees and teachers pay between \$11 and \$22 a month for their health insurance. Does Governor Perdue's veto of the State Health Plan bill make you more likely to vote for her in 2012? Less likely to vote for her in 2012? Or does it make no difference either way?

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		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Republi	Democr	Indepen	Support	Oppose
Margin of Sampling Error: +/-4.5%																
More Likely To Vote For Her	20%	23%	17%	18%	20%	19%	22%	19%	20%	18%	26%	7%	30%	20%	5%	43%
Less Likely To Vote For Her	44%	49%	40%	36%	45%	50%	43%	41%	47%	50%	27%	65%	25%	52%	70%	20%
No Difference	34%	27%	40%	46%	34%	28%	31%	39%	30%	31%	44%	29%	43%	25%	24%	35%
Not Sure	2%	1%	3%	0%	1%	2%	4%	1%	3%	2%	3%	0%	2%	2%	1%	1%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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More Likely To Vote For Her	20%	15%	24%	26%	11%
Less Likely To Vote For Her	44%	46%	52%	38%	45%
No Difference	34%	37%	23%	35%	40%
Not Sure	2%	2%	1%	1%	4%
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**7** A bill passed by the legislature would allow 37,000 people who are due to lose their unemployment benefits this Saturday to continue collecting federal unemployment benefits for another 20 weeks. Do you support or oppose this bill?

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		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Republi	Democr	Indepen	Support	Oppose
Margin of Sampling Error: +/-4.5%																
Support	49%	46%	52%	40%	48%	52%	58%	45%	54%	46%	59%	34%	60%	50%	33%	65%
Oppose	36%	44%	30%	45%	36%	34%	34%	39%	34%	41%	22%	51%	25%	38%	51%	28%
Not Sure	14%	10%	18%	15%	17%	14%	9%	16%	12%	13%	20%	15%	15%	12%	16%	7%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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Margin of Sampling Error: +/-4.5%					
Support	49%	49%	49%	52%	44%
Oppose	36%	37%	44%	33%	35%
Not Sure	14%	13%	7%	15%	21%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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**8** If the Legislature and Governor Perdue do not reach an agreement on a state budget by July 1st, state government will be shut down. The bill extending unemployment benefits would also prevent a government shutdown by funding state government at 87% of its current level until the Governor and Legislature reach an agreement. Do you support or oppose this bill?

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		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Republi	Democr	Indepen	Support	Oppose
Margin of Sampling Error: +/-4.5%																
Support	37%	43%	32%	33%	33%	44%	37%	33%	41%	35%	40%	32%	42%	36%	29%	51%
Oppose	35%	38%	32%	37%	34%	32%	39%	35%	35%	37%	30%	44%	26%	39%	45%	26%
Not Sure	28%	19%	36%	30%	33%	24%	24%	32%	24%	28%	30%	24%	33%	25%	26%	23%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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Margin of Sampling Error: +/-4.5%					
Support	37%	37%	35%	36%	42%
Oppose	35%	38%	33%	34%	36%
Not Sure	28%	25%	32%	31%	23%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Registered Voters	100%	29%	19%	35%	16%

**9** Should Governor Perdue sign? or veto? the bill that would both extend federal unemployment benefits and prevent the shutdown of state government?

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		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Republi	Democr	Indepen	Support	Oppose
Margin of Sampling Error: +/-4.5%																
Sign The Bill	53%	53%	54%	52%	55%	58%	47%	53%	53%	48%	71%	38%	64%	57%	41%	69%
Veto The Bill	31%	36%	27%	34%	34%	27%	30%	34%	28%	34%	21%	45%	19%	33%	45%	19%
Not Sure	15%	11%	19%	14%	11%	15%	24%	12%	18%	18%	8%	17%	17%	10%	13%	12%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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Margin of Sampling Error: +/-4.5%					
Sign The Bill	53%	55%	57%	52%	50%
Veto The Bill	31%	29%	29%	32%	35%
Not Sure	15%	16%	14%	16%	15%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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## 10 Do you support? Or oppose? The Tea Party Movement?

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		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Republi	Democr	Indepen	Support	Oppose
Margin of Sampling Error: +/-4.5%																
Support	43%	48%	39%	45%	40%	47%	41%	42%	44%	51%	20%	76%	19%	42%	100%	0%
Oppose	38%	38%	38%	25%	42%	41%	41%	35%	41%	34%	48%	8%	60%	41%	0%	100%
Not Sure	19%	14%	23%	30%	18%	13%	18%	23%	15%	15%	32%	17%	21%	16%	0%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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Support	43%	45%	54%	36%	43%
Oppose	38%	36%	29%	41%	44%
Not Sure	19%	19%	16%	23%	13%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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**Statement of Methodology:** About the Poll: This poll was conducted by telephone in the voice of a professional announcer. Respondent households were selected at random, using Random Digit Dialed (RDD) sample provided by Survey Sampling, of Fairfield CT. All respondents heard the questions asked identically. The pollster's report includes the geography that was surveyed; the date(s) interviews were conducted, the number of respondents who answered each question and the theoretical margin of sampling error for each question. Where necessary, respondents were weighted using the most recent US Census estimates for age, gender, ethnic origin and region, to align the sample to the population. In theory, one can say with 95% certainty that the results would not vary by more than the stated margin of sampling error, in one direction or the other, had the entire universe of respondents with home telephones been interviewed with complete accuracy. There are other possible sources of error in all surveys that may be more serious than sampling error. These include: the difficulty of interviewing respondents who do not have a home telephone; the refusal by some with home telephones to be interviewed; the order in which questions are asked; the wording of questions; the way and extent to which data are weighted; and the manner in which specialized populations, such as likely voters, are determined. It is difficult to quantify the errors that may result from these and other factors. Research methodology, questionnaire design and fieldwork for this survey were completed by SurveyUSA of Clifton, NJ. This statement conforms to the principles of disclosure of the National Council on Public Polls.