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NC voters blame corruption on Washington

Raleigh, N.C. – When North Carolina voters think about corruption, it’s much more likely to conjure up images of Washington than Raleigh, the newest survey from Public Policy Polling found.

78% of respondents said that when they think about corruption, they think about either the Democrats or Republicans in Washington. 43% of respondents said they think Washington Republicans are the most corrupt, followed by 35% who said Washington Democrats, 15% who said Raleigh Democrats, and 7% who said Raleigh Republicans.

When asked which of the groups they thought was least corrupt, it was a toss up between Raleigh Republicans at 34% and Raleigh Democrats at 30%, followed by Washington Democrats at 22% and Washington Republicans at 15%.

“This poll shows why it’s going to be hard for Pat McCrory and Republican legislative candidates to be successful this fall by railing on the supposed culture of corruption in Raleigh,” said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling. “The reality is that when voters think about corruption they’re a lot more likely to associate it with Capital Hill than Jones Steet.”

PPP surveyed 823 likely voters from July 23rd to 27th. The survey’s margin of error is +/-3.4%. Other factors, such as refusal to be interviewed and weighting, may introduce additional error that is more difficult to quantify.

If you would like an interview regarding this release, please contact Dean Debnam at (888) 621-6988 or 919-880-4888.

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North Carolina Survey Results

Q1 When you think about corruption in politics, which of these four groups of leaders do you think is the most corrupt: The Democrats in Raleigh, the Republicans in Raleigh, the Democrats in Washington DC, or the Republicans in Washington DC? If you think the Democrats in Raleigh are the most corrupt, press 1. If the Republicans in Raleigh, press 2. If the Democrats in Washington, press 3. If the Republicans in Washington, press 4.

Democrats in Raleigh..... 15%
Republicans in Raleigh..... 7%
Democrats in Washington..... 35%
Republicans in Washington 43%

Q2 Working from the same list of groups, which of them do you think is the least corrupt? If you think the Democrats in Raleigh are the least corrupt, press 1. If you think the Republicans in Raleigh are, press 2. If the Democrats in Washington, press 3. If the Republicans in Washington, press 4.

Democrats in Raleigh..... 30%
Republicans in Raleigh..... 34%
Democrats in Washington..... 22%
Republicans in Washington 15%

Q3 If you are a woman, press 1, if a man, press 2.

Woman 54%
Man..... 46%

Q4 If you are a Democrat, press 1. If you are a Republican, press 2. If you are an independent or identify with another party, press 3.

Democrat..... 46%
Republican..... 38%
Independent/Other..... 16%

Q5 If you are white, press one now. If you are African-American, press two now. If other, press 3.

White 77%
African-American 20%
Other..... 3%

Q6 If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1 now. If you are 30 to 45, press 2. If you are 46 to 65, press 3. If older, press 4.

18 to 29..... 13%
30 to 45..... 32%
46 to 65..... 38%
Older than 65..... 17%





Crosstabs

| | Base | Gender | |
|----------------------------------|------|--------|-----|
| | | Woman | Man |
| Most Corrupt | | | |
| Democrats in Raleigh | 15% | 11% | 18% |
| Republicans in Raleigh | 7% | 6% | 9% |
| Democrats in Washington | 35% | 36% | 34% |
| Republicans in Washington | 43% | 47% | 39% |

| | Base | Gender | |
|----------------------------------|------|--------|-----|
| | | Woman | Man |
| Least Corrupt | | | |
| Democrats in Raleigh | 30% | 34% | 25% |
| Republicans in Raleigh | 34% | 28% | 41% |
| Democrats in Washington | 22% | 23% | 20% |
| Republicans in Washington | 15% | 15% | 14% |

| | Base | Party | | |
|----------------------------------|------|----------|------------|-------------------|
| | | Democrat | Republican | Independent/Other |
| Most Corrupt | | | | |
| Democrats in Raleigh | 15% | 8% | 24% | 12% |
| Republicans in Raleigh | 7% | 10% | 4% | 6% |
| Democrats in Washington | 35% | 12% | 62% | 38% |
| Republicans in Washington | 43% | 71% | 10% | 44% |

| | Base | Party | | |
|----------------------------------|------|----------|------------|-------------------|
| | | Democrat | Republican | Independent/Other |
| Least Corrupt | | | | |
| Democrats in Raleigh | 30% | 50% | 7% | 24% |
| Republicans in Raleigh | 34% | 11% | 59% | 39% |
| Democrats in Washington | 22% | 32% | 8% | 26% |
| Republicans in Washington | 15% | 6% | 26% | 11% |





Crosstabs

| | Base | Race | | |
|----------------------------------|------|-------|------------------|-------|
| | | White | African-American | Other |
| Most Corrupt | | | | |
| Democrats in Raleigh | 15% | 16% | 9% | 14% |
| Republicans in Raleigh | 7% | 5% | 17% | 7% |
| Democrats in Washington | 35% | 40% | 16% | 37% |
| Republicans in Washington | 43% | 39% | 59% | 42% |

| | Base | Race | | |
|----------------------------------|------|-------|------------------|-------|
| | | White | African-American | Other |
| Least Corrupt | | | | |
| Democrats in Raleigh | 30% | 25% | 47% | 37% |
| Republicans in Raleigh | 34% | 39% | 16% | 33% |
| Democrats in Washington | 22% | 20% | 28% | 14% |
| Republicans in Washington | 15% | 16% | 9% | 16% |

| | Base | Age | | | |
|----------------------------------|------|----------|----------|----------|---------------|
| | | 18 to 29 | 30 to 45 | 46 to 65 | Older than 65 |
| Most Corrupt | | | | | |
| Democrats in Raleigh | 15% | 9% | 16% | 16% | 15% |
| Republicans in Raleigh | 7% | 4% | 6% | 9% | 6% |
| Democrats in Washington | 35% | 41% | 36% | 29% | 43% |
| Republicans in Washington | 43% | 47% | 42% | 46% | 36% |

| | Base | Age | | | |
|----------------------------------|------|----------|----------|----------|---------------|
| | | 18 to 29 | 30 to 45 | 46 to 65 | Older than 65 |
| Least Corrupt | | | | | |
| Democrats in Raleigh | 30% | 25% | 27% | 36% | 24% |
| Republicans in Raleigh | 34% | 32% | 39% | 28% | 40% |
| Democrats in Washington | 22% | 30% | 18% | 22% | 21% |
| Republicans in Washington | 15% | 13% | 16% | 14% | 14% |





Crosstabs

| | Base | Area Code | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|------|-----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| | | 252 | 336 | 704 | 828 | 910 | 919 |
| Most Corrupt | | | | | | | |
| Democrats in Raleigh | 15% | 16% | 12% | 19% | 14% | 13% | 15% |
| Republicans in Raleigh | 7% | 5% | 11% | 8% | 8% | 6% | 4% |
| Democrats in Washington | 35% | 34% | 33% | 40% | 32% | 38% | 33% |
| Republicans in Washington | 43% | 44% | 44% | 33% | 46% | 43% | 48% |

| | Base | Area Code | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|------|-----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| | | 252 | 336 | 704 | 828 | 910 | 919 |
| Least Corrupt | | | | | | | |
| Democrats in Raleigh | 30% | 32% | 33% | 25% | 30% | 29% | 30% |
| Republicans in Raleigh | 34% | 33% | 37% | 38% | 33% | 27% | 35% |
| Democrats in Washington | 22% | 21% | 21% | 17% | 24% | 26% | 22% |
| Republicans in Washington | 15% | 14% | 9% | 20% | 14% | 19% | 13% |

