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Fred Thompson takes the lead in NC Primary Poll

Raleigh, N.C. – According to the latest Public Policy Polling (PPP) survey released today prospective Republican presidential candidate Fred Thompson has moved into the lead in the North Carolina Republican Primary. Thompson's support jumped from 25% of likely Republican voters in May to 37% in this month's poll, ousting Rudy Giuliani from the lead.

Rudy Giuliani's support fell to 25%, with John McCain and Mitt Romney both with 14%. Nine percent of Republicans said they supported a candidate other than the four mentioned and 1% said they were undecided.

On the Democratic side, John Edwards remained in the lead in his home state of North Carolina. Thirty percent of likely Democratic primary voters chose Edwards; while 26% chose Hillary Clinton and 22% picked Barack Obama.

In the Democratic gubernatorial race, Beverly Perdue continued to lead Richard Moore, 34% to 30%, while a large percentage of voters, 35%, remained undecided. Richard Moore officially announced his candidacy two weeks ago, but his support rose only one percentage point since our last tracking poll.

In the Republican gubernatorial primary a majority, 56%, were undecided. Bill Graham led the race with 19% support, followed by 13% for Fred Smith and 12% for Bob Orr.

PPP surveyed 593 likely Democratic primary voters and 603 likely Republican primary voters on June 4. The surveys have margins of error of $\pm 3.9\%$ and $\pm 3.9\%$ respectively. Other factors, such as refusal to be interviewed and weighting, may introduce additional error that is more difficult to quantify.

Complete results are attached and can be found at www.publicpolicypolling.com. These include results of the Democratic Lieutenant Governor primary, issue priorities for both parties, and crosstabs breaking down the results by gender, race, age and region.

For more discussion of the poll visit the Public Policy Polling blog at <http://publicpolicypolling.blogspot.com>.

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

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Republican Primary Survey Results

Q1 There will be a number of people running for President in 2008 as Republicans. Some of the most talked about are Rudy Giuliani, John McCain, Mitt Romney and Fred Thompson. If the Republican primary were today which of these men would you vote for, or would you vote for somebody else? If you would vote for Rudy Giuliani, press 1 on your key pad now. If for John McCain, press 2. If for Mitt Romney, press 3. If for Fred Thompson, press 4. If you would vote for a different candidate, press 5. If you are undecided, press 6.

Giuliani.....25% *Thompson*.....37%
McCain.....14% *Different candidate*.. 9%
Romney14% *Undecided*..... 1%

Q2 There will also be a number of Republican candidates for governor. Bill Graham, Bob Orr and Fred Smith have been mentioned as candidates. If the primary election were today which of these men would you vote for or would you vote for somebody else? If you would vote for Bill Graham, press 1. If for Bob Orr, press 2. If for Fred Smith, press 3. If you are undecided, press 4.

Graham..... 19% *Smith*..... 13%
Orr..... 12% *Undecided*..... 56%

Q3 I am going to name 7 issues. Which of these is most important to you? The War in Iraq, education, the economy and jobs, taxes, moral or family values, health care, or immigration. If the War in Iraq is most important, press 1. If education, press 2. If the economy and jobs, press 3. If taxes, press 4. If moral and family values, press 5. If health care, press 6. If immigration, press 7. If some other issue is most important, press 8.

War in Iraq 31% *Moral or Family values*..... 18%
Education..... 3% *Health care*..... 3%
Economy and jobs. 8% *Immigration* 27%
Taxes 7% *Other*..... 3%

Q4 If you are a woman, press 1, if a man, press 2.

Women51% *Men*.....49%

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

White97% *Other*..... 2%
Black..... 1%

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 60, press 3. If older, press 4.

18-29..... 7% *46-60*.....34%
30-45.....19% *Older than 60*.....40%





Republican Primary Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
President			
Giuliani	25%	27%	22%
McCain	14%	14%	14%
Romney	14%	14%	14%
Thompson	37%	32%	43%
Different candidate	9%	12%	7%
Undecided	1%	1%	0%

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Governor			
Graham	19%	17%	22%
Orr	12%	11%	13%
Smith	13%	12%	14%
Undecided	56%	60%	51%

Issues	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
War in Iraq	31%	31%	31%
Education	3%	3%	4%
Economy and jobs	8%	8%	7%
Taxes	7%	6%	9%
Moral or Family values	18%	23%	13%
Health care	3%	4%	2%
Immigration	27%	23%	31%
Other	3%	3%	2%

President	Base	Race		
		White	Black	Other
Giuliani	25%	25%	34%	28%
McCain	14%	14%	-	16%
Romney	14%	14%	33%	-
Thompson	37%	37%	32%	46%
Different candidate	9%	9%	-	11%
Undecided	1%	1%	-	-

Governor	Base	Race		
		White	Black	Other
Graham	19%	20%	-	11%
Orr	12%	12%	33%	21%
Smith	13%	13%	17%	27%
Undecided	55%	56%	49%	42%

Issues	Base	Race		
		White	Black	Other
War in Iraq	31%	31%	34%	29%
Education	3%	3%	-	16%
Economy and jobs	8%	7%	33%	21%
Taxes	7%	7%	-	17%
Moral or Family values	18%	18%	32%	17%
Health care	3%	3%	-	-
Immigration	27%	28%	-	-
Other	3%	3%	-	-

President	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-60	Older than 60
Giuliani	25%	39%	34%	19%	22%
McCain	14%	11%	16%	14%	14%
Romney	14%	25%	15%	9%	16%
Thompson	37%	21%	30%	45%	37%
Different candidate	9%	4%	4%	12%	10%
Undecided	1%	-	-	-	1%

Governor	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-60	Older than 60
Graham	19%	41%	16%	20%	17%
Orr	12%	4%	11%	15%	12%
Smith	13%	19%	15%	12%	12%
Undecided	56%	37%	58%	54%	59%





Republican Primary Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-60	Older than 60
Issues					
War in Iraq	31%	36%	29%	25%	36%
Education	3%	4%	7%	2%	2%
Economy and jobs	8%	11%	8%	7%	7%
Taxes	7%	7%	10%	8%	6%
Moral or Family values	18%	32%	15%	19%	16%
Health care	3%	-	3%	2%	4%
Immigration	27%	11%	26%	34%	25%
Other	3%	-	3%	2%	3%

	Base	Area Code					
		252	336	704	828	910	919
President							
Giuliani	25%	41%	24%	21%	18%	27%	30%
McCain	14%	23%	13%	18%	14%	14%	11%
Romney	14%	14%	15%	14%	12%	12%	16%
Thompson	37%	16%	39%	33%	47%	32%	38%
Different candidate	9%	5%	8%	14%	7%	14%	6%
Undecided	1%	-	-	1%	2%	-	-

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		252	336	704	828	910	919
Governor							
Graham	19%	16%	20%	26%	16%	15%	20%
Orr	12%	-	6%	13%	17%	14%	16%
Smith	13%	24%	10%	5%	12%	14%	23%
Undecided	56%	60%	64%	57%	55%	58%	41%

	Base	Area Code					
		252	336	704	828	910	919
Issues							
War in Iraq	31%	43%	25%	28%	36%	32%	35%
Education	3%	4%	2%	1%	3%	7%	3%
Economy and jobs	8%	12%	9%	5%	8%	7%	8%
Taxes	7%	-	11%	11%	4%	10%	2%
Moral or Family values	18%	22%	19%	20%	20%	16%	15%
Health care	3%	4%	2%	2%	4%	6%	1%
Immigration	27%	15%	30%	31%	23%	19%	31%
Other	3%	-	2%	2%	3%	4%	3%





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		War in Iraq	Education	Economy and jobs	Taxes	Moral or Family values	Health care	Immigration	Other
President									
Giuliani	25%	31%	32%	26%	32%	12%	24%	24%	16%
McCain	14%	14%	12%	25%	13%	21%	23%	7%	5%
Romney	14%	14%	9%	14%	19%	14%	9%	15%	-
Thompson	37%	31%	34%	30%	31%	36%	34%	49%	51%
Different candidate	9%	9%	9%	4%	6%	15%	10%	6%	28%
Undecided	1%	-	4%	-	-	1%	-	0%	-

	Base	Issues							
		War in Iraq	Education	Economy and jobs	Taxes	Moral or Family values	Health care	Immigration	Other
Governor									
Graham	19%	19%	24%	17%	15%	24%	15%	20%	7%
Orr	12%	12%	5%	23%	13%	11%	15%	12%	-
Smith	13%	15%	20%	8%	12%	7%	4%	16%	10%
Undecided	56%	54%	51%	52%	61%	59%	66%	52%	83%





Democratic Primary Survey Results

Q1 In the 2008 Presidential race there are three Democrats in the top tier of candidates, Hillary Clinton, John Edwards and Barack Obama. If the Democratic primary were today which of these candidates would you vote for, or would you vote for a different candidate? If you would vote for Hillary Clinton, press 1 on your key pad now. If for John Edwards, press 2. If for Barack Obama, press 3. If you would vote for a different candidate, press 4. If you are undecided, press 5.

Clinton.....26% Different candidate..11%
Edwards.....30% Undecided.....11%
Obama.....22%

Q2 There will be a Democratic primary for Governor. Richard Moore and Beverly Perdue have been mentioned as candidates. If the primary election were today which of these candidates would you vote for or would you vote for somebody else? If you would vote for Richard Moore, press 1. If for Beverly Perdue, press 2. If undecided, press 3.

Moore..... 30% Undecided..... 35%
Perdue 34%

Q3 In the Lieutenant Governor's race the candidates are Dan Besse, Walter Dalton, Hampton Dellinger, and Pat Smathers. If the election were held today who would you vote for? If Dan Besse, press 1. If Walter Dalton, press 2. If Hampton Dellinger, press 3. If Pat Smathers, press 4. If you are undecided press 5.

Besse 9% Smathers..... 8%
Dalton..... 9% Undecided..... 66%
Dellinger..... 8%

Q4 I am going to name 7 issues. Which of these is most important to you? The War in Iraq, education, the economy and jobs, taxes, moral or family values, health care, or immigration. If the War in Iraq is most important, press 1. If education, press 2. If the economy and jobs, press 3. If taxes, press 4. If moral and family values, press 5. If health care, press 6. If immigration, press 7. If some other issue is most important, press 8.

War in Iraq58% Moral or Family values..... 7%
Education..... 7% Health care..... 11%
Economy and jobs. 13% Immigration 0%
Taxes 3% Other..... 0%

Q5 If you are a woman, press 1, if a man, press 2.

Women58% Men.....42%

Q6 If you are white, press one now. If you are African-American, press two now. If other, press 3.

White66% Other..... 6%
Black.....28%

Q7 If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1 now. If you are 30 to 45, press 2. If you are 46 to 60, press 3. If older, press 4.

18-29..... 6% 46-60.....31%
30-45.....12% Older than 60.....51%





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President			
Clinton	26%	30%	19%
Edwards	30%	25%	38%
Obama	22%	22%	23%
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Undecided	11%	15%	6%

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Governor			
Moore	30%	29%	31%
Perdue	34%	33%	37%
Undecided	35%	38%	32%

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Lt. Governor			
Besse	9%	7%	10%
Dalton	9%	8%	12%
Dellinger	8%	5%	12%
Smathers	8%	8%	7%
Undecided	66%	71%	59%

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Issues			
War in Iraq	58%	60%	55%
Education	7%	9%	5%
Economy and jobs	13%	12%	15%
Taxes	3%	2%	5%
Moral or Family values	7%	6%	8%
Health care	11%	11%	12%

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Different candidate	11%	14%	3%	15%
Undecided	11%	10%	15%	9%

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Moore	30%	33%	26%	21%
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Undecided	35%	32%	41%	47%

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Lt. Governor				
Besse	9%	10%	6%	9%
Dalton	9%	10%	10%	3%
Dellinger	8%	7%	12%	15%
Smathers	8%	8%	8%	6%
Undecided	66%	66%	65%	68%

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Issues				
War in Iraq	58%	59%	55%	53%
Education	7%	7%	7%	9%
Economy and jobs	13%	11%	19%	15%
Taxes	3%	4%	3%	6%
Moral or Family values	7%	8%	4%	9%
Health care	11%	11%	12%	9%





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Dalton	9%	12%	9%	8%	9%
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Smathers	8%	7%	13%	7%	7%
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Obama	22%	23%	22%	22%	9%	26%	26%
Different candidate	11%	8%	17%	15%	7%	8%	11%
Undecided	11%	17%	8%	5%	14%	6%	13%

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Governor							
Moore	30%	26%	39%	31%	30%	34%	24%
Perdue	34%	36%	27%	25%	30%	40%	41%
Undecided	35%	38%	33%	44%	39%	26%	34%

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Lt. Governor							
Besse	9%	6%	8%	7%	13%	8%	9%
Dalton	9%	6%	10%	14%	11%	13%	6%
Dellinger	8%	12%	7%	9%	6%	10%	7%
Smathers	8%	9%	5%	6%	16%	7%	6%
Undecided	66%	67%	70%	63%	54%	62%	72%

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Issues							
War in Iraq	58%	51%	54%	68%	66%	51%	62%
Education	7%	9%	8%	6%	1%	12%	7%
Economy and jobs	13%	20%	14%	10%	16%	7%	11%
Taxes	3%	1%	5%	5%	4%	6%	1%
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Health care	11%	13%	10%	4%	10%	13%	14%





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Edwards	30%	29%	33%	30%	13%	30%	40%
Obama	22%	23%	30%	23%	11%	15%	20%
Different candidate	11%	9%	8%	5%	46%	34%	6%
Undecided	11%	13%	4%	15%	14%	4%	4%

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		War in Iraq	Education	Economy and jobs	Taxes	Moral or Family values	Health care
Governor							
Moore	30%	29%	27%	39%	44%	39%	20%
Perdue	34%	34%	48%	33%	27%	25%	36%
Undecided	35%	37%	26%	27%	29%	36%	43%

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		War in Iraq	Education	Economy and jobs	Taxes	Moral or Family values	Health care
Lt. Governor							
Besse	9%	10%	6%	6%	13%	9%	3%
Dalton	9%	8%	25%	12%	7%	8%	7%
Dellinger	8%	7%	10%	11%	14%	5%	12%
Smathers	8%	8%	4%	6%	9%	11%	8%
Undecided	66%	67%	56%	64%	58%	67%	71%

