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NC Voters Still Think DC More Corrupt

Raleigh, N.C. – It may seem like there’s one scandal after another in Raleigh these days but North Carolina voters are still a lot more likely to blame Washington for corruption in politics, Public Policy Polling’s newest survey finds.

36% of voters in the state think Democrats in Washington are the most corrupt group of politicians, closely followed by Republicans in Washington at 33%. Democrats in Raleigh are well back at 13% and Republicans in Raleigh are the choice of just 2% of respondents.

Democrats predictably pick Republicans in Washington as the most corrupt, while Republicans do the same of Washington Democrats. Independents pick Washington Republicans by a small margin as well.

Asked specifically whether they see Democrats or Republicans in Raleigh as more corrupt 44% of respondents said the Democrats to 26% for the Republicans.

When it comes to Washington politicians though, the Republicans still have a slight lead. 38% of voters said the GOP was more corrupt to 36% for the Democrats.

“It looks like Jack Abramoff continues to resonate more with North Carolina voters than Jim Black,” said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling. “Despite a rash of scandals at the state level they still see Washington much more as the breeding ground of corrupt politicians.”

A similar poll last year found voters picking Washington Republicans as most corrupt overall.

PPP surveyed 600 North Carolina voters from September 2nd to 8th. The survey’s margin of error is +/-4.0%. 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.

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





North Carolina Survey Results

Q1 When you think about corruption in Washington DC, do you associate it more with Democrats or Republicans? If Democrats, press 1. If Republicans, press 2. If you're not sure, press 3.

Democrats 36%
Republicans 38%
Not Sure..... 26%

Q2 When you think about corruption in Raleigh, do you associate it more with Democrats or Republicans? If Democrats, press 1. If Republicans, press 2. If you're not sure, press 3.

Democrats 44%
Republicans 26%
Not Sure..... 30%

Q3 Overall when you think about corruption do you associate it most with Democrats in Washington, Republicans in Washington, Democrats in Raleigh, or Republicans in Raleigh? If Democrats in Washington, press 1. If Republicans in Washington, press 2. If Democrats in Raleigh, press 3. If Republicans in Raleigh, press 4. If you're not sure, press 5.

Democrats in Washington..... 36%
Republicans in Washington 33%
Democrats in Raleigh..... 13%
Republicans in Raleigh..... 2%
Not Sure..... 16%

Q4 Would you describe yourself as a liberal, moderate, or conservative? If liberal, press 1. If moderate, press 2. If conservative, press 3.

Liberal..... 18%
Moderate..... 39%
Conservative..... 43%

Q5 Would you describe the community you live in as urban, suburban, rural, or a small town? If urban, press 1. If suburban, press 2. If rural, press 3. If a small town, press 4.

Urban..... 16%
Suburban 28%
Rural..... 26%
Small Town..... 30%

Q6 If you are a woman, press 1, if a man, press 2.

Woman 55%
Man..... 45%

Q7 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..... 35%
Independent/Other..... 20%

Q8 If you are white, press one now. If you are African-American, press two now. If other, press 3.

White 78%
African-American 19%
Other..... 3%

Q9 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..... 16%
30 to 45..... 26%
46 to 65..... 38%
Older than 65..... 20%





Q10

252.....	13%
336.....	19%
704.....	24%
828.....	14%
910.....	13%
919.....	18%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Corruption in Washington				
Democrats	36%	15%	28%	51%
Republicans	38%	67%	40%	25%
Not Sure	26%	19%	33%	24%

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Corruption in Raleigh				
Democrats	44%	24%	38%	59%
Republicans	26%	43%	27%	18%
Not Sure	30%	33%	34%	24%

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Overall Corruption				
Democrats in Washington	36%	14%	22%	58%
Republicans in Washington	33%	61%	42%	13%
Democrats in Raleigh	13%	6%	15%	13%
Republicans in Raleigh	2%	4%	-	2%
Not Sure	16%	15%	20%	13%

	Base	Community Type			
		Urban	Suburban	Rural	Small Town
Corruption in Washington					
Democrats	36%	32%	31%	35%	41%
Republicans	38%	37%	41%	42%	33%
Not Sure	26%	30%	28%	23%	26%





Crosstabs

	Base	Community Type			
		Urban	Suburban	Rural	Small Town
Corruption in Raleigh					
Democrats	44%	40%	38%	50%	47%
Republicans	26%	31%	33%	24%	20%
Not Sure	30%	29%	29%	26%	33%

	Base	Community Type			
		Urban	Suburban	Rural	Small Town
Overall Corruption					
Democrats in Washington	36%	35%	29%	36%	42%
Republicans in Washington	33%	44%	37%	32%	25%
Democrats in Raleigh	13%	8%	11%	12%	17%
Republicans in Raleigh	2%	-	3%	2%	1%
Not Sure	16%	13%	19%	17%	15%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Corruption in Washington			
Democrats	36%	33%	39%
Republicans	38%	39%	37%
Not Sure	26%	28%	25%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Corruption in Raleigh			
Democrats	44%	35%	56%
Republicans	26%	30%	21%
Not Sure	30%	35%	23%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Overall Corruption			
Democrats in Washington	36%	32%	41%
Republicans in Washington	33%	32%	35%
Democrats in Raleigh	13%	12%	13%
Republicans in Raleigh	2%	2%	2%
Not Sure	16%	22%	9%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Corruption in Washington				
Democrats	36%	19%	61%	29%
Republicans	38%	56%	19%	30%
Not Sure	26%	25%	20%	41%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Corruption in Raleigh				
Democrats	44%	26%	69%	44%
Republicans	26%	40%	11%	20%
Not Sure	30%	34%	20%	36%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Overall Corruption				
Democrats in Washington	36%	18%	66%	24%
Republicans in Washington	33%	51%	12%	30%
Democrats in Raleigh	13%	10%	12%	21%
Republicans in Raleigh	2%	3%	0%	2%
Not Sure	16%	18%	10%	23%





Crosstabs

	Base	Race		
		White	African-American	Other
Corruption in Washington				
Democrats	36%	41%	11%	36%
Republicans	38%	34%	59%	15%
Not Sure	26%	25%	30%	49%

	Base	Race		
		White	African-American	Other
Corruption in Raleigh				
Democrats	44%	52%	15%	40%
Republicans	26%	21%	49%	22%
Not Sure	30%	28%	36%	38%

	Base	Race		
		White	African-American	Other
Overall Corruption				
Democrats in Washington	36%	43%	11%	15%
Republicans in Washington	33%	29%	53%	35%
Democrats in Raleigh	13%	13%	7%	30%
Republicans in Raleigh	2%	1%	6%	-
Not Sure	16%	15%	23%	20%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Corruption in Washington					
Democrats	36%	32%	33%	36%	41%
Republicans	38%	47%	40%	35%	36%
Not Sure	26%	21%	28%	29%	24%





Crosstabs

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		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Corruption in Raleigh					
Democrats	44%	41%	45%	45%	45%
Republicans	26%	41%	31%	19%	21%
Not Sure	30%	18%	25%	36%	34%

	Base	Age			
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Overall Corruption					
Democrats in Washington	36%	29%	37%	35%	43%
Republicans in Washington	33%	47%	31%	33%	26%
Democrats in Raleigh	13%	12%	17%	13%	8%
Republicans in Raleigh	2%	3%	2%	1%	2%
Not Sure	16%	9%	14%	18%	22%

	Base	Area Code					
		252	336	704	828	910	919
Corruption in Washington							
Democrats	36%	30%	37%	32%	40%	45%	33%
Republicans	38%	44%	31%	47%	34%	31%	38%
Not Sure	26%	27%	32%	21%	26%	24%	29%

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		252	336	704	828	910	919
Corruption in Raleigh							
Democrats	44%	43%	47%	43%	48%	38%	47%
Republicans	26%	36%	21%	35%	16%	26%	20%
Not Sure	30%	21%	32%	22%	37%	35%	33%





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Democrats in Washington	36%	31%	36%	34%	41%	46%	32%
Republicans in Washington	33%	33%	29%	40%	33%	25%	36%
Democrats in Raleigh	13%	14%	10%	15%	12%	12%	12%
Republicans in Raleigh	2%	3%	3%	-	1%	2%	2%
Not Sure	16%	19%	23%	11%	13%	14%	18%

