

# Results of SurveyUSA News Poll #26290



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About: SurveyUSA interviewed 2,500 North Carolina adults 04/06/2022 through 04/10/2022. This research was conducted online among a representative cross section of North Carolina adults. Sample selected at random by Lucid Holdings LLC of New Orleans. Adult respondents were weighted to US Census targets for gender, age, race, education, and home-ownership.

1 Do you think public schools in North Carolina are overfunded? Adequately funded? Or underfunded?

2500 Adults	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Party Registration		
Credibility Interval: +/-2.6 pct points		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Asian /	Republi	Democr	Unaffilia
Overfunded	5%	8%	3%	6%	4%	5%	6%	5%	6%	5%	4%	6%	9%	6%	6%	5%
Adequately Funded	19%	24%	15%	21%	18%	17%	20%	20%	18%	18%	18%	28%	15%	23%	18%	17%
Underfunded	62%	56%	67%	60%	63%	65%	59%	61%	62%	64%	64%	43%	57%	59%	65%	69%
Not Sure	14%	12%	16%	14%	15%	13%	15%	14%	14%	12%	14%	23%	19%	12%	10%	9%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	48%	52%	30%	25%	26%	20%	54%	46%	63%	20%	10%	7%	35%	36%	22%

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Overfunded	5%	6%	6%	4%	13%	5%	4%	2%	9%	8%	4%	4%	7%	5%	5%	4%	7%
Adequately Funded	19%	23%	19%	18%	28%	23%	19%	17%	11%	25%	19%	15%	23%	16%	23%	18%	15%
Underfunded	62%	59%	64%	63%	48%	60%	66%	72%	72%	55%	66%	72%	56%	69%	52%	67%	68%
Not Sure	14%	12%	11%	15%	11%	12%	11%	9%	8%	12%	11%	9%	14%	9%	21%	11%	9%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	31%	31%	32%	13%	21%	37%	13%	6%	34%	37%	19%	38%	38%	38%	31%	31%

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Overfunded	5%	5%	5%	6%	6%	4%	7%	5%	5%	6%	5%	6%	3%
Adequately Funded	19%	17%	23%	17%	20%	17%	18%	22%	16%	19%	18%	17%	22%
Underfunded	62%	61%	62%	62%	63%	60%	63%	60%	63%	61%	65%	61%	61%
Not Sure	14%	17%	11%	14%	11%	19%	12%	13%	17%	14%	12%	16%	14%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	41%	35%	24%	64%	36%	17%	43%	40%	33%	19%	30%	18%

2 Does the state provide a sound, basic education for every child?

2500 Adults	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Party Registration		
Credibility Interval: +/-2.6 pct points		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Asian /	Republi	Democr	Unaffilia
Yes	32%	36%	28%	34%	31%	29%	35%	33%	31%	32%	31%	35%	30%	35%	33%	28%
No	48%	47%	50%	47%	54%	50%	39%	50%	45%	48%	47%	53%	46%	47%	50%	52%
Not Sure	20%	17%	22%	19%	15%	21%	26%	17%	23%	20%	21%	12%	23%	17%	17%	19%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	48%	52%	30%	25%	26%	20%	54%	46%	63%	20%	10%	7%	35%	36%	22%

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Yes	32%	35%	33%	28%	38%	33%	32%	30%	35%	35%	32%	31%	33%	31%	34%	32%	30%
No	48%	46%	49%	51%	48%	47%	48%	52%	49%	47%	48%	51%	50%	50%	43%	50%	52%
Not Sure	20%	18%	18%	21%	15%	21%	19%	19%	16%	18%	19%	18%	18%	19%	23%	18%	17%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	31%	31%	32%	13%	21%	37%	13%	6%	34%	37%	19%	38%	38%	38%	31%	31%

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Yes	32%	31%	34%	30%	33%	31%	34%	33%	30%	33%	32%	30%	33%
No	48%	44%	48%	54%	48%	48%	45%	47%	51%	48%	51%	49%	45%
Not Sure	20%	24%	18%	15%	19%	22%	21%	20%	20%	19%	17%	21%	21%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	41%	35%	24%	64%	36%	17%	43%	40%	33%	19%	30%	18%

## 3 Do you think teachers are overpaid? Paid appropriately Or underpaid?

2500 Adults	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Party Registration		
Credibility Interval: +/-2.5 pct points		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Asian /	Republi	Democr	Unaffilia
Overpaid	6%	8%	4%	7%	6%	5%	7%	6%	6%	6%	3%	13%	9%	8%	6%	7%
Paid Appropriately	16%	19%	13%	16%	14%	18%	16%	15%	17%	17%	12%	20%	15%	19%	14%	16%
Underpaid	68%	65%	72%	67%	69%	69%	68%	68%	69%	70%	77%	41%	64%	65%	74%	71%
Not Sure	10%	8%	11%	10%	11%	8%	10%	11%	9%	7%	9%	25%	12%	8%	7%	5%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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Paid Appropriately	16%	18%	14%	17%	25%	21%	15%	12%	11%	23%	15%	12%	20%	13%	17%	15%	15%
Underpaid	68%	66%	73%	67%	54%	65%	74%	78%	79%	61%	74%	78%	62%	76%	60%	72%	74%
Not Sure	10%	8%	6%	11%	8%	7%	7%	5%	4%	7%	7%	5%	10%	5%	16%	7%	5%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	31%	31%	32%	13%	21%	37%	13%	6%	34%	37%	19%	38%	38%	38%	31%	31%

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Paid Appropriately	16%	14%	17%	18%	17%	13%	15%	16%	16%	16%	17%	15%	16%
Underpaid	68%	69%	68%	67%	68%	68%	70%	69%	66%	68%	70%	68%	68%
Not Sure	10%	13%	6%	9%	7%	14%	8%	8%	12%	9%	8%	12%	9%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	41%	35%	24%	64%	36%	17%	43%	40%	33%	19%	30%	18%

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Do public schools in North Carolina focus too much on the role of African Americans in history? Focus the right amount on the role of African Americans in history? Or not focus enough on the role of African Americans in history?

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Credibility Interval: +/-2.6 pct points		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Asian /	Republi	Democr	Unaffilia
Focus Too Much	20%	24%	16%	15%	17%	24%	27%	16%	25%	26%	5%	18%	16%	38%	8%	20%
Focus The Right Amount	23%	24%	23%	29%	22%	20%	21%	26%	21%	25%	13%	28%	29%	27%	21%	21%
Not Focus Enough	30%	25%	35%	35%	32%	26%	24%	34%	25%	19%	67%	26%	28%	10%	54%	28%
Not Sure	27%	27%	26%	21%	29%	30%	28%	25%	29%	30%	15%	28%	27%	26%	17%	30%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	48%	52%	30%	25%	26%	20%	54%	46%	63%	20%	10%	7%	35%	36%	22%

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Focus Too Much	20%	38%	7%	19%	41%	31%	15%	10%	9%	35%	15%	10%	37%	6%	20%	22%	19%
Focus The Right Amount	23%	28%	21%	22%	28%	24%	27%	20%	16%	26%	27%	19%	27%	21%	22%	24%	24%
Not Focus Enough	30%	9%	54%	28%	10%	18%	31%	51%	66%	15%	31%	56%	8%	53%	26%	32%	34%
Not Sure	27%	25%	18%	31%	21%	27%	27%	19%	9%	24%	27%	16%	28%	20%	32%	22%	24%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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Focus Too Much	20%	19%	22%	19%	22%	17%	15%	19%	23%	22%	23%	16%	20%
Focus The Right Amount	23%	20%	26%	26%	25%	20%	24%	24%	22%	22%	26%	22%	26%
Not Focus Enough	30%	31%	30%	28%	27%	35%	41%	32%	23%	28%	29%	34%	27%
Not Sure	27%	30%	22%	27%	26%	28%	20%	25%	31%	27%	22%	28%	27%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	41%	35%	24%	64%	36%	17%	43%	40%	33%	19%	30%	18%

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