

Spring, 2015 NCSU PackPoll: Torture TOPLINE REPORT



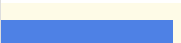



N=931; Response rate = 31%

Margin of sampling error for Party ID Question = +/-3.15%

Margin of sampling error for questions asked of sub-sets of respondents is higher

These are the results for this semester's first "Flash Poll", conducted over the internet (March 17-18, 2015) using Qualtrics survey software. The survey was administered to a random sample of NCSU undergraduates, generating a 31% response rate. Sample weights are not applied to these data. Questions received by all respondents had a margin of sampling error of 3.15%, while questions assigned to subsets of the survey respondents have a higher sampling error.

[Respondents were randomly assigned to receive only one of the following two questions].

Q1a. How far do you believe the Wolfpack will advance in this year's NCAA Tournament?			
#	Answer		%
1	Lose first game (Round of 64)		6%
2	Lose second game (Round of 32)		39%
3	Lose third game (Sweet Sixteen)		30%
4	Lose fourth game (Elite Eight)		13%
5	Lose fifth game (Final Four)		4%
6	Lose sixth game (National Championship Game)		0%
7	Win the National Championship		7%
	Total		100%

Q1b. If you were offered \$10 for correctly predicting how far the Wolfpack will advance in this year's NCAA Tournament, what would your prediction be?

#	Answer		%
1	Lose first game (Round of 64)		4%
2	Lose second game (Round of 32)		41%
3	Lose third game (Sweet Sixteen)		29%
4	Lose fourth game (Elite Eight)		15%
5	Lose fifth game (Final Four)		4%
6	Lose sixth game (National Championship Game)		1%
7	Win the National Championship		6%
	Total		100%



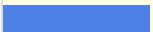

[Respondents were randomly assigned to receive either a question about the use of torture by ISIS before or after a randomly assigned question about the use of torture by the US].

[ISIS torture question second]





Q2a. Please tell me if you approve or disapprove of U.S. government agents using enhanced interrogation techniques on people suspected of being members of ISIS. These techniques include waterboarding, forcing the person to stay awake for 7 straight days shackled and wearing a diaper, locking the person in a box the size of a small dog crate, and slamming a person into a wall and hitting their face and stomach.

#	Answer		%
1	Strongly approve		11%
2	Somewhat approve		23%
3	Somewhat disapprove		36%
4	Strongly disapprove		30%
	Total		100%

Q2b. Please tell me if you approve or disapprove of U.S. government agents using enhanced interrogation techniques on people suspected of being members of ISIS.



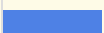

#	Answer		%
1	Strongly approve		16%
2	Somewhat approve		51%
3	Somewhat disapprove		26%
4	Strongly disapprove		7%
	Total		100%

Q3a. Please tell me if you approve or disapprove of members of ISIS using enhanced interrogation techniques on people suspected of working for the U.S. government.





#	Answer		%
1	Strongly approve		2%
2	Somewhat approve		11%
3	Somewhat disapprove		23%
4	Strongly disapprove		64%
	Total		100%

[ISIS torture question first]




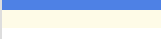
Q2c. Please tell me if you approve or disapprove of members of ISIS using enhanced interrogation techniques on people suspected of working for the U.S. government.

#	Answer		%
1	Strongly approve		2%
2	Somewhat approve		6%
3	Somewhat disapprove		17%
4	Strongly disapprove		75%
	Total		100%




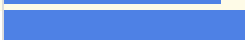
Q3b. Please tell me if you approve or disapprove of U.S. government agents using enhanced interrogation techniques on people suspected of being members of ISIS. These techniques include waterboarding, forcing the person to stay awake for 7 straight days shackled and wearing a diaper, locking the person in a box the size of a small dog crate, and slamming a person into a wall and hitting their face and stomach.

#	Answer		%
1	Strongly approve		12%
2	Somewhat approve		18%
3	Somewhat disapprove		28%
4	Strongly disapprove		42%
	Total		100%




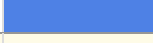
Q3c. Please tell me if you approve or disapprove of U.S. government agents using enhanced interrogation techniques on people suspected of being members of ISIS.

#	Answer		%
1	Strongly approve		18%
2	Somewhat approve		27%
3	Somewhat disapprove		29%
4	Strongly disapprove		26%
	Total		100%




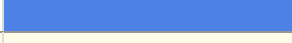
Q4. Do you agree or disagree: "Torturing people is immoral."

#	Answer		%
28	Strongly disagree		4%
29	Somewhat disagree		17%
30	Somewhat agree		38%
31	Strongly Agree		42%
	Total		100%

Q5. Do you agree or disagree: "Torturing is inconsistent with American values."

#	Answer		%
10	Strongly disagree		6%
11	Somewhat disagree		26%
12	Somewhat agree		41%
13	Strongly agree		27%
	Total		100%

Q6. Do you agree or disagree: "The American government should not use torture if we think there may be other ways to obtain information from terrorists."

#	Answer		%
9	Strongly disagree		5%
10	Somewhat disagree		11%
11	Somewhat agree		34%
12	Strongly agree		50%
	Total		100%

Q7a Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, or an Independent?

- 28% Democrat
- 27% Republican
- 35% Independent
- 9% Other

Q7b Do your beliefs lean more towards the Republican Party or the Democratic Party?

- 36% Democrat
- 27% Republican
- 37% Neither