

NEW POLL: A Majority of North Carolina Voters Want Their Senators to Vote Against the GOP Budget Bill

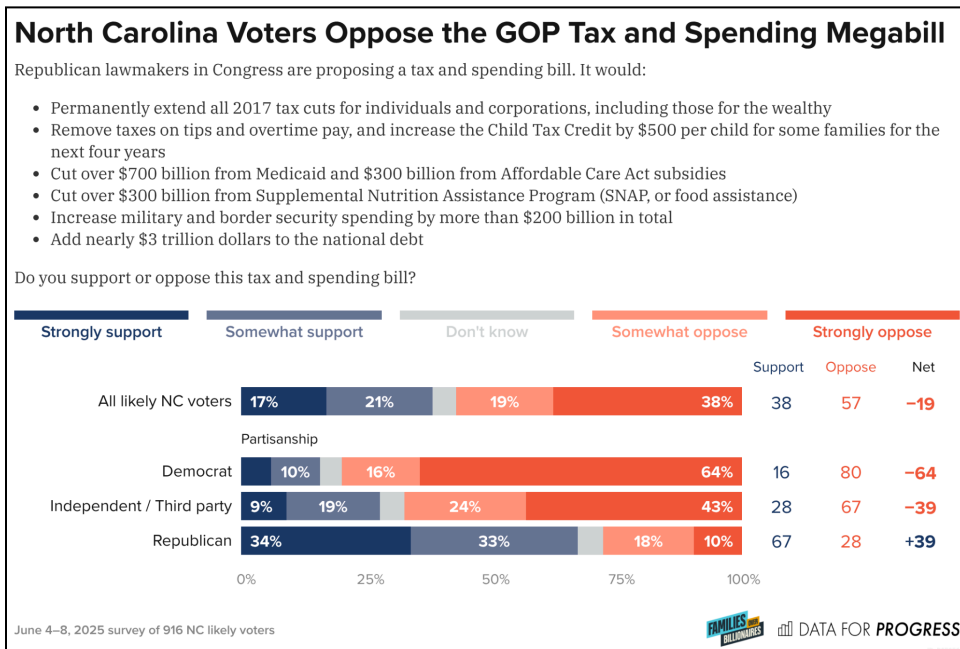
Data for Progress conducted a [survey](#) on the House GOP Budget bill on behalf of the Families Over Billionaires Campaign. The survey was conducted from June 4-8 with a representative cross section of 916 likely voters in North Carolina. The sample was weighted to be representative of likely voters by age, gender, education, race, geography, and recalled presidential vote. The margin of error associated with the sample size is ± 3 percentage points.

The poll reflects North Carolina's battleground status, as respondents were split roughly evenly on their approval of Donald Trump. Yet, the survey found that the bill he has touted as big and beautiful is unpopular in the state, and that its health care and food assistance cuts are particularly unpopular, as are the tax cuts that benefit the wealthy. Most North Carolina voters think it will harm their own families, others in the state, and the country as a whole, with majorities saying Republican Senators Thom Tillis and Ted Budd should vote against it.

Key Findings:

Voters Voice General Opposition to GOP Megabill

- Without any messaging, the bill already starts underwater with voters opposing the bill 52% to 46%.
- After being provided a detailed summary of the GOP megabill passed by the House, opposition grows to 57% of North Carolina voters, including 67% of Independents and 28% of Republicans. Only 38% of respondents support the bill after seeing the summary.



Majority of Voters Voice Concerns About the Bill's Impact on Working Families

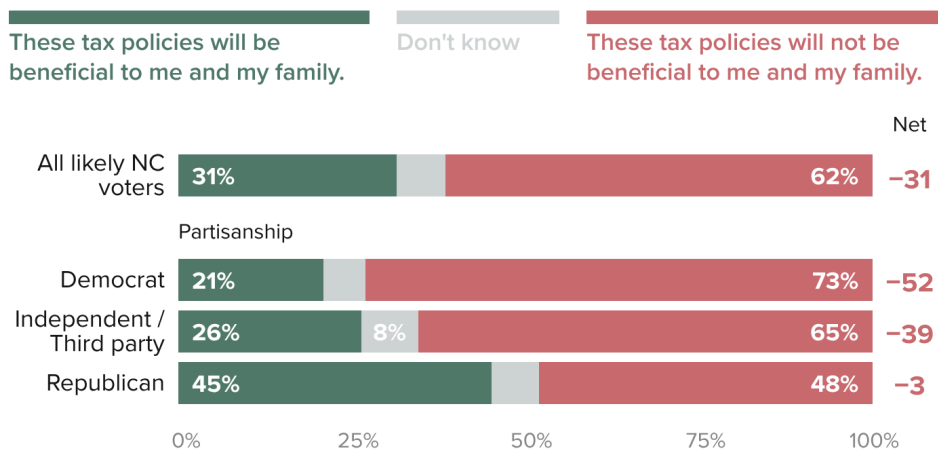
- The survey asked respondents if the tax policies in the megabill would be beneficial to their own families. The vast majority of respondents (62%), including a plurality of Republicans, feel that their families will not benefit overall from the tax policies – even when respondents were provided information on more popular provisions such as no tax on tips and overtime and the Child Tax Credit.

By a 2-to-1 Margin, NC Voters Say the GOP's Tax Policies Won't Benefit Their Families

As you have read in previous questions, the tax component of the Republicans' bill:

- Maintains and expands tax cuts, including for corporations and wealthier people
- Removes taxes on tips and overtime pay for four years
- Increases the Child Tax Credit by \$500 per child for some families for four years

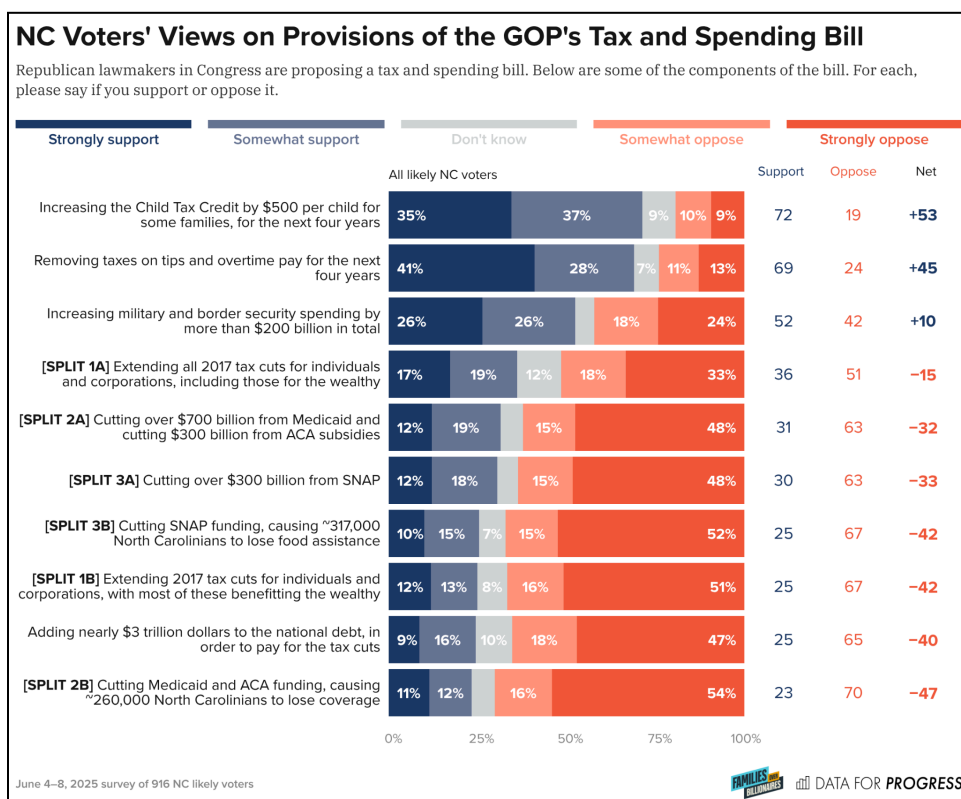
Overall, do you think the tax policies in the bill will or will **not** be beneficial to you and your family?



June 4–8, 2025 survey of 916 NC likely voters

- A majority of voters say they support temporarily increasing the Child Tax Credit (72%), temporarily removing taxes on tips and overtime pay (69%), and increasing military and border security spending (52%).
- A strong majority of voters oppose cutting programs including Medicaid (63%) and SNAP (63%) or adding nearly \$3 trillion to the national debt (65%) in order to pay for the proposed tax cuts.

- Voters who learn how many people specifically in North Carolina could lose health care or food assistance, show stronger opposition to cuts to programs like Medicaid, the ACA, and SNAP.
 - Notably, opposition to the tax components of legislation jumps by 16% among voters who are informed that they would primarily benefit the wealthiest households.

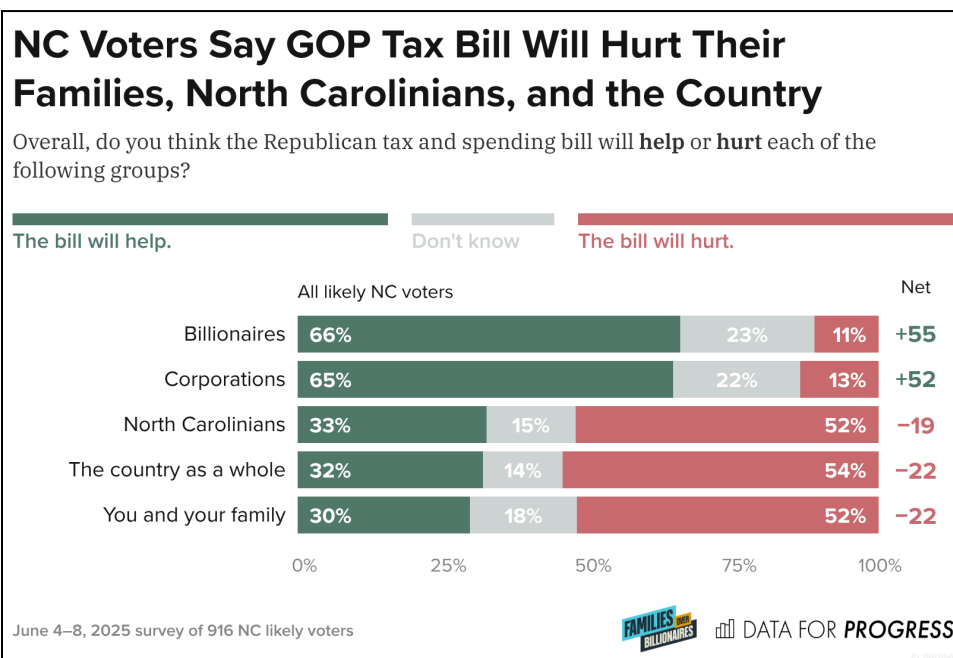


Health Care Policies, Specifically, Trouble North Carolinians

- The survey found that North Carolina voters hold strongly favorable views of Medicaid and Medicaid expansion in North Carolina, across demographics.
- A majority of respondents say they are opposed to “reducing funding for hospitals and home care providers” (71%), “increasing out-of-pocket premium costs for individuals purchasing insurance through the ACA marketplaces” (67%), and “prohibiting Medicaid funding for Planned Parenthood, effectively closing many health center locations” (59%).

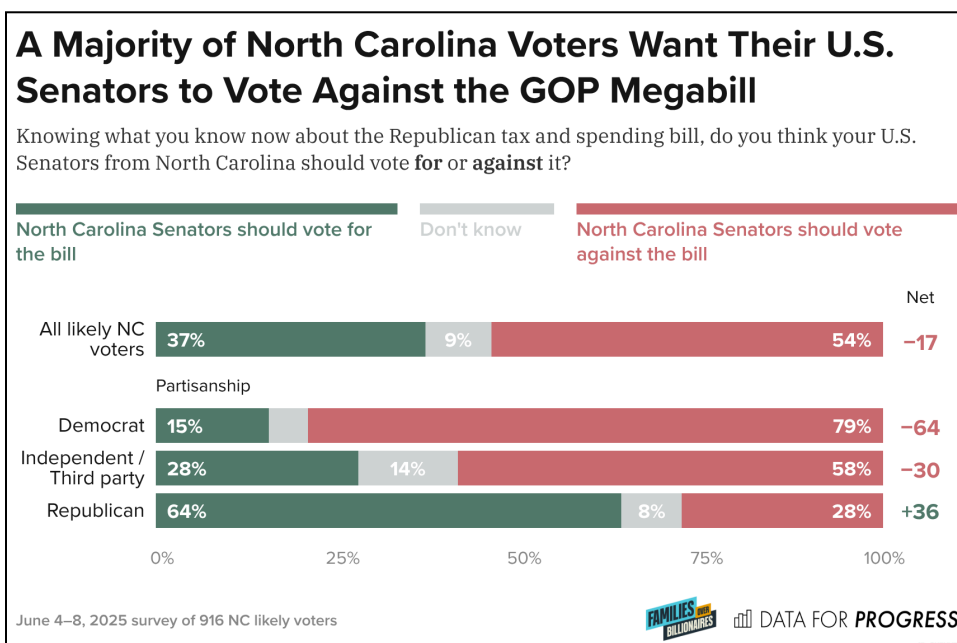
Voters Believe Bill Helps Billionaires and Corporations While Families Pay the Price

- Additionally, the polling shows that a majority of voters think the bill will *hurt* them and their families (52%), others in the state (52%), and the country overall (54%), while a majority also think the bill will *help* billionaires (66%) and corporations (65%).



Majority of Voters Want Their Senator to Oppose the Bill

- A majority of North Carolina voters (54%), including 79% of Democrats, 58% of Independents, and 28% of Republicans, say their senators should vote against the bill.





Conclusion

Overall, the Republican tax and spending bill is unpopular among voters in North Carolina. While most support the temporary tax policies around tips, overtime pay, and the Child Tax Credit, strong majorities do not support the bill, even with those provisions included, when provided context about funding cuts and tax breaks for the wealthy that are also in the bill. Voters in the state agree the wealthy should be paying more and do not think the tax component of the bill will benefit their families. Furthermore, North Carolina voters overwhelmingly reject deep cuts to health care and food assistance, as well as adding to the national debt in order to fund tax breaks. The majority of North Carolina voters say the bill will hurt average North Carolinians like themselves and that Sens. Budd and Tillis should vote against it.