

Primary Election Match-ups

Hillary Clinton (38%) substantially leads all her Democratic rivals in the primary match-up, followed by Barack Obama (20%) and John Edwards (12%). Twenty-four percent are still undecided, with women being more undecided than men.

On February 5, there will be a Democratic Party primary for President here in New York State; if the election were held today, for whom would you vote if the candidates were:

N = 218 Democrats	TOTAL	Men	Women
Hillary Clinton	38	39	37
Barack Obama	20	24	17
John Edwards	12	11	13
Dennis Kucinich	2	3	1
Joe Biden	2	3	2
Bill Richardson	1	2	1
DK/Not sure	24	17	29

Totals may not equal 100% due to rounding

Rudy Giuliani (49%) overwhelmingly leads all his Republican rivals in the primary match-up followed by John McCain (13%) with Mike Huckabee (6%) and Mitt Romney (5%) tied at a distant third. Twenty-five (25%) percent are still undecided.

On February 5, there will be a Republican Party primary for President here in New York State; if the election were held today, for whom would you vote if the candidates were:

N = 105 Republicans answered question	TOTAL
Rudy Giuliani	49%
John McCain	13
Mike Huckabee	6
Mitt Romney	5
Alan Keyes	1
Fred Thompson	--
Ron Paul	--
Duncan Hunter	--
DK/Not sure	25
Will not vote [Volunteered]	1

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General Election Match-ups

All three leading Democratic candidates for President are leading the five possible Republican candidates, with John McCain losing on average by the narrowest margin. Barack Obama has the highest overall lead against the Republican field, followed by John Edwards. Hillary Clinton tends to do better with Democratic voters than the other two Democrats, but not as well with Republican and independent voters.

If the general election for President were held today and Hillary Clinton was the Democratic candidate and _____ was the Republican candidate, for whom would you vote? [Names of Republicans rotated within question and match-ups were scrambled.]

	TOTAL	MOST LIKELY	MALE	FEMALE	DEM	REP	IND
Hillary Clinton	51	52	50	53	83	4	41
Rudy Giuliani	37	37	41	34	11	82	40
DK/Not Sure	12	11	10	13	6	14	19
Hillary Clinton	45	46	41	48	77	4	26
John McCain	42	42	49	35	12	81	58
DK/Not Sure	14	12	10	17	11	14	16
Hillary Clinton	57	56	58	56	86	14	43
Mitt Romney	29	31	30	28	5	72	36
DK/Not Sure	14	14	12	16	8	14	20
Hillary Clinton	58	57	60	57	89	12	47
Fred Thompson	26	28	29	24	5	67	30
DK/Not Sure	16	15	12	19	7	21	23
Hillary Clinton	57	56	57	56	87	12	43
Mike Huckabee	28	29	30	26	5	66	36
DK/Not Sure	15	15	13	18	9	21	21

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If the general election for President were held today and Barack Obama was the Democratic candidate and _____ was the Republican candidate, for whom would you vote? [Names of Republicans rotated within question and match-ups were scrambled.]

	TOTAL	MOST LIKELY	MALE	FEMALE	DEM	REP	IND
Barack Obama	50	52	52	49	76	10	46
Rudy Giuliani	34	36	36	33	14	75	30
DK/Not Sure	16	12	12	18	10	14	23
Barack Obama	47	48	49	46	68	12	43
John McCain	34	33	38	30	17	70	33
DK/Not Sure	19	19	13	24	15	18	23
Barack Obama	57	59	60	54	81	21	51
Mitt Romney	21	21	23	19	4	54	23
DK/Not Sure	22	20	16	26	14	25	25
Barack Obama	62	63	63	60	84	24	60
Fred Thompson	19	19	23	16	5	52	16
DK/Not Sure	20	18	14	24	11	25	24
Barack Obama	59	63	66	53	80	20	59
Mike Huckabee	19	18	19	19	4	55	16
DK/Not Sure	22	19	15	28	15	26	25

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If the general election for President were held today and John Edwards was the Democratic candidate and _____ was the Republican candidate, for whom would you vote? [Names of Republicans rotated within question and match-ups were scrambled.]

	TOTAL	MOST LIKELY	MALE	FEMALE	DEM	REP	IND
John Edwards	48	52	55	43	72	10	46
Rudy Giuliani	37	35	39	36	15	80	36
DK/Not Sure	15	12	6	21	12	10	18
John Edwards	43	46	45	41	67	11	33
John McCain	37	37	43	32	16	72	41
DK/Not Sure	20	18	12	27	17	17	25
John Edwards	54	57	58	51	78	21	46
Mitt Romney	24	26	25	22	6	58	28
DK/Not Sure	22	17	16	27	17	22	25
John Edwards	56	58	59	54	79	19	52
Fred Thompson	21	22	26	16	6	53	22
DK/Not Sure	23	20	15	30	15	28	27
John Edwards	57	60	62	52	78	27	50
Mike Huckabee	21	21	23	20	5	53	22
DK/Not Sure	22	19	16	28	17	20	28

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Ratings of Leading Presidential Candidates

TOTAL VOTERS	Hillary Clinton	Barack Obama	John Edwards	Rudy Giuliani	John McCain	Fred Thomson	Mitt Romney	Mike Huckabee
Never Heard	--	2%	4%	--	3%	11%	8%	9%
Total Favorable	61	74	68	53	69	32	36	35
Very Favorable	32	34	24	26	21	7	8	6
Somewhat Favorable	29	40	44	28	48	25	28	29
Total Unfavorable	35	17	20	43	21	40	43	41
Somewhat Unfavorable	10	12	12	14	14	22	25	23
Very Unfavorable	25	5	8	29	7	18	18	18
DK/Not Sure	4	7	8	4	8	16	13	16
Net Favorable (Fav. – Unfav.)	+26	+57	+48	+10	+48	-8	-7	-6

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Distribution of Sample

Baseline Sample Distribution

Gender:

Male	47%
Female	53%

Region

Westchester	70%
Rockland	23%
Putnam	7%

Race/Ethnicity

White (non-Hispanic)	75%
Black	12%
Hispanic	7%
Asian	2%
Other	4%

Party Identification (Self identification)

Democrat	44%
Republican (including 2% who volunteered conservative)	24%
Independent (including those who said Independence Party)	27%
Other	1%
DK/Not sure	3%

METHODOLOGY

This Manhattanville College poll was conducted by telephone interview with 502 residents who were 18 years of age or older and reside in Westchester, Rockland or Putnam counties. The residents were selected through a process of random digit dialing to ensure any resident with a phone would have an equal probability of being selected for the poll

The interviews were distributed throughout the counties using a geographic quota by zip code based on the US Census and weighting to ensure a representative sample of the three county area.

The margin of error for the poll was approximately +/- 4.5% at the 95% confidence interval for percentages at 50%. It decreases to +/- 2.7% for percentages at 10 or 90%. Margins of error increase for subgroups.

The poll was conducted January 2 - 5, 2008.