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Interview dates: February 22-24, 2008 Interviews: 1,011 adults; 755 registered voters 473 Democrats/Lean Democrat; 381 Republican/Lean Republican Margin of error: +-3.1 for ALL ADULTS; +-3.6 for registered voters; +-4.6 for Democrats; +5.0 for Republicans

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NOTE: all results shown are percentages unless otherwise labeled.

## PRESIDENT STUDY

## [ONLY ASKED OF THOSE WHO ANSWERED "DEMOCRAT" TO PARTY AFFILIATION OR "LEAN DEMOCRAT" TO FOLLOW-UP] \{Base size is 473 respondents\}

1a. If the 2008 Democratic presidential primary or caucus in your state were being held today and the candidates were... for whom would you vote?

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \frac{2 / 22-}{24 / 08} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\frac{2 / 7-}{10 / 08}$ | $\frac{1 / 15-}{17 / 08}$ | $\frac{12 / 3-}{5 / 07}$ | $\frac{11 / 5-}{7 / 07}$ | $\frac{10 / 1-}{3 / 07}$ | $\frac{9 / 21-}{25 / 07}$ | $\frac{9 / 10-}{12 / 07}$ | $\frac{7 / 9-}{11 / 07}$ | $\frac{6 / 4-}{6 / 07}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3 / 5- \\ & 7 / 07 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Barack Obama | 46 | 41 | 33 | 23 | 22 | 20 | 23 | 20 | 20 | 21 | 21 |
| Hillary Clinton | 43 | 46 | 40 | 45 | 45 | 42 | 35 | 34 | 36 | 33 | 38 |
| John Edwards | - | - | 13 | 12 | 12 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 10 |
| (DO NOT | - | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | * | 1 | - | - | - | - |
| READ) Other (DO NOT READ) None | 5 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 3 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 5 |
| DK/NS | 6 | 5 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 9 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 7 | 7 |
| Al Gore* | - | - | - | - | - | 12 | 12 | 16 | 15 | 20 | 14 |
| Bill Richardson* | - | - | - | 4 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Joe Biden* | - | - | - | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| Chris Dodd* | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | - |  |

## [ONLY ASKED OF THOSE WHO ANSWERED "REPUBLICAN" TO PARTY AFFILIATION OR "LEAN REPUBLICAN" TO FOLLOW-UP] \{Base size is 381 respondents\}

1b. If the 2008 Republican presidential primary or caucus in your state were being held today, and the candidates were...for whom would you vote?

|  | 2/22- | 2/7- | 1/15- | 12/3- | 11/5- | 10/1- | 9/21- | 9/10- | 7/9- | 6//4- | 3/5- |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\underline{24 / 08}$ | 10/08 | 17/08 | 5/07 | $\underline{7 / 07}$ | 3/07 | 25/07 | 12/07 | 11/07 | $6 / 07$ | $7 / 07$ |
| John McCain | 53 | 44 | 22 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 17 | 15 | 15 | 19 | 22 |
| Mike Huckabee | 27 | 30 | 16 | 18 | 10 | 7 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| Ron Paul** | 8 | 9 | 4 | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| (DO NOT READ) | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | * | 1 | - | 2 | 1 | - |
| Other <br> (DO NOT READ) | 7 | 12 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 9 | 7 | 9 | 8 | 4 | 6 |
| None |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| DK/NS | 4 | 4 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 8 | 13 | 13 | 15 | 10 | 12 |
| Sam Brownback* | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| Newt Gingrich* | - | - | - | - | - | 7 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 11 |
| Rudy Giuliani* | - | - | 14 | 26 | 29 | 25 | 21 | 24 | 21 | 27 | 35 |
| Fred Thompson* | - | - | 9 | 11 | 19 | 22 | 17 | 19 | 19 | 17 | NA |
| Mitt Romney* | - | - | 16 | 12 | 12 | 9 | 10 | 7 | 11 | 10 | 8 |

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## [RANDOMIZE ORDER OF QUESTION BLOCKS (3a/3b AND 4a/4b).]

3a. If the election for president were held today and the candidates were (READ ANSWER LIST), for whom would you vote? (ENTER SINGLE RESPONSE. RANDOMIZE ANSWER LIST.)

|  | $\mathbf{2 / 2 2 - 2 4 / 0 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 / 7 - 1 0 / 0 8}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Hillary Clinton, the Democrat | 46 | 43 |
| John McCain, the Republican | 41 | 43 |
| (DO NOT READ) Neither | 10 | 10 |
| DK/NS | 3 | 4 |

[IF "NEITHER/DK/REF" TO QU. 3a, PROBE:] Well, do you lean more toward Clinton or McCain? (COMBINE INITIAL CHOICE AND FOLLOW-UP CHOICE.)

|  | $\mathbf{2 / 2 2 - 2 4 / 0 8}$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Hillary Clinton, the Democrat | 48 | 46 |
| John McCain, the Republican | 43 | 45 |
| (DO NOT READ) Neither | 7 | 7 |
| (DK/NS) | 2 | 2 |

4a. If the election for president were held today and the candidates were (READ ANSWER LIST), for whom would you vote? (ENTER SINGLE RESPONSE. RANDOMIZE ANSWER LIST.)

|  | $\mathbf{2 / 2 2 - 2 4 / 0 8}$ |  | $\mathbf{2 / 7 - 1 0 / 0 8}$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Barack Obama, the Democrat | 48 | 46 |  |
| John McCain, the Republican | 39 | 40 |  |
| (DO NOT READ) Neither | 9 |  | 10 |
| DK/NS | 4 |  | 4 |

## [IF "NEITHER/DK/REF" TO QU. 4a, PROBE:] Well, do you lean more toward Clinton or McCain? (COMBINE INITIAL CHOICE AND FOLLOW-UP CHOICE.)

|  | $\mathbf{2 / 2 2 - 2 4 / 0 8}$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Barack Obama, the Democrat | 51 | 48 |
| John McCain, the Republican | 41 | 42 |
| (DO NOT READ) Neither | 6 | 8 |
| (DK/NS) | 2 | 2 |

## [IF "DEMOCRAT" TO PARTY AFFILIATION OR "LEAN DEMOCRAT" TO FOLLOW-UP, ASK Qu. 6.]

6. Some Democratic primary officials and officeholders get to vote as delegates at the presidential nominating convention. If the nomination comes down to their votes ... (READ LIST. ENTER SINGLE RESPONSE.)

RANDOMIZE
Should they vote for the candidate who wins the most votes in the primaries and caucuses? 57
Should they vote for the candidate they think will give the party the best chance to win in November? 38
(DK/NS) 5
[IF "Should they vote for the candidate who wins the most votes from Democrats in the primaries and caucuses" TO Qu. 6, ASK Qu. 7.]
7. When deciding which candidate to support, should the officeholders decide based on who wins the most votes ... (READ LIST.)

## RANDOMIZE

| Nationwide | 67 |
| :--- | :---: |
| In his or her own district | 32 |
| (DK/NS) | 1 |

## PARTY AFFILIATION / IDEOLOGY

A. Are you currently registered to vote at this address, or not?

|  | ALL ADULTS |
| :--- | :---: |
| Yes | 75 |
| No | 25 |
| (DK/NS) | - |

2a. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent or none of these?

INITIAL PARTY IDENTIFICATION

## ALL ADULTS

Republican
24
Democrat
35
Independent
20
None of these
19
(DK/NS) 2
(IF "DEMOCRAT" TO Q.2a, Q.2b ASKED. IF "REPUBLICAN" TO Q.2a, Q.2c ASKED. IF "INDEPENDENT" or "NONE OF THESE" TO Q.2a, Q.2d ASKED. RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

2b. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Democratic Party?
2c. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Republican Party?
2d. Do your beliefs tend to lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

|  | ALL ADULTS |
| :---: | :---: |
| Strongly Democrat | 22 |
| Moderately Democrat | 13 |
| Lean Democrat | 12 |
| Strongly Republican | 14 |
| Moderately Republican | 11 |
| Lean Republican | 13 |
| Independent | 13 |
| (DK/NS) | 2 |
| Total Republicans | 38 |
| Total Democrats | 47 |

3. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself a liberal, moderate or conservative? (IF "LIBERAL" OR "CONSERVATIVE", ASK:) Would you say you are very (liberal/conservative) or somewhat (liberal/conservative)?

|  | ALL ADULTS |
| :---: | :---: |
| Very Liberal | 7 |
| Somewhat Liberal | 16 |
| Moderate | 32 |
| Very Conservative | 15 |
| Somewhat Conservative | 24 |
| DK/NS | 6 |
| Total Liberal | 23 |
| Total Conservative | 39 |

## DEMOGRAPHICS

## NOTE: Results for demographic questions represent ALL ADULTS unless otherwise indicated.

D1a. In what year were you born?
D1b. Have you already had a birthday this year?
(IF RESPONDENT REFUSES Q.D1a OR Q.D1b, Q.D1c ASKED. RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)
D1c. Are you:

| $18-34$ | 30 |
| :--- | :---: |
| $35-49$ | 27 |
| $50-64$ | 25 |
| $65+$ | 17 |
| (DK/NS) | 1 |

D2. Are you employed:

| TOTAL EMPLOYED | 63 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Full time | 53 |
| Part time | 10 |
| Not employed | 13 |
| Retired | 23 |
| (DK/NS) | 1 |

D3. What is the last year of school you completed?

| Grade school or some high school | 10 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Completed high school | 41 |
| Some community college or university, did not finish | 13 |
| Completed technical school or a community college | 10 |
| Completed a university or Bachelor's degree | 14 |
| Completed a post-graduate degree such as a Master's or Ph.D. | 11 |
| (DK/NS) | 1 |

D4. Are you currently married?

| Yes | 64 |
| :--- | :---: |
| No | 35 |
| (DK/NS) | 1 |

D5. Including yourself and any children, how many people are currently living in your household?

| 1 | 13 |
| :--- | :---: |
| 2 | 30 |
| 3 | 20 |
| 4 | 21 |
| 5 | 8 |
| $6+$ | 6 |
| (DK/NS) | 2 |

## (Q.D6a-c ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY MORE THAN ONE PERSON IN HOUSEHOLD IN Q.D5.)

D6a. How many children under 6 years are currently living in your household?
D6b. How many children ages 6 to 12 are currently living in your household?
D6c. How many children ages 13 to 17 are currently living in your household?

| ANY CHILDREN (NET) | 40 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Under 6 | 22 |
| 6-12 | 17 |
| 13-17 | 15 |
| NO CHILDREN | 60 |
| (DK/NS) | 1 |
| Summary |  |
| $\quad$ Any children 12 or younger | 31 |
| Any children 6 to 17 | 26 |

D8. Would you describe yourself as a born-again or evangelical Christian, or not?

| Yes | 42 |
| :--- | :---: |
| No | 54 |
| (DK/NS) | 4 |

D9. What is your religious preference? Is it Protestant, Catholic, Mormon, Jewish, Muslim, some other religion, or don't you belong to any religious denomination? (IF "SOME OTHER RELIGION, ASK) Is that a Christian denomination, or not? (IF YES, CODED AS "PROTESTANT".)

| Protestant | 48 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Catholic | 23 |
| Mormon | 2 |
| Jewish | 2 |
| Muslim | 1 |
| Some other religion | 3 |
| None | 19 |
| (DK/NS) | 2 |

Zz5b. How often do you attend religious services?

| At least once a week (Net) | 40 |
| :--- | :--- |
| More than once a week | 14 |
| Once a week | 26 |
| Less than once a week (Net) | 39 |
| A few times a month | 14 |
| A few times a year | 25 |
| Never | 19 |
| (DK/NS) | 2 |

D10. Are you of Hispanic ethnicity?
(Q.D11 ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO DO NOT SAY THEY ARE HISPANIC IN Q.D12a.)

D11. Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race?
(RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

| White | 75 |
| :--- | :---: |
| Hispanic | 13 |
| Black | 12 |
| Asian | 4 |
| (NOT READ) American Indian | 0 |
| (NOT READ) Other | 3 |
| (DK/NS) | 1 |

D12. Could you please tell me your household income from all sources in 2007?

| Under $\$ 15,000$ | 9 |
| :--- | :---: |
| $\$ 15,000$ to less than $\$ 20,000$ | 5 |
| $\$ 20,000$ to less than $\$ 25,000$ | 7 |
| $\$ 25,000$ to less than $\$ 30,000$ | 4 |
| $\$ 30,000$ to less than $\$ 40,000$ | 9 |
| $\$ 40,000$ to less than $\$ 50,000$ | 7 |
| $\$ 50,000$ to less than $\$ 75,000$ | 16 |
| $\$ 75,000$ to less than $\$ 100,000$ | 9 |
| $\$ 100,000$ or more | 18 |
| (DK/NS) | 16 |

## REGION:

| Northeast | 19 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Midwest | 22 |
| South | 37 |
| West | 22 |

## METROPOLITAN STATUS:

Urban 29

Suburban 49
Rural 22

## GENDER:

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Male 48
    Female 52
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[^0]:    * John Edwards, Mitt Romney, Al Gore, Sam Brownback, Newt Gingrich, Joe Biden, Chris Dodd, and Bill Richardson were not asked in this wave of the study.
    ** Ron Paul was not asked in any wave previous to December 3-5, 2007.

