



The Economist/YouGov Poll

Week 9 Fieldwork: 14th-15th January 2008

Full set of tracker and topical questions on the Presidential Candidates

Sample: 1,000 adult Americans

Margin of error: +/-4%

The margin of error measures only sampling variability, and does not adjust for other types of non- sampling error, such as non-response, panel participation, and misreporting.

The following tables show data from The Economist/YouGov poll, which will track popular opinion ahead of America's presidential election on November 4th 2008.

Polling is carried out by YouGov/Polimetrix for publication in The Economist, and on Economist.com every Thursday at www.economist.com/yougov. Topical questions are set by The Economist in consultation with YouGov/Polimetrix.

If the 2008 Republican presidential primary or caucus in your state were being held today, for which of the following candidates would you vote?

Tables

		Pā	arty ID)	I	deolog	ју 	Gend			Age G	roup			Race		I	ncome	
	TOTAL	Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Cons	Male	Fem	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black I	Hisp	<50	50-99	>100
Base: Valid Cases	278	0	278	0	8	98	159	142	136	47	83	111	37	235	10	32	97	91	47
Rudy Giuliani	43	0	43	0	1	18	21	18	25	7	17	15	3	39	2	2	16	14	6
	16%	0%	16%	0%	8%	18%	13%	13%	19%	16%	21%	14%	9%	17%	23%	6%	17%	15%	13%
Fred Thompson	26	0	26	0	1	1	23	21	5	4	9	8	5	21	0	5	10	9	4
	98	0%	9%	0%	10%	1%	14%	15%	4%	8%	11%	7%	13%	9%	0%	15%	10%	9%	9%
John McCain	70	0	70	0	3	36	28	32	38	10	18	31	12	59	1	10	17	27	14
	25%	0%	25%	0%	42%	37%	18%	23%	28%	20%	21%	28%	32%	25%	10%	31%	17%	30%	30%
Mitt Romney	36	0	36	0	1	15	20	20	16	3	5	15	13	32	2	2	13	9	8
	13%	0%	13%	0%	8%	15%	12%	14%	12%	6%	7%	14%	34%	14%	24%	5%	13%	10%	18%
Mike Huckabee	54	0	54	0	2	13	39	26	28	19	18	15	2	43	2	9	18	22	5
	19%	0%	19%	0%	20%	14%	25%	18%	21%	40%	22%	14%	4%	18%	20%	27%	19%	25%	11%
Ron Paul	13	0	13	0	0	5	8	9	4	1	7	5	0	10	1	2	5	4	4
	5%	0%	5%	0%	0%	5%	5%	7%	3%	3%	9%	4%	0%	4%	7%	7%	5%	4%	8%
Duncan Hunter	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	1	1	0	2	0	0	1	1	0
	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%
Other	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
None of these	3	0	3	0	0	1	1	0	3	1	1	2	0	2	0	2	2	1	0
	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	3%	2%	1%	2%	0%	1%	0%	5%	2%	1%	0%
I Wouldn't vote	2	0	2	0	1	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	2	0	0
	1%	0%	1%	0%	11%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	9%	0%	2%	0%	0%
Not sure	28	0	28	0	0	8	17	14	14	2	5	18	3	26	1	1	14	5	5
	10%	0%	10%	0%	0%	9%	11%	10%	10%	5%	6%	16%	8%	11%	7%	4%	14%	5%	11%

If the 2008 Democratic presidential primary or caucus in your state were being held today, for which of the following candidates would you vote?

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		Pā	rty ID)	1	deolo	 Э.Х	Gend	er 		Age G	roup			Race			Income	
	TOTAL	Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Cons	Male	Fem	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black I	Hisp	<50 	50-99	>100
Base: Valid Cases	327	327	0	0	76	195	26	142	185	62	87	133	46	209	68	51	153	107	36
Hillary Clinton	142	142	0	0	31	81	13	56	86	21	34	67	21	90	19	33	71	42	13
	43%	43%	0%	0%	41%	42%	47%	39%	47%	33%	39%	50%	46%	43%	28%	64%	47%	40%	37%
Barack Obama	106	106	0	0	31	57	8	47	59	24	33	42	7	57	42	6	48	36	12
	32%	32%	0%	0%	41%	29%	29%	33%	32%	39%	38%	32%	14%	27%	62%	13%	32%	33%	34%
John Edwards	48	48	0	0	9	37	2	27	21	11	10	13	15	39	2	7	21	15	7
	15%	15%	0%	0%	12%	19%	7%	19%	11%	17%	11%	10%	32%	19%	2%	14%	13%	14%	20%
Mike Gravel	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0
	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
Other	2	2	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0
	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	3%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
None of these	3	3	0	0	1	1	1	0	3	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	2	1	0
	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	5%	0%	2%	0%	2%	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%
I Wouldn't vote	7	7	0	0	3	1	0	4	3	3	3	1	0	2	2	2	3	3	0
	2%	2%	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%	3%	2%	4%	4%	1%	0%	1%	3%	4%	2%	3%	0%
Not sure	19	19	0	0	0	16	3	7	11	2	6	8	3	13	3	2	5	10	3
	6%	6%	0%	0%	0%	8%	12%	5%	6%	3%	7%	6%	7%	6%	5%	5%	3%	9%	9%

Which of these is the most important issue for you?

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		Pa	rty ID)	I	deolo	aa da	Gend	ler		Age G	roup			Race		I	ncome	
	TOTAL	Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Cons	Male	Fem	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hisp	<50 	50-99	>100
Base: Valid Cases	990	325	279	298	134	503	250	479	511	189	264	404	132	754	109	126	425	308	135
The war in Iraq	157 16%	57 18%	32 12%	55 19%	14 10%	99 20%	23 9%	80 17%	77 15%	22 12%	31 12%	69 17%	33 25%	118 16%	22 20%	17 14%	67 16%	45 15%	24 18%
The economy	282 29%	104 32%	67 24%	86 29%	41 31%	157 31%		145 30%	138 27%	54 29%	87 33%	116 29%	25 19%	214 28%	35 32%	33 26%	110 26%	87 28%	50 37%
Immigration	125 13%	17 5%	54 19%	46 15%	5 4%	50 10%	56 23%	68 14%	57 11%	23 12%	23 9%	60 15%	18 14%	96 13%	4 4%	23 18%	46 11%	45 14%	19 14%
The Environment	19 2%	5 2%	5 2%	8 3%	5 4%	9 2%		9 2%	10 2%	7 4%	7 3%	5 1%	0 0왕	17 2%	1 1%	1 1%	10 2%	7 2%	3 2%
Gun Control	16 2%	5 2%	9 3%	2 1%	4 3%	3 1%	9 3%	11 2%	5 1%	3 2%	8 3%	4 1%	1 1%	12 2%	1 1%	3 3%	7 2%	6 2%	1 1%
Terrorism	103 10%	15 5%	63 23%	17 6%	7 6%	38 8%		60 13%	43 8%	11 6%	29 11%	44 11%	19 15%	86 11%	7 6%	11 8%	37 9%	34 11%	15 11%
Gay Rights	17 2%	11 3%	1 0%	2 1%	6 5%	9 2%		11 2%	7 1%	11 6%	3 1%	3 1%	0 0%	11 1%	3 2%	4 3%	9 2%	6 2%	2 1%
Education	33 3%	13 4%	9 3%	9 3%	9 7%	13 3%		11 2%	22 4%	13 7%	14 5%	4 1%	2 1%	25 3%	5 5%	2 2%	12 3%	12 4%	4 3%
Unemployment	23 2%	7 2%	3 1%	7 2%	3 2%	7 1%		7 1%	17 3%	2 1%	9 3%	13 3%	0 0%	16 2%	7 6%	1 1%	16 4%	6 2%	1 1%
Health care	117 12%	45 14%	18 6%	41 14%	30 22%	60 12%		40 8%	77 15%	29 15%	29 11%	47 12%	12 9%	91 12%	14 13%	12 9%	54 13%	34 11%	10 7%
Housing costs	14 1%	8 2%	4 1%	2 1%	1 1%	6 1%		2 0%	13 2%	3 2%	6 2%	5 1%	0 0%	7 1%	2 2%	5 4%	9 2%	2 1%	3 2%
Global warming	16 2%	11 3%	2 1%	1 0%	2 1%	12 2%		8 2%	8 2%	5 3%	7 3%	4 1%	0 0%	13 2%	0 0%	4 3%	6 1%	4 1%	2 2%
Social Security	54 5%	17 5%	11 4%	20 7%	7 5%	32 6%		20 4%	34 7%	6 3%	8 3%	23 6%	17 13%	39 5%	8 7%	7 6%	36 9%	14 5%	3 2%
Trade deficit	5 1%	2 1%	0 0%	3 1%	0 0%	4 1%		5 1%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	3 1%	2 2%	4 1%	0 0%	1 1%	0 0%	4 1%	0 0%
Disaster preparedness	4 0%	3 1%	0 0%	1 0%	0 0%	2 0%		2 0%	2 0%	0 0%	1 0%	1 0%	1 1%	2 0%	0 0%	1 1%	2 1%	1 0%	0 0%
Illegal drugs	4 0%	3 1%	1 0%	0 0%	0 0%	2 0%		1 0%	3 1%	0 0왕	0 0%	3 1%	1 1%	3 0%	0 0%	1 1%	2 1%	2 1%	0 0%

Would you say things in this country today are...

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		Pa	arty II)	I	deolo	aa	Gend	er		Age G	roup			Race		I	ncome	
	TOTAL	Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Cons	Male	Fem	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hisp	<50	50-99	>100
Base: Valid Cases	999	328	279	302	134	507	252	482	517	190	268	406	134	759	111	128	433	308	135
Right direction	198	30	103	54	17	81	89	122	76	25	59	82	32	159	16	23	70	64	37
	20%	9%	37%	18%	13%	16%	35%	25%	15%	13%	22%	20%	24%	21%	14%	18%	16%	21%	27%
Wrong track	681	271	137	216	107	373	131	324	357	144	169	276	92	514	86	82	305	212	82
	68%	83%	49%	71%	80%	73%	52%	67%	69%	76%	63%	68%	69%	68%	77%	64%	70%	69%	61%
Not sure	120	27	39	33	10	54	32	36	84	21	40	49	10	86	9	23	58	32	16
	12%	8%	14%	11%	7%	11%	13%	7%	16%	11%	15%	12%	7%	11%	9%	18%	13%	10%	12%

Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as President?

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		Pa	arty II)]	deolo	aà	Gend	ler		Age G	roup			Race		1	Income	
	TOTAL	Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Cons	Male	Fem	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black I	Hisp	<50	50-99	>100
Base: Valid Cases	999	328	279	302	133	508	252	482	517	190	269	405	134	760	110	128	432	308	136
Strongly Approve	86 9%	4 1%	62 22%	17 6%	4 3%	27 5%	51 20%	49 10%	37 7%	15 8%	31 11%	27 7%	12 9%	67 9%	7 7%	11 9%	35 8%	23 8%	12 9%
Somewhat Approve	225 23%	21 7%	128 46%	60 20%	16 12%	102 20%		119 25%	107 21%	29 15%	60 22%	98 24%	39 29%	191 25%	9 8%	25 19%	82 19%	80 26%	40 29%
Somewhat Disapprove	193 19%	53 16%	53 19%	61 20%	22 17%	93 18%		74 15%	119 23%	43 23%	46 17%	90 22%	14 11%	151 20%	18 16%	24 19%	95 22%	59 19%	16 12%
Strongly Disapprove	462 46%	241 74%	28 10%	160 53%	89 67%	277 55%	43 17%	234 49%	228 44%	93 49%	122 45%	178 44%	69 51%	328 43%	72 66%	62 48%	198 46%	140 46%	65 48%
Not Sure	33 3%	8 3%	8 3%	5 2%	1 1%	9 2%		6 1%	27 5%	10 5%	11 4%	12 3%	0 0%	23 3%	4 3%	6 4%	22 5%	5 2%	3 2%

Overall, do you approve of the way that the $\mathsf{Democrats}$ in the United States $\mathsf{Congress}$ are handling their job ?

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		Pa	arty ID)]	deolo	 ду	Gend	ler		Age G	roup			Race		1	Income	
	TOTAL	Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Cons	Male	Fem	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hisp	<50 	50-99	>100
Base: Valid Cases	999	328	279	302	134	507	252	482	517	190	268	406	134	759	111	128	433	308	135
Strongly Approve	48 5%	34 10%	4 1%	8 3%	13 10%	20 4%		24 5%	23 5%	8 4%	13 5%	20 5%	7 5%	23 3%	15 13%	10 8%	26 6%	12 4%	5 4%
Somewhat Approve	248 25%	156 48%	17 6%	58 19%	65 49%	141 28%	18 7%	103 21%	145 28%	52 27%	65 24%	97 24%	33 24%	171 22%	41 37%	36 28%	111 26%	87 28%	30 22%
Somewhat Disapprove	263 26%	76 23%	72 26%	89 30%	30 22%	160 31%		118 24%	146 28%	47 25%	67 25%	117 29%	32 24%	214 28%	24 22%	25 20%	129 30%	74 24%	37 27%
Strongly Disapprove	352 35%	36 11%	171 61%	123 41%	18 14%	146 29%		220 46%	132 26%	59 31%	91 34%	143 35%	59 44%	287 38%	18 16%	46 36%	121 28%	112 36%	60 44%
Not Sure	88 9%	26 8%	15 5%	24 8%	8 6%	40 8%		18 4%	70 14%	24 13%	32 12%	29 7%	3 2%	64 8%	13 12%	10 8%	46 11%	23 8%	4 3%

Which of these candidates do you think would make the best Commander-in-Chief?

Tables

		Pa	rty ID)	I	deolo	ay	Gend	er 		Age G	roup			Race		I	ncome	
	TOTAL	Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Cons	Male	Fem	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hisp	<50	50-99	>100
Base: Valid Cases	969	325	272	291	132	495	248	470	500	182	262	393	131	738	108	122	419	300	133
Rudy Giuliani	117	12	58	26	5	62	37	56	62	22	34	51	10	97	7	12	49	34	19
	12%	4%	21%	9%	4%	13%	15%	12%	12%	12%	13%	13%	8%	13%	7%	10%	12%	11%	15%
John McCain	196	22	90	71	16	98	66	118	77	37	51	78	29	165	7	23	72	68	31
	20%	7%	33%	24%	12%	20%	27%	25%	15%	20%	20%	20%	22%	22%	7%	19%	17%	23%	23%
Mitt Romney	96	2	53	36	3	33	58	56	41	11	20	40	25	76	6	14	38	28	19
	10%	1%	20%	12%	2%	7%	23%	12%	8%	6%	8%	10%	19%	10%	6%	12%	9%	9%	14%
Mike Huckabee	70	4	43	17	1	23	41	30	40	18	21	26	5	61	2	6	26	27	4
	7%	1%	16%	6%	1%	5%	17%	6%	8%	10%	8%	7%	4%	8%	2%	5%	6%	9%	3%
Hillary Clinton	208	143	5	47	47	121	17	86	122	37	45	95	31	149	21	38	103	62	21
	21%	44%	2%	16%	35%	25%	7%	18%	24%	21%	17%	24%	23%	20%	20%	31%	25%	21%	16%
Barack Obama	172	92	17	50	42	86	16	73	99	40	59	63	8	104	50	18	82	53	21
	18%	28%	6%	17%	32%	17%	6%	16%	20%	22%	23%	16%	6%	14%	46%	14%	19%	18%	16%
John Edwards	110	49	5	46	18	70	13	51	59	16	30	42	22	86	13	10	49	28	18
	11%	15%	2%	16%	13%	14%	5%	11%	12%	9%	11%	11%	17%	12%	12%	8%	12%	9%	13%

Which of these candidates do you think would make the worst Commander-in-Chief?

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		Pa	rty ID)]	deolo	 ду	Gend	ler		Age G	roup			Race		I	ncome	
	TOTAL	Dem	Rep	Ind	Lib	Mod	Cons	Male	Fem	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	Black	Hisp	<50 	50-99	>100
Base: Valid Cases	967	321	272	288	132	490	248	472	495	184	264	387	131	734	109	124	413	303	132
Rudy Giuliani	200 21%	119 37%	7 3%	63 22%	41 31%	126 26%	21 8%	88 19%	112 23%	35 19%	60 23%	71 18%	33 25%	132 18%	46 42%	21 17%	89 22%	66 22%	23 18%
John McCain	54 6%	29 9%	5 2%	14 5%	12 9%	29 6%		22 5%	32 6%	13 7%	13 5%	17 4%	9 7%	40 5%	8 8%	6 5%	29 7%	10 3%	5 4%
Mitt Romney	80 8%	39 12%	7 3%	26 9%	18 14%	48 10%		44 9%	36 7%	27 15%	21 8%	24 6%	7 6%	58 8%	11 10%	11 9%	33 8%	27 9%	12 9%
Mike Huckabee	104 11%	48 15%	11 4%	36 13%	30 23%	51 10%	16 6%	51 11%	53 11%	30 16%	22 9%	43 11%	9 7%	77 10%	16 14%	12 10%	44 11%	29 10%	16 12%
Hillary Clinton	296 31%	34 11%	156 57%	75 26%	14 11%	114 23%	131 53%	160 34%	136 27%	46 25%	76 29%	125 32%	49 37%	246 34%	12 11%	37 30%	124 30%	100 33%	32 24%
Barack Obama	162 17%	38 12%	59 22%	46 16%	12 9%	82 17%		62 13%	100 20%	26 14%	47 18%	72 19%	17 13%	118 16%	10 9%	34 28%	72 17%	48 16%	24 19%
John Edwards	71 7%	13 4%	27 10%	28 10%	6 4%	40 8%		44 9%	27 5%	7 4%	24 9%	35 9%	6 5%	63 9%	6 5%	3 2%	23 5%	23 8%	18 14%

Which of the following words do you think describe...

Base: Republican Primary Voters

	Rudy	Giuliani	John McCain	Mitt Romney	Mike Huckabee
Н	onest	28%	47%	40%	55%
C:	lever	41%	24%	33%	39%
St	trong	59%	57%	41%	39%
We	eak	7%	11%	12%	15%
Er	notional	12%	15%	10%	26%
St	teady	39%	42%	40%	43%
В	old	42%	31%	23%	24%
Н	onorable	37%	65%	44%	51%
Ιı	ntelligent	64%	55%	68%	52%
Co	ompetent	62%	49%	54%	48%
Ιı	nspiring	25%	27%	20%	34%
В	oring	11%	19%	21%	11%
N:	ice	18%	21%	39%	50%
Rı	uthless	20%	14%	12%	6%
Aı	ngry	7%	20%	5%	3%
Ca	alm	25%	25%	25%	35%

Which of the following words do you think describe...

Base: Democratic Primary Voters

	Hillary Clinton	Barack Obama	John Edwards
Honest	36%	53%	58%
Clever	57%	49%	41%
Strong	71%	57%	53%
Weak	7%	9%	12%
Emotional	23%	13%	19%
Steady	44%	41%	48%
Bold	52%	52%	33%
Honorable	41%	58%	57%
Intelligent	84%	84%	79%
Competent	69%	60%	68%
Inspiring	37%	63%	42%
Boring	8%	7%	16%
Nice	32%	45%	48%
Ruthless	27%	9%	7%
Angry	10%	5%	14%
Calm	25%	36%	34%