

1 October 2010

Polling was conducted by telephone September 28-29, 2010, in the evenings. The total sample is 900 registered voters nationwide with a margin of sampling error of $\pm 3$ percentage points. Results are of registered voters, unless otherwise noted. Democrats $n=354, \pm 5$; Republicans $n=322, \pm 5.5$; Independents $n=175, \pm 7$

Questions 1-15 released separately
Thinking ahead to the next presidential election ...
16. If the 2012 presidential election were held today, would you definitely vote to re-elect Barack Obama, probably vote to re-elect Obama, probably vote for someone else, or definitely vote for someone else?
SCALE: 1. Definitely vote to re-elect Obama 2. Probably vote to re-elect Obama
3. Probably vote for someone else 4. Definitely vote for someone else
5. (Too soon to say) 6. (Would not vote for anyone) 7. (Don't know/Refused)

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- Re-elect Obama Total Def Prob

| 28-29 Sep 10 | $39 \%$ | 19 | 20 |
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| Democrats | $75 \%$ | 41 | 34 |
| Republicans | $7 \%$ | 2 | 5 |
| Independents | $32 \%$ | 10 | 22 |
| Obama voters | $74 \%$ | 40 | 34 |
| 12-13 Jan 10 | $43 \%$ | 23 | 20 |
| Democrats | $80 \%$ | 46 | 34 |
| Republicans | $8 \%$ | 3 | 5 |
| Independents | $32 \%$ | 14 | 18 |
| Obama voters | $78 \%$ | 43 | 35 |
| 13-14 Oct 09 | $43 \%$ | 26 | 17 |
| Democrats | $78 \%$ | 50 | 28 |
| Republicans | $6 \%$ | 4 | 2 |
| Independents | $35 \%$ | 20 | 15 |
| Obama voters | $81 \%$ | 53 | 28 |
| 22-23 April 09 | $52 \%$ | 37 | 15 |
| Democrats | $87 \%$ | 69 | 18 |
| Republicans | $13 \%$ | 5 | 8 |
| Independents | $43 \%$ | 24 | 19 |
| Obama voters | $85 \%$ | 64 | 21 | Obama voters 85\% 64

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ROTATE NEXT FIVE QUESTIONS
Thinking ahead to the next presidential election, if the election were held today... (ROTATE CHOICES)

| 17. How would y <br> Ba | vote i ocrat k Obama | candidates w <br> Republican <br> Mitt Romney | (ROTAT ( Other) | MES <br> (Wouldn't <br> vote) | (Don't know) |
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| 28-29 Sep 10 | 41\% | 40 | 7 | 2 | 11 |
| Democrats | 80\% | 7 | 3 | 1 | 9 |
| Republicans | 7\% | 78 | 7 | 1 | 7 |
| Independents | 29\% | 40 | 11 | 4 | 17 |
| 12-13 Jan 10 | 47\% | 35 | 5 | 3 | 10 |

18. How would you vote if the candidates were: (ROTATE NAMES)

|  | ocrat k Obama | Republican Sarah Palin | (Other) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { (Wouldn't } \\ & \text { vote) } \end{aligned}$ | (Don't know) |
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| 28-29 Sep 10 | 48\% | 35 | 7 | 3 | 8 |
| Democrats | 84\% | 7 | 3 | 1 | 4 |
| Republicans | 13\% | 69 | 8 | 3 | 8 |
| Independents | 38\% | 31 | 13 | 5 | 13 |
| 12-13 Jan 10 | 55\% | 31 | 4 | 4 | 5 |


20. How would you vote if the candidates were: (ROTATE NAMES)

|  | Democrat <br> Barack Obama | Republican <br> Jeb Bush | (Wouldn't <br> (Other) | (Dote) | (Don't <br> know) |
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| 28-29 Sep 10 | $45 \%$ | 37 | 6 | 3 | 9 |
| Democrats | $84 \%$ | 8 | 3 | 1 | 5 |
| Republicans | $9 \%$ | 75 | 6 | 3 | 9 |
| Independents | $35 \%$ | 35 | 12 | 4 | 13 |

21. How would you vote if the candidates were: (ROTATE NAMES)

22. How would you vote if the candidates were: (ROTATE NAMES)

| Democrat Barack Obama |  | Republican Chris Christie | (Wouldn't |  | (Don't know) |
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|  |  | (Other) | vote) |  |
| 28-29 Sep 10 | 42\% |  | 30 | 7 | 2 | 19 |
| Democrats | 77\% | 9 | 2 | 1 | 11 |
| Republicans | 10\% | 57 | 10 | 3 | 21 |
| Independents | 31\% | 28 | 11 | 1 | 29 |

23. If the 2012 presidential election were held today, how would you vote if the choices were: (ROTATE NAMES)
SCALE: 1. Barack Obama, the Democrat 2. Sarah Palin, the Republican, and
24. Mike Bloomberg, an independent 4. (Other) 5. (Wouldn't vote)
25. (Don't know)

| Obama | Palin | Bloomberg | (Other) | (Wouldn't <br> vote) | (Don't <br> know) |  |
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| 28-29 Sep 10 | $40 \%$ | 28 | 18 | 3 | 2 | 10 |
| Democrats | $77 \%$ | 6 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 7 |
| Republicans | $7 \%$ | 57 | 24 | 3 | 1 | 8 |
| Independents | $26 \%$ | 24 | 26 | 5 | 4 | 15 |

24. If the 2012 presidential election were held today, how would you vote if the choices were: (ROTATE NAMES)
SCALE: 1. Barack Obama, the Democrat 2. Sarah Palin, the Republican, and 3. Hillary Clinton, as an independent candidate 4. (Other)
25. (Wouldn't vote) 6. (Don't know)

|  | Obama | Palin | Clinton | (Other) | (Wouldn't <br> vote) | (Don't <br> know) |
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| 28-29 Sep 10 | $30 \%$ | 29 | 27 | 4 | 2 | 8 |
| Democrats | $54 \%$ | 9 | 34 | 1 | 1 | 8 |
| Republicans | $9 \%$ | 61 | 17 | 5 | 3 | 6 |
| Independents | $23 \%$ | 28 | 29 | 8 | 1 | 11 |

25. Who would you prefer to have as Barack Obama's vice president -- Joe Biden or Hillary Clinton?

|  | Biden | Clinton | (Both/Neither/ <br> No difference) | (Don't know) |
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| 28-29 Sep 10 | $25 \%$ | 55 | 15 | 4 |
| Democrats | $25 \%$ | 67 | 6 | 3 |
| Republicans | $28 \%$ | 44 | 23 | 5 |
| Independents | $25 \%$ | 52 | 19 | 5 |

POLITICAL IDENTIFICATION: When you think about politics, do you think of yourself as a Democrat or a Republican? Democrat Republican (Independent) (Other) (Refused/Don't know)
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10-11 Aug 10 38\%
27-28 Jul 10 37\%
13-14 Jul 10 37\%
29-30 Jun 10 38\%
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