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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?

	<u>2/22- 24/08</u>	<u>2/7- 10/08</u>	<u>1/15- 17/08</u>	<u>12/3- 5/07</u>	<u>11/5- 7/07</u>	<u>10/1- 3/07</u>	<u>9/21- 25/07</u>	<u>9/10- 12/07</u>	<u>7/9- 11/07</u>	<u>6/4- 6/07</u>	<u>3/5- 7/07</u>
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 READ) Other	-	1	-	1	2	*	1	-	-	-	-
(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?

	<u>2/22- 24/08</u>	<u>2/7- 10/08</u>	<u>1/15- 17/08</u>	<u>12/3- 5/07</u>	<u>11/5- 7/07</u>	<u>10/1- 3/07</u>	<u>9/21- 25/07</u>	<u>9/10- 12/07</u>	<u>7/9- 11/07</u>	<u>6/4- 6/07</u>	<u>3/5- 7/07</u>
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) Other	1	1	1	1	2	*	1	-	2	1	-
(DO NOT READ) None	7	12	8	7	7	9	7	9	8	4	6
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

* 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.

[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.)**

	<u>2/22-24/08</u>	<u>2/7-10/08</u>
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.)**

	<u>2/22-24/08</u>	<u>2/7-10/08</u>
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.)**

	<u>2/22-24/08</u>	<u>2/7-10/08</u>
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.)**

	<u>2/22-24/08</u>	<u>2/7-10/08</u>
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?

	<u>ALL ADULTS</u>
Yes	75
No	25
(DK/NS)	-

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

INITIAL PARTY IDENTIFICATION

	<u>ALL ADULTS</u>
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?

	<u>ALL ADULTS</u>
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)?**

	<u>ALL ADULTS</u>
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	
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:

Male	48
Female	52