

# Conducted by the University of New Hampshire Survey Center

Interviews with 793 likely New Hampshire primary voters in New Hampshire conducted by telephone on November 14-18, 2007. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3.5 percentage points.

A total of 404 who say they plan to vote in the Republican presidential primary and 389 who say they plan to vote in the Democratic presidential primary were interviewed. The margin of sampling error is plus or minus 5 percentage points for both groups.

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3. (REPUBLICAN PRIMARY VOTERS ONLY:) Have you definitely decided who you will vote for in the New Hampshire primary, are you leaning toward someone, or do have you considered some candidates but are still trying to decide?

	November <u>2007</u>	September 2007	July <u>2007</u>
Definitely decided	14%	13%	7%
Leaning toward someone	29%	21%	22%
Still trying to decide	56%	66%	71%

4. (REPUBLICAN PRIMARY VOTERS ONLY:) I'm going to read you the names of the candidates who are either running or considering running for the Republican nomination. If the Republican primary for president were held today, which of the following would you support for the Republican nomination -- Rudy Giuliani, Mike Huckabee, Duncan Hunter, John McCain, Ron Paul, Mitt Romney, Tom Tancredo, Fred Thompson or someone else? (RANDOM ORDER)

November	September	July	June
<u> 2007</u>	2007	2007	<u>2007</u>
33%	25%	34%	29%
18%	18%	12%	20%
16%	24%	20%	22%
8%	4%	2%	3%
5%	3%	2%	2%
4%	13%	13%	12%
1%	1%	1%	1%
*	1%	*	1%
1%	1%	3%	2%
14%	9%	13%	8%
	2007 33% 18% 16% 8% 5% 4% 1%	2007     2007       33%     25%       18%     18%       16%     24%       8%     4%       5%     3%       4%     13%       1%     1%       1%     1%       1%     1%	2007     2007     2007       33%     25%     34%       18%     18%     12%       16%     24%     20%       8%     4%     2%       5%     3%     2%       4%     13%     13%       1%     1%     1%       1%     1%     *       1%     1%     3%

	(TREND WITH NEWT GINGRI	CH INCLUDED I	N THE QUESTION	)	
	September	July	June	March/April	February
	<u>2007</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2007</u>	2007	2007
Romney	23%	33%	28%	17%	13%
Giuliani	22%	18%	20%	29%	27%
McCain	17%	12%	20%	29%	28%
Thompson	12%	13%	11%	3%	
Gingrich	7%	4%	4%	2%	9%
Paul	4%	2%	3%	1%	1%
Huckabee	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%
Hunter	1%	*	0	0	0
Tancredo	1%	*	*	1%	3%
Someone else	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%
No opinion	9%	12%	8%	14%	12%

NOTE: GINGRICH WAS NOT INCLUDED IN THE LIST OF CANDIDATES IN THE CURRENT POLL

- 5. (REPUBLICAN PRIMARY VOTERS ONLY:)Next I'm going to read the names of some of those candidates. As I read each name, please tell me whether you would consider supporting that person for the Republican nomination or whether you would not support them for the nomination under any circumstances. (RANDOM ORDER)
- a. Would you consider supporting Rudy Giuliani for the Republican nomination or would you not support him for the nomination under any circumstances?
- b. Would you consider supporting John McCain for the Republican nomination or would you not support him for the nomination under any circumstances?
- c. Would you consider supporting Mitt Romney for the Republican nomination or would you not support him for the nomination under any circumstances?
- d. Would you consider supporting Fred Thompson for the Republican nomination or would you not support him for the nomination under any circumstances?
- e. Would you consider supporting Ron Paul for the Republican nomination or would you not support him for the nomination under any circumstances?

	Currently	Would Consider	Would Not Support Under Any	No
	Supporting	Supporting	Circumstances	<b>Opinion</b>
Mitt Romney				
November, 2007	33%	45%	19%	3%
July, 2007	33%	45%	17%	5%
John McCain				
November, 2007	18%	51%	29%	2%
July, 2007	12%	45%	38%	5%
Rudy Giuliani				
November, 2007	16%	54%	28%	3%
July, 2007	18%	54%	22%	5%
Fred Thompson				
November, 2007	4%	38%	50%	9%
July, 2007	13%	37%	30%	20%
Ron Paul				
November, 2007	8%	22%	61%	10%

NOTE: Figures in the "currently supporting" column represent all respondents who said that candidate was their first choice in Question 4

6. (REPUBLICAN PRIMARY VOTERS ONLY:) Compared to previous elections, are you more enthusiastic about voting in next year's presidential election than usual, or less enthusiastic?

	November
	<u>2007</u>
More enthusiastic	46%
Less enthusiastic	29%
As enthusiastic/same (vol.)	25%
No opinion	1%

7. (REPUBLICAN PRIMARY VOTERS ONLY:) Which Republican candidate do you think is most likely to win the Republican nomination?

	November
	<u>2007</u>
Romney	39%
Giuliani	26%
McCain	8%
Paul	2%
Huckabee	1%
Thompson	*
Tancredo	0
Hunter	0
Someone else	*
No opinion	25%

8. (REPUBLICAN PRIMARY VOTERS ONLY:)There are many issues facing the candidates in the election for president. In your opinion, which one issue is MOST IMPORTANT to YOUR VOTE in the presidential primary? Which is next most important? What is the third most important?

	1 st	$2^{nd}$	$3^{\text{rd}}$
	Resp.	Resp.	Resp.
War in Iraq	22%	19%	11%
Illegal immigration	16%	12%	10%
Terrorism/Homeland security	15%	8%	5%
Economy	12%	19%	16%
Health care	8%	14%	14%
Taxes	4%	8%	11%
Abortion	3%	2%	2%
Foreign policy	3%	1%	3%
Budget deficit	2%	4%	3%
Education	1%	4%	5%
Gun control	1%	*	1%
Morality	1%	1%	1%
Medicare/prescription drugs	1%	1%	2%
Social Security	1%	2%	4%
Electing a Republican	1%	*	1%
Employment/jobs	1%	*	1%
Gay marriage	*	1%	0
Other	6%	2%	8%
No opinion	5%	2%	4%

<sup>\*</sup>Multiple responses possible. Percentages sum to more than 100%.

#### **FIRST RESPONSE ONLY**

	November	July	June	March/April
	<u>2007</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2007</u>
War in Iraq	22%	30%	36%	29%
Illegal immigration	16%	11%	11%	5%
Terrorism/Homeland security	15%	11%	10%	7%
Economy	12%	16%	9%	13%
Health care	8%	6%	8%	9%
Foreign policy	3%	7%	3%	6%
Abortion	3%	2%	6%	2%
Education	1%	1%	2%	2%

8. (REPUBLICAN PRIMARY VOTERS ONLY:) Now I'm going to mention a few issues and for each one, please tell me who you think would best handle that issue if they were elected President. Please feel free to name a candidate even if you may not be voting for that person. Which Republican candidate do you think would do the best job handling: (ITEMS ROTATED)

#### A. Terrorism

Giuliani	33%
McCain	31%
Romney	13%
Paul	3%
Thompson	2%
Huckabee	1%
Tancredo	0
Hunter	0
Someone else	1%
None	1%
No opinion	15%

#### B. The economy

Romney	47%
Giuliani	15%
McCain	9%
Paul	7%
Thompson	2%
Huckabee	1%
Tancredo	0
Hunter	0
Someone else	1%
None	2%
No opinion	17%

#### C. Taxes

Romney	43%
Giuliani	13%
McCain	11%
Paul	9%
Huckabee	3%
Thompson	3%
Tancredo	*
Hunter	0
Someone else	*
None	2%
No opinion	17%

# D. Illegal immigration

Romney	40%
Giuliani	14%
McCain	13%
Paul	4%
Tancredo	3%
Huckabee	2%
Thompson	2%
Hunter	*
Someone else	1%
None	2%
No opinion	17%

## E. The war in Iraq

McCain	42%
Romney	15%
Giuliani	13%
Paul	5%
Thompson	3%
Huckabee	1%
Tancredo	*
Hunter	0
Someone else	1%
None	2%
No opinion	17%

### F. Abortion

Dommory	210/
Romney	21%
Giuliani	12%
Huckabee	7%
McCain	6%
Paul	4%
Thompson	4%
Tancredo	*
Hunter	*
Someone else	1%
None	4%
No opinion	40%

## WOULD BEST HANDLE...

	Romney	<u>Giuliani</u>	<u>McCain</u>
Economy	47%	15%	9%
Taxes	43%	13%	11%
Illegal immigration	40%	14%	13%
Abortion	21%	12%	6%
Iraq	15%	13%	45%
Terrorism	13%	33%	31%