

AJC poll: Obama, Clinton neck and neck in Georgia
Huckabee has big lead in state's GOP primary

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Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton are in a tight race for the Feb. 5 Georgia Democratic primary, while Republican Mike Huckabee has opened up a major lead in the GOP race, an exclusive poll for the AJC found.

The survey found Obama leading Clinton, 36 percent to 33 percent, with John Edwards trailing with 14 percent.

Among Republicans, Huckabee enjoys a 31 percent to 18 percent lead over John McCain, with Mitt Romney a close third with 14 percent. Rudy Giuliani is fourth with 9 percent and Fred Thompson fifth with 8 percent.

The survey was taken before and after Tuesday's New Hampshire primaries, which were won by Clinton and McCain. The poll also follows last week's Iowa caucuses, where Obama lead all Democrats and Huckabee won among Republicans.

The poll was conducted for the AJC by Mason-Dixon Polling & Research of Washington. The firm surveyed 400 likely Democratic primary voters and 400 likely Republican primary voters from Jan. 7-10. The results for each party have a margin of error of 5 percentage points.