

Alabama Republican Presidential Primary

Alabama: McCain, Huckabee Tied
Friday, January 25, 2008

John McCain and Mike Huckabee are tied for the lead in Alabama’s Republican Presidential Primary. McCain and Huckabee each attract 27% support while Mitt Romney is a distant third at 15%. Rudy Giuliani is the choice for 8% while Ron Paul is supported by 3% and 20% are not sure.

Huckabee currently attracts support from 37% of Evangelical Christians likely to participate in the Primary while McCain leads among other Protestant voters with 32%.

Just 40% of the state’s Likely Primary Voters are certain they won’t change their mind before the February 5 Primary.

McCain is viewed favorably by 75%, Huckabee by 71%, Giuliani by 64%, Romney by 60% and Paul by 23%.

John McCain is seen as the most electable candidate. Seventy-six percent (76%) believe that McCain would be at least somewhat likely to win the White House if nominated. Just 59% of the state’s Primary Voters are that confident about Huckabee, 56% say the same about Giuliani, and 56% hold that view of Romney. Just 12% think Paul would have a chance of winning in November if nominated.

Survey of 846 Likely GOP Primary Voters
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Mike Huckabee	27%
John McCain	27%
Mitt Romney	15%
Rudy Giuliani	8%

Ron Paul 3%

Not Sure 20%

Alabama Democratic Presidential Primary

Alabama: Clinton 43% Obama 28%
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While the nation is focused on the upcoming Democratic Primary in South Carolina, Hillary Clinton leads Barack Obama by fifteen percentage points in Alabama's Democratic Presidential Primary.

It's Clinton 43% Obama 28% and John Edwards a distant third at 16%.

Nationally, Clinton leads Obama in the Rasmussen Reports daily Presidential Tracking Poll.

In patterns that have become familiar in the Democratic campaign, Clinton does much better in Alabama among women and white voters while Obama does better among men and African-Americans (see national data).

In Alabama, Clinton leads by nineteen points among women and just seven points among men. She trails among African-Americans by a two-to-one margin but leads 58% to 9% among white voters (Edwards picks up 24% of the white vote).

Among Likely Democratic Primary Voters, Clinton is viewed favorably by 76%, Edwards by 66%, and Obama by 62%.

Eighty-one percent (81%) believe that Clinton would be at least somewhat likely to win the White House if nominated. That figure includes 48% who say that Clinton is Very Likely to win in November.

Sixty-one percent (61%) say Obama is at least somewhat likely to win if nominated. Twenty-nine percent (29%) believe he would be Very Likely to win.

Eighty-nine percent (89%) of Alabama's Likely Democratic Primary voters say that the economy is a Very Important voting issue. Eighty-six percent (86%) say the same about Health Care. Government ethics and corruption is Very Important to 72% while 65% say the same about Iraq.

**Survey of 649 Likely Democratic Primary Voters
January 23, 2008**

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Hillary Clinton	43%
Barack Obama	28%
John Edwards	16%