

Wisconsin Democratic Presidential Primary

Wisconsin: Obama 47% Clinton 43%

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The Democratic Presidential Primary in Wisconsin may be the most competitive contest between Senators Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton since Super Tuesday.

The latest Rasmussen Reports telephone survey shows Obama with a narrow four-point advantage over Clinton, 47% to 43%. Nearly one-fourth of the voters say there's a good chance they might change their mind. Five percent (5%) of those who currently support Obama and Clinton say there's a good chance they could change their mind before voting.

Clinton leads by ten points among women but trails by twenty-three points among men. Clinton leads among voters over 65 while Obama has the edge among younger voters.

A strong showing by Clinton would be a welcome dose of good news for her campaign. She now trails Obama nationally in the Rasmussen Reports daily Presidential Tracking Poll and Rasmussen Markets data suggests that Obama is now favored to win the nomination. Recent state polls in Colorado and New Hampshire show that Obama performs better in general election match-ups against McCain. However, a recent Rasmussen Reports analysis suggests there is more to the question of which Democrat might fare better against McCain in the general election.

In Wisconsin, 39% of Likely Democratic Primary Voters name the economy as the top voting issue. Twenty-six percent (26%) see the War in Iraq as the highest priority. Obama has a huge lead (61% to 33%) among those who see Iraq as the top issue. Clinton has a narrow edge among other voters.

Obama is viewed favorably by 80% of Likely Democratic Voters in Wisconsin, Clinton by 79%.

Clinton earns her favorable reviews from 84% of women and 71% of men. There is no significant gender gap on Obama's favorable ratings.

Survey of 855 Likely Dem Primary Voters

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Barack Obama	47%
Hillary Clinton	43%
Not Sure	10%

Ohio Democratic Presidential Primary

Ohio: Clinton 51% Obama 37%

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New York Senator Hillary Clinton leads Illinois Senator Barack Obama by fourteen percentage points in the latest Rasmussen Reports poll of the Ohio Democratic Presidential Primary. Clinton currently earns 51% of the Buckeye State vote while Obama attracts 37%.

Clinton leads by seven points among men and eighteen points among women. She holds a solid lead among voters over 50.

In Ohio, Clinton is viewed favorably by 81%, Obama by 71%.

Seventy-eight percent (78%) of Likely Democratic Primary Voters say that Clinton would be at least somewhat likely to win the White House if nominated. Seventy-six percent (76%) say the same about Obama.

Fifty-three percent (53%) of Ohio voters name the economy as the top voting issue. Eighteen percent (18%) say it's the War in Iraq while 13% name Health Care issues as the top priority.

Ohio is one of two states that the Clinton campaign and many outside experts have deemed essential for the former First Lady to win is she is to have a chance of winning the Democratic Presidential nomination. Texas, which also votes on March 4, is the other. To improve her chances in these states, Clinton is hoping for a strong showing in Wisconsin where new polling data shows the race to be quite competitive.

In a stunning turn of events, the woman who was considered by many to be the inevitable nominee when the campaign season began now trails Obama nationally in the Rasmussen Reports daily Presidential Tracking Poll. Rasmussen Markets data suggests that Obama is now strongly favored to win the nomination. Recent state polls in Colorado and New Hampshire show that Obama performs better in general election match-ups against McCain. However, a recent Rasmussen Reports analysis suggests there is more to the question of which Democrat might fare better against McCain in the general election.

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Ohio Democratic Primary

Hillary Clinton	51%
Barack Obama	37%
Not Sure	12%