

Results of SurveyUSA Election Poll #13344



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No Big Weekend Bounce for Huckabee in Maryland; McCain Positioned for Comfortable Win -- 24 hours till votes are counted in the Maryland Republican Primary, John McCain leads Mike Huckabee 2:1, according to SurveyUSA's final pre-primary tracking poll, conducted exclusively for WJLA-TV Washington DC. The contest has tightened a bit over the weekend, but not as much as in neighboring Virginia, where Huckabee's momentum should make McCain take notice. In Maryland, today, it's McCain 52%, Huckabee 26%, Ron Paul 10%. Compared to an identical SurveyUSA poll released 72 hours ago, Huckabee is up 9, McCain is down 4. McCain had led by 39 points, now by 26. Though Huckabee has gained ground, McCain still leads among Conservatives, Pro-Life voters, and regular church goers -- groups that Huckabee would need to dominate if he were to challenge McCain in Maryland.

Filtering / Timing: 1,700 Maryland adults were interviewed by SurveyUSA 02/09/08 and 02/10/08. In the middle of the field period for this survey, Mike Huckabee won the Louisiana primary, won the Kansas caucus, and finished a strong 2nd in the WA state caucus. Any momentum Huckabee accrued from those wins would only partially be reflected in these interviews, half of which were completed before the results of the Saturday wins were known. Of the 1,700 adults interviewed, 1,528 were registered to vote. Of them, 368 were determined by SurveyUSA as likely to vote in the 02/12/08 Republican primary.

1 If the Republican Primary for President of the United States were today, would you vote for ...(names rotated) Mike Huckabee? John McCain? Ron Paul? Or some other Republican?

368 Likely Voters	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Race				Ideology		
		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	White	Black	Hispani	Other	Conser	Modera	Liberal
Margin of Sampling Error: +/-5.2%																
Huckabee	26%	24%	28%	25%	26%	26%	26%	26%	26%	25%	31%	52%	0%	33%	14%	24%
McCain	52%	52%	53%	57%	51%	48%	55%	53%	51%	55%	22%	39%	63%	45%	67%	43%
Paul	10%	11%	8%	11%	9%	11%	8%	10%	10%	10%	9%	8%	7%	8%	13%	6%
Other	8%	9%	6%	7%	6%	11%	9%	7%	10%	6%	31%	1%	19%	10%	3%	12%
Undecided	4%	3%	5%	0%	7%	5%	2%	4%	4%	4%	8%	0%	10%	3%	4%	15%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Likely Voters	100%	57%	43%	23%	38%	23%	16%	61%	39%	89%	7%	2%	2%	61%	26%	4%

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368 Likely Voters	All	Attend Religious Services			Abortion		Change Your Mi		Top Issue For Next President							
		Regular	Ocasio	Almost	Pro-life	Pro-cho	Could C	Mind M	Econo	Environ	Health	Iraq	Terroris	Social	Educati	Immigra
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Composition of Likely Voters	100%	53%	27%	20%	55%	43%	24%	75%	29%	4%	7%	13%	20%	1%	3%	17%

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Composition of Likely Voters	100%	4%	65%	31%

Statement of Methodology: The following statement conforms to the principles of disclosure of the National Council on Public Polls:How this poll was conducted: This SurveyUSA poll was conducted by telephone in the voice of a professional announcer. Respondent households were selected at random, using Random Digit Dialed (RDD) sample provided by Survey Sampling, of Fairfield CT. All respondents heard the questions asked identically. Within the report, you will find: the geography that was surveyed; the date(s) interviews were conducted and the news organization(s) that paid for the research. The number of respondents who answered each question and the margin of sampling error for each question are provided. Where necessary, responses were weighted according to age, gender, ethnic origin, geographical area and number of adults and number of voice telephone lines in the household, so that the sample would reflect the actual demographic proportions in the population, using most recent U.S.Census estimates. In theory, with the stated sample size, one can say with 95% certainty that the results would not vary by more than the stated margin of sampling error, in one direction or the other, had the entire universe of respondents been interviewed with complete accuracy. There are other possible sources of error in all surveys that may be more serious than theoretical calculations of sampling error. These include refusals to be interviewed, question wording and question order, weighting by demographic control data and the manner in which respondents are filtered (such as, determining who is a likely voter). It is difficult to quantify the errors that may result from these factors. Fieldwork for this survey was done by SurveyUSA of Verona, NJ.