

GALLUP NEWS SERVICE

2012 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION

Results are based on telephone interviews conducted September 25-26, 2010, on the Gallup Daily tracking survey, with a random sample of –2,020—adults, aged 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia, selected using random-digit dial sampling.

For results based on the total sample of national adults, one can say with 95% confidence that the margin of error is ± 3 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of –906—Republicans and Republican-leaning independents, the maximum margin of sampling error is ± 4 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of –859—Democrats and Democratic-leaning independents, the maximum margin of sampling error is ± 4 percentage points.

Interviews are conducted with respondents on landline telephones and cellular phones, with interviews conducted in Spanish for respondents who are primarily Spanish-speaking. Each daily sample includes a minimum quota of 150 cell phone respondents and 850 landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas among landline respondents for gender within region. Landline respondents are chosen at random within each household on the basis of which member had the most recent birthday.

Samples are weighted by gender, age, race, Hispanic ethnicity, education, region, adults in the household, cell phone only status, cell phone mostly status and phone lines. Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2009 Current Population Survey figures for the age 18+ non-institutionalized population living in U.S. telephone households. All reported margins of sampling error include the computed design effects for weighting and sample design.

Question(s) were asked of a random half-sample on two nights' of the Gallup Daily tracking survey.

In addition to sampling error, question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of public opinion polls.

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1. *(Asked of Republicans and Republican-leaning independents)* Next, I'm going to read a list of people who may be running in the Republican primaries for president in the 2012 election. After I read all the names, please tell me which of those candidates you would be most likely to support for the Republican nomination for President in 2012, or if you would support someone else. [RANDOM ORDER: Mississippi governor, Haley Barbour; Indiana governor, Mitch Daniels; Former speaker of the House, Newt Gingrich; former Arkansas governor, Mike Huckabee; former New Mexico governor, Gary Johnson; former Alaska governor, Sarah Palin; Texas Congressman, Ron Paul; Minnesota governor, Tim Pawlenty; Indiana Congressman, Mike Pence; former Massachusetts governor, Mitt Romney; former Pennsylvania senator, Rick Santorum; South Dakota senator, John Thune]

BASED ON -906—REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN-LEANING INDEPENDENTS

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Mitt Romney	19
Sarah Palin	16
Mike Huckabee	12
Newt Gingrich	9
Ron Paul	7
Tim Pawlenty	3
Haley Barbour	3
Rick Santorum	2
John Thune	2
Mitch Daniels	2
Mike Pence	1
Chris Christie (vol.)	1
Gary Johnson	1
Other	4
Any/all (vol.)	1
None (vol.)	7
No opinion	11