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**OBAMA LEADS McCAIN IN FLORIDA, OHIO, PENNSYLVANIA,  
QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY SWING STATE POLL FINDS;  
CLINTON ON THE TICKET DOES NOT HELP DEMS**

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**FLORIDA: Obama 47 - McCain 43;  
OHIO: Obama 48 - McCain 42;  
PENNSYLVANIA: Obama 52 - McCain 40**

With strong support from women, blacks and younger voters, Illinois Sen. Barack Obama, the apparent Democratic presidential contender, leads Arizona Sen. John McCain, expected to be the Republican candidate, among likely voters in Florida, Ohio and Pennsylvania, according to simultaneous Quinnipiac University Swing State polls released today.

This is the first time Sen. Obama has led in all three states. No one has been elected President since 1960 without taking two of these three largest swing states in the Electoral College. Results from the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University polls show:

- Florida: Obama edges McCain 47 – 43 percent;
- Ohio: Obama tops McCain 48 – 42 percent;
- Pennsylvania: Obama leads McCain 52 – 40 percent.

In the three states, Obama leads McCain 10 to 23 percentage points among women, while men are too close to call. The Democrat trails among white voters in Florida and Ohio, but gets more than 90 percent of black voters in each state. He also has double-digit leads among young voters in each state.

“Finally getting Sen. Hillary Clinton out of the race has been a big boost for Sen. Barack Obama. He now leads in all three of the major swing states, although his margins in Florida and Ohio are small,” said Peter A. Brown, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Polling Institute.

“Sen. Obama is certainly not out of the woods, but these results are a good indication that he enters the summer slightly ahead in the race to be the next president.”

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While Democrats support the idea, independent voters in each state say Obama should not choose Sen. Clinton as his vice presidential running mate. Results are:

- Florida: Democrats want Clinton on the ticket 57 – 33 percent while Republicans are opposed 59 – 17 percent and independents oppose it 46 – 37 percent;
- Ohio: Democrats want Clinton for Vice President 58 – 31 percent, but Republicans say no 60 – 19 percent and independents turn thumbs down 47 – 31 percent;
- Pennsylvania: Democrats say yes to Clinton 60 – 31 percent, while Republicans say no 63 – 20 percent and independents nix the idea 49 – 36 percent.

“If Sen. Obama seriously is thinking about picking Sen. Clinton as his running mate, these numbers might cause him to reconsider. The people who really matter come November – independent voters – turn thumbs down on the idea. And, many say they are less likely to vote for him if he puts her on the ticket,” Brown added.

“One in five voters say McCain’s age is a reason to vote against him. But overwhelmingly they don’t see Obama’s race as a factor at all – indicating that Americans are either much less concerned with race, or just don’t want to tell callers what they really think on the subject.”

President Bush’s approval ratings are:

- 27 – 66 percent in Florida;
- 22 – 71 percent in Ohio;
- 24 – 72 percent in Pennsylvania.

Fifty to 58 percent of voters in each state list the economy as the most important issue in deciding how they will vote.

By almost 2 – 1 margins in each state, voters say going to war in Iraq was wrong. But they split between Obama’s plan to withdraw U.S. troops under a fixed timetable and McCain’s plan to keep troops there until the situation stabilizes and then withdraw without a set schedule.

“The only good news for McCain in these numbers is that despite voters’ views on the war, he is holding his own with them about where to go from here,” said Brown.

### **Florida**

Florida women likely voters back Obama 50 – 40 percent, while men go 47 percent for McCain and 44 percent for Obama. White voters back McCain 50 – 40 percent while black voters back Obama 95 – 4 percent. Obama leads 57 – 35 percent with voters 18 to 34 years old; he splits 48 – 46 percent with McCain among voters 35 to 54, and 44 – 46 percent with voters over 55.

Thirteen percent of those who voted for President Bush in 2004 now support Obama. And 19 percent of those who backed Clinton in the primaries now support McCain.

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Obama gets a 48 – 33 percent favorability rating, with 47 – 35 percent for McCain.

While 23 percent of Florida voters say they are less likely to vote for McCain because of his age, 73 percent say it doesn't matter. Obama's race won't affect their vote 88 percent say.

A total of 86 percent of Florida likely voters say the vice presidential candidate is "very important" or "somewhat important" to their vote. Looking at native sons, voters say:

- 15 – 8 percent that they would be less likely to vote Democratic if Sen. Bill Nelson is on the ticket, with 69 percent who say it won't affect their vote;
- 21 – 16 percent that they would be less likely to vote Republican if Gov. Charlie Crist is the vice presidential candidate, while 58 percent say it won't make a difference.

"Picking a Floridian for vice president apparently won't help either nominee carry the state's 27 electoral votes," said Brown.

### **Ohio**

Obama leads 51 – 39 percent among Ohio women likely voters, while men go 46 percent for McCain and 45 percent for Obama. White voters also are narrowly divided with 47 percent for McCain and 44 percent for Obama, but Obama commands black voters 90 – 6 percent. The Democrat also leads 58 – 36 percent among voters 18 to 34 and 49 – 42 percent among voters 35 to 54, while McCain has the 47 – 43 percent edge among voters over 55.

Again, 13 percent of those who voted for Bush in 2004 now back Obama, while 25 percent of those who backed Clinton in the primaries now support McCain.

Voters give Obama a 52 – 29 percent favorability, with 46 – 33 percent for McCain.

Because of his age, 22 percent of Ohio voters say they are less likely to vote for McCain, while 75 percent say it doesn't matter. Obama's race won't affect their vote, 89 percent say.

While 85 percent of Ohio voters say the vice presidential selection is "very important" or "somewhat important" to their votes, native sons do not fare well. Voters say:

- 17 – 11 percent that they are less likely to vote Democratic if Gov. Ted Strickland is the running mate, while 68 percent say it won't make a difference;
- 10 – 5 percent that they are less likely to vote Republican if Sen. Rob Portman is the vice presidential candidate, while 78 percent say it won't make a difference.

"Although he still trails among white working-class voters, Sen. Obama is within hailing distance among them and doing well enough that if he keeps the same level of support through November he's likely to carry Ohio," Brown said.

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**Pennsylvania**

Obama tops McCain 57 – 34 percent with women as men go 47 percent for McCain to 45 percent for Obama. Obama leads 61 – 33 percent among voters 18 to 34 years old, 51 – 41 percent among voters 35 to 54 and 48 – 43 percent with voters over 55. The Democrat inches ahead 47 – 44 percent among white voters and leads among black voters 95 – 1 percent.

Obama gets a 54 – 25 percent favorability, to 43 – 33 percent for McCain.

Nineteen percent of the people who voted for Bush in 2004 now back Obama, while 24 percent of the voters who supported Clinton in the primaries now back McCain.

McCain’s age will not affect their vote, 73 percent say, while 24 percent say they are less likely to vote for him because of his age. Obama’s race will not affect their vote, 88 percent say.

A total of 87 percent of Pennsylvania likely voters say the vice presidential candidate is “very important” or “somewhat” important in their November vote. But looking at some choices, voters say:

- 25 – 16 percent that they would be less likely to vote Democratic if Gov. Ed Rendell is on the ticket, while 56 percent say it won’t make a difference;
- Split 18 – 18 percent on whether they would be more likely to vote for McCain if he is running with Tom Ridge, while 62 percent say it doesn’t make a difference.

“Pennsylvania continues to be the most Democratic of the three states, the state where Sen. Barack Obama does best overall and the only state where he leads, however slightly, among white voters,” said Clay F. Richards, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Polling Institute.

“The long spring primary season appears to have hardened the battle lines, with more than 75 percent of the voters in each state saying they have made up their minds on how they will vote in the Fall.”

From June 9 – 16, Quinnipiac University surveyed:

- 1,453 Florida likely voters with a margin of error of +/- 2.6 percent;
- 1,396 Ohio likely voters with a margin of error of +/- 2.6 percent;
- 1,511 Pennsylvania likely voters with a margin of error of +/- 2.5 percent.

The Quinnipiac University Poll, directed by Douglas Schwartz, Ph.D., conducts public opinion surveys in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Florida, Ohio and nationwide as a public service and for research.

**For more data -- <http://www.quinnipiac.edu/polling.xml>, or call (203) 582-5201.**

1. If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were Barack Obama the Democrat and John McCain the Republican, for whom would you vote? (If undecided q1) As of today, do you lean more toward Obama or McCain? This table includes "Leaners".

**FLORIDA**

	LIKELY VOTERS.....								
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Obama	47%	11%	82%	47%	44%	50%	40%	95%	52%
McCain	43	85	12	37	47	40	50	4	42
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	1	1	4	2	1	2	-	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DK/NA	8	3	6	12	7	8	9	1	5

	IMP	ISSUE	Q4	North/	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
	War	Econ	North/	Bay					
Obama	61%	55%	35%	51%	39%	48%	61%		
McCain	32	36	56	38	52	42	31		
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	2	2	3	2	1	-		
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
DK/NA	6	8	6	8	7	10	8		

	AGE IN YRS.....			WHITES.....					
	18-34	35-54	55+	NoColl Degree	College Degree	Men	Wom	BrnAgn Evngl	Cath
Obama	57%	48%	44%	38%	44%	38%	41%	22%	38%
McCain	35	46	46	50	48	52	48	66	52
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	4	1	1	2	2	2	2	4	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DK/NA	4	5	9	10	6	8	10	8	9

	PresVt2004..	CongVt2008..	DemPrim2008..	BushJobAppQ14				
	Bush	Kerry	Rep	Dem	Clinton	Obama	App	Dis
Obama	13%	82%	9%	81%	71%	97%	8%	66%
McCain	80	9	87	14	19	3	87	24
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	2	1	1	2	-	1	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DK/NA	6	7	3	4	7	1	4	8

**TREND:** If the 2008 election for President were being held today, and the candidates were Barack Obama the Democrat and John McCain the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	REGISTERED VOTERS.....						
	Jun 18 2008	May 22 2008	May 1 2008	Apr 2 2008	Feb 14 2008	Oct 25 2007	Oct 10 2007
Obama	42	41	43	37	39	42	39
McCain	39	45	44	46	41	42	41
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	3	2	1	3	4	3	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	4	4	6	4	5	6
DK/NA	14	8	8	9	12	9	11

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OHIO	LIKELY VOTERS.....								
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Obama	48%	7%	80%	43%	45%	51%	44%	90%	52%
McCain	42	87	13	45	46	39	47	6	39
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	-	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DK/NA	7	4	5	11	7	8	8	4	8

	IMP ISSUE Q4								
	War	Econ	Cntrl	NrthE	NrthW	SthE	SthW	WstCnt	
Obama	48%	55%	46%	53%	48%	39%	49%	44%	
McCain	40	37	45	36	40	54	46	49	
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	4	1	3	2	1	-	1	2	
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
DK/NA	8	7	6	9	11	7	4	5	

	WHITES.....									
	AGE IN YRS.....			NoColl	College			BrnAgn		
	18-34	35-54	55+	Degree	Degree	Men	Wom	Evngl	Cath	
Obama	58%	49%	43%	43%	45%	42%	46%	35%	45%	
McCain	36	42	47	46	50	49	44	55	47	
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	-	2	2	3	1	2	2	3	1	
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
DK/NA	6	6	8	8	5	7	8	7	7	

	PresVt2004..		CongVt2008..		DemPrim2008..		BushJobAppQ14	
	Bush	Kerry	Rep	Dem	Clintn	Obama	App	Dis
Obama	13%	78%	9%	75%	63%	89%	8%	65%
McCain	80	13	85	16	25	8	85	26
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	3	2	3	3	-	-	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DK/NA	6	6	4	6	9	3	7	7

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	REGISTERED VOTERS.....							
	Jun 18 2008	May 22 2008	May 1 2008	Apr 2 2008	Feb 14 2008	Oct 10 2007	Sep 6 2007	
Obama	42	40	42	43	40	43	41	
McCain	38	44	43	42	42	39	42	
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	3	2	2	2	3	3	3	
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	3	5	5	5	5	4	5	
DK/NA	15	9	8	8	10	10	10	

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**PENNSYLVANIA**

LIKELY VOTERS.....

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Obama	52%	16%	78%	50%	45%	57%	47%	95%	51%
McCain	40	79	14	39	47	34	44	1	41
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	-	2	2	2	1	2	-	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DK/NA	7	5	6	8	6	8	7	4	6

IMP ISSUE Q4

	War	Econ	Algny	Phily	NEast	SEast	NWest	SWest	Cntrl
Obama	59%	56%	51%	77%	46%	54%	45%	46%	46%
McCain	30	37	40	18	42	39	46	44	46
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	3	1	3	-	2	1	2	2	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DK/NA	9	6	6	5	10	7	8	7	6

WHITES.....

	AGE IN YRS.....			NoColl Degree	College Degree	Men	Wom	BrnAgn Evngl	Cath
	18-34	35-54	55+						
Obama	61%	51%	48%	47%	48%	41%	53%	34%	45%
McCain	33	41	43	44	45	51	38	58	45
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	3	1	2	1	2	2	1	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DK/NA	5	5	8	7	5	6	7	7	8

PresVt2004.. CongVt2008.. DemPrim2008.. BushJobAppQ14

	Bush	Kerry	Rep	Dem	Clinton	Obama	App	Dis
Obama	19%	83%	18%	73%	66%	93%	12%	66%
McCain	74	11	77	18	24	5	81	26
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	2	1	2	4	-	1	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DK/NA	6	5	5	7	7	1	6	6

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REGISTERED VOTERS.....

	Jun 18 2008	May 22 2008	May 1 2008	Apr 2 2008	Feb 27 2008	Feb 14 2008	Oct 10 2007
Obama	45	46	47	43	42	42	45
McCain	36	40	38	39	40	41	41
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	3	2	2	2	1	1	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	5	4	4	4	4	4
DK/NA	14	8	9	11	12	11	8

1a. (If candidate choice given q1) Is your mind made up, or do you think you might change your mind before the election?

FL	CANDIDATE CHOICE GIVEN		
	Tot	Obama	McCain
Made up	79%	79%	79%
Might change	19	19	19
DK/NA	2	2	3

  

OH	CANDIDATE CHOICE GIVEN		
	Tot	Obama	McCain
Made up	77%	81%	73%
Might change	21	18	24
DK/NA	2	1	3

  

PA	CANDIDATE CHOICE GIVEN		
	Tot	Obama	McCain
Made up	75%	75%	74%
Might change	24	24	24
DK/NA	1	1	1

2. Is your opinion of -- Barack Obama favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

FL	LIKELY VOTERS.....								
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Favorable	48%	21%	75%	47%	45%	51%	41%	83%	50%
Unfavorable	33	61	11	29	38	27	38	5	28
Hvn't hrd enough	15	15	11	21	13	18	16	9	19
REFUSED	4	3	3	3	3	4	4	3	2

  

OH	LIKELY VOTERS.....								
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Favorable	52%	23%	74%	49%	51%	53%	48%	87%	54%
Unfavorable	29	58	12	25	34	24	32	3	27
Hvn't hrd enough	16	15	11	22	14	18	17	11	15
REFUSED	3	3	3	3	2	4	3	-	3

  

PA	LIKELY VOTERS.....								
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Favorable	54%	29%	70%	55%	48%	59%	50%	92%	52%
Unfavorable	25	47	12	23	32	20	27	2	24
Hvn't hrd enough	18	21	15	21	18	18	20	4	23
REFUSED	3	3	3	2	2	3	3	3	2

3. Is your opinion of -- John McCain favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

LIKELY VOTERS.....

FL	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Favorable	47%	78%	24%	41%	52%	42%	52%	10%	46%
Unfavorable	35	11	56	39	36	35	32	63	40
Hvn't hrd enough	13	9	15	16	8	18	12	20	12
REFUSED	4	2	5	4	4	5	4	7	3

  

OH	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Favorable	46%	74%	29%	45%	51%	41%	50%	18%	42%
Unfavorable	33	12	50	29	33	34	31	57	39
Hvn't hrd enough	18	13	18	22	14	22	17	24	16
REFUSED	3	2	3	3	2	3	3	1	3

  

PA	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Favorable	43%	70%	22%	46%	48%	38%	45%	18%	37%
Unfavorable	33	10	53	28	30	36	31	53	37
Hvn't hrd enough	21	17	22	24	18	23	21	27	24
REFUSED	3	3	3	2	3	3	2	2	1

4. Which of the following will be the single most important issue in your vote in the election for President this year? (READ OPTIONS)

LIKELY VOTERS.....

FL	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Terrorism	9%	20%	3%	7%	11%	8%	10%	6%	8%
The war in Iraq	18	14	22	20	19	17	19	17	19
The economy	53	42	60	55	51	55	52	61	60
Illegal immigration	5	9	1	6	5	5	6	-	5
Health care	7	4	11	5	6	8	6	8	2
SOMETHING ELSE (VOL)	4	7	2	2	4	4	3	4	4
DK/NA	3	3	1	4	3	3	3	5	3

OH	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Terrorism	6%	14%	1%	5%	6%	5%	6%	-	4%
The war in Iraq	16	13	18	16	15	16	17	10	15
The economy	58	52	62	60	57	59	56	73	61
Illegal immigration	3	6	1	2	4	2	3	-	3
Health care	12	9	15	9	11	12	11	16	12
SOMETHING ELSE (VOL)	3	2	1	4	3	3	3	-	2
DK/NA	4	5	2	4	4	3	4	1	4

PA	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Terrorism	7%	13%	4%	7%	9%	6%	8%	4%	7%
The war in Iraq	20	17	21	21	18	22	20	17	19
The economy	50	49	54	48	52	49	51	49	54
Illegal immigration	4	7	1	6	6	3	4	-	4
Health care	12	9	16	10	9	14	11	28	10
SOMETHING ELSE (VOL)	4	4	2	5	3	4	3	3	4
DK/NA	2	1	2	3	3	2	2	-	2

5. If elected, John McCain would be the first person to become President at age 72 - Does that make you more likely to vote for McCain, less likely to vote for McCain, or doesn't it make a difference?

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
FL	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
More likely	3%	5%	2%	3%	4%	2%	3%	1%	1%
Less likely	23	7	36	25	23	22	21	36	24
Doesn't make diff	73	87	61	71	72	74	75	62	75
DK/NA	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-

  

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
OH	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
More likely	2%	3%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	-	1%
Less likely	22	7	34	20	21	23	20	38	26
Doesn't make diff	75	90	65	77	76	74	77	62	71
DK/NA	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

  

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
PA	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
More likely	2%	4%	-	1%	2%	1%	2%	-	1%
Less likely	24	10	34	23	19	28	22	42	24
Doesn't make diff	73	85	64	76	78	69	75	56	74
DK/NA	1	1	2	-	1	2	1	2	-

6. If elected, Barack Obama would be the first African-American President. Does that make you more likely to vote for Obama, less likely to vote for Obama, or doesn't it make a difference?

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
FL	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
More likely	5%	2%	9%	5%	5%	5%	3%	16%	4%
Less likely	5	9	3	3	5	5	6	-	4
Doesn't make diff	88	88	87	90	88	89	90	84	92
DK/NA	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	1	1

  

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
OH	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
More likely	5%	1%	7%	4%	6%	3%	3%	16%	5%
Less likely	6	8	5	5	6	5	6	-	9
Doesn't make diff	89	90	87	91	87	90	90	84	85
DK/NA	1	1	1	-	1	1	1	-	1

  

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
PA	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
More likely	5%	-	11%	2%	5%	5%	3%	31%	4%
Less likely	5	6	5	3	6	3	5	1	6
Doesn't make diff	88	92	82	95	86	90	90	68	88
DK/NA	2	2	2	-	2	1	2	-	2

7. In deciding your vote for president how important is the vice-presidential candidate - Very important, somewhat important, not too important or not important at all?

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
FL									
Very important	49%	43%	57%	44%	41%	56%	46%	58%	55%
Smwht important	37	40	31	43	39	35	40	33	33
Not too important	9	11	8	8	13	5	10	7	7
Not important at all	4	4	3	5	6	2	3	2	4
DK/NA	1	2	1	-	1	1	1	-	1
OH									
Very important	46%	45%	49%	44%	41%	50%	44%	55%	45%
Smwht important	39	41	37	40	39	39	40	37	42
Not too important	11	12	11	9	14	7	11	5	10
Not important at all	4	2	3	5	5	2	4	3	2
DK/NA	1	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	1
PA									
Very important	46%	42%	52%	41%	41%	51%	45%	57%	42%
Smwht important	41	46	38	40	41	41	42	35	47
Not too important	10	9	8	14	13	7	10	3	8
Not important at all	3	3	2	5	5	1	3	4	3
DK/NA	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	1

8. Would you like Barack Obama to pick Hillary Clinton to be his Vice-Presidential running mate or not?

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
FL									
Yes	37%	17%	57%	37%	29%	44%	33%	50%	45%
No	45	59	33	46	52	39	49	38	37
DK/NA	17	24	10	17	18	17	19	11	18
OH									
Yes	40%	19%	58%	31%	34%	45%	38%	53%	43%
No	43	60	31	47	48	37	43	38	39
DK/NA	18	21	11	22	18	18	19	9	18
PA									
Yes	41%	20%	60%	36%	35%	47%	40%	52%	44%
No	45	63	31	49	50	41	46	36	46
DK/NA	14	17	10	15	15	13	14	11	10

9. If Barack Obama chooses Hillary Clinton to be his vice-presidential running mate, would that make you more likely to vote for Obama, less likely to vote for Obama, or doesn't it make a difference?

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
FL	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
More likely	21%	7%	34%	22%	14%	27%	20%	18%	28%
Less likely	19	36	5	18	24	14	22	2	15
Doesn't make diff	56	52	60	56	57	55	55	77	55
DK/NA	4	5	2	5	5	4	4	4	2
OH	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
More likely	23%	7%	37%	15%	19%	26%	22%	29%	22%
Less likely	20	41	5	25	25	16	22	7	21
Doesn't make diff	55	50	56	58	55	55	54	63	55
DK/NA	2	2	1	2	1	4	2	1	3
PA	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
More likely	25%	9%	39%	21%	18%	31%	24%	30%	31%
Less likely	21	40	5	27	23	19	23	4	16
Doesn't make diff	52	49	54	51	57	47	50	66	50
DK/NA	2	2	1	1	1	2	2	-	3

10. If Barack Obama chooses (Bill Nelson, Ted Strickland, Ed Rendell) to be his vice-presidential running mate, would that make you more likely to vote for Obama, less likely to vote for Obama, or doesn't it make a difference?

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
FL - Bill Nelson	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
More likely	8%	6%	11%	9%	9%	8%	9%	5%	8%
Less likely	15	12	16	17	15	14	14	11	13
Doesn't make diff	69	75	66	67	71	68	70	80	70
DK/NA	7	7	7	6	5	10	6	4	9
OH - Ted Strickland	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
More likely	11%	9%	12%	13%	12%	10%	12%	3%	12%
Less likely	17	18	16	18	19	15	16	16	16
Doesn't make diff	68	70	69	64	68	69	68	78	69
DK/NA	4	3	3	5	1	6	4	3	3
PA - Ed Rendell	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
More likely	16%	12%	19%	16%	15%	16%	15%	18%	16%
Less likely	25	36	19	25	27	24	27	19	25
Doesn't make diff	56	49	61	56	56	56	56	61	57
DK/NA	3	2	2	3	2	3	3	3	1

11. If John McCain chooses (Charlie Crist, Rob Portman, Tom Ridge) to be his vice-presidential running mate, would that make you more likely to vote for McCain, less likely to vote for McCain, or doesn't it make a difference?

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
FL - Charlie Crist	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
More likely	16%	26%	9%	15%	17%	15%	19%	5%	19%
Less likely	21	14	24	22	22	20	20	25	20
Doesn't make diff	58	55	62	60	56	61	58	67	58
DK/NA	5	5	4	3	5	4	4	2	3

  

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
OH - Rob Portman	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
More likely	5%	12%	2%	4%	7%	3%	5%	3%	6%
Less likely	10	6	13	9	11	9	10	12	12
Doesn't make diff	78	73	80	79	77	80	78	83	76
DK/NA	7	8	5	7	5	8	7	2	6

  

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
PA - Tom Ridge	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
More likely	18%	37%	7%	15%	20%	16%	19%	2%	18%
Less likely	18	8	25	20	19	18	17	27	20
Doesn't make diff	62	53	65	63	60	63	62	64	61
DK/NA	3	2	3	2	2	3	2	7	-

12. If Hillary Clinton becomes Vice-President, do you think she would enthusiastically promote Barack Obama's agenda at the expense of her own ideas or not?

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
FL	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Yes	40%	26%	55%	38%	36%	44%	37%	50%	50%
No	42	58	29	43	47	38	46	32	32
DK/NA	18	16	17	20	17	18	17	18	18

  

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
OH	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Yes	44%	30%	57%	40%	44%	44%	42%	60%	44%
No	40	52	29	44	42	37	41	31	44
DK/NA	16	18	13	15	14	19	17	10	11

  

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
PA	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Yes	47%	38%	58%	42%	42%	51%	46%	49%	54%
No	39	52	27	44	47	33	41	31	38
DK/NA	14	10	15	14	11	16	13	20	8

13. If Hillary Clinton becomes Vice-President, do you think Bill Clinton would be a problem to the Obama administration or not?

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
FL									
Yes	43%	62%	28%	41%	48%	38%	47%	38%	43%
No	48	26	66	49	41	54	45	54	50
DK/NA	9	12	6	10	11	8	8	8	7
OH									
Yes	38%	63%	25%	36%	39%	37%	39%	32%	34%
No	56	29	70	58	56	56	55	62	61
DK/NA	7	8	5	6	5	8	7	6	5
PA									
Yes	42%	62%	28%	42%	46%	38%	42%	42%	35%
No	53	33	68	53	50	56	53	58	62
DK/NA	5	5	4	5	5	5	5	1	3

14. Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as President?

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
FL									
Approve	27%	60%	6%	17%	31%	24%	30%	12%	29%
Disapprove	66	33	91	75	62	70	64	79	66
DK/NA	6	8	3	8	7	6	6	9	5
OH									
Approve	22%	57%	4%	18%	23%	21%	24%	5%	16%
Disapprove	71	34	93	72	71	71	69	93	76
DK/NA	7	9	3	9	6	8	7	1	8
PA									
Approve	24%	52%	6%	19%	26%	21%	25%	3%	18%
Disapprove	72	41	92	75	69	74	70	97	77
DK/NA	5	6	2	7	5	5	5	-	5

15. In general, how satisfied are you with the way things are going in the nation today? Are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
FL	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Very satisfied	2%	5%	1%	1%	3%	1%	2%	-	1%
Smwht satisfied	15	30	4	12	17	14	17	6	15
Smwht dissatisfied	26	42	17	21	27	26	28	22	23
Very dissatisfied	55	22	78	64	51	59	53	72	61
DK/NA	1	1	-	1	2	-	1	-	-

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
OH	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Very satisfied	2%	5%	1%	1%	3%	2%	2%	-	1%
Smwht satisfied	15	36	3	12	17	13	16	3	8
Smwht dissatisfied	25	35	16	28	23	27	26	20	25
Very dissatisfied	57	24	79	58	56	58	55	77	65
DK/NA	1	-	-	1	1	1	1	-	1

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
PA	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Very satisfied	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	-	1%
Smwht satisfied	15	34	5	11	17	14	16	2	13
Smwht dissatisfied	27	36	18	34	29	25	29	10	24
Very dissatisfied	56	26	77	54	53	59	53	88	62
DK/NA	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

16. Do you think going to war with Iraq was the right thing for the United States to do or the wrong thing?

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
FL	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Right thing	34%	71%	7%	27%	39%	29%	38%	11%	31%
Wrong thing	59	21	89	64	53	63	54	86	65
DK/NA	8	8	4	9	8	7	8	4	4

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
OH	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Right thing	33%	70%	9%	35%	37%	29%	34%	16%	28%
Wrong thing	60	21	88	55	57	63	58	84	65
DK/NA	7	10	3	11	6	8	8	-	7

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
PA	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
Right thing	32%	63%	13%	26%	39%	26%	35%	6%	37%
Wrong thing	62	30	82	67	56	67	59	93	60
DK/NA	6	6	5	8	5	7	6	1	3

17. Regardless of how you intend to vote, what would you prefer the next president do about the war in Iraq - (Option order rotated)

- A. Begin immediately a withdrawal of American troops with a fixed date to have them all out within 18 months. OR
- B. Keep troops in Iraq until the situation is more stable and then begin to withdraw them without a fixed date for full withdrawal?

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
FL									
A. Begin immediate withdrawal/18 mos	46%	19%	66%	52%	40%	51%	41%	68%	54%
B. Stay until stable/No fixed dates	48	74	29	42	54	42	53	28	42
DK/NA	7	7	4	6	6	7	6	4	3
OH									
A. Begin immediate withdrawal/18 mos	42%	21%	60%	36%	36%	47%	40%	65%	46%
B. Stay until stable/No fixed dates	53	77	35	57	59	47	55	34	49
DK/NA	6	2	6	7	5	6	5	1	5
PA									
A. Begin immediate withdrawal/18 mos	49%	21%	69%	48%	41%	55%	46%	78%	50%
B. Stay until stable/No fixed dates	47	75	27	47	54	40	50	21	44
DK/NA	5	4	4	5	5	5	5	2	6

18. Which best describes your family's financial situation - Getting ahead, falling behind or holding steady?

LIKELY VOTERS.....									
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
FL									
Getting ahead	13%	16%	10%	12%	17%	9%	12%	17%	15%
Falling behind	24	11	30	30	20	27	23	24	19
Holding steady	61	70	58	56	59	62	64	55	66
DK/NA	2	2	2	2	3	1	1	4	-
OH									
Getting ahead	12%	17%	10%	8%	14%	10%	12%	7%	11%
Falling behind	28	12	37	29	26	30	26	41	29
Holding steady	60	70	53	62	60	60	62	51	59
DK/NA	1	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-
PA									
Getting ahead	12%	16%	10%	8%	13%	11%	12%	13%	8%
Falling behind	25	18	29	30	23	28	25	35	28
Holding steady	61	65	60	61	64	60	62	51	63
DK/NA	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	2	1

19. As you think about your own financial situation, which of the following economic issues worries you the most right now --

- A. Declining retirement fund values
- B. Declining real estate values
- C. Rising health care costs
- D. Rising gasoline prices
- E. Rising food prices

LIKELY VOTERS.....

FL	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
A. Retirement funds	7%	8%	6%	8%	6%	8%	9%	6%	7%
B. Real estate val	9	11	7	12	12	8	10	9	9
C. Health care cost	15	12	19	12	13	16	16	14	9
D. Gasoline prices	48	52	43	51	51	46	48	45	59
E. Food prices	13	12	17	10	11	15	11	14	11
DK/NA	7	5	7	8	7	8	7	12	5

OH	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
A. Retirement funds	9%	8%	9%	11%	9%	10%	9%	9%	11%
B. Real estate val	6	6	6	4	7	4	5	8	5
C. Health care cost	18	15	21	17	19	18	19	19	19
D. Gasoline prices	50	55	49	46	49	51	50	42	51
E. Food prices	12	10	12	15	11	13	12	17	10
DK/NA	5	6	3	6	6	4	5	5	4

PA	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Union HsHlds
A. Retirement funds	9%	10%	7%	10%	9%	8%	10%	1%	9%
B. Real estate val	4	4	4	3	3	4	4	5	2
C. Health care cost	18	15	19	19	16	19	17	25	14
D. Gasoline prices	52	56	50	50	54	50	52	40	58
E. Food prices	14	11	15	14	13	14	13	28	13
DK/NA	5	4	4	4	5	4	4	2	4