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UMass Lowell/7News Tracking Poll of New Hampshire Voters Release 3

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Field Dates: 1/31/16-2/2/16

N=1410 New Hampshire Registered Voters (RVs)

N=502 Republican Primary Likely Voters (LVs); N=415 Democratic Primary Likely Voters
Adjusted Margin of Error: +/- 2.92% for all RVs; +/-4.83% for Rep LVs; +/-5.38% for Dem LVs

Margins of error have been adjusted to include for design effects resulting from weighting and survey design features.

Methodology in Brief

Data collection by live interviewers from Abt SRBI, Inc. This is a probability sample of 1410 New Hampshire Registered Voters (RVs) collected using an overlapping dual-frame random digit dial design with a 50% landline/50% cell phone target split (actual split was 53% LL/47% Cell). Using the model detailed on page two, we classified 502 RVs as Republican Likely Voters (LVs) and 415 as Democratic LVs.

The data were first weighted to address the imbalance that occurs because some respondents have a greater probability of being included in the frame if they have multiple landlines or both a landline and a cellular number. To ensure a representative sample, we collected demographic data on all respondents who were residents of New Hampshire and at least 18 years of age (including non-registered voters) so that our overall sample can be weighted to data on age by gender, education, and race from the 2014 American Community Survey for New Hampshire. The youngest male/female method was used for in-household selection.

UMass Lowell is a public institution and releases surveys as a source of public information. We report our questionnaire in our topline document, which includes likely voter model questions and wording. We offer a complete methodology report, as well an extensive set of crosstabs. Our goal is complete transparency in the reporting of our findings. If there is something in the release you do not see, please contact Dr. Joshua J. Dyck (joshua_dyck@uml.edu; [@drjjdyck](#)).

* indicates <0.5%; some numbers do not sum to 100 due to rounding

LIKELY VOTER MODEL (Asked of all RVs)

Q3 As you know, the primary election for U.S. President will be held in New Hampshire on Tuesday, February 9th. How closely are you following news about candidates running for President—very closely, somewhat closely, just a bit, or haven't you really been following it much at all?

53% Very closely
33 Somewhat closely
9 Just a bit
5 Haven't really been following it much at all
* (VOL) Don't know/no answer

Q4 How often would you say that you vote when there's a Presidential primary election – always, almost always, just sometimes, hardly ever, or never? If you have just registered to vote for the first time, please tell me.

71% Always
14 Almost always
5 Just sometimes
2 Hardly ever
3 Never
5 Just registered to vote for first time
* (VOL) Don't know/no answer

Q5 Many people don't vote when there's an election. At this point, would you say you'll definitely NOT vote New Hampshire Presidential primary election, PROBABLY NOT vote, may or may not vote depending upon how you feel at the time, PROBABLY vote, or DEFINITELY vote in the New Hampshire Presidential primary election? If you have already voted or early voted, just tell me.

7% Definitely not vote
1 Probably not vote
4 May or may not vote
9 Probably vote
76 Definitely vote
2 Already voted
* (VOL) Don't know/No Answer

Likely voters are defined as those who are following news of the election “very closely” or “somewhat closely” (Q3=1,2), “always” or “almost always” vote when there's an election (Q4=1,2), and say that they “definitely will vote,” or have “already voted” in the election (Q5=5,6). Voters who have just registered (Q4=6) are also defined as likely voters if they “definitely will vote,” or have “already voted” in the election (Q5=5,6) and are following news of the election “very closely” (Q3=1). Independent registrants who don't know or refuse to state which ballot they will take are also screened out.

Out of 1410 RVs, 502 are defined as Republican Likely Voters and 415 are defined as Democratic Likely Voters.

ALLOCATING INDEPENDENTS

All registered Republicans and Democrats were asked the trial heat questions in Q7 and Q8 on the next few pages (we use the Likely Voter Model on Page two to distinguish between RVs and LVs). However, we created an additional screen for those who are not registered with a political party.

Q6a Those not registered with a political party have the option to take either the Republican or Democratic ballot. Which ballot would you take -- The Democratic ballot or the Republican ballot?

OR

[For those who indicated “already vote” in Q5]

Q6b Those not registered with a political party have the option to take either the Republican or Democratic ballot. Which ballot did you take -- The Democratic ballot or the Republican ballot?

33%	Democratic
40	Republican
28	(VOL) Don't know/No answer/ Neither ballot/Will not vote

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY (N=442 LVs)

Q7 If the NEW HAMPSHIRE DEMOCRATIC PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY was being held today would you vote for [RANDOMIZE ORDER: Hillary Clinton, Bernie Sanders, or Martin O'Malley]?

Q7a Do you lean more towards...[order as Q7]? [if DK/NA/REF]

Q7b. Did you vote for [RANDOMIZE ORDER: Hillary Clinton, Bernie Sanders or Martin O'Malley]? [if already voted, q5=6]

LVs¹	RVs	
32%	30%	Hillary Clinton
61	63	Bernie Sanders
1	1	Martin O'Malley ²
1	2	(VOL) Other Candidate (Specify)
4	4	(VOL) Don't know/Unsure
*	*	(VOL) Refused

¹Clinton, Sanders numbers corrected in this column at 7:15 a.m. on 2/3/16. Column previously showed RV #s.

²O'Malley suspended his campaign on 2/1/16; was not offered as a response option on 2/2/16.

	Time Trend							
	2/1	2/2	2/3	2/4	2/5	2/6	2/7	2/8
Hillary Clinton	30	30	32					
Bernie Sanders	61	63	61					
Martin O'Malley	1	1	1					
Undecided/Other	8	5	5					

Q9 Will you definitely vote for [candidate named] in the New Hampshire presidential primary or is there a chance you could change your mind and vote for someone else?

74% Definitely will vote for candidate
26 Could change mind

	Will you definitely vote for [candidate named] in the New Hampshire presidential primary or is there a chance you could change your mind and vote for someone else?							
	2/1		2/2		2/3		2/4	
	Clinton	Sanders	Clinton	Sanders	Clinton	Sanders	Clinton	Sanders
Definitely Could Change Mind	76	76	79	81	75	81		
	24	24	21	19	25	19		
Definitely Could Change Mind	2/5		2/6		2/7		2/8	
	Clinton	Sanders	Clinton	Sanders	Clinton	Sanders	Clinton	Sanders

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY LV CROSS-TABS

	Party Registration			Party ID		
	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Democrat	Independent	Republican ²
Hillary Clinton	36	26	--	39	21	--
Bernie Sanders	58	67	--	55	70	--
Martin O'Malley	*	2	--	1	1	--
Undecided/Other	7	5	--	4	8	--

²—insufficient data for cross-tabs

	Income			Education			
	Below \$50K	\$50k-\$100k	\$100k & up	High School or Less	Some College	College Degree	Post Graduate Degree
Hillary Clinton	31	31	38	38	24	27	45
Bernie Sanders	65	63	57	59	69	66	48
Martin O'Malley	1	0	2	0	3	0	2
Undecided/Other	3	7	3	3	4	7	5

	Gender		Age					Ideology		
	Male	Female	18-29	30-39	40-49	50-64	65+	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Hillary Clinton	29	35	10	15	24	36	46	33	33	29
Bernie Sanders	63	59	86	81	69	56	47	63	59	53
Martin O'Malley	3	0	4	0	2	1	0	1	0	5
Undecided/Other	5	6	0	4	4	7	7	3	8	12

REPUBLICAN PRIMARY (N=461 LVs)

Q8 If the NEW HAMPSHIRE REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY was being held today would you vote for [RANDOMIZE ORDER: candidate list below]?

Q8a Do you lean more towards...[order as Q8]? [if DK/NA/REF]

Q8b. Did you vote for [RANDOMIZE ORDER: candidate list below]? [if already voted, q5=6]

LVs	RVs	
38%	37%	Donald Trump
14	13	Ted Cruz
12	12	Marco Rubio
7	6	John Kasich
9	10	Jeb Bush
6	6	Chris Christie
3	4	Ben Carson
2	3	Rand Paul
*	*	Rick Santorum
3	2	Carly Fiorina
2	2	Other Candidate (Specify)
4	6	(VOL) Don't know/Unsure
*	*	(VOL) Refused

	Time Trend (LVs only)							
	2/1	2/2	2/3	2/4	2/5	2/6	2/7	2/8
Donald Trump	38	38	38					
Ted Cruz	12	14	14					
Marco Rubio	8	10	12					
John Kasich	9	9	7					
Jeb Bush	9	9	9					
Chris Christie	7	5	6					
Ben Carson	4	3	3					
Rand Paul	4	2	2					
Rick Santorum	1	1	*					
Carly Fiorina	2	3	3					
Mike Huckabee	0	0	--					
Undecided/Other	8	7	4					

Q9 Will you definitely vote for [candidate named] in the New Hampshire presidential primary or is there a chance you could change your mind and vote for someone else?

56% Definitely will vote for candidate
44 Could change mind

REPUBLICAN PRIMARY LV CROSS-TABS

	Party Registration			Party ID		
	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Democrat ³	Independent	Republican
Donald Trump	--	39	38	--	35	41
Ted Cruz	--	14	14	--	14	15
Marco Rubio	--	10	14	--	11	14
John Kasich	--	9	5	--	10	4
Jeb Bush	--	9	8	--	9	8
Chris Christie	--	8	4	--	8	4
Ben Carson	--	5	3	--	5	3
Rand Paul	--	3	1	--	3	1
Rick Santorum	--	*	0	--	*	0
Carly Fiorina	--	2	3	--	2	4
Undecided/Other	--	1	9	--	4	7

³—insufficient data for cross-tabs

	Income			Education			
	Below \$50K	\$50k-\$100k	\$100k & up	High School or Less	Some College	College Degree	Graduate Degree
Donald Trump	47	42	33	60	32	25	25
Ted Cruz	14	15	11	10	16	16	13
Marco Rubio	12	11	15	7	13	16	20
John Kasich	2	9	8	3	4	14	12
Jeb Bush	10	5	9	5	14	4	10
Chris Christie	1	6	8	4	2	12	9
Ben Carson	5	3	4	3	4	2	4
Rand Paul	0	1	3	1	2	3	0
Rick Santorum	0	0	*	0	*	0	0
Carly Fiorina	5	1	3	1	4	1	7
Undecided/Other	4	5	6	6	8	7	1

	Gender		Age					Ideology		
	Male	Female	18-29	30-39	40-49	50-64	65+	Liberal ⁴	Moderate	Conservative
Donald Trump	43	32	48	47	40	36	33	--	37	38
Ted Cruz	14	14	12	16	21	14	8	--	5	20
Marco Rubio	9	16	14	12	11	11	15	--	11	14
John Kasich	5	9	4	3	3	8	11	--	12	4
Jeb Bush	7	11	6	0	11	8	11	--	11	7
Chris Christie	7	4	4	5	4	7	6	--	9	4
Ben Carson	4	3	0	4	2	4	3	--	2	5
Rand Paul	3	0	12	1	1	1	0	--	3	1
Rick Santorum	*	0	0	0	0	0	1	--	0	*
Carly Fiorina	2	1	0	7	3	3	3	--	4	2
Undecided/Other	6	6	0	3	4	8	6	--	7	5

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WHO WILL WIN?

Q16 Regardless of who you support, who do you think will be the next President of the United States?

[OPTIONS WERE NOT READ]

	ALL Registered Voters							
	2/1	2/2	2/3	2/4	2/5	2/6	2/7	2/8
Hillary Clinton	23	23	22					
Bernie Sanders	16	17	16					
Donald Trump	22	24	23					
Ted Cruz	3	3	5					
Marco Rubio	2	3	4					
John Kasich	1	1	1					
Jeb Bush	2	2	1					
Chris Christie	1	*	1					
Ben Carson	*	2	*					
Rand Paul	0	*	*					
Rick Santorum	0	0	0					
Carly Fiorina	*	*	0					
Michael Bloomberg	*	*	*					
Other/DK/NA	30	27	27					

Demographics and Political Variables
Weighted percentages

Party ID	RVs	LVs	Rep LVs	Dem LVs
Democrat	24	26	2	61
Independent	49	41	43	39
Republican	27	33	56	1
Party Registration	RVs	LVs	Rep LVs	Dem LVs
Democrat	23	27	--	64
Independent/Else/DK/NA	49	35	39	36
Republican	28	38	61	--
Ideology	RVs	LVs	Rep LVs	Dem LVs
Liberal	24	25	4	53
Moderate	40	35	32	40
Conservative	35	40	65	7
Age	RVs	LVs	Rep LVs	Dem LVs
18-29	15	9	8	11
30-39	13	11	9	11
40-49	18	19	21	16
50-64	31	36	37	33
65 and up	22	25	22	29
Gender	RVs	LVs	Rep LVs	Dem LVs
Male	48	51	57	42
Female	52	49	43	58
Race/Ethnicity	RVs	LVs	Rep LVs	Dem LVs
White	91	93	94	91
Non-White	9	7	6	9
Education	RVs	LVs	Rep LVs	Dem LVs
High school or less	30	27	32	18
Some College	32	31	33	28
College Degree	23	26	21	31
Post-Graduate Degree	13	16	12	22
Income	RVs	LVs	Rep LVs	Dem LVs
Less than \$50k	29	23	19	29
\$50k-\$100k	31	33	34	32
More than \$100k	28	32	35	29