

News Media Straw Poll

Conducted on January 19, 2010

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This Straw Poll was conducted by the Clark County Republican Party Central Committee during their regular meeting on January 19th, 2010. It was intended for the use of the CCRP, in planning and formulating strategy, and to gauge the interests, desires and motivation of those in attendance at the election meeting, to serve as a guide going forward as to how best to serve the needs of the membership.

The Poll consists of 36 questions, covering a wide range of interests and reflections upon past voting, contribution, political issues of interest, and what our members feel are the areas we need to address in planning for the future of the Republican Party in Clark County.

This was not a senatorial preference poll! There is one question on that subject. There are several questions dealing with potential contribution levels, both historical and future, that the CCRP feel are not germane to the general public's interest, and those results are being withheld – this information was gathered primarily for our internal use.

Any questions that dealt with preference items, general satisfaction with particular offices, or ratings are divulged in full. Those occurrences are noted whenever there is an omission of particular information, and the reasoning for it.

Again, let me stress that the purpose of this poll was for our internal use, and was not intended for public release, unless we determined it could be of interest to the membership first, the general public second. It was never intended, nor will it be used, to benefit or detract from any candidate's campaign, to show support for a particular candidate, it is completely unscientific, a measure of opinion taken at a snapshot of time during a political event, nothing more, nothing less.

On behalf of Robert Ruckman, Chairman, CCRP.

We would like you to help us tell the local, state and national news media who we are and what we stand for here in the Clark County Republican Party. To do that, please answer the following questions describing <u>how you feel today</u> on the questions asked – please clearly mark a single choice. If you must cross off an answer to change it, please initial the change.

You do NOT need to sign your name or identify yourself with your answers to this poll. Please only fill out and submit one News Media Straw Poll per person. Thank you.

Your Political Background and Voting Experience

1. Are you currently registered to vote in Clark County Nevada?

Yes	No	Don't Know
191	4	0

- 2. Have you ever voted in a Republican Primary in Nevada before?
 - a. Never
 - b. Once
 - c. More than once
 - d. Don't Know

Never	Once	More than Once	Don't Know
30	11	156	5

3. What are the odds that you¹ll vote in the June, 2010, Republican Party primary?

Less than 50%	50-74%	75-90% Gr	reater than 90%
0	0	4	205

4. If you do vote in the June 2010 Republican Party primary, what are the odds that you would vote early or by absentee ballot rather than on election day?

Less than 50%	50-74%	75-90%	Greater than 90%
72	19	29	84

5. Did you vote in the 2008 Republican Primary?

Yes	No	Don't Know
180	25	2

6. Did you vote in the 2008 General Election?

Yes	No	Don't Know
206	2	0

7. If you voted in the 2008 General Election, did you vote for:

Barack Obama, Democrat	4
John McCain, Republican	178
Christopher Weber, Constitution	4
Party (?) Unsure of this notation	
Cynthia McKinney, Green Party	0
Bob Barr, Libertarian	3
Other	14
Don't Know	

Note: The next several questions deal with contribution history and planning and are withheld due to the limited value to the general public.

If the Election was Held Today ...

12. If the Primary Election were held today, who would you vote for in the race to replace Senator Harry Reid?

Mark E. Amodei	3
Sharron Angle	49
John Chachas	3
Jim Duensing	1
Jeff Durbin	0
Chuck Flume	2
Greg Gagani	0
Chuck Kozak	1
Sue Lowden	46
Mark Noonan	0
Bill Parson	24
Terry Suominen	0
Danny Tarkanian	48
Robin L. Titus	1
Mike Wiley	5
Other/Undecided	19

12. If the Primary Election was held today and if your Congresswoman is Shelley Berkeley, for whom would you vote?

Craig Lake	48
Kenneth Wegner	10
Joseph Tatner	43
Other	3
Undecided	65

14. If the Primary Election was held today and if your Congresswoman is Dina Titus, for whom would you vote?

Eleanor "Ellie" Ahern	4
Edward S. Bridges II	19
Joe Heck	116
Rob Lauer	10
Brad Lord-Leutwyler	1
Other/Undecided	38

14. If the Primary Election were held today, for whom would you vote in the race for Governor?

Jim Gibbons	43
Mike Montandon	50
Brian Sandoval	44
Oscar Goodman	12
Other /Undecided	43

14. If the Primary election were held today, for whom would you vote as Lieutenant Governor?

Robert (Bob) Cashell	2
Brian Krolicki	115
Barbara Lee Woollen	6
Other/Undecided	76

The next section deals with issues and concerns:

Your Political Issues and Concerns

17. In the 2010 elections, please select the one issue that **most concerns you:**

Return to Constitutional Government	123
Taxes	22
Personal Liberty	25
Second Amendment Rights	28
Government Spending	38
National Healthcare	16
Illegal Immigration	18
The Economy	34
Other / Don't Know	5

18. Do you consider yourself a member of, participant in or supporter of the Conservative - Grass Roots/Patriot /Constitutional /Tea Party/Social Conservative movement?

Yes	No	Don't Know
183	8	13

Your Politicians' Report Card – Do You Approve ...?

19. Do you approve of the job that Governor Jim Gibbons is doing for Nevada?

Yes	No	Don't Know
115	59	27

20. Do you approve of the job that the Republicans in the State Assembly and the State Senate did for Nevada in 2009?

Yes	No	Don't Know
53	108	38

21. Do you approve of the job Senator Harry Reid is doing for Nevada?

Yes	No	Don't Know
1	179	2

22. Do you approve of the job Senator John Ensign is doing for Nevada?

Yes	No	Don't Know
111	65	21

23. Do you approve of the job Congresswoman Shelley Berkley is doing for Nevada?

Yes	No	Don't Know
4	183	16

24. Do you approve of the job Congresswoman Dina Titus is doing for Nevada?

Yes	No	Don't Know
1	192	8

25. Do you approve of the job President Barack Obama is doing for America?

Yes	No	Don't Know
1	201	2

26. Do you approve of the job that Republicans in the US House and the US Senate are doing for America?

Yes	No	Don't Know
77	108	11

Note: The next several questions deal with potential platform issues and items reflecting preferences, choices and impressions and are withheld due to the limited value to the general public.

News Media Performance

27. Do you believe that the *national news media* does a fair job of covering the Republican Party, as well as Conservative and Republican issues?

Yes	No	Don't Know
5	193	7

28. Do you believe the that the <u>national news media</u> does a fair job of covering the Nevada Republican Party, Nevada Republican Candidates and Conservative and Republican issues in Nevada?

Yes	No	Don't Know
7	187	13

29. Do you believe that the *Nevada news media* does a fair job of covering the Nevada Republican Party, Nevada Republican Candidates and Republican issues in Nevada?

Yes	No	Don't Know
23	188	25

Political Party Performance

30. Do you believe the that the *Clark County Republican Party* is doing a good job in representing your political needs and wants in Clark County?

Yes	No	Don't Know
65	79	54

31. Do you believe the that the *Nevada Republican Party* is doing a good job in representing your political needs and wants in Carson City?

Yes	No	Don't Know
42	107	55

32. Do you believe that the *National Republican Party* is doing a good job in representing your political needs and wants in Washington?

Yes	No	Don't Know
38	135	30