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Interviewing: April 17-20, 2008

Sample: 1,000 adults nationwide

Margin of error: ± 3.1 for all adults

802 registered voters nationwide, including

402 Democrats/Democrat leaners,

310 Republicans/Republican leaners

Margin of error: ± 3.5 for all registered voters,

± 4.9 for Dems/Dem leaners

± 5.6 for Reps/Rep leaners

**RT Strategies National Omnibus Poll
Thomas Riehle, Partner**

**And
Cook Political Report Poll**

Conducted April 17-20 & March 6-9, 2008 (LAST TWO POLLS COMBINED)

N = 1,604 registered voters nationwide, Margin of Error: $\pm 2.5\%$

N = 804 Democrats/Democrat leaners nationwide, Margin of Error: $\pm 3.5\%$

N = 320 Republican/Republican leaners nationwide, Margin of Error: $\pm 3.9\%$

Conducted April 17-20, 2008

N = 802 registered voters nationwide, Margin of Error: $\pm 3.5\%$

N = 402 Democrats/Democrat leaners nationwide, Margin of Error: $\pm 4.9\%$

N = 3310 Republican/Republican leaners nationwide, Margin of Error: $\pm 5.6\%$

Conducted March 6-9, 2008

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All numbers represent percentages unless otherwise labeled.

REGISTERED VOTERS

We're interviewing to people about political leaders and issues facing the country today.

D1. Are you currently registered to vote at this address, or not?

	ALL ADULTS	R	I	D
Yes, registered at this address.....	80	100	100	100
No, not registered at this address	19	-	-	-
Not sure/ refused	0	-	-	-

PARTY AFFILIATION

D2. **(ASK ONLY REGISTERED VOTERS)** In national politics do you consider yourself **(RANDOMIZE:)** a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent, or none of these? **(IF DEMOCRAT/REPUBLICAN ASK:)** Do you consider yourself strongly (Democratic/Republican) or only moderately (Democratic/Republican). **(IF INDEPENDENT/NONE OF THESE, ASK:)** Do lean more toward the **(ROTATE:)** Democratic or Republican Party?

	REGISTERED VOTERS
Republican	28
Independent	31
Democrat	37
<i>Republicans with leaners</i>	39
<i>Democrats with leaners</i>	50
Strongly Republican	17
Moderately Republican	12
Independent/neither/lean Republican.....	10
Independent/neither/do not lean.....	8
Independent/neither/lean Democrat	13
Moderately Democrat.....	14
Strongly Democrat	23
Refused/not sure.....	3

COOK POLITICAL STUDY—ASK ONLY REGISTERED VOTERS (D1-1:1)

(ROTATE, CPR-1 – CPR-2b AND CPR4 – CPR5b. ASK HALF THE RESPONDENTS CPR4, CPR5a AND CPR5b, THEN ASK CPR1, CPR2a, AND CPR2b.)

CPR1. I know the election in November is a long way off, but if **(ROTATE:)** Illinois Senator Barack Obama were the Democratic Party's candidate and Arizona Senator John McCain were the Republican Party's candidate, who would you vote for—Barack Obama, the Democrat, or John McCain, the Republican? **(IF NEITHER, DON'T KNOW, OR REFUSED, ASK :)** As of today, do you lean more toward **(ROTATE:)** Obama, the Democrat, or McCain, the Republican?

	REGISTERED VOTERS		R	I	D	REGISTERED VOTERS			
	COMBINED 4/17-20/08 & 3/6-9/08					3/6- 9/08	2/28- 3/2/08	1/31- 2/2/08	11/9- 12/06
Total Barack Obama/Obama leaners	44	45	6	39	81	43	47	45	37
Total John McCain/McCain leaners.....	45	44	88	44	12	45	38	43	44
Barack Obama, the Democrat.....	43	44	5	39	81	41	45	44	37
Lean Obama	1	-	1	1	-	2	3	1	-
Lean McCain	3	2	-	5	1	4	3	2	-
John McCain, the Republican	42	43	88	39	11	41	35	42	44
(VOL) Other	2	2	-	2	2	2	3	2	4
Not sure/refused	10	9	6	15	5	11	12	9	15

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY BARACK OBAMA OR LEAN BARACK OBAMA IN CPR-1.)

CPR2a. Do you think there is a chance you (**ROTATE:**) will consider voting for McCain, or have you definitely decided to vote for Obama?

	Obama Voters			
	COMBINED 4/17-20/08 & 3/6-9/08	4/17- 20/08	3/6- 9/08	2/28- 3/2/08
Will consider voting for McCain.....	11	9	12	17
Definitely decided to vote for Obama.....	79	80	79	70
Not sure.....	10	12	9	13

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY JOHN McCAIN OR LEAN McCAIN IN CPR-1.)

CPR2b. Do you think there is a chance you (**ROTATE:**) will consider voting for Obama, or have you definitely decided to vote for McCain?

	McCain Voters			
	COMBINED 4/17-20/08 & 3/6-9/08	4/17- 20/08	3/6- 9/08	2/28- 3/2/08
Will consider voting for Obama.....	13	11	15	11
Definitely decided to vote for McCain.....	76	77	75	77
Not sure.....	11	12	10	11

HIERARCHICAL VOTE: McCain vs. Obama				
	COMBINED 4/17-20/08 & 3/6-9/08	4/17- 20/08	3/6- 9/08	2/28- 3/2/08
Strong McCain.....	34	34	34	29
Weak McCain.....	11	10	11	9
Undecided/ Not sure.....	11	11	12	15
Weak Obama.....	9	9	9	14
Strong Obama.....	35	36	34	33

CPR4. I know the election in November is a long way off, but if (**ROTATE:**) New York Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton were the Democratic Party's candidate and Arizona Senator John McCain were the Republican Party's candidate, who would you be more likely to vote for—Hillary Clinton, the Democrat, or John McCain, the Republican? (**IF NEITHER, DON'T KNOW, OR REFUSED, ASK:**) As of today, do you lean more toward (**ROTATE:**) Clinton, the Democrat, or McCain, the Republican?

	REGISTERED VOTERS		R	I	D	REGISTERED VOTERS
	COMBINED 4/17-20/08 & 3/6-9/08					
Total Hillary Clinton/Clinton leaners	45	45	4	40	83	45
Total John McCain/McCain leaners	46	45	92	44	9	47
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Hillary Clinton, the Democrat	43	43	4	37	81	44
Lean Clinton.....	2	2	-	3	2	2
Lean McCain.....	2	2	1	2	1	2
John McCain, the Republican	44	43	91	42	8	45
(VOL) Other	2	3	-	3	4	1
Not sure/refused	7	7	4	13	4	6

	REGISTERED VOTERS					
	1/31- 2/2/08	4/20- 22/07	1/18- 21/07	12/14- 17/06	11/9- 12/06	6/1- 4/06
Total Hillary Clinton/Clinton leaners	41	42	42	39	42	40
Total John McCain/McCain leaners	45	43	48	40	44	47
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Hillary Clinton, the Democrat	39	42	42	39	42	40
Lean Clinton.....	2	-	-	-	-	-
Lean McCain.....	2	-	-	-	-	-
John McCain, the Republican	43	43	48	40	44	47
(VOL) Other	3	2	4	5	4	6
Not sure/refused	10	13	6	16	9	7

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY HILLARY CLINTON OR LEAN CLINTON IN CPR4.)

CPR5a. Do you think there is a chance you (**ROTATE:**) will consider voting for McCain, or have you definitely decided to vote for Clinton?

	Clinton Voters		
	COMBINED 4/17-20/08 & 3/6-9/08	4/17- 20/08	3/6- 9/08
Will consider voting for McCain	9	7	12
Definitely decided to vote for Clinton.....	77	76	78
Not sure	14	17	10

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY JOHN McCAIN OR LEAN McCAIN IN CPR4.)

CPR5b. Do you think there is a chance you **(ROTATE:)** will consider voting for Clinton, or have you definitely decided to vote for McCain?

	McCain Voters		
	COMBINED 4/17-20/08 & <u>3/6-9/08</u>	4/17- <u>20/08</u>	3/6- <u>9/08</u>
Will consider voting for Clinton.....	9	8	10
Definitely decided to vote for McCain	79	79	79
Not sure.....	12	13	11

HIERARCHICAL VOTE: McCain vs. Clinton			
	COMBINED 4/17-20/08 & <u>3/6-9/08</u>	4/17- <u>20/08</u>	3/6- <u>9/08</u>
Strong McCain	36	35	37
Weak McCain.....	10	9	10
Undecided/ Not sure.....	9	10	8
Weak Clinton.....	10	11	10
Strong Clinton	35	34	35

(RANDOMIZE CPR3a, CPR3b, CPR3c.)

CPR3a. On a 0-10 scale, with 0 being "not at all likely" and 10 being "extremely likely," how likely is it that you would recommend voting for Barack Obama in the upcoming presidential election to a friend or colleague?

	Recommend Obama			
	COMBINED 4/17-20/08 & 3/6-9/08	4/17- 20/08	3/6- 9/08	1/31- 2/2/08
Total Obama Promoters (9-10)	25	26	23	23
10, extremely likely.....	21	23	20	20
9.....	4	4	4	3
Total Satisfied (7-8)	11	11	11	14
8.....	6	5	7	7
7.....	5	6	4	7
Total Obama Detractors (0-6)	59	56	61	58
6.....	3	2	4	5
5.....	11	9	13	9
4.....	3	3	2	3
3.....	3	2	3	3
2.....	4	4	4	4
1.....	3	3	2	3
0, not at all likely.....	33	33	33	31
Not sure	5	6	4	6

CPR3b. On a 0-10 scale, with 0 being "not at all likely" and 10 being "extremely likely," how likely is it that you would recommend voting for John McCain in the upcoming presidential election to a friend or colleague?

	Recommend McCain			
	COMBINED 4/17-20/08 & 3/6-9/08	4/17- 20/08	3/6- 9/08	1/31- 2/2/08
Total McCain Promoters (9-10)	21	20	22	17
10, extremely likely.....	18	18	18	15
9.....	3	2	4	2
Total Satisfied (7-8)	12	13	12	12
8.....	8	8	8	6
7.....	4	5	4	6
Total McCain Detractors (0-6)	62	62	63	66
6.....	4	4	4	5
5.....	13	11	14	13
4.....	3	2	3	4
3.....	4	5	3	5
2.....	3	4	3	5
1.....	3	3	3	3
0, not at all likely.....	33	33	33	31
Not sure	5	5	4	4

CPR3c. On a 0-10 scale, with 0 being “not at all likely” and 10 being “extremely likely,” how likely is it that you would recommend voting for Hillary Clinton in the upcoming presidential election to a friend or colleague?

	Recommend Clinton		
	COMBINED 4/17-20/08 & 3/6-9/08	4/17- 20/08	3/6- 9/08
Total Clinton Promoters (9-10)	22	22	22
10, extremely likely	19	20	18
9	3	2	3
Total Satisfied (7-8)	10	9	11
8	6	5	6
7	5	5	5
Total Clinton Detractors (0-6)	64	64	63
6	3	3	2
5	9	9	10
4	3	3	3
3	3	3	3
2	4	4	4
1	4	4	3
0, not at all likely	37	37	38
Not sure	4	4	4

DEMOGRAPHICS

NOTE: Results for demographic questions represent all adults unless otherwise indicated.

Finally, just a few questions for statistical purposes only:

D4. Into which of the following categories does your age fall?

18-29.....	18
30-34.....	10
35-39.....	9
40-44.....	11
45-49.....	10
50-54.....	9
55-59.....	7
60-64.....	7
65 and older.....	18
Refused/not sure.....	1
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Mean.....	46.5

D5. What is the last year of school you completed?

High School or less	31
Some college.....	30
College Graduate	37
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Grade school or some high school.....	7
Graduated high school.....	24
Some community college or university but did not finish	18
Graduated from a community college, technical or vocational school or two-year college degree.....	12
Completed a four-year college or university degree.....	24
Completed post-graduate degree, such as a Master's or Ph.D or professional school such as law or medicine.	14
Refused/not sure.....	2

(ASK EVERYONE.)

D8b. How would you describe your political views?

	<u>4/17- 20/08</u>	<u>3/6- 9/08</u>	<u>2/28- 3/2/08</u>	<u>1/31- 2/2/08</u>	<u>11/8- 11/07</u>	<u>9/13- 16/07</u>	<u>8/2- 5/07</u>	<u>6/21- 23/07</u>	<u>6/15- 17/07</u>
Total Conservative	44	41	42	41	44	46	41	41	42
Total Liberal	25	21	24	22	22	23	22	23	21
Very conservative.....	16	17	18	14	18	15	15	16	16
Somewhat conservative...	28	24	25	28	27	31	26	25	26
Moderate	25	31	28	31	29	26	31	31	31
Somewhat liberal.....	15	14	16	16	15	15	16	16	12
Very liberal.....	10	7	8	6	7	9	5	7	8
Refused/not sure.....	6	8	5	6	4	5	6	5	7

	<u>5/11- 13/07</u>	<u>4/27- 29/07</u>	<u>11/9- 12/06</u>	<u>4/6- 9/06</u>	<u>2/23- 26/06</u>	<u>1/22- 25/06</u>	<u>12/8- 11/05</u>	<u>11/17- 20/05</u>
Total Conservative	39	37	39	38	42	40	38	38
Total Liberal	24	25	24	23	25	22	24	27
Very conservative.....	15	14	15	14	14	14	17	14
Somewhat conservative...	24	24	24	24	28	26	21	24
Moderate	31	33	31	35	30	35	35	32
Somewhat liberal.....	14	18	16	16	17	15	16	19
Very liberal.....	10	7	8	7	8	8	8	8
Refused/not sure.....	6	5	6	4	4	3	3	2

D9. Are you of Hispanic ethnicity? **(IF NOT HISPANIC, ASK:)** Is your ethnicity white, black, Asian, or some other race?

(RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

White.....	70
Black	12
Hispanic	11
Asian	2
American Indian.....	1
Other	1
(VOL) Mixed	2
Refused	1

D10. Could you please tell me your household income from all sources in 2007?

(ASK ONLY IF RESPONDENT DOES NOT VOLUNTEER INCOME.)

Is that **(ROTATE:)** above or below \$50,000? **(IF BELOW \$50,000, ASK:)** Is that **(ROTATE:)** above or below \$25,000? **(IF ABOVE \$50,000, ASK:)** Is that **(ROTATE:)** above or below \$75,000? **(IF ABOVE \$75,000:)** Is that **(ROTATE:)** above or below \$100,000?

Under \$25,000	12
\$25,000 to less than \$50,000	21
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	15
\$75,000 to less than \$100,000	12
\$100,000 or more.....	14
Refused/not sure.....	26

REGION:

NORTHEAST	New England.....	5
	Mid Atlantic States	16
MIDWEST	Great Lakes	13
	Farm Belt.....	8
SOUTH	Deep South	15
	Outer South.....	20
WEST	Mountain	10
	Pacific.....	13

METROPOLITAN STATUS:

Urban	31
Suburban	52
Rural	17

GENDER:

Male	48
Female.....	52