CNN OPINION RESEARCH POLL

Interviews with 1,008 adult Americans conducted by telephone by Opinion Research Corporation on December 17-19, 2010. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

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45.   I'm going to read you the names of a few people who might run for the Republican presidential nomination in 2012. For each one, please tell me whether you would be very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not likely at all to support them if they decided to run for the Republican nomination in 2012.

	Very Likely	Somewhat Likely	Not very Likely	Not Likely at all	No Opinion
Alaska Governor Sarah Palin					
December 17-19, 2010	23%	26%	23%	28%	*
December 1-2, 2008	32%	35%	21%	12%	*
Former Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney					
December 17-19, 2010	24%	35%	25%	15%	2%
December 1-2, 2008	28%	33%	23%	13%	3%
Former Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee					
December 17-19, 2010	27%	40%	20%	11%	2%
December 1-2, 2008	34%	31%	21%	13%	1%
Former House Speaker Newt Gingrich					
December 17-19, 2010	19%	35%	22%	22%	2%
December 1-2, 2008	27%	25%	28%	19%	1%

46. Do you think the Democratic party should renominate Barack Obama as the party's candidate for president in 2012, or do you think the Democratic party should nominate a different candidate for president in 2012?

	Dec. 17-19 2010	Oct. 27-30 2010	Aug. 6-10 2010	Mar 19-21 2010
Renominate Obama	78%	73%	74%	76%
Different candidate	19%	22%	23%	20%
No opinion	3%	5%	2%	4%

FOR COMPARISON
CNN/TIME TREND

November 9-10, 1994

BILL CLINTON
Renominate Clinton	57%
Different candidate	32%
No opinion	11%

QUESTION WORDING: Do you think the Democratic party should re-nominate Bill Clinton as the party's candidate in 1996 or do you think the Democratic party should nominate a different candidate for President in 1996.

47. If it were up to you, which of these cities would you prefer to see the Democrats hold their presidential convention in 2012 -- Charlotte, North Carolina; Cleveland, Ohio; Minneapolis, Minnesota; or St. Louis, Missouri? (RANDOM ORDER)

	Dec. 17-19 2010
Cleveland	29%
Charlotte	22%
Minneapolis	21%
St. Louis	17%
Other (vol.)	6%
No opinion	5%

Question 45A

I'm going to read you the names of a few people who might run for the Republican presidential nomination in 2012. For each one, please tell me whether you would be very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not likely at all to support them if they decided to run for the Republican nomination in 2012.

A. Former Alaska Governor Sarah Palin

Base = Republicans

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Very likely	23%	21%	26%	25%	N/A
Somewhat likely	26%	29%	22%	26%	N/A
Not very likely	23%	22%	23%	23%	N/A
Not likely at all	28%	28%	28%	26%	N/A
No opinion	*	*	*	*	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Very likely	23%	N/A	N/A	29%	18%	22%	25%
Somewhat likely	26%	N/A	N/A	24%	27%	26%	25%
Not very likely	23%	N/A	N/A	23%	26%	22%	24%
Not likely at all	28%	N/A	N/A	24%	28%	30%	26%
No opinion	*	N/A	N/A	*	1%	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-8.0	+/-7.5	+/-8.5	+/-5.5

	Total	Under $50K	$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Very likely	23%	28%	19%	26%	21%
Somewhat likely	26%	25%	26%	25%	27%
Not very likely	23%	18%	26%	20%	25%
Not likely at all	28%	29%	29%	30%	27%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-7.5	+/-6.5	+/-8.0	+/-5.5

	Total	Demo-crat	Indep-endent	Repub-lican	Lib-eral	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Very likely	23%	N/A	18%	28%	N/A	12%	28%
Somewhat likely	26%	N/A	20%	32%	N/A	17%	30%
Not very likely	23%	N/A	24%	21%	N/A	22%	24%
Not likely at all	28%	N/A	38%	19%	N/A	50%	17%
No opinion	*	N/A	*	*	N/A	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-4.5		+/-6.5	+/-6.0		+/-8.5	+/-5.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Very likely	23%	N/A	N/A	25%	N/A	N/A	19%	29%
Somewhat likely	26%	N/A	N/A	29%	N/A	N/A	26%	31%
Not very likely	23%	N/A	N/A	21%	N/A	N/A	27%	13%
Not likely at all	28%	N/A	N/A	25%	N/A	N/A	28%	27%
No opinion	*	N/A	N/A	*	N/A	N/A	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-7.0			+/-6.5	+/-8.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Very likely	23%	30%	15%	N/A
Somewhat likely	26%	32%	24%	N/A
Not very likely	23%	22%	23%	N/A
Not likely at all	28%	15%	39%	N/A
No opinion	*	*	*	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-8.0	

* percentage less than 1%

Question 45B

I'm going to read you the names of a few people who might run for the Republican presidential nomination in 2012. For each one, please tell me whether you would be very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not likely at all to support them if they decided to run for the Republican nomination in 2012.

B. Former Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney

Base = Republicans

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Very likely	24%	24%	24%	24%	N/A
Somewhat likely	35%	28%	42%	35%	N/A
Not very likely	25%	29%	21%	25%	N/A
Not likely at all	15%	18%	12%	14%	N/A
No opinion	2%	1%	3%	2%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Very likely	24%	N/A	N/A	27%	30%	21%	28%
Somewhat likely	35%	N/A	N/A	33%	42%	33%	37%
Not very likely	25%	N/A	N/A	24%	18%	28%	21%
Not likely at all	15%	N/A	N/A	14%	8%	17%	12%
No opinion	2%	N/A	N/A	2%	2%	1%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-8.0	+/-7.5	+/-8.5	+/-5.5

	Total	Under $50K	$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Very likely	24%	24%	23%	20%	27%
Somewhat likely	35%	31%	37%	34%	35%
Not very likely	25%	20%	28%	26%	24%
Not likely at all	15%	22%	12%	18%	13%
No opinion	2%	3%	1%	3%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-7.5	+/-6.5	+/-8.0	+/-5.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very likely	24%	N/A	22%	26%	N/A	19%	28%
Somewhat likely	35%	N/A	32%	37%	N/A	35%	34%
Not very likely	25%	N/A	25%	25%	N/A	25%	26%
Not likely at all	15%	N/A	19%	10%	N/A	18%	11%
No opinion	2%	N/A	2%	1%	N/A	3%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5		+/-6.5	+/-6.0		+/-8.5	+/-5.5

	Total	Northeast	Midwest	South	West	Urban	Suburban	Rural
Very likely	24%	N/A	N/A	28%	N/A	N/A	22%	23%
Somewhat likely	35%	N/A	N/A	32%	N/A	N/A	34%	33%
Not very likely	25%	N/A	N/A	21%	N/A	N/A	27%	25%
Not likely at all	15%	N/A	N/A	17%	N/A	N/A	14%	17%
No opinion	2%	N/A	N/A	3%	N/A	N/A	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-7.0			+/-6.5	+/-8.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Very likely	24%	29%	18%	N/A
Somewhat likely	35%	37%	32%	N/A
Not very likely	25%	21%	34%	N/A
Not likely at all	15%	12%	14%	N/A
No opinion	2%	*	2%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-8.0	

 * percentage less than 1%

Question 45C

I'm going to read you the names of a few people who might run for the Republican presidential nomination in 2012. For each one, please tell me whether you would be very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not likely at all to support them if they decided to run for the Republican nomination in 2012.

C. Former Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee

Base = Republicans

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Very likely	27%	27%	27%	28%	N/A
Somewhat likely	40%	39%	42%	43%	N/A
Not very likely	20%	23%	16%	18%	N/A
Not likely at all	11%	11%	12%	10%	N/A
No opinion	2%	*	3%	1%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Very likely	27%	N/A	N/A	27%	32%	25%	29%
Somewhat likely	40%	N/A	N/A	35%	38%	44%	36%
Not very likely	20%	N/A	N/A	21%	19%	19%	21%
Not likely at all	11%	N/A	N/A	14%	10%	11%	12%
No opinion	2%	N/A	N/A	2%	1%	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-8.0	+/-7.5	+/-8.5	+/-5.5

	Total	Under $50K	$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Very likely	27%	28%	24%	25%	28%
Somewhat likely	40%	33%	46%	43%	38%
Not very likely	20%	19%	21%	19%	21%
Not likely at all	11%	17%	6%	12%	11%
No opinion	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-7.5	+/-6.5	+/-8.0	+/-5.5

	Total	Demo-crat	Indep-endent	Repub-lican	Lib-eral	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Very likely	27%	N/A	24%	30%	N/A	17%	33%
Somewhat likely	40%	N/A	42%	39%	N/A	44%	41%
Not very likely	20%	N/A	19%	20%	N/A	23%	17%
Not likely at all	11%	N/A	11%	12%	N/A	12%	8%
No opinion	2%	N/A	4%	*	N/A	4%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5		+/-6.5	+/-6.0		+/-8.5	+/-5.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Very likely	27%	N/A	N/A	37%	N/A	N/A	22%	35%
Somewhat likely	40%	N/A	N/A	38%	N/A	N/A	45%	31%
Not very likely	20%	N/A	N/A	14%	N/A	N/A	22%	17%
Not likely at all	11%	N/A	N/A	10%	N/A	N/A	9%	14%
No opinion	2%	N/A	N/A	1%	N/A	N/A	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-7.0			+/-6.5	+/-8.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Very likely	27%	34%	15%	N/A
Somewhat likely	40%	38%	45%	N/A
Not very likely	20%	17%	24%	N/A
Not likely at all	11%	9%	13%	N/A
No opinion	2%	1%	3%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-8.0	

 * percentage less than 1%

Question 45D

I'm going to read you the names of a few people who might run for the Republican presidential nomination in 2012. For each one, please tell me whether you would be very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not likely at all to support them if they decided to run for the Republican nomination in 2012.

D. Former House Speaker Newt Gingrich

Base = Republicans

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Very likely	19%	20%	19%	18%	N/A
Somewhat likely	35%	36%	34%	38%	N/A
Not very likely	22%	22%	22%	22%	N/A
Not likely at all	22%	20%	24%	20%	N/A
No opinion	2%	3%	2%	2%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Very likely	19%	N/A	N/A	22%	27%	15%	24%
Somewhat likely	35%	N/A	N/A	33%	31%	37%	32%
Not very likely	22%	N/A	N/A	23%	24%	20%	23%
Not likely at all	22%	N/A	N/A	22%	16%	24%	20%
No opinion	2%	N/A	N/A	*	2%	3%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-8.0	+/-7.5	+/-8.5	+/-5.5

	Total	Under $50K	$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Very likely	19%	17%	20%	19%	20%
Somewhat likely	35%	37%	36%	38%	33%
Not very likely	22%	17%	24%	20%	23%
Not likely at all	22%	27%	19%	20%	23%
No opinion	2%	3%	1%	3%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-7.5	+/-6.5	+/-8.0	+/-5.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very likely	19%	N/A	21%	17%	N/A	18%	21%
Somewhat likely	35%	N/A	30%	40%	N/A	27%	41%
Not very likely	22%	N/A	21%	22%	N/A	24%	22%
Not likely at all	22%	N/A	25%	18%	N/A	29%	14%
No opinion	2%	N/A	2%	3%	N/A	2%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5		+/-6.5	+/-6.0		+/-8.5	+/-5.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Very likely	19%	N/A	N/A	20%	N/A	N/A	17%	21%
Somewhat likely	35%	N/A	N/A	39%	N/A	N/A	32%	38%
Not very likely	22%	N/A	N/A	21%	N/A	N/A	21%	23%
Not likely at all	22%	N/A	N/A	17%	N/A	N/A	28%	14%
No opinion	2%	N/A	N/A	3%	N/A	N/A	1%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-7.0			+/-6.5	+/-8.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Very likely	19%	25%	12%	N/A
Somewhat likely	35%	36%	37%	N/A
Not very likely	22%	20%	26%	N/A
Not likely at all	22%	17%	21%	N/A
No opinion	2%	2%	4%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-8.0	

 * percentage less than 1%

Question 46

Do you think the Democratic do you think the Democratic party should nominate a different candidate
for president in 2012?party should renominate Barack Obama as the party's candidate for
president in 2012, or

Base = Democrats

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Renominate Obama	78%	76%	80%	75%	N/A
Different candidate	19%	20%	18%	22%	N/A
No opinion	3%	5%	2%	3%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Renominate Obama	78%	N/A	N/A	73%	80%	79%	76%
Different candidate	19%	N/A	N/A	19%	17%	20%	18%
No opinion	3%	N/A	N/A	8%	3%	1%	6%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-7.5	+/-7.5	+/-8.5	+/-5.5

	Total	Under $50K	$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Renominate Obama	78%	73%	83%	72%	83%
Different candidate	19%	24%	13%	24%	15%
No opinion	3%	3%	3%	5%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-8.0	+/-5.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Renominate Obama	78%	82%	70%	N/A	85%	78%	N/A
Different candidate	19%	14%	27%	N/A	13%	20%	N/A
No opinion	3%	3%	3%	N/A	3%	2%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-7.5		+/-8.0	+/-6.5	

	Total	Northeast	Midwest	South	West	Urban	Suburban	Rural
Renominate Obama	78%	N/A	N/A	77%	N/A	78%	80%	N/A
Different candidate	19%	N/A	N/A	18%	N/A	17%	19%	N/A
No opinion	3%	N/A	N/A	5%	N/A	4%	1%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-8.5		+/-8.0	+/-6.5	

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Renominate Obama	78%	N/A	72%	90%
Different candidate	19%	N/A	24%	8%
No opinion	3%	N/A	4%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5		+/-8.0	+/-6.0

 * percentage less than 1%

Question 47

If it were up to you, which of these cities would you prefer to see the Democrats hold their presidential convention in 2012 --

Base = Democrats

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Charlotte, North Carolina	22%	19%	24%	22%	N/A
Cleveland, Ohio	29%	33%	25%	29%	N/A
Minneapolis, Minnesota	21%	18%	24%	22%	N/A
St. Louis, Missouri	17%	20%	13%	17%	N/A
Other	6%	7%	6%	4%	N/A
No opinion	5%	2%	8%	5%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Charlotte, North Carolina	22%	N/A	N/A	21%	24%	22%	22%
Cleveland, Ohio	29%	N/A	N/A	27%	21%	32%	25%
Minneapolis, Minnesota	21%	N/A	N/A	19%	27%	20%	23%
St. Louis, Missouri	17%	N/A	N/A	17%	12%	18%	15%
Other	6%	N/A	N/A	10%	4%	5%	8%
No opinion	5%	N/A	N/A	5%	12%	3%	8%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-7.5	+/-7.5	+/-8.5	+/-5.5

	Total	Under $50K	$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Charlotte, North Carolina	22%	24%	19%	29%	16%
Cleveland, Ohio	29%	28%	28%	19%	37%
Minneapolis, Minnesota	21%	25%	17%	22%	20%
St. Louis, Missouri	17%	14%	21%	18%	15%
Other	6%	7%	7%	7%	6%
No opinion	5%	3%	7%	5%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-8.0	+/-5.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Charlotte, North Carolina	22%	20%	26%	N/A	14%	25%	N/A
Cleveland, Ohio	29%	29%	30%	N/A	34%	30%	N/A
Minneapolis, Minnesota	21%	24%	16%	N/A	26%	19%	N/A
St. Louis, Missouri	17%	16%	18%	N/A	13%	17%	N/A
Other	6%	7%	6%	N/A	5%	6%	N/A
No opinion	5%	6%	5%	N/A	7%	3%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-7.5		+/-8.0	+/-6.5	

	Total	Northeast	Midwest	South	West	Urban	Suburban	Rural
Charlotte, North Carolina	22%	N/A	N/A	43%	N/A	14%	18%	N/A
Cleveland, Ohio	29%	N/A	N/A	21%	N/A	33%	33%	N/A
Minneapolis, Minnesota	21%	N/A	N/A	20%	N/A	27%	19%	N/A
St. Louis, Missouri	17%	N/A	N/A	11%	N/A	10%	21%	N/A
Other	6%	N/A	N/A	1%	N/A	13%	4%	N/A
No opinion	5%	N/A	N/A	4%	N/A	4%	6%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-8.5		+/-8.0	+/-6.5	

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Charlotte, North Carolina	22%	N/A	26%	14%
Cleveland, Ohio	29%	N/A	25%	36%
Minneapolis, Minnesota	21%	N/A	16%	23%
St. Louis, Missouri	17%	N/A	20%	17%
Other	6%	N/A	10%	3%
No opinion	5%	N/A	3%	7%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5		+/-8.0	+/-6.0