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Clinton leads in SC, while Republican race narrows

Raleigh, N.C. – The latest Public Policy Polling (PPP) survey of likely South Carolina primary voters finds that Hillary Clinton has a narrow lead over Barack Obama in the Democratic Presidential race. Thirty-six percent of Democratic primary voters said they support Clinton, while 33% backed Obama. John Edwards received support from 12%. In PPP's previous South Carolina poll, released in June, Obama had lead Clinton by three percent.

On the Republican side Fred Thompson is leading the race with 22%, followed by Rudy Giuliani (18%), Mitt Romney (17%), John McCain (11%) and Mike Huckabee (7%). Thompson's lead has shrunk in the last two months. In June he led the next closest candidate by eleven percent, and overall his percentage has fallen five percent. In those two months Giuliani has seen his support increase by four percent, McCain's has dropped four percent, and Huckabee's rose four percent.

The survey finds that both Republicans and Democrats say that the War in Iraq is the most important issue, but their opinions are dramatically different on what should be done about it.

Eighty-two percent of Democratic primary voters say Congress should be doing more to end the War in Iraq, while 9% say Congress is doing a good job on the war. Meanwhile, 77% of Republican primary voters say Republicans in Congress should support the President's plans for Iraq, and 19% say they should push for a change in policy.

PPP surveyed 1186 likely primary voters in South Carolina. 749 said they would vote in the Republican primary and 437 in the Democratic primary. The surveys have margins of error of $\pm 3.6\%$ and $\pm 4.7\%$ respectively. Other factors, such as refusal to be interviewed and weighting, may introduce additional error that is more difficult to quantify.

Complete results are attached and can be found at www.publicpolicypolling.com.

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SC Republican Primary Survey Results

Q1 If the primary were held today which candidate would you support? If Sam Brownback, press 1 on your keypad now. If Rudy Giuliani, press 2. If Mike Huckabee, press 3. If Duncan Hunter, press 4. If John McCain, press 5. If Ron Paul, press 6. If Mitt Romney, press 7. If Tom Tancredo, press 8. If Fred Thompson, press 9. If you are undecided, press 0.

Brownback..... 3% *Paul* 2%
Giuliani.....18% *Romney*17%
Huckabee..... 7% *Tancredo*..... 1%
Hunter..... 1% *Thompson*.....22%
McCain.....11% *Undecided*.....18%

Q2 Do you think the country is willing to elect a Mormon candidate as President? If yes, press 1. If no, press 2.

Yes.....58% *No*42%

Q3 Do you think that Republicans in Congress should support President Bush's plans for Iraq, or should they push for a change in policy? If they should support President Bush, press 1. If they should push for a change in policy, press 2. If you don't know, press 3.

Support Bush 77% *Don't know* 4%
Push for change.... 19%

Q4 I am going to name 7 issues. Which of these is most important to you? The War in Iraq, education, the economy and jobs, taxes, moral or family values, health care, or immigration. If the War in Iraq is most important, press 1. If education, press 2. If the economy and jobs, press 3. If taxes, press 4. If moral and family values, press 5. If health care, press 6. If immigration, press 7. If some other issue is most important, press 8.

War in Iraq 38% *Moral and family values*..... 16%
Education..... 4% *Health care*..... 6%
Economy and jobs. 11% *Immigration* 20%
Taxes 4% *Other*..... 2%

Q5 If you are a woman, press 1, if a man, press 2.

Women50% *Men*.....50%

Q6 If you are a Democrat, press 1, if a Republican, press 2. If other, press 3.

Democrat..... 4% *Other*.....12%
Republican.....84%

Q7 If you are white, press 1, if African-American, press 2. If other, press 3.

White96% *Other*..... 2%
African American 2%

Q8 If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1 now. If you are 30 to 45, press 2. If you are 46 to 65, press 3. If older than 65, press 4.

18-29..... 6% *46-65*.....43%
30-45.....14% *Older than 65*.....37%





SC Republican Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
President			
Brownback	3%	3%	3%
Giuliani	18%	18%	19%
Huckabee	7%	7%	7%
Hunter	1%	1%	2%
McCain	11%	11%	11%
Paul	2%	2%	2%
Romney	17%	19%	15%
Tancredo	1%	1%	0%
Thompson	21%	14%	29%
Undecided	18%	24%	11%

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Country willing to elect Mormon?			
Yes	58%	57%	59%
No	42%	43%	41%

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Should Republicans support Bush on Iraq?			
Support Bush	77%	73%	82%
Push for change	19%	21%	16%
Don't know	4%	6%	2%

Issue	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
War in Iraq	38%	40%	35%
Education	4%	4%	3%
Economy and jobs	11%	10%	11%
Taxes	4%	3%	6%
Moral and family values	16%	16%	16%
Health care	6%	6%	6%
Immigration	19%	18%	21%
Other	2%	2%	1%

	Base	Party Affiliation		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
President				
Brownback	3%	7%	3%	1%
Giuliani	18%	18%	19%	15%
Huckabee	7%	11%	7%	7%
Hunter	1%	-	1%	2%
McCain	11%	3%	12%	12%
Paul	2%	3%	2%	3%
Romney	17%	11%	19%	3%
Tancredo	1%	-	0%	1%
Thompson	21%	15%	20%	29%
Undecided	18%	32%	17%	25%

	Base	Party Affiliation		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
Country willing to elect Mormon?				
Yes	58%	54%	57%	63%
No	42%	46%	43%	37%

	Base	Party Affiliation		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
Should Republicans support Bush on Iraq?				
Support Bush	77%	46%	79%	68%
Push for change	19%	50%	16%	31%
Don't know	4%	3%	4%	1%

Issue	Base	Party Affiliation		
		Democrat	Republican	Other
War in Iraq	38%	49%	38%	33%
Education	4%	7%	3%	6%
Economy and jobs	11%	19%	11%	7%
Taxes	4%	7%	4%	4%
Moral and family values	16%	7%	17%	14%
Health care	6%	7%	6%	5%
Immigration	19%	3%	19%	26%
Other	2%	-	1%	5%





SC Republican Crosstabs

	Base	Race		
		White	African American	Other
President				
Brownback	3%	2%	14%	15%
Giuliani	18%	19%	7%	-
Huckabee	7%	8%	-	8%
Hunter	1%	1%	-	8%
McCain	11%	12%	-	8%
Paul	2%	2%	-	-
Romney	17%	17%	14%	9%
Tancredo	1%	0%	-	8%
Thompson	21%	21%	20%	18%
Undecided	18%	18%	46%	27%

	Base	Race		
		White	African American	Other
Country willing to elect Mormon?				
Yes	58%	57%	54%	74%
No	42%	43%	46%	26%

	Base	Race		
		White	African American	Other
Should Republicans support Bush on Iraq?				
Support Bush	77%	77%	54%	83%
Push for change	19%	19%	46%	17%
Don't know	4%	4%	-	-

Issue	Base	Race		
		White	African American	Other
War in Iraq	38%	38%	33%	23%
Education	4%	4%	7%	8%
Economy and jobs	11%	10%	20%	9%
Taxes	4%	4%	-	-
Moral and family values	16%	16%	12%	26%
Health care	6%	6%	6%	-
Immigration	19%	19%	7%	26%
Other	2%	1%	14%	9%

	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-65	Older than 65
President					
Brownback	3%	11%	5%	2%	1%
Giuliani	18%	10%	16%	19%	20%
Huckabee	7%	7%	11%	8%	5%
Hunter	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%
McCain	11%	16%	11%	12%	9%
Paul	2%	2%	4%	2%	2%
Romney	17%	20%	9%	15%	22%
Tancredo	1%	-	-	1%	0%
Thompson	21%	12%	24%	23%	19%
Undecided	18%	20%	18%	18%	19%

	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-65	Older than 65
Country willing to elect Mormon?					
Yes	58%	54%	51%	57%	62%
No	42%	46%	49%	43%	38%

	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-65	Older than 65
Should Republicans support Bush on Iraq?					
Support Bush	77%	58%	79%	77%	79%
Push for change	19%	36%	19%	20%	16%
Don't know	4%	6%	3%	3%	5%

Issue	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-65	Older than 65
War in Iraq	38%	40%	22%	36%	46%
Education	4%	11%	6%	3%	3%
Economy and jobs	11%	15%	13%	11%	9%
Taxes	4%	-	8%	4%	4%
Moral and family values	16%	25%	22%	18%	11%
Health care	6%	-	2%	8%	6%
Immigration	19%	10%	26%	19%	19%
Other	2%	-	1%	2%	1%





SC Republican Crosstabs

	Base	Area Code		
		803	843	864
President				
Brownback	3%	5%	0%	3%
Giuliani	18%	17%	24%	14%
Huckabee	7%	8%	4%	10%
Hunter	1%	0%	2%	2%
McCain	11%	13%	9%	12%
Paul	2%	1%	2%	3%
Romney	17%	15%	20%	16%
Tancredo	1%	1%	1%	-
Thompson	21%	20%	16%	26%
Undecided	18%	20%	22%	14%

	Base	Area Code		
		803	843	864
Country willing to elect Mormon?				
Yes	58%	54%	66%	54%
No	42%	46%	34%	46%

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		803	843	864
Should Republicans support Bush on Iraq?				
Support Bush	77%	74%	78%	78%
Push for change	19%	21%	19%	18%
Don't know	4%	5%	3%	4%

Issue	Base	Area Code		
		803	843	864
War in Iraq	38%	39%	42%	34%
Education	4%	4%	6%	1%
Economy and jobs	11%	11%	7%	14%
Taxes	4%	6%	3%	4%
Moral and family values	16%	15%	12%	22%
Health care	6%	6%	7%	5%
Immigration	19%	17%	21%	19%
Other	2%	2%	1%	2%





SC Democratic Primary Survey Results

Q1 If the caucus were held today which candidate would you support? If Joe Biden, press 1. If Hillary Clinton, press 2. If Chris Dodd, press 3. If John Edwards, press 4. If Mike Gravel, press 5. If Dennis Kucinich, press 6. If Barack Obama, press 7. If Bill Richardson, press 8. If you are undecided, press 9.

Biden..... 3% *Kucinich* 1%
Clinton.....36% *Obama*33%
Dodd 0% *Richardson*..... 3%
Edwards.....12% *Undecided*.....12%
Gravel..... 0%

Q2 Do you think the country is willing to elect a woman or minority candidate as President? If yes, press 1. If no, press 2.

Yes..... 78% *No* 22%

Q3 Do you think Congress is doing a good job concerning the war in Iraq, or should they be doing more to end the war? If you think congress is doing a good job, press 1. If they should be doing more, press 2. If you don't know, press 3.

Good job 9% *Don't know* 8%
Should be doing more..... 82%

Q4 I am going to name 7 issues. Which of these is most important to you? The War in Iraq, education, the economy and jobs, taxes, moral or family values, health care, or immigration. If the War in Iraq is most important, press 1. If education, press 2. If the economy and jobs, press 3. If taxes, press 4. If moral and family values, press 5. If health care, press 6. If immigration, press 7. If some other issue is most important, press 8.

War in Iraq 37% *Moral and family values*..... 4%
Education 13% *Health care*..... 18%
Economy and jobs. 19% *Immigration* 6%
Taxes 2% *Other*..... 2%

Q5 If you are a woman, press 1, if a man, press 2.

Women58% *Men*.....42%

Q6 If you are a Democrat, press 1, if a Republican, press 2. If other, press 3.

Democrat.....80% *Other*.....13%
Republican..... 7%

Q7 If you are white, press 1, if African-American, press 2. If other, press 3.

White56% *Other*..... 3%
African American ...40%

Q8 If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1 now. If you are 30 to 45, press 2. If you are 46 to 65, press 3. If older than 65, press 4.

18-29..... 6% *46-65*.....50%
30-45.....15% *Older than 65*.....29%





SC Democratic Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
President			
Biden	3%	2%	5%
Clinton	37%	39%	32%
Dodd	0%	1%	-
Edwards	12%	11%	13%
Kucinich	1%	0%	2%
Obama	33%	31%	35%
Richardson	2%	2%	4%
Undecided	12%	14%	10%

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Country willing to elect woman or minority?			
Yes	79%	80%	76%
No	21%	20%	24%

	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
Congress doing a good job with Iraq			
Good job	9%	6%	14%
Should be doing more	83%	86%	77%
Don't know	8%	8%	9%

Issue	Base	Gender	
		Women	Men
War in Iraq	37%	39%	35%
Education	13%	14%	10%
Economy and jobs	19%	20%	18%
Taxes	1%	1%	3%
Moral and family values	4%	3%	5%
Health care	18%	18%	18%
Immigration	5%	4%	7%
Other	2%	0%	4%

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		Democrat	Republican	Other
President				
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Country willing to elect woman or minority?				
Yes	79%	79%	57%	84%
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Congress doing a good job with Iraq				
Good job	9%	9%	9%	9%
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Economy and jobs	19%	21%	4%	16%
Taxes	1%	1%	-	2%
Moral and family values	4%	3%	9%	3%
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Immigration	5%	5%	8%	9%
Other	2%	1%	9%	-





SC Democratic Crosstabs

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		White	African American	Other
President				
Biden	3%	6%	-	-
Clinton	37%	43%	29%	29%
Dodd	0%	1%	-	-
Edwards	12%	20%	1%	-
Kucinich	1%	1%	1%	-
Obama	33%	16%	55%	45%
Richardson	2%	4%	-	6%
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Congress doing a good job with Iraq				
Good job	9%	10%	7%	16%
Should be doing more	83%	86%	80%	69%
Don't know	8%	5%	13%	15%

Issue	Base	Race		
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War in Iraq	37%	43%	30%	34%
Education	13%	8%	19%	13%
Economy and jobs	19%	16%	24%	20%
Taxes	1%	1%	1%	6%
Moral and family values	4%	5%	2%	6%
Health care	18%	22%	14%	14%
Immigration	5%	4%	7%	7%
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President					
Biden	3%	-	2%	4%	3%
Clinton	37%	36%	32%	38%	37%
Dodd	0%	3%	-	-	1%
Edwards	12%	3%	10%	13%	13%
Kucinich	1%	-	-	2%	-
Obama	33%	48%	47%	26%	34%
Richardson	2%	7%	-	3%	2%
Undecided	12%	3%	10%	15%	11%

	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-65	Older than 65
Country willing to elect woman or minority?					
Yes	79%	78%	75%	80%	78%
No	21%	22%	25%	20%	22%

	Base	Age			
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Congress doing a good job with Iraq					
Good job	9%	10%	11%	7%	10%
Should be doing more	83%	87%	81%	86%	78%
Don't know	8%	3%	7%	7%	12%

Issue	Base	Age			
		18-29	30-45	46-65	Older than 65
War in Iraq	37%	35%	29%	35%	46%
Education	13%	10%	24%	11%	11%
Economy and jobs	19%	32%	21%	20%	15%
Taxes	1%	-	5%	1%	-
Moral and family values	4%	3%	3%	4%	3%
Health care	18%	16%	8%	22%	18%
Immigration	5%	4%	10%	5%	5%
Other	2%	-	-	2%	3%





SC Democratic Crosstabs

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		803	843	864
President				
Biden	3%	3%	3%	3%
Clinton	37%	39%	33%	37%
Dodd	0%	-	1%	1%
Edwards	12%	9%	13%	14%
Kucinich	1%	1%	-	2%
Obama	33%	36%	34%	25%
Richardson	2%	3%	1%	4%
Undecided	12%	9%	15%	15%

	Base	Area Code		
		803	843	864
Country willing to elect woman or minority?				
Yes	79%	81%	78%	77%
No	21%	19%	22%	23%

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		803	843	864
Congress doing a good job with Iraq				
Good job	9%	10%	8%	8%
Should be doing more	83%	82%	81%	86%
Don't know	8%	9%	10%	6%

Issue	Base	Area Code		
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War in Iraq	37%	42%	38%	28%
Education	13%	16%	15%	6%
Economy and jobs	19%	17%	17%	25%
Taxes	1%	2%	2%	-
Moral and family values	4%	2%	5%	4%
Health care	18%	14%	19%	25%
Immigration	5%	3%	5%	9%
Other	2%	2%	-	2%

