

Results of SurveyUSA Election Poll #14450



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Connecticut: McCain Trails Significantly in Joe Lieberman's Home State: In an election for President of the United States in Connecticut today, 09/26/08, Democrat Barack Obama defeats Republican John McCain 54% to 38%, according to this SurveyUSA poll conducted exclusively for WABC-TV New York. Obama takes a majority of votes among men and women, young and old, white and black. McCain leads among conservatives, Republicans, pro-life voters, gun owners, and those who regularly attend religious services. Obama leads by double digits in Hartford County, New Haven County, and Fairfield County; McCain and Obama tie in the rest of the state.

Filtering: SurveyUSA interviewed 900 Connecticut adults 09/24/08 and 09/25/08. The research was conducted at a time of unprecedented economic and political turbulence. Of the adults, 807 were registered to vote. Of the registered voters, 686 were determined by SurveyUSA to be likely voters in the 11/04/08 general election. Connecticut has 7 Electoral College votes. It is home to US Senator Joseph Lieberman, one of McCain's most visible and outspoken supporters and possibly McCain's first choice for running mate. John Kerry carried the state by 10 points in 2004, but McCain underperforms Bush at this point in 2008.

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686 Adults	All	Gender		Age				<50 / 50+		Age			Race				
		Male	Female	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	18-49	50+	< Obam	> McCa	> In Bet	White	Black	Hispani	Other	
Margin of Sampling Error: +/-3.8%																	
McCain (R)	38%	37%	40%	34%	38%	39%	42%	37%	41%	37%	45%	39%	41%	22%	24%	**	
Obama (D)	54%	55%	53%	58%	55%	51%	49%	56%	50%	56%	47%	52%	51%	74%	67%	**	
Other	4%	5%	3%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	3%	5%	3%	1%	4%	**	
Undecided	4%	3%	5%	4%	3%	5%	5%	3%	5%	3%	4%	5%	4%	3%	4%	**	
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
Composition of Adults	100%	49%	51%	21%	33%	25%	21%	54%	46%	47%	12%	41%	84%	7%	6%	4%	

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686 Adults	All	Party Affiliation			Ideology			College Grad		Attend Religious Services			Abortion		Intellectual?		Traveled Abroad	
		Republi	Democr	Indepen	Conser	Modera	Liberal	Yes	No	Regular	Occasio	Almost	Pro-life	Pro-cho	Yes	No	Yes	No
Margin of Sampling Error: +/-3.8%																		
McCain (R)	38%	71%	17%	40%	78%	36%	12%	35%	44%	48%	36%	29%	64%	26%	39%	37%	40%	32%
Obama (D)	54%	21%	79%	48%	16%	57%	82%	58%	47%	43%	58%	63%	30%	67%	54%	54%	53%	59%
Other	4%	4%	2%	7%	2%	5%	5%	3%	5%	4%	4%	4%	3%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%
Undecided	4%	4%	2%	5%	5%	3%	1%	4%	4%	5%	2%	4%	3%	3%	3%	4%	4%	5%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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		Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	< \$50K	> \$50K	Fairfield	Hartford	New Ha	Rest of
Margin of Sampling Error: +/-3.8%													
McCain (R)	38%	40%	38%	43%	23%	51%	35%	40%	38%	38%	34%	38%	44%
Obama (D)	54%	51%	55%	51%	70%	39%	58%	53%	55%	55%	60%	55%	45%
Other	4%	4%	3%	3%	4%	6%	3%	4%	4%	3%	3%	3%	7%
Undecided	4%	5%	3%	3%	2%	3%	4%	4%	3%	4%	4%	4%	4%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Composition of Adults	100%	34%	65%	80%	16%	24%	74%	25%	75%	27%	24%	24%	24%

** Too few respondents of this type were interviewed for this data to be meaningful.

Statement of Methodology: The following statement conforms to the principles of disclosure of the National Council on Public Polls: How this poll was conducted: This SurveyUSA poll was conducted by telephone in the voice of a professional announcer. Respondent households were selected at random, using Random Digit Dialed (RDD) sample provided by Survey Sampling, of Fairfield CT. All respondents heard the questions asked identically. Within the report, you will find: the geography that was surveyed; the date(s) interviews were conducted and the news organization(s) that paid for the research. The number of respondents who answered each question and the margin of sampling error for each question are provided. Where necessary, responses were weighted according to age, gender, ethnic origin, geographical area and number of adults and number of voice telephone lines in the household, so that the sample would reflect the actual demographic proportions in the population, using most recent U.S. Census estimates. In theory, with the stated sample size, one can say with 95% certainty that the results would not vary by more than the stated margin of sampling error, in one direction or the other, had the entire universe of respondents been interviewed with complete accuracy. There are other possible sources of error in all surveys that may be more serious than theoretical calculations of sampling error. These include refusals to be interviewed, question wording and question order, weighting by demographic control data and the manner in which respondents are filtered (such as, determining who is a likely voter). It is difficult to quantify the errors that may result from these factors. Fieldwork for this survey was done by SurveyUSA of Clifton, NJ.