

# USA TODAY/GALLUP POLL

## SEPTEMBER WAVE 1

-- FINAL TOPLINE --

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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted September 15-18, 2011 with a random sample of **–1,004–** adults, aged 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia.

For results based on the total sample of national adults, one can say with 95% confidence that the margin of error is **±4** percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **–889–** registered voters, the maximum margin of sampling error is **±4** percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **–439–** Republicans and Republican-leaning independents, the maximum margin of sampling error is **±6** percentage points.

Interviews are conducted with respondents on landline telephones and cellular phones, with interviews conducted in Spanish for respondents who are primarily Spanish-speaking. Each sample includes a minimum quota of 400 cell phone respondents and 600 landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas among landline respondents by region. Landline numbers are chosen at random among listed telephone numbers, cell phone numbers are selected using random-digit dial methods. Landline respondents are chosen at random within each household on the basis of which member had the most recent birthday.

Samples are weighted by gender, age, race, Hispanic ethnicity, education, region, adults in the household, and phone status (cell phone only/landline only/both, having an unlisted landline number, and being cell phone mostly). Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2010 Current Population Survey figures for the age 18+ non-institutionalized population living in U.S. telephone households. All reported margins of sampling error include the computed design effects for weighting and sample design.

In addition to sampling error, question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of public opinion polls.

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10. Please tell me whether you would definitely vote each of the following candidates if he were his party's nominee for president, whether you might consider voting for that person, or whether you would definitely not vote for that person. How about – [RANDOM ORDER]?

<i>2011 Sep 15-18 based on registered voters (sorted by "definitely/might consider")</i>	Definitely vote for/ might consider <u>voting for</u>	Will definitely <u>vote for</u>	Might consider <u>voting for</u>	Definitely <u>not vote for</u>
Mitt Romney	62	21	41	35
Barack Obama	54	33	21	45
Rick Perry	53	20	33	44

**FULL RESULTS AND TRENDS:**

**A. Barack Obama**

	Definitely <u>vote for</u>	Might consider <u>voting for</u>	Definitely <u>not vote for</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
<b><u>REGISTERED VOTERS</u></b>				
2011 Sep 15-18	33	21	45	1
<b><u>NATIONAL ADULTS</u></b>				
2011 Sep 15-18	33	20	46	1

**For comparison:** Next, I'm going to ask you about some people who may run for president in 2012. For each one, please tell me whether you will definitely vote for that person, whether you might consider voting for that person, or whether you will definitely not vote for that person. How about – Barack Obama?

	Definitely <u>vote for</u>	Might consider <u>voting for</u>	Definitely <u>not vote for</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
<b><u>REGISTERED VOTERS</u></b>				
2011 Apr 20-23	31	23	46	*

**For comparison:** For each of the following presidential candidates, please tell me whether you will definitely vote for that person in November 2008, whether you might consider voting for that person, or whether you will definitely not vote for that person. How about – Barack Obama?

	Definitely <u>vote for</u>	Might consider <u>voting for</u>	Definitely <u>not vote for</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
<b><u>REGISTERED VOTERS</u></b>				
2007 Nov 2-4	19	39	40	2

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**B. Rick Perry**

	Definitely <u>vote for</u>	Might consider <u>voting for</u>	Definitely <u>not vote for</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
<b><u>REGISTERED VOTERS</u></b>				
2011 Sep 15-18	20	33	44	4
<b><u>NATIONAL ADULTS</u></b>				
2011 Sep 15-18	19	33	43	5

**C. Mitt Romney**

	Definitely <u>vote for</u>	Might consider <u>voting for</u>	Definitely <u>not vote for</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
<b><u>REGISTERED VOTERS</u></b>				
2011 Sep 15-18	21	41	35	3
<b><u>NATIONAL ADULTS</u></b>				
2011 Sep 15-18	20	40	35	5

**For comparison:** *Next, I'm going to ask you about some people who may run for president in 2012. For each one, please tell me whether you will definitely vote for that person, whether you might consider voting for that person, or whether you will definitely not vote for that person. How about – Mitt Romney?*

	Definitely <u>vote for</u>	Might consider <u>voting for</u>	Definitely <u>not vote for</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
<b><u>REGISTERED VOTERS</u></b>				
2011 Apr 20-23	6	42	45	7

**For comparison:** *For each of the following presidential candidates, please tell me whether you will definitely vote for that person in November 2008, whether you might consider voting for that person, or whether you will definitely not vote for that person. How about – Mitt Romney?*

	Definitely <u>vote for</u>	Might consider <u>voting for</u>	Definitely <u>not vote for</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
<b><u>REGISTERED VOTERS</u></b>				
2007 Nov 2-4	7	30	56	6

