

WBUR Poll
New Hampshire 2016 Republican Primary
Field Dates: November 14-15, 2015
Survey of 405 Likely Voters

I'm going to read you the names of several people who are active in public affairs. After I read each one please tell me if you have a generally favorable or generally unfavorable view of the person. If you have never heard of the person or if you are undecided, please just say so. **READ FIRST NAME.** How about **READ NEXT NAME?**

REPEAT QUESTION TEXT ONLY IF NECESSARY, PROBE IF RESPONDENT SAYS "DON'T KNOW". Have you heard of **READ NAME** and are undecided about (him/her)? Or **PAUSE** have you never heard of (him/her)?

| <i>Order rotated.</i> | Field dates | Favorable | Unfavorable | Heard of / Undecided | Never heard of | Refused |
|-----------------------|--------------|-----------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------------|---------|
| | Nov 14-15 | 55% | 26% | 17% | 2% | <1% |
| Ben Carson | Oct 29-Nov 1 | 63% | 19% | 14% | 4% | 0% |
| | Sep 12-14 | 58% | 10% | 24% | 8% | 1% |
| Bobby Jindal | Nov 14-15 | 34% | 26% | 24% | 15% | 1% |
| <i>Asked to 1/2</i> | Oct 29-Nov 1 | 25% | 26% | 25% | 24% | 0% |
| | Sep 12-14 | 29% | 22% | 26% | 21% | 2% |
| Carly Fiorina | Nov 14-15 | 50% | 27% | 16% | 7% | 0% |
| | Oct 29-Nov 1 | 53% | 23% | 19% | 5% | 0% |
| | Sep 12-14 | 53% | 16% | 19% | 11% | 2% |
| Chris Christie | Nov 14-15 | 47% | 33% | 18% | 1% | 0% |
| | Oct 29-Nov 1 | 51% | 31% | 15% | 2% | <1% |
| | Sep 12-14 | 39% | 39% | 20% | 2% | <1% |
| Donald Trump | Nov 14-15 | 42% | 43% | 14% | <1% | <1% |
| | Oct 29-Nov 1 | 42% | 42% | 16% | 0% | 0% |
| | Sep 12-14 | 45% | 40% | 14% | 1% | 1% |
| George Pataki | Nov 14-15 | 20% | 40% | 30% | 10% | 0% |
| <i>Asked to 1/2</i> | Oct 29-Nov 1 | 16% | 47% | 28% | 9% | 0% |
| | Sep 12-14 | 14% | 37% | 31% | 17% | 2% |
| Jeb Bush | Nov 14-15 | 36% | 47% | 17% | 0% | <1% |
| | Oct 29-Nov 1 | 35% | 50% | 14% | 1% | 0% |
| | Sep 12-14 | 40% | 42% | 16% | 1% | 1% |
| Jim Gilmore | Nov 14-15 | 4% | 25% | 29% | 42% | 0% |
| <i>Asked to 1/2</i> | Oct 29-Nov 1 | 2% | 21% | 24% | 52% | 0% |
| | Sep 12-14 | 4% | 22% | 20% | 53% | 1% |
| John Kasich | Nov 14-15 | 33% | 39% | 19% | 8% | 0% |
| | Oct 29-Nov 1 | 37% | 32% | 23% | 7% | <1% |
| | Sep 12-14 | 45% | 21% | 22% | 12% | <1% |
| Lindsey Graham | Nov 14-15 | 17% | 51% | 23% | 9% | 0% |
| <i>Asked to 1/2</i> | Oct 29-Nov 1 | 18% | 51% | 24% | 6% | <1% |
| | Sep 12-14 | 18% | 45% | 25% | 11% | 2% |

| <i>Continued</i> | Field dates | Favorable | Unfavorable | Heard of / Undecided | Never heard of | Refused |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|-----------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------------|---------|
| Marco Rubio | Nov 14-15 | 57% | 20% | 19% | 4% | 0% |
| | Oct 29-Nov 1 | 56% | 24% | 18% | 2% | 0% |
| | Sep 12-14 | 46% | 25% | 21% | 8% | <1% |
| Mike Huckabee <i>Asked to 1/2</i> | Nov 14-15 | 34% | 48% | 18% | 1% | 0% |
| | Oct 29-Nov 1 | 35% | 46% | 17% | 2% | 0% |
| | Sep 12-14 | 33% | 42% | 19% | 3% | 2% |
| Rand Paul | Nov 14-15 | 35% | 46% | 17% | 1% | 0% |
| | Oct 29-Nov 1 | 30% | 52% | 17% | 1% | <1% |
| | Sep 12-14 | 33% | 48% | 19% | <1% | <1% |
| Rick Santorum <i>Asked to 1/2</i> | Nov 14-15 | 28% | 43% | 25% | 4% | 0% |
| | Oct 29-Nov 1 | 21% | 49% | 26% | 3% | 1% |
| | Sep 12-14 | 22% | 41% | 32% | 3% | 1% |
| Ted Cruz | Nov 14-15 | 44% | 32% | 20% | 4% | 0% |
| | Oct 29-Nov 1 | 43% | 32% | 22% | 3% | 0% |
| | Sep 12-14 | 39% | 32% | 22% | 7% | 1% |
| Mitt Romney | Nov 14-15 | 57% | 29% | 14% | <1% | <1% |

If the candidates in the Republican primary were _____, for whom would you vote? *Order rotated.*

*If undecided, ask...Even though you say you are undecided -- which way are you leaning as of today?
List not read unless requested by respondent. Order rotated, if read.*

| Initial preference, sorted (without leaners) | Sep 12-14 | Oct 29- Nov 1 | Nov 14-15 |
|---|--------------|------------------|--------------|
| Donald Trump | 20% | 18% | 22% |
| Ben Carson | 17% | 15% | 11% |
| Marco Rubio | 2% | 9% | 11% |
| Ted Cruz | 5% | 6% | 8% |
| Jeb Bush | 8% | 7% | 7% |
| John Kasich | 7% | 8% | 7% |
| Chris Christie | 2% | 7% | 5% |
| Rand Paul | 4% | 3% | 5% |
| Carly Fiorina | 9% | 5% | 3% |
| Lindsey Graham | 1% | 0% | 2% |
| Bobby Jindal | <1% | 1% | 1% |
| George Pataki | <1% | 1% | 1% |
| Mike Huckabee | 1% | <1% | 1% |
| Rick Santorum | <1% | 0% | 1% |
| Jim Gilmore | 0% | 0% | 0% |
| Scott Walker | 1% | N/A | N/A |
| Some other candidate (not read) | 1% | <1% | 1% |
| Would not vote (not read) | 2% | 1% | 1% |
| Don't Know / Refused | 19% | 18% | 13% |

| Vote preference with leaners, sorted | Sep 12-14 | Oct 29- Nov 1 | Nov 14-15 |
|---|--------------|------------------|--------------|
| Donald Trump | 22% | 18% | 23% |
| Ben Carson | 18% | 16% | 13% |
| Marco Rubio | 2% | 11% | 13% |
| Ted Cruz | 5% | 6% | 8% |
| Jeb Bush | 9% | 7% | 7% |
| John Kasich | 9% | 10% | 7% |
| Chris Christie | 2% | 8% | 6% |
| Rand Paul | 4% | 3% | 5% |
| Carly Fiorina | 11% | 6% | 4% |
| Lindsey Graham | 1% | 0% | 2% |
| Bobby Jindal | <1% | 1% | 1% |
| George Pataki | <1% | 1% | 1% |
| Mike Huckabee | 1% | <1% | 1% |
| Rick Santorum | <1% | 0% | 1% |
| Jim Gilmore | 0% | 0% | 0% |
| Scott Walker | 1% | N/A | N/A |
| Some other candidate (not read) | 1% | <1% | 1% |
| Would not vote (not read) | 2% | 2% | 1% |
| Don't Know / Refused | 11% | 12% | 6% |

Did you watch the Republican presidential candidate debate that took place on Wednesday?

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|----------------------|-----|
| Yes | 47% |
| No | 53% |
| Don't Know / Refused | 0% |

Next two questions only asked to those who said they watched the debate, n=219.

Which candidate do you think did the best job in the debate?

| <i>Sorted.</i> | After previous debate | After current debate |
|----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Marco Rubio | 27% | 36% |
| Ted Cruz | 20% | 16% |
| Donald Trump | 7% | 9% |
| Ben Carson | 5% | 7% |
| Carly Fiorina | 7% | 4% |
| Jeb Bush | 1% | 4% |
| Rand Paul | <1% | 3% |
| John Kasich | 4% | 2% |
| Chris Christie | 13% | N/A |
| Mike Huckabee | 2% | N/A |
| Don't Know / Refused | 14% | 20% |

Which candidate do you think did the worst job in the debate?

| <i>Sorted.</i> | After previous debate | After current debate |
|----------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| John Kasich | 9% | 26% |
| Donald Trump | 9% | 20% |
| Jeb Bush | 36% | 16% |
| Ben Carson | 5% | 6% |
| Carly Fiorina | 3% | 5% |
| Rand Paul | 11% | 5% |
| Ted Cruz | 2% | 2% |
| Marco Rubio | 1% | 1% |
| Chris Christie | 2% | N/A |
| Mike Huckabee | 3% | N/A |
| Don't Know / Refused | 19% | 19% |

Now I would like to ask you about a few other issues.

Would you like to see Mitt Romney join the race and run for President in 2016 as well?

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|----------------------|-----|
| Yes | 34% |
| No | 64% |
| Don't Know / Refused | 2% |

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Republican Party leaders are handling their job? *Order rotated.*

| | |
|----------------------|-----|
| Approve | 24% |
| Disapprove | 64% |
| Don't Know / Refused | 12% |

Which of the following would you prefer to see Republicans do? *Order rotated.*

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-----|
| Compromise to get things done | 43% |
| Hold fast to their principles | 43% |
| Both / neither / depends (not read) | 13% |
| Don't Know / Refused | 2% |

Which of the following would you prefer for our next President? *Order rotated.*

| | |
|---|-----|
| Somewhat from outside the political establishment | 46% |
| Somewhat with experience in elected office | 36% |
| Both / neither / depends (not read) | 13% |
| Don't Know / Refused | 5% |

Do you think most people in America make wages that are too high, too low, or about right? *Order rotated.*

| | |
|----------------------|-----|
| Too high | 5% |
| Too low | 46% |
| About right | 42% |
| Don't Know / Refused | 8% |

Estimates suggest between 8 and 12 million people are living in the United States illegally. Which one statement comes closest to what you think? *Order rotated.*

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|---|-----|
| We should create a pathway to citizenship for these people | 34% |
| We should grant these people legal status so they can live and work here, but not become citizens | 21% |
| We should find and deport people who have come to this country illegally | 42% |
| Don't Know / Refused | 3% |

Do you think the amount the U.S. currently spends on the military is _____? *Order rotated.*

| | |
|----------------------|-----|
| Too high | 14% |
| Too low | 54% |
| About right | 27% |
| Don't Know / Refused | 5% |

In terms of the Middle East, do you think the next President should _____? *Order rotated.*

| | |
|---|-----|
| Remove as many troops as possible from the region | 22% |
| Keep troop levels about where they are | 28% |
| Send more troops to the region | 38% |
| Don't Know / Refused | 11% |

Demographics

Race

| | |
|----------------------|-----|
| White / Caucasian | 93% |
| All others | 3% |
| Don't Know / Refused | 4% |

Age

| | |
|----------|-----|
| 18 to 29 | 13% |
| 30 to 44 | 28% |
| 45 to 59 | 34% |
| 60+ | 25% |

Gender

| | |
|--------|-----|
| Male | 56% |
| Female | 44% |

Party Registration

| | |
|--------------------------|-----|
| Republican | 65% |
| Independent / Unenrolled | 35% |

Education

| | |
|--------------------------|-----|
| High School or less | 18% |
| Some college, no degree | 27% |
| College graduate (BA/BS) | 29% |
| Advanced degree | 24% |
| Don't Know / Refused | 2% |

About the Poll

These results are based on a survey of 405 likely voters in the 2016 New Hampshire Republican Primary. Live telephone interviews were conducted November 14-15, 2015 via both landline and cell phone using conventional registration based sampling procedures. Approximately 9 in 10 respondents are previous primary voters. The margin of sampling error for the full sample is +/- 4.9 percentage points with a 95 percent level of confidence. The poll was sponsored by WBUR, a National Public Radio station in the Boston area.