

**Texas Pre-Primary Poll 2/11/10**

N=2017 Total Respondents

N=1508 Registered Voters

N=464 Likely Republican Primary Voters

**3. If the Republican Primary for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were Kay Bailey Hutchison, Rick Perry, and Debra Medina, for whom would you vote? (CANDIDATES ROTATED)**

*(IF NOT SURE, ASK):* **Toward which candidate are you leaning? N=464 Likely Republican voters**

1.	<b>Kay Bailey Hutchison</b>	<b>29%</b>
2.	<b>Rick Perry</b>	<b>45%</b>
3.	<b>Debra Medina</b>	<b>17%</b>
4.	Not vote	--
8.	Not Sure	8
9.	Refuse	2

**4. How certain are you that you will vote for.... (CHOICE IN Q3)**

	<u>Hutchison</u>	<u>Perry</u>	<u>Medina</u>	
1. Absolutely certain	56		66	55
2. Fairly certain		36		31
3. Not too certain		3		3
4. Not certain at all		5		1
8. Not Sure		--		--
9. Refuse		--		--

**ROTATE #5 & #6**

**5. If the November General Election for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were Rick Perry, the Republican and Bill White the Democrat; for whom would you vote? (CANDIDATES ROTATED)(IF NOT SURE, ASK):** Toward which candidate are you leaning?

**N=1508 Registered voters**

1.	<b>Perry</b>	<b>43%</b>
2.	<b>Bill White</b>	<b>37</b>
4.	Other	1
5.	Would not vote	5
8.	Not sure/	13
9.	NA/Refuse	2

**6. If the November General Election for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were Kay Bailey Hutchison, the Republican and Bill White the Democrat, for whom would you vote? (CANDIDATES ROTATED)(IF NOT SURE, ASK):** Toward which candidate are you leaning?

1.	<b>Hutchison</b>	<b>42%</b>
2.	<b>Bill White</b>	<b>34</b>
4.	Other	1
5.	Would not vote	5
8.	Not sure/	15
9.	/Refuse	2

**ROTATE #7 & #8**

**7. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Rick Perry is doing as Governor?**

	<u>N=1508 Reg. Voters</u>	<u>Feb 2006</u>
1. Approve	<b>46%</b>	47%
2. Disapprove	<b>38%</b>	38%
3. Not sure/	14	14
4. NA/Refuse	2	--

8. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Kay Bailey Hutchison is doing as Senator?

1. Approve		48%
2. Disapprove	27	
3. Not sure/		22
4. NA/Refuse		3

9. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Bill White or haven't you heard enough about him to have an opinion?

1. Favorable		23%
2. Unfavorable		7
3. Not heard enough	65	
8. Not sure/		--
9. Refuse		5

10. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing as President?

1 Approve		40%
2 Disapprove		48
8 Not sure/		10
9 NA/Refuse		2

11. Generally speaking, would you say things in Texas are heading in the right direction, or are they off on the wrong track?"

1 right direction		53%
2 wrong track		35
8. Not Sure/		12
9. Refuse		1

12. Do you think there should be term limits on how long a person can serve as Texas governor, or not?

1. Yes		75%
2. No	21	
8. Not Sure/		4
9. Refuse		1

13. Which is more important in your vote in the TX republican primary for Governor in March ? (READ/ROTATE 1&2)

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1. TX state issues the Governor will have to deal with		71%
or		
2. Sending Washington a message.		25%
8. Not Sure/		5
9. Refuse		--

14. Which ONE of the following issues is MOST important to your vote in the March primary for Governor? (READ & ROTATE 1-7)

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1. Health care		7%
2. Insurance rates	4	
3. Immigration		13
4. Transportation	2	
5. Jobs and the economy	38	
6. The state budget and taxes		21
7. Education		12
8. Something else		1
88. Not Sure/		3
99. Refuse		1

15. Would you vote for a candidate for governor who supports the Roe vs. Wade court decision legalizing abortion rights?

(GOP primary only) N=464 Likely Republican voter

1.	yes	43%
2.	no	48%
8.	Not Sure/	7%
9.	Refuse not sure/refuse	1

16. Do you believe illegal immigrants should: N=1508 Registered voters

1.	Be given work visas to stay in the United States	23%
2.	Be allowed to get on a path of citizenship	29
3.	Be deported to their country of origin	38
8.	Not Sure	9
9.	Refuse	2

17. Texas state government is expected to have a large budget deficit next year. The vast majority of the state budget goes toward health care, education and highways. To balance the budget, would you prefer : (READ & ROTATE 1-4)

1.	cuts in education	7%
2.	cuts in health care for the poor	11
3.	cuts in highway funding	41
4.	increases in state taxes and fees	20
8.	Not Sure	13
9.	Refuse	8

18. How should TX pay for more needed highway construction? (READ/ROTATE 1-5)

1.	increase state gas tax	16%
2.	Increase toll roads	21
3.	borrow money using state bonds	17
4.	take money from other programs.	15
5.	allow "local option" gas taxes in metro areas	10
6.	no more money is needed VOLUNTEERED ONLY	3
8.	Not Sure	17
9.	Refuse	2

19. What do you think Texas should do to create more jobs? (READ/ROTATE 1-4)

1.	Offer more incentives for businesses to move to Texas	40%
2.	Cut business taxes	25
3.	Spend money on public works projects	16
4.	Do nothing because economy will sort itself out	9
8.	Not Sure	8
9.	Refuse	2