



*All results are for release after 6:00 PM/ET Wednesday, December 20, 2023.*

## IOWA 2024 GOP CAUCUS

### Methodology

Interviews were conducted December 14-18, 2023 among a random sample of 804 Iowa Republican caucus-goers contacted on landlines (188) and cellphones (616).

Results based on the full sample have a margin of sampling error of  $\pm 3.5$  percentage points.

Telephone numbers were randomly selected from a statewide voter file of registered Iowa voters using a probability proportionate to size method, which means phone numbers are proportionally representative to the number of voters in all regions across the state. Respondents were screened to identify likely participants in the Iowa Republican caucus.

The Fox Business Poll is conducted under the joint direction of Beacon Research (D) and Shaw & Company Research (R).

Fieldwork conducted by Braun Research, Inc. of Princeton, NJ.

*Results are of registered voters, unless otherwise noted.*

*An asterisk (\*) is used for percentages of less than one-half percent.*

*A dash (-) represents a value of zero.*

*Some percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding. In the same way, percentages in "total" columns may be one point more or less than the sum of their parts due to rounding.*

1. How likely are you to attend one of the Iowa Republican caucuses scheduled for January 2024 -- will you definitely attend a Republican caucus, probably attend, probably not attend, or definitely not attend?

	Definitely <u>attend</u>	Probably <u>attend</u>	Probably <u>not attend</u>	Definitely <u>not attend</u>	(Not <u>sure</u> )
14-18 Dec 23	56%	44	-	-	-
14-18 Sep 23	49%	51	-	-	-
15-19 Jul 23	44%	56	-	-	-

2. I'm going to read a list of candidates for the 2024 Republican nomination for president. If the caucus were held today, which one of the following would be your first choice for president? **[IF NOT SURE: Well, if you had to decide today, which one would you choose?]** **[RANDOMIZE]**

	<u>14-18 Dec 23</u> N=804	<u>14-18 Sep 23</u> N=813	<u>15-19 Jul 23</u> N=806
Donald Trump	52%	46%	46%
Ron DeSantis	18	15	16
Nikki Haley	16	11	5
Vivek Ramaswamy	7	7	6
Chris Christie	3	3	3
Ryan Binkley	*	1	N/A
Asa Hutchinson	*	*	1
Tim Scott	N/A	7	11
Mike Pence	N/A	3	4
Doug Burgum	N/A	2	3
Perry Johnson	N/A	1	N/A
Larry Elder	N/A	*	*
Will Hurd	N/A	*	*
Francis Suarez	N/A	N/A	1
(Other)	1	1	1
(None of the above)	*	*	*
(Don't know)	2	2	3

*For reference: I'm going to read a list of candidates for the 2016 Republican nomination. If the caucus were held today, which one of the following would be your first choice for president? [IF NOT SURE, ASK: Well, if you had to decide today, which one would you choose?]*

	<u>18-21 Jan 16</u> N=378	<u>4-7 Jan 16</u> N=504	<u>7-10 Dec 15</u> N=450
Donald Trump	34%	23%	26%
Ted Cruz	23	27	28
Marco Rubio	12	15	13
Ben Carson	7	9	10
Rand Paul	6	5	5
Chris Christie	4	4	2
Jeb Bush	4	7	5
John Kasich	2	1	1
Mike Huckabee	2	2	1
Rick Santorum	2	1	*
Carly Fiorina	1	1	2
Jim Gilmore	-	-	-
(Other)	1	*	2
("Uncommitted")	*	1	1
(Don't know)	2	2	3

**[SKIP IF OTHER, NONE OF THE ABOVE, OR DON'T KNOW IN Q2]**

3. Are you certain to support that person, or could you still change your mind? **[IF DON'T KNOW: re-read question and probe for answer]**

	Certain to support	May change mind	(Don't know)
14-18 Dec 23	69%	30	2
Q2 Trump supporters	83%	16	1
Q2 DeSantis supporters	59%	39	2
Q2 Haley supporters	51%	43	5

**[SKIP & CODE AS DON'T KNOW IF NONE OF THE ABOVE / DON'T KNOW IN Q2]**

4. And who would be your second choice? **[IF NOT SURE: Well, if you had to decide today, which one would you choose?]** **[ONLY READ LIST IF REQUESTED. READ IN SAME ORDER AS Q2. DO NOT ACCEPT CHOICE FROM Q2.]**

	First choice	Second choice	1st & 2nd Combined	Without Trump
Donald Trump	52%	10%	63%	N/A
Ron DeSantis	18	25	43	34%
Nikki Haley	16	15	31	22
Vivek Ramaswamy	7	20	28	23
Chris Christie	3	5	8	4
Ryan Binkley	*	1	1	1
Asa Hutchinson	*	2	2	1
(Other)	1	1	2	1
(None of the above)	*	12	*	10
(Don't know)	2	8	2	6

Some percentages in the "combined" column may be one point more or less than the sum of their parts due to rounding.

For reference:	1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Choice					
	First choice		Second choice		Combined	
	14-18 Sep 23	15-19 Jul 23	14-18 Sep 23	15-19 Jul 23	14-18 Sep 23	15-19 Jul 23
Donald Trump	46%	46%	7%	9%	53%	54%
Ron DeSantis	15	16	17	23	32	39
Nikki Haley	11	5	14	10	24	15
Vivek Ramaswamy	7	6	14	10	21	16
Tim Scott	7	11	16	15	23	26
Chris Christie	3	3	1	3	4	6
Mike Pence	3	4	6	10	9	14
Doug Burgum	2	3	4	5	7	7
Ryan Binkley	1	N/A	1	N/A	1	N/A
Perry Johnson	1	N/A	1	N/A	1	N/A
Larry Elder	*	*	2	1	2	2
Will Hurd	*	*	*	1	1	1
Asa Hutchinson	*	1	2	1	2	3
Francis Suarez	N/A	1	N/A	1	N/A	2
(Other)	1	1	1	1	1	1
(None of the above)	*	*	6	5	N/A	N/A
(Don't know)	2	3	10	5	N/A	N/A

5.-12. In deciding who to support in the Republican presidential caucus, how important is supporting a candidate who ...[RANDOMIZE]

		-----Important-----			-----Not important-----			(Don't know)
	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Extremely</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Not very</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>know</u>	
Is a strong leader?								
14-18 Dec 23	99%	78	21	1	1	*	*	
Has the stamina and mental ability to serve effectively as president?								
14-18 Dec 23	99%	77	21	1	1	*	*	
Shares your views on the issues?								
14-18 Dec 23	96%	59	37	4	3	*	*	
14-18 Sep 23	98%	63	35	2	2	*	1	
15-19 Jul 23	95%	56	39	5	4	1	*	
Can defeat Joe Biden?								
14-18 Dec 23	92%	76	16	7	4	3	1	
14-18 Sep 23	92%	74	18	7	5	3	*	
15-19 Jul 23	89%	66	23	10	7	4	1	
Cares about people like you?								
14-18 Dec 23	92%	63	30	7	5	2	1	
Won't embarrass themselves or the country?								
14-18 Dec 23	81%	52	29	17	9	7	3	
Will work across party lines?								
14-18 Dec 23	72%	41	32	26	15	11	1	
Is willing to break the rules to get things done?								
14-18 Dec 23	31%	15	16	63	25	38	5	

13. Which one of the following issues will be MOST important in deciding who you support for the Republican nomination? [IF ALL/MIXED/OTHER: Well, if you had to pick one, which would it be?] [RANDOMIZE 1-5]

	14-18 Dec 23	14-18 Sep 23	15-19 Jul 23
Economic issues, such as inflation, jobs, and taxes	38%	46%	41%
Immigration issues, such as border security and legalization	27	15	15
Foreign policy and defense issues, such as terrorism and relations with China and Russia	12	12	12
Social issues, such as religion, abortion, and gender in school and sports	10	13	15
Populist issues, such as corruption, elite power, and corporate activism	6	10	9
(All/Mixed)	3	2	5
(Other)	1	*	1
(Don't know)	3	1	2

14. In general, do you think the United States should take a more active or less active role in solving problems in the world, or is its current role about right?

	<u>More active</u>	<u>Less active</u>	<u>About right</u>	<u>(Don't know)</u>
14-18 Dec 23	19%	50	26	5

- 15.-17. For each of the following, please tell me how you would feel if that candidate were the Republican Party's presidential nominee -- would you feel satisfied, dissatisfied, but you'd still vote for them over the Democrat in November, or dissatisfied enough that you probably would not vote in November? [RANDOMIZE]

	<u>Satisfied</u>	<u>Dissatisfied but I'd still vote for them</u>	<u>Dissatisfied, probably not vote</u>	<u>(Depends)</u>	<u>(Don't know)</u>
Donald Trump	65%	14	18	2	1
Ron DeSantis	48%	31	16	3	2
Nikki Haley	45%	28	21	3	3

18. Thinking about the legal challenges Donald Trump is facing related to January 6 and other efforts to overturn the 2020 election, do you think he did something illegal, he did something wrong but not illegal, or do you think he hasn't done anything seriously wrong?

	<u>Did something illegal</u>	<u>Did something wrong but not illegal</u>	<u>Hasn't done anything seriously wrong</u>	<u>(Don't know)</u>
14-18 Dec 23	16%	21	58	4