# Latino Decisions Election Eve Poll Results for all 8 States Compared state-by-state Nov. 2, 2010

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1. In the 2010 election, what do you think are the most important issues facing the [Latino/Hispanic] community that our politicians should address?

	TOTAL	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	<u>FL</u>	<u>IL</u>	NM	<u>NV</u>	<u>TX</u>
Jobs	31	22	29	28	41	33	32	36	28
Economy	17	19	14	17	23	19	19	18	18
Wall Street	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0
Immigration	37	45	40	37	30	41	26	44	35
Wars in Afghan/Iraq	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1
Image of the US	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	2
Health care	8	5	7	11	6	8	9	7	11
Gas prices	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Housing	1	1	2	0	3	2	1	1	1
Education	14	11	17	12	6	15	19	13	16
Corropution	2	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	1
Environment	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Race relations	3	8	2	3	2	3	3	4	5
Taxes	2	1	2	3	4	2	1	1	1
Something else	10	14	10	11	7	9	13	7	11
DK	9	8	9	13	8	9	10	9	8

2. Generally speaking, do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing as President?

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{FL}}$	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	$\overline{\mathbf{NV}}$	$\underline{\mathbf{T}\mathbf{X}}$
Strongly approve	38	41	43	39	24	39	37	39	40
Somewhat approve	30	30	33	30	22	35	30	36	30
Somewhat disapprove	11	11	12	10	11	11	10	11	9
Strongly disapprove	16	14	9	18	32	8	20	9	17
DK	5	4	4	4	10	7	4	5	5

3. How would you rate the job Barack Obama has been doing handling immigration reform?

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	<u>FL</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	NV	$\underline{\mathbf{T}}\underline{\mathbf{X}}$
Strongly approve	19	21	21	18	14	20	17	21	20
Somewhat approve	30	29	33	31	20	34	33	32	29
Neither	6	4	6	4	9	4	4	3	6
Somewhat disapprove	19	20	20	18	16	20	16	22	18
Strongly disapprove	21	24	15	21	34	17	25	19	21
DK	5	3	5	7	8	5	6	4	5

4. In the election for U	J.S. House of Re <u>T<b>OTAL</b></u>	•	•						•	ur distr
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Republican	24	63 17	14	16	61	13	27	11	18	
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4b. (IF 4=D) Would y	you say your vot	e is more	in FAVOR	of the Den	nocratic car	ndidate, or	more a vote	e against th	e Republican ca	andidat
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	$\underline{FL}$	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	$\underline{NV}$	<u>TX</u>	
In favor of Dem	79	71	80	74	85	78	74	76	78	
Against the Rep	17	23	16	24	9	17	18	21	18	
Other	2	3	2	1	3	1	4	1	1	
Don't know	2	3	1	1	3	3	3	2	3	
4c. (IF 4=R) Would ye	ou say your yote	is more i	n FAVOR	of the Repu	ıblican can	didate or n	nore a vote	against the	Democrat can	didate?
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In favor of Rep	74	60	<u>371</u> 71	<u>30</u> 74	<del>111</del> 79	<u>122</u> 62	60	54	77	
Against the Dem	18	29	25	20	15	24	25	41	11	
Other	4	8	0	5	3	5	9	5	8	
DK	4	3	4	2	4	9	5	0	4	
5. In the election for G	Governor of {ST	'ATE} did	l vou vote i	for the DEN	MOCRAT (	or the REP	UBLICAN	?		
	TOTAL	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	<u>FL</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	NV	<u>TX</u>	
Demcrat	76	85	86							
Republican		0.5	80	77	48	83	61	84	80	
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6. In the election for U.S. Senate to represent {STATE} did you vote for the DEMOCRAT or the REPUBLICAN?

	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{FL}}$	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{NV}}$	$\underline{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{X}$
Demcrat	69	78	86	81	20	84	na	90	na
Republican	26	22	14	19	62	15	na	8	na
Other	5	0	0	0	18	1	na	2	na

6b. (IF 6=D) Would you say your vote is more in FAVOR of the Democratic candidate, or more a vote against the Republican candidate?

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	<u>FL</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	<u>NV</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{T}}\underline{\mathbf{X}}$
In favor of Dem	79	47	84	68	73	76		69	
Against the Rep	18	50	13	30	20	17		27	
Other	1	0	1	1	3	2		3	
Don't know	2	2	2	2	4	5		2	

6c. (IF 6=R) Would you say your vote is more in FAVOR of the Republican candidate, or more a vote against the Democrat candidate?

	TOTAL	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	<u>FL</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	NV	<u>TX</u>
In favor of Rep	74	80	43	57	93	62		48	
Against the Dem	22	18	53	38	3	25		52	
Other	3	1	2	3	3	0		0	
DK	2	0	2	2	1	14		0	

7. Okay, which of the following three statements do you agree with the most: [ROTATE: I'm voting in 2010 because I wanted to support the Democratic candidate; I'm voting in 2010 because I wanted to support the Republican candidate; I'm voting in 2010 because I wanted to support and represent the Latino community]

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	<u>FL</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	<u>NV</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{X}$
To support the Dem	31	31	32	40	16	32	33	34	41
To support the Rep	12	10	8	8	28	5	13	6	9
To support Latinos	47	50	53	41	41	54	38	56	41
Other	6	6	5	7	9	6	10	3	5
DK	4	3	2	4	6	3	6	1	4

8. Thinking about the future of our economy, which party do you trust more to make the right decisions and improve our economic conditions? Would you say you have more confidence in (rotate) President Obama and the Democrats, or the Republicans?

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	<u>FL</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	<u>NV</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{TX}}$
Obama and Dems	65	70	74	68	36	72	61	74	68
Republicans	20	15	15	16	44	11	23	14	17
Both	2	1	2	2	3	3	2	3	2
Neither	7	8	5	7	10	7	8	4	6
DK	6	6	4	7	7	7	6	5	7

9. Alright, thinking again about the current debate about addressing and improving the economy in Washington, D.C. How much do you think the public officials take into account economic issues of the [Latino/Hispanic] community when considering reforms? Is it...

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{FL}}$	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{NV}}$	$\underline{\mathbf{T}}\underline{\mathbf{X}}$
Very much	11	10	11	7	13	13	10	12	10
Somewhat	36	34	40	40	28	33	37	42	36
Not too much	33	35	34	30	28	34	29	28	35
Not at all	14	17	11	16	24	13	17	14	13
DK	6	4	5	7	8	6	7	4	6

10. Over past few months before the election, did you see or hear any advertisements or programs specifically encouraging Latinos to participate in the November election?

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	<u>FL</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	<u>NV</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{T}}\underline{\mathbf{X}}$
Yes	71	69	75	55	74	61	52	83	68
No	27	27	23	43	23	36	42	16	29
DK	3	4	2	2	3	3	6	1	3

10a. [IF 10=1] And did you see or hear those in the form of a television ad, a radio ad, or a flyer in the mail?

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	<u>FL</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	<u>NV</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{X}$
TV	78	79	75	70	80	77	75	83	84
Radio	24	30	26	27	26	23	19	34	18
Mail	26	24	36	17	21	18	22	29	16
Other	3	5	2	7	3	5	4	4	4
DK	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1

10b. [IF 10=1] And were they in English, in Spanish, or bilingual ads?

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	<u>FL</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	<u>NV</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{T}}\underline{\mathbf{X}}$	
English	28	25	30	34	18	27	43	23	31	
Spanish	39	37	39	32	49	41	22	37	33	
Bilingual	40	45	41	36	39	38	39	48	40	
Other	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	
DK	1	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	

11. Besides seeing any ads, over the past few months, were you asked to vote, or register to vote by a candidate for office or a person working for a candidate, representative of a political party, or someone from an organization working in your community?

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	CO	$\underline{\mathbf{FL}}$	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	<u>NV</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{X}$
Yes	38	41	40	42	32	37	42	45	35
No	57	53	56	53	60	60	53	51	59
Don't recall	5	6	3	5	7	3	5	4	6

11a. [IF 11=1] And who was it that contacted you? [READ OPTIONS, ROTATE -- MULTIPLE RESPONSES]

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{FL}}$	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{NV}}$	$\underline{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{X}$
Candidate for office	32	30	32	31	23	27	39	29	38
Political party	22	17	21	28	26	20	23	23	20
Independent group	13	11	13	12	15	11	11	11	13
Non-partisan group	14	23	13	13	15	26	12	23	10
DK	20	18	21	16	21	17	16	14	19

12. [IF 11a=1 OR 2] Were you contacted by the Democrats, Republicans, both parties, or by representatives of other parties?

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	<u>FL</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	$\underline{NV}$	$\underline{\mathbf{T}\mathbf{X}}$
Democrats	43	35	55	34	19	35	39	42	41
Republicans	10	10	7	11	27	8	7	2	9
Both Dems and Reps	37	41	28	49	43	46	45	42	42
Other party	1	3	1	2	2	0	1	5	1
DK	9	11	9	4	10	11	8	9	7

15. Earlier this year, Arizona passed a law that requires state and local police to determine the immigration status of a person if there is a reasonable suspicion he or she is an illegal immigrant, and would charge anyone with trespassing who is not carrying proof of legal status when questioned by police. From what you have heard, do you [rotate: support or oppose] the new immigration law in Arizona?

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{FL}}$	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{NV}}$	$\underline{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{X}$
Strongly support	11	13	8	16	16	7	18	8	13
Somewhat support	6	5	4	7	9	3	6	4	6
Neither	4	6	2	3	9	2	4	3	4
Somewhat oppose	9	7	5	11	11	8	12	6	12
Strongly oppose	65	67	75	59	48	76	52	76	60
DK	5	3	4	4	7	4	7	3	6

16. About a month ago, the Senate debated the DREAM Act, which would allow undocumented immigrant children to eventually become U.S. citizens if they attend college, or serve in the U.S. military. However it never came up for a full vote. How important do you think it is that the Congress and President act swiftly to pass the DREAM Act? Do you think it is...

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	<u>FL</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	<u>NV</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{T}\mathbf{X}}$
Extremely important	38	46	39	37	33	45	30	41	36
Very important	37	32	38	31	39	33	36	33	37
Somewhat important	13	12	13	17	11	10	16	15	13
Not too important	3	2	2	4	5	5	5	4	4
Not at all important	4	5	3	6	4	3	8	4	4
DK	5	3	4	5	7	4	5	3	5

17. Thinking ahead to the next presidential election in 2012 between Barack Obama and a Republican challenger. Do you think you: will definitely vote to re-elect Obama — that you MIGHT vote to re-elect Obama — that you MAY NOT vote for Obama — definitely WON'T vote for Obama in 2012.

	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	<u>FL</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	<u>NV</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{TX}}$
Definitely Obama	39	45	44	44	25	44	40	41	38
Might vote Obama	20	20	21	20	12	22	18	24	21
May not vote Obama	8	5	7	5	10	7	7	6	8
Definitely not Obama	19	15	13	17	37	12	20	13	17
DK	15	14	15	13	15	16	14	15	16

18. How important was the issue of immigration in your decision to vote, and who to vote for in this election? Was it the most important issue – one of the important issues – somewhat important – not really important] to your voting decision?

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	<u>FL</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	NV	$\underline{\mathbf{T}\mathbf{X}}$
The most important	34	40	38	29	30	38	20	38	31
One of the important	26	29	27	28	24	25	26	31	24
Somewhat important	23	18	21	27	22	24	28	19	25
Not really important	14	11	11	13	17	11	20	9	16
DK	3	2	2	3	7	3	6	3	3

19. Some people have said that the 2010 election created an anti-immigrant or anti-[Hispanic/Latino] sentiment across the country. To what extent did the anti-immigrant or anti-[Hispanic/Latino] sentiment influence your decisions to vote, and who to vote for in this election? Was it [ROTATE FRONT TO BACK] the most

	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{FL}}$	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	$\overline{NV}$	$\underline{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{X}$
The most important	28	33	29	24	26	29	14	37	27
One of the important	25	27	28	26	17	28	26	24	23
Somewhat important	22	18	21	26	23	20	26	22	22
Not really important	17	13	14	19	20	15	26	13	22
Disagree it existed	3	2	4	1	6	1	3	1	1
DK	5	6	5	4	8	7	6	2	5

20. Alright, which comes closest to your view about what government policy should be toward illegal immigrants currently residing in the U.S.? Should the government:

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	<u>FL</u>	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	<u>NV</u>	<u>TX</u>
Deport	13	13	11	16	15	9	16	12	14
Guestworker	15	16	14	13	15	12	15	11	18
Path to citizenship	66	64	72	65	61	70	61	74	61
_	6	6	4	7	9	8	8	3	7

21. And finally, thinking more about the economy, what specific issue are you thinking of when you think about the economic situation today and how that affects you or your family?

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>CA</u>	<u>CO</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{FL}}$	<u>IL</u>	<u>NM</u>	<u>NV</u>	$\underline{\mathbf{T}\mathbf{X}}$
Unemployment	44	44	46	42	46	49	38	57	39
Worried about job	9	9	10	10	9	8	9	10	8
Wages are low	8	7	7	6	7	7	6	7	9
Wall street	2	3	3	2	3	2	3	2	2
Housing payment	8	11	10	9	9	12	6	13	5
Cost of living	8	10	6	5	10	10	7	8	8
Cost of health care	7	5	5	9	5	6	9	4	10
Cost of transportation	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	0	2
Taxes	6	5	7	8	5	5	8	5	6
Something else	17	18	18	21	13	13	19	16	17
Nothing	8	6	6	5	9	6	8	4	10
DK	7	8	7	10	6	7	10	6	8