

[Note: These polling analyses are important to show people why being for impeachment is smart politically, as well as being the absolutely necessary ethical and moral action all America must take. Burn the text and numbers into your brain.]

85% of Democrats in PA Likely to Vote for Pro-Impeachment Candidates, Plus Other Polling

A poll conducted in Pennsylvania (a battleground "purple" state) by Zogby International and commissioned by OpEdNews.com found that 84.9 percent of Democrats said they would be likely to vote for a congressional candidate who "supports having impeachment proceedings against President Bush." Only 7% said they were not likely to vote for such a candidate.

These questions were included in a poll asking about senate candidates in Pennsylvania. The complete results are available at <http://www.opednews.com>.

The results were even stronger when people were asked "How likely would you be to vote for a candidate who supports a recommendation of impeachment against President Bush if he is found guilty of violating the law?" Among Democrats, **90.8 percent responded either "very likely" or "somewhat likely"** (85.2 percent very likely).

Among Republicans, 90.4 percent said they were not likely to vote for a pro-impeachment candidate, and 80.5 percent said they were not likely to back even a supporter of impeaching a convicted violator of the law.

Independents leaned toward electing an impeacher, with 49.3 percent likely and 40.6 percent not likely to vote for a pro-impeachment candidate. If the candidate only wants to impeach a lawbreaker, **60.6 percent of Independents are likely** and 36.7 percent not likely to vote for that candidate.

Overall, 47.6 percent of poll respondents said they would be likely to support a pro-impeachment candidate, while 46.2 percent said they would not be likely to. Overall, **53.5 percent** said they would be likely to **support a candidate who favors impeachment of Bush if he is found guilty of violating the law**, while 41.8 percent said they would not be likely to.

A separate question in the poll found that **51.1 percent of Pennsylvanians believe Bush broke the law by spying on Americans without a court order**, while 42 percent do not.

People were also asked their own opinions about impeachment, apart from the question of candidates' platforms. Overall, 53.7 percent of Pennsylvanians said that Bush should be impeached if found guilty of violating the law against wiretapping American citizens, while 42.5 percent disagreed. Among Democrats, 88.9 percent favored impeachment, while 8.4 percent did not.

These numbers show slightly higher support for impeachment, compared to a national poll conducted by Zogby on January 9-12. See POLLING at <http://www.afterdowningstreet.org/polling> - by David Swanson. The complete results of the Pennsylvania poll are available at <http://www.opednews.com>

Further, in a Zogby poll conducted released 5 months before the election on 23 May 2006, When asked "What 2 or 3 specific changes would have to take place in order to improve your trust in government today?", the top three called for, "**personnel changes/impeachment proceedings**; curtail/eliminate lobbying, minimize cronyism; and campaign finance reform." See <http://zogby.com/news/ReadNews.dbm?ID=1116>. **Impeachment's the #1 cure for restoring trust in government.**

And in a Newsweek poll released 17 days before the election on 21 October 2006, "Other parts of a potential Democratic agenda receive less support, especially **calls to impeach Bush: 47 percent of Democrats say that should be a "top priority,"** but only 28 percent of all Americans say it should be, 23 percent say it should be a lower priority and nearly half, 44 percent, say it should not be done." *Newsweek's strained spin of double negatives must be read very carefully: **44% of all Americans say impeachment should NOT be a lower priority.*** Ask why Newsweek writes so convoluted and dishonest. Its "news report" distorts, muddles and misleads the facts in an effort to keep them in line with Newsweek's editorial opposition to impeachment. That ain't news, that's politics with a smell from the right wing.

See <http://www.afterdowningstreet.org/node/14897>.