



**SC GOP Presidential Primary
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Sponsor(s)	Augusta Chronicle
Target Population	Likely presidential primary voters; Republican; South Carolina; CNN debate watchers (subset)
Sampling Method	<p>Landline: Registered South Carolina voters were selected randomly and surveyed on the evening of December 16th, 2015 on their landline telephone using an interactive voice response system.</p> <p>Mobile: Registered South Carolina voters unable to be reached by landline were surveyed using their mobile device on December 16th, 2015.</p>
Weighting	<p>Only respondents determined likely to vote in the 2016 Republican presidential primary were included in the survey.</p> <p>The poll was weighted for age, race and gender using propensity scores, according to presidential primary turnout figures and internal projections.</p>
Total Number of Respondents	536 (weighted)
Margin of Error	±4.2% (95% confidence)



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1. If the 2016 South Carolina Republican primary to determine the Republican nominee for president were held today and your choices were:

Jeb Bush,
Ben Carson,
Chris Christie,
Ted Cruz,
Carly Fiorina,
Lindsey Graham,
Mike Huckabee,
John Kasich,
George Pataki,
Rand Paul,
Marco Rubio,
Rick Santorum and
Donald Trump

for whom would you vote?

	Frequency	Percent
Bush	51	9.6
Carson	50	9.5
Christie	29	5.5
Cruz	111	21.1
Fiorina	24	4.6
Graham	10	1.9
Huckabee	11	2.1
Kasich	7	1.4
Pataki	1	.2
Paul	14	2.6
Rubio	61	11.6
Santorum	3	.5
Trump	149	28.3
Undecided	7	1.3
Total	527	100.0



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1. (continued)

		Age				Race		
		18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	African - American	Other
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Horse1	Bush	6.1%	2.5%	8.6%	15.2%	9.5%	8.1%	13.9%
	Carson	27.9%	17.3%	7.0%	5.4%	9.4%	11.4%	15.8%
	Christie	0.0%	6.1%	7.6%	3.2%	5.5%	9.0%	0.0%
	Cruz	.5%	12.8%	28.0%	19.6%	21.1%	29.2%	14.5%
	Fiorina	3.1%	6.3%	5.0%	3.6%	4.7%	0.0%	0.0%
	Graham	0.0%	0.0%	1.7%	3.6%	2.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	Huckabee	0.0%	0.0%	2.6%	2.8%	2.1%	0.0%	5.7%
	Kasich	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	.8%	1.4%	0.0%	0.0%
	Pataki	0.0%	.5%	.2%	0.0%	0.0%	17.1%	0.0%
	Paul	18.3%	6.4%	0.0%	1.2%	2.6%	0.0%	5.4%
	Rubio	28.3%	7.2%	10.8%	11.9%	11.6%	0.0%	16.8%
	Santorum	0.0%	0.0%	.8%	.4%	.5%	0.0%	0.0%
	Trump	15.8%	41.0%	24.4%	29.5%	28.4%	25.2%	27.9%
	Undecided	0.0%	0.0%	.8%	2.8%	1.3%	0.0%	0.0%



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		Gender		Party			Mode	
		Male	Female	Republican	Democrat	Independent / Other	Landline	Mobile
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Horse1	Bush	8.4%	10.8%	12.8%	5.9%	7.6%	11.7%	0.0%
	Carson	5.2%	13.8%	6.5%	5.3%	8.8%	6.9%	21.3%
	Christie	6.6%	4.3%	5.0%	26.6%	5.6%	5.4%	5.7%
	Cruz	22.0%	20.1%	28.5%	5.7%	17.6%	25.6%	0.0%
	Fiorina	3.5%	5.8%	4.5%	0.0%	3.7%	4.4%	6.0%
	Graham	1.2%	2.6%	1.8%	0.0%	4.5%	2.3%	0.0%
	Huckabee	1.6%	2.6%	2.7%	0.0%	2.3%	2.5%	0.0%
	Kasich	1.0%	1.8%	.8%	0.0%	5.2%	1.7%	0.0%
	Pataki	.2%	.2%	.2%	0.0%	0.0%	.2%	0.0%
	Paul	4.8%	.3%	.4%	0.0%	1.1%	.5%	11.9%
	Rubio	11.6%	11.5%	11.4%	0.0%	8.9%	10.6%	16.2%
	Santorum	1.0%	0.0%	.8%	0.0%	0.0%	.6%	0.0%
	Trump	31.9%	24.7%	22.7%	56.4%	34.0%	26.0%	39.0%
	Undecided	1.0%	1.6%	1.8%	0.0%	.8%	1.6%	0.0%



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2. If the 2016 South Carolina Republican primary to determine the Republican nominee for president were held today and your choices were limited to the following:

Jeb Bush,
Ben Carson,
Ted Cruz,
Marco Rubio
and Donald Trump,

for whom would you vote?

	Frequency	Percent
Bush	69	13.0
Carson	56	10.7
Cruz	125	23.7
Rubio	86	16.4
Trump	169	32.1
Undecided	21	4.1
Total	527	100.0



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2. (continued)

		Age				Race		
		18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	African - American	Other
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Horse2	Bush	15.3%	.4%	15.2%	16.1%	13.1%	8.1%	13.9%
	Carson	21.8%	17.6%	8.5%	8.2%	10.7%	11.4%	13.4%
	Cruz	9.7%	12.8%	31.4%	21.4%	23.8%	17.4%	25.9%
	Rubio	28.3%	7.2%	16.8%	18.4%	16.4%	12.1%	16.8%
	Trump	25.0%	49.8%	26.2%	32.4%	32.0%	42.3%	29.9%
	Undecided	0.0%	12.2%	1.9%	3.6%	4.1%	8.6%	0.0%

		Gender		Party			Mode	
		Male	Female	Republican	Democrat	Independent / Other	Landline	Mobile
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Horse2	Bush	11.2%	14.9%	17.5%	5.9%	7.2%	15.2%	3.1%
	Carson	7.2%	14.3%	7.8%	5.3%	14.4%	9.1%	18.2%
	Cruz	25.9%	21.6%	29.9%	5.7%	25.2%	28.2%	3.1%
	Rubio	15.8%	17.0%	18.4%	0.0%	10.2%	16.4%	16.2%
	Trump	34.8%	29.4%	24.3%	83.1%	38.6%	28.7%	48.0%
	Undecided	5.2%	2.9%	2.0%	0.0%	4.5%	2.4%	11.5%



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3. Did you watch the Republican Presidential debate hosted by CNN on December 15th?

	Frequency	Percent
Yes	326	60.9
No	209	39.1
Total	536	100.0



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3. (continued)

		Age				Race		
		18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	African - American	Other
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Debate1	Yes	53.4%	51.2%	61.2%	67.6%	61.0%	70.7%	47.9%
	No	46.6%	48.8%	38.8%	32.4%	39.0%	29.3%	52.1%

		Gender		Party			Mode	
		Male	Female	Republican	Democrat	Independent / Other	Landline	Mobile
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Debate1	Yes	66.2%	55.8%	64.6%	63.6%	52.8%	62.2%	55.8%
	No	33.8%	44.2%	35.4%	36.4%	47.2%	37.8%	44.2%



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4. In your opinion, who do you believe won, or performed the best in the Republican Presidential debate on December 15th?

	Frequency	Percent
Bush	15	4.5
Carson	8	2.5
Cruz	60	18.3
Fiorina	20	6.0
Christie	44	13.5
Kasich	0	0.0
Paul	14	4.1
Rubio	47	14.5
Trump	97	29.6
Undecided	23	6.9
Total	326	100.0



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4. (continued)

		Age				Race		
		18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	African - American	Other
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Debate2								
	Bush	9.2%	0.0%	4.3%	6.0%	4.3%	16.3%	16.1%
	Carson	22.5%	0.0%	1.7%	1.8%	2.5%	10.8%	0.0%
	Cruz	0.0%	.8%	23.0%	22.6%	18.5%	14.5%	4.3%
	Fiorina	5.6%	3.7%	7.0%	5.9%	6.1%	0.0%	12.0%
	Christie	0.0%	33.4%	8.7%	12.9%	13.5%	11.2%	12.5%
	Kasich	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	Paul	33.7%	11.8%	1.3%	0.0%	4.1%	10.6%	0.0%
	Rubio	17.5%	12.9%	13.9%	15.4%	14.3%	15.0%	35.1%
	Trump	11.5%	30.1%	33.2%	27.6%	29.8%	21.6%	15.9%
	Undecided	0.0%	7.3%	6.9%	7.7%	7.0%	0.0%	4.2%



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4. (continued)

		Gender		Party			Mode	
		Male	Female	Republican	Democrat	Independent / Other	Landline	Mobile
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Debate2	Bush	4.1%	5.1%	5.3%	2.3%	5.6%	5.2%	1.1%
	Carson	3.2%	1.8%	2.1%	0.0%	2.1%	2.0%	5.1%
	Cruz	17.6%	19.1%	24.2%	0.0%	16.3%	22.2%	0.0%
	Fiorina	6.1%	5.9%	8.8%	0.0%	0.0%	7.3%	0.0%
	Christie	13.5%	13.4%	8.9%	0.0%	18.0%	10.2%	28.8%
	Kasich	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
	Paul	7.4%	.3%	.2%	0.0%	4.1%	.9%	19.6%
	Rubio	13.5%	15.7%	14.0%	8.9%	15.6%	14.1%	16.4%
	Trump	30.3%	28.8%	27.9%	88.7%	29.5%	29.7%	29.0%
	Undecided	4.4%	9.9%	8.6%	0.0%	8.9%	8.4%	0.0%



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5. In your opinion, who do you believe lost, or performed the worst in the Republican Presidential debate on December 15th?

	Frequency	Percent
Bush	89	27.3
Carson	37	11.5
Cruz	14	4.2
Fiorina	27	8.3
Christie	11	3.5
Kasich	33	10.2
Paul	36	11.0
Rubio	12	3.8
Trump	45	13.9
Undecided	21	6.3
Total	326	100.0



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5. (continued)

		Age				Race		
		18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	African - American	Other
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Debate3								
	Bush	5.6%	8.3%	36.5%	27.1%	27.1%	54.2%	16.3%
	Carson	3.6%	0.0%	17.9%	9.5%	11.4%	16.3%	16.1%
	Cruz	0.0%	11.8%	1.7%	4.7%	4.0%	21.8%	0.0%
	Fiorina	5.6%	22.0%	6.8%	4.8%	8.4%	0.0%	4.2%
	Christie	33.7%	.6%	1.3%	2.9%	3.5%	0.0%	11.7%
	Kasich	0.0%	3.7%	13.7%	10.1%	10.3%	3.8%	0.0%
	Paul	5.8%	0.0%	10.8%	16.7%	11.2%	3.9%	4.2%
	Rubio	5.6%	15.1%	2.7%	0.0%	3.8%	0.0%	0.0%
	Trump	34.4%	34.9%	5.5%	12.4%	13.9%	0.0%	35.1%
	Undecided	5.6%	3.7%	3.0%	11.8%	6.4%	0.0%	12.5%



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5. (continued)

		Gender		Party			Mode	
		Male	Female	Republican	Democrat	Independent / Other	Landline	Mobile
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Debate3	Bush	29.2%	25.0%	28.8%	8.9%	40.3%	30.9%	10.1%
	Carson	9.4%	14.0%	12.8%	84.5%	11.2%	13.7%	1.1%
	Cruz	4.9%	3.3%	3.0%	0.0%	3.8%	3.1%	9.5%
	Fiorina	11.5%	4.5%	6.2%	0.0%	6.2%	6.0%	19.0%
	Christie	5.5%	1.1%	1.3%	6.6%	5.5%	2.1%	10.1%
	Kasich	8.1%	12.6%	12.7%	0.0%	12.7%	12.3%	0.0%
	Paul	10.0%	12.2%	14.2%	0.0%	11.5%	13.4%	0.0%
	Rubio	2.6%	5.1%	3.1%	0.0%	0.0%	2.5%	9.9%
	Trump	13.4%	14.5%	8.8%	0.0%	5.8%	8.3%	40.4%
	Undecided	5.3%	7.5%	9.0%	0.0%	2.9%	7.7%	0.0%



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6. What is your opinion of Donald Trump's recent proposal to temporarily ban all Muslims who are not US residents from entering the United States "until our country's representatives can figure out what is going on?"

	Frequency	Percent
Strongly Approve	238	44.5
Somewhat Approve	126	23.5
Somewhat Disapprove	60	11.2
Strongly Disapprove	89	16.6
Undecided or No Opinion	23	4.3
Total	536	100.0



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6. (continued)

		Age				Race		
		18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	African - American	Other
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Ban	Strongly Approve	24.9%	47.9%	43.2%	48.0%	44.4%	55.5%	35.6%
	Somewhat Approve	27.4%	20.3%	25.7%	21.6%	23.4%	25.5%	35.6%
	Somewhat Disapprove	24.4%	1.9%	12.6%	12.0%	11.4%	0.0%	0.0%
	Strongly Disapprove	23.4%	23.9%	15.1%	13.2%	16.5%	11.5%	22.8%
	Undecided or No Opinion	0.0%	6.0%	3.5%	5.2%	4.2%	7.5%	6.0%

		Gender		Party			Mode	
		Male	Female	Republican	Democrat	Independent / Other	Landline	Mobile
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Ban	Strongly Approve	47.9%	41.0%	46.9%	4.2%	49.0%	46.8%	34.6%
	Somewhat Approve	24.3%	22.8%	22.6%	32.8%	24.4%	23.1%	25.5%
	Somewhat Disapprove	8.6%	13.8%	13.7%	26.6%	7.1%	12.4%	5.8%
	Strongly Disapprove	15.0%	18.1%	12.5%	31.1%	16.4%	13.7%	28.8%
	Undecided or No Opinion	4.2%	4.4%	4.3%	5.3%	3.0%	4.0%	5.3%



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7. Age

	Frequency	Percent
18-29	32	6.0
30-44	96	18.0
45-64	236	44.0
65+	172	32.0
Total	536	100.0



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7. (continued)

		Race			Gender	
		White	African - American	Other	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%
Age	18-29	6.0%	11.5%	3.0%	7.1%	4.9%
	30-44	17.4%	44.2%	44.0%	23.0%	13.0%
	45-64	44.1%	38.8%	40.9%	41.8%	46.2%
	65+	32.5%	5.4%	12.1%	28.1%	35.9%

		Party			Mode	
		Republican	Democrat	Independent / Other	Landline	Mobile
		%	%	%	%	%
Age	18-29	1.2%	0.0%	1.1%	1.2%	26.5%
	30-44	5.0%	9.5%	10.4%	6.2%	67.9%
	45-64	53.7%	89.0%	47.8%	53.1%	5.6%
	65+	40.0%	1.5%	40.7%	39.6%	0.0%



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8. Race

	Frequency	Percent
White	525	98.0
African - American	5	1.0
Other	6	1.0
Total	536	100.0



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8. (continued)

		Age				Gender	
		18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%
Race	White	97.6%	95.0%	98.1%	99.4%	97.9%	98.0%
	African - American	1.9%	2.5%	.9%	.2%	1.0%	1.0%
	Other	.5%	2.6%	1.0%	.4%	1.1%	1.0%

		Party			Mode	
		Republican	Democrat	Independent / Other	Landline	Mobile
		%	%	%	%	%
Race	White	98.9%	78.9%	96.5%	98.0%	97.6%
	African - American	.5%	11.0%	2.7%	1.1%	.6%
	Other	.7%	10.1%	.8%	.9%	1.8%



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9. Gender

	Frequency	Percent
Male	268	50.0
Female	268	50.0
Total	536	100.0



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9. (continued)

		Age				Race		
		18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	African - American	Other
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Gender	Male	58.9%	63.9%	47.5%	43.9%	49.9%	51.4%	52.5%
	Female	41.1%	36.1%	52.5%	56.1%	50.1%	48.6%	47.5%

		Party			Mode	
		Republican	Democrat	Independent / Other	Landline	Mobile
		%	%	%	%	%
Gender	Male	45.9%	27.1%	53.9%	46.8%	63.5%
	Female	54.1%	72.9%	46.1%	53.2%	36.5%



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10. Political Affiliation

	Frequency	Percent
Republican	333	77.6
Democrat	7	1.7
Independent / Other	89	20.6
Total	429	100.0



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10. (continued)

		Age				Race			Gender	
		18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	African - American	Other	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Party	Republican	80.8%	62.8%	78.5%	78.7%	78.3%	31.8%	60.1%	75.5%	79.5%
	Democrat	0.0%	2.7%	2.9%	.1%	1.4%	17.4%	20.3%	1.0%	2.4%
	Independent / Other	19.2%	34.5%	18.6%	21.3%	20.3%	50.7%	19.6%	23.5%	18.0%



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11. Collection Mode

	Frequency	Percent
Landline	433	80.9
Mobile	102	19.1
Total	536	100.0



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11. (continued)

		Age				Race			Gender	
		18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	White	African - American	Other	Male	Female
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Mode										
	Landline	15.6%	27.8%	97.6%	100.0%	80.9%	88.5%	67.0%	75.7%	86.0%
	Mobile	84.4%	72.2%	2.4%	0.0%	19.1%	11.5%	33.0%	24.3%	14.0%