

Values Voter Comparison of the 2008 Presidential Candidates



Hillary Clinton



Mike Huckabee



John McCain



Barack Obama



Ron Paul



Mitt Romney



LIFE ISSUES

* See reference list for explanation

U.S. Senator
New York

Fmr. Governor
Arkansas

U.S. Senator
Arizona

U.S. Senator
Illinois

U.S. Rep.
Texas

Fmr. Governor
Massachusetts

1. Supports a national Human Life Amendment

NO

YES

NO

NO

NO*

NO*

2. Supports the law banning partial birth abortions

NO

YES

YES

NO

YES

YES

3. Supports federal funding ban on embryonic stem cell research

NO

YES

NO

NO

YES

YES

4. Supports passing a federal law prohibiting human cloning

YES

YES

YES

YES

NO

YES

5. Supported gov't efforts to save Terri Schiavo from dehydration

?

YES

YES/NO*

NO

NO

NO

6. Supports funding of abstinence-based education in schools

NO

YES

YES

NO

YES

YES

MARRIAGE & HOMOSEXUALITY

7. Supports a Federal Marriage Amendment

NO

YES

NO

NO

NO

YES

8. Opposes legislation to add sexual orientation to hate crimes

NO

YES

YES

NO

YES

NO*

9. Opposes Employment Non-Discrimination Acts (ENDAs)

NO

YES

YES

NO

YES

NO

10. Opposes school curriculum that promotes homosexuality

NO

YES

YES

NO

YES

NO

SCHOOL CHOICE & FREEDOM

11. Supports school choice and rights of parents to homeschool

NO

YES

YES

YES*

YES

YES

12. Supports repeal of the 2002 Campaign Finance Reform Act that includes restriction on election time activity by non-profits

NO

YES

NO

NO

YES

YES

13. Supports elimination of the Internal Revenue Service

NO

YES

NO

NO

YES

NO

14. Opposes all plans for a North American Union

?

YES

NO

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YES

YES

TAXES, IMMIGRATION, WAR & JUDGES

15. Signed *Americans for Tax Reform* pledge to not raise taxes

NO

YES

NO

NO

YES

YES

16. Signed *Americans for Better Immigration* no amnesty pledge

NO

YES

NO

NO

YES*

YES

17. Supports ending all "sanctuary cities" for illegal immigrants

NO

YES

YES/NO

NO

YES

YES

18. Supports legislative initiatives that emphasize border security over other all other forms of immigration reform

NO

YES

NO

NO

YES

YES

19. Opposes immediate withdrawal of troops from Iraq

NO

YES

YES

NO

NO

YES

20. Appoint judges who would apply the law as it is written

NO

YES

YES

NO

YES

YES

CLINTON (www.hillaryclinton.com)

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7. Marriage Protection Amendment (2006-163)
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12. Voted for the bill (2001-64)
13. No indication of a desire to eliminate IRS
14. Position unclear
15. Americans for Tax Reform (atr.org)
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HUCKABEE (www.mikehuckabee.com)

1. Statement on campaign website
2. Signed law banning it in Arkansas as Governor; statement at campaign website
3. Values Voter Debate 9.17.07; campaign website
4. Signed state ban on all human cloning, 3.24.03
- 5-10. Values Voter Debate, 9.17.07
11. Campaign website and Values Voter Debate
12. votesmart.org, National Review, Club for Growth
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15. Americans for Tax Reform (atr.org)
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McCAIN (www.johnmccain.com)

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2. Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act (Roll Call Vote 2003-51)
3. Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act (2007-127)
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6. Voted against Lautenberg Amend. (2006-214)
7. Marriage Protection Amendment (2006-163)
8. Local Law Enforcement Enhancement (2002-147)
9. Employment Non-Discrimination Act (1996-281)
10. Improve America's Schools Act (1994-244)
11. Univision GOP Debate, 12.9.07
12. Chief sponsor of the bill (2001-64)
13. No indication of a desire to eliminate IRS
14. GOP Debate in Michigan, 10.9.2007
15. Americans for Tax Reform (atr.org)
- 16-17. Americans for Better Immigration (numbersusa.com)
18. FRC Action; Comprehensive Immigration Reform (2006-145)
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20. FRC Action guide; Associated Press 6.14.99; ontheissues.org

OBAMA (www.barackobama.com)

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2. Statement issued, 4.19.07, Lifesite.net
3. Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act (Roll Call 2007-127)
4. FRC Action guide; Thomas.loc.gov
5. MSNBC video of debate, 4.26.07
6. Voted for Lautenberg Amend.(2006-214)
7. Marriage Protection Amendment—Vote 2006-163
8. Statement on U.S. Senate website, 12.6.07
9. Wallbuilders guide; a4.g.akamai.net
10. WallBuilders guide; Lifesite.net, Oct. 2007
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12. No indication that he is seeking repeal of it
13. No indication of a desire to eliminate IRS
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- 16-17. Americans for Better Immigration (numbersusa.com)
18. FRC Action; Comprehensive Immigration Reform (2006-145)
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PAUL (www.ronpaul2008.com)

1. Campaign website; F2A radio program, 8.30.07, stated that he was a co-sponsor of an amendment as worded by Jessie Helms
2. Partial Birth Abortion Ban Act (Roll Call Vote 2003-530)
3. Stem Cell Research Enhancement Act (2005-204)
4. Human Cloning Prohibition Act (2003-39)
- 5-11. Values Voter Debate, 9.17.07
12. Texas Straight Talk column—House website; voted against the bill (2002-34)
13. Campaign website
14. Values Voter Debate, 9.17.07
15. Americans for Tax Reform (atr.org); 16-17. Americans for Better Immigration (numbersusa.com). There are concerns about his level of commitment to attrition through enforcement
18. FRC Action guide; Secure Fence Act Vote (2006-446)
19. Values Voter Debate, 9.17.07
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ROMNEY (www.mittromney.com)

1. Lifesite.net, 8.16.07; CBN News, 11.26.07; will support an amendment only when the nation is ready for it
2. Press release, 4.18.07, campaign website
3. GOP Debate, MSNBC, 5.3.07
4. FRC Action guide; www.ontheissues.org
5. LifeNews.com, 3.12.07; Lifesite.net, 5.25.07
6. Meet the Press, NBC News, 12.16.07; Press Release, 4.20.06
7. GOP Debate, 10.21.07
8. The Brody File, CBN News, 4.25.07; has supported in the past
9. Meet the Press, NBC News, 12.16.07
10. WallBuilders guide; baywindows.com and massresistance.org
11. Univision GOP Debate, 12.9.07; Associated Press, 11.8.07
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14. Glenn Beck program, CNN Headline News, 11.14.07
15. Americans for Tax Reform (atr.org)
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