

About the Poll

The Washington Poll is a non-partisan, academic survey research project sponsored by the Washington Institute for the Study of Ethnicity, Race & Sexuality (WISER), a research center at the University of Washington in the School of Social Sciences. Dr. Matt Barreto, an Associate Professor of Political Science is the Director of WISER and a co-principal investigator on this survey.

The survey was administered by telephone, by the Washington Survey Research Center, at the UW, based on a randomly selected list of phone numbers using a list of registered voters. The survey was in the field from October 14 – 26, 2009. A total of 724 registered voters throughout the state of Washington were interviewed, yielding in a 3.6% margin of error. Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Questions/Comments: info@washingtonpoll.org

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2009 Seattle Mayoral Vote Choice :

If the election for mayor of Seattle were held today, and the candidates were Mike McGinn or Joe Mallahan, for whom would you vote?

	All Reg Voters	Likely Voters
McGinn– Certain	21	23
Mcginn – could change	7	8
<u>Undecided – lean McGinn</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
Total McGinn	32	36
Mallahan – Certain	31	34
Mallahan– could change	6	7
<u>Undecided – lean Mahallan</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
Total Mallahan	39	44
Write-In	1	1
Undecided/Don't know	28	19

Statewide sample = 724 registered voters, Seattle City oversample results shown

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Vote Choice by Week (Before and After McGinn's Tunnel Announcement)

2009 Seattle Mayoral Vote Choice :

If the election for mayor of Seattle were held today, and the candidates were Mike McGinn or Joe Mallahan, for whom would you vote?

	Oct 14-20	Oct 21-26
Total McGinn	35	29
Total Mallahan	34	45
Write-In	1	1
Undecided/Don't know	<u>30</u>	<u>24</u>
	100	100

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2009 Mayor of Seattle Vote Choice:

If the election for mayor of Seattle were held today, for whom would you vote?
(read across →)

	McGinn	Mallahan	Write-In	Undec.
Democrat	39%	32%	2%	28%
Republican	16%	50%	0%	34%
Independent	24%	52%	0%	25%
18-40	41%	15%	0%	44%
41-64	30%	42%	2%	26%
65+	28%	54%	0%	18%

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Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels Approval Rating:

Could you please tell me whether you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove of the way that Seattle Mayor Greg Nickels is handling his job?

	Oct 09	Aug 09
Strongly Approve	11%	8%
<u>Somewhat Approve</u>	<u>29%</u>	<u>32%</u>
Total Approve	40%	40%
Strongly Disapprove	22%	27%
<u>Somewhat Disapprove</u>	<u>30%</u>	<u>23%</u>
Total Disapprove	52%	50%
No Opinion/Don't Know	7%	10%

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2009 King County Executive Vote Choice :

If the election for King County Executive were held today, and the candidates were Dow Constantine or Susan Hutchison, for whom would you vote?

	All Reg Voters	Likely Voters
Constantine– Certain	40	42
Constantine – could change	4	4
<u>Undecided – lean Constantine</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Total Constantine	45	47
Hutchison – Certain	26	28
Hutchison– could change	5	5
<u>Undecided – lean Hutchison</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Total Hutchison	32	34
Undecided/Don't know	22	19

Statewide sample = 724 registered voters, King County oversample results shown

The Washington Poll

2009 King County Executive Vote Choice :

If the election for King County Executive were held today, and the candidates were Dow Constantine or Susan Hutchison, for whom would you vote?

	City of Seattle	Rest of King
Total Constantine	70	28
Total Hutchison	21	40
Undecided/Don't know	9	32

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2009 King County Executive Vote Choice:

If the election for King County Executive were held today, for whom would you vote?

(read across →)

	Constantine	Hutchison	Undec.
Democrat	72%	7%	19%
Republican	5%	62%	33%
Independent	25%	57%	19%
18-40	37%	11%	53%
41-64	48%	35%	17%
65+	46%	38%	15%

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Additional Results

If you have additional questions and would like to see any additional - or more specific - results, please send us an email; and we will try to accommodate your request.

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