Survey Shows Trump-Clinton Race Closer Than Expected



Washington, June 4 (RHC)-- U.S. presumptive Republican presidential nominee Donald Trump is increasingly eating into likely Democratic nominee Hillary Clinton's national lead in the race for the White House, a CNN Poll of Polls has found, projecting a tight race for the November vote.

The recent survey showed that the former secretary of state's average lead over Trump across five recent nationwide polls has shrunk to a mere two percent, with Clinton holding an average of 45 percent support against the real estate mogul's 43 percent.

The findings project a very different race than many anticipated based on the two candidates' public polling performance throughout March and April, with the former first lady leading Trump with double-digit margins in 10 out of 14 major polls.

The Poll of Polls also suggested that about one in each eight registered American voters was not backing Clinton or Trump. Trump essentially secured the GOP nomination back in early May, when Texas Senator Ted Cruz and Ohio Governor John Kasich bowed out of the race following their crushing defeats in Indiana.

Last week, the former reality TV star won the support of enough unbound delegates to reach the 1,237delegate threshold needed to win the Republican nomination. Clinton on the other hand has yet to reach the 2,383-delegate threshold required for the Democratic domination and is locked in a fierce battle with Vermont Senator Bernie Sanders.

The CNN analysis suggested that while Trump's support among Republican voters was solidifying, Clinton's support in a general election matchup against Trump continued to decline.

The five major polls included in CNN Poll of Polls included the CBS News/New York Times poll conducted May 13-17, the Fox News poll of May 14-17, the NBC News/Wall Street Journal poll conducted May 15-19, the ABC News/Washington Post poll of May 16-19, and the Quinnipiac University Poll conducted May 24-30.

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