

Whites, Hispanics back Clinton

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PRINCETON, N.J. - Democratic presidential hopeful Hillary Clinton has wide support among whites and Hispanics, while more blacks back rival Barack Obama, a poll indicates. A Gallup poll of 2,901 Democratic voters found Clinton and Obama have clear voting blocs behind them. The poll found Clinton had a 50 percent to 41 percent lead among whites. Obama, meanwhile, led among black Democratic voters, 76 percent to 17 percent. The poll, taken between Feb. 25 and March 2, found that overall, Obama led Clinton 48 percent to 43 percent nationally. "It may not be surprising to find that Obama -- the first black to be his party's front-runner at this point in the campaign -- dominates the vote preferences of black Democratic voters," Gallup said in its analysis. "The current analysis suggests that Obama's powerful strength among this group has propelled him -- during the week of Feb. 25-March 2 at any rate -- to his overall modest lead in support among Democrats nationwide." The poll's margin of error was plus or minus two percentage points. The margin of error is larger for subgroups used in this analysis, Gallup said.

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