

Clinton says more getting to know her

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DES MOINES, Iowa -- U.S. presidential hopeful Sen. Hillary Clinton bests her rivals on leadership but loses when rated on integrity, a Des Moines (Iowa) Register poll showed. In the poll, likely Democratic voters in Iowa's January caucus rated Clinton highest on characteristics of leadership, experience, toughness and intelligence, with more than 40 percent of those interviewed seeing her as the strongest on each trait, the Register reported Monday. But on the trait of integrity, the U.S. senator from New York and former first lady was seen as the strongest candidate by only 17 percent of caucusgoers, behind rival Sen. Barack Obama, D-Ill., with 29 percent and former Sen. John Edwards, D-N.C., with 23 percent. In an interview with the Register Sunday, Clinton said Iowans who ranked her lower on integrity hold false impressions. "I'm gratified that a lot of people are really coming around to support me after they really get to see me as who I am," said Clinton.

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