## HOW THIS ELECTION IS ALREADY BEING *STOLEN*

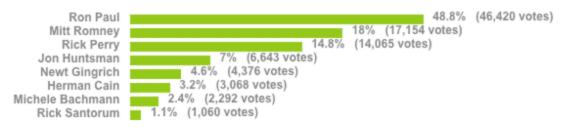


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After the latest Republican presidential debate last night, NBC published this graphic on their website. It shows the results of their own public poll, indicating the winner of the debate.

## Results with 659 short comments

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As you see, Ron Paul won by a large amount, taking in almost 49% of the votes. Unfortunately, even this graphic is pushed. Romney, the second place voter getter, has 18%. Let's do some simple math: 49 divided by 18 is about 2.72. Why isn't Paul's line 2.72 times longer than Romney's? As it is, Paul's line is about 1.35 times longer than Romney's. In fact, Paul's line should be **twice** as long as it is, going off the edge of the page. But if it did, you would have a better idea of how many votes Paul really got relative to the other candidates. Paul actually got almost as many votes as all other candidates *combined*.

We have been seeing this sort of thing for more than four years now. They did the same kind of inside job on Paul in 2007 when he was running, and they have been doing again this time, with even less finesse. Paul has won all the debate polls I have seen by a large margin, and he would have won the Iowa straw poll, except that Bachmann was allowed to steal the thing. Even with Bachmann giving away 4,000 free tickets to her bussed-in supporters (which is a no-no), Paul got a very close second (4,823 to 4,671). And yet even with all these expressions of support from the public, Paul is being ignored and attacked by the "objective and unbiased" media. Even Jon Stewart, a staunch democrat, has commented on how ridiculous and transparent the media bias is against Paul. We can see it very clearly in the latest debate analysis. While all reasonable people could see for themselves that Paul was the only one speaking sense, the analysts seemed to be reading from a script. They have been ordered to push Perry by their handlers, so even though he was chewed up in plain sight by Paul and Romney, they have to declare him the winner. On all the talk shows the actual debate is ignored completely, and the event is only used as another opportunity to cast general slurs against Paul. We are told that he can't win, that he is out of touch, that he is an absurd little man, and so on.

Wait, I thought that is what the polls were for. They are supposed to tell us whether a candidate is viable, whether he can win, or whether he is out of touch. I don't care if Paul is in or out of touch with the mainstream media or a bunch of hired hacks, and neither does anyone else. Those fake people only have a handful of votes, and you know what, we *all* get to vote. So what TV and radio analysts think is beside the point. They are talking just to keep your mind off the facts. If they can yack enough and tell enough lies, you may forget what Paul actually said or what Perry actually said, or what the American people actually said via the poll.

I would like to point out something that almost no one else has. This bias against Ron Paul in the media, which has reached levels never before seen in the history of politics, is not just bias. It can't be dismissed as simply the intrusive opinion of the various owners of the media, who no longer care to even pretend to be objective reporters of the news. No, it is much more than that. It is the stealing of an election. Along with computers, this is how elections are now stolen. First, the debate is scripted, with flattering puffy questions asked to the anointed candidate (Perry) and insulting and

difficult questions lobbed at the opposition (Paul). When the opposition candidate Paul wins the debate anyway, and you can see that with your own eyes, then you are told by a bunch of highly paid people in suits that he didn't win the debate. The poll numbers are pushed and distorted, and then ignored. You are told by a gaggle of experts not to trust your eyes, to pluck them from your head and vote as you are instructed. If, after all that, you still insist on voting for Paul, they will use the computers to throw your votes out. They will tell you that all your neighbors voted for Perry, even though all the neighbors you know voted for Paul.

Will it work this time? Can the media really convince us one more time that we voted for someone we didn't vote for? Or, to put it another way, can the government steal that many percentage points? We know they can steal around 10%, since they have been doing it from the beginning. If the election is 55% to 45%, they can flip it if they like. They could do it before computers (think Dewey/Truman) and they can do it even easier now. But say that the Republican vote comes down to Perry and Paul, and Paul has 3.3 times the support of Perry, as in the poll above. That translates to a 77% to 23% split, or a 54 point gap. Can the Man steal an election like that? Even with computers, can the Man convince that many people that they voted for someone they didn't vote for? I tend to doubt it, but it looks like we may find out.

One last thing. I grew up in a family that was staunchly democrat, even yellow-dog democrat (we would vote for a yellow-dog if it ran as a democrat). My Mom ran for US Congress as a democrat. Everybody I know voted for Obama. We wouldn't even think of voting Republican, and after the Bushes, even less. But I suggest these yellow-dog democrats are way past due a rethink. Anyone in the re-elect Obama campaign is in serious denial. Especially those who consider themselves anti-war. Obama has simply continued the policies of the Bushes, regarding ever-escalating illegal wars, deregulation, moth-balling the Constitution, and gutting the treasury to enrich the banks. These are the primary issues of our times, and it is Ron Paul talking about them, not Obama. I don't agree with Paul on everything, but at least he isn't reading from a Teleprompter written by the Defense Department and the Banks. While Paul was talking about bringing the troops home from Iraq and Afghanistan, Obama was invading Libya illegally. While Paul was talking about auditing or ending the private Federal Reserve, Obama was giving it more power to steal and manipulate and dodge inquiry. While Paul was defending the Constitution article by article, Obama was continuing to treat it like Bush's "goddamn piece of paper." Paul is not the perfect candidate, but he has proved himself earnest and viable. I would prefer someone like Kucinich myself, but Paul has proven he is the one with popular appeal. Kucinich, like Nader, will never rise above 3%. Paul has support across the board, from reds and blues alike, and he is even respected by Kucinich and Nader.

Previously, I have encouraged a third-party vote. In this election, Paul is the third-party

vote. He isn't really Republican, as the mainstream Republicans have said and as we have seen from the debates. He is contrary to the party line on almost every issue. And he certainly isn't Democrat. Giving him a new tag isn't really necessary. What is important is not that he is Libertarian or Constitution or Independent. What is important is that he scares the mainstream, on both sides. That by itself is a tall sign that he is on the right track. You can tell a lot about a person by his enemies and what they do. Paul's enemies are my enemies, and I think they should be yours.

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