

# Mr. Singiser--Government--Targetting Exercise

**INSTRUCTIONS:** You are being given a list of the ten largest states in the union. Using the polling data provided, put a (+) next to the states which you would target. The criteria for targetting a state would be a Democratic/Republican spread within 5% of the national average.

1. CALIFORNIA (55 Electoral Votes) \_\_\_\_\_
2. TEXAS (34 Electoral Votes) \_\_\_\_\_
3. NEW YORK (31 Electoral Votes) \_\_\_\_\_
4. FLORIDA (27 Electoral Votes) \_\_\_\_\_
5. PENNSYLVANIA (21 Electoral Votes) \_\_\_\_\_
6. ILLINOIS (20 Electoral Votes) \_\_\_\_\_
7. OHIO (20 Electoral Votes) \_\_\_\_\_
8. MICHIGAN (17 Electoral Votes) \_\_\_\_\_
9. GEORGIA (15 Electoral Votes) \_\_\_\_\_
10. NORTH CAROLINA (15 Electoral Votes) \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME FIVE OTHER STATES NOT ON THIS LIST WHICH WOULD BE TARGETTED, BECAUSE THEY ARE WITHIN THE 5% SPREAD (Hint--There Are More Than Five States):**

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- 3.
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- 5.

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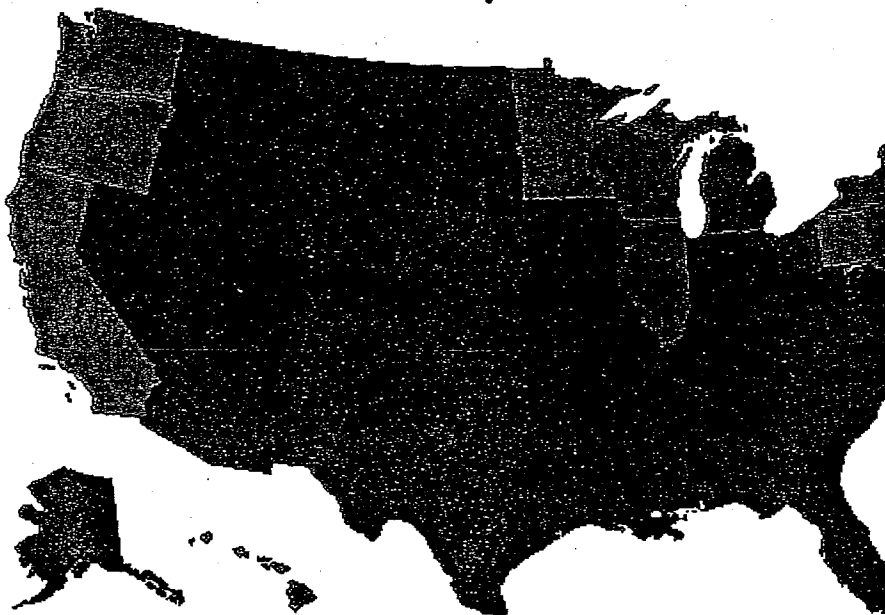
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**by State**



State	EV	EV	Total Vote	B	K	Margin	% Margin	Bush	Kerry	Other	Bush
Alabama	9	0	1,883,415	1	2	482,461	25.62%	62.46%	36.84%	0.69%	1,17
Alaska	3	0	312,598	1	2	79,864	25.55%	61.07%	35.52%	3.42%	19
Arizona	10	0	2,013,859	1	2	210,770	10.47%	54.83%	44.37%	0.80%	1,10
Arkansas	6	0	1,055,510	1	2	102,952	9.75%	54.30%	44.55%	1.15%	57
California	0	53	12,383,678	2	1	1,235,859	9.98%	44.43%	54.41%	1.17%	5,50
Colorado	9	0	2,129,630	1	2	99,523	4.67%	51.71%	47.04%	1.25%	1,10
Connecticut	0	7	1,578,769	2	1	163,662	10.37%	43.95%	54.31%	1.74%	69
Delaware	0	3	375,190	2	1	28,492	7.59%	45.75%	53.35%	0.90%	17
D. C.	0	3	227,586	2	1	181,714	79.84%	9.34%	89.18%	1.48%	2
Florida	27	0	7,609,810	1	2	380,978	5.01%	52.10%	47.09%	0.81%	3,96
Georgia	15	0	3,298,790	1	2	548,105	16.62%	58.03%	41.41%	0.56%	1,91
Hawaii	0	4	429,013	2	1	37,517	8.74%	45.26%	54.01%	0.73%	19
Idaho	4	0	598,447	1	2	228,137	38.12%	68.38%	30.26%	1.36%	40
Illinois	0	21	5,275,415	2	1	545,381	10.34%	44.48%	54.82%	0.70%	2,34
Indiana	11	0	2,468,002	1	2	510,427	20.68%	59.94%	39.26%	0.79%	1,47
Iowa	7	0	1,506,908	1	2	10,059	0.67%	49.90%	49.23%	0.87%	75

						MARGIN	BUSH	KERRY	STRAUS		
Kansas	6	0	1,154,079	1	2	296,661	25.71%	62.17%	36.47%	1.36%	71
Kentucky	8	0	1,795,860	1	2	356,706	19.86%	59.55%	39.69%	0.76%	1,06
Louisiana	9	0	1,943,106	1	2	281,870	14.51%	56.72%	42.22%	1.06%	1,10
Maine	0	4	686,510	2	1	55,156	8.03%	45.01%	53.04%	1.95%	30
Maryland	0	10	2,386,678	2	1	309,790	12.98%	42.93%	55.91%	1.15%	1,02
Massachusetts	0	12	2,912,388	2	1	732,691	25.16%	36.78%	61.94%	1.29%	1,07
Michigan	0	17	4,839,252	2	1	165,437	3.42%	47.81%	51.23%	0.96%	2,31
Minnesota	0	10	2,828,387	2	1	98,319	3.48%	47.61%	51.09%	1.30%	1,34
Mississippi	6	0	1,114,859	1	2	226,261	20.30%	59.76%	39.47%	0.77%	66
Missouri	11	0	2,731,364	1	2	196,542	7.20%	53.30%	46.10%	0.60%	1,45
Montana	3	0	450,434	1	2	92,353	20.50%	59.07%	38.57%	2.37%	26
Nebraska	5	0	778,186	1	2	258,486	33.22%	65.90%	32.68%	1.42%	51
Nevada	5	0	829,587	1	2	21,500	2.59%	50.47%	47.88%	1.65%	41
New Hampshire	0	4	677,563	2	1	9,309	1.37%	48.88%	50.25%	0.88%	33
New Jersey	0	15	3,611,691	2	1	241,427	6.68%	46.24%	52.92%	0.84%	1,67
New Mexico	5	0	756,304	1	2	5,988	0.79%	49.84%	49.05%	1.11%	37
New York	0	31	7,391,741	2	1	1,351,713	18.29%	40.08%	58.37%	1.55%	2,96
North Carolina	15	0	3,501,007	1	2	435,317	12.43%	56.02%	43.58%	0.40%	1,96
North Dakota	3	0	312,833	1	2	85,599	27.36%	62.86%	35.50%	1.64%	19
Ohio	20	0	5,625,631	1	2	118,775	2.11%	50.82%	48.70%	0.48%	2,85
Oklahoma	7	0	1,463,758	1	2	455,826	31.14%	65.57%	34.43%	0.00%	95
Oregon	0	7	1,836,782	2	1	76,332	4.16%	47.19%	51.35%	1.46%	86
Pennsylvania	0	21	5,673,808	2	1	129,927	2.29%	48.56%	50.85%	0.59%	2,75
Rhode Island	0	4	436,124	2	1	90,446	20.74%	38.68%	59.42%	1.91%	16
South Carolina	8	0	1,617,730	1	2	276,275	17.08%	57.98%	40.90%	1.12%	93
South Dakota	3	0	388,215	1	2	83,340	21.47%	59.91%	38.44%	1.65%	23
Tennessee	11	0	2,437,319	1	2	347,898	14.27%	56.80%	42.53%	0.68%	1,38
Texas	34	0	7,410,749	1	2	1,694,213	22.86%	61.09%	38.22%	0.69%	4,52
Utah	5	0	927,844	1	2	422,543	45.54%	71.54%	26.00%	2.47%	66
Vermont	0	3	312,309	2	1	62,887	20.14%	38.80%	58.94%	2.26%	12
Virginia	13	0	3,198,367	1	2	262,217	8.20%	53.68%	45.48%	0.83%	1,71
Washington	0	11	2,859,084	2	1	205,307	7.18%	45.64%	52.82%	1.54%	1,30
West Virginia	5	0	755,659	1	2	97,009	12.84%	56.05%	43.21%	0.74%	42
Wisconsin	0	10	2,997,007	2	1	11,384	0.38%	49.32%	49.70%	0.98%	1,47
Wyoming	3	0	243,428	1	2	96,853	39.79%	68.86%	29.07%	2.06%	16
<b>Total</b>	<b>286</b>	<b>252</b>	<b>122,032,263</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3,032,758</b>	<b>2.49%</b>	<b>50.75%</b>	<b>48.27%</b>	<b>0.98%</b>	<b>61,93</b>

Sources: