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# Clinton ahead of Trump among Latinos in 5 key states, according to FAU survey

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MIAMI – Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton is broadly ahead of her Republican rival, Donald Trump, among Hispanics in the key states of Ohio, Nevada, Colorado, Florida and North Carolina, according to a survey released on Thursday.

The survey, conducted by Florida Atlantic University, found that Clinton is ahead of Trump among Latino voters to an extent "similar" to that enjoyed by U.S. President Barack Obama during his 2012 reelection campaign, during which he ran against Republican Mitt Romney.

The state where the Democratic candidate has the greatest advantage over the New York billionaire is Colorado, where she has the support of 67.5 percent of the Latino electorate, compared with 16.2 percent for Trump.

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In Nevada, Clinton leads Trump among Latinos by 53.7 percent to 24.9 percent, while in North Carolina, the former secretary of state is backed by 57.1 percent of Hispanics compared to 29.3 percent for Trump.

Regarding the key state of Florida, the scene of a campaign battle between the two candidates, 53.3 percent of Hispanics are inclined to vote for Clinton and 34.2 percent for the mogul.

Ohio remains another bastion of the Latino vote for the Democrats with 50.7 percent of them backing Clinton compared with 29.2 percent for Trump.

The FAU poll revealed that in Colorado, an "historically Democratic" state in terms of its voting record which went for Obama in the 2012 election with 75 percent of Hispanic votes, Clinton maintains a firm advantage over her GOP rival.

Ohio has a growing Hispanic population, although they represent just 4 percent of the electorate there, but 65 percent of them voted for Obama in 2008 and 54 percent voted for him four years later.

The FAU poll said that Clinton has 51 percent of the Hispanic vote in Ohio at present, far ahead of the 29 percent who support Trump.

In Florida, 19 percent of the state's eligible voters in the November election will be Hispanic.

In 2008 and 2012, 57 percent and 60 percent, respectively, of the Hispanic vote in Florida went for Obama and all indications are that Clinton has no reason to worry about their support this time around, given her current advantage over Trump among that group.

Meanwhile, in 2008 and 2012 in Nevada, Obama garnered 76 percent and 71 percent of the Hispanic vote and in North Carolina in 2012 he was backed by 68 percent of Latinos who went to the polls.

The survey was conducted in English and Spanish among 400 Hispanic registered voters in the listed states between Sept. 15-19 and has an error margin of 4.9 percent.

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