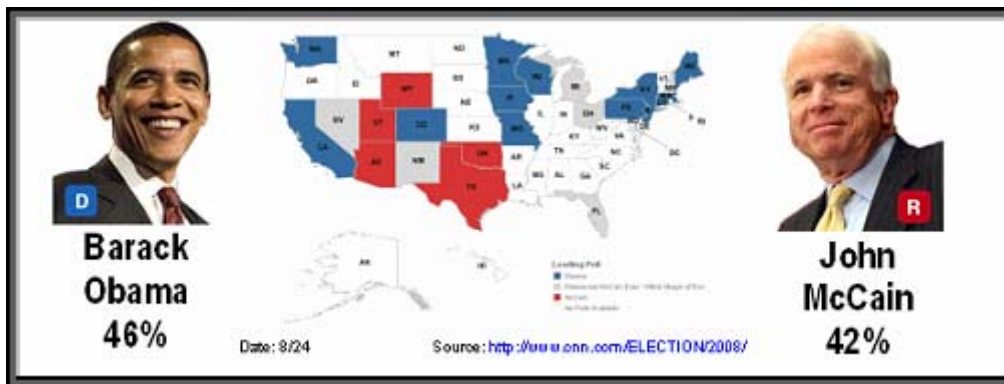


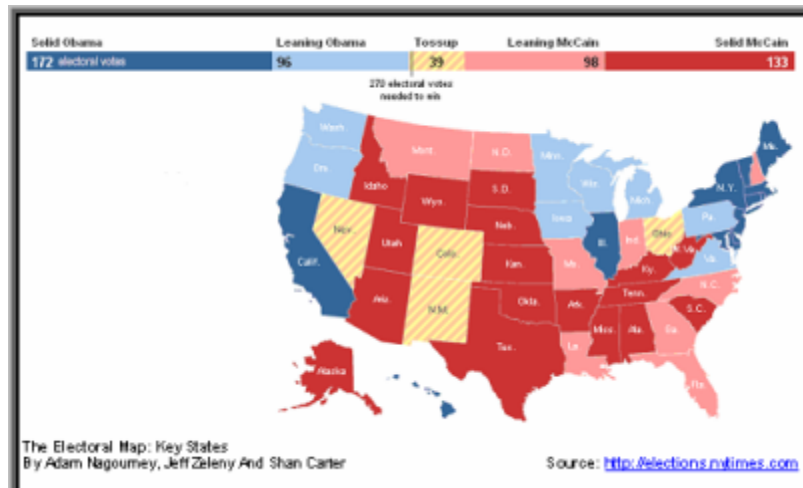
Esta es la segunda entrega de nuestro alerta semanal sobre las elecciones en los Estados Unidos. En ella encontrará noticias, análisis, datos de encuestas y otros materiales que le permitirán seguir de cerca la campaña electoral. Si tiene inconvenientes para acceder a los documentos, comuníquese con nosotros a BuenosAiresIRC@state.gov

★ LAS ENCUESTAS

Los candidatos



El mapa electoral: estados clave



Daily Presidential Tracking Poll

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🌐 LAS CONVENCIONES

Convention Countdown

American Enterprise Institute for Public Policy Research

When the Democrats gavel their national convention to order in Denver on August 25, it will be the Democratic Party's forty-fifth political gathering. The Republicans' Minneapolis-St. Paul assemblage beginning on September 1 will be their thirty-ninth. How important are they? On one level, as the data below from the University of Michigan's National Election Studies show, a significant slice of the electorate makes its presidential decision during the conventions. [More...](#)

The 2008 Political Conventions

Brookings Institution

Darrell West, Vice President, Governance Studies, says that one thing to watch during the Democratic convention in Denver is whether there are any issues that "crystallize discontent" within the party. [Watch the video](#)

Democratic National Convention 2008

Official convention website

Democratic Convention Brainroom Briefing Book

All you need to know about the 2008 DNC

Party Unity Tops Agenda For Democrats

Washington Post

The gathering here carries unusually high stakes for a party that believes the White House is within its grasp but understands that victory remains far from certain...[More...](#)

🌐 ANÁLISIS

Gender Gap Among White Voters Bigger Now Than in 2004

Gallup

John McCain continues to have a significant advantage over Barack Obama among non-Hispanic white males while doing much less well among white females -- winning among the former by a 20-point margin, while only tying Obama among the latter. [More...](#)

Getting More Out of the Polls

Larry Sabato's Crystal Ball – The Center for Politics

Political observers have become more sophisticated in their reading of polls in recent years. They know enough now not to read too much into summer polls. Poll leaders in June are not any more likely to win than their opponents who trail them in the summer polls. By the time of the conventions, though, polls become more meaningful. [More...](#)

GOING FOR THE BRONZE: Third parties to have an impact in '08?

Center for Politics

When political reporters run low on topics to write about, they often turn their attention to third parties--the "lovable losers" of American politics. They never win at the presidential level but often are called upon to add color to campaigns that are sometimes badly in need of it. [More...](#)

A Closer Look at the Parties in 2008

Pew Research Center

As the 2008 conventions approach, the Democratic Party's advantage in party identification remains as large as it has been over the past two decades, and the Democratic Party's image remains substantially more positive than the GOP's. [More...](#)

Conventions Typically Result in Five-Point Bounce

Gallup

To the extent history is a guide, Barack Obama and John McCain can both expect to see some increase in voter support after their nominating conventions, an effect observed after nearly all of the 22 national conventions since 1964. The median increase has been 5 percentage points. [More...](#)

Tracing the Disparate Threads in Obama's Political Philosophy

New York Times

Mr. Obama, an intellectually curious man, is nothing if not pragmatic in the application of philosophy to politics, temperamentally inclined toward no strand of thinking... But that leaves a fundamental question for admirers and critics: Is his a consistent philosophy that borrows pragmatically from the center while rooted on the left? Or does he have an expedient slide-step that allows him to appeal to the center without alienating his liberal base? [More...](#)

Obama's Challenge

Pew Research Center

As Democrats gather in Denver, many may be looking at the national polls and wondering how the presidential race has tightened so much given that voters are still concerned about the state of the nation and give low ratings to President Bush and the Republican Party. There are now at least four recent polls showing Barack Obama's lead narrowing to three percentage points. [More...](#)

★ TEMAS DE CAMPAÑA

La economía, tema dominante en la campaña presidencial

Programas de Información Internacional, Departamento de Estado

Las elecciones de mitad de término en 2006 en las que la insatisfacción producida por la guerra en Iraq ayudó a los demócratas a obtener control en el Congreso, parecía indicar que la política exterior dominaría la campaña de 2008. [Más...](#)

La inmigración continúa siendo un asunto importante en la campaña estadounidense

Programas de Información Internacional, Departamento de Estado

Es posible que la economía sea el asunto principal en las listas de asuntos críticos para la campaña electoral de Estados Unidos en 2008 según las encuestas, pero la inmigración no se queda demasiado atrás. [Más...](#)

Pronostican pocas alteraciones hacia América Latina en próxima presidencia de EE.UU.

Programas de Información Internacional, Departamento de Estado

La próxima administración estadounidense, liderada por el demócrata Barack Obama o por el republicano John McCain, ofrecerá continuidad en la política estadounidense hacia América Latina y el Caribe, dijo el funcionario Charles Shapiro del Departamento de Estado. [Más...](#)

★ LA CANDIDATURA VICEPRESIDENCIAL

Exclusive: McCain to name VP on Aug. 29

Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.) plans to celebrate his 72nd birthday on Aug. 29 by naming his running mate at a huge rally in the battleground state of Ohio, Republican sources said. [More...](#)

Elect Obama to Reclaim America

Joe Biden

Speech by Sen. Joe Biden after the announcement of his candidacy. [Full text](#)