7. (Asked of Republicans and Republican-leaning independents) Suppose the choice for the Republican presidential nomination narrows down to Rick Santorum and Mitt Romney. Which one would you prefer the Republican Party nominate for president [ROTATED: Rick Santorum (or) Mitt Romney]?

BASED ON REPUBLICANS AND REPUBLICAN-LEANING INDEPENDENTS

2012 Feb 16-19	<u>Santorum</u>	Romney	No opinion
All Republicans	50	44	7
Registered to vote ^	51	44	5

^ Based on 433 Republicans and Republican leaners who are registered to vote; ± 6 PCT PTS

14. Which Republican candidate do you think has the better chance of beating Barack Obama in November [ROTATED: Mitt Romney (or) Rick Santorum]?

2012 Feb 16-19	Romney	<u>Santorum</u>	Both same (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No <u>opinion</u>
National adults	54	29	1	10	7
Republicans/Republican leaners	58	32	2	4	3
Democrats/Democratic leaners	52	27	*	14	7

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