



Punchbowl News' The Canvass DNC Rapid Poll - Tuesday  
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 N=163 Capitol Hill senior staffers and K Street leaders

**COLUMN KEY:**

**TOTAL:** n=163 total respondents  
**CAP HILL:** n=42 Capitol Hill senior staffers  
**K ST:** n=121 K Street leaders  
**DEM:** n=97 Democratic K Street leaders and Capitol Hill senior staffers  
**GOP:** n=64 Republican K Street leaders and Capitol Hill senior staffers

**QUESTION 1: How effective or ineffective do you believe President Biden's speech was in unifying the Democratic Party?**

	CAP				
	TOTAL	HILL	K ST	DEM	GOP
Effective	62%	45%	68%	75%	41%
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Very effective	26%	26%	26%	37%	9%
Somewhat effective	35%	18%	41%	38%	32%
Neither effective nor ineffective	21%	31%	18%	18%	26%
Ineffective	14%	25%	10%	4%	29%
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Somewhat ineffective	9%	25%	3%	2%	20%
Very ineffective	5%	0%	7%	2%	9%
I don't know	3%	0%	4%	3%	3%

**QUESTION 2: How effective or ineffective do you believe President Biden's speech was in convincing moderate and swing voters to support Kamala Harris?**

	CAP				
	TOTAL	HILL	K ST	DEM	GOP
Effective	40%	44%	38%	53%	21%
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Very effective	13%	14%	12%	19%	3%
Somewhat effective	27%	31%	26%	33%	18%
Neither effective nor ineffective	38%	31%	40%	37%	37%
Ineffective	18%	23%	16%	4%	39%
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Somewhat ineffective	9%	9%	9%	4%	17%
Very ineffective	9%	14%	7%	0%	22%
I don't know	5%	1%	6%	6%	3%



**QUESTION 3/4: Which of the following high-profile speakers from the first two days of the DNC were MOST impactful in making the case for Kamala Harris' presidential campaign to voters? (COMBINED CHOICE - TOP TWO)**

	CAP					
	TOTAL	HILL	K	ST	DEM	GOP
Michelle Obama	64%	56%	67%	73%	51%	
Barack Obama	58%	44%	64%	54%	65%	
Hillary Clinton	16%	16%	16%	16%	17%	
Doug Emhoff	12%	8%	13%	13%	10%	
Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez	12%	30%	6%	13%	11%	
Raphael Warnock	9%	20%	5%	10%	7%	
Joe Biden	5%	0%	7%	5%	3%	
Jasmine Crockett	4%	5%	4%	6%	2%	
J.B. Pritzker	3%	8%	2%	0%	8%	
Steve Kerr	3%	0%	4%	2%	5%	
James Clyburn	3%	8%	1%	1%	5%	
Bernie Sanders	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	
Jamie Raskin	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	
Andy Beshear	1%	0%	1%	0%	2%	
Chris Coons	1%	0%	1%	0%	2%	
Tammy Duckworth	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	
Michelle Lujan Grisham	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Chuck Schumer	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
I don't know	3%	1%	4%	2%	6%	

**QUESTION 5: Since becoming the presumptive Democratic nominee, how effective or ineffective has Vice President Kamala Harris been on the campaign trail?**

	CAP					
	TOTAL	HILL	K	ST	DEM	GOP
Effective	86%	80%	88%	96%	70%	
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Very effective	67%	64%	69%	90%	34%	
Somewhat effective	19%	16%	20%	7%	36%	
Neither effective nor ineffective	4%	3%	5%	1%	10%	
Ineffective	9%	17%	7%	3%	20%	
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Somewhat ineffective	4%	9%	2%	1%	10%	
Very ineffective	5%	8%	4%	2%	10%	
I don't know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	

**QUESTION 6: Do you believe that Kamala Harris was the Democratic Party's best option for beating Donald Trump in the 2024 presidential election?**

	CAP					
	TOTAL	HILL	K	ST	DEM	GOP
Yes	58%	54%	59%	74%	34%	
No	33%	41%	30%	14%	60%	
I don't know	10%	4%	12%	12%	6%	



**QUESTION 7: Which of the following Democrats do you believe would have been a better selection as the Democratic nominee than Kamala Harris?**

	CAP					
	TOTAL	HILL	K	ST	DEM	GOP
Kamala Harris was the best candidate	42%	35%	45%	63%	11%	
Gretchen Whitmer	11%	6%	13%	13%	8%	
Josh Shapiro	10%	16%	8%	2%	23%	
Andy Beshear	5%	8%	4%	2%	10%	
Pete Buttigieg	3%	6%	2%	2%	6%	
Mark Kelly	3%	1%	4%	1%	8%	
Gavin Newsom	3%	8%	2%	0%	8%	
Wes Moore	2%	3%	2%	1%	4%	
Roy Cooper	2%	0%	2%	0%	5%	
J.B. Pritzker	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	
Cory Booker	1%	0%	1%	0%	2%	
Amy Klobuchar	1%	0%	1%	0%	2%	
Jared Polis	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
None of the above	11%	13%	10%	10%	12%	
I don't know	5%	3%	5%	6%	3%	

**QUESTION 8: Do you believe that Tim Walz was Kamala Harris' best choice for vice president to beat Donald Trump and JD Vance in the 2024 presidential election?**

	CAP					
	TOTAL	HILL	K	ST	DEM	GOP
Yes	44%	45%	44%	65%	15%	
No	47%	52%	45%	23%	82%	
I don't know	9%	3%	11%	13%	3%	

**QUESTION 9: Which of the following Democrats do you believe would have been a better selection for Kamala Harris' running mate than Tim Walz?**

	CAP					
	TOTAL	HILL	K	ST	DEM	GOP
Josh Shapiro	39%	44%	37%	21%	64%	
Tim Walz was the best candidate	32%	34%	31%	49%	6%	
Mark Kelly	7%	0%	10%	4%	12%	
Andy Beshear	5%	10%	3%	3%	8%	
Gretchen Whitmer	2%	2%	2%	4%	0%	
Roy Cooper	2%	1%	2%	1%	5%	
Pete Buttigieg	2%	1%	2%	3%	0%	
Amy Klobuchar	1%	0%	1%	0%	2%	
Gavin Newsom	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	
J.B. Pritzker	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	
Jared Polis	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Wes Moore	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
Cory Booker	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
None of the above	4%	3%	5%	6%	2%	
I don't know	5%	1%	7%	8%	2%	



**QUESTION 10: How united or divided do you believe the Democratic Party is currently?**

	CAP				
	TOTAL	HILL	K ST	DEM	GOP
United	89%	84%	91%	95%	80%
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Very united	67%	49%	74%	82%	45%
Somewhat united	22%	34%	17%	13%	36%
Neither united nor divided	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%
Divided	10%	14%	9%	5%	18%
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Somewhat divided	9%	14%	7%	5%	15%
Very divided	1%	0%	2%	0%	3%
I don't know	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%