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Agnew Is Choice Of GOP, Poll Says

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Vice President Spiro Agnew is currently the top choice of Republican voters for the GOP presidential nomination in 1976.

Agnew leads with 35 per cent of the votes of Republicans, followed by Governor Ronald Reagan of California with 20 per cent and former Secretary of the Treasury John Connally with 15 per cent.

Close behind Connally are Governor Nelson Rockefeller of New York with 11 per cent and Senator Charles Percy of Illinois with 8 per cent.

To obtain these findings, all Republicans in the survey were asked to indicate their first and second choices from a list of ten men who have been prominently mentioned as possible GOP presidential candidates. It should be noted that Connally, although a registered Democrat, is among those who have been considered as possible candidates on the Republican ticket.

When first and second choices are combined, the same order emerges, with

Agnew holding a wide lead over the field, followed by Reagan, Connally, Rockefeller and Percy.

The following table shows the first and second choices and the combined vote of Republicans interviewed in the survey:

	First Choice	Second Choice	Total
Spiro Agnew..	35%	21%	56%
Ronald Reagan	20	21	41
John Connally	15	12	27
N. Rockefeller	11	14	25
Charles Percy	8	9	17
James Buckley	2	5	7
Edward Brooke	1	3	4
Howard Baker	1	2	3
Daniel Evans	1	*	1
William Brock	*	1	1
No preference/ No answer..	6	12	18
	100%	100%	200%

* Less than 1 per cent.

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