News Articles: Immigration and the 2008 Elections

“He Says He Hasn't Backed Away From Immigration Stance”

John Marelius and Leslie Berestein
San Diego Union-Tribune, July 15, 2008
In John McCain’s speech to La Raza today, he negates Senator Obama’s assertion that he has changed his stance on immigration. McCain asserts his strategy has always been the same: secure the border and then reform the immigration system.

“L.A.'s Latino Mayor Praises Obama At La Raza Conference”

Phil Willon
Los Angeles Times, July 13, 2008
Villarigosa backs Obama, stating the Democratic Party candidate is committed to “balanced and humane immigration reform”.

“McCain vs. Obama on Immigration: Is There A Difference?”
http://www.cbsnews.com/blogs/2008/07/14/politics/fromtheroad/entry4257426.shtml

John Bentley
CBS News July 14, 2008
Bentley compares the approach each candidate has towards immigration reforms and argues their similarities.

“Obama, McCain Agree On Many Once-Divisive Issues”

Janet Hook, Peter Wallsten and Peter Nicholas
Los Angeles Times, July 13, 2008
McCain and Obama share similar stances on issues like immigration and stem cell research, illustrating a centrist shift by the two candidates.

“The Policies, Plans And Politics Of Immigration: Do Voters Want Illegal Immigrants To Be Deported Or Naturalized?”
http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/25645405/

By Kim Geiger
MSNBC, July 21, 2008
MSNBC has devoted the summer to discussing the main problems facing the presidential candidates, week five’s topic was immigration.

“FACTBOX: Obama, McCain Differ On Legal Issues”
http://www.reuters.com/article/bondsNews/idUSN2140737520080721
This Reuters article argues the nuanced differences on legal issues between Senators Obama and McCain. With respect to immigration, McCain has slid from emphasizing guest worker programs to securing the border, while Obama focuses on sanctioning employers and hi-tech border control to minimize physical walls.

**John McCain’s address at the LULAC convention in Washington D.C.**
http://thepage.time.com/mccains-address-to-lulac/

**Time, July 8, 2008**

**Barack Obama’s address at the LULAC convention in Washington D.C.**

**Time, July 8, 2008**

“**Obama, McCain battle for Latino voters**”

CNN Politics Election Center 2008
CNN.com
Video

"**McCain holds town hall meeting in Denver**"

**NBC Channel 9 News, Denver**
Dan Boniface

"**Immigration comes to fore for McCain, Obama**"

**The Dallas Morning News, July 9, 2008**
Todd J. Gillman

Conservatives accuse McCain of pandering on the subject of immigration as he moves between enforcement and reform as his main priorities.

“**The Puppeteer: The organized anti-immigration 'movement,' increasingly in bed with racist hate groups, is dominated by one man, John Tanton.**”
http://www.splcenter.org/intel/intelreport/article.jsp?pid=180

**Southern Poverty Law Center**
This 2002 article alleges many of the grassroots movements against immigrants are really the calculated creation of one man. John Tanton, founder of USA, Inc., has founded or funded over 13 anti-immigrant groups including the Federation for American Immigration Reform, the Center for Immigration Studies, the California Coalition for Immigration Reform and the American Immigration Control Foundation.