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Podcast: Discussing 2010 and the libertarian vote with David Boaz

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In 2006, David Boaz, Executive Vice President of the [Cato Institute](#) and author of *Libertarianism: A Primer*, along with David Kirby published a [study showing that libertarians make up around 13% of the electorate](#) and are a large swing vote in any given election.

According to the study, libertarians voters preferred George W. Bush over Al Gore, 72 to 20 percent. But after a disasterous foreign policy, a war on civil liberties and spending on par with Lyndon Johnson, Bush's support among libertarian voters dropped in 2004 to 59 percent to 38 percent over John Kerry.

A [follow up to the study earlier this year](#) showed that libertarians backed John McCain over Barack Obama, 71 to 27 percent, showing a skepticism of his agenda.

In this podcast, David Boaz and I discuss the libertarian vote, the tea party movement and how they will impact the 2010 mid-term election.

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