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Morning Links
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- TSA-related push-polling.

- It would probably be easier to make a list of the pundits and columnists who *aren't* hacks.

- El Paso rated safest city in America. Your humble Agitator on El Paso here.

- Dogs are smarter than cats.

- NPR discovers that Social Security is a scam.

- Real-life super heroes take over Seattle.

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#1 | **KristenS** | November 23rd, 2010 at 11:25 am

Disturbing quote from eth El Paso article

> One theory by an Ohio State University researcher argues that murder rates are linked to trust in government and a sense of belonging. When trust fails, people settle their own scores violently.

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#2 | **Nando** | November 23rd, 2010 at 11:27 am

TSA Push Polling: Everyone knows that polls can be manipulated, based on the wording of the questions, to show that a majority of people favor the point of view that the pollsters want them to favor.

Now, go out and ask 2500 people: "Would you feel comfortable walking through a machine that takes (and stores) a naked picture of you and that requires at least one person to examine your naked body in the name of airline security?" I will guarantee that you would get at least 2100 resounding NO!'s.

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#3 | **delta** | November 23rd, 2010 at 11:28 am

TSA polling — Even granted that criticism, it's an enormous drop in acceptability in the last month. Poll Nov 7-10 by CBS: 81:15 in favor. Poll Nov-21 by ABC/Washington Post: 64:32 in favor (even with tainted lead-in wording).

That's almost a 20% drop in approval inside of 2 weeks. Keep getting the word out, this is actually an issue that it works to educate people about.

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