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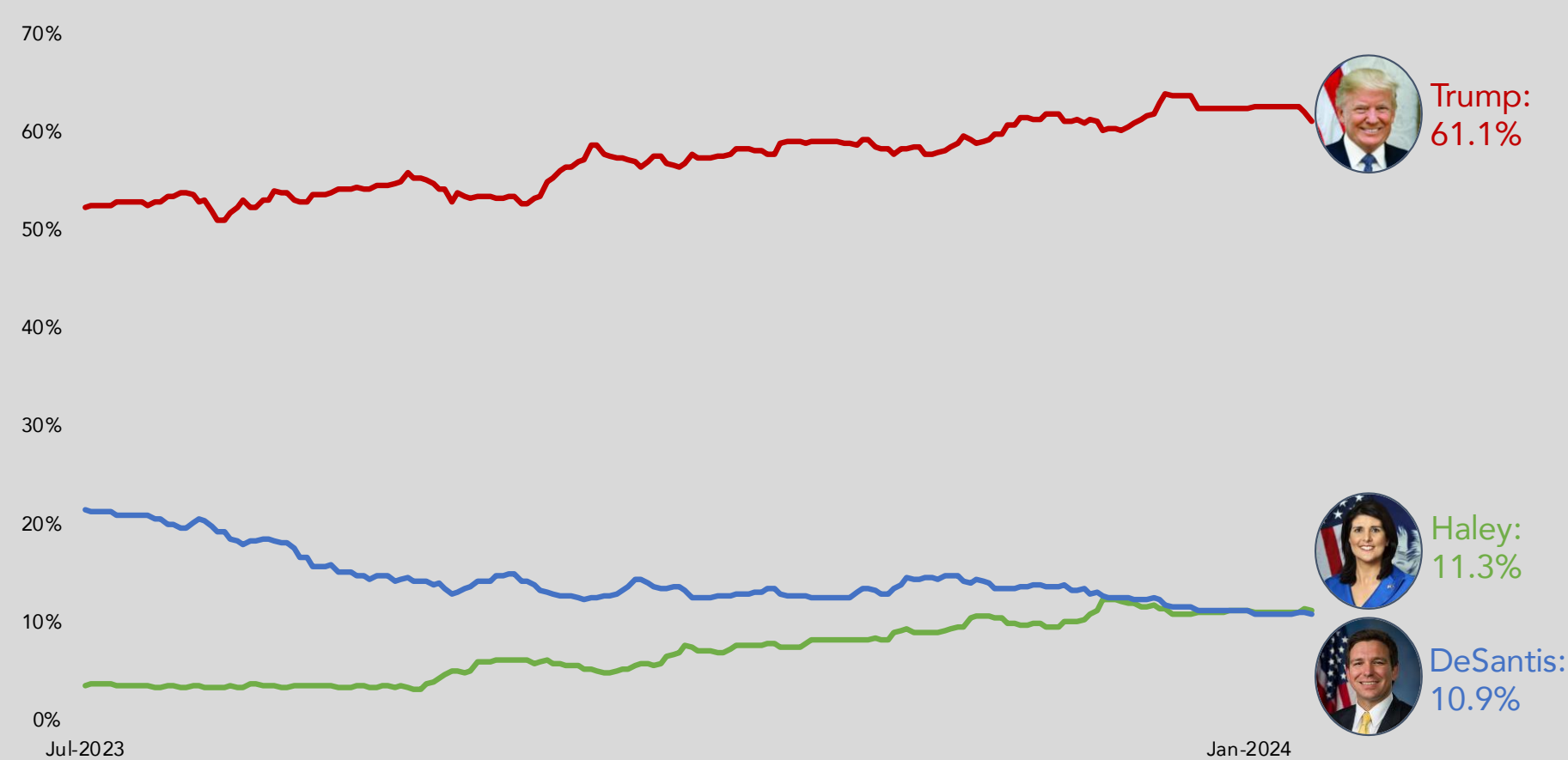


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Observed on the third Monday in January each year, January 15, 2024 is a federal holiday in the United States, marking the birthday of Martin Luther King Jr. Today is also the first day of the GOP primary season (the Iowa Caucus) to determine the Republican nominee in the 2024 US Presidential election – a process that could conceivably be all but over in less than 50 days. The first four contests could be decisive as wins in Iowa, New Hampshire, Nevada and South Carolina would provide strong momentum into Super Tuesday on March 5th (when 36% of delegates are at-stake). Going into Iowa, former US President Donald Trump holds a commanding lead in the state of nearly +35 points over his closest opponents, Nikki Haley and Ron DeSantis, and an even larger lead nationally.

## RealClearPolitics polling of the 2024 Republican Presidential Nomination



The next 50 days in Washington, from Jan 15 through Super Tuesday on March 5th, include a number of notable events to watch closely. Please see below.

## Key Dates from Iowa to Super Tuesday (50 Days)

- January 15:** Iowa Caucus (Republican)
- January 18:** ABC Republican debate.
- January 19:** Four segments of the US Government (\$321 bn of FY2024 spend) will shut down unless funded by Congress.
- January 21:** CNN GOP Primary debate in New Hampshire.
- January 23:** New Hampshire Primaries (Democratic & Republican)
- January 31:** NY Civil Fraud case: Justice Engoron files written decision on Trump’s property valuations and financial statements.
- February 2:** Eight segments of the US Government (\$1.28 trillion of FY 2024 spend) will shut-down unless funded by Congress.
- February 3:** South Carolina Primary (Democratic).
- February 5:** FY2025 Budget due from the Biden Administration.
- February 6:** Nevada Primary (Democratic).
- February 8:** Nevada Caucus (Republican)
- February 24:** South Carolina Primary (Republican).
- March 1:** Scheduling conference to determine timing of Mar-a-Logo classified documents case.
- March 4:** Federal Election Interference Case charging Trump with four crimes expected to begin.
- March 5:** Super Tuesday (primary elections in AL, AK, AR, CA, CO, IA, ME, MS, MN, NC, OK, TN, TX, UT, VT, VA).

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