

\$1bn U.S. election


America's first billion-dollar election came a step closer with Democrat hopeful Barack Obama raising \$25m in the first quarter of 2007 – just one million less than the record-breaking amount collected by rival Hillary Clinton



Democrats *Funds raised by March 31*

Hillary Clinton		\$26 million
Barack Obama		\$25 million
John Edwards		\$14 million
Chris Dodd		\$9 million
Bill Richardson		\$6 million
Joe Biden		\$4 million

Republicans

Mitt Romney		\$23 million
Rudy Giuliani		\$15 million
John McCain		\$12.5 million
Sam Brownback		\$2 million
Mike Huckabee		\$500,000