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## Walker leads Burke by 3 points

**Raleigh, N.C.** – PPP's newest Wisconsin poll finds a close race, with Scott Walker leading his Democratic challenger Mary Burke 48/45. Walker's 48% is exactly the same as what we had in our September poll of the state, while Burke's seen a slight uptick in her support from 42% on our previous poll.

Burke's increased support is likely a function of her name recognition increasing significantly over the last seven months. In September only 39% of voters had an opinion about her but that has spiked to 71% with voters pretty evenly split on her- 36% rate her favorably, 35% unfavorably. Burke's been able to consolidate Democratic support as she's become better known with 86% of her party base behind her now compared to 75% on the poll in the fall.

Nevertheless Walker has shown that he will be tough to beat. 50% of voters approve of him to 47% who disapprove and he has the Republican base on complete lockdown with 93% supporting him to only 4% who are for Burke. That puts Burke in a position where she would have to win independents by a good margin to overtake Walker and while she does have a narrow 46/44 advantage with them on this poll that's not enough.

"This poll pretty much sums up the Wisconsin Governor's races over the last four years," said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling. "It's always close, but Scott Walker always has the upper hand."

Looking forward to the 2016 Senate election, Democrats at least for now are pretty well positioned to put Ron Johnson out of office after just one term. Johnson has only a 34% approval rating to 36% of voters who disapprove of him, and even after more than 3 years in the Senate 30% don't know enough about him to have formed an opinion.

Russ Feingold would lead Johnson 47/41 in a hypothetical rematch of their 2010 contest, including a double digit lead with independents at 47/34. Despite his loss last time around, Feingold remains largely popular in the state with 46% of voters rating him favorably to 36% who have an unfavorable opinion.

PPP surveyed 1,144 registered voters from April  $17^{th}$  to 20th. The margin of error for the overall survey is +/- 2.9%. 80% of interviews for the poll were conducted over the phone with 20% interviewed over the internet to reach respondents who don't have landline telephones.





## **Wisconsin Survey Results**

Q1	Do you approve or disapprove of President Barack Obama's job performance?	Q7	Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Russ Feingold?	
	Approve45%		Favorable46%	
	Disapprove50%		Unfavorable36%	
	Not sure 6%		Not sure18%	
Q2	Do you approve or disapprove of Governor Scott Walker's job performance?	Q8	Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Ron Kind?	
	Approve50% Not sure3%		Favorable20%	
	Disapprove47%		Unfavorable18%	
Q3	Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion		Not sure62%	
	of Mary Burke?	Q9	If the candidates for Senate in 2016 were	
	Favorable 36%		Republican Ron Johnson and Democrat Russ Feingold, who would you vote for?	
	Unfavorable		Ron Johnson41%	
04	Not sure		Russ Feingold47%	
Q4			Not sure12%	
	Burke, who would you vote for?		If the candidates for Senate in 2016 were	
	Scott Walker48%		Republican Ron Johnson and Democrat Ron	
	Mary Burke45%		Kind, who would you vote for?	
	Not sure 7%		Ron Johnson41%	
Q5	Generally speaking, if there was an election for		Ron Kind39%	
	the state legislature today, would you vote for the Democratic or Republican candidate from		Not sure20%	
	your district?	Q11	Do you approve or disapprove of Senator Tammy Baldwin's job performance?	
	Democrat45%		Approve42% Not sure17%	
	Republican41%			
	Not sure	012	Disapprove41% In the last presidential election, did you vote for	
Q6	Do you approve or disapprove of Senator Ron	QIZ	Barack Obama or Mitt Romney?	
	Johnson's job performance?		Barack Obama49%	
	Approve34% Not sure30%		Mitt Romney43%	
	Disapprove36%		Someone else / Don't remember 8%	





Q13	would you describe yourself as very libera somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?	I,
	Very liberal	13%
	Somewhat liberal	20%
	Moderate	28%
	Somewhat conservative	24%
	Very conservative	16%
Q14	If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, pre	
	Woman	53%
	Man	47%
Q15	If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republipress 2. If you are an independent or ident with another party, press 3.	
	Democrat	33%
	Republican	33%
	Independent / Other	35%

Q16	If you are white, press 1. If other, press 2.	
	White	90%
	Other	.10%
Q17	If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1. If 30 45, press 2. If 46 to 65, press 3. If you are older than 65, press 4.	
	18 to 29	.12%
	30 to 45	.27%
	46 to 65	.38%
Q18	Older than 65	.23%
	Phone	.80%
	Internet	20%





		2012 Vo	2012 Vote			
	Base	Barack Obama		Someone else / Don't remember		
Obama Approval		_				
Approve	45%	83%	3%	28%		
Disapprove	50%	9%	95%	56%		
Not sure	6%	8%	2%	15%		

		2012 Vo	2012 Vote			
	Base	Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Someone else / Don't remember		
Walker Approval		_	•			
Approve	50%	13%	93%	42%		
Disapprove	47%	84%	5%	43%		
Not sure	3%	3%	1%	15%		

		2012 Vote			
	Base	Barack Obama		Someone else / Don't remember	
Burke Favorability		<del>-</del>		-	
Favorable	36%	64%	3%	30%	
Unfavorable	35%	7%	69%	23%	
Not sure	30%	28%	28%	47%	

		2012 Vote			
	Base	Barack Obama		Someone else / Don't remember	
Walker/Burke		_		-	
Scott Walker	48%	10%	94%	36%	
Mary Burke	45%	81%	3%	47%	
Not sure	7%	9%	3%	18%	

		2012 Vote				
	Base	Barack Obama		Someone else / Don't remember		
Generic Leg. Ballot		_		•		
Democrat	45%	83%	3%	40%		
Republican	41%	5%	87%	20%		
Not sure	13%	12%	10%	40%		

		2012 Vo	2012 Vote			
	Base	Barack Obama		Someone else / Don't remember		
Johnson Approval		_	•			
Approve	34%	10%	66%	17%		
Disapprove	36%	59%	8%	47%		
Not sure	30%	32%	26%	36%		

		2012 Vo	2012 Vote				
	Base	Barack Obama		Someone else / Don't remember			
Feingold Favorability		_		-			
Favorable	46%	75%	13%	45%			
Unfavorable	36%	11%	67%	26%			
Not sure	18%	14%	20%	29%			

		2012 Vo	2012 Vote		
	Base	Barack Obama		Someone else / Don't remember	
Kind Favorability		_	•		
Favorable	20%	26%	13%	22%	
Unfavorable	18%	16%	21%	10%	
Not sure	62%	57%	67%	68%	





		2012 Vo	2012 Vote			
	Base	Barack Obama		Someone else / Don't remember		
Johnson/Feingold		_		-		
Ron Johnson	41%	7%	84%	20%		
Russ Feingold	47%	81%	7%	54%		
Not sure	12%	12%	9%	27%		

		2012 Vote			
	Base	Barack Obama		Someone else / Don't remember	
Johnson/Kind		•			
Ron Johnson	41%	6%	85%	22%	
Ron Kind	39%	70%	3%	39%	
Not sure	20%	24%	11%	40%	

		2012 Vote					
	Base	Barack Obama		Someone else / Don't remember			
Baldwin Approval		_	•				
Approve	42%	75%	5%	31%			
Disapprove	41%	9%	79%	36%			
Not sure	17%	16%	16%	33%			

		ldeology					
	Base	Very liberal	Somewhat liberal		Somewhat conservative	Very conservative	
Obama Approval			=				
Approve	45%	83%	82%	51%	11%	4%	
Disapprove	50%	13%	13%	38%	85%	94%	
Not sure	6%	3%	5%	11%	4%	2%	

		Ideolog	ldeology				
	Base	Very liberal	Somewhat liberal		Somewhat conservative		
Walker Approval							
Approve	50%	12%	13%	41%	82%	92%	
Disapprove	47%	86%	84%	52%	16%	4%	
Not sure	3%	2%	3%	6%	2%	3%	

		Ideology					
	Base	Very liberal	Somewhat liberal		Somewhat conservative	Very conservative	
Burke Favorability							
Favorable	36%	71%	68%	38%	9%	3%	
Unfavorable	35%	5%	10%	21%	63%	73%	
Not sure	30%	24%	23%	41%	29%	24%	

		ldeology				
	Base	Very liberal	Somewhat liberal		Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Walker/Burke			=			
Scott Walker	48%	9%	8%	38%	82%	95%
Mary Burke	45%	87%	80%	53%	11%	4%
Not sure	7%	4%	12%	9%	7%	1%

		Ideolog	deology						
	Base	Very liberal	Somewhat liberal		Som ew hat conservative	Very conservative			
Generic Leg. Ballot			=		-				
Democrat	45%	87%	85%	51%	11%	4%			
Republican	41%	4%	5%	26%	78%	89%			
Not sure	13%	9%	10%	23%	12%	7%			





		ldeology					
	Base	Very liberal	Somewhat liberal		Somewhat conservative	Very conservative	
Johnson Approval							
Approve	34%	10%	9%	21%	57%	74%	
Disapprove	36%	69%	62%	41%	11%	5%	
Not sure	30%	21%	28%	38%	32%	21%	

		ldeology				
	Base	Very liberal	Somewhat liberal		Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Feingold Favorability			=			
Favorable	46%	80%	80%	52%	22%	3%
Unfavorable	36%	12%	10%	21%	58%	81%
Not sure	18%	8%	11%	27%	20%	16%

		Ideology					
	Base	Very liberal	Somewhat liberal		Somewhat conservative	Very conservative	
Kind Favorability			=				
Favorable	20%	31%	25%	22%	18%	5%	
Unfavorable	18%	15%	12%	15%	18%	30%	
Not sure	62%	55%	63%	62%	64%	65%	

		Ideology				
	Base	Very liberal	Somewhat liberal		Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Johnson/Feingold						
Ron Johnson	41%	10%	6%	24%	76%	88%
Russ Feingold	47%	88%	83%	54%	16%	2%
Not sure	12%	3%	10%	22%	8%	10%

		Ideology				
	Base	Very liberal	Somewhat liberal		Somewhat conservative	
Johnson/Kind						
Ron Johnson	41%	10%	6%	25%	76%	86%
Ron Kind	39%	74%	71%	43%	12%	3%
Not sure	20%	16%	22%	32%	12%	11%

		Ideolog	deology					ldeology		
	Base	Very liberal	Somewhat liberal		Somewhat conservative	Very conservative				
Baldwin Approval										
Approve	42%	80%	76%	47%	12%	5%				
Disapprove	41%	9%	12%	31%	69%	79%				
Not sure	17%	11%	12%	22%	20%	17%				

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Obama Approval		-	
Approve	45%	45%	44%
Disapprove	50%	46%	53%
Not sure	6%	8%	3%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Walker Approval		-	
Approve	50%	50%	50%
Disapprove	47%	46%	47%
Not sure	3%	4%	3%





		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Burke Favorability		-	
Favorable	36%	34%	38%
Unfavorable	35%	31%	40%
Not sure	30%	36%	23%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Walker/Burke		-	
Scott Walker	48%	47%	49%
Mary Burke	45%	44%	46%
Not sure	7%	9%	5%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Generic Leg. Ballot		-	
Democrat	45%	46%	45%
Republican	41%	40%	42%
Not sure	13%	14%	13%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Johnson Approval		- -	
Approve	34%	31%	38%
Disapprove	36%	31%	41%
Not sure	30%	38%	20%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Feingold Favorability			
Favorable	46%	44%	48%
Unfavorable	36%	33%	39%
Not sure	18%	23%	12%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Kind Favorability		- -	
Favorable	20%	21%	19%
Unfavorable	18%	15%	21%
Not sure	62%	64%	60%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Johnson/Feingold		-	
Ron Johnson	41%	39%	43%
Russ Feingold	47%	46%	48%
Not sure	12%	15%	8%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Johnson/Kind		- -	
Ron Johnson	41%	38%	44%
Ron Kind	39%	40%	38%
Not sure	20%	22%	18%





		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Baldwin Approval		-	
Approve	42%	42%	41%
Disapprove	41%	37%	45%
Not sure	17%	21%	13%

		Party	Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent / Other			
Obama Approval							
Approve	45%	82%	6%	45%			
Disapprove	50%	11%	92%	47%			
Not sure	6%	7%	2%	8%			

		Party	Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent / Other			
Walker Approval				•			
Approve	50%	12%	92%	45%			
Disapprove	47%	83%	7%	51%			
Not sure	3%	5%	1%	4%			

		Party					
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent / Other			
Burke Favorability							
Favorable	36%	67%	5%	34%			
Unfavorable	35%	7%	69%	28%			
Not sure	30%	26%	25%	37%			

		Party	Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent / Other			
Walker/Burke							
Scott Walker	48%	7%	93%	44%			
Mary Burke	45%	86%	4%	46%			
Not sure	7%	8%	3%	10%			

		Party	Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent / Other			
Generic Leg. Ballot							
Democrat	45%	93%	4%	40%			
Republican	41%	4%	92%	28%			
Not sure	13%	3%	4%	31%			

		Party	Party				
	Base	Democrat Republican Independent / Other					
Johnson Approval							
Approve	34%	9%	63%	31%			
Disapprove	36%	61%	9%	38%			
Not sure	30%	29%	28%	32%			

		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent / Other		
Feingold Favorability						
Favorable	46%	76%	14%	49%		
Unfavorable	36%	10%	68%	30%		
Not sure	18%	15%	18%	21%		





		Party	Party					
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent / Other				
Kind Favorability				•				
Favorable	20%	25%	13%	22%				
Unfavorable	18%	16%	18%	19%				
Not sure	62%	58%	68%	60%				

		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent / Other		
Johnson/Feingold						
Ron Johnson	41%	6%	83%	34%		
Russ Feingold	47%	85%	9%	47%		
Not sure	12%	9%	8%	19%		

		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Democrat Republican			
Johnson/Kind				•		
Ron Johnson	41%	7%	84%	33%		
Ron Kind	39%	76%	6%	36%		
Not sure	20%	18%	10%	31%		

		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent / Other		
Baldwin Approval						
Approve	42%	78%	7%	41%		
Disapprove	41%	9%	77%	37%		
Not sure	17%	13%	16%	22%		

		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Obama Approval		='	
Approve	45%	42%	63%
Disapprove	50%	52%	34%
Not sure	6%	6%	4%

		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Walker Approval			·
Approve	50%	52%	26%
Disapprove	47%	45%	67%
Not sure	3%	3%	6%

		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Burke Favorability		3	
Favorable	36%	34%	50%
Unfavorable	35%	37%	18%
Not sure	30%	29%	33%

		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Walker/Burke			
Scott Walker	48%	51%	20%
Mary Burke	45%	43%	61%
Not sure	7%	6%	18%





		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Generic Leg. Ballot			·
Democrat	45%	42%	72%
Republican	41%	44%	13%
Not sure	13%	13%	15%

		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Johnson Approval		-	
Approve	34%	36%	20%
Disapprove	36%	35%	40%
Not sure	30%	29%	40%

		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Feingold Favorability		_	
Favorable	46%	47%	42%
Unfavorable	36%	37%	29%
Not sure	18%	17%	29%

		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Kind Favorability			
Favorable	20%	21%	14%
Unfavorable	18%	18%	19%
Not sure	62%	62%	67%

		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Johnson/Feingold		=	
Ron Johnson	41%	43%	25%
Russ Feingold	47%	47%	48%
Not sure	12%	10%	27%

		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Johnson/Kind			
Ron Johnson	41%	44%	19%
Ron Kind	39%	38%	43%
Not sure	20%	18%	38%

		Race	
	Base	White	Other
Baldwin Approval		·	
Approve	42%	40%	56%
Disapprove	41%	43%	21%
Not sure	17%	17%	23%

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45		Older than 65
Obama Approval					
Approve	45%	54%	42%	43%	45%
Disapprove	50%	35%	55%	51%	50%
Not sure	6%	11%	4%	6%	5%





		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Walker Approval					
Approve	50%	39%	55%	49%	51%
Disapprove	47%	51%	45%	47%	46%
Not sure	3%	10%	-	4%	3%

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45		Older than 65
Burke Favorability					
Favorable	36%	31%	33%	37%	39%
Unfavorable	35%	23%	37%	35%	37%
Not sure	30%	46%	30%	28%	24%

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Walker/Burke					
Scott Walker	48%	35%	51%	48%	50%
Mary Burke	45%	58%	43%	44%	43%
Not sure	7%	6%	6%	8%	8%

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Generic Leg. Ballot					
Democrat	45%	58%	41%	45%	44%
Republican	41%	30%	45%	41%	43%
Not sure	13%	11%	13%	14%	13%

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Johnson Approval					
Approve	34%	23%	34%	36%	38%
Disapprove	36%	31%	32%	38%	40%
Not sure	30%	46%	34%	26%	22%

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45		Older than 65
Feingold Favorability					
Favorable	46%	46%	43%	47%	48%
Unfavorable	36%	35%	35%	37%	35%
Not sure	18%	19%	21%	16%	17%





		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Kind Favorability					
Favorable	20%	17%	20%	19%	24%
Unfavorable	18%	15%	17%	19%	17%
Not sure	62%	68%	63%	61%	59%

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45		Older than 65
Johnson/Feingold					
Ron Johnson	41%	31%	41%	43%	44%
Russ Feingold	47%	43%	46%	47%	50%
Not sure	12%	25%	13%	10%	7%

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Johnson/Kind					
Ron Johnson	41%	31%	44%	41%	44%
Ron Kind	39%	41%	35%	40%	40%
Not sure	20%	28%	21%	19%	16%

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Baldwin Approval					
Approve	42%	48%	39%	41%	42%
Disapprove	41%	34%	43%	41%	43%
Not sure	17%	18%	17%	18%	14%

		Mode		
	Base	Phone	Internet	
Obama Approval				
Approve	45%	44%	45%	
Disapprove	50%	52%	41%	
Not sure	6%	4%	14%	

		Mode		
	Base	Phone	Internet	
Walker Approval				
Approve	50%	52%	42%	
Disapprove	47%	46%	49%	
Not sure	3%	2%	9%	





		Mode		
	Base	Phone	Internet	
Burke Favorability				
Favorable	36%	37%	28%	
Unfavorable	35%	37%	25%	
Not sure	30%	25%	47%	

		Mode	
	Base	Phone	Internet
Walker/Burke			
Scott Walker	48%	49%	42%
Mary Burke	45%	45%	47%
Not sure	7%	6%	11%

		Mode	
	Base	Phone	Internet
Generic Leg. Ballot			
Democrat	45%	44%	52%
Republican	41%	42%	36%
Not sure	13%	14%	12%

		Mode	
	Base	Phone	Internet
Johnson Approval			-
Approve	34%	36%	27%
Disapprove	36%	39%	23%
Not sure	30%	25%	50%

		Mode	
	Base	Phone	Internet
Feingold Favorability			
Favorable	46%	48%	39%
Unfavorable	36%	37%	32%
Not sure	18%	15%	29%

		Mode	
	Base	Phone	Internet
Kind Favorability			
Favorable	20%	21%	18%
Unfavorable	18%	18%	16%
Not sure	62%	61%	66%

		Mode	
	Base	Phone	Internet
Johnson/Feingold			-
Ron Johnson	41%	43%	35%
Russ Feingold	47%	48%	42%
Not sure	12%	9%	23%

		Mode	
	Base	Phone	Internet
Johnson/Kind			
Ron Johnson	41%	43%	33%
Ron Kind	39%	40%	36%
Not sure	20%	17%	31%





		Mode	
	Base	Phone	Internet
Baldwin Approval			-
Approve	42%	42%	42%
Disapprove	41%	42%	35%
Not sure	17%	16%	22%

