

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

August 9, 2010

INTERVIEWS: DEAN DEBNAM 888-621-6988 / 919-880-4888 (serious media inquiries only please, other questions can be directed to Tom Jensen)

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE POLL: TOM JENSEN 919-744-6312

Bennet Favored, GOP Gov. and Sen. Primaries Up in the Air

Raleigh, N.C. – With one day to go until all the votes are in, it is anybody's guess who will win the Republican primaries for governor and Senate, and even incumbent Democratic Senator Michael Bennet could sweat out election night before he finds out whether he is nominated for his first election to the seat he now holds as an appointee.

Bennet leads Andrew Romanoff, 49-43, with 9% still claiming to be undecided. Romanoff has gained 9 points on Bennet since PPP's last poll of the race in mid-May, when Bennet was ahead, 46-31.

In the suddenly most dynamic race of the three, Dan Maes has closed the gap with previous favorite Scott McInnis following numerous charges of plagiarism against McInnis. Both Maes and McInnis have also been assailed by Republican Tom Tancredo, who has entered the general election race for governor on a third-party ticket. In May, McInnis led a five-way contest 50-15 over Maes, with others barely registering. But in a simple two-way, Maes has gained a remarkable 34 points since then, and now trails by only one point, 41-40. 19% are still undecided. McInnis' favorability rating has declined a stunning 43 points, from 54-15 to 36-40.

In a nine-candidate Senate test in May, Jane Norton led Ken Buck, 31-26, with the other seven in low single digits. While there has been considerably less movement toward the more conservative challenger compared to the gubernatorial primary, Norton now tops Buck only 45-43, with 12% unsure of how they will vote. Both candidates are equally well liked compared to PPP's previous poll.

“There have been a lot of developments and scandals in Colorado that have rapidly changed the shape of all three races, and turnout is going to be key for whoever ends up on top Tuesday night,” said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling.

PPP surveyed 448 likely Colorado Democratic primary voters, with a margin of error of +/- 4.6%, and 767 likely Republican primary voters, with a margin of error of +/- 3.5%, from August 7th to 8th. Other factors, such as refusal to be interviewed and weighting, may introduce additional error that is more difficult to quantify.

If you would like an interview regarding this release, please contact Dean Debnam at (888) 621-6988 or 919-880-4888.



Colorado Survey Results

Q1 The Democratic candidates for US Senate are Michael Bennet and Andrew Romanoff. If the election was today, who would you vote for?

Michael Bennet 49%
Andrew Romanoff 43%
Undecided..... 9%

Q2 Do you approve or disapprove of Senator Michael Bennet's job performance?

Approve 57%
Disapprove..... 24%
Not sure 19%

Q3 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Andrew Romanoff?

Favorable 52% *Not sure* 21%
Unfavorable..... 27%

Q4 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

Woman 55%
Man..... 45%

Q5 If you are Hispanic, press 1. If white, press 2. If African-American, press 3. If other, press 4.

Hispanic..... 19%
White 72%
African-American 4%
Other..... 4%

Q6 If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1 now. If you are 30 to 45, press 2. If you are 46 to 65, press 3. If older, press 4.

18 to 29..... 10%
30 to 45..... 18%
46 to 65..... 42%
Older than 65..... 30%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Democratic Senate Primary			
Michael Bennet	49%	49%	48%
Andrew Romanoff	43%	42%	43%
Undecided	9%	9%	9%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Bennet Approval			
Approve	57%	56%	58%
Disapprove	24%	23%	25%
Not sure	19%	21%	17%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Romanoff Favorability			
Favorable	52%	52%	53%
Unfavorable	27%	23%	31%
Not sure	21%	25%	16%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Democratic Senate Primary					
Michael Bennet	49%	42%	50%	65%	43%
Andrew Romanoff	43%	46%	44%	14%	34%
Undecided	9%	12%	6%	21%	22%





Crosstabs

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Bennet Approval					
Approve	57%	42%	61%	50%	52%
Disapprove	24%	34%	22%	5%	36%
Not sure	19%	23%	17%	45%	11%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Romanoff Favorability					
Favorable	52%	54%	55%	16%	41%
Unfavorable	27%	27%	26%	32%	35%
Not sure	21%	19%	19%	53%	23%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Democratic Senate Primary					
Michael Bennet	49%	46%	43%	48%	53%
Andrew Romanoff	43%	38%	49%	42%	41%
Undecided	9%	15%	8%	9%	6%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Bennet Approval					
Approve	57%	55%	47%	57%	62%
Disapprove	24%	30%	26%	25%	21%
Not sure	19%	15%	28%	18%	17%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Romanoff Favorability					
Favorable	52%	50%	56%	53%	51%
Unfavorable	27%	45%	18%	28%	25%
Not sure	21%	5%	26%	19%	24%





Colorado Survey Results

- Q1** The Republican candidates for Senate are Ken Buck and Jane Norton. If the election was today, who would you vote for?
- Ken Buck* 43%
- Jane Norton* 45%
- Undecided*..... 12%
- Q2** The Republican candidates for Governor are Dan Maes and Scott McInnis. If the election was today, who would you vote for?
- Dan Maes* 40%
- Scott McInnis* 41%
- Undecided*..... 19%
- Q3** Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Jane Norton?
- Favorable*..... 46%
- Unfavorable* 34%
- Not sure* 20%
- Q4** Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Ken Buck?
- Favorable* 47% *Not sure* 25%
- Unfavorable*..... 28%
- Q5** Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Dan Maes?
- Favorable*..... 38%
- Unfavorable* 23%
- Not sure* 39%
- Q6** Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Scott McInnis?
- Favorable*..... 36%
- Unfavorable* 40%
- Not sure* 24%
- Q7** Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Tom Tancredo?
- Favorable*..... 44%
- Unfavorable* 30%
- Not sure* 25%
- Q8** Do you approve or disapprove of the current direction of the Republican Party?
- Approve* 35%
- Disapprove*..... 41%
- Not sure* 24%
- Q9** Do you support or oppose the goals of the 'Tea Party' movement?
- Support* 78%
- Oppose* 9%
- Not sure* 13%
- Q10** Do you personally identify as a member of the 'Tea Party' movement?
- Yes* 35%
- No* 47%
- Not sure* 18%
- Q11** Do you think the Republican Party is too liberal, too conservative, or about right?
- Too liberal* 39%
- Too conservative* 15%
- About right* 35%
- Not sure* 10%
- Q12** If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.
- Woman* 49%
- Man* 51%





Q13 If you are Hispanic, press 1. If white, press 2.
If African-American, press 3. If other, press 4.

<i>Hispanic</i>	8%
<i>White</i>	86%
<i>African-American</i>	2%
<i>Other</i>	5%

Q14 If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1 now. If
you are 30 to 45, press 2. If you are 46 to 65,
press 3. If older, press 4.

<i>18 to 29</i>	12%
<i>30 to 45</i>	24%
<i>46 to 65</i>	37%
<i>Older than 65</i>	27%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Republican Senate Primary			
Ken Buck	43%	42%	44%
Jane Norton	45%	42%	47%
Undecided	12%	16%	9%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Republican Governor Primary			
Dan Maes	40%	42%	38%
Scott McInnis	41%	38%	44%
Undecided	19%	20%	18%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Norton Favorability			
Favorable	46%	41%	52%
Unfavorable	34%	36%	32%
Not sure	20%	23%	17%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Buck Favorability			
Favorable	47%	47%	47%
Unfavorable	28%	26%	30%
Not sure	25%	27%	23%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Maes Favorability			
Favorable	38%	36%	40%
Unfavorable	23%	20%	26%
Not sure	39%	45%	34%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
McInnis Favorability			
Favorable	36%	32%	39%
Unfavorable	40%	41%	39%
Not sure	24%	27%	22%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Tancredo Favorability			
Favorable	44%	40%	48%
Unfavorable	30%	30%	31%
Not sure	25%	30%	20%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
GOP Direction			
Approve	35%	40%	32%
Disapprove	41%	36%	45%
Not sure	24%	25%	23%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Tea Party Support			
Support	78%	74%	81%
Oppose	9%	10%	8%
Not sure	13%	16%	11%

	Base	Gender		
		Woman	Man	
Tea Party ID				
Yes	35%	31%	38%	
No	47%	48%	47%	
Not sure	18%	21%	15%	

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
GOP Ideology			
Too liberal	39%	30%	48%
Too conservative	15%	18%	13%
About right	35%	42%	30%
Not sure	10%	11%	10%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Republican Senate Primary					
Ken Buck	43%	52%	43%	7%	46%
Jane Norton	45%	42%	44%	71%	50%
Undecided	12%	5%	13%	23%	4%





Crosstabs

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Republican Governor Primary					
Dan Maes	40%	49%	39%	35%	36%
Scott McInnis	41%	30%	43%	32%	37%
Undecided	19%	21%	18%	33%	27%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Norton Favorability					
Favorable	46%	37%	47%	55%	54%
Unfavorable	34%	46%	32%	45%	42%
Not sure	20%	17%	21%	-	5%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Buck Favorability					
Favorable	47%	45%	47%	52%	45%
Unfavorable	28%	35%	27%	33%	40%
Not sure	25%	20%	26%	15%	15%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Maes Favorability					
Favorable	38%	38%	38%	29%	37%
Unfavorable	23%	37%	19%	66%	45%
Not sure	39%	25%	43%	5%	19%





Crosstabs

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
McInnis Favorability					
Favorable	36%	31%	38%	36%	14%
Unfavorable	40%	49%	38%	44%	56%
Not sure	24%	20%	24%	20%	30%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Tancredo Favorability					
Favorable	44%	40%	46%	29%	36%
Unfavorable	30%	37%	29%	59%	38%
Not sure	25%	23%	26%	12%	27%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
GOP Direction					
Approve	35%	22%	37%	50%	24%
Disapprove	41%	53%	39%	50%	49%
Not sure	24%	25%	24%	-	27%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Tea Party Support					
Support	78%	77%	79%	50%	75%
Oppose	9%	12%	8%	34%	3%
Not sure	13%	12%	13%	15%	22%





Crosstabs

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Tea Party ID					
Yes	35%	45%	33%	61%	30%
No	47%	39%	49%	24%	40%
Not sure	18%	17%	18%	15%	29%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
GOP Ideology					
Too liberal	39%	41%	40%	40%	29%
Too conservative	15%	19%	15%	31%	7%
About right	35%	25%	35%	29%	57%
Not sure	10%	15%	10%	-	8%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Republican Senate Primary					
Ken Buck	43%	37%	44%	47%	40%
Jane Norton	45%	46%	43%	42%	49%
Undecided	12%	17%	13%	11%	11%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Republican Governor Primary					
Dan Maes	40%	31%	40%	44%	37%
Scott McInnis	41%	44%	43%	37%	44%
Undecided	19%	24%	17%	19%	19%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Norton Favorability					
Favorable	46%	53%	40%	46%	49%
Unfavorable	34%	28%	39%	36%	28%
Not sure	20%	20%	20%	18%	22%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Buck Favorability					
Favorable	47%	38%	46%	51%	46%
Unfavorable	28%	21%	30%	28%	30%
Not sure	25%	41%	24%	21%	24%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Maes Favorability					
Favorable	38%	32%	40%	38%	38%
Unfavorable	23%	27%	19%	25%	21%
Not sure	39%	41%	40%	37%	41%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
McInnis Favorability					
Favorable	36%	37%	33%	35%	39%
Unfavorable	40%	34%	37%	46%	36%
Not sure	24%	29%	30%	19%	24%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Tancredo Favorability					
Favorable	44%	34%	41%	48%	47%
Unfavorable	30%	34%	29%	31%	30%
Not sure	25%	31%	30%	21%	24%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
GOP Direction					
Approve	35%	50%	28%	36%	36%
Disapprove	41%	35%	46%	42%	36%
Not sure	24%	15%	26%	22%	28%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Tea Party Support					
Support	78%	79%	78%	75%	81%
Oppose	9%	-	15%	11%	4%
Not sure	13%	21%	7%	14%	15%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Tea Party ID					
Yes	35%	41%	49%	30%	27%
No	47%	41%	43%	49%	51%
Not sure	18%	18%	8%	21%	22%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
GOP Ideology					
Too liberal	39%	35%	43%	43%	34%
Too conservative	15%	12%	27%	13%	10%
About right	35%	47%	19%	34%	46%
Not sure	10%	6%	11%	11%	10%

