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Clinton Is Competitive In Alaska

Raleigh, N.C. – Even though Alaska is a very red state, Hillary Clinton is running very competitively against possible Republican candidates for the 2016 election among Alaskan voters.

Across state-wide political positions, Republicans are polling well. Republican Congressman Don Young has a 50% approval rating. When asked whether they would vote for Congressman Young or Democrat Scott McAdams for Congress next year, 54% of Alaskan voters say they would vote for Young.

Alaskans also approve of their Republican Senator, Lisa Murkowski, who holds an even higher approval than Rep. Young with 54-33. If there was an election for the state legislature today, more people would vote for a Republican than a Democrat (45-36).

With this political stage set up, Clinton still fares relatively well in Alaska. 47% of Alaskans have a favorable opinion of her and when matched up against most Republicans going into the 2016 election, she wins.

Clinton beats Sarah Palin (53-37) and Marco Rubio (44-43) and barely falls behind Chris Christie by one point (42-43).

Alaskans were very clear about their disapproval with their former Governor, Sarah Palin. 78% of Alaskans believe Sarah Palin should not run for President in 2016 and when asked whether they have a higher opinion of Congress or Sarah Palin, Alaskans choose Congress (50-34). This is especially telling since their approval of Congress is at a meek 8%.

“Alaskans are pretty clearly done with Sarah Palin,” said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling. “They wouldn’t support her for the Senate, they wouldn’t support her for President, and they have an ever lower opinion of her than they do of Congress.”

PPP surveyed 1,129 Alaska voters from February 4th to 5th. The margin of error is +/- 2.9%. This poll was not paid for or authorized by any campaign or political organization. PPP surveys are conducted through automated telephone interviews.



Alaska Survey Results

Q1 Do you approve or disapprove of Congressman Don Young's job performance?

Approve 50%
Disapprove..... 40%
Not sure 10%

Q2 If the candidates for Congress next year were Republican Don Young and Democrat Scott McAdams, who would you vote for?

Don Young 54%
Scott McAdams..... 37%
Not sure 10%

Q3 Do you approve or disapprove of Senator Lisa Murkowski's job performance?

Approve 54%
Disapprove..... 33%
Not sure 14%

Q4 Generally speaking, if there was an election for the state legislature today, would you vote for the Democratic or Republican candidate from your district?

Democrat 36%
Republican..... 45%
Not sure 19%

Q5 Do you think same-sex marriage should be allowed in Alaska, or not?

It should be allowed 43%
It should not 51%
Not sure 6%

Q6 Which of the following best describes your opinion on gay marriage: gay couples should be allowed to legally marry, or gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not legally marry, or there should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship?

Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry 40%
Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not marry 27%
There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship 30%
Not sure 3%

Q7 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Hillary Clinton?

Favorable..... 47%
Unfavorable 45%
Not sure 7%

Q8 If the candidates for President in 2016 were Democrat Hillary Clinton and Republican Chris Christie, who would you vote for?

Hillary Clinton..... 42%
Chris Christie 43%
Not sure 15%

Q9 If the candidates for President in 2016 were Democrat Hillary Clinton and Republican Sarah Palin, who would you vote for?

Hillary Clinton..... 53%
Sarah Palin 37%
Not sure 10%

Q10 If the candidates for President in 2016 were Democrat Hillary Clinton and Republican Marco Rubio, who would you vote for?

Hillary Clinton..... 44%
Marco Rubio 43%
Not sure 13%





Q11 Do you think Sarah Palin should run for President in 2016, or not?

She should run..... 16%
She should not..... 78%
Not sure..... 6%

Q12 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Congress?

Favorable..... 8%
Unfavorable..... 82%
Not sure..... 10%

Q13 What do you have a higher opinion of: Congress or Sarah Palin?

Congress..... 50%
Sarah Palin..... 34%
Not sure..... 16%

Q14 Would you describe yourself as very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?

Very liberal..... 9%
Somewhat liberal..... 15%
Moderate..... 33%
Somewhat conservative..... 25%
Very conservative..... 19%

Q15 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

Woman..... 53%
Man..... 47%

Q16 If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republican, press 2. If you are an independent or identify with another party, press 3.

Democrat..... 21%
Republican..... 32%
Independent/Other..... 46%

Q17 If you are white, press 1. If other, press 2.

White..... 78%
Other..... 22%

Q18 If you are 18 to 45 years old, press 1. If 46 to 65, press 2. If you are older than 65, press 3.

18 to 45..... 36%
46 to 65..... 46%
Older than 65..... 18%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Young Approval						
Approve	50%	24%	22%	38%	70%	77%
Disapprove	40%	70%	67%	52%	17%	16%
Not sure	10%	7%	11%	10%	13%	7%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Young/McAdams						
Don Young	54%	17%	17%	40%	79%	90%
Scott McAdams	37%	77%	72%	46%	12%	6%
Not sure	10%	6%	11%	14%	9%	4%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Murkowski Approval						
Approve	54%	44%	61%	67%	58%	23%
Disapprove	33%	32%	25%	21%	29%	64%
Not sure	14%	24%	14%	12%	13%	13%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Generic Leg. Ballot						
Democrat	36%	89%	74%	46%	6%	3%
Republican	45%	8%	12%	24%	72%	91%
Not sure	19%	2%	14%	31%	22%	6%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Should Same-sex Marriage Be Allowed in AK?						
It should be allowed	43%	83%	79%	59%	15%	4%
It should not	51%	11%	18%	28%	81%	94%
Not sure	6%	6%	3%	13%	3%	1%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Gay Marriage/Civ. Unions/No Recognition						
Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	40%	85%	77%	52%	13%	4%
Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not marry	27%	3%	14%	28%	39%	29%
There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship	30%	8%	7%	15%	45%	66%
Not sure	3%	4%	2%	5%	3%	1%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Hillary Favorability						
Favorable	47%	89%	83%	64%	18%	7%
Unfavorable	45%	11%	11%	25%	73%	91%
Not sure	7%	-	5%	11%	10%	2%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Clinton/Christie						
Hillary Clinton	42%	96%	85%	53%	10%	3%
Chris Christie	43%	3%	7%	25%	73%	86%
Not sure	15%	1%	7%	22%	17%	11%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Clinton/Palin						
Hillary Clinton	53%	89%	91%	79%	20%	5%
Sarah Palin	37%	11%	7%	14%	60%	82%
Not sure	10%	-	1%	7%	19%	13%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Clinton/Rubio						
Hillary Clinton	44%	94%	87%	58%	11%	3%
Marco Rubio	43%	2%	5%	23%	76%	88%
Not sure	13%	4%	7%	20%	14%	9%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Should Palin Run in 2016?						
She should run	16%	11%	14%	15%	16%	22%
She should not	78%	89%	85%	81%	75%	67%
Not sure	6%	-	1%	4%	9%	11%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Congress Favorability						
Favorable	8%	6%	6%	9%	8%	8%
Unfavorable	82%	81%	80%	81%	82%	85%
Not sure	10%	13%	14%	10%	10%	7%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Higher Opinion of Congress or Palin						
Congress	50%	79%	73%	68%	25%	15%
Sarah Palin	34%	9%	11%	14%	55%	72%
Not sure	16%	11%	16%	17%	20%	13%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Young Approval			
Approve	50%	46%	54%
Disapprove	40%	43%	36%
Not sure	10%	10%	9%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Young/McAdams			
Don Young	54%	49%	59%
Scott McAdams	37%	39%	34%
Not sure	10%	12%	7%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Murkowski Approval			
Approve	54%	59%	47%
Disapprove	33%	27%	40%
Not sure	14%	14%	13%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Generic Leg. Ballot			
Democrat	36%	42%	29%
Republican	45%	38%	53%
Not sure	19%	20%	18%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Should Same-sex Marriage Be Allowed in AK?			
It should be allowed	43%	50%	36%
It should not	51%	45%	57%
Not sure	6%	5%	7%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Gay Marriage/Civ. Unions/No Recognition			
Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	40%	46%	33%
Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not marry	27%	24%	29%
There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship	30%	27%	33%
Not sure	3%	2%	4%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Hillary Favorability			
Favorable	47%	56%	38%
Unfavorable	45%	37%	55%
Not sure	7%	7%	7%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Clinton/Christie			
Hillary Clinton	42%	47%	35%
Chris Christie	43%	38%	50%
Not sure	15%	15%	15%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Clinton/Palin			
Hillary Clinton	53%	60%	46%
Sarah Palin	37%	31%	43%
Not sure	10%	9%	11%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Clinton/Rubio			
Hillary Clinton	44%	49%	37%
Marco Rubio	43%	36%	51%
Not sure	13%	14%	11%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Should Palin Run in 2016?			
She should run	16%	10%	23%
She should not	78%	84%	72%
Not sure	6%	6%	5%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Congress Favorability			
Favorable	8%	6%	10%
Unfavorable	82%	80%	84%
Not sure	10%	14%	7%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Higher Opinion of Congress or Palin			
Congress	50%	58%	40%
Sarah Palin	34%	28%	41%
Not sure	16%	14%	18%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Young Approval				
Approve	50%	22%	76%	45%
Disapprove	40%	67%	16%	45%
Not sure	10%	11%	8%	10%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Young/McAdams				
Don Young	54%	21%	85%	48%
Scott McAdams	37%	73%	10%	39%
Not sure	10%	7%	6%	14%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Murkowski Approval				
Approve	54%	59%	51%	52%
Disapprove	33%	25%	38%	33%
Not sure	14%	15%	11%	15%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Generic Leg. Ballot				
Democrat	36%	79%	6%	36%
Republican	45%	9%	86%	35%
Not sure	19%	12%	8%	30%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Should Same-sex Marriage Be Allowed in AK?				
It should be allowed	43%	76%	12%	49%
It should not	51%	20%	86%	42%
Not sure	6%	5%	2%	10%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Gay Marriage/Civ. Unions/No Recognition				
Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	40%	74%	10%	45%
Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not marry	27%	13%	34%	28%
There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship	30%	10%	54%	23%
Not sure	3%	3%	2%	4%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Hillary Favorability				
Favorable	47%	83%	14%	53%
Unfavorable	45%	13%	80%	38%
Not sure	7%	4%	6%	9%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Clinton/Christie				
Hillary Clinton	42%	83%	12%	42%
Chris Christie	43%	11%	77%	37%
Not sure	15%	6%	12%	21%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Clinton/Palin				
Hillary Clinton	53%	90%	15%	62%
Sarah Palin	37%	7%	76%	25%
Not sure	10%	2%	9%	14%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Clinton/Rubio				
Hillary Clinton	44%	84%	9%	47%
Marco Rubio	43%	11%	80%	35%
Not sure	13%	5%	12%	18%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Should Palin Run in 2016?				
She should run	16%	13%	18%	16%
She should not	78%	86%	70%	80%
Not sure	6%	1%	11%	4%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Congress Favorability				
Favorable	8%	5%	10%	7%
Unfavorable	82%	80%	82%	83%
Not sure	10%	15%	8%	10%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Higher Opinion of Congress or Palin				
Congress	50%	79%	20%	55%
Sarah Palin	34%	10%	63%	26%
Not sure	16%	10%	16%	19%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
Young Approval			
Approve	50%	47%	61%
Disapprove	40%	44%	27%
Not sure	10%	9%	12%





Crosstabs

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
Young/McAdams			
Don Young	54%	51%	63%
Scott McAdams	37%	39%	27%
Not sure	10%	10%	10%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
Murkowski Approval			
Approve	54%	55%	48%
Disapprove	33%	32%	37%
Not sure	14%	13%	15%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
Generic Leg. Ballot			
Democrat	36%	38%	31%
Republican	45%	45%	44%
Not sure	19%	17%	25%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
Should Same-sex Marriage Be Allowed in AK?			
It should be allowed	43%	47%	29%
It should not	51%	47%	63%
Not sure	6%	6%	8%





Crosstabs

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
Gay Marriage/Civ. Unions/No Recognition			
Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	40%	43%	29%
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There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship	30%	28%	36%
Not sure	3%	3%	5%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
Hillary Favorability			
Favorable	47%	50%	39%
Unfavorable	45%	43%	53%
Not sure	7%	7%	8%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
Clinton/Christie			
Hillary Clinton	42%	43%	38%
Chris Christie	43%	43%	46%
Not sure	15%	14%	16%

	Base	Race	
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Clinton/Palin			
Hillary Clinton	53%	56%	45%
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Not sure	10%	10%	10%





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Not sure	6%	6%	5%

	Base	Race	
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Congress Favorability			
Favorable	8%	7%	11%
Unfavorable	82%	83%	76%
Not sure	10%	10%	13%

	Base	Race	
		White	Other
Higher Opinion of Congress or Palin			
Congress	50%	51%	44%
Sarah Palin	34%	32%	40%
Not sure	16%	16%	16%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Young Approval				
Approve	50%	54%	47%	49%
Disapprove	40%	33%	46%	40%
Not sure	10%	13%	7%	11%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Young/McAdams				
Don Young	54%	56%	51%	57%
Scott McAdams	37%	34%	40%	33%
Not sure	10%	10%	9%	10%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Murkowski Approval				
Approve	54%	54%	54%	52%
Disapprove	33%	32%	33%	33%
Not sure	14%	14%	13%	15%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Generic Leg. Ballot				
Democrat	36%	34%	40%	30%
Republican	45%	46%	42%	51%
Not sure	19%	20%	18%	18%





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Should Same-sex Marriage Be Allowed in AK?				
It should be allowed	43%	37%	51%	35%
It should not	51%	57%	43%	58%
Not sure	6%	6%	6%	7%

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		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Gay Marriage/Civ. Unions/No Recognition				
Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	40%	36%	47%	31%
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There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship	30%	34%	24%	35%
Not sure	3%	5%	2%	2%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Hillary Favorability				
Favorable	47%	42%	52%	48%
Unfavorable	45%	50%	43%	44%
Not sure	7%	8%	5%	9%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Clinton/Christie				
Hillary Clinton	42%	39%	46%	37%
Chris Christie	43%	44%	41%	47%
Not sure	15%	16%	13%	17%





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	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
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Hillary Clinton	53%	50%	59%	48%
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Not sure	10%	11%	8%	11%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Clinton/Rubio				
Hillary Clinton	44%	39%	49%	40%
Marco Rubio	43%	45%	40%	47%
Not sure	13%	16%	11%	13%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Should Palin Run in 2016?				
She should run	16%	19%	14%	15%
She should not	78%	75%	82%	77%
Not sure	6%	6%	4%	8%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Congress Favorability				
Favorable	8%	9%	8%	6%
Unfavorable	82%	80%	84%	81%
Not sure	10%	11%	9%	13%



Crosstabs

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Higher Opinion of Congress or Palin				
Congress	50%	47%	54%	43%
Sarah Palin	34%	38%	29%	39%
Not sure	16%	15%	16%	18%