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Romney leads Obama almost as much as McCain in AZ

Raleigh, N.C. – President Obama’s campaign is hoping to put Arizona in play without home-state Sen. John McCain on the ballot. As it is, the changing demographics in the state led Obama to lose to McCain by only eight-and-a-half points there in 2008. But just as about everywhere else, voters have soured on Obama over the course of this year. When PPP last polled the Grand Canyon State in May, Obama had a 46-50 approval spread there. That has now slipped nine points to 41-54, putting his standing here in league with where PPP has measured him in recent months in deep-red Texas and South Carolina. If the election were held now, he would probably lose not just to Mitt Romney but also to two other Republicans, including new frontrunner Newt Gingrich.

Also in May, Obama trailed Romney by only four points, but now he lags by seven (49-42). Obama led Gingrich by 7 six months ago, but Gingrich’s recent resurgence has put him in a 45-45 tie with the president. Ron Paul actually leads by one point (44-43). If by some miracle Herman Cain or Rick Perry were able to revitalize themselves and win the nomination, Obama would have a shot, leading them by four (46-42) and seven (47-40), respectively. Paul, Cain, and Perry were not tested previously.

Twice as many Democrats disapprove of the president’s job performance as in May (22% versus 11%), and independents have shifted 26 points from 49-45 in his favor to 35-57 against. So while he was losing only 7% of his own party’s vote to Romney and 9% to Gingrich half a year ago, he now cedes 12% and 16% of them. And while he led Gingrich by 30 points and Romney by 17 with independents then, Gingrich now leads by one and Romney by 11.

“It’s going to be hard for Barack Obama to move Arizona into the Democratic column if the Republicans put up Mitt Romney,” said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling. “But if they put up one of their lesser candidates it could end up being close.”

PPP surveyed 500 Arizona voters from November 17th to 20th. The margin of error for the survey is +/-4.4%. This poll was not paid for or authorized by any campaign or political organization. PPP surveys are conducted through automated telephone interviews. PPP is a Democratic polling company, but polling expert Nate Silver of the *New York Times* found that its surveys in 2010 actually exhibited a slight bias toward Republican candidates.



Arizona Survey Results

Q1 Do you approve or disapprove of President Barack Obama's job performance?

Approve 41%
Disapprove..... 54%
Not sure 5%

Q2 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Herman Cain?

Favorable..... 35%
Unfavorable 52%
Not sure 13%

Q3 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Newt Gingrich?

Favorable..... 40%
Unfavorable 50%
Not sure 10%

Q4 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Ron Paul?

Favorable..... 35%
Unfavorable 52%
Not sure 13%

Q5 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Rick Perry?

Favorable..... 17%
Unfavorable 67%
Not sure 17%

Q6 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Mitt Romney?

Favorable..... 38%
Unfavorable 51%
Not sure 11%

Q7 If the candidates for President next year were Democrat Barack Obama and Republican Herman Cain, who would you vote for?

Barack Obama..... 46%
Herman Cain..... 42%
Undecided..... 12%

Q8 If the candidates for President next year were Democrat Barack Obama and Republican Newt Gingrich, who would you vote for?

Barack Obama..... 45%
Newt Gingrich 45%
Undecided..... 10%

Q9 If the candidates for President next year were Democrat Barack Obama and Republican Ron Paul, who would you vote for?

Barack Obama..... 43%
Ron Paul..... 44%
Undecided..... 13%

Q10 If the candidates for President next year were Democrat Barack Obama and Republican Rick Perry, who would you vote for?

Barack Obama..... 47%
Rick Perry 40%
Undecided..... 13%

Q11 If the candidates for President next year were Democrat Barack Obama and Republican Mitt Romney, who would you vote for?

Barack Obama..... 42%
Mitt Romney..... 49%
Undecided..... 9%





Q12 Would you describe yourself as very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?

<i>Very liberal</i>	13%
<i>Somewhat liberal</i>	17%
<i>Moderate</i>	25%
<i>Somewhat conservative</i>	25%
<i>Very conservative</i>	21%

Q13 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

<i>Woman</i>	53%
<i>Man</i>	47%

Q14 If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republican, press 2. If you are an independent or identify with another party, press 3.

<i>Democrat</i>	38%
<i>Republican</i>	41%
<i>Independent/Other</i>	21%

Q15 If you are Hispanic, press 1. If white, press 2. If other, press 3.

<i>Hispanic</i>	16%
<i>White</i>	76%
<i>Other</i>	8%

Q16 If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1. If 30 to 45, press 2. If 46 to 65, press 3. If you are older than 65, press 4.

<i>18 to 45</i>	12%
<i>30 to 45</i>	26%
<i>46 to 65</i>	42%
<i>Older than 65</i>	20%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Obama Approval						
Approve	41%	65%	72%	61%	16%	7%
Disapprove	54%	32%	21%	30%	82%	90%
Not sure	5%	3%	7%	9%	2%	3%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Cain Favorability						
Favorable	35%	17%	14%	17%	51%	66%
Unfavorable	52%	78%	74%	67%	34%	24%
Not sure	13%	5%	13%	16%	16%	10%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Gingrich Favorability						
Favorable	40%	25%	9%	20%	62%	71%
Unfavorable	50%	72%	73%	69%	28%	23%
Not sure	10%	2%	17%	11%	11%	6%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Paul Favorability						
Favorable	35%	29%	28%	39%	37%	38%
Unfavorable	52%	63%	56%	49%	45%	51%
Not sure	13%	8%	16%	12%	17%	11%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Perry Favorability						
Favorable	17%	7%	7%	13%	20%	33%
Unfavorable	67%	86%	74%	71%	61%	50%
Not sure	17%	7%	19%	16%	19%	18%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Romney Favorability						
Favorable	38%	8%	26%	43%	45%	50%
Unfavorable	51%	86%	60%	46%	42%	41%
Not sure	11%	6%	13%	11%	13%	9%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Obama/Cain						
Barack Obama	46%	73%	85%	70%	16%	6%
Herman Cain	42%	20%	8%	13%	65%	87%
Undecided	12%	6%	7%	17%	19%	8%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Obama/Gingrich						
Barack Obama	45%	69%	80%	71%	16%	7%
Newt Gingrich	45%	25%	14%	15%	72%	87%
Undecided	10%	6%	6%	13%	13%	6%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Obama/Paul						
Barack Obama	43%	69%	75%	64%	19%	5%
Ron Paul	44%	22%	13%	25%	63%	81%
Undecided	13%	9%	12%	11%	18%	14%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Obama/Perry						
Barack Obama	47%	69%	82%	74%	18%	7%
Rick Perry	40%	19%	9%	14%	59%	86%
Undecided	13%	12%	9%	12%	23%	8%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Obama/Romney						
Barack Obama	42%	67%	80%	62%	15%	5%
Mitt Romney	49%	24%	16%	26%	72%	89%
Undecided	9%	9%	4%	12%	13%	6%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Obama Approval			
Approve	41%	44%	37%
Disapprove	54%	51%	58%
Not sure	5%	5%	5%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Cain Favorability			
Favorable	35%	32%	39%
Unfavorable	52%	52%	52%
Not sure	13%	16%	9%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Gingrich Favorability			
Favorable	40%	34%	46%
Unfavorable	50%	53%	48%
Not sure	10%	13%	6%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Paul Favorability			
Favorable	35%	33%	38%
Unfavorable	52%	50%	53%
Not sure	13%	17%	9%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Perry Favorability			
Favorable	17%	16%	18%
Unfavorable	67%	61%	73%
Not sure	17%	23%	9%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Romney Favorability			
Favorable	38%	38%	38%
Unfavorable	51%	46%	57%
Not sure	11%	15%	6%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Obama/Cain			
Barack Obama	46%	49%	42%
Herman Cain	42%	38%	46%
Undecided	12%	13%	12%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Obama/Gingrich			
Barack Obama	45%	49%	40%
Newt Gingrich	45%	41%	50%
Undecided	10%	10%	10%

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		Woman	Man
Obama/Paul			
Barack Obama	43%	47%	39%
Ron Paul	44%	40%	48%
Undecided	13%	13%	13%





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	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Obama/Perry			
Barack Obama	47%	50%	43%
Rick Perry	40%	37%	43%
Undecided	13%	13%	14%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Obama/Romney			
Barack Obama	42%	47%	36%
Mitt Romney	49%	44%	54%
Undecided	9%	8%	9%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Obama Approval				
Approve	41%	74%	13%	35%
Disapprove	54%	22%	83%	57%
Not sure	5%	5%	4%	8%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Cain Favorability				
Favorable	35%	19%	50%	35%
Unfavorable	52%	73%	38%	42%
Not sure	13%	9%	12%	23%





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	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Gingrich Favorability				
Favorable	40%	14%	66%	35%
Unfavorable	50%	79%	27%	45%
Not sure	10%	7%	7%	20%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Paul Favorability				
Favorable	35%	24%	39%	50%
Unfavorable	52%	65%	48%	35%
Not sure	13%	12%	13%	15%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Perry Favorability				
Favorable	17%	8%	23%	22%
Unfavorable	67%	81%	58%	56%
Not sure	17%	11%	19%	22%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Romney Favorability				
Favorable	38%	25%	53%	32%
Unfavorable	51%	66%	35%	56%
Not sure	11%	10%	11%	12%





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		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Obama/Cain				
Barack Obama	46%	81%	17%	41%
Herman Cain	42%	10%	70%	43%
Undecided	12%	9%	13%	17%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Obama/Gingrich				
Barack Obama	45%	81%	13%	41%
Newt Gingrich	45%	12%	79%	42%
Undecided	10%	7%	8%	17%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Obama/Paul				
Barack Obama	43%	80%	15%	28%
Ron Paul	44%	11%	69%	55%
Undecided	13%	9%	15%	17%

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Obama/Romney				
Barack Obama	42%	79%	11%	36%
Mitt Romney	49%	16%	80%	47%
Undecided	9%	5%	9%	17%

	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
Obama Approval				
Approve	41%	61%	35%	50%
Disapprove	54%	36%	59%	45%
Not sure	5%	3%	5%	6%

	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
Cain Favorability				
Favorable	35%	36%	35%	31%
Unfavorable	52%	50%	52%	57%
Not sure	13%	14%	12%	12%

	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
Gingrich Favorability				
Favorable	40%	25%	44%	26%
Unfavorable	50%	64%	46%	62%
Not sure	10%	11%	9%	12%





Crosstabs

	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
Paul Favorability				
Favorable	35%	29%	38%	23%
Unfavorable	52%	56%	49%	64%
Not sure	13%	15%	13%	13%

	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
Perry Favorability				
Favorable	17%	15%	18%	8%
Unfavorable	67%	70%	65%	73%
Not sure	17%	15%	17%	19%

	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
Romney Favorability				
Favorable	38%	25%	41%	33%
Unfavorable	51%	67%	48%	53%
Not sure	11%	8%	11%	14%

	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
Obama/Cain				
Barack Obama	46%	66%	42%	48%
Herman Cain	42%	23%	46%	39%
Undecided	12%	11%	12%	14%





Crosstabs

	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
Obama/Gingrich				
Barack Obama	45%	67%	39%	58%
Newt Gingrich	45%	27%	51%	28%
Undecided	10%	6%	10%	14%

	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
Obama/Paul				
Barack Obama	43%	65%	37%	53%
Ron Paul	44%	28%	49%	31%
Undecided	13%	7%	14%	16%

	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
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	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
Obama/Romney				
Barack Obama	42%	64%	36%	58%
Mitt Romney	49%	31%	54%	36%
Undecided	9%	5%	10%	6%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 45	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Obama Approval					
Approve	41%	46%	30%	45%	42%
Disapprove	54%	46%	62%	52%	55%
Not sure	5%	7%	8%	3%	4%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 45	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Cain Favorability					
Favorable	35%	29%	35%	37%	36%
Unfavorable	52%	57%	53%	50%	53%
Not sure	13%	14%	12%	14%	11%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 45	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Gingrich Favorability					
Favorable	40%	32%	36%	43%	41%
Unfavorable	50%	57%	50%	49%	50%
Not sure	10%	11%	14%	8%	9%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 45	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Paul Favorability					
Favorable	35%	39%	45%	33%	24%
Unfavorable	52%	54%	39%	53%	63%
Not sure	13%	7%	15%	14%	13%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 45	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Perry Favorability					
Favorable	17%	14%	14%	17%	23%
Unfavorable	67%	71%	69%	64%	65%
Not sure	17%	14%	17%	19%	13%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 45	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Romney Favorability					
Favorable	38%	25%	36%	39%	46%
Unfavorable	51%	64%	53%	50%	44%
Not sure	11%	11%	11%	12%	10%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 45	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Obama/Cain					
Barack Obama	46%	50%	42%	47%	47%
Herman Cain	42%	25%	46%	42%	45%
Undecided	12%	25%	12%	11%	9%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 45	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Obama/Gingrich					
Barack Obama	45%	46%	38%	48%	48%
Newt Gingrich	45%	36%	48%	46%	47%
Undecided	10%	18%	14%	7%	5%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 45	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Obama/Paul					
Barack Obama	43%	50%	32%	46%	46%
Ron Paul	44%	39%	50%	42%	43%
Undecided	13%	11%	18%	12%	11%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 45	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Obama/Perry					
Barack Obama	47%	50%	39%	50%	47%
Rick Perry	40%	32%	39%	40%	45%
Undecided	13%	18%	21%	10%	8%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 45	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Obama/Romney					
Barack Obama	42%	43%	35%	46%	43%
Mitt Romney	49%	39%	58%	46%	50%
Undecided	9%	18%	8%	8%	8%

