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Feinstein leading all Republicans by at least 15 points

Raleigh, N.C. – Contrary to other recent polls, PPP’s latest look at senior Sen. Dianne Feinstein’s standing in California does not suggest she is at all weakened. Her approval rating is 51%, with 38% disapproving, actually a slight uptick from when PPP last polled the state in January. Then, her approval spread was 50-39. More Republicans (19%) approve than Democrats (11%) disapprove. That level of intraparty disfavor is down from 19% in January, though independents have flipped from 46-35 to 37-46.

That net approval mark puts Feinstein just outside the upper third of the 87 senators on which PPP has polled. That, combined with the state’s Democratic leanings and a relatively weak Republican bench, means that none of Feinstein’s potential challengers next year, even those with the biggest statewide name identification, can cut into her eleven-point net approval margin. Tom Campbell trails by 15 points (53-38); Steve Poizner by 19 (54-35); Carly Fiorina by 20 (56-36), twice her loss to Barbara Boxer last fall; Rep. Devin Nunes by 24 (55-31); and birther Orly Taitz by 27 (56-29).

Democrats are the plurality of voters in California, so Feinstein has a built-in advantage, but she adds to it by taking 12-15% of the GOP vote while losing only 5-8% of her party. On top of that, her deficit with independents is only three points to Fiorina and two to Campbell, and she actually beats Poizner (by two), Nunes (eight), and Taitz (12) with these voters.

Of the five Republicans, Campbell is the only one with a net positive favorability rating, and barely (+2). That far outclasses Nunes’ -11, Poizner’s -12, Taitz’s -15, and Fiorina’s -16.

“Dianne Feinstein isn’t going to be on anyone’s target list next year,” said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling. “She’s popular and the Republicans don’t really have anyone to run against her even if she wasn’t.”

PPP surveyed 500 California voters from November 10th to 13th. 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.



California Survey Results

Q1 Do you approve or disapprove of Senator Dianne Feinstein's job performance?

Approve51% *Not sure*11%
Disapprove.....38%

Q2 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Tom Campbell?

Favorable.....20%
Unfavorable18%
Not sure62%

Q3 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Carly Fiorina?

Favorable.....25%
Unfavorable41%
Not sure34%

Q4 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Devin Nunes?

Favorable.....11%
Unfavorable22%
Not sure66%

Q5 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Steve Poizner?

Favorable.....15%
Unfavorable27%
Not sure59%

Q6 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Orly Taitz?

Favorable.....4%
Unfavorable19%
Not sure77%

Q7 If the candidates for Senate next year were Democrat Dianne Feinstein and Republican Tom Campbell, who would you vote for?

Dianne Feinstein.....53%
Tom Campbell.....38%
Undecided.....9%

Q8 If the candidates for Senate next year were Democrat Dianne Feinstein and Republican Carly Fiorina, who would you vote for?

Dianne Feinstein.....56%
Carly Fiorina36%
Undecided.....8%

Q9 If the candidates for Senate next year were Democrat Dianne Feinstein and Republican Devin Nunes, who would you vote for?

Dianne Feinstein.....55%
Devin Nunes31%
Undecided.....14%

Q10 If the candidates for Senate next year were Democrat Dianne Feinstein and Republican Steve Poizner, who would you vote for?

Dianne Feinstein.....54%
Steve Poizner35%
Undecided.....11%

Q11 If the candidates for Senate next year were Democrat Dianne Feinstein and Republican Orly Taitz, who would you vote for?

Dianne Feinstein.....56%
Orly Taitz.....29%
Undecided.....15%





Q12 Who did you vote for President in 2008?

<i>John McCain</i>	34%
<i>Barack Obama</i>	58%
<i>Someone else/Don't remember</i>	8%

Q13 Would you describe yourself as very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?

<i>Very liberal</i>	12%
<i>Somewhat liberal</i>	25%
<i>Moderate</i>	27%
<i>Somewhat conservative</i>	21%
<i>Very conservative</i>	15%

Q14 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

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

Q15 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>	50%
<i>Republican</i>	30%
<i>Independent/Other</i>	20%

Q16 If you are Hispanic, press 1. If white, press 2. If African-American, press 3. If Asian, press 4. If other, press 5.

<i>Hispanic</i>	22%
<i>White</i>	58%
<i>African-American</i>	5%
<i>Asian</i>	8%
<i>Other</i>	8%

Q17 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 29</i>	14%
<i>30 to 45</i>	28%
<i>46 to 65</i>	38%
<i>Older than 65</i>	20%





Crosstabs

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Feinstein Approval				
Approve	51%	20%	73%	32%
Disapprove	38%	75%	14%	49%
Not sure	11%	5%	14%	19%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Campbell Favorability				
Favorable	20%	33%	13%	14%
Unfavorable	18%	15%	20%	24%
Not sure	62%	51%	67%	63%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Fiorina Favorability				
Favorable	25%	49%	10%	32%
Unfavorable	41%	22%	54%	25%
Not sure	34%	29%	36%	43%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Nunes Favorability				
Favorable	11%	13%	10%	12%
Unfavorable	22%	29%	19%	16%
Not sure	66%	58%	71%	72%





Crosstabs

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Poizner Favorability				
Favorable	15%	22%	11%	8%
Unfavorable	27%	24%	28%	30%
Not sure	59%	54%	61%	63%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Taitz Favorability				
Favorable	4%	6%	3%	4%
Unfavorable	19%	17%	21%	13%
Not sure	77%	77%	77%	84%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Feinstein/Campbell				
Dianne Feinstein	53%	14%	79%	39%
Tom Campbell	38%	79%	12%	47%
Undecided	9%	7%	9%	14%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Feinstein/Fiorina				
Dianne Feinstein	56%	13%	84%	41%
Carly Fiorina	36%	78%	9%	49%
Undecided	8%	9%	8%	10%





Crosstabs

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Feinstein/Nunes				
Dianne Feinstein	55%	15%	81%	39%
Devin Nunes	31%	67%	8%	42%
Undecided	14%	18%	11%	19%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Feinstein/Poizner				
Dianne Feinstein	54%	15%	79%	41%
Steve Poizner	35%	73%	11%	48%
Undecided	11%	12%	10%	11%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Feinstein/Taitz				
Dianne Feinstein	56%	16%	82%	38%
Orly Taitz	29%	64%	6%	38%
Undecided	15%	20%	12%	24%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Feinstein Approval						
Approve	51%	84%	81%	54%	26%	8%
Disapprove	38%	3%	10%	28%	65%	89%
Not sure	11%	14%	9%	18%	9%	3%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Campbell Favorability						
Favorable	20%	13%	13%	22%	25%	27%
Unfavorable	18%	35%	19%	15%	11%	21%
Not sure	62%	51%	68%	63%	64%	52%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Fiorina Favorability						
Favorable	25%	16%	8%	16%	38%	57%
Unfavorable	41%	58%	59%	43%	25%	16%
Not sure	34%	26%	33%	41%	37%	27%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Nunes Favorability						
Favorable	11%	16%	12%	11%	9%	9%
Unfavorable	22%	24%	20%	19%	25%	27%
Not sure	66%	60%	68%	70%	66%	63%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Poizner Favorability						
Favorable	15%	12%	13%	13%	21%	15%
Unfavorable	27%	48%	27%	24%	18%	26%
Not sure	59%	40%	60%	63%	61%	59%





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	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Taitz Favorability						
Favorable	4%	11%	4%	5%	1%	1%
Unfavorable	19%	33%	19%	16%	17%	17%
Not sure	77%	56%	77%	80%	82%	82%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Feinstein/Campbell						
Dianne Feinstein	53%	89%	83%	66%	18%	4%
Tom Campbell	38%	6%	11%	25%	64%	91%
Undecided	9%	5%	6%	9%	17%	4%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Feinstein/Fiorina						
Dianne Feinstein	56%	94%	88%	68%	20%	4%
Carly Fiorina	36%	1%	7%	24%	66%	87%
Undecided	8%	5%	5%	8%	14%	10%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Feinstein/Nunes						
Dianne Feinstein	55%	93%	85%	67%	20%	4%
Devin Nunes	31%	1%	7%	20%	55%	80%
Undecided	14%	6%	8%	13%	25%	16%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Feinstein/Poizner						
Dianne Feinstein	54%	92%	87%	62%	20%	4%
Steve Poizner	35%	6%	7%	24%	61%	87%
Undecided	11%	1%	6%	13%	18%	9%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Feinstein/Taitz						
Dianne Feinstein	56%	91%	88%	67%	21%	5%
Orly Taitz	29%	4%	5%	14%	53%	79%
Undecided	15%	5%	6%	19%	26%	16%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Feinstein Approval			
Approve	51%	53%	49%
Disapprove	38%	35%	41%
Not sure	11%	12%	10%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Campbell Favorability			
Favorable	20%	18%	22%
Unfavorable	18%	13%	25%
Not sure	62%	69%	53%





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	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Fiorina Favorability			
Favorable	25%	23%	27%
Unfavorable	41%	38%	44%
Not sure	34%	39%	29%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Nunes Favorability			
Favorable	11%	14%	8%
Unfavorable	22%	16%	29%
Not sure	66%	69%	63%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Poizner Favorability			
Favorable	15%	15%	14%
Unfavorable	27%	22%	32%
Not sure	59%	63%	54%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Taitz Favorability			
Favorable	4%	5%	3%
Unfavorable	19%	15%	24%
Not sure	77%	81%	73%





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	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Feinstein/Campbell			
Dianne Feinstein	53%	59%	47%
Tom Campbell	38%	30%	46%
Undecided	9%	11%	7%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Feinstein/Fiorina			
Dianne Feinstein	56%	61%	50%
Carly Fiorina	36%	29%	43%
Undecided	8%	9%	7%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Feinstein/Nunes			
Dianne Feinstein	55%	61%	48%
Devin Nunes	31%	26%	37%
Undecided	14%	13%	15%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Feinstein/Poizner			
Dianne Feinstein	54%	58%	50%
Steve Poizner	35%	30%	41%
Undecided	11%	12%	9%





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	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Feinstein/Taitz			
Dianne Feinstein	56%	61%	50%
Orly Taitz	29%	25%	33%
Undecided	15%	14%	17%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Feinstein Approval				
Approve	51%	76%	19%	37%
Disapprove	38%	11%	77%	46%
Not sure	11%	13%	4%	17%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Campbell Favorability				
Favorable	20%	14%	29%	23%
Unfavorable	18%	18%	20%	17%
Not sure	62%	68%	50%	61%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Fiorina Favorability				
Favorable	25%	12%	44%	28%
Unfavorable	41%	49%	28%	39%
Not sure	34%	39%	28%	33%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Nunes Favorability				
Favorable	11%	13%	9%	11%
Unfavorable	22%	19%	30%	19%
Not sure	66%	68%	61%	70%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Poizner Favorability				
Favorable	15%	12%	20%	13%
Unfavorable	27%	23%	27%	34%
Not sure	59%	64%	52%	53%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Taitz Favorability				
Favorable	4%	4%	4%	4%
Unfavorable	19%	18%	22%	17%
Not sure	77%	78%	75%	79%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Feinstein/Campbell				
Dianne Feinstein	53%	84%	12%	39%
Tom Campbell	38%	8%	85%	41%
Undecided	9%	8%	3%	20%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Feinstein/Fiorina				
Dianne Feinstein	56%	88%	12%	41%
Carly Fiorina	36%	5%	81%	44%
Undecided	8%	7%	7%	14%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Feinstein/Nunes				
Dianne Feinstein	55%	85%	13%	42%
Devin Nunes	31%	5%	73%	34%
Undecided	14%	10%	14%	24%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Feinstein/Poizner				
Dianne Feinstein	54%	84%	12%	40%
Steve Poizner	35%	7%	82%	38%
Undecided	11%	9%	7%	21%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Feinstein/Taitz				
Dianne Feinstein	56%	86%	15%	41%
Orly Taitz	29%	5%	68%	29%
Undecided	15%	9%	16%	30%





Crosstabs

	Base	Race				
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Asian	Other
Feinstein Approval						
Approve	51%	52%	48%	66%	65%	53%
Disapprove	38%	31%	45%	9%	19%	37%
Not sure	11%	17%	7%	24%	16%	11%

	Base	Race				
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Asian	Other
Campbell Favorability						
Favorable	20%	23%	23%	12%	8%	9%
Unfavorable	18%	22%	17%	12%	26%	13%
Not sure	62%	55%	60%	76%	67%	78%

	Base	Race				
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Asian	Other
Fiorina Favorability						
Favorable	25%	28%	28%	18%	15%	12%
Unfavorable	41%	38%	40%	30%	56%	48%
Not sure	34%	35%	32%	53%	29%	40%

	Base	Race				
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Asian	Other
Nunes Favorability						
Favorable	11%	19%	9%	18%	11%	4%
Unfavorable	22%	25%	23%	14%	14%	25%
Not sure	66%	56%	68%	68%	75%	71%





Crosstabs

	Base	Race				
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Asian	Other
Poizner Favorability						
Favorable	15%	13%	17%	20%	6%	7%
Unfavorable	27%	35%	24%	22%	24%	27%
Not sure	59%	53%	58%	58%	70%	66%

	Base	Race				
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Asian	Other
Taitz Favorability						
Favorable	4%	6%	4%	3%	2%	-
Unfavorable	19%	18%	18%	14%	13%	37%
Not sure	77%	75%	78%	82%	85%	63%

	Base	Race				
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Asian	Other
Feinstein/Campbell						
Dianne Feinstein	53%	59%	47%	82%	64%	59%
Tom Campbell	38%	29%	48%	6%	17%	26%
Undecided	9%	11%	5%	12%	19%	15%

	Base	Race				
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Asian	Other
Feinstein/Fiorina						
Dianne Feinstein	56%	64%	47%	84%	75%	63%
Carly Fiorina	36%	27%	46%	6%	15%	23%
Undecided	8%	9%	7%	10%	10%	14%





Crosstabs

	Base	Race				
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Asian	Other
Feinstein/Nunes						
Dianne Feinstein	55%	59%	49%	80%	69%	59%
Devin Nunes	31%	27%	39%	2%	15%	21%
Undecided	14%	14%	13%	17%	16%	20%

	Base	Race				
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Asian	Other
Feinstein/Poizner						
Dianne Feinstein	54%	62%	47%	75%	66%	57%
Steve Poizner	35%	28%	45%	6%	17%	21%
Undecided	11%	10%	8%	19%	17%	22%

	Base	Race				
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Asian	Other
Feinstein/Taitz						
Dianne Feinstein	56%	62%	49%	87%	69%	54%
Orly Taitz	29%	19%	37%	6%	15%	24%
Undecided	15%	19%	14%	7%	16%	22%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Feinstein Approval					
Approve	51%	56%	43%	51%	58%
Disapprove	38%	24%	43%	41%	34%
Not sure	11%	21%	13%	8%	8%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Campbell Favorability					
Favorable	20%	15%	12%	24%	27%
Unfavorable	18%	24%	20%	17%	14%
Not sure	62%	62%	67%	58%	59%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Fiorina Favorability					
Favorable	25%	21%	23%	25%	30%
Unfavorable	41%	41%	39%	43%	40%
Not sure	34%	38%	39%	32%	29%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Nunes Favorability					
Favorable	11%	24%	4%	12%	11%
Unfavorable	22%	15%	22%	25%	24%
Not sure	66%	62%	75%	63%	65%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Poizner Favorability					
Favorable	15%	9%	10%	20%	16%
Unfavorable	27%	38%	25%	28%	19%
Not sure	59%	53%	65%	52%	65%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Taitz Favorability					
Favorable	4%	9%	-	5%	4%
Unfavorable	19%	24%	18%	18%	18%
Not sure	77%	68%	82%	77%	79%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Feinstein/Campbell					
Dianne Feinstein	53%	65%	53%	51%	50%
Tom Campbell	38%	26%	35%	41%	43%
Undecided	9%	9%	12%	8%	7%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Feinstein/Fiorina					
Dianne Feinstein	56%	71%	57%	53%	52%
Carly Fiorina	36%	24%	30%	41%	41%
Undecided	8%	6%	13%	6%	7%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Feinstein/Nunes					
Dianne Feinstein	55%	65%	53%	54%	53%
Devin Nunes	31%	24%	30%	35%	30%
Undecided	14%	12%	17%	11%	17%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Feinstein/Poizner					
Dianne Feinstein	54%	74%	49%	51%	52%
Steve Poizner	35%	21%	35%	40%	37%
Undecided	11%	6%	16%	9%	11%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Feinstein/Taitz					
Dianne Feinstein	56%	68%	53%	55%	54%
Orly Taitz	29%	21%	29%	32%	29%
Undecided	15%	12%	18%	14%	17%

