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Schauer leads Snyder by 4 points

Raleigh, N.C.- PPP's first poll of the Michigan Gubernatorial race since Mark Schauer's official entry finds the Democrat leading incumbent Rick Snyder 42/38. PPP's polling of this match up over the last six months has been very consistent- in March Schauer also led Snyder by 4 points and in December he had a 5 point advantage.

Schauer's initial lead has a lot more to do with Snyder than it does with himself. Even after his official candidacy announcement, he has just 38% statewide name recognition. But Snyder continues to be one of the most unpopular Governors in the country with only 40% of voters approving of him to 52% who disapprove. He's at 40/51 with independents and Democrats (78% disapproval) dislike him a good deal more than Republicans (68% approval) like him.

Snyder's role in the passage of right to work legislation continues to be a big problem for him. Just 40% of voters support that law to 50% who oppose it, numbers that have not seen any improvement since the initial furor after it passed in December. Snyder continues to have issues with his brand, as only 34% of voters now consider him to be 'one tough nerd' to 45% who don't.

"Rick Snyder's numbers have been in a holding pattern since December," said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling. "His approval numbers continue to be poor and he continues to lag behind his potential opposition for next year."

Republicans in the legislature continue to face backlash from the voters as well. Just 27% have a favorable opinion of them to 59% with a negative one, and their 25/61 spread with independents is even worse than their overall numbers. The Democrats in the legislature aren't popular either- a 38/43 favorability rating- but they look good enough in comparison to the Republicans to hold a 48/38 lead on the generic legislative ballot.

PPP surveyed 697 Michigan voters from May 30th to June 2nd. The margin of error was +/- 3.7%. This poll was not authorized or paid for by any campaign or political organization. PPP's surveys are conducted through automated telephone interviews.





Michigan Survey Results

Q1	Do you approve or disapprove of Governor Rick Snyder's job performance?	Q7	Generally speaking, if there was an election the state legislature today, would you vo	ote for
	Approve40%		the Democratic or Republican candidate your district?	trom :
	Disapprove52%		Democrat	48%
	Not sure		Republican	
Q2	Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Mark Schauer?		Not sure	14%
	Favorable15%	Q8	Would you support or oppose raising the minimum wage in Michigan to \$10 an ho	
	Unfavorable23%		Support	
	Not sure		Oppose	
Q3	If the candidates for Governor in 2014 were Republican Rick Snyder and Democrat Mark Schauer, who would you vote for?	Q9	Not sure Do you consider Rick Snyder to be 'one	8%
	Rick Snyder38%		nerd,' or not?	J
	Mark Schauer		Consider him 'one tough nerd'	
	Not sure20%		Do not	45%
Q4	Do you support or oppose the right-to-work		Not sure	21%
	legislation passed in Michigan late last year?	Q10	In the last presidential election, did you	vote for
	Support40%		Barack Obama or Mitt Romney?	500
	Oppose 50%		Barack Obama	
	Not sure		Mitt Romney	
Q5	Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion		Someone else/Don't remember	
	of the Democrats in the Michigan legislature? Favorable	Q11	Would you describe yourself as very libe somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?	
	Unfavorable43%		•	11%
	Not sure		Very liberal	
Q6	Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the Republicans in the Michigan legislature?		Somewhat liberal	
	Favorable27%		Somewhat conservative	
	Unfavorable59%		Very conservative	
	Not sure	Q12	If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, p	
	100 0070		Woman	53%
			Mon	47%





Q13 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	36%
	Republican	29%
	Independent/Other	
Q14	If you are white, press 1. If African-Americ press 2. If other, press 3.	
	White	81%
	African-American	11%
		70/

Q15 If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1. If 30 to 45 years old, press 2. If 46 to 65, press 3. If you are older than 65, press 4.

18 to	29	.14%
30 to	45	.18%
46 to	0 65	.39%
Olde	r than 65	.29%



		2012 Vote			
	Base	Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Someone else/Don't remember	
Snyder Approval					
Approve	40%	22%	64%	22%	
Disapprove	52%	72%	26%	69%	
Not sure	8%	6%	10%	9%	

		2012 Vo	2012 Vote		
	Base	Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Someone else/Don't remember	
Schauer Favorability					
Favorable	15%	20%	11%	8%	
Unfavorable	23%	22%	23%	25%	
Not sure	62%	58%	66%	67%	

		2012 Vo	2012 Vote		
	Base	Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Someone else/Don't remember	
Snyder/Schauer			•		
Rick Snyder	38%	13%	69%	23%	
Mark Schauer	42%	67%	15%	25%	
Not sure	20%	20%	15%	52%	

		2012 Vo	2012 Vote			
	Base	Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Someone else/Don't remember		
Support/Oppose Right to Work Law		•				
Support	40%	19%	65%	38%		
Oppose	50%	72%	24%	43%		
Not sure	10%	8%	11%	19%		





		2012 Vo	2012 Vote		
	Base	Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Someone else/Don't remember	
Leg Dems Favorability		•			
Favorable	38%	67%	4%	21%	
Unfavorable	43%	17%	73%	62%	
Not sure	19%	17%	22%	17%	

		2012 Vote			
	Base	Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Someone else/Don't remember	
Leg GOP Favorability					
Favorable	27%	11%	49%	15%	
Unfavorable	59%	79%	32%	64%	
Not sure	14%	9%	20%	20%	

		2012 Vo	2012 Vote			
	Base	Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Someone else/Don't remember		
Generic Leg. Ballot			•			
Democrat	48%	81%	11%	22%		
Republican	38%	7%	76%	38%		
Not sure	14%	12%	13%	40%		

		2012 Vo	2012 Vote		
	Base	Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Someone else/Don't remember	
Support/Oppose \$10/hr. Min. Wage		•			
Support	49%	69%	26%	44%	
Oppose	43%	24%	67%	40%	
Not sure	8%	7%	7%	16%	





		2012 Vote			
	Base	Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Someone else/Don't remember	
Is Snyder 'One Tough Nerd'?					
Consider him 'one tough nerd'	34%	26%	48%	13%	
Do not	45%	56%	30%	41%	
Not sure	21%	18%	22%	45%	

		Ideolog	leology						
	Base	Very liberal	Very beral Somewhat liberal Moderate Somewhat conservative Very conservative						
Snyder Approval									
Approve	40%	21%	28%	30%	60%	56%			
Disapprove	52%	71%	69%	63%	29%	31%			
Not sure	8%	8%	4%	7%	11%	13%			

		Ideolo	deology						
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Somew hat conservative				
Schauer Favorability		_	<u>-</u>	_	-	='			
Favorable	15%	19%	20%	17%	11%	8%			
Unfavorable	23%	24%	23%	22%	19%	31%			
Not sure	62%	57%	57%	61%	69%	61%			

		Ideolog	deology					
	Base	Very liberal	Very iberal Somewhat liberal Somewhat conservative Very conservative					
Snyder/Schauer			-	-	-			
Rick Snyder	38%	13%	16%	30%	59%	71%		
Mark Schauer	42%	70%	63%	44%	25%	15%		
Not sure	20%	17%	21%	27%	16%	14%		





		Ideolog	ду			
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Som ew hat conservative	
Support/Oppose Right to Work Law						
Support	40%	25%	21%	28%	60%	73%
Oppose	50%	63%	74%	60%	29%	18%
Not sure	10%	12%	5%	12%	11%	9%

		Ideolog	ду			
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Som ew hat conservative	Very conservative
Leg Dems Favorability				-	•	
Favorable	38%	64%	59%	44%	18%	8%
Unfavorable	43%	11%	21%	35%	63%	85%
Not sure	19%	25%	20%	21%	20%	7%

		ldeolog	deology						
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Somew hat conservative	. ,			
Leg GOP Favorability		_	<u>-</u>	_	-				
Favorable	27%	12%	18%	17%	38%	57%			
Unfavorable	59%	70%	73%	63%	48%	36%			
Not sure	14%	18%	8%	19%	14%	7%			

		Ideolog	deology					
	Base	Very liberal	Very iberal Somewhat liberal Somewhat conservative Very conservative					
Generic Leg. Ballot		-	-		-	-		
Democrat	48%	76%	79%	57%	22%	8%		
Republican	38%	10%	15%	24%	61%	85%		
Not sure	14%	14%	6%	19%	17%	7%		





		Ideolog	ду			
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Som ew hat conservative	Very conservative
Support/Oppose \$10/hr. Min. Wage		•	•			
Support	49%	74%	72%	57%	23%	29%
Oppose	43%	24%	24%	33%	66%	66%
Not sure	8%	2%	3%	10%	11%	5%

		Ideolog	ЭУ			
	Base	Very liberal			Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Is Snyder 'One Tough Nerd'?						
Consider him 'one tough nerd'	34%	29%	28%	28%	49%	40%
Do not	45%	55%	51%	50%	30%	38%
Not sure	21%	16%	21%	22%	21%	22%

		Gender		
	Base	Woman	Man	
Snyder Approval		-		
Approve	40%	37%	43%	
Disapprove	52%	55%	48%	
Notsure	8%	8%	8%	

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Schauer Favorability		-	
Favorable	15%	13%	18%
Unfavorable	23%	20%	26%
Not sure	62%	67%	56%





		Gender		
	Base	Woman	Man	
Snyder/Schauer		-		
Rick Snyder	38%	35%	42%	
Mark Schauer	42%	43%	41%	
Not sure	20%	23%	18%	

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Support/Oppose Right to Work Law			
Support	40%	37%	44%
Oppose	50%	50%	50%
Not sure	10%	13%	7%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Leg Dems Favorability			
Favorable	38%	38%	37%
Unfavorable	43%	38%	48%
Not sure	19%	24%	14%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Leg GOP Favorability		-	
Favorable	27%	25%	30%
Unfavorable	59%	54%	63%
Not sure	14%	21%	7%





		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Generic Leg. Ballot			
Democrat	48%	51%	46%
Republican	38%	33%	42%
Not sure	14%	17%	12%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Support/Oppose \$10/hr. Min. Wage			
Support	49%	52%	47%
Oppose	43%	39%	47%
Not sure	8%	9%	6%

		Gender		
	Base	Woman	Man	
Is Snyder 'One Tough Nerd'?				
Consider him 'one tough nerd'	34%	36%	33%	
Do not	45%	40%	49%	
Not sure	21%	24%	18%	

		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other		
Snyder Approval		='				
Approve	40%	18%	68%	40%		
Disapprove	52%	78%	20%	51%		
Not sure	8%	4%	12%	9%		





		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other		
Schauer Favorability		='	•	-		
Favorable	15%	17%	11%	16%		
Unfavorable	23%	22%	24%	22%		
Not sure	62%	60%	65%	62%		

		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other		
Snyder/Schauer						
Rick Snyder	38%	10%	75%	37%		
Mark Schauer	42%	68%	11%	39%		
Not sure	20%	21%	14%	24%		

		Party			
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other	
Support/Oppose Right to Work Law					
Support	40%	16%	70%	41%	
Oppose	50%	74%	21%	48%	
Not sure	10%	10%	9%	11%	

		Party			
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other	
Leg Dems Favorability					
Favorable	38%	72%	3%	27%	
Unfavorable	43%	11%	82%	48%	
Not sure	19%	16%	15%	24%	





		Party			
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other	
Leg GOP Favorability		='		•	
Favorable	27%	8%	58%	25%	
Unfavorable	59%	77%	27%	61%	
Not sure	14%	14%	15%	14%	

		Party	Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other			
Generic Leg. Ballot		='					
Democrat	48%	89%	4%	37%			
Republican	38%	4%	89%	37%			
Not sure	14%	7%	7%	26%			

		Party		
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Support/Oppose \$10/hr. Min. Wage				
Support	49%	77%	23%	39%
Oppose	43%	17%	72%	49%
Not sure	8%	6%	4%	12%

		Party			
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other	
Is Snyder 'One Tough Nerd'?					
Consider him 'one tough nerd'	34%	24%	59%	30%	
Do not	45%	57%	26%	45%	
Not sure	21%	20%	15%	26%	





		Race		
	Base	White	African- American	Other
Snyder Approval				
Approve	40%	43%	25%	26%
Disapprove	52%	48%	68%	69%
Not sure	8%	9%	7%	6%

		Race		
	Base	White	African- American	Other
Schauer Favorability				
Favorable	15%	15%	18%	10%
Unfavorable	23%	19%	39%	44%
Not sure	62%	66%	43%	47%

		Race		
	Base	White	African- American	Other
Snyder/Schauer				
Rick Snyder	38%	42%	19%	25%
Mark Schauer	42%	39%	58%	48%
Not sure	20%	19%	23%	26%

		Race		
	Base	White	African- American	Other
Support/Oppose Right to Work Law				
Support	40%	42%	36%	28%
Oppose	50%	48%	56%	60%
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		Race		
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Leg Dems Favorability		•		
Favorable	38%	37%	38%	53%
Unfavorable	43%	45%	39%	22%
Not sure	19%	18%	23%	24%

		Race		
	Base	White	African- American	Other
Leg GOP Favorability				
Favorable	27%	30%	20%	10%
Unfavorable	59%	57%	66%	62%
Not sure	14%	13%	14%	29%

		Race		
	Base	White	African- American	Other
Generic Leg. Ballot				
Democrat	48%	46%	60%	54%
Republican	38%	40%	32%	20%
Not sure	14%	14%	8%	26%

		Race		
	Base	White	African- American	Other
Support/Oppose \$10/hr. Min. Wage				
Support	49%	49%	50%	57%
Oppose	43%	43%	45%	34%
Not sure	8%	8%	5%	9%





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	Base	White	African- American	Other
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		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45		Older than 65
Snyder Approval					
Approve	40%	41%	43%	37%	41%
Disapprove	52%	56%	46%	53%	52%
Not sure	8%	3%	11%	10%	7%

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Schauer Favorability					
Favorable	15%	18%	12%	15%	16%
Unfavorable	23%	24%	22%	24%	21%
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Not sure					22%	





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Not sure	10%	6%	14%	10%	11%	

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	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65		
Leg Dems Favorability							
Favorable	38%	48%	30%	36%	39%		
Unfavorable	43%	35%	51%	46%	38%		
Not sure	19%	17%	19%	18%	22%		

		Age			
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Leg GOP Favorability					
Favorable	27%	30%	19%	28%	29%
Unfavorable	59%	48%	71%	58%	57%
Not sure	14%	22%	10%	14%	14%

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Generic Leg. Ballot						
Democrat	48%	58%	43%	45%	50%	
Republican	38%	29%	45%	40%	35%	
Not sure	14%	13%	12%	15%	15%	





		Age				
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65	
Support/Oppose \$10/hr. Min. Wage						
Support	49%	50%	38%	50%	55%	
Oppose	43%	50%	60%	40%	32%	
Not sure	8%	-	2%	10%	12%	

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	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45		Older than 65		
Is Snyder 'One Tough Nerd'?							
Consider him 'one tough nerd'	34%	27%	38%	31%	40%		
Do not	45%	55%	49%	44%	37%		
Not sure	21%	18%	13%	24%	23%		

