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Steelman, Perry lead MO GOP races, Kinder vulnerable

Raleigh, N.C. – Missouri Republicans want someone other than Peter Kinder to be their nominee against popular Gov. Jay Nixon next year, but so far, no one has stepped up who has the name recognition to challenge him. The only other announced candidate, Bill Randles, is a known quantity to 18% of primary voters, at most. So Kinder leads him, 34-14, with 53% undecided. But when voters are asked if they would generally prefer Kinder or someone else, only 22% choose Kinder, with 35% preferring someone else, and 43% undecided. In the wake of his personal scandals, Kinder's numbers have dropped significantly since PPP last polled the state in May. Then, 37% had a favorable opinion of him, and only 12% unfavorable. Now that is 31-25.

In the same time frame, Sarah Steelman has jumped into a lead over Todd Akin for the right to face vulnerable Sen. Claire McCaskill. She leads him 40-29, with John Brunner at 6%, and 26% undecided. Akin has not picked up any supporters in the interim; he led Steelman 29-28 four months ago, with Brunner also still at 6% and Ed Martin, who has since dropped out, at 9%. The difference is that Steelman has reversed Akin's leads with those who say they are somewhat conservative (36% of the electorate) and moderate (15%). Akin led with those groups by respective eight- and three-point margins in the previous poll, but Steelman now leads by whopping 21- and 33-point spreads, while also leading by one with the 46% plurality of voters furthest to the right.

Rick Perry has as dominant a lead here as in most states. 31% prefer him over Mitt Romney, who gets 15% of voters' support. Not far behind are Newt Gingrich and Herman Cain, each at 10%, with Michele Bachmann at 9%, Ron Paul at 8%, Jon Huntsman at 2%, and Rick Santorum at 1%. Perry seems to be the proxy for an electable conservative alternative to Romney. In May, Mike Huckabee led Romney, 28-13. Perry tops Romney 42-9 among the very conservative and 26-17 with the center-right, while Romney leads only 28-15 with centrists. If the race were down to these two candidates by the time the Missouri primary rolls around, Perry would demolish Romney, 55-27.

PPP surveyed 400 usual Missouri Republican primary voters from September 9th to 12th. The margin of error for the survey is +/-4.9%. 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.

Missouri Survey Results

<p>Q1 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Michele Bachmann?</p> <p><i>Favorable</i>..... 48%</p> <p><i>Unfavorable</i> 28%</p> <p><i>Not sure</i> 24%</p>	<p>Q7 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Todd Akin?</p> <p><i>Favorable</i>..... 31%</p> <p><i>Unfavorable</i> 12%</p> <p><i>Not sure</i> 57%</p>
<p>Q2 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Newt Gingrich?</p> <p><i>Favorable</i>..... 46%</p> <p><i>Unfavorable</i> 39%</p> <p><i>Not sure</i> 15%</p>	<p>Q8 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of John Brunner?</p> <p><i>Favorable</i>..... 8%</p> <p><i>Unfavorable</i> 10%</p> <p><i>Not sure</i> 82%</p>
<p>Q3 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Rick Perry?</p> <p><i>Favorable</i>..... 59%</p> <p><i>Unfavorable</i> 19%</p> <p><i>Not sure</i> 23%</p>	<p>Q9 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Sarah Steelman?</p> <p><i>Favorable</i>..... 32%</p> <p><i>Unfavorable</i> 14%</p> <p><i>Not sure</i> 54%</p>
<p>Q4 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Mitt Romney?</p> <p><i>Favorable</i>..... 45%</p> <p><i>Unfavorable</i> 36%</p> <p><i>Not sure</i> 19%</p>	<p>Q10 If the Republican candidates for Governor next year were Peter Kinder and Bill Randles, who would you vote for?</p> <p><i>Peter Kinder</i>..... 34%</p> <p><i>Bill Randles</i>..... 14%</p> <p><i>Not sure</i>..... 53%</p>
<p>Q5 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Peter Kinder?</p> <p><i>Favorable</i>..... 31%</p> <p><i>Unfavorable</i> 25%</p> <p><i>Not sure</i> 45%</p>	<p>Q11 Generally speaking, would you like the Republican nominee for Governor next year to be Peter Kinder, or would you prefer it was someone else?</p> <p><i>Peter Kinder</i>..... 22%</p> <p><i>Someone else</i>..... 35%</p> <p><i>Not sure</i> 43%</p>
<p>Q6 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Bill Randles?</p> <p><i>Favorable</i>..... 6%</p> <p><i>Unfavorable</i> 12%</p> <p><i>Not sure</i> 82%</p>	



Q12 If the Republican candidates for Senate were Todd Akin, John Brunner, and Sarah Steelman, who would you vote for?

<i>Todd Akin</i>	29%
<i>John Brunner</i>	6%
<i>Sarah Steelman</i>	40%
<i>Not sure</i>	26%

Q13 If the Republican candidates for President were Michele Bachmann, Herman Cain, Newt Gingrich, Jon Huntsman, Ron Paul, Rick Perry, Mitt Romney, and Rick Santorum, who would you vote for?

<i>Michele Bachmann</i>	9%
<i>Herman Cain</i>	10%
<i>Newt Gingrich</i>	10%
<i>Jon Huntsman</i>	2%
<i>Ron Paul</i>	8%
<i>Rick Perry</i>	31%
<i>Mitt Romney</i>	15%
<i>Rick Santorum</i>	1%
<i>Someone else/Not sure</i>	14%

Q14 If the Republican Presidential race came down to just Rick Perry and Mitt Romney, who would you vote for?

<i>Rick Perry</i>	55%
<i>Mitt Romney</i>	27%
<i>Not sure</i>	19%

Q15 Would you describe yourself as very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?

<i>Very liberal</i>	1%
<i>Somewhat liberal</i>	2%
<i>Moderate</i>	15%
<i>Somewhat conservative</i>	36%
<i>Very conservative</i>	46%

Q16 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

<i>Woman</i>	48%
<i>Man</i>	52%

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>	6%
<i>30 to 45</i>	28%
<i>46 to 65</i>	42%
<i>Older than 65</i>	24%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Bachmann Favorability						
Favorable	48%	67%	34%	18%	39%	65%
Unfavorable	28%	33%	54%	51%	30%	18%
Not sure	24%	-	12%	31%	31%	17%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Gingrich Favorability						
Favorable	46%	46%	8%	27%	42%	56%
Unfavorable	39%	54%	72%	61%	38%	32%
Not sure	15%	-	20%	12%	20%	12%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Perry Favorability						
Favorable	59%	33%	42%	30%	50%	76%
Unfavorable	19%	67%	26%	38%	18%	12%
Not sure	23%	-	32%	31%	33%	12%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Romney Favorability						
Favorable	45%	33%	8%	44%	52%	42%
Unfavorable	36%	54%	60%	38%	25%	42%
Not sure	19%	13%	32%	18%	23%	15%





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Kinder Favorability						
Favorable	31%	33%	34%	13%	26%	40%
Unfavorable	25%	47%	33%	40%	19%	23%
Not sure	45%	20%	33%	47%	55%	37%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Randles Favorability						
Favorable	6%	20%	34%	4%	4%	7%
Unfavorable	12%	47%	13%	13%	10%	12%
Not sure	82%	33%	53%	84%	86%	81%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Akin Favorability						
Favorable	31%	40%	34%	16%	26%	41%
Unfavorable	12%	47%	26%	15%	10%	11%
Not sure	57%	13%	40%	69%	65%	49%

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		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Brunner Favorability						
Favorable	8%	20%	34%	5%	6%	9%
Unfavorable	10%	47%	13%	11%	6%	12%
Not sure	82%	33%	53%	84%	88%	79%





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Steelman Favorability						
Favorable	32%	66%	34%	25%	31%	34%
Unfavorable	14%	34%	21%	20%	12%	14%
Not sure	54%	-	45%	56%	58%	52%

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		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
2012 GOP Gov Primary						
Peter Kinder	34%	39%	39%	20%	32%	39%
Bill Randles	14%	41%	29%	19%	8%	15%
Not sure	53%	20%	32%	61%	60%	46%

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		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Kinder or Someone Else?						
Peter Kinder	22%	33%	47%	7%	19%	28%
Someone else	35%	67%	33%	47%	31%	35%
Not sure	43%	-	20%	46%	50%	38%

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		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
2012 GOP Sen Primary						
Todd Akin	29%	66%	50%	16%	25%	33%
John Brunner	6%	21%	13%	8%	3%	7%
Sarah Steelman	40%	13%	13%	49%	46%	34%
Not sure	26%	-	24%	27%	26%	26%





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2012 GOP Pres Primary						
Michele Bachmann	9%	33%	34%	10%	5%	10%
Herman Cain	10%	21%	13%	7%	9%	10%
Newt Gingrich	10%	-	8%	12%	10%	9%
Jon Huntsman	2%	-	-	3%	4%	1%
Ron Paul	8%	-	-	10%	8%	8%
Rick Perry	31%	33%	-	15%	26%	42%
Mitt Romney	15%	13%	13%	28%	17%	9%
Rick Santorum	1%	-	-	-	1%	2%
Someone else/Not sure	14%	-	32%	15%	18%	10%

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		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Perry/Romney						
Rick Perry	55%	66%	34%	33%	46%	68%
Mitt Romney	27%	34%	34%	48%	32%	16%
Not sure	19%	-	32%	19%	22%	16%

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		Woman	Man
Bachmann Favorability			
Favorable	48%	44%	52%
Unfavorable	28%	26%	30%
Not sure	24%	30%	19%

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Gingrich Favorability			
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Unfavorable	39%	39%	40%
Not sure	15%	23%	7%





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Romney Favorability			
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Unfavorable	36%	30%	42%
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Kinder Favorability			
Favorable	31%	25%	36%
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Randles Favorability			
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Steelman Favorability			
Favorable	32%	30%	34%
Unfavorable	14%	8%	20%
Not sure	54%	62%	45%

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Todd Akin	29%	30%	27%
John Brunner	6%	2%	9%
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Not sure	26%	28%	24%

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Newt Gingrich	10%	9%	10%
Jon Huntsman	2%	0%	4%
Ron Paul	8%	6%	10%
Rick Perry	31%	32%	31%
Mitt Romney	15%	18%	12%
Rick Santorum	1%	0%	2%
Someone else/Not sure	14%	17%	11%

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Mitt Romney	27%	29%	25%
Not sure	19%	22%	16%





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Rick Perry	31%	25%	19%	40%	32%
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Mitt Romney	27%	-	27%	27%	34%
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