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Romney keeps it close in NH but Obama trounces others

Raleigh, N.C. – New Hampshire is a nominal swing state, but it has gone blue in four of the last five presidential elections. According to PPP's latest poll of the Granite State, Mitt Romney is the only potential GOP nominee with a shot at putting New Hampshire's four electoral votes in play next year. Otherwise, President Obama leads by margins larger than his almost ten-point victory over John McCain in 2008.

Romney essentially ties the president, with 46% to Obama's 47%. But the president tops Newt Gingrich 52-39, Mike Huckabee 52-38, Donald Trump 51-37, and Sarah Palin 56-34.

This is another case of Obama prevailing not because voters love him but because they do not particularly like any of the Republicans. 46% both approve and disapprove of the president's job performance, roughly the same as his nationwide standing. But except for Romney's 45-44 favorable-unfavorable spread, all the other candidates are in far worse shape: Huckabee at 29-52, Trump 27-60, Gingrich 24-62, and Palin 28-67.

Luckily for the president, not even the state's Republican voters are crazy about most of the Republican candidates, so Obama earns as much or more of their vote (9-18%) as their approval (10%). Plus, his weakness on the job-approval front with Democrats (76-16) fades, as he pulls 83-90% of their vote.

The only candidate who earns more Democratic support than Obama does GOP votes is Romney, who is also the only candidate to tie the president with independents (at 44%). Obama leads the others by 16-22 points with the large 36% plurality who identify with neither party. That essentially explains the varying overall leads.

“Unless Mitt Romney gets the nomination, President Obama should easily win New Hampshire once again,” said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling. “This state really exemplifies the extent to which the GOP being competitive against Obama is going to depend on who they nominate.”

PPP surveyed 769 New Hampshire voters from March 31st to April 3rd. The survey's margin of error is +/-3.5%. Other factors, such as refusal to be interviewed and weighting, may introduce additional error that is more difficult to quantify.

[Complete results are attached and can be found at www.publicpolicypolling.com.](http://www.publicpolicypolling.com)

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New Hampshire Survey Results

Q1 Do you approve or disapprove of President Barack Obama's job performance? If you approve, press 1. If you disapprove, press 2. If you're not sure, press 3.

Approve 46%
Disapprove..... 46%
Not Sure..... 8%

Q2 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Newt Gingrich?

Favorable..... 24%
Unfavorable 62%
Not sure 14%

Q3 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Mike Huckabee?

Favorable..... 29%
Unfavorable 52%
Not sure 19%

Q4 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Sarah Palin?

Favorable..... 28%
Unfavorable 67%
Not sure 6%

Q5 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Mitt Romney?

Favorable..... 45%
Unfavorable 44%
Not sure 12%

Q6 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Donald Trump?

Favorable..... 27%
Unfavorable 60%
Not sure..... 13%

Q7 If the candidates for President next year were Democrat Barack Obama and Republican Newt Gingrich, who would you vote for? If Barack Obama, press 1. If Newt Gingrich, press 2. If you're undecided, press 3.

Obama..... 52%
Gingrich 39%
Undecided..... 9%

Q8 If the candidates for President next year were Democrat Barack Obama and Republican Mike Huckabee, who would you vote for? If Barack Obama, press 1. If Mike Huckabee, press 2. If you're undecided, press 3.

Obama..... 52%
Huckabee..... 38%
Undecided..... 10%

Q9 If the candidates for President next year were Democrat Barack Obama and Republican Sarah Palin, who would you vote for? If Barack Obama, press 1. If Sarah Palin, press 2. If you're undecided, press 3.

Obama..... 56%
Palin..... 34%
Undecided..... 9%

Q10 If the candidates for President next year were Democrat Barack Obama and Republican Mitt Romney, who would you vote for? If Barack Obama, press 1. If Mitt Romney, press 2. If you're undecided, press 3.

Obama..... 47%
Romney 46%
Undecided..... 7%





Q11 If the candidates for President next year were Democrat Barack Obama and Republican Donald Trump, who would you vote for? If Barack Obama, press 1. If Donald Trump, press 2. If you're undecided, press 3.

Obama..... 51%
Trump..... 37%
Undecided..... 12%

Q12 Who did you vote for President in 2008? If John McCain, press 1. If Barack Obama, press 2. If someone else or you don't remember, press 3.

McCain..... 42%
Obama..... 51%
Someone Else/Don't Remember..... 8%

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

Very liberal..... 9%
Somewhat liberal..... 21%
Moderate..... 32%
Somewhat conservative..... 23%
Very conservative..... 15%

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

Woman 53%
Man..... 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.

Democrat..... 35%
Republican..... 29%
Independent/Other..... 36%

Q16 If you are white, press 1. If other, press 2.

White 95%
Other..... 5%

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.

18 to 29..... 8%
30 to 45..... 26%
46 to 65..... 44%
Older than 65..... 22%





Crosstabs

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Obama Approval				
Approve	46%	9%	80%	22%
Disapprove	46%	88%	11%	53%
Not Sure	8%	3%	9%	25%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Gingrich Favorability				
Favorable	24%	45%	7%	19%
Unfavorable	62%	36%	84%	57%
Not sure	14%	19%	9%	24%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Huckabee Favorability				
Favorable	29%	51%	11%	28%
Unfavorable	52%	32%	71%	42%
Not sure	19%	17%	18%	30%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Palin Favorability				
Favorable	28%	53%	6%	28%
Unfavorable	67%	38%	91%	61%
Not sure	6%	9%	2%	11%





Crosstabs

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Romney Favorability				
Favorable	45%	70%	24%	42%
Unfavorable	44%	18%	66%	38%
Not sure	12%	12%	10%	20%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Trump Favorability				
Favorable	27%	44%	13%	29%
Unfavorable	60%	41%	76%	48%
Not sure	13%	14%	11%	24%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Obama/Gingrich				
Obama	52%	13%	88%	29%
Gingrich	39%	77%	6%	40%
Undecided	9%	10%	5%	31%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Obama/Huckabee				
Obama	52%	13%	88%	28%
Huckabee	38%	75%	7%	40%
Undecided	10%	12%	5%	32%





Crosstabs

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Obama/Palin				
Obama	56%	18%	92%	31%
Palin	34%	70%	5%	32%
Undecided	9%	12%	4%	36%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Obama/Romney				
Obama	47%	9%	84%	18%
Romney	46%	87%	10%	58%
Undecided	7%	4%	6%	24%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Obama/Trump				
Obama	51%	16%	84%	26%
Trump	37%	69%	8%	54%
Undecided	12%	15%	8%	20%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Obama Approval						
Approve	46%	80%	76%	59%	14%	4%
Disapprove	46%	15%	15%	30%	79%	95%
Not Sure	8%	5%	8%	12%	7%	2%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Gingrich Favorability						
Favorable	24%	7%	6%	11%	48%	50%
Unfavorable	62%	87%	86%	74%	35%	26%
Not sure	14%	6%	9%	15%	16%	24%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Huckabee Favorability						
Favorable	29%	12%	11%	17%	52%	55%
Unfavorable	52%	74%	68%	60%	32%	30%
Not sure	19%	14%	20%	22%	16%	14%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Palin Favorability						
Favorable	28%	9%	6%	16%	47%	65%
Unfavorable	67%	90%	93%	79%	43%	24%
Not sure	6%	1%	2%	4%	10%	11%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Romney Favorability						
Favorable	45%	16%	21%	42%	67%	70%
Unfavorable	44%	78%	67%	48%	16%	20%
Not sure	12%	6%	12%	10%	17%	10%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Trump Favorability						
Favorable	27%	13%	16%	21%	40%	46%
Unfavorable	60%	76%	70%	68%	44%	40%
Not sure	13%	11%	14%	11%	16%	14%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Obama/Gingrich						
Obama	52%	89%	85%	69%	16%	3%
Gingrich	39%	7%	8%	21%	72%	88%
Undecided	9%	3%	7%	10%	12%	9%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Obama/Huckabee						
Obama	52%	89%	82%	71%	15%	4%
Huckabee	38%	7%	8%	19%	71%	88%
Undecided	10%	3%	10%	10%	14%	9%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Obama/Palin						
Obama	56%	89%	89%	72%	25%	3%
Palin	34%	5%	8%	18%	60%	86%
Undecided	9%	6%	3%	10%	15%	11%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Obama/Romney						
Obama	47%	88%	83%	59%	11%	2%
Romney	46%	9%	10%	32%	84%	92%
Undecided	7%	3%	7%	10%	5%	6%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Obama/Trump						
Obama	51%	93%	78%	66%	21%	3%
Trump	37%	4%	14%	22%	61%	83%
Undecided	12%	3%	8%	13%	18%	14%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Obama Approval			
Approve	46%	48%	44%
Disapprove	46%	42%	51%
Not Sure	8%	10%	6%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Gingrich Favorability			
Favorable	24%	19%	29%
Unfavorable	62%	66%	58%
Not sure	14%	16%	13%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Huckabee Favorability			
Favorable	29%	29%	29%
Unfavorable	52%	50%	55%
Not sure	19%	21%	16%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Palin Favorability			
Favorable	28%	23%	33%
Unfavorable	67%	72%	60%
Not sure	6%	5%	7%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Romney Favorability			
Favorable	45%	43%	47%
Unfavorable	44%	44%	43%
Not sure	12%	13%	10%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Trump Favorability			
Favorable	27%	25%	30%
Unfavorable	60%	61%	58%
Not sure	13%	15%	11%





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		Woman	Man
Obama/Gingrich			
Obama	52%	56%	48%
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Obama/Huckabee			
Obama	52%	54%	50%
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		Woman	Man
Obama/Palin			
Obama	56%	62%	50%
Palin	34%	27%	43%
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	Base	Gender	
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Obama/Trump			
Obama	51%	55%	47%
Trump	37%	32%	41%
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	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Obama Approval				
Approve	46%	76%	10%	46%
Disapprove	46%	16%	86%	43%
Not Sure	8%	7%	4%	12%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Gingrich Favorability				
Favorable	24%	8%	49%	18%
Unfavorable	62%	82%	34%	66%
Not sure	14%	10%	17%	16%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Huckabee Favorability				
Favorable	29%	14%	51%	26%
Unfavorable	52%	68%	34%	52%
Not sure	19%	18%	15%	22%





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Favorable	45%	25%	72%	42%
Unfavorable	44%	66%	17%	44%
Not sure	12%	10%	11%	14%

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Trump Favorability				
Favorable	27%	16%	46%	23%
Unfavorable	60%	73%	40%	63%
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Crosstabs

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		White	Other
Obama Approval			
Approve	46%	45%	58%
Disapprove	46%	47%	35%
Not Sure	8%	8%	7%

	Base	Race	
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Gingrich Favorability			
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Huckabee Favorability			
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Trump Favorability			
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Huckabee	38%	38%	27%
Undecided	10%	10%	18%





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Palin Favorability					
Favorable	28%	18%	29%	28%	29%
Unfavorable	67%	76%	65%	66%	66%
Not sure	6%	6%	6%	6%	5%

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Trump Favorability					
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