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## **Romney up in another pair of states**

**Raleigh, N.C.** – PPP’s state by state look ahead to the 2012 Republican contest for President continues to find a decent amount of support for all the leading contenders, but with Mitt Romney leading the field.

In Ohio Romney gets 32% to 28% for Mike Huckabee and 26% for Sarah Palin. Romney gets 32% in Wisconsin as well with Palin in second at 27% and Huckabee receiving 23% support.

Continuing a trend we have found in other states Romney polls competitively among conservatives but leads the pack because of his wider support among moderates. In Ohio Palin has the lead among voters on the right with 30%, with Huckabee and Romney tying at 28%. But among moderates Romney gets 43% to 26% for Huckabee and 15% for Palin, leading to his larger overall lead.

It’s a similar story in Wisconsin. There Romney does lead with conservatives but by a small margin, getting 32% to 29% for Palin and 23% for Huckabee. His lead expands to 5 overall because with moderates he gets 34% to 24% for Palin and 22% for Huckabee.

Seniors are proving to be an important source of support for Romney as well. In Ohio they give him his highest level of support at 35% and they do the same in Wisconsin at 39%.

“It’s far too early to declare someone the leading candidate for the 2012 Republican nomination,” said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling. “But it’s certainly not bad news for Mitt Romney that we find him leading in state after state after state.”

PPP surveyed 400 Republicans primary voters in both Ohio and Wisconsin on March 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. The margin of error for each survey is +/-4.9%. Other factors, such as refusal to be interviewed and weighting, may introduce additional error that is more difficult to quantify.

If you would like an interview regarding this release, please contact Dean Debnam at (888) 621-6988 or 919-880-4888.

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## Ohio Survey Results

**Q1** If the Republican candidates for President in 2012 were Mike Huckabee, Sarah Palin, and Mitt Romney who would you vote for? If Mike Huckabee, press 1. If Sarah Palin, press 2. If Mitt Romney, press 3. If you're undecided, press 4.

*Huckabee*..... 28%  
*Palin*..... 26%  
*Romney* ..... 32%  
*Undecided*..... 14%

**Q2** Would you describe yourself as a liberal, moderate, or conservative? If liberal, press 1. If moderate, press 2. If conservative, press 3.

*Liberal*..... 2%  
*Moderate*..... 27%  
*Conservative*..... 71%

**Q3** If you are a woman, press 1, if a man, press 2.

*Woman* ..... 46%  
*Man*..... 54%

**Q4** If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1 now. If you are 30 to 45, press 2. If you are 46 to 65, press 3. If older, press 4.

*18 to 29*..... 9%  
*30 to 45*..... 24%  
*46 to 65*..... 42%  
*Older than 65*..... 24%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
<b>2012 President</b>				
<b>Huckabee</b>	<b>28%</b>	44%	26%	28%
<b>Palin</b>	<b>26%</b>	7%	15%	30%
<b>Romney</b>	<b>32%</b>	15%	43%	28%
<b>Undecided</b>	<b>14%</b>	34%	15%	14%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>2012 President</b>			
<b>Huckabee</b>	<b>28%</b>	33%	23%
<b>Palin</b>	<b>26%</b>	23%	28%
<b>Romney</b>	<b>32%</b>	30%	34%
<b>Undecided</b>	<b>14%</b>	14%	15%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>2012 President</b>					
<b>Huckabee</b>	<b>28%</b>	22%	26%	31%	25%
<b>Palin</b>	<b>26%</b>	22%	33%	22%	25%
<b>Romney</b>	<b>32%</b>	33%	26%	33%	35%
<b>Undecided</b>	<b>14%</b>	22%	14%	13%	14%





## Wisconsin Survey Results

**Q1** If the Republican candidates for President in 2012 were Mike Huckabee, Sarah Palin, and Mitt Romney who would you vote for? If Mike Huckabee, press 1. If Sarah Palin, press 2. If Mitt Romney, press 3. If you're undecided, press 4.

<i>Huckabee</i> .....	23%
<i>Palin</i> .....	27%
<i>Romney</i> .....	32%
<i>Undecided</i> .....	18%

**Q2** Would you describe yourself as a liberal, moderate, or conservative? If liberal, press 1. If moderate, press 2. If conservative, press 3.

<i>Liberal</i> .....	3%
<i>Moderate</i> .....	25%
<i>Conservative</i> .....	72%

**Q3** If you are a woman, press 1, if a man, press 2.

<i>Woman</i> .....	45%
<i>Man</i> .....	55%

**Q4** If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1 now. If you are 30 to 45, press 2. If you are 46 to 65, press 3. If older, press 4.

<i>18 to 29</i> .....	9%
<i>30 to 45</i> .....	28%
<i>46 to 65</i> .....	39%
<i>Older than 65</i> .....	24%





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	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
<b>2012 President</b>				
<b>Huckabee</b>	<b>23%</b>	20%	22%	23%
<b>Palin</b>	<b>27%</b>	20%	24%	29%
<b>Romney</b>	<b>32%</b>	30%	34%	32%
<b>Undecided</b>	<b>18%</b>	30%	21%	16%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>2012 President</b>			
<b>Huckabee</b>	<b>23%</b>	24%	22%
<b>Palin</b>	<b>27%</b>	26%	28%
<b>Romney</b>	<b>32%</b>	29%	35%
<b>Undecided</b>	<b>18%</b>	21%	15%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>2012 President</b>					
<b>Huckabee</b>	<b>23%</b>	27%	23%	25%	18%
<b>Palin</b>	<b>27%</b>	19%	27%	30%	26%
<b>Romney</b>	<b>32%</b>	38%	29%	29%	39%
<b>Undecided</b>	<b>18%</b>	16%	20%	17%	17%

