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Boehner, Portman unpopular, more Cleveland than Cincy fans

Raleigh, N.C. – John Boehner remains pretty unpopular in his home state. Only 35% approve of the job he is doing, with 46% disapproving, similar to the 34-47 found when PPP last polled the state in August. More Democrats (69%) disapprove than Republicans approve (64%), and independents mirror the overall electorate.

Rob Portman has yet to make a name for himself, and the voters who do know how they feel about him dislike him, with 24% approving and 34% disapproving. That is a slight decline for him from May, when the spread was 28-33. As with Boehner, more Democrats (50%) disapprove than Republicans approve (40%). PPP has only polled on four senators who have a lower net approval rating this year.

Democrats are maintaining a similar lead in the generic Congressional ballot as two months ago. Voters prefer them over their GOP counterparts, 48-42, versus 42-37. But it may not be enough to overcome the GOP-friendly gerrymanders after the state lost two seats in the census. Independents prefer the GOP, 45-30.

Cleveland being the more populous city, its football and baseball teams are more popular than Cincinnati's. It is a closer contest in the latter sport, as 34% root for the Indians and 25% the Reds, with the next highest team the Detroit Tigers at 8%. Cincinnati is a more Republican part of the state, so GOP Reds fans outnumber Indians partisans 32-31, but among Democrats, the Indians dominate, 39-22. The Tigers' highest level of support is with independents (16%), almost as much as the Reds (19%) and Indians (26%).

In the NFL, 34% also root for the Browns, but only 20% the Bengals, with 12% preferring the Pittsburgh Steelers. Interestingly, almost all the Steelers' support in Ohio comes from women; 18% of them side with them, but only a third of that among men. As in baseball, the Detroit Lions get their largest base from independents (10%), twice as much or more than their support from Democrats or Republicans.

PPP surveyed 581 Ohio voters from October 13th to 16th. The margin of error for the survey is +/-4.1%. 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.

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Ohio Survey Results

Q1	Do you approve or disapprove of Senator Rob Portman's job performance?	Q7	Do you think same-sex marriage should legal or illegal?	oe	
	Approve24% Not sure43%		Legal	32%	
	Disapprove34%		Illegal		
Q2	Do you approve or disapprove of the job House Speaker John Boehner is doing?	Q8	Not sureWhich of the following best describes you	13%	
	Approve35% Not sure19% Disapprove46%	QU	opinion on gay marriage: gay couples she allowed to legally marry, or gay couple should be allowed to form civil unions but	ould es	
Q3	Do you support or oppose the goals of the Occupy Wall Street movement?		legally marry, or there should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship		
	Support35%		Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	27%	
	Oppose 43% Not sure 22%		Gay couples should be allowed to form civi	7 35%	
Q4	Do you support or oppose the goals of the Tea Party movement?		There should be no legal recognition of a g couple's relationship	<i>ay</i> 34%	
	Support37%		Not sure		
	Oppose48%	Q9	What is your favorite Major League Base team: the Atlanta Braves, Boston Red So		
	Not sure		Chicago Cubs, Cincinnati Reds, Clevelar		
Q5	Do you have a higher opinion of the Occupy Wall Street movement or the Tea Party		Indians, Detroit Tigers, New York Yankee Pittsburgh Pirates, or some other team?	•	
	movement?		Braves		
	Occupy Wall Street40%		Red Sox	5%	
	Tea Party40%		Cubs	4%	
	Not sure21%		Reds	25%	
Q6	If there was an election for Congress today, do you think you would vote for the Democratic or		Indians	34%	
	Republican candidate from your district, or are		Tigers	8%	
	you not sure?		Yankees	3%	
	Democratic candidate		Pirates	3%	
	Republican candidate42%		Some other team/Not a baseball fan	17%	
	100/				





Q10 What is your favorite NFL team: the Cincinnati
Bengals, Cleveland Browns, Dallas Cowboys,
Detroit Lions, Green Bay Packers, Indianapolis
Colts, New England Patriots, Pittsburgh
Steelers, or someone else?

	Bengals	20%
	Browns	34%
	Cowboys	4%
	Lions	5%
	Packers	3%
	Colts	2%
	Patriots	1%
	Steelers	12%
	Some other team/Not a football fan	18%
Q11	Who did you vote for President in 2008?	
	John McCain	44%
	Barack Obama	48%
	Someone else/Don't remember	00/
Q12	Would you describe yourself as very liber somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?	al,
	Very liberal	10%
	Somewhat liberal	21%
	Moderate	30%
	Somewhat conservative	400/
	Very conservative	19%

Q13	If you are a woman, press 1. If a man,	press 2.
	Woman	51%
	Man	49%
Q14	If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Re press 2. If you are an independent or is with another party, press 3.	publican,
	Democrat	47%
	Republican	
	Independent/Other	
Q15	If you are white, press 1. If African-Ampress 2. If other, press 3.	
	White	83%
	African-American	13%
	Other	4%
Q16	If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1. 45, press 2. If 46 to 65, press 3. If you older than 65, press 4.	
	18 to 29	14%
	30 to 45	26%
	46 to 65	
	Older than 65	20%





		2008 Vote			
	Base	John McCain		Someone else/Don't remember	
Portman Approval					
Approve	24%	40%	10%	17%	
Disapprove	34%	17%	50%	29%	
Not sure	43%	43%	40%	54%	

		2008 Vote		
	Base	John McCain		Someone else/Don't remember
Boehner Approval		•		
Approve	35%	64%	10%	23%
Disapprove	46%	17%	73%	44%
Not sure	19%	19%	17%	34%

			2008 Vote			
		Base	John McCain		Someone else/Don't remember	
Support/Op OWS Goals	pose					
	Support	35%	14%	55%	27%	
	Oppose	43%	68%	22%	30%	
	Not sure	22%	17%	23%	43%	

		2008 Vote			
	Base	John McCain		Someone else/Don't remember	
Support/Oppose Tea Party Goals	1	•			
Suppor	t 37%	71%	7%	30%	
Oppose	48%	13%	82%	39%	
Not sure	15%	16%	11%	31%	





		2008 Vote			
	Base	John McCain		Someone else/Don't remember	
Higher Opinion of OWS or Tea Party?					
Occupy Wall Street	40%	13%	66%	24%	
Tea Party	40%	75%	9%	33%	
Not sure	21%	12%	25%	43%	

		2008 Vote			
	Base		Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember	
Generic Ballot					
Democratic candidate	48%	9%	85%	37%	
Republican candidate	42%	84%	8%	27%	
Not sure	10%	7%	7%	36%	

		2008 Vote			
	Base	John McCain		Someone else/Don't remember	
Same-Sex Marriage					
Legal	32%	13%	50%	23%	
Illegal	55%	72%	38%	69%	
Not sure	13%	14%	12%	8%	

		2008 Vo	2008 Vote			
	Base	John McCain		Someone else/Don't remember		
Gay Marriage/Civ. Unions/No Recognition						
Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	27%	10%	45%	17%		
Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not marry	35%	41%	29%	37%		
There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship	34%	46%	23%	40%		
Not sure	3%	3%	3%	5%		





		2008 Vo	te	
	Base	John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Fave MLB Team			•	
Braves	2%	2%	1%	9%
Red Sox	5%	3%	8%	-
Cubs	4%	4%	3%	5%
Reds	25%	29%	22%	24%
Indians	34%	33%	37%	19%
Tigers	8%	8%	9%	3%
Yankees	3%	2%	3%	6%
Pirates	3%	3%	3%	2%
Some other team/Not a baseball fan	17%	16%	15%	32%

		2008 Vo	te	
	Base	John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Fave NFL Team		-		
Bengals	20%	25%	16%	18%
Browns	34%	35%	37%	18%
Cowboys	4%	3%	3%	8%
Lions	5%	6%	6%	-
Packers	3%	3%	2%	10%
Colts	2%	2%	2%	1%
Patriots	1%	1%	2%	1%
Steelers	12%	10%	15%	6%
Some other team/Not a football fan	18%	16%	16%	37%

		Ideology				
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Somew hat conservative	. ,
Portman Approval		_	<u>-</u>	_	-	='
Approve	24%	16%	9%	18%	34%	42%
Disapprove	34%	55%	56%	34%	21%	10%
Not sure	43%	29%	35%	48%	45%	48%

		Ideolog	deology					
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Somew hat conservative	Very conservative		
Boehner Approval		-	_	-	-			
Approve	35%	14%	12%	28%	53%	63%		
Disapprove	46%	72%	71%	55%	29%	10%		
Not sure	19%	14%	17%	18%	18%	27%		





	Base	ldeology				
		Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Som ew hat conservative	Very conservative
Support/Oppose OWS Goals						
Support	35%	63%	57%	40%	17%	6%
Oppose	43%	21%	18%	34%	61%	77%
Not sure	22%	16%	25%	26%	22%	17%

		Ideology				
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Som ew hat conservative	
Support/Oppose Tea Party Goals						
Support	37%	10%	11%	19%	64%	80%
Oppose	48%	85%	76%	60%	22%	7%
Not sure	15%	5%	13%	21%	13%	13%

		Ideology				
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Som ew hat conservative	
Higher Opinion of OWS or Tea Party?		3	•	-	•	•
Occupy Wall Street	40%	80%	62%	46%	20%	4%
Tea Party	40%	11%	15%	23%	63%	83%
Not sure	21%	9%	23%	31%	18%	12%

		Ideolog	Ideology						
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Somew hat conservative	Very conservative			
Generic Ballot		_	-	-					
Democratic candidate	48%	92%	78%	55%	18%	12%			
Republican candidate	42%	8%	15%	31%	67%	83%			
Not sure	10%	-	7%	14%	15%	6%			





		Ideology				
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Somew hat conservative	Very conservative
Same-Sex Marriage			-	=		
Legal	32%	65%	52%	37%	12%	5%
Illegal	55%	27%	36%	48%	67%	90%
Not sure	13%	8%	12%	15%	21%	4%

		Ideolog	ЭУ			
	Base	Very liberal		Moderate	Somew hat conservative	Very conservative
Gay Marriage/Civ. Unions/No Recognition						
Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	27%	62%	46%	28%	10%	5%
Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not marry	35%	26%	27%	39%	50%	27%
There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship	34%	9%	24%	28%	36%	67%
Not sure	3%	3%	3%	5%	3%	1%

		Ideolog	ldeology					
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal	Moderate	Som ew hat conservative	Very conservative		
Fave MLB Team			<u>-</u>	_	='			
Braves	2%	3%	4%	-	4%	0%		
Red Sox	5%	13%	12%	4%	1%	1%		
Cubs	4%	-	5%	3%	3%	6%		
Reds	25%	18%	21%	27%	32%	23%		
Indians	34%	36%	35%	37%	35%	25%		
Tigers	8%	15%	7%	8%	8%	8%		
Yankees	3%	1%	2%	4%	2%	2%		
Pirates	3%	2%	2%	3%	4%	2%		
Some other team/Not a baseball fan	17%	12%	12%	15%	11%	32%		

		Ideolog	ду			
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal	Moderate	Somew hat conservative	Very conservative
Fave NFL Team		-				
Bengals	20%	25%	18%	16%	25%	20%
Browns	34%	32%	38%	39%	34%	25%
Cowboys	4%	3%	4%	4%	3%	4%
Lions	5%	7%	2%	7%	6%	5%
Packers	3%	-	3%	4%	4%	5%
Colts	2%	1%	2%	1%	5%	-
Patriots	1%	5%	0%	1%	1%	2%
Steelers	12%	17%	20%	9%	6%	12%
Some other team/Not a football fan	18%	11%	12%	19%	16%	27%





		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Portman Approval		-	
Approve	24%	20%	28%
Disapprove	34%	33%	34%
Not sure	43%	47%	38%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Boehner Approval		-	
Approve	35%	29%	41%
Disapprove	46%	47%	46%
Not sure	19%	25%	13%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Support/Oppose OWS Goals			
Support	35%	34%	35%
Oppose	43%	37%	49%
Not sure	22%	29%	16%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Support/Oppose Tea Party Goals			
Support	37%	32%	43%
Oppose	48%	53%	44%
Not sure	15%	16%	13%





		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Higher Opinion of OWS or Tea Party?			
Occupy Wall Street	40%	43%	36%
Tea Party	40%	32%	48%
Not sure	21%	25%	16%

	Gender		
	Base	Woman	Man
Generic Ballot		-	
Democratic candidate	48%	55%	41%
Republican candidate	42%	37%	48%
Not sure	10%	9%	11%

	Gender		
	Base	Woman	Man
Same-Sex Marriage		-	
Legal	32%	37%	26%
Illegal	55%	48%	63%
Not sure	13%	14%	11%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Gay Marriage/Civ. Unions/No Recognition			
Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	27%	28%	26%
Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not marry	35%	37%	33%
There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship	34%	31%	38%
Notsure	3%	3%	3%





		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Fave MLB Team		-	
Braves	2%	3%	1%
Red Sox	5%	4%	6%
Cubs	4%	4%	3%
Reds	25%	24%	26%
Indians	34%	34%	33%
Tigers	8%	7%	9%
Yankees	3%	3%	2%
Pirates	3%	3%	3%
Some other team/Not a baseball fan	17%	17%	16%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Fave NFL Team		-	
Bengals	20%	17%	23%
Browns	34%	33%	36%
Cowboys	4%	3%	4%
Lions	5%	5%	5%
Packers	3%	4%	3%
Colts	2%	3%	1%
Patriots	1%	1%	2%
Steelers	12%	18%	6%
Some other team/Not a football fan	18%	16%	19%

		Party	Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other			
Portman Approval		•	,	•			
Approve	24%	10%	40%	25%			
Disapprove	34%	50%	18%	23%			
Not sure	43%	39%	42%	52%			

		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other		
Boehner Approval		•				
Approve	35%	12%	64%	34%		
Disapprove	46%	69%	18%	46%		
Not sure	19%	19%	18%	20%		





		Party	Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other			
Support/Oppose OWS Goals							
Support	35%	52%	14%	35%			
Oppose		21%	68%	46%			
Not sure	22%	27%	18%	20%			

		Party					
	Base	Democrat Republican Independent/Other					
Support/Oppose Tea Party Goals		•					
Support	37%	8%	70%	45%			
Oppose		78%	14%	41%			
Not sure	15%	14%	16%	14%			

		Party	Party						
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other					
Higher Opinion of OWS or Tea Party?		-	•	-					
Occupy Wall Stree	t 40%	64%	11%	34%					
Tea Party	40%	9%	74%	48%					
Not sure	21%	27%	14%	18%					

		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other		
Generic Ballot		•				
Democratic candidate	48%	89%	5%	30%		
Republican candidate	42%	6%	87%	45%		
Not sure	10%	6%	8%	25%		





		Party	Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other			
Same-Sex Marriage							
Legal	32%	46%	14%	32%			
Illegal	55%	41%	75%	51%			
Not sure	13%	13%	11%	17%			

		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other		
Gay Marriage/Civ. Unions/No Recognition						
Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	27%	40%	11%	29%		
Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not marry	35%	29%	42%	36%		
There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship	34%	28%	44%	31%		
Not sure	3%	3%	3%	4%		

		Party		
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Fave MLB Team		•		
Braves	2%	3%	1%	2%
Red Sox	5%	7%	4%	2%
Cubs	4%	3%	3%	5%
Reds	25%	22%	32%	19%
Indians	34%	39%	31%	26%
Tigers	8%	7%	7%	16%
Yankees	3%	4%	1%	1%
Pirates	3%	3%	3%	1%
Some other team/Not a baseball fan	17%	12%	17%	28%

		Party		
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Fave NFL Team		='		
Bengals	20%	18%	24%	16%
Browns	34%	35%	35%	32%
Cowboys	4%	4%	3%	3%
Lions	5%	4%	5%	10%
Packers	3%	3%	2%	7%
Colts	2%	2%	2%	1%
Patriots	1%	2%	1%	3%
Steelers	12%	15%	11%	4%
Some other team/Not a football fan	18%	17%	16%	25%





		Race		
	Base	White	African- American	Other
Portman Approval				
Approve	24%	27%	9%	16%
Disapprove	34%	32%	39%	41%
Not sure	43%	41%	52%	42%

		Race		
	Base	White	African- American	Other
Boehner Approval				
Approve	35%	38%	17%	18%
Disapprove	46%	44%	58%	47%
Not sure	19%	17%	25%	34%

		Race		
	Base	White	African- American	Other
Support/Oppose OWS Goals		•		
Support	35%	34%	36%	41%
Oppose	43%	45%	33%	29%
Not sure	22%	21%	31%	31%

		Race		
	Base	White	African- American	Other
Support/Oppose Tea Party Goals		-		
Support	37%	41%	17%	24%
Oppose	48%	45%	63%	69%
Not sure	15%	14%	21%	6%





		Race			
	Base	White	African- American	Other	
Higher Opinion of OWS or Tea Party?		•			
Occupy Wall Street	40%	38%	44%	53%	
Tea Party	40%	43%	26%	16%	
Not sure	21%	19%	30%	30%	

		Race			
	Base	White	African- American	Other	
Generic Ballot					
Democratic candidate	48%	43%	76%	51%	
Republican candidate	42%	47%	19%	26%	
Not sure	10%	10%	5%	22%	

		Race				
	Base	White	African- American	Other		
Same-Sex Marriage						
Legal	32%	34%	16%	33%		
Illegal	55%	54%	63%	51%		
Not sure	13%	11%	21%	16%		

		Race			
	Base	White	African- American	Other	
Gay Marriage/Civ. Unions/No Recognition					
Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	27%	29%	17%	33%	
Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not marry	35%	36%	34%	14%	
There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship	34%	33%	39%	37%	
Not sure	3%	2%	9%	16%	





		Race		
	Base	White	African- American	Other
Fave MLB Team				
Braves	2%	2%	1%	-
Red Sox	5%	4%	13%	2%
Cubs	4%	3%	3%	8%
Reds	25%	26%	24%	14%
Indians	34%	35%	27%	31%
Tigers	8%	8%	7%	16%
Yankees	3%	3%	3%	-
Pirates	3%	2%	3%	8%
Some other team/Not a baseball fan	17%	16%	20%	21%

		Race				
	Base	White	African- American	Other		
Fave NFL Team		-				
Bengals	20%	21%	17%	14%		
Browns	34%	35%	32%	33%		
Cowboys	4%	3%	4%	6%		
Lions	5%	5%	6%	4%		
Packers	3%	3%	3%	8%		
Colts	2%	2%	1%	2%		
Patriots	1%	2%	-	-		
Steelers	12%	12%	18%	4%		
Some other team/Not a football fan	18%	17%	18%	29%		

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Portman Approval					
Approve	24%	17%	18%	27%	31%
Disapprove	34%	50%	31%	30%	33%
Not sure	43%	33%	51%	43%	36%

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29		46 to 65	Older than 65
Boehner Approval					
Approve	35%	38%	38%	30%	37%
Disapprove	46%	45%	43%	50%	42%
Not sure	19%	17%	19%	19%	21%





		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45		Older than 65
Support/Oppose OWS Goals		•			
Support	35%	31%	31%	40%	33%
Oppose	43%	45%	47%	41%	39%
Not sure	22%	24%	22%	19%	28%

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45		Older than 65
Support/Oppose Tea Party Goals		•			
Support	37%	26%	39%	37%	42%
Oppose	48%	57%	43%	50%	45%
Not sure	15%	17%	18%	13%	13%

		Age				
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45		Older than 65	
Higher Opinion of OWS or Tea Party?						
Occupy Wall Street	40%	45%	35%	43%	35%	
Tea Party	40%	31%	43%	39%	42%	
Not sure	21%	24%	22%	18%	24%	

		Age				
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45		Older than 65	
Generic Ballot						
Democratic candidate	48%	57%	43%	49%	46%	
Republican candidate	42%	29%	47%	43%	45%	
Not sure	10%	14%	9%	9%	9%	





		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Same-Sex Marriage					
Legal	32%	40%	34%	33%	21%
Illegal	55%	48%	53%	54%	66%
Not sure	13%	12%	14%	13%	12%

		Age				
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65	
Gay Marriage/Civ. Unions/No Recognition		-				
Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	27%	38%	30%	27%	17%	
Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not marry	35%	26%	31%	38%	40%	
There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship	34%	33%	35%	31%	41%	
Not sure	3%	2%	4%	4%	2%	

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Fave MLB Team					
Braves	2%	5%	3%	0%	2%
Red Sox	5%	14%	5%	4%	2%
Cubs	4%	2%	4%	4%	4%
Reds	25%	33%	22%	25%	25%
Indians	34%	21%	24%	40%	42%
Tigers	8%	5%	15%	7%	5%
Yankees	3%	-	1%	3%	5%
Pirates	3%	5%	1%	3%	2%
Some other team/Not a baseball fan	17%	14%	24%	14%	14%

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Fave NFL Team		-			
Bengals	20%	26%	19%	19%	18%
Browns	34%	31%	22%	41%	41%
Cowboys	4%	-	7%	2%	5%
Lions	5%	5%	9%	4%	3%
Packers	3%	2%	1%	4%	5%
Colts	2%	-	4%	2%	1%
Patriots	1%	2%	1%	0%	3%
Steelers	12%	19%	12%	12%	7%
Some other team/Not a football fan	18%	14%	24%	16%	15%

