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Perry, Dewhurst dominating Pres. and Sen. primaries in TX

Raleigh, N.C. – It probably comes as no surprise that Texas' Republican presidential primary is uncompetitive. Rick Perry has almost half (49%) of his home-state partymates' support, followed way behind by Mitt Romney's 10%, Newt Gingrich's 8%, Ron Paul's, Michele Bachmann's, and Herman Cain's 7%, Rick Santorum's 3%, Jon Huntsman's 2%, and Gary Johnson's less than 1%. That is an improvement from June, when Perry was only a theoretical candidate who had previously turned down a run. Then, he had 31% to Romney's 15%, Bachmann's 11%, and the others in single digits. If the contest were already down to Perry and Romney by the time Texas' voting were held, Perry would annihilate his opponent, 72-18.

Perry has upped his job approval marks with these voters in the interim, up 18 points from a so-so 64-29 to a pretty solid 72-19. Meanwhile, voters see all the others but Gingrich not just less positively than Perry but actually negatively. Romney's favorability numbers are down 22 points from an already weak 49-34 to a negative 37-44. Bachmann is down 32 points, from 51-27 to 38-46. And Paul is still seen negatively, but even more so, down six points from 37-45 to 35-49. Gingrich sits at 50-36.

A slim plurality of these voters agree with Perry that Social Security is a Ponzi scheme, 46-35, almost flipped from the 33-53 PPP found nationally earlier this month. Though Perry has walked his support for it back, 60% disagree with requiring the HPV vaccine. 64% do not believe in global warming, and 53% do not believe in evolution.

It is mostly a battle of name recognition at this point, just as in the general-election numbers released yesterday, but David Dewhurst has a stranglehold in the early race for the Senate nomination. He pulls 41% to Ted Cruz's 12%, Elizabeth Ames Jones' 7%, and Tom Leppert's 6%, with a huge 34% undecided. 74% of even these active primary voters are unfamiliar with Leppert, and 79% with Cruz, but only 42% cannot express an opinion of Dewhurst.

PPP surveyed 400 usual Texas Republican primary voters from September 15th to 18th. 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.



Texas Survey Results

Q1 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Michele Bachmann?

Favorable..... 38%
Unfavorable 46%
Not sure 16%

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

Favorable..... 50%
Unfavorable 36%
Not sure 14%

Q3 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Ron Paul?

Favorable..... 35%
Unfavorable 49%
Not sure 15%

Q4 Do you approve or disapprove of Governor Rick Perry's job performance?

Approve 72%
Disapprove..... 19%
Not sure 9%

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

Favorable..... 37%
Unfavorable 44%
Not sure 19%

Q6 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Ted Cruz?

Favorable..... 8%
Unfavorable 14%
Not sure 79%

Q7 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of David Dewhurst?

Favorable..... 42%
Unfavorable 16%
Not sure 42%

Q8 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Tom Leppert?

Favorable..... 13%
Unfavorable 13%
Not sure 74%

Q9 Do you believe in global warming or not?

Believe in global warming 20%
Do not 64%
Not sure 17%

Q10 Do you believe in evolution or not?

Believe in evolution 32%
Do not 53%
Not sure 16%

Q11 Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: "Social Security is a Ponzi Scheme."

Agree 46%
Disagree 35%
Not sure 19%

Q12 Do you support or oppose requiring girls entering the 6th grade to be vaccinated against the human papilloma virus, also known as HPV?

Support 19%
Oppose 60%
Not sure 21%





Q13 Given the choices of Ted Cruz, David Dewhurst, Elizabeth Ames Jones, and Tom Leppert, who would you most like to see as the Republican candidate for Senate next year?

<i>Ted Cruz</i>	12%
<i>David Dewhurst</i>	41%
<i>Elizabeth Ames Jones</i>	7%
<i>Tom Leppert</i>	6%
<i>Someone else/Undecided</i>	34%

Q14 If the Republican candidates for President were Michele Bachmann, Herman Cain, Newt Gingrich, Jon Huntsman, Gary Johnson, Ron Paul, Rick Perry, Mitt Romney, and Rick Santorum, who would you vote for?

<i>Michele Bachmann</i>	7%
<i>Herman Cain</i>	7%
<i>Newt Gingrich</i>	8%
<i>Jon Huntsman</i>	2%
<i>Gary Johnson</i>	0%
<i>Ron Paul</i>	7%
<i>Rick Perry</i>	49%
<i>Mitt Romney</i>	10%
<i>Rick Santorum</i>	3%
<i>Someone else/Not sure</i>	7%

Q15 If the Republican Presidential race came down to just Rick Perry and Mitt Romney, who would you vote for?

<i>Rick Perry</i>	72%
<i>Mitt Romney</i>	18%
<i>Not sure</i>	10%

Q16 Would you describe yourself as very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?

<i>Very liberal</i>	3%
<i>Somewhat liberal</i>	4%
<i>Moderate</i>	14%
<i>Somewhat conservative</i>	41%
<i>Very conservative</i>	38%

Q17 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

<i>Woman</i>	47%
<i>Man</i>	53%

Q18 If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republican, press 2. If you are an independent or identify with another party, press 3.

<i>Democrat</i>	2%
<i>Republican</i>	82%
<i>Independent/Other</i>	17%

Q19 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>	24%
<i>46 to 65</i>	40%
<i>Older than 65</i>	30%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Bachmann Favorability						
Favorable	38%	28%	7%	20%	35%	50%
Unfavorable	46%	53%	93%	61%	46%	36%
Not sure	16%	19%	-	19%	19%	14%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Gingrich Favorability						
Favorable	50%	37%	16%	38%	51%	58%
Unfavorable	36%	44%	84%	44%	34%	30%
Not sure	14%	19%	-	17%	16%	12%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Paul Favorability						
Favorable	35%	37%	28%	41%	36%	32%
Unfavorable	49%	34%	72%	38%	49%	53%
Not sure	15%	28%	-	21%	15%	15%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Perry Approval						
Approve	72%	53%	58%	54%	70%	83%
Disapprove	19%	9%	35%	33%	23%	9%
Not sure	9%	38%	7%	13%	7%	9%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Romney Favorability						
Favorable	37%	-	14%	41%	48%	29%
Unfavorable	44%	53%	86%	29%	35%	54%
Not sure	19%	47%	-	30%	17%	17%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Cruz Favorability						
Favorable	8%	-	26%	1%	6%	10%
Unfavorable	14%	25%	40%	6%	16%	11%
Not sure	79%	75%	35%	92%	78%	79%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Dewhurst Favorability						
Favorable	42%	44%	51%	34%	40%	46%
Unfavorable	16%	-	21%	10%	17%	17%
Not sure	42%	56%	28%	56%	43%	37%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Leppert Favorability						
Favorable	13%	19%	21%	16%	12%	12%
Unfavorable	13%	-	37%	9%	15%	11%
Not sure	74%	81%	42%	75%	73%	77%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Believe in Global Warming?						
Believe in global warming	20%	56%	40%	31%	17%	14%
Do not	64%	44%	60%	48%	60%	76%
Not sure	17%	-	-	22%	23%	11%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Believe in Evolution?						
Believe in evolution	32%	59%	37%	48%	34%	21%
Do not	53%	31%	49%	34%	48%	66%
Not sure	16%	10%	14%	18%	18%	12%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Social Security a Ponzi Scheme?						
Agree	46%	34%	35%	27%	45%	56%
Disagree	35%	66%	51%	48%	37%	24%
Not sure	19%	-	14%	25%	18%	19%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Support/Oppose Requiring HPV Vaccine?						
Support	19%	19%	7%	28%	17%	18%
Oppose	60%	62%	79%	48%	64%	59%
Not sure	21%	19%	14%	24%	19%	23%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
2012 GOP Sen Primary						
Ted Cruz	12%	19%	12%	15%	10%	14%
David Dewhurst	41%	63%	61%	27%	38%	45%
Elizabeth Ames Jones	7%	9%	7%	14%	8%	4%
Tom Leppert	6%	-	-	3%	9%	3%
Someone else/Undecided	34%	9%	21%	42%	35%	34%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
2012 GOP Pres Primary						
Michele Bachmann	7%	28%	-	5%	4%	11%
Herman Cain	7%	-	14%	5%	10%	5%
Newt Gingrich	8%	19%	5%	5%	7%	10%
Jon Huntsman	2%	-	-	7%	2%	1%
Gary Johnson	0%	-	-	-	-	1%
Ron Paul	7%	9%	14%	10%	7%	5%
Rick Perry	49%	25%	67%	34%	45%	57%
Mitt Romney	10%	-	-	22%	12%	4%
Rick Santorum	3%	19%	-	1%	4%	1%
Someone else/Not sure	7%	-	-	11%	9%	4%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Perry/Romney						
Rick Perry	72%	85%	65%	48%	66%	86%
Mitt Romney	18%	15%	28%	35%	22%	8%
Not sure	10%	-	7%	17%	12%	6%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Bachmann Favorability			
Favorable	38%	34%	41%
Unfavorable	46%	46%	45%
Not sure	16%	20%	13%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Gingrich Favorability			
Favorable	50%	46%	55%
Unfavorable	36%	35%	36%
Not sure	14%	19%	9%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Paul Favorability			
Favorable	35%	33%	37%
Unfavorable	49%	49%	49%
Not sure	15%	17%	14%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Perry Approval			
Approve	72%	70%	73%
Disapprove	19%	18%	20%
Not sure	9%	12%	6%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Romney Favorability			
Favorable	37%	37%	38%
Unfavorable	44%	36%	51%
Not sure	19%	27%	12%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Cruz Favorability			
Favorable	8%	5%	10%
Unfavorable	14%	12%	15%
Not sure	79%	82%	76%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Dewhurst Favorability			
Favorable	42%	36%	47%
Unfavorable	16%	15%	17%
Not sure	42%	49%	36%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Leppert Favorability			
Favorable	13%	11%	15%
Unfavorable	13%	12%	14%
Not sure	74%	76%	71%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Believe in Global Warming?			
Believe in global warming	20%	21%	18%
Do not	64%	57%	70%
Not sure	17%	22%	12%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Believe in Evolution?			
Believe in evolution	32%	26%	37%
Do not	53%	58%	48%
Not sure	16%	16%	15%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Social Security a Ponzi Scheme?			
Agree	46%	38%	54%
Disagree	35%	36%	34%
Not sure	19%	26%	13%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Support/Oppose Requiring HPV Vaccine?			
Support	19%	21%	17%
Oppose	60%	60%	60%
Not sure	21%	19%	23%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
2012 GOP Sen Primary			
Ted Cruz	12%	11%	13%
David Dewhurst	41%	35%	45%
Elizabeth Ames Jones	7%	8%	6%
Tom Leppert	6%	5%	6%
Someone else/Undecided	34%	41%	29%





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	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
2012 GOP Pres Primary			
Michele Bachmann	7%	7%	7%
Herman Cain	7%	6%	8%
Newt Gingrich	8%	5%	10%
Jon Huntsman	2%	4%	-
Gary Johnson	0%	-	1%
Ron Paul	7%	4%	10%
Rick Perry	49%	54%	44%
Mitt Romney	10%	9%	10%
Rick Santorum	3%	2%	3%
Someone else/Not sure	7%	8%	6%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Perry/Romney			
Rick Perry	72%	72%	71%
Mitt Romney	18%	15%	21%
Not sure	10%	12%	8%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Bachmann Favorability				
Favorable	38%	-	37%	46%
Unfavorable	46%	89%	47%	36%
Not sure	16%	11%	16%	17%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Gingrich Favorability				
Favorable	50%	11%	53%	42%
Unfavorable	36%	79%	35%	38%
Not sure	14%	11%	13%	20%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Paul Favorability				
Favorable	35%	53%	32%	47%
Unfavorable	49%	47%	51%	41%
Not sure	15%	-	17%	12%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Perry Approval				
Approve	72%	47%	77%	48%
Disapprove	19%	11%	15%	38%
Not sure	9%	42%	8%	14%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Romney Favorability				
Favorable	37%	11%	37%	41%
Unfavorable	44%	47%	44%	40%
Not sure	19%	42%	19%	19%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Cruz Favorability				
Favorable	8%	-	8%	4%
Unfavorable	14%	47%	13%	12%
Not sure	79%	53%	78%	83%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Dewhurst Favorability				
Favorable	42%	74%	42%	36%
Unfavorable	16%	16%	16%	18%
Not sure	42%	11%	42%	45%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Leppert Favorability				
Favorable	13%	32%	13%	15%
Unfavorable	13%	16%	13%	12%
Not sure	74%	53%	74%	73%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Believe in Global Warming?				
Believe in global warming	20%	53%	18%	24%
Do not	64%	47%	66%	55%
Not sure	17%	-	16%	22%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Believe in Evolution?				
Believe in evolution	32%	11%	29%	48%
Do not	53%	79%	55%	40%
Not sure	16%	11%	17%	12%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Social Security a Ponzi Scheme?				
Agree	46%	32%	47%	42%
Disagree	35%	58%	33%	43%
Not sure	19%	11%	20%	15%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Support/Oppose Requiring HPV Vaccine?				
Support	19%	47%	21%	7%
Oppose	60%	42%	58%	76%
Not sure	21%	11%	22%	17%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
2012 GOP Sen Primary				
Ted Cruz	12%	16%	14%	6%
David Dewhurst	41%	32%	42%	33%
Elizabeth Ames Jones	7%	-	6%	12%
Tom Leppert	6%	-	6%	6%
Someone else/Undecided	34%	53%	32%	43%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
2012 GOP Pres Primary				
Michele Bachmann	7%	-	5%	19%
Herman Cain	7%	-	7%	10%
Newt Gingrich	8%	-	9%	4%
Jon Huntsman	2%	-	1%	7%
Gary Johnson	0%	-	0%	1%
Ron Paul	7%	11%	5%	18%
Rick Perry	49%	47%	55%	18%
Mitt Romney	10%	11%	10%	9%
Rick Santorum	3%	32%	2%	3%
Someone else/Not sure	7%	-	7%	9%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Perry/Romney				
Rick Perry	72%	69%	75%	58%
Mitt Romney	18%	15%	16%	30%
Not sure	10%	15%	9%	12%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Bachmann Favorability					
Favorable	38%	8%	35%	42%	39%
Unfavorable	46%	42%	54%	43%	44%
Not sure	16%	50%	10%	14%	17%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Gingrich Favorability					
Favorable	50%	25%	52%	50%	54%
Unfavorable	36%	42%	33%	38%	34%
Not sure	14%	33%	15%	12%	12%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Paul Favorability					
Favorable	35%	17%	44%	34%	34%
Unfavorable	49%	42%	48%	52%	48%
Not sure	15%	42%	8%	14%	18%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Perry Approval					
Approve	72%	67%	65%	71%	80%
Disapprove	19%	8%	29%	20%	11%
Not sure	9%	25%	6%	9%	9%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Romney Favorability					
Favorable	37%	25%	27%	39%	45%
Unfavorable	44%	33%	63%	42%	34%
Not sure	19%	42%	10%	19%	21%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Cruz Favorability					
Favorable	8%	-	6%	9%	8%
Unfavorable	14%	17%	23%	12%	8%
Not sure	79%	83%	71%	79%	84%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Dewhurst Favorability					
Favorable	42%	42%	33%	40%	51%
Unfavorable	16%	17%	23%	14%	13%
Not sure	42%	42%	44%	46%	36%





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	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Leppert Favorability					
Favorable	13%	8%	15%	12%	15%
Unfavorable	13%	-	21%	13%	9%
Not sure	74%	92%	65%	75%	77%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Believe in Global Warming?					
Believe in global warming	20%	25%	29%	16%	15%
Do not	64%	42%	54%	68%	71%
Not sure	17%	33%	17%	16%	14%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Believe in Evolution?					
Believe in evolution	32%	17%	35%	29%	35%
Do not	53%	75%	44%	59%	47%
Not sure	16%	8%	21%	13%	17%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Social Security a Ponzi Scheme?					
Agree	46%	42%	48%	51%	39%
Disagree	35%	33%	38%	29%	40%
Not sure	19%	25%	15%	20%	20%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Support/Oppose Requiring HPV Vaccine?					
Support	19%	58%	19%	13%	18%
Oppose	60%	33%	60%	65%	60%
Not sure	21%	8%	21%	22%	22%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
2012 GOP Sen Primary					
Ted Cruz	12%	8%	17%	14%	8%
David Dewhurst	41%	42%	36%	36%	50%
Elizabeth Ames Jones	7%	-	11%	8%	5%
Tom Leppert	6%	-	9%	6%	3%
Someone else/Undecided	34%	50%	28%	36%	34%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
2012 GOP Pres Primary					
Michele Bachmann	7%	8%	13%	4%	7%
Herman Cain	7%	8%	6%	9%	6%
Newt Gingrich	8%	8%	10%	6%	9%
Jon Huntsman	2%	8%	2%	2%	1%
Gary Johnson	0%	-	-	1%	1%
Ron Paul	7%	-	10%	7%	6%
Rick Perry	49%	50%	42%	50%	53%
Mitt Romney	10%	-	10%	11%	10%
Rick Santorum	3%	17%	-	2%	2%
Someone else/Not sure	7%	-	6%	9%	7%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Perry/Romney					
Rick Perry	72%	73%	64%	74%	75%
Mitt Romney	18%	18%	30%	14%	15%
Not sure	10%	9%	6%	12%	10%

