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UMass Amherst/WBZ Poll of NH Registered/Likely Voters

Field Dates: October 10 - October 15

Sample: 400 Registered New Hampshire Voters

322 Likely Voters

Margin of Error: 6.0% for Registered Voters

6.6% for Likely Voters

YouGov interviewed 453 respondents who were then matched down to a sample of 400 to produce the final dataset. The respondents were matched to a sampling frame on gender, age, race, education, party identification, ideology, and political interest. The frame was constructed by stratified sampling from the full 2010 American Community Survey (ACS) sample with selection within strata by weighted sampling with replacements (using the person weights on the public use file). Data on voter registration status and turnout were matched to this frame using the November 2010 Current Population Survey. Data on interest in politics and party identification were then matched to this frame from the 2007 Pew Religious Life Survey. The matched cases were weighted to the sampling frame using propensity scores. The matched cases and the frame were combined and a logistic regression was estimated for inclusion in the frame. The propensity score function included age, gender, race/ethnicity, years of education, and ideology. The propensity scores were grouped into deciles of the estimated propensity score in the frame and post-stratified according to these deciles.

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All results are for registered voters unless otherwise noted.

If the 2014 New Hampshire election for the U.S. Senate were being held today, which candidate would you vote for?

| | W/o Leaners | | W/ Leaners | |
|---------------------------|-------------|--------|------------|--------|
| | Registered | Likely | Registered | Likely |
| Scott Brown (Republican) | 39 | 42 | 41 | 45 |
| Jeanne Shaheen (Democrat) | 47 | 46 | 49 | 48 |
| Other | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 |
| Not sure | 9 | 6 | 5 | 2 |

What is your opinion of the following individuals?

| | Brown | Shaheen |
|----------------------|-------|---------|
| Very Favorable | 16 | 27 |
| Somewhat Favorable | 23 | 22 |
| Somewhat Unfavorable | 16 | 12 |
| Very Unfavorable | 36 | 31 |
| Not Sure | 9 | 8 |

Which candidate does the following statement best describe?

| | Brown | Shaheen |
|---|-------|---------|
| Cares about people like me | 41 | 59 |
| Takes clear positions on the issues | 43 | 57 |
| Willing to go against their own party on issues | 56 | 44 |

Which candidate do you think would do a better job of representing the following groups while Senator?

| | Brown | Shaheen | Neither | Not sure |
|----------------------|-------|---------|---------|----------|
| Women | 22 | 57 | 12 | 9 |
| The Middle Class | 34 | 44 | 15 | 6 |
| Independents | 34 | 39 | 14 | 13 |
| Labor Unions | 14 | 58 | 11 | 16 |
| New Hampshire Voters | 33 | 47 | 11 | 9 |



Which candidate do you think has run the more negative campaign?

| Scott Brown | 37 |
|----------------|----|
| Jeanne Shaheen | 35 |
| Not sure | 28 |

In thinking about the election for U.S. Senate, what issue is most important to your vote?



Which candidate do you trust more to handle the following issues:

| | Brown | Shaheen | Other | Not sure |
|-------------------|-------|---------|-------|----------|
| The Economy | 39 | 44 | 5 | 12 |
| Health Care | 36 | 45 | 5 | 14 |
| Taxes | 38 | 43 | 6 | 12 |
| Immigration | 39 | 41 | 4 | 16 |
| Education | 29 | 49 | 5 | 17 |
| National Security | 40 | 40 | 5 | 15 |

What one word would you use to describe Scott Brown?



What one word would you use to describe Jeanne Shaheen?



If the 2014 New Hampshire election for the U.S. House of Representatives were being held today, which candidate would you vote for? (N = 197 RVs, 160 LVs)

Question was only shown to respondents who reside in NH District 1.

| | W/o Leaners | | W/ Leaners | |
|------------------------------|-------------|--------|------------|--------|
| | Registered | Likely | Registered | Likely |
| Frank Guinta (Republican) | 33 | 33 | 38 | 37 |
| Carol Shea-Porter (Democrat) | 48 | 53 | 50 | 54 |
| Other | 2 | 2 | 4 | 3 |
| Not sure | 17 | 13 | 8 | 6 |

If the 2014 New Hampshire election for the U.S. House of Representatives were being held today, which candidate would you vote for? (N = 198 RVs, 162 LVs)

Question was only shown to respondents who reside in NH District 2.

| | W/o Leaners | | W/ Leaners | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|--------|------------|--------|
| | Registered | Likely | Registered | Likely |
| Marilinda Garcia (Republican) | 40 | 45 | 43 | 48 |
| Annie Kuster (Democrat) | 43 | 41 | 45 | 43 |
| Other | 4 | 3 | 5 | 4 |
| Not sure | 13 | 11 | 7 | 5 |



Thinking ahead to the 2016 presidential election, if the Democratic primary were held today, please indicate which one of the following candidates you would be most likely to support? (N=204)

| Hillary Clinton | 49 |
|------------------|----|
| Elizabeth Warren | 16 |
| Bernie Sanders | 11 |
| Joseph Biden | 6 |
| Andrew Cuomo | 3 |
| Deval Patrick | 3 |
| Martin O'Malley | <1 |
| Cory Booker | <1 |
| Other | 11 |

Thinking ahead to the 2016 presidential election, if the Republican primary were held today, please indicate which one of the following candidates you would be most likely to support? (N = 191)

| Mitt Romney | 29 |
|----------------|----|
| Rand Paul | 11 |
| Jeb Bush | 11 |
| Ted Cruz | 10 |
| Mike Huckabee | 7 |
| Chris Christie | 6 |
| Marco Rubio | 5 |
| Paul Ryan | 3 |
| Rick Perry | 3 |
| John Huntsman | 2 |
| Rick Santorum | 2 |
| Bobby Jindal | 2 |
| Rob Portman | <1 |
| Other | 9 |



Do you think things in this country are generally going in the right direction or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

Right Direction 31 Wrong Track 69

Do you think things in New Hampshire are generally going in the right direction or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

Right Direction 52 Wrong Track 48

Do you approve or disapprove of the way each is doing their job?

| | Strongly | | | Strongly | Not |
|---------------------------------|----------|---------|------------|------------|------|
| | Approve | Approve | Disapprove | Disapprove | Sure |
| Governor Maggie Hassan | 20 | 29 | 21 | 19 | 12 |
| Senator Kelly Ayotte | 16 | 29 | 19 | 23 | 13 |
| Senator Jeanne Shaheen | 20 | 27 | 16 | 29 | 7 |
| President Barack Obama | 10 | 28 | 10 | 47 | 5 |
| Congresswoman Carol Shea-Porter | 16 | 31 | 18 | 21 | 14 |
| Congresswoman Annie Kuster | 11 | 27 | 14 | 34 | 13 |

Sample Demographics

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|-----------|---------------------|------------|--------|--|--|--|
| | Category | Registered | Likely | | | |
| Gender | Male | 47 | 49 | | | |
| | Female | 53 | 51 | | | |
| Age | 18-29 | 14 | 12 | | | |
| | 30-54 | 38 | 38 | | | |
| | 55+ | 48 | 51 | | | |
| Race | White | 94 | 94 | | | |
| | Other | 6 | 6 | | | |
| Education | HS or less | 31 | 30 | | | |
| | Some college | 22 | 22 | | | |
| | College degree | 32 | 31 | | | |
| | Postgraduate | 16 | 17 | | | |
| Income | < \$40k | 29 | 25 | | | |
| | \$40 - \$100k | 58 | 61 | | | |
| | > \$100k | 13 | 15 | | | |
| Party ID | Democrat | 32 | 32 | | | |
| | Republican | 23 | 26 | | | |
| | Independent | 45 | 42 | | | |
| Ideology | liberal | 28 | 30 | | | |
| | moderate | 33 | 33 | | | |
| | conservative | 32 | 35 | | | |
| | Other | 6 | 2 | | | |