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Texans Prefer W to LBJ, GOP to Dems for House

Raleigh, N.C. – Unsurprisingly in a red state with 20 of 32 U.S. House seats held by Republicans, the GOP leads the generic congressional ballot in Texas, 52-39. Luckily for Democrats, only two of their 12 seats, those held by Ciro Rodriguez and Chet Edwards, are considered particularly vulnerable to a party switch. The GOP lead comes entirely from their 17-point turnout advantage, as 90% of each party's faithful are supporting their respective candidates, and Democrats actually have a 39-37 edge with independents.

If the numbers released yesterday for Kay Bailey Hutchison among usual Republican primary voters were bad, things are worse for her with this year's general electorate. Hutchison's overall approval rating sits at 42-40, but the worst results for the 17-year Washington veteran come as she looks toward the next cycle. Despite indicating while she was challenging Rick Perry in this spring's gubernatorial primary that she would resign her seat or not run again in 2012, she has since gone back on that pledge after being soundly defeated in that race. Republicans are only tepidly in favor of her running again, 47-33, but Democrats, at 67%, and independents, at 52%, are decisively opposed to her candidacy for a fourth full term in the Senate.

By a 51-41 margin, Texans think George W. Bush was the better of their favorite-son presidents between #43 and Lyndon Johnson. As in the gubernatorial and congressional contests, the divide comes from the Republicans' registration dominance in what was a Democratic stronghold in LBJ's day. Democrats and Republicans overwhelmingly choose their guy, and Johnson has an overwhelming 55-34 favor with unaffiliateds. In almost any other state, LBJ would be the hands-down winner with those internals.

"Texas is one state where Democrats are already so underrepresented in Congress that they can't be in for much harm this fall, and Republicans Rick Perry and Kay Bailey Hutchison are the ones who should be worried about their futures," said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling.

PPP surveyed 538 likely Texas voters from September 2nd to 6th. The margin of error for the survey is +/-4.2%. 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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Texas Survey Results

Q1 Do you approve or disapprove of Barack Obama's job performance?

Approve 40%
Disapprove..... 55%
Not sure 5%

Q2 Do you support or oppose President Obama's health care plan, or do you not have an opinion?

Support 35%
Oppose 54%
No opinion..... 11%

Q3 Do you approve or disapprove of Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison's job performance?

Approve 42%
Disapprove..... 40%
Not sure 18%

Q4 Do you think Kay Bailey Hutchison should run for reelection in 2012?

Yes..... 36%
No 48%
Not sure 16%

Q5 Do you think that Kay Bailey Hutchison is too liberal, too conservative, or about right?

Too liberal 24%
Too conservative..... 26%
About right 35%
Not sure 15%

Q6 Do you approve or disapprove of Senator John Cornyn's job performance?

Approve 37%
Disapprove..... 33%
Not sure 30%

Q7 If there was an election for Congress today, would you vote Democratic or Republican?

Democratic..... 39%
Republican..... 52%
Undecided..... 9%

Q8 Do you think Texas should secede from the United States?

Yes..... 15%
No 72%
Not sure 13%

Q9 Who do you think was the better President from Texas: Lyndon Johnson or George W. Bush?

Lyndon Johnson..... 41%
George W. Bush 51%
Not sure 7%

Q10 Looking back on George W. Bush's time as President would you rate his performance as excellent, good, fair, or poor?

Excellent 9%
Good..... 36%
Fair 23%
Poor 31%
Not sure 1%

Q11 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Roger Clemens?

Favorable 19% *Not sure* 54%
Unfavorable..... 27%

Q12 Do you think Roger Clemens used steroids to prolong his career?

Yes..... 37%
No 15%
Not sure 47%





Q13 Who did you vote for President in 2008?

<i>John McCain</i>	52%
<i>Barack Obama</i>	41%
<i>Someone else/Don't remember</i>	7%

Q14 If you are a liberal, press 1. If a moderate, press 2. If a conservative, press 3.

<i>Liberal</i>	15%
<i>Moderate</i>	39%
<i>Conservative</i>	47%

Q15 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

<i>Woman</i>	54%
<i>Man</i>	46%

Q16 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>	30%
<i>Republican</i>	47%
<i>Independent/Other</i>	23%

Q17 If you are Hispanic, press 1. If white, press 2. If African-American, press 3. If other, press 4.

<i>Hispanic</i>	16%
<i>White</i>	70%
<i>African-American</i>	10%
<i>Other</i>	4%

Q18 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>	6%
<i>30 to 45</i>	30%
<i>46 to 65</i>	39%
<i>Older than 65</i>	25%





Crosstabs

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Obama Approval				
Approve	40%	5%	88%	21%
Disapprove	55%	93%	6%	54%
Not sure	5%	2%	6%	24%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Obama Health Care				
Support	35%	3%	80%	12%
Oppose	54%	91%	6%	54%
No opinion	11%	6%	14%	34%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Hutchison Approval				
Approve	42%	55%	29%	27%
Disapprove	40%	27%	56%	41%
Not sure	18%	18%	16%	32%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Hutchison Run for Re-election				
Yes	36%	48%	23%	22%
No	48%	35%	64%	52%
Not sure	16%	18%	13%	27%





Crosstabs

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Hutchison Ideology				
Too liberal	24%	38%	4%	37%
Too conservative	26%	7%	53%	10%
About right	35%	43%	28%	19%
Not sure	15%	11%	15%	34%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Cornyn Approval				
Approve	37%	58%	11%	40%
Disapprove	33%	12%	60%	25%
Not sure	30%	30%	29%	35%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Generic Ballot				
Dem ocratic	39%	6%	83%	22%
Republican	52%	89%	7%	47%
Undecided	9%	5%	10%	32%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Secession				
Yes	15%	22%	5%	22%
No	72%	63%	85%	61%
Not sure	13%	15%	10%	17%





Crosstabs

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
LBJ or W				
Lyndon Johnson	41%	11%	80%	41%
George W. Bush	51%	85%	10%	44%
Not sure	7%	5%	9%	15%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Bush Approval				
Excellent	9%	17%	0%	2%
Good	36%	59%	7%	37%
Fair	23%	20%	24%	34%
Poor	31%	4%	66%	21%
Not sure	1%	0%	2%	5%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Clemens Favorability				
Favorable	19%	21%	15%	26%
Unfavorable	27%	24%	30%	30%
Not sure	54%	54%	55%	44%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		John McCain	Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember
Clemens & Steroids				
Yes	37%	35%	39%	43%
No	15%	18%	12%	19%
Not sure	47%	47%	49%	38%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Obama Approval				
Approve	40%	88%	61%	7%
Disapprove	55%	11%	30%	89%
Not sure	5%	1%	8%	3%

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Obama Health Care				
Support	35%	84%	51%	7%
Oppose	54%	9%	31%	86%
No opinion	11%	7%	18%	7%

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Hutchison Approval				
Approve	42%	24%	38%	51%
Disapprove	40%	65%	42%	30%
Not sure	18%	11%	19%	19%

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Hutchison Run for Re-election				
Yes	36%	18%	32%	44%
No	48%	73%	50%	38%
Not sure	16%	9%	18%	17%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Hutchison Ideology				
Too liberal	24%	7%	8%	43%
Too conservative	26%	66%	37%	4%
About right	35%	18%	37%	39%
Not sure	15%	9%	18%	14%

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Cornyn Approval				
Approve	37%	14%	24%	56%
Disapprove	33%	66%	43%	14%
Not sure	30%	20%	33%	30%

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Generic Ballot				
Democratic	39%	86%	56%	9%
Republican	52%	13%	26%	86%
Undecided	9%	1%	17%	5%

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Secession				
Yes	15%	2%	8%	25%
No	72%	89%	81%	59%
Not sure	13%	8%	11%	16%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
LBJ or W				
Lyndon Johnson	41%	79%	65%	10%
George W. Bush	51%	13%	27%	84%
Not sure	7%	8%	8%	6%

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Bush Approval				
Excellent	9%	4%	3%	16%
Good	36%	7%	21%	57%
Fair	23%	15%	29%	20%
Poor	31%	70%	47%	6%
Not sure	1%	5%	-	2%

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Clemens Favorability				
Favorable	19%	19%	19%	19%
Unfavorable	27%	39%	25%	25%
Not sure	54%	41%	56%	56%

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Clemens & Steroids				
Yes	37%	50%	37%	34%
No	15%	17%	15%	16%
Not sure	47%	33%	49%	50%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Obama Approval			
Approve	40%	40%	41%
Disapprove	55%	55%	55%
Not sure	5%	6%	4%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Obama Health Care			
Support	35%	34%	37%
Oppose	54%	54%	54%
No opinion	11%	13%	9%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Hutchison Approval			
Approve	42%	43%	41%
Disapprove	40%	35%	46%
Not sure	18%	23%	13%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Hutchison Run for Re-election			
Yes	36%	34%	38%
No	48%	44%	52%
Not sure	16%	21%	11%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Hutchison Ideology			
Too liberal	24%	22%	27%
Too conservative	26%	24%	29%
About right	35%	39%	31%
Not sure	15%	15%	14%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Cornyn Approval			
Approve	37%	37%	38%
Disapprove	33%	25%	41%
Not sure	30%	38%	21%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Generic Ballot			
Democratic	39%	39%	39%
Republican	52%	54%	51%
Undecided	9%	8%	10%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Secession			
Yes	15%	15%	15%
No	72%	70%	74%
Not sure	13%	15%	11%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
LBJ or W			
Lyndon Johnson	41%	39%	44%
George W. Bush	51%	52%	50%
Not sure	7%	8%	6%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Bush Approval			
Excellent	9%	9%	9%
Good	36%	39%	32%
Fair	23%	22%	24%
Poor	31%	28%	34%
Not sure	1%	2%	1%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Clemens Favorability			
Favorable	19%	15%	23%
Unfavorable	27%	22%	33%
Not sure	54%	63%	44%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Clemens & Steroids			
Yes	37%	33%	42%
No	15%	14%	18%
Not sure	47%	54%	40%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Obama Approval				
Approve	40%	88%	5%	49%
Disapprove	55%	5%	92%	43%
Not sure	5%	6%	3%	8%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Obama Health Care				
Support	35%	80%	5%	39%
Oppose	54%	6%	88%	46%
No opinion	11%	14%	7%	16%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Hutchison Approval				
Approve	42%	28%	54%	38%
Disapprove	40%	56%	25%	48%
Not sure	18%	16%	22%	14%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Hutchison Run for Re-election				
Yes	36%	20%	47%	35%
No	48%	67%	33%	52%
Not sure	16%	13%	20%	13%





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	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Hutchison Ideology				
Too liberal	24%	4%	38%	22%
Too conservative	26%	53%	7%	30%
About right	35%	26%	41%	37%
Not sure	15%	17%	14%	12%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Cornyn Approval				
Approve	37%	14%	60%	24%
Disapprove	33%	53%	11%	49%
Not sure	30%	33%	29%	27%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Generic Ballot				
Democratic	39%	90%	6%	39%
Republican	52%	5%	90%	37%
Undecided	9%	5%	4%	24%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Secession				
Yes	15%	4%	21%	17%
No	72%	82%	65%	74%
Not sure	13%	13%	14%	9%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
LBJ or W				
Lyndon Johnson	41%	83%	8%	55%
George W. Bush	51%	9%	87%	34%
Not sure	7%	8%	5%	12%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Bush Approval				
Excellent	9%	1%	17%	5%
Good	36%	5%	61%	25%
Fair	23%	23%	20%	27%
Poor	31%	67%	3%	41%
Not sure	1%	3%	0%	1%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Clemens Favorability				
Favorable	19%	17%	22%	15%
Unfavorable	27%	30%	21%	35%
Not sure	54%	52%	57%	50%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Clemens & Steroids				
Yes	37%	39%	32%	44%
No	15%	14%	18%	12%
Not sure	47%	46%	50%	44%





Crosstabs

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Obama Approval					
Approve	40%	56%	29%	90%	46%
Disapprove	55%	33%	67%	10%	46%
Not sure	5%	10%	4%	-	7%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Obama Health Care					
Support	35%	51%	26%	79%	32%
Oppose	54%	30%	65%	10%	50%
No opinion	11%	19%	9%	10%	18%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Hutchison Approval					
Approve	42%	37%	44%	36%	39%
Disapprove	40%	45%	38%	46%	36%
Not sure	18%	18%	18%	18%	25%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Hutchison Run for Re-election					
Yes	36%	29%	38%	21%	54%
No	48%	51%	46%	61%	29%
Not sure	16%	20%	15%	18%	18%





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Too liberal	24%	18%	28%	7%	18%
Too conservative	26%	35%	23%	34%	25%
About right	35%	29%	36%	34%	43%
Not sure	15%	18%	12%	24%	14%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Cornyn Approval					
Approve	37%	25%	41%	32%	43%
Disapprove	33%	38%	30%	43%	32%
Not sure	30%	38%	29%	25%	25%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Generic Ballot					
Democratic	39%	55%	29%	76%	43%
Republican	52%	31%	63%	14%	46%
Undecided	9%	14%	7%	10%	11%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Secession					
Yes	15%	16%	16%	4%	14%
No	72%	69%	72%	79%	71%
Not sure	13%	14%	12%	18%	14%





Crosstabs

	Base	Race			
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LBJ or W					
Lyndon Johnson	41%	51%	34%	72%	54%
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Clemens Favorability					
Favorable	19%	23%	17%	21%	33%
Unfavorable	27%	19%	29%	24%	33%
Not sure	54%	57%	54%	55%	33%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African-American	Other
Clemens & Steroids					
Yes	37%	40%	37%	32%	36%
No	15%	18%	15%	11%	28%
Not sure	47%	42%	48%	57%	36%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Obama Approval					
Approve	40%	47%	42%	40%	36%
Disapprove	55%	42%	53%	57%	56%
Not sure	5%	11%	5%	2%	8%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Obama Health Care					
Support	35%	38%	35%	39%	29%
Oppose	54%	44%	53%	54%	56%
No opinion	11%	18%	12%	7%	15%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Hutchison Approval					
Approve	42%	34%	42%	43%	42%
Disapprove	40%	49%	40%	38%	39%
Not sure	18%	17%	18%	18%	19%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Hutchison Run for Re-election					
Yes	36%	28%	35%	37%	37%
No	48%	58%	47%	46%	49%
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	Base	Age			
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Hutchison Ideology					
Too liberal	24%	22%	31%	21%	21%
Too conservative	26%	25%	28%	28%	22%
About right	35%	31%	31%	36%	40%
Not sure	15%	22%	10%	15%	17%

	Base	Age			
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Cornyn Approval					
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Democratic	39%	47%	39%	38%	38%
Republican	52%	39%	51%	55%	53%
Undecided	9%	14%	10%	8%	9%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Secession					
Yes	15%	16%	18%	16%	9%
No	72%	61%	73%	71%	75%
Not sure	13%	22%	9%	13%	16%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
LBJ or W					
Lyndon Johnson	41%	44%	43%	43%	36%
George W. Bush	51%	51%	50%	51%	54%
Not sure	7%	6%	8%	6%	9%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Bush Approval					
Excellent	9%	11%	8%	10%	9%
Good	36%	22%	34%	36%	40%
Fair	23%	31%	23%	20%	24%
Poor	31%	35%	34%	32%	24%
Not sure	1%	-	1%	1%	4%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Clemens Favorability					
Favorable	19%	29%	16%	21%	18%
Unfavorable	27%	20%	31%	25%	27%
Not sure	54%	51%	53%	54%	55%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Clemens & Steroids					
Yes	37%	26%	42%	40%	30%
No	15%	23%	12%	16%	16%
Not sure	47%	50%	46%	44%	54%

