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McCotter has no support with MI GOP, Romney tops field

Raleigh, N.C. – PPP has rarely found presidential candidates doing exceedingly well in their home-state primaries, but even more rarely has a White House contender fared as poorly as Michigan’s Thad McCotter in his nascent, quixotic bid for the GOP nomination.

Whether Sarah Palin is listed as a candidate or not, McCotter musters only 5% of Michigan Republicans’ preferences for their standard-bearer against President Obama next fall. That bests only adjacent Minnesota’s Tim Pawlenty, who continues to decline in PPP primary polls, garnering 3% with Palin in the field and 4% without.

Leading the pack, regardless of Palin’s presence, is native Mitt Romney, whose father George was Governor over 40 years ago. Romney gets a quarter of the vote, topping soon-to-be-official-candidate Rick Perry’s 13%, Palin’s and neighboring Minnesota’s Michele Bachmann’s 12%, Herman Cain’s 7%, and Newt Gingrich’s and Ron Paul’s 6%. Absent Palin, Romney still pulls 24%, but Bachmann takes almost all of Palin’s support, jumping to 18% over Perry’s 14%, and everyone else at roughly the same place.

“Mitt Romney is the clear front runner in Michigan but folks should keep an eye on Michele Bachmann,” said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling. “Romney’s lead in the state isn’t as large as you might expect given his long standing ties. A big key for Bachmann’s long term viability will be whether Sarah Palin gets in- if she does it will really hurt her chances.”

In the contest for the right to face Debbie Stabenow, basically no one has heard of the three announced or likely candidates beyond former Rep. Pete Hoekstra, and Hoekstra therefore gets more than three-quarters (78%) of Republicans’ support. Randy Hekman, of whom 85% have no opinion, gets 5% of the vote, while Peter Konetchy (89% with no opinion) and John McCulloch (84%) each pull 3%.

PPP surveyed 400 usual Michigan Republican primary voters from July 21st to 24th. 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.



Michigan Survey Results

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

Favorable..... 51%
Unfavorable 22%
Not sure 26%

Q2 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Herman Cain?

Favorable..... 37%
Unfavorable 14%
Not sure 48%

Q3 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Thad McCotter?

Favorable..... 20%
Unfavorable 19%
Not sure 61%

Q4 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Sarah Palin?

Favorable..... 64%
Unfavorable 24%
Not sure 12%

Q5 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Rick Perry?

Favorable..... 40%
Unfavorable 13%
Not sure 47%

Q6 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Mitt Romney?

Favorable..... 61%
Unfavorable 23%
Not sure 15%

Q7 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Randy Hekman?

Favorable..... 7%
Unfavorable 7%
Not sure 85%

Q8 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Pete Hoekstra?

Favorable..... 64%
Unfavorable 11%
Not sure 25%

Q9 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Peter Konetchy?

Favorable..... 3%
Unfavorable 9%
Not sure 89%

Q10 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of John McCulloch?

Favorable..... 9%
Unfavorable 8%
Not sure 84%





Q11 If the candidates for President next year were Michele Bachmann, Herman Cain, Newt Gingrich, Thad McCotter, Sarah Palin, Ron Paul, Tim Pawlenty, Rick Perry, and Mitt Romney, who would you vote for?

<i>Michele Bachmann</i>	12%
<i>Herman Cain</i>	7%
<i>Newt Gingrich</i>	6%
<i>Thad McCotter</i>	5%
<i>Sarah Palin</i>	12%
<i>Ron Paul</i>	6%
<i>Tim Pawlenty</i>	3%
<i>Rick Perry</i>	13%
<i>Mitt Romney</i>	25%
<i>Someone else/Not sure</i>	11%

Q12 If Sarah Palin didn't end up running for President, and the candidates were Michele Bachmann, Herman Cain, Newt Gingrich, Thad McCotter, Ron Paul, Tim Pawlenty, Rick Perry, and Mitt Romney, who would you vote for?

<i>Michele Bachmann</i>	18%
<i>Herman Cain</i>	7%
<i>Newt Gingrich</i>	7%
<i>Thad McCotter</i>	5%
<i>Ron Paul</i>	6%
<i>Tim Pawlenty</i>	4%
<i>Rick Perry</i>	14%
<i>Mitt Romney</i>	24%
<i>Someone else/Not sure</i>	17%

Q13 Given the choices of Randy Hekman, Pete Hoekstra, Peter Konetchy, and John McCulloch, who would you most like to see as the Republican candidate for Senate next year?

<i>Randy Hekman</i>	5%
<i>Pete Hoekstra</i>	78%
<i>Peter Konetchy</i>	3%
<i>John McCulloch</i>	3%
<i>Not sure</i>	11%

Q14 Would you describe yourself as very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?

<i>Very liberal</i>	1%
<i>Somewhat liberal</i>	2%
<i>Moderate</i>	20%
<i>Somewhat conservative</i>	43%
<i>Very conservative</i>	34%

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

<i>Woman</i>	48%
<i>Man</i>	52%

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>	1%
<i>Republican</i>	70%
<i>Independent/Other</i>	28%

Q17 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>	4%
<i>30 to 45</i>	20%
<i>46 to 65</i>	43%
<i>Older than 65</i>	33%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Bachmann Favorability						
Favorable	51%	29%	16%	29%	50%	70%
Unfavorable	22%	42%	64%	37%	19%	14%
Not sure	26%	29%	20%	34%	31%	16%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Cain Favorability						
Favorable	37%	14%	23%	17%	34%	55%
Unfavorable	14%	57%	-	32%	13%	6%
Not sure	48%	29%	77%	52%	53%	39%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
McCotter Favorability						
Favorable	20%	-	8%	13%	20%	26%
Unfavorable	19%	57%	-	23%	20%	16%
Not sure	61%	43%	92%	64%	60%	59%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Palin Favorability						
Favorable	64%	29%	52%	43%	62%	81%
Unfavorable	24%	57%	36%	45%	24%	8%
Not sure	12%	14%	13%	12%	14%	10%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Perry Favorability						
Favorable	40%	-	23%	18%	41%	54%
Unfavorable	13%	57%	-	28%	12%	5%
Not sure	47%	43%	77%	54%	47%	41%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Romney Favorability						
Favorable	61%	100%	44%	57%	67%	56%
Unfavorable	23%	-	33%	22%	18%	30%
Not sure	15%	-	23%	21%	14%	14%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Hekman Favorability						
Favorable	7%	-	16%	3%	9%	7%
Unfavorable	7%	-	-	11%	8%	5%
Not sure	85%	100%	84%	86%	83%	88%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Hoekstra Favorability						
Favorable	64%	14%	16%	57%	67%	70%
Unfavorable	11%	-	20%	16%	11%	8%
Not sure	25%	86%	64%	27%	22%	22%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Konethy Favorability						
Favorable	3%	-	-	-	3%	5%
Unfavorable	9%	-	8%	12%	10%	5%
Not sure	89%	100%	92%	88%	87%	91%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
McCulloch Favorability						
Favorable	9%	-	-	9%	9%	9%
Unfavorable	8%	-	8%	12%	7%	5%
Not sure	84%	100%	92%	79%	84%	86%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
2012 GOP Pres Primary						
Michele Bachmann	12%	14%	8%	3%	12%	19%
Herman Cain	7%	-	-	7%	7%	6%
Newt Gingrich	6%	-	-	10%	7%	4%
Thad McCotter	5%	-	-	3%	7%	4%
Sarah Palin	12%	-	31%	17%	8%	14%
Ron Paul	6%	-	8%	8%	5%	4%
Tim Pawlenty	3%	-	-	1%	2%	5%
Rick Perry	13%	-	-	2%	16%	18%
Mitt Romney	25%	71%	28%	36%	26%	16%
Someone else/Not sure	11%	14%	25%	15%	10%	9%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
2012 GOP Pres Primary w/o Palin						
Michele Bachmann	18%	14%	39%	12%	17%	22%
Herman Cain	7%	-	-	6%	6%	8%
Newt Gingrich	7%	-	13%	10%	5%	6%
Thad McCotter	5%	-	-	2%	7%	4%
Ron Paul	6%	-	8%	10%	6%	5%
Tim Pawlenty	4%	-	-	3%	2%	6%
Rick Perry	14%	-	-	3%	17%	17%
Mitt Romney	24%	29%	16%	30%	28%	16%
Someone else/Not sure	17%	57%	25%	22%	13%	16%





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	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
2012 GOP Sen Primary						
Randy Hekman	5%	-	10%	5%	5%	4%
Pete Hoekstra	78%	80%	10%	74%	80%	82%
Peter Konetchy	3%	-	10%	2%	2%	4%
John McCulloch	3%	-	27%	4%	2%	3%
Not sure	11%	20%	41%	15%	10%	8%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Bachmann Favorability			
Favorable	51%	42%	60%
Unfavorable	22%	27%	18%
Not sure	26%	31%	22%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Cain Favorability			
Favorable	37%	28%	46%
Unfavorable	14%	16%	12%
Not sure	48%	56%	41%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
McCotter Favorability			
Favorable	20%	14%	26%
Unfavorable	19%	18%	20%
Not sure	61%	68%	54%





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	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Palin Favorability			
Favorable	64%	60%	68%
Unfavorable	24%	25%	22%
Not sure	12%	15%	10%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Perry Favorability			
Favorable	40%	31%	48%
Unfavorable	13%	16%	12%
Not sure	47%	54%	40%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Romney Favorability			
Favorable	61%	61%	61%
Unfavorable	23%	22%	24%
Not sure	15%	17%	14%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Hekman Favorability			
Favorable	7%	6%	8%
Unfavorable	7%	7%	8%
Not sure	85%	87%	84%





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	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Hoekstra Favorability			
Favorable	64%	56%	72%
Unfavorable	11%	12%	10%
Not sure	25%	32%	18%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Konetchy Favorability			
Favorable	3%	2%	4%
Unfavorable	9%	8%	9%
Not sure	89%	90%	87%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
McCulloch Favorability			
Favorable	9%	6%	11%
Unfavorable	8%	6%	9%
Not sure	84%	87%	81%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
2012 GOP Pres Primary			
Michele Bachmann	12%	6%	18%
Herman Cain	7%	6%	7%
Newt Gingrich	6%	4%	8%
Thad McCotter	5%	4%	6%
Sarah Palin	12%	14%	11%
Ron Paul	6%	4%	7%
Tim Pawlenty	3%	4%	2%
Rick Perry	13%	11%	16%
Mitt Romney	25%	32%	19%
Someone else/Not sure	11%	17%	6%





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	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
2012 GOP Pres Primary w/o Palin			
Michele Bachmann	18%	13%	23%
Herman Cain	7%	5%	8%
Newt Gingrich	7%	4%	9%
Thad McCotter	5%	4%	5%
Ron Paul	6%	4%	9%
Tim Pawlenty	4%	5%	3%
Rick Perry	14%	12%	15%
Mitt Romney	24%	30%	18%
Someone else/Not sure	17%	24%	10%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
2012 GOP Sen Primary			
Randy Hekman	5%	5%	5%
Pete Hoekstra	78%	75%	81%
Peter Konetchy	3%	3%	3%
John McCulloch	3%	1%	5%
Not sure	11%	16%	7%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Bachmann Favorability				
Favorable	51%	23%	53%	48%
Unfavorable	22%	65%	22%	21%
Not sure	26%	12%	25%	30%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Cain Favorability				
Favorable	37%	13%	38%	37%
Unfavorable	14%	65%	12%	18%
Not sure	48%	21%	50%	45%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
McCotter Favorability				
Favorable	20%	13%	21%	18%
Unfavorable	19%	39%	19%	19%
Not sure	61%	48%	60%	63%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Palin Favorability				
Favorable	64%	13%	68%	56%
Unfavorable	24%	65%	19%	34%
Not sure	12%	21%	13%	10%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Perry Favorability				
Favorable	40%	40%	42%	34%
Unfavorable	13%	39%	11%	17%
Not sure	47%	21%	46%	49%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Romney Favorability				
Favorable	61%	65%	66%	49%
Unfavorable	23%	35%	19%	33%
Not sure	15%	-	15%	18%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Hekman Favorability				
Favorable	7%	12%	9%	4%
Unfavorable	7%	-	6%	11%
Not sure	85%	88%	85%	86%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Hoekstra Favorability				
Favorable	64%	23%	66%	61%
Unfavorable	11%	12%	8%	18%
Not sure	25%	65%	26%	20%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Konetchy Favorability				
Favorable	3%	-	3%	2%
Unfavorable	9%	12%	8%	10%
Not sure	89%	88%	89%	88%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
McCulloch Favorability				
Favorable	9%	-	9%	9%
Unfavorable	8%	12%	7%	9%
Not sure	84%	88%	84%	83%





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2012 GOP Pres Primary				
Michele Bachmann	12%	-	13%	12%
Herman Cain	7%	-	6%	7%
Newt Gingrich	6%	-	6%	7%
Thad McCotter	5%	-	6%	4%
Sarah Palin	12%	-	12%	13%
Ron Paul	6%	-	4%	11%
Tim Pawlenty	3%	-	3%	3%
Rick Perry	13%	-	13%	16%
Mitt Romney	25%	69%	28%	14%
Someone else/Not sure	11%	31%	10%	13%

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		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
2012 GOP Pres Primary w/o Palin				
Michele Bachmann	18%	-	17%	22%
Herman Cain	7%	-	6%	7%
Newt Gingrich	7%	-	5%	10%
Thad McCotter	5%	-	5%	3%
Ron Paul	6%	-	4%	12%
Tim Pawlenty	4%	-	3%	5%
Rick Perry	14%	12%	13%	15%
Mitt Romney	24%	35%	29%	11%
Someone else/Not sure	17%	53%	16%	16%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
2012 GOP Sen Primary				
Randy Hekman	5%	-	4%	6%
Pete Hoekstra	78%	83%	81%	71%
Peter Konetchy	3%	-	3%	3%
John McCulloch	3%	-	2%	6%
Not sure	11%	17%	10%	14%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Bachmann Favorability					
Favorable	51%	25%	34%	54%	61%
Unfavorable	22%	50%	22%	23%	19%
Not sure	26%	25%	44%	23%	20%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Cain Favorability					
Favorable	37%	-	17%	44%	46%
Unfavorable	14%	25%	12%	15%	13%
Not sure	48%	75%	71%	40%	41%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
McCotter Favorability					
Favorable	20%	13%	20%	23%	18%
Unfavorable	19%	25%	17%	17%	22%
Not sure	61%	63%	63%	60%	61%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Palin Favorability					
Favorable	64%	50%	61%	61%	72%
Unfavorable	24%	50%	27%	25%	17%
Not sure	12%	-	12%	14%	12%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Perry Favorability					
Favorable	40%	13%	17%	46%	49%
Unfavorable	13%	25%	24%	12%	7%
Not sure	47%	63%	59%	42%	44%





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	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Romney Favorability					
Favorable	61%	75%	44%	60%	72%
Unfavorable	23%	-	34%	27%	15%
Not sure	15%	25%	22%	13%	13%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Hekman Favorability					
Favorable	7%	-	7%	10%	5%
Unfavorable	7%	13%	10%	6%	7%
Not sure	85%	88%	83%	85%	88%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Hoekstra Favorability					
Favorable	64%	63%	59%	64%	68%
Unfavorable	11%	-	15%	11%	10%
Not sure	25%	38%	27%	25%	22%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Konetchy Favorability					
Favorable	3%	-	2%	5%	1%
Unfavorable	9%	13%	12%	5%	10%
Not sure	89%	88%	85%	90%	89%





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		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
McCulloch Favorability					
Favorable	9%	25%	7%	8%	8%
Unfavorable	8%	-	15%	4%	8%
Not sure	84%	75%	78%	87%	84%

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2012 GOP Pres Primary					
Michele Bachmann	12%	-	17%	13%	10%
Herman Cain	7%	-	2%	9%	7%
Newt Gingrich	6%	13%	10%	3%	7%
Thad McCotter	5%	-	7%	6%	3%
Sarah Palin	12%	50%	12%	10%	10%
Ron Paul	6%	-	5%	8%	4%
Tim Pawlenty	3%	-	5%	3%	2%
Rick Perry	13%	-	5%	16%	16%
Mitt Romney	25%	38%	24%	20%	30%
Someone else/Not sure	11%	-	12%	11%	11%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
2012 GOP Pres Primary w/o Palin					
Michele Bachmann	18%	25%	24%	18%	13%
Herman Cain	7%	-	2%	9%	7%
Newt Gingrich	7%	-	12%	5%	6%
Thad McCotter	5%	-	7%	5%	3%
Ron Paul	6%	-	5%	10%	4%
Tim Pawlenty	4%	-	5%	3%	4%
Rick Perry	14%	-	5%	14%	20%
Mitt Romney	24%	50%	17%	20%	30%
Someone else/Not sure	17%	25%	22%	15%	14%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
2012 GOP Sen Primary					
Randy Hekman	5%	-	3%	6%	5%
Pete Hoekstra	78%	88%	78%	76%	79%
Peter Konetchy	3%	-	-	6%	2%
John McCulloch	3%	-	3%	4%	2%
Not sure	11%	13%	16%	9%	12%

