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Governor's Race Looking Close for Fall

Raleigh, N.C. – Regardless of who emerges from next Tuesday's primaries it looks like Illinois will have a competitive race for Governor this fall.

In a poll looking at four of the possible general election match ups incumbent Democrat Pat Quinn trails Jim Ryan by a 42-35 margin and Andy McKenna by a 42-36 spread. Democratic challenger Dan Hynes leads Ryan 40-35 and McKenna 38-36.

It appears Democrats will be in particularly dire straits if Quinn wins nomination for a full term. His approval rating is just 25% with 55% of voters in the state disapproving of him. His own party is evenly divided about him 39/39, and he gets support from just 16% of independents and 9% of Republicans. Hynes does better than Quinn in the head to head match ups because he gets 67-69% of the Democratic vote compared to the incumbent's 60%.

The Republicans are competitive in all four hypothetical match ups because they hold solid leads with independents and are also benefiting from a more unified party. GOP voters are more committed to supporting their party's eventual nominee than Democrats are.

Quinn is the most unpopular of this quartet but the other contenders aren't very well liked either. Hynes' favorability is a 26/24 spread, McKenna's is 20/21, and Ryan's is 30/36.

"With competitive elections for both the Senate and Governor Illinois will be one of the most watched states in the country this fall," said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling. "Republicans have their best opportunities here in more than a decade."

PPP surveyed 1,062 Illinois voters from January 22nd to 25th. The margin of error is +/- 3%. Other factors, such as refusal to be interviewed and weighting, may introduce additional error that is more difficult to quantify.

Complete results are attached and can be found at www.publicpolicypolling.com.

If you would like an interview regarding this release, please contact Dean Debnam at (888) 621-6988 or 919-880-4888.





Illinois Survey Results

Q1 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Dan Hynes? If favorable, press 1. If unfavorable, press 2. If you're not sure, press 3.

Favorable..... 26%
Unfavorable 24%
Not Sure..... 50%

Q2 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Andy McKenna? If favorable, press 1. If unfavorable, press 2. If you're not sure, press 3.

Favorable..... 20%
Unfavorable 21%
Not Sure..... 58%

Q3 Do you approve or disapprove of Governor Pat Quinn's job performance? If you approve, press 1. If you disapprove, press 2. If you're not sure, press 3.

Approve..... 25% *Not Sure*..... 21%
Disapprove..... 55%

Q4 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Jim Ryan? If favorable, press 1. If unfavorable, press 2. If you're not sure, press 3.

Favorable..... 30%
Unfavorable 36%
Not Sure..... 34%

Q5 If the candidates for Governor this fall were Democrat Dan Hynes and Republican Andy McKenna, who would you vote for? If Dan Hynes, press 1. If Andy McKenna, press 2. If you're undecided, press 3.

Hynes..... 38% *Undecided*..... 26%
McKenna..... 36%

Q6 If the candidates for Governor this fall were Democrat Dan Hynes and Republican Jim Ryan, who would you vote for? If Dan Hynes, press 1. If Jim Ryan, press 2. If you're undecided, press 3.

Hynes.....40% *Undecided*.....25%
Ryan35%

Q7 If the candidates for Governor this fall were Democrat Pat Quinn and Republican Andy McKenna, who would you vote for? If Pat Quinn, press 1. If Andy McKenna, press 2. If you're undecided, press 3.

Quinn 36%
McKenna..... 42%
Undecided..... 22%

Q8 If the candidates for Governor this fall were Democrat Pat Quinn and Republican Jim Ryan, who would you vote for? If Pat Quinn, press 1. If Jim Ryan, press 2. If you're undecided, press 3.

Quinn..... 35%
Ryan 42%
Undecided..... 24%

Q9 Who did you vote for President last year? If John McCain, press 1. If Barack Obama, press 2. If someone else or you don't remember, press 3.

McCain..... 37%
Obama 57%
Someone Else/Don't Remember..... 5%

Q10 If you are a liberal, press 1. If a moderate, press 2. If a conservative, press 3.

Liberal..... 26%
Moderate..... 38%
Conservative..... 36%





Q11 If you are a woman, press 1, if a man, press 2.

Woman 50%

Man..... 50%

Q12 If you are a Democrat, press 1. If you are a Republican, press 2. If you are an independent or identify with another party, press 3.

Democrat 47%

Republican..... 31%

Independent/Other..... 23%

Q13 If you are Hispanic, press 1. If white, press 2. If African American, press 3. If other, press 4.

Hispanic..... 8%

White 74%

African American 15%

Other..... 3%

Q14 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.

18 to 29..... 7%

30 to 45..... 24%

46 to 65..... 46%

Older than 65..... 23%





Crosstabs

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Hynes Favorability				
Favorable	26%	16%	32%	25%
Unfavorable	24%	26%	23%	18%
Not Sure	50%	58%	45%	57%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
McKenna Favorability				
Favorable	20%	29%	16%	6%
Unfavorable	21%	16%	24%	25%
Not Sure	58%	55%	60%	70%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Quinn Approval				
Approve	25%	8%	37%	12%
Disapprove	55%	78%	39%	63%
Not Sure	21%	14%	24%	24%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Ryan Favorability				
Favorable	30%	38%	24%	24%
Unfavorable	36%	28%	41%	41%
Not Sure	34%	33%	35%	36%





Crosstabs

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Hynes/McKenna				
Hynes	38%	9%	58%	25%
McKenna	36%	69%	15%	26%
Undecided	26%	22%	27%	49%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Hynes/Ryan				
Hynes	40%	11%	61%	27%
Ryan	35%	64%	16%	32%
Undecided	25%	26%	23%	41%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Quinn/McKenna				
Quinn	36%	6%	57%	16%
McKenna	43%	77%	20%	43%
Undecided	22%	17%	23%	41%

	Base	2008 Vote		
		McCain	Obama	Someone Else/Don't Remember
Quinn/Ryan				
Quinn	35%	7%	55%	15%
Ryan	42%	73%	21%	39%
Undecided	24%	20%	23%	46%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Hynes Favorability				
Favorable	26%	37%	26%	18%
Unfavorable	24%	22%	22%	27%
Not Sure	50%	41%	52%	55%

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
McKenna Favorability				
Favorable	20%	11%	20%	27%
Unfavorable	21%	31%	17%	19%
Not Sure	58%	59%	62%	54%

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Quinn Approval				
Approve	25%	39%	27%	14%
Disapprove	55%	39%	50%	70%
Not Sure	21%	23%	23%	16%

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Ryan Favorability				
Favorable	30%	26%	26%	36%
Unfavorable	36%	41%	40%	29%
Not Sure	34%	33%	35%	35%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Hynes/McKenna				
Hynes	38%	65%	39%	18%
McKenna	36%	10%	31%	58%
Undecided	26%	25%	29%	24%

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Hynes/Ryan				
Hynes	40%	68%	44%	17%
Ryan	35%	13%	28%	57%
Undecided	25%	19%	28%	27%

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Quinn/McKenna				
Quinn	36%	64%	36%	16%
McKenna	43%	18%	40%	62%
Undecided	22%	18%	24%	22%

	Base	Ideology		
		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Quinn/Ryan				
Quinn	35%	58%	40%	13%
Ryan	42%	20%	34%	65%
Undecided	24%	22%	26%	22%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Hynes Favorability			
Favorable	26%	26%	26%
Unfavorable	24%	19%	28%
Not Sure	50%	54%	46%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
McKenna Favorability			
Favorable	20%	18%	22%
Unfavorable	21%	18%	24%
Not Sure	58%	63%	53%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Quinn Approval			
Approve	25%	23%	26%
Disapprove	55%	49%	60%
Not Sure	21%	27%	14%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Ryan Favorability			
Favorable	30%	28%	31%
Unfavorable	36%	31%	41%
Not Sure	34%	41%	28%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Hynes/McKenna			
Hynes	38%	38%	38%
McKenna	36%	29%	42%
Undecided	26%	32%	20%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Hynes/Ryan			
Hynes	40%	40%	40%
Ryan	35%	28%	41%
Undecided	25%	31%	19%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Quinn/McKenna			
Quinn	36%	36%	35%
McKenna	43%	36%	49%
Undecided	22%	28%	16%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Quinn/Ryan			
Quinn	35%	37%	32%
Ryan	42%	35%	48%
Undecided	24%	27%	20%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Hynes Favorability				
Favorable	26%	37%	15%	17%
Unfavorable	24%	18%	27%	30%
Not Sure	50%	44%	58%	52%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
McKenna Favorability				
Favorable	20%	16%	29%	18%
Unfavorable	21%	22%	17%	25%
Not Sure	58%	62%	54%	58%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Quinn Approval				
Approve	25%	39%	9%	16%
Disapprove	55%	39%	77%	55%
Not Sure	21%	21%	14%	29%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Ryan Favorability				
Favorable	30%	24%	41%	26%
Unfavorable	36%	41%	25%	41%
Not Sure	34%	35%	34%	33%





Crosstabs

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Hynes/McKenna				
Hynes	38%	67%	7%	20%
McKenna	36%	9%	72%	41%
Undecided	26%	23%	21%	39%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Hynes/Ryan				
Hynes	40%	69%	5%	28%
Ryan	35%	11%	71%	33%
Undecided	25%	19%	23%	39%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Quinn/McKenna				
Quinn	36%	60%	5%	26%
McKenna	43%	18%	80%	43%
Undecided	22%	22%	15%	30%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
Quinn/Ryan				
Quinn	35%	60%	3%	26%
Ryan	42%	20%	76%	40%
Undecided	24%	20%	21%	34%





Crosstabs

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African American	Other
Hynes Favorability					
Favorable	26%	33%	23%	36%	19%
Unfavorable	24%	11%	26%	14%	39%
Not Sure	50%	56%	50%	50%	42%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African American	Other
McKenna Favorability					
Favorable	20%	28%	21%	15%	16%
Unfavorable	21%	17%	22%	22%	19%
Not Sure	58%	56%	58%	63%	65%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African American	Other
Quinn Approval					
Approve	25%	33%	20%	43%	32%
Disapprove	55%	50%	59%	36%	52%
Not Sure	21%	17%	21%	21%	16%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African American	Other
Ryan Favorability					
Favorable	30%	17%	32%	25%	16%
Unfavorable	36%	44%	32%	50%	42%
Not Sure	34%	39%	35%	25%	42%





Crosstabs

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African American	Other
Hynes/McKenna					
Hynes	38%	56%	31%	64%	42%
McKenna	36%	17%	42%	14%	39%
Undecided	26%	28%	27%	21%	19%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African American	Other
Hynes/Ryan					
Hynes	40%	78%	31%	70%	39%
Ryan	35%	6%	43%	7%	42%
Undecided	25%	17%	27%	22%	19%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African American	Other
Quinn/McKenna					
Quinn	36%	39%	30%	64%	39%
McKenna	43%	33%	50%	11%	45%
Undecided	22%	28%	21%	25%	16%

	Base	Race			
		Hispanic	White	African American	Other
Quinn/Ryan					
Quinn	35%	39%	26%	75%	39%
Ryan	42%	33%	48%	14%	39%
Undecided	24%	28%	26%	11%	23%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Hynes Favorability					
Favorable	26%	28%	27%	30%	16%
Unfavorable	24%	17%	24%	24%	24%
Not Sure	50%	55%	48%	46%	60%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
McKenna Favorability					
Favorable	20%	17%	16%	23%	20%
Unfavorable	21%	22%	29%	20%	16%
Not Sure	58%	61%	55%	57%	64%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Quinn Approval					
Approve	25%	32%	22%	21%	33%
Disapprove	55%	53%	62%	55%	47%
Not Sure	21%	15%	16%	24%	20%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Ryan Favorability					
Favorable	30%	37%	24%	35%	23%
Unfavorable	36%	33%	42%	35%	34%
Not Sure	34%	31%	34%	31%	43%





Crosstabs

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Hynes/McKenna					
Hynes	38%	42%	43%	38%	32%
McKenna	36%	29%	30%	39%	38%
Undecided	26%	29%	27%	24%	30%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Hynes/Ryan					
Hynes	40%	30%	44%	41%	40%
Ryan	35%	51%	32%	38%	25%
Undecided	25%	19%	24%	21%	35%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Quinn/McKenna					
Quinn	36%	46%	30%	35%	40%
McKenna	43%	39%	44%	44%	40%
Undecided	22%	15%	27%	21%	21%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Quinn/Ryan					
Quinn	35%	44%	27%	35%	41%
Ryan	42%	44%	46%	43%	32%
Undecided	24%	13%	27%	22%	27%

