

**INTERVIEWS: Tom Jensen 919-744-6312****IF YOU HAVE BASIC METHODOLOGICAL QUESTIONS, PLEASE E-MAIL [information@publicpolicypolling.com](mailto:information@publicpolicypolling.com), OR CONSULT THE FINAL PARAGRAPH OF THE PRESS RELEASE**

## **McCain one of the least popular senators in the country**

**Raleigh, N.C.** – Arizona’s governor is holding her ground in voters’ eyes, breaking even on the job approval front, as she did when PPP last polled the state in late January. But voters have soured on both of their senators, as one has announced his impending retirement and the other forges into his new and perhaps final term.

46% approve of Jan Brewer’s job performance, and 45% disapprove. The figure was an almost identical 47-45 in the previous poll. Brewer has vetoed a few pieces of Republican-backed legislation of late, but while most voters (45%) think her views “about right,” almost as many (40%) think her too conservative for their tastes. A 47% plurality of independents feel that way.

Both Jon Kyl and John McCain have declined by 10 or 11 points on the margin, the former from a positive 47-40 to a negative 42-46 following his revelation that this will be his final term representing the state. This knocks Kyl down 27 pegs, from average to well below, among the senators on which PPP has polled.

Kyl has endured some bad press recently in relation to comments he made about Planned Parenthood. Most voters in the state disagree with him on the issue of stripping federal funding from that organization. Only 35% support defunding, compared to 51% who are opposed to that action. Kyl’s numbers have slipped in particular with Democrats and independents, both of which are voting groups strongly opposed to the effort to target Planned Parenthood

McCain, already unpopular, has slid further from 40-49 to 34-53. That makes him the third least liked sitting senator among their constituents, in front of only the retiring John Ensign and Joe Lieberman. He has improved considerably with the GOP after a bruising primary battle last summer and his White House loss, but he is in the basement with everyone else.

PPP surveyed 623 Arizona voters from April 28<sup>th</sup> to May 1<sup>st</sup>. The margin of error for the survey is +/-3.9%. 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.



## Arizona Survey Results

**Q1** Do you approve or disapprove of Governor Jan Brewer's job performance?

Approve..... 46% Not sure ..... 9%  
Disapprove..... 45%

**Q2** Do you think Jan Brewer is too liberal, too conservative, or about right?

Too liberal..... 10% About right..... 45%  
Too conservative... 40% Not sure ..... 5%

**Q3** Do you approve or disapprove of Senator John McCain's job performance?

Approve ..... 34%  
Disapprove..... 53%  
Not sure ..... 13%

**Q4** Do you approve or disapprove of Senator Jon Kyl's job performance?

Approve ..... 42% Not sure ..... 13%  
Disapprove..... 46%

**Q5** Do you think that Arizona should adopt an official state gun or not?

Arizona should have an official state gun..... 20%  
Should not..... 60%  
Not sure..... 20%

**Q6** Do you support or oppose barring all federal funding for Planned Parenthood?

Support..... 35%  
Oppose..... 51%  
Not sure ..... 13%

**Q7** Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Joe Arpaio?

Favorable..... 49%  
Unfavorable ..... 42%  
Not sure ..... 9%

**Q8** Would you describe yourself as very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?

Very liberal..... 7%  
Somewhat liberal ..... 17%  
Moderate..... 33%  
Somewhat conservative..... 25%  
Very conservative ..... 17%

**Q9** If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

Woman ..... 51%  
Man..... 49%

**Q10** If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republican, press 2. If you are an independent or identify with another party, press 3.

Democrat ..... 34%  
Republican..... 43%  
Independent/Other..... 23%

**Q11** If you are Hispanic, press 1. If white, press 2. If other, press 3.

Hispanic..... 14%  
White ..... 79%  
Other..... 7%

**Q12** 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.

18 to 29..... 10%  
30 to 45..... 24%  
46 to 65..... 40%  
Older than 65..... 26%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Brewer Approval</b>						
<b>Approve</b>	46%	11%	13%	34%	70%	82%
<b>Disapprove</b>	45%	85%	79%	56%	21%	9%
<b>Not sure</b>	9%	3%	9%	10%	10%	9%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Brewer Ideology</b>						
<b>Too liberal</b>	10%	11%	7%	8%	9%	18%
<b>Too conservative</b>	40%	80%	79%	49%	16%	5%
<b>About right</b>	45%	6%	11%	37%	70%	74%
<b>Not sure</b>	5%	3%	3%	7%	5%	3%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>McCain Approval</b>						
<b>Approve</b>	34%	9%	19%	37%	53%	27%
<b>Disapprove</b>	53%	87%	73%	51%	34%	53%
<b>Not sure</b>	13%	4%	8%	12%	13%	20%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
<b>Kyl Approval</b>						
<b>Approve</b>	42%	8%	12%	29%	66%	75%
<b>Disapprove</b>	46%	79%	76%	56%	18%	18%
<b>Not sure</b>	13%	13%	12%	15%	16%	7%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Should AZ Adopt Official State Gun?						
Arizona should have an official state gun	20%	9%	10%	14%	24%	37%
Should not	60%	83%	82%	67%	49%	32%
Not sure	20%	8%	8%	19%	26%	31%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Support/Oppose Banning All Planned Parenthood Funding						
Support	35%	15%	15%	22%	46%	75%
Oppose	51%	84%	70%	62%	37%	17%
Not sure	13%	1%	15%	16%	16%	8%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Arpaio Favorability						
Favorable	49%	18%	24%	40%	60%	86%
Unfavorable	42%	80%	72%	49%	25%	6%
Not sure	9%	1%	4%	11%	14%	7%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Brewer Approval			
Approve	46%	43%	49%
Disapprove	45%	47%	43%
Not sure	9%	10%	8%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Brewer Ideology</b>			
<b>Too liberal</b>	10%	8%	12%
<b>Too conservative</b>	40%	41%	40%
<b>About right</b>	45%	45%	44%
<b>Not sure</b>	5%	6%	3%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>McCain Approval</b>			
<b>Approve</b>	34%	33%	35%
<b>Disapprove</b>	53%	53%	54%
<b>Not sure</b>	13%	14%	11%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Kyl Approval</b>			
<b>Approve</b>	42%	41%	43%
<b>Disapprove</b>	46%	43%	48%
<b>Not sure</b>	13%	16%	10%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Should AZ Adopt Official State Gun?</b>			
<b>Arizona should have an official state gun</b>	20%	12%	28%
<b>Should not</b>	60%	66%	54%
<b>Not sure</b>	20%	22%	18%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Support/Oppose Banning All Planned Parenthood Funding</b>			
<b>Support</b>	35%	33%	38%
<b>Oppose</b>	51%	54%	48%
<b>Not sure</b>	13%	14%	13%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
<b>Arpaio Favorability</b>			
<b>Favorable</b>	49%	49%	49%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	42%	39%	45%
<b>Not sure</b>	9%	13%	5%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Brewer Approval</b>				
<b>Approve</b>	46%	16%	75%	34%
<b>Disapprove</b>	45%	78%	17%	51%
<b>Not sure</b>	9%	6%	8%	15%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Brewer Ideology</b>				
<b>Too liberal</b>	10%	6%	13%	9%
<b>Too conservative</b>	40%	72%	12%	47%
<b>About right</b>	45%	15%	71%	39%
<b>Not sure</b>	5%	6%	4%	5%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>McCain Approval</b>				
<b>Approve</b>	34%	23%	44%	31%
<b>Disapprove</b>	53%	67%	40%	58%
<b>Not sure</b>	13%	10%	15%	11%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Kyl Approval</b>				
<b>Approve</b>	42%	16%	71%	24%
<b>Disapprove</b>	46%	70%	17%	63%
<b>Not sure</b>	13%	14%	12%	13%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Should AZ Adopt Official State Gun?</b>				
<b>Arizona should have an official state gun</b>	20%	9%	28%	20%
<b>Should not</b>	60%	83%	42%	61%
<b>Not sure</b>	20%	8%	30%	19%

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Support/Oppose Banning All Planned Parenthood Funding</b>				
<b>Support</b>	35%	16%	55%	27%
<b>Oppose</b>	51%	69%	31%	62%
<b>Not sure</b>	13%	15%	14%	10%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Party		
		Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other
<b>Arpaio Favorability</b>				
Favorable	49%	26%	71%	41%
Unfavorable	42%	66%	19%	50%
Not sure	9%	8%	10%	9%

	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
<b>Brewer Approval</b>				
Approve	46%	38%	49%	30%
Disapprove	45%	62%	41%	59%
Not sure	9%	-	10%	11%

	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
<b>Brewer Ideology</b>				
Too liberal	10%	14%	9%	14%
Too conservative	40%	50%	39%	42%
About right	45%	31%	49%	27%
Not sure	5%	5%	4%	17%

	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
<b>McCain Approval</b>				
Approve	34%	35%	35%	26%
Disapprove	53%	53%	53%	61%
Not sure	13%	12%	13%	13%







**Crosstabs**

	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
<b>Kyl Approval</b>				
<b>Approve</b>	42%	35%	45%	19%
<b>Disapprove</b>	46%	52%	42%	69%
<b>Not sure</b>	13%	13%	13%	12%

	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
<b>Should AZ Adopt Official State Gun?</b>				
<b>Arizona should have an official state gun</b>	20%	22%	20%	8%
<b>Should not</b>	60%	59%	60%	63%
<b>Not sure</b>	20%	19%	20%	29%

	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
<b>Support/Oppose Banning All Planned Parenthood Funding</b>				
<b>Support</b>	35%	32%	37%	20%
<b>Oppose</b>	51%	50%	50%	69%
<b>Not sure</b>	13%	18%	13%	11%

	Base	Race		
		Hispanic	White	Other
<b>Arpaio Favorability</b>				
<b>Favorable</b>	49%	39%	52%	30%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	42%	52%	39%	60%
<b>Not sure</b>	9%	9%	9%	11%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Brewer Approval</b>					
<b>Approve</b>	46%	42%	42%	46%	51%
<b>Disapprove</b>	45%	45%	49%	48%	38%
<b>Not sure</b>	9%	13%	9%	6%	11%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Brewer Ideology</b>					
<b>Too liberal</b>	10%	6%	12%	11%	9%
<b>Too conservative</b>	40%	39%	42%	45%	33%
<b>About right</b>	45%	52%	41%	40%	53%
<b>Not sure</b>	5%	3%	5%	4%	6%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>McCain Approval</b>					
<b>Approve</b>	34%	45%	43%	30%	28%
<b>Disapprove</b>	53%	55%	44%	56%	57%
<b>Not sure</b>	13%	-	13%	14%	15%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Kyl Approval</b>					
<b>Approve</b>	42%	26%	51%	37%	47%
<b>Disapprove</b>	46%	52%	38%	50%	43%
<b>Not sure</b>	13%	23%	11%	13%	11%





**Crosstabs**

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Should AZ Adopt Official State Gun?</b>					
<b>Arizona should have an official state gun</b>	20%	26%	23%	20%	13%
<b>Should not</b>	60%	52%	53%	64%	64%
<b>Not sure</b>	20%	23%	23%	16%	23%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Support/Oppose Banning All Planned Parenthood Funding</b>					
<b>Support</b>	35%	26%	39%	37%	33%
<b>Oppose</b>	51%	61%	48%	53%	46%
<b>Not sure</b>	13%	13%	13%	9%	21%

	Base	Age			
		18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
<b>Arpaio Favorability</b>					
<b>Favorable</b>	49%	45%	47%	47%	55%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	42%	42%	45%	46%	32%
<b>Not sure</b>	9%	13%	8%	6%	13%

