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NV supports prostitution, gay marriage, but not online poker

Raleigh, N.C. – More Nevadans are in favor of legalizing prostitution across the state than allowing online poker gambling. 56%, including 65% of independents, 56% of Democrats, and even 51% of Republicans, believe prostitution should be legal, and 32% think it should not. Meanwhile, only 40% think online poker should be legal, while 42% believe it should be illegal. Nevadans may see it as a threat to casino tourism.

Voters are also just narrowly in support of same-sex marriage, 45% wanting it to be legal and 44% still illegal. Two-thirds of Democrats and a 45% plurality of independents support it, but 73% of Republicans are against it. 77% of voters, however, including 83% of independents and 61% of Republicans, support at least civil unions, which feature the legal rights associated with marriage and Nevada's domestic partnerships.

Brian Sandoval continues to defy the trend of massive unpopularity facing most new Republican governors in swing states. In fact, his approval rating has risen a little in the three months since PPP last polled the state, from 44% approving and 38% disapproving to 46-36. As such, he would still defeat Democrat Rory Reid in a do-over of last fall's election, something few other Republican governors can say—and he would do it, despite a less Republican-heavy turnout, by the same margin as his actual victory, 53-42. Voters do not think Sandoval would make the GOP presidential ticket more attractive if he were the running mate, however. 46% say his nomination for vice president would have no impact on their vote, and 34% say it would actually make them less likely to support the Republican candidate.

Reid's father Harry, on the other hand, would only up his edge over Sharron Angle if there were a re-do for Senate today. He surprised many by beating her by almost six points last fall, but Angle is almost universally disliked now, with a 17-70 favorability rating, even in negative territory with her own party (31-52). Reid would prevail, 53-40, 54-34 with independents.

PPP surveyed 601 Nevada voters from July 28th to 31st. The margin of error for the survey is +/-4.0%. 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.

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Nevada Survey Results

Q1	Do you approve or disapprove of Governor Brian Sandoval's job performance?	Q6	If you could do last fall's election for the Senate over again would you vote for Democrat Harry		
	Approve46%		Reid or Republican Sharron Angle?		
	Disapprove36%		Harry Reid53%		
	Not sure		Sharron Angle40%		
Q2	If Brian Sandoval was the Republican candidate for Vice President next year would that make you more or less likely to vote for the		Not sure		
	Republican Presidential nominee, or would it not make a difference?		Legal45%		
	More likely20%		Illegal44%		
	Less likely		Not sure11%		
Q3	Wouldn't make a difference46% If you could do last fall's election for Governor	Q8	Which of the following best describes your opinion on gay marriage: gay couples should be allowed to legally marry, or gay couples		
	over again would you vote for Republican Brian Sandoval or Democrat Rory Reid?		should be allowed to form civil unions but not legally marry, or there should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship?		
	Rory Reid		Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry39%		
04	Not sure		Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not marry		
Q4	Reid's job performance?		There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship22%		
	Approve44%		Not sure		
	Disapprove51%	Q9	Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion		
	Not sure 5%		of John Ensign?		
Q5	Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Sharron Angle?		Favorable22% Unfavorable58%		
	Favorable17%		Not sure		
	Unfavorable70%		1001 3010		
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Q10	Do you think that prostitution should be le illegal?	gal or
	Legal	56%
	Illegal	32%
	Not sure	12%
Q11	Do you think that online poker should be I or illegal?	egal
	Legal	40%
	Illegal	42%
	Not sure	
Q12	Who did you vote for President in 2008?	
	John McCain	43%
	Barack Obama	51%
	Someone else/Don't remember	6%
Q13	Would you describe yourself as very libera somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?	al,
	Very liberal	11%
	Somewhat liberal	18%
	Moderate	29%
	Somewhat conservative	
	Veny conservative	17%

Q14	If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, pres	ss 2.
	Woman	52%
	Man	48%
Q15	If you are a Democrat, press 1. If a Republi press 2. If you are an independent or identi with another party, press 3.	can,
	Democrat	43%
	Republican	.38%
	Independent/Other	
Q16	If you are Hispanic, press 1. If white, press If African American, press 3. If other, press	2.
	Hispanic	16%
	White	71%
	African American	
	Other	5%
Q17	If you are 18 to 29 years old, press 1. If 30 45, press 2. If 46 to 65, press 3. If you are older than 65, press 4.	to
	18 to 29	. 8%
	30 to 45	28%
	46 to 65	44%
	Older than 65	



		2008 Vo	2008 Vote		
	Base	John McCain		Someone else/Don't remember	
Sandoval approval					
Approve	46%	73%	23%	53%	
Disapprove	36%	12%	56%	26%	
Not sure	18%	15%	20%	21%	

		2008 Vote			
	Base	John McCain		Someone else/Don't remember	
Would Sandoval VP Bid Make You More/Less Likely to Vote GOP for Pres?					
More likely	20%	30%	11%	22%	
Less likely	34%	14%	53%	19%	
Wouldn't make a difference	46%	56%	37%	59%	

		2008 Vo	2008 Vote			
	Base	John McCain		Someone else/Don't remember		
Sandoval/Reid Do- over		-				
Rory Reid	42%	6%	73%	32%		
Brian Sandoval	53%	91%	20%	65%		
Not sure	5%	3%	7%	2%		

		2008 Vote		
	Base	John McCain		Someone else/Don't remember
Reid approval		•		
Approve	44%	5%	78%	28%
Disapprove	51%	92%	16%	51%
Not sure	5%	3%	6%	21%





		2008 Vote			
	Base	John McCain		Someone else/Don't remember	
Angle Favorability					
Favorable	17%	34%	3%	21%	
Unfavorable	70%	47%	91%	63%	
Not sure	12%	19%	6%	16%	

		2008 Vo	2008 Vote		
	Base		Barack Obama	Someone else/Don't remember	
Reid/Angle Do-over		·			
Harry Reid	53%	10%	90%	40%	
Sharron Angle	40%	78%	8%	37%	
Not sure	8%	12%	2%	23%	

		2008 Vote			
	Base	John McCain		Someone else/Don't remember	
Same-Sex Marriage					
Legal	45%	18%	69%	41%	
Illegal	44%	72%	21%	42%	
Not sure	11%	10%	10%	17%	

		2008 Vo	2008 Vote		
	Base	John McCain		Someone else/Don't remember	
Gay Marriage/Civil Unions/No Recognition					
Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	39%	10%	63%	28%	
Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not marry	38%	51%	27%	44%	
There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship	22%	37%	9%	22%	
Not sure	2%	2%	1%	5%	





		2008 Vo	2008 Vote		
	Base	John McCain		Someone else/Don't remember	
Ensign Favorability					
Favorable	22%	39%	7%	21%	
Unfavorable	58%	35%	77%	57%	
Not sure	20%	26%	15%	22%	

		2008 Vote				
	Base	John McCain		Someone else/Don't remember		
Prostitution		·				
Legal	56%	54%	57%	59%		
Illegal	32%	35%	30%	33%		
Not sure	12%	11%	13%	8%		

		2008 Vo	2008 Vote				
	Base	John McCain		Someone else/Don't remember			
Online Poker		•					
Legal	40%	38%	42%	38%			
Illegal	42%	45%	40%	39%			
Not sure	18%	17%	18%	23%			

		Ideology					
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Somew hat conservative	. ,	
Sandoval approval		_	_		-	-	
Approve	46%	17%	21%	40%	64%	76%	
Disapprove	36%	67%	59%	37%	21%	10%	
Not sure	18%	17%	20%	22%	16%	14%	





		Ideology				
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Som ew hat conservative	Very conservative
Would Sandoval VP Bid Make You More/Less Likely to Vote GOP for Pres?						
More likely	20%	7%	9%	16%	31%	29%
Less likely	34%	46%	51%	40%	25%	10%
Wouldn't make a difference	46%	46%	39%	43%	44%	61%

		Ideology				
	Base	Very liberal			Som ew hat conservative	Very conservative
Sandoval/Reid Do- over						
Rory Reid	42%	81%	77%	48%	18%	5%
Brian Sandoval	53%	10%	17%	46%	78%	94%
Not sure	5%	9%	6%	6%	4%	2%

		Ideolo	ldeology						
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Somew hat conservative				
Reid approval		_	<u>-</u>	_	-	='			
Approve	44%	72%	78%	56%	18%	6%			
Disapprove	51%	20%	15%	36%	81%	91%			
Not sure	5%	8%	7%	8%	2%	4%			

		Ideolog	deology					
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Somew hat conservative			
Angle Favorability			-	-				
Favorable	17%	4%	4%	9%	27%	41%		
Unfavorable	70%	92%	89%	81%	59%	36%		
Not sure	12%	4%	7%	10%	14%	23%		





		Ideology				
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Somew hat conservative	Very conservative
Reid/Angle Do-over		-	<u>-</u>	=		
Harry Reid	53%	83%	90%	66%	27%	7%
Sharron Angle	40%	12%	6%	26%	59%	89%
Not sure	8%	5%	4%	7%	14%	4%

		Ideolog	deology					
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Somew hat conservative	Very conservative		
Same-Sex Marriage								
Legal	45%	76%	77%	56%	21%	9%		
Illegal	44%	16%	14%	31%	66%	85%		
Not sure	11%	8%	9%	13%	13%	6%		

		Ideolog	ldeology					
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Somewhat conservative	Very conservative		
Gay Marriage/Civil Unions/No Recognition								
Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	39%	69%	76%	45%	13%	6%		
Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not marry	38%	23%	13%	42%	52%	46%		
There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship	22%	7%	9%	11%	33%	47%		
Not sure	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%		

		ldeology					
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Som ew hat conservative	Very conservative	
Ensign Favorability			_	_	_		
Favorable	22%	14%	6%	14%	30%	45%	
Unfavorable	58%	74%	81%	65%	48%	27%	
Not sure	20%	12%	13%	22%	23%	28%	





		ldeology					
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Somew hat conservative	Very conservative	
Prostitution			<u>-</u>				
Legal	56%	55%	63%	62%	49%	49%	
Illegal	32%	24%	21%	28%	42%	41%	
Not sure	12%	21%	16%	10%	9%	10%	

		Ideolog	deology				
	Base	Very liberal	Som ew hat liberal		Somew hat conservative	Very conservative	
Online Poker							
Legal	40%	43%	45%	40%	45%	27%	
Illegal	42%	35%	35%	46%	38%	56%	
Not sure	18%	22%	20%	15%	17%	18%	

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Sandoval approval		-	
Approve	46%	42%	51%
Disapprove	36%	40%	31%
Not sure	18%	18%	18%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Would Sandoval VP Bid Make You More/Less Likely to Vote GOP for Pres?			
More likely	20%	19%	21%
Less likely	34%	34%	34%
Wouldn't make a difference	46%	47%	45%





		Gender		
	Base	Woman	Man	
Sandoval/Reid Do- over				
Rory Reid	42%	45%	38%	
Brian Sandoval	53%	50%	57%	
Not sure	5%	5%	5%	

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Reid approval		-	
Approve	44%	45%	42%
Disapprove	51%	48%	54%
Not sure	5%	8%	3%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Angle Favorability		-	
Favorable	17%	16%	19%
Unfavorable	70%	73%	68%
Notsure	12%	12%	13%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Reid/Angle Do-over		-	
Harry Reid	53%	56%	49%
Sharron Angle	40%	38%	42%
Not sure	8%	7%	9%





		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Same-Sex Marriage		-	
Legal	45%	48%	43%
Illegal	44%	43%	45%
Not sure	11%	9%	12%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Gay Marriage/Civil Unions/No Recognition			
Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	39%	41%	35%
Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not marry	38%	38%	39%
There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship	22%	20%	24%
Not sure	2%	1%	2%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Ensign Favorability		-	
Favorable	22%	19%	24%
Unfavorable	58%	59%	57%
Not sure	20%	23%	18%

		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Prostitution		- -	
Legal	56%	46%	67%
Illegal	32%	39%	25%
Not sure	12%	16%	8%





		Gender	
	Base	Woman	Man
Online Poker		-	
Legal	40%	36%	44%
Illegal	42%	45%	40%
Not sure	18%	19%	16%

	Party					
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other		
Sandoval approval						
Approve	46%	25%	69%	47%		
Disapprove	36%	55%	15%	34%		
Not sure	18%	20%	16%	18%		

		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other		
Would Sandoval VP Bid Make You More/Less Likely to Vote GOP for Pres?						
More likely	20%	11%	31%	17%		
Less likely	34%	49%	17%	34%		
Wouldn't make a difference	46%	40%	52%	49%		

		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other		
Sandoval/Reid Do- over						
Rory Reid	42%	74%	7%	39%		
Brian Sandoval	53%	20%	89%	56%		
Not sure	5%	6%	4%	4%		





		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other		
Reid approval		•		•		
Approve	44%	75%	8%	42%		
Disapprove	51%	17%	88%	52%		
Not sure	5%	7%	3%	5%		

		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other		
Angle Favorability		='				
Favorable	17%	5%	31%	19%		
Unfavorable	70%	86%	52%	71%		
Not sure	12%	9%	17%	11%		

		Party					
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other			
Reid/Angle Do-over		•	•	-			
Harry Reid	53%	86%	14%	54%			
Sharron Angle	40%	10%	76%	34%			
Not sure	8%	3%	10%	12%			

		Party					
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other			
Same-Sex Marriage		='					
Legal	45%	67%	20%	45%			
Illegal	44%	24%	73%	33%			
Not sure	11%	9%	7%	22%			





		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other		
Gay Marriage/Civil Unions/No Recognition						
Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	39%	62%	13%	38%		
Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not marry	38%	26%	48%	45%		
There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship	22%	11%	38%	16%		
Not sure	2%	2%	1%	1%		

		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other		
Ensign Favorability		='				
Favorable	22%	10%	37%	17%		
Unfavorable	58%	74%	39%	61%		
Not sure	20%	16%	24%	23%		

		Party				
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other		
Prostitution		<u>-</u>				
Legal	56%	56%	51%	65%		
Illegal	32%	30%	39%	23%		
Not sure	12%	14%	10%	11%		

		Party					
	Base	Democrat	Republican	Independent/Other			
Online Poker		='		•			
Legal	40%	40%	36%	49%			
Illegal	42%	41%	49%	32%			
Not sure	18%	19%	15%	18%			





		Race				
	Base	Hispanic	White	African American	Other	
Sandoval approval		-		-		
Approve	46%	35%	52%	17%	46%	
Disapprove	36%	35%	32%	66%	38%	
Not sure	18%	29%	16%	17%	15%	

		Race			
	Base	Hispanic	White	African American	Other
Would Sandoval VP Bid Make You More/Less Likely to Vote GOP for Pres?					
More likely	20%	26%	20%	7%	23%
Less likely	34%	32%	32%	55%	38%
Wouldn't make a difference	46%	42%	49%	38%	38%

		Race			
	Base	Hispanic	White	African American	Other
Sandoval/Reid Do- over					
Rory Reid	42%	55%	34%	83%	52%
Brian Sandoval	53%	42%	61%	14%	44%
Not sure	5%	3%	6%	3%	4%

	Race					
	Base	Hispanic	White	African American	Other	
Reid approval						
Approve	44%	58%	36%	90%	38%	
Disapprove	51%	32%	60%	10%	50%	
Not sure	5%	10%	5%	-	12%	





		Race			
	Base	Hispanic	White	African American	Other
Angle Favorability		=	=	-	=
Favorable	17%	19%	19%	-	23%
Unfavorable	70%	77%	68%	83%	62%
Not sure	12%	3%	13%	17%	15%

		Race			
	Base	Hispanic	White	African American	Other
Reid/Angle Do-over		•			
Harry Reid	53%	65%	46%	90%	54%
Sharron Angle	40%	29%	46%	7%	42%
Not sure	8%	6%	9%	3%	4%

		Race			
	Base	Hispanic	White	African American	Other
Same-Sex Marriage					
Legal	45%	52%	43%	45%	52%
Illegal	44%	29%	47%	52%	44%
Not sure	11%	19%	10%	3%	4%

		Race	Race				
	Base	Hispanic	White	African American	Other		
Gay Marriage/Civil Unions/No Recognition							
Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	39%	45%	36%	41%	50%		
Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not marry	38%	39%	40%	31%	15%		
There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship	22%	16%	22%	24%	35%		
Not sure	2%	-	2%	3%	-		





		Race			
	Base	Hispanic	White	African American	Other
Ensign Favorability		-		-	
Favorable	22%	19%	24%	7%	19%
Unfavorable	58%	58%	57%	69%	54%
Not sure	20%	23%	19%	24%	27%

		Race			
	Base	Hispanic	White	African American	Other
Prostitution		•			
Legal	56%	45%	61%	38%	46%
Illegal	32%	42%	28%	48%	31%
Not sure	12%	13%	11%	14%	23%

		Race		_	
	Base	Hispanic	White	African American	Other
Online Poker					
Legal	40%	39%	41%	34%	38%
Illegal	42%	48%	42%	31%	42%
Not sure	18%	13%	17%	34%	19%

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Sandoval approval					
Approve	46%	41%	39%	51%	47%
Disapprove	36%	30%	42%	33%	36%
Not sure	18%	29%	19%	15%	18%





		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Would Sandoval VP Bid Make You More/Less Likely to Vote GOP for Pres?					
More likely	20%	14%	18%	19%	27%
Less likely	34%	39%	40%	31%	31%
Wouldn't make a difference	46%	47%	42%	51%	42%

		Age					
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45		Older than 65		
Sandoval/Reid Do- over							
Rory Reid	42%	56%	43%	40%	38%		
Brian Sandoval	53%	41%	51%	55%	57%		
Not sure	5%	3%	6%	5%	5%		

		Age				
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65	
Reid approval						
Approve	44%	58%	41%	43%	43%	
Disapprove	51%	34%	50%	53%	56%	
Not sure	5%	8%	9%	4%	1%	

		Age				
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65	
Angle Favorability						
Favorable	17%	14%	20%	17%	15%	
Unfavorable	70%	74%	69%	71%	70%	
Not sure	12%	12%	10%	12%	15%	





		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Reid/Angle Do-over					
Harry Reid	53%	68%	53%	51%	48%
Sharron Angle	40%	25%	41%	40%	44%
Not sure	8%	7%	5%	9%	8%

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Same-Sex Marriage					
Legal	45%	59%	45%	47%	35%
Legal Illegal	44%	28%	42%	43%	57%
Not sure	11%	13%	13%	10%	8%

		Age				
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65	
Gay Marriage/Civil Unions/No Recognition						
Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry	39%	53%	41%	40%	25%	
Gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not marry	38%	29%	32%	39%	47%	
There should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship	22%	17%	26%	19%	26%	
Not sure	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	

		Age				
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65	
Ensign Favorability						
Favorable	22%	21%	22%	20%	24%	
Unfavorable	58%	51%	53%	63%	58%	
Not sure	20%	28%	25%	17%	18%	





		Age				
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65	
Prostitution						
Legal	56%	60%	45%	61%	59%	
Illegal	32%	26%	39%	30%	30%	
Not sure	12%	14%	16%	9%	11%	

		Age			
	Base	18 to 29	30 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Online Poker					
Legal	40%	46%	47%	36%	36%
		29%			45%
Not sure	18%	25%	17%	16%	19%

