

**EPIC•MRA STATEWIDE POLL – SEPTEMBER 2013**  
**[FREQUENCY REPORT OF SURVEY RESPONSES – 600 SAMPLE – ERROR ±4.0%]**  
*Polling Dates: September 7, 2013 through September 10, 2013*  
*Conducted by live callers -- 20% cell phones*

\_03. Overall, would you say that things in the United States are generally headed in the right direction, or, have things pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?

28% | Right direction  
 59% | Wrong track  
 13% | Undecided/Refused

\_04. How about in Michigan – are things generally headed in the right direction, or, have things pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?

42% | Right direction  
 42% | Wrong track  
 16% | Undecided/Refused

Now, I would like to read the names of several political figures. For each one, please tell me if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of that person. If you do not recognize a name, please say so and we can move on. The first name is \_\_\_\_\_? “Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of that person?” **[IF FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE, ASK: “Would that be very or generally?” AND CODE BEST RESPONSE]**

<b>[ROTATE Q.5 TO Q.9]</b>	<b><u>DO NOT</u></b> <b><u>RECOG</u></b>	<b><u>VERY</u></b> <b><u>FAVOR</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL</u></b> <b><u>FAVOR</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL</u></b> <b><u>UNFAV</u></b>	<b><u>VERY</u></b> <b><u>UNFAV</u></b>	<b><u>REF</u></b> <b><u>UNDEC</u></b>
_05. Barack Obama	---	24%	<b>48%</b>	<b>46%</b>	32%	6%
_06. Rick Snyder	---	11%	<b>49%</b>	<b>38%</b>	22%	13%
_07. Gary Peters	55%	7%	<b>18%</b>	<b>10%</b>	4%	17%
_08. Terri Lynn Land	42%	8%	<b>28%</b>	<b>10%</b>	4%	20%
_09. Mark Schauer	67%	2%	<b>10%</b>	<b>6%</b>	3%	17%

\_10. Overall, how would you rate the job being done by Barack Obama as President -- would you give him a positive rating of excellent or pretty good, or a negative rating of just fair or poor?

9% | Excellent  
 30% | Pretty good  
**39% | TOTAL POSITIVE**  
**60% | TOTAL NEGATIVE**  
 23% | Just fair  
 37% | Poor  
 1% | Undecided/Refused

\_\_11. Overall, how would you rate the job Rick Snyder has done as Michigan's Governor – would you give him a positive rating of excellent or pretty good, or a negative rating of just fair or poor?

8%	Excellent
36%	Pretty good
<b>44%</b>	<b>TOTAL POSITIVE</b>
<b>54%</b>	<b>TOTAL NEGATIVE</b>
31%	Just fair
23%	Poor
2%	Undecided/Refused

\_\_12. Thinking about the economy in Michigan, do you believe the state's economy... **[READ 1 TO 3]**

56%	Has already bottomed out and is starting to improve
27%	Is at the bottom but is not yet getting any better
13%	Has not yet bottomed out and will still get worse
4%	Undecided/Refused

I know it's a long way off, but thinking about the November general election in 2014 for governor, and US Senate, please tell me how you would vote in the following two matchups.

\_\_13. In the race for Governor, if the election were held today, would you vote for **[ROTATE]** Rick Snyder the Republican or Mark Schauer **[Shower]** the Democrat?

**[IF UNDECIDED, ASK: "Well, if the election were held today and you had to decide right now, which candidate would you lean toward, [ROTATE] Mark Schauer the Democrat or Rick Snyder the Republican?" AND CODE BEST RESPONSE]**

28%	Vote for Mark Schauer the Democrat
8%	Lean toward Mark Schauer
<b>36%</b>	<b>TOTAL VOTE SCHAUER</b>
<b>44%</b>	<b>TOTAL VOTE SNYDER</b>
37%	Vote for Rick Snyder the Republican
7%	Lean toward Rick Snyder
20%	Undecided/Refused

\_\_14. In the race for U.S. Senate, if the election were held today, would you vote for **[ROTATE]** Terri Lynn Land the Republican or Gary Peters the Democrat?

**[IF UNDECIDED, ASK: "Well, if the election were held today and you had to decide right now, which candidate would you lean toward, [ROTATE] Gary Peters the Democrat or Terri Lynn Land the Republican?" AND CODE BEST RESPONSE]**

32%	Vote for Gary Peters the Democrat
6%	Lean toward Gary Peters
<b>38%</b>	<b>TOTAL VOTE PETERS</b>
<b>37%</b>	<b>TOTAL VOTE LAND</b>
33%	Vote for Terri Lynn Land the Republican
4%	Lean toward Terri Lynn Land
25%	Undecided/Refused

\_\_31. Thinking about the financial situation for you and your family, over the past year or two, has your family financial situation improved, gotten worse or remained about the same?

55%	Stayed about the same
28%	Gotten worse
16%	Improved
1%	Undecided/Refused

On another topic...

\_\_36. The U.S. Department of Justice has decided that they will not challenge any state laws that are enacted which make changes in how marijuana use and possession is dealt with in terms of criminal penalties. Thinking about current marijuana laws in Michigan, which of the following statements best describes the approach to marijuana use that you favor the most? [**READ AND ROTATE 1 TO 4 – ACCEPT FIRST AND ONLY ONE RESPONSE**]

47%	Legalize marijuana by taxing and regulating it like alcohol
26%	Continue our present system of state criminal penalties for marijuana offenses
16%	Replace criminal penalties for marijuana offenses with a fine
4%	Repeal all state criminal penalties for marijuana offenses
7%	Undecided/Refused

\_\_37. Based on your personal experience or what you know or have heard or read, do you support or oppose the efforts of the Tea Party movement? [**IF SUPPORT OR OPPOSE, ASK: ‘Do you strongly or somewhat (SUPPORT/OPPOSE) the Tea Party movement?’ AND CODE BEST RESPONSE**]

15%	Strongly supports Tea Party movement
19%	Somewhat supports Tea Party movement
<b>34%</b>	<b>TOTAL SUPPORT</b>
<b>42%</b>	<b>TOTAL OPPOSE</b>
8%	Somewhat opposes Tea Party movement
34%	Strongly opposes Tea Party movement
24%	Undecided/Refused

Finally, I would like to ask you a few questions about yourself for statistical purposes.

\_\_38. Do you think of yourself as pro-choice, meaning that you support allowing women to have the right to an abortion, or do you consider yourself pro-life, meaning that you oppose abortions except where it is necessary to save the life of the mother?

52%	Pro-choice
42%	Pro-life
6%	Undecided/Refused

\_\_46. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself a Republican or a Democrat?

**(IF DEM)** Do you consider yourself a strong Democrat or a not very strong Democrat?

**(IF INDEP)** Do you consider yourself closer to the Republican or Democratic Party?

**(IF REP)** Do you consider yourself a strong Republican or not a very strong Republican?

23%	Strong Democrat
9%	Not Strong Democrat
9%	Independent-Lean Democrat
<b>41%</b>	<b>TOTAL DEMOCRAT</b>
19%	Independent
<b>37%</b>	<b>TOTAL REPUBLICAN</b>
7%	Independent-Lean Republican
8%	Not Strong Republican
22%	Strong Republican
3%	Other/Undecided/Refused