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Public Policy Polling's newest New Hampshire survey finds pretty steady races for both the Senate and Governor, with Jeanne Shaheen leading Scott Brown by 4 points and Maggie Hassan with a 10 point advantage over Walt Havenstein.

Key findings from the survey include:

-Shaheen is at 49% to 45% for Brown. Shaheen is winning over 15% of Republican voters while losing only 7% of Democrats to Brown, and she also has a 48/44 advantage with independent voters. Shaheen's lead is being particularly driven by her strength with women (57/38) and seniors (55/42).

-Voters continue to have a negative opinion of Scott Brown. Only 44% view him favorably to 48% with an unfavorable opinion. Meanwhile Shaheen is on positive ground with Granite State voters, 49% of whom give her a favorable rating to 44% with a negative one.

-Brown's record on environmental issues, which has been spotlighted in LCV ads, is one of the things holding him back. Voters say by a 31 point margin that they're less likely to vote for him knowing that he supports special tax breaks for big oil, and they say by a 17 point margin that they're less likely to vote for him knowing he has made statements questioning the scientific evidence about the causes of climate change.

-Hassan leads Havenstein 53/43 in the race for Governor. She is up by double digits with independents, 53/41, and is winning 15% of Republicans while losing just 8% of Democrats.

PPP interviewed 764 likely voters on October 20th and 21st. The margin of error for the poll is +/- 3.6%. This survey was conducted on behalf of the LCV Victory Fund.

