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INDIANA: YOUNG CATCHES UP TO BAYH FOR SENATE; TRUMP WIDENS LEAD FOR PRESIDENT

Democrat stays ahead in governor's race

West Long Branch, NJ – It no longer looks like Democrats can count on Indiana for an easy "plus one" in their bid to take control of the U.S. Senate, according to the latest *Monmouth University Poll*. Republican Todd Young has erased former senator Evan Bayh's early advantage to pull into a tie for Senate. Young's campaign gets an assist from the top of the ticket where Donald Trump now holds an 11 point lead over Hillary Clinton for president. Indiana Democrats can take some comfort from the governor's race, though, where John Gregg is ahead of Eric Holcomb by 6 points.

Among Indiana voters who are likely to cast ballots in November's presidential election or who have already voted early, 50% currently support Trump and 39% back Clinton while another 4% intend to vote for Libertarian Gary Johnson. The current margin is larger than the 4 point lead Trump held two weeks ago (45% to 41%) and matches the 11 point lead he held in August (47% to 36%).

Trump is ahead among voters without a four-year college degree (54% to 34%) as well as college graduates (46% to 43%). His non-college edge is similar to prior polls -53% to 33% in mid-October and 54% to 33% in August. However, he has turned around a prior deficit among college graduates from 36% to 50% for Clinton in mid-October and 39% to 40% for Clinton in August.

Trump continues to hold a wide lead among men – 54% to 35%, compared with a similar 52% to 34% earlier this month and 51% to 29% in August. He narrowly leads among women as well, by 47% to 42%, where he had trailed in mid-October (38% Trump to 47% Clinton) and was practically tied in August (44% Trump to 43% Clinton).

The poll was conducted from Thursday through Sunday, but voters interviewed after news broke on Friday about the FBI investigating new emails during Clinton's tenure as Secretary of State were asked about the impact of that news. A total of 4% of Indiana voters say this news caused them to change their mind about which candidate they would support. Another 85% said these latest developments ultimately has had no impact on their vote and 9% are unaware of the news.

"Earlier this month it looked like Clinton could potentially make a play for Indiana, but that opportunity has faded. While the email news does not play a decisive role in the presidential contest, a couple of points on the margins could be having a critical impact on tight down-ballot races," said Patrick Murray, director of the independent Monmouth University Polling Institute.

Turning to the contest to succeed retiring Republican U.S. Senator Dan Coats, former senator Evan Bayh and Congressman Todd Young are tied at 45% for Bayh and 45% for Young. Libertarian Lucy Brenton garners 4% of the vote. Bayh had held a steady 6 to 7 point lead in prior Monmouth polls – 48% to 42% in mid-October and 48% to 41% in August.

"Attacks on Bayh's out of state activities have certainly led to this shift, but renewed strength at the top of the ticket is providing a crucial assist for Young," said Murray.

Clinton voters are more likely to stick with the Democrat in the U.S. Senate race than Trump voters are to back the Republican. Fully 90% of Clinton voters say they will support Bayh – basically unchanged from 87% in mid-October – while only 79% of Trump voters will back Young – similar to 74% earlier this month.

The poll finds that negative ratings of both candidates have crept up in the past two weeks, with Bayh feeling the bigger net negative effect. Currently, 38% of Indiana voters have a favorable opinion of Bayh and 32% hold an unfavorable view. He had a somewhat better 40% favorable to 26% unfavorable rating in mid-October and an even better 46% favorable to 19% unfavorable rating in August.

Young gets a 30% favorable to 24% unfavorable rating from the state's voters. This compares with a 27% favorable to 19% unfavorable rating in mid-October and a 29% favorable to 15% unfavorable rating in August.

The *Monmouth University Poll* also finds a shift in the race to succeed Pence as governor, but the Democrat still holds the lead. Former state legislator and 2012 gubernatorial nominee John Gregg is ahead of Lt. Gov. Eric Holcomb by a 48% to 42% margin. Another 4% support Libertarian Rex Bell. Gregg held a larger 50% to 38% lead in mid-October while the race was virtually tied in August at 42% for Holcomb and 41% for Gregg.

In other poll results on the presidential race, 35% of Indiana voters have a favorable view of Trump and 51% hold an unfavorable opinion of him. While these numbers are nothing to brag about, they are nominally better than his prior Hoosier State rating of 31% favorable to 58% unfavorable in mid-October and 33% favorable to 54% unfavorable in August.

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Clinton receives an even worse 27% favorable to 63% unfavorable rating, compared with her 30% favorable to 59% unfavorable rating in mid-October and her 28% favorable to 62% unfavorable rating in August.

Indiana's current governor, GOP vice presidential nominee Mike Pence, has seen a slight uptick in his state job approval rating since earlier this month. He currently earns a 52% approve to 43% disapprove rating for his performance as governor, compared with 47% approve to 44% disapprove two weeks ago. He had somewhat better ratings in August, after he accepted his party's nomination to the national ticket, of 54% approve to 35% disapprove.

The *Monmouth University Poll* was conducted by telephone from October 27 to 30, 2016 with 402 Indiana residents likely to vote in the November election. This sample has a margin of error of ± 4.9 percent. The poll was conducted by the Monmouth University Polling Institute in West Long Branch, NJ.

QUESTIONS AND RESULTS

(* Some columns may not add to 100% due to rounding.)

1/2. If the election for President was today, would you vote for Donald Trump the Republican, Hillary Clinton the Democrat, or Gary Johnson the Libertarian? [*IF UNDECIDED:* If you had to vote for one of the following candidates at this moment, who do you lean toward – Donald Trump or Hillary Clinton?] [*NAMES WERE ROTATED*]

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(with leaners)	Late October	Mid October	August
(with learlers)	2016	2016	2016
Donald Trump	50%	47%	
Hillary Clinton	39%	41%	36%
Gary Johnson	4%	9%	10%
(VOL) Other candidate	2% <1%		1%
(VOL) Undecided	5%	5%	5%
(n)	(402)	(402)	(403)

3. If the election for U.S. Senate was today, would you vote for Todd Young the Republican, Evan Bayh the Democrat, or Lucy Brenton the Libertarian? [*IF UNDECIDED:* If you had to vote for one of the following candidates at this moment, who do you lean toward – Todd Young or Evan Bayh?] [*NAMES WERE ROTATED*]

(with loopara)	Late October	Mid October	August
(with leaners)	2016	2016	2016
Todd Young	45%	42%	41%
Evan Bayh	45%	48%	48%
Lucy Brenton	4%	6%	4%
(VOL) Undecided	5%	4%	7%
(n)	(402)	(402)	(403)

4. If the election for Governor was today, would you vote for Eric Holcomb the Republican, John Gregg the Democrat, or Rex Bell the Libertarian? [*IF UNDECIDED:* If you had to vote for one of the following candidates at this moment, who do you lean toward – Eric Holcomb or John Gregg?] [*NAMES WERE ROTATED*]

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	Late October	Mid October	August
	2016	2016	2016
Eric Holcomb	42%	38%	42%
John Gregg	48%	50%	41%
Rex Bell	4%	4%	4%
(VOL) Other candidate	0%	<1%	0%
(VOL) Undecided	5%	7%	13%
(n)	(402)	(402)	(403)

Regardless of who you may support...

[QUESTIONS 5 & 6 WERE ROTATED]

5. Is your general impression of Donald Trump favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no opinion of him?

	Late October	Mid October	August
	2016	2016	2016
Favorable	35%	31%	33%
Unfavorable	51%	58%	54%
No opinion	14%	11%	13%
(n)	(402)	(402)	(403)

6. Is your general impression of Hillary Clinton favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no opinion of her?

•	Late October 2016	Mid October 2016	August 2016
Favorable	27%	30%	28%
Unfavorable	63%	59%	62%
No opinion	10%	10%	10%
(n)	(402)	(402)	(403)

[QUESTIONS 7 & 8 WERE ROTATED]

7. Is your general impression of Todd Young favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no opinion of him?

	Late October	Mid October	August
	2016	2016	2016
Favorable	30%	27%	29%
Unfavorable	24%	19%	15%
No opinion	45%	54%	55%
(n)	(402)	(402)	(403)

8. Is your general impression of Evan Bayh favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no opinion of him?

	Late October	Mid October	August
	2016	2016	2016
Favorable	38%	40%	46%
Unfavorable	32%	26%	19%
No opinion	29%	34%	35%
(n)	(402)	(402)	(403)

9. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Mike Pence is doing as governor?

	Late October	Mid October	August
	2016	2016	2016
Approve	52%	47%	54%
Disapprove	43%	44%	35%
(VOL) No opinion	5%	9%	11%
(n)	(402)	(402)	(403)

[NOTE: Questions 10/11 were asked in interviews conducted Fri-Sun: n=258; moe+6.1]

10. Have you read or heard about Friday's news that the FBI is now looking into newly discovered emails from Hillary Clinton's time as Secretary of State, or have you not heard about this recent news?

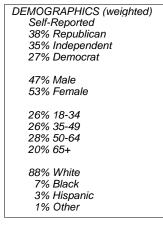
	Late October
	2016
Yes, heard	91%
Not heard	9%
(n)	(258)

11. Has this recent news changed your mind about who you will vote for in the presidential election, or has it not really changed your vote choice?

	Late October 2016
Changed mind about vote	4%
Not changed vote choice	85%
(VOL) Don't know	2%
Not heard	9%
(n)	(258)

METHODOLOGY

The *Monmouth University Poll* was sponsored and conducted by the Monmouth University Polling Institute from October 27 to 30, 2016 with a random sample of 402 likely Indiana voters. Interviews were conducted by a live caller in English, including 352 drawn from a list of registered voters (200 landline / 152 cell phone) and a random digit dial supplement of 50 cell phone interviews. Monmouth is responsible for all aspects of the survey design, data weighting and analysis. The final sample is weighted for age, gender, race and voting history based on voter list and U.S. Census information. Data collection support provided by Braun Research (field), Aristotle (voter list sample), and SSI (RDD sample). For results based on this sample, one can say with 95% confidence that the error attributable to sampling has a maximum margin of plus or minus 4.9 percentage points (unadjusted for sample design). Sampling error can be larger for sub-groups (see table below). In addition to sampling error, one should bear in mind that question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of opinion polls.



MARGIN OF ERROR			
		unweighted	moe
		sample	(+/-)
LIKELY VOTER	Total	402	4.9%
SELF-REPORTED	Republican	156	7.9%
PARTY ID	Independent	141	8.3%
	Democrat	105	9.6%
IDEOLOGY	Conservative	174	7.4%
	Moderate	138	8.4%
	Liberal	72	11.6%
GENDER	Male	194	7.0%
	Female	208	6.8%
AGE	18-49	196	7.0%
	50+	203	6.9%
RACE	White non-Hispanic	350	5.2%
	Other	44	14.8%
COLLEGE DEGREE	No	233	6.4%
	Yes	164	7.7%

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		TOTAL	TOTAL PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY		GENDER		AGE 2-WAY		
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q1-2. PREZ VOTE WITH	Trump	50%	86%	43%	9%	76%	40%	18%	54%	47%	49%
LEANERS	Clinton	39%	7%	38%	84%	14%	46%	75%	35%	42%	38%
	Johnson	4%	2%	11%	0%	3%	9%	0%	3%	5%	6%
	[VOL] Other cand	2%	1%	4%	2%	2%	0%	7%	4%	1%	3%
	Undecided	5%	5%	5%	4%	5%	5%	0%	5%	5%	4%

		AGE 2-WAY	RACE		COLLEGE	DEGREE
		50+	White non- Hispanic	Other	No	Yes
Q1-2. PREZ VOTE WITH	Trump	52%	55%	16%	54%	46%
LEANERS	Clinton	39%	34%	76%	34%	43%
	Johnson	3%	4%	3%	5%	4%
	[VOL] Other cand	1%	2%	2%	3%	1%
	Undecided	5%	5%	3%	4%	5%

		TOTAL		PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 2-WAY
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q3. SEN VOTE WITH LEANERS	Young	45%	82%	36%	5%	76%	31%	9%	50%	41%	44%
	Bayh	45%	10%	48%	90%	17%	54%	83%	42%	47%	44%
	Brenton	4%	3%	10%	0%	2%	7%	6%	4%	5%	4%
	Undecided	5%	5%	6%	5%	5%	7%	2%	4%	7%	7%

		AGE 2-WAY	RACE		COLLEGE DEGREE	
		50+	White non- Hispanic	Other	No	Yes
Q3. SEN VOTE WITH LEANERS	Young	46%	50%	14%	46%	46%
	Bayh	46%	41%	70%	40%	50%
	Brenton	4%	4%	6%	5%	3%
	Undecided	4%	5%	10%	9%	1%

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		TOTAL	PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 2-WAY	
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q4. GOV VOTE WITH LEANERS	Holcomb	42%	78%	32%	5%	72%	27%	13%	45%	40%	42%
	Gregg	48%	15%	52%	90%	23%	60%	80%	45%	51%	47%
	Bell	4%	2%	9%	2%	1%	7%	6%	7%	2%	5%
	Undecided	5%	5%	7%	3%	4%	7%	2%	3%	7%	6%

		AGE 2-WAY	RACE		COLLEGE	DEGREE
		50+	White non- Hispanic	Other	No	Yes
Q4. GOV VOTE WITH LEANERS	Holcomb	42%	47%	14%	43%	42%
	Gregg	50%	45%	71%	45%	53%
	Bell	4%	3%	12%	5%	4%
	Undecided	5%	5%	4%	8%	1%

		TOTAL PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 2-WAY		
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q5. Is your general impression of Favorable	35%	58%	31%	7%	54%	26%	14%	37%	33%	31%	
Donald Trump favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no	Unfavorable	51%	24%	58%	81%	29%	63%	77%	51%	52%	52%
opinion of him? No opinio	No opinion	14%	18%	11%	12%	17%	11%	8%	13%	15%	17%

		AGE 2-WAY	RACE	COLLEGE DEGREE		
		50+	White non- Hispanic	Other	No	Yes
Q5. Is your general impression of	Favorable	39%	38%	14%	40%	29%
Donald Trump favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no	Unfavorable	50%	49%	68%	45%	59%
opinion of him?	No opinion	11%	13%	18%	16%	12%

		TOTAL		PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 2-WAY
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q6. Is your general impression of Favorable	27%	4%	19%	69%	10%	31%	53%	22%	31%	25%	
Hillary Clinton favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no	Unfavorable	63%	93%	65%	19%	84%	59%	32%	68%	59%	65%
opinion of her?	No opinion	10%	4%	16%	11%	7%	10%	15%	9%	10%	11%

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		AGE 2-WAY	RACE	COLLEGE	DEGREE	
		50+	White non- Hispanic	Other	No	Yes
Q6. Is your general impression of	Favorable	29%	23%	57%	24%	29%
Hillary Clinton favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no	Unfavorable	62%	68%	31%	65%	62%
opinion of her?	No opinion	9%	9%	11%	11%	9%

		TOTAL PARTY ID		POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GENDER		AGE 2-WAY		
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q7. Is your general impression of	Favorable	30%	51%	26%	8%	53%	19%	8%	33%	28%	27%
Todd Young favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no	Unfavorable	24%	7%	26%	47%	9%	26%	53%	26%	23%	22%
opinion of him?	No opinion	45%	42%	48%	45%	38%	54%	39%	41%	49%	50%

		AGE 2-WAY	RACE	COLLEGE DEGREE		
		50+	White non- Hispanic	Other	No	Yes
Q7. Is your general impression of	Favorable	33%	34%	7%	27%	36%
Todd Young favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no	Unfavorable	26%	24%	35%	23%	26%
opinion of him?	No opinion	41%	43%	58%	50%	38%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID			POLI	TICAL IDEOL	OGY	GEN	AGE 2-WAY	
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
Q8. Is your general impression of Evan Bayh favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no opinion of him?	Favorable	38%	13%	40%	72%	17%	46%	66%	36%	40%	35%
	Unfavorable	32%	53%	30%	7%	49%	28%	9%	35%	30%	28%
	No opinion	29%	34%	30%	21%	34%	26%	24%	29%	29%	37%

		AGE 2-WAY	RACE	COLLEGE DEGREE		
		50+	White non- Hispanic	Other	No	Yes
Q8. Is your general impression of	Favorable	42%	37%	45%	34%	44%
Evan Bayh favorable or unfavorable, or do you have no	Unfavorable	37%	35%	17%	36%	29%
opinion of him?	No opinion	21%	28%	38%	31%	27%

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		TOTAL PARTY ID			POLI	TICAL IDEOL	GENDER			
			Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female
Q9. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Mike Pence is doing as governor?	Approve	52%	85%	43%	16%	82%	38%	15%	56%	48%
	Disapprove	43%	9%	53%	79%	15%	55%	80%	40%	46%
	(VOL) Neither_No opinion_Dont Know_Refused	5%	6%	4%	5%	3%	7%	6%	4%	6%

		AGE 2-WAY		RACE	COLLEGE DEGREE		
		18-49	50+	White non- Hispanic	Other	No	Yes
Q9. Do you approve or	Approve	50%	54%	54%	32%	56%	46%
disapprove of the job Mike Pence is doing as governor?	Disapprove	45%	42%	41%	58%	38%	51%
	(VOL) Neither_No opinion_Dont Know_Refused	5%	5%	5%	10%	7%	3%

		TOTAL	PARTY ID			POLITICAL IDEOLOGY			GEN	AGE 2-WAY	
		asked Fri-Sun	Rep	Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female	18-49
E1. Have you read or heard about Fridays news that the FBI is now looking into newly discovered emails from Hillary Clintons time as Secretary of State, or have you not heard about this recent news?	Yes, heard Not heard	91% 9%	88% 12%	93% 7%	91% 9%	93% 7%	87% 13%	93% 7%	93% 7%	88% 12%	89% 11%

		AGE 2-WAY	RACE	COLLEGE DEGREE		
		50+	White non- Hispanic	Other	No	Yes
E1. Have you read or heard about Fridays news that the FBI is now looking into newly discovered emails from Hillary Clintons time	Yes, heard	93% 7%	90%	100% 0%	88%	96% 4%
as Secretary of State, or have you not heard about this recent news?	Not neard	170	10%	0%	12%	4%

		TOTAL		PARTY ID			POLI	TICAL IDEOL	OGY	GENDER	
		asked Fri-Su	n Rep		Ind	Dem	Con	Mod	Lib	Male	Female
E2. Has this recent news changed your mind about who you will vote for in the presidential	Changed mind about vote	4	% 6	6%	4%	3%	5%	3%	4%	5%	4%
			% 81	%	86%	88%	87%	81%	87%	86%	83%
election, or has it not really changed your vote choice?	(VOL) Dont know_refused	2	% 1	%	4%	0%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%
changed your vote choice:	Have not heard	9	% 12	2%	7%	9%	7%	13%	7%	7%	12%
		AGE 2-WAY		RACE		COLL	EGE DEGREE				
		18-49	50+		White non- Hispanic	Other	No	Yes			

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4%

3%

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82%

E2. Has this recent news changed your mind about who you will vote for in the presidential election, or has it not really changed your vote choice?

Changed mind about vote

(VOL) Dont know_refused

Have not heard

Not really changed vote choice

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