Susquehanna Polling and Research, a firm profiled in two episodes of CBS’s *Inside Edition* for its accuracy in presidential battleground polling, today releases its latest Pennsylvania poll in the race for Governor. The poll was conducted Oct. 28 – Nov. 1, 2022, with a sample size of 700 likely voters using live telephone agents; the poll’s margin of error is +/-3.7% at the 95% confidence level.

**PA GOVERNOR: Josh Shapiro Leads by Double Digits, Poised to Continue Democrats Hold on Governor’s Office**

Democrat nominee Josh Shapiro holds a 13-point, 51.7% to 38.1% lead, over Doug Mastriano with less than one week to go before Election Day. The remaining 10% are either undecided or say they are voting for another candidate.

Shapiro has done something unthinkable, which is to have 95% of the Democratic base already committed to his candidacy in a pre-election poll, leaving virtually no Democrat voters undecided. This is almost mathematically impossible, yet the poll shows 95% backing Shapiro and an additional 5% backing Mastriano - leaving 0% undecided among Democrats. Usually, post-election, exit polling will often times show that major party candidates get the support of upwards of 95% of the vote from within their party, but rarely does this happen in a pre-election survey. By comparison, only 71% of registered Republicans say they plan to vote for Mastriano, leaving a whopping 20% of Republicans still on the fence with just days to go. These undecided Republicans, or 55 of the 66 voters in the survey, represent 83% of ALL undecided voters. It is uncommon to see such a high percentage of voters of a party refuse to commit to their own party’s nominee so close to an election. Yet, this is what is happening. However, the silver lining is that Mastriano may be the one who has any room to grow, while Shapiro may not. If Mastriano can appeal to these undecided Republicans, he can close the gap by as much as 5-6 points by our calculations. Even if all 55 undecided Republicans break for Mastriano, this puts him at 46% of the vote and still shy of a win.

Shapiro is also bucking the trend and winning both Independents and females. Some national polling shows a huge swing towards Republicans in federal races among female Independents, but not here. Shapiro is winning both Independents and females 54:36 (whereas Mehmet Oz in the Senate race leads his opponent with Ind’s and trails Fetterman by only a few points with females). Shapiro has also succeeded in brandishing an image with voters in the state’s conservative areas as a moderate, or at least as a Democrat who is not to be feared. For instance, he leads Mastriano in the Republican-trending Southwest (54:37) and is tied with Mastriano in the central “T” (44:41). These are must-win areas for Mastriano. The only region of the state where Mastriano leads is South Central Pa (16% of the state’s vote), at 51:38, and the Northwest (5% of the state’s vote), at 42:33.

Topline results and cross tabs follow this summary.
**TOP LINE RESULTS AND SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE**

Good morning/afternoon/evening, my name is (YOUR FIRST NAME). I am calling on behalf of Susquehanna Polling and Research, a public opinion research firm. May I speak to (name on list) or another registered voter in your household? (If name on list or another registered voter is not available, TERMINATE)

**INTRODUCTION:** We are conducting a survey of attitudes and opinions concerning some important issues facing Pennsylvania today. May we have just 4 to 5 minutes of your time to complete a brief survey?

Great, thank you...

F1: Thinking ahead to the election on Tuesday, November 8th for Governor, if the election were held today how would you rate your chances of voting – would you say excellent, good, fair or poor?

1. IF excellent 557 80% PROCEED TO Q1
2. IF good 57 08% PROCEED TO Q1
3. If fair -- THANK AND TERMINATE
4. If poor -- THANK AND TERMINATE
5. If already voted 85 12% PROCEED TO Q1

Q1. In the race for Governor, would you vote for Josh Shapiro (Shah-peer-oh), the Democrat candidate, or Doug Mastriano, the Republican candidate?

1. Shapiro/Democrat 362 51.7%
2. Mastriano/Republican 267 38.1%
3. Not Sure 66 09.4%
4. Other 4 00.5%
5. Refuse 1 00.2%

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This poll was conducted by Susquehanna Polling and Research, Inc\textsuperscript{1}. Interviews were conducted Oct. 28 – Nov. 1, 2022, with 700 likely voters in Pennsylvania. Survey respondents are randomly contacted using random selection procedures, and all telephone interviews are conducted using live telephone agents. The sample frame was compiled using random telephone sequence methods, and includes both landline and cellular households, purchased from a certified list vendor; all households are pre-screened to eliminate household telephone numbers on the federal Do Not Call registry in compliance with all applicable federal and state laws. Only known registered voters were contacted, compiled from a list of households with prior vote history in 1 of 4 or better general elections using G21, G20, G19 and/or G18 as the base universe. Voters who registered to vote after the 2021 general election are also eligible to participate.

All interviews are closely monitored to ensure a representative sample of the Pennsylvania electorate is achieved based on party registration, geography, gender, age cohort and other demographics; results are sometimes statistically weighted to adjust for coverage bias or non-response error.

The margin of error for a sample size of 700 interviews is +/-3.7% at the 95% confidence level.

\textsuperscript{1}Susquehanna Polling and Research, Inc. is a nationally recognized polling and focus group company and conducts polling for political, media and corporate clients mainly in PA, NY, IN, FL, NJ, MD, DE, SC, NC and other states. SP&R's polling has been featured on many national platforms, including the Rush Limbaugh Radio Show, FOX News Channel, The O'Reilly Factor, the Bill Maher Show and MSNBC. The internet news service Sunshine State News of Florida referred to SP&R as \textit{“one of the most prominent pollsters in the country”} for its accurate polling in the 2010 Florida Gubernatorial Republican Primary election. The website \url{www.realclearpolitics.com} lists SP&R's publicly released polling in Pennsylvania and other battleground states as some of the most accurate polling in the 2020 Presidential election. SP&R CEO Jim Lee was profiled on two episodes of CBS's Inside Edition for its unmatched accuracy in its battleground polling in the 2020 Elections.