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The Puerto Rico Herald obtained the key findings of a survey of Puerto Rico registered and likely voters. The poll was conducted between October 1st to October 5th, 2020 by a nationally recognized public opinion research firm. The poll, not conducted for any candidate or party, included questions on a wide array of important topics, using a scientifically designed sample across all of Puerto Rico regions, age groups, gender and socioeconomic levels to produce reliable findings regarding the current attitudes of registered voters about issues and potential candidates for office.

Pedro Pierluisi currently holds a seven-point edge in the race for governor, up from just two last month. He gets 31% of the vote (+2 points since September), with Charlie Delgado at 24% (-3). Alexandra Lúgaro (9%, +1) and Juan Dalmau (8%, +2) are far behind. Still, 18% of voters are undecided, meaning this race still has plenty of room for movement.

Pierluisi’s main sources of electoral strength include men (35%), seniors (40%), and – of course – PNP partisans (72%). He has improved his standing slightly with each of those groups since September. Importantly, he is winning over Vázquez loyalists: 75% of those who backed the governor in the primary are now voting for Pierluisi (up from 60% in September).

OTHER RACES

Jenniffer González remains on track to head back to Washington, leading Aníbal Acevedo Vilá 47% to 22%. More than seven-in-ten voters (72%) approve of the job she is doing as Resident Commissioner, which is an improvement on September’s already-strong job approval number.

The PNP’s lead on the generic legislative ballot is now 8 points, up from 5 points in mid-September. Still, 18% of voters are undecided and these races could break either way. The growth in PNP vote has come primarily from younger voters, men, and those who are affiliated with minor political parties.