



Rapinoe 42, Trump 41

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By popular demand PPP tested how a Megan Rapinoe v. Donald Trump 2020 match up would shake out, and we found that Rapinoe gets 42% to 41% for Trump.

Trump's 41% standing is familiar territory. On PPP's last public national poll we tested 8 of the actual Democratic candidates against Trump, and his standing was in the 40-42% range against all of them. His performance against Rapinoe fits with that general trend. Trump's approval rating is 42%, with 52% of voters disapproving of him.

In addition to having a slight edge over Trump already, Rapinoe has a lot more room for growth. The voters who are undecided in the Rapinoe/Trump head to head voted for Hillary Clinton by 58 points and just 8% of them approve of the job Trump is doing to 82% who disapprove. They're likely undecided either because they're not familiar with Rapinoe or aren't sure about her as a Presidential candidate, but given their past voting history and feelings about Trump, it seems unlikely they'll end up in his camp.

Rapinoe may be an unlikely Presidential candidate but her numbers still speak to a broader truth about Trump's standing- the fact that he polls in the low 40s against any Democrat he gets tested against shows that electability concerns are overrated and Democrats should feel comfortable voting for the candidates they like the best, not just the ones they think have the best chance of beating Trump.

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