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MALLOY 47%, FOLEY 44% IN 2-WAY CONNECTICUT GOV RACE, QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLL FINDS

With independent candidate Joe Visconti out of the Connecticut governor's race, Democratic incumbent Gov. Dannel Malloy has 47 percent of likely voters to Republican challenger Tom Foley's 44 percent, according to a Quinnipiac University poll released today. But 7 percent remain undecided one day before the election. .

This compares to results of an October 29 survey by the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University, showing Foley with 46 percent of likely voters to Malloy's 45 percent.

Republicans back Foley 89 – 7 percent as Democrats back Malloy 86 – 10 percent. Independent voters are divided with 44 percent for Malloy and 45 percent for Foley. Malloy leads Foley 53 – 38 percent among women, while Foley leads 51 – 41 percent among men.

“Contrary to conventional wisdom, independent candidate Joe Visconti's last minute exit from the governor's race doesn't look like it will help Republican Tom Foley,” said Douglas Schwartz, PhD, director of the Quinnipiac University Poll.

One day before the election, 89 percent of Connecticut likely voters who name a candidate say their mind is made up, while 11 percent say they might change their mind.

Connecticut likely voters give Foley a split 42 – 44 percent favorability rating, while Malloy gets a negative 43 – 49 percent score.

From October 28 – November 2, Quinnipiac University surveyed 926 likely voters with a margin of error of +/- 3.2 percentage points.

The Quinnipiac University Poll conducts public opinion surveys in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Florida, Ohio, Virginia, Iowa, Colorado and the nation as a public service and for research.

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1. If the election for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were Dan Malloy the Democrat, Tom Foley the Republican, and Joe Visconti running as an independent, for whom would you vote? (If undecided) If you had to choose today, would you vote for Malloy, Foley, or Visconti? (Table includes leaners)

	LIKELY VOTERS.....					
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom
Malloy	43%	6%	83%	36%	36%	49%
Foley	42	88	9	44	48	38
Visconti	8	4	5	13	11	6
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	1	-	1	-	1
DK/NA	6	1	3	6	5	6

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	LIKELY VOTERS.....				
	Nov 03 2014	Oct 29 2014	Oct 22 2014	Oct 08 2014	Sep 10 2014
Malloy	43	43	43	43	40
Foley	42	43	42	43	46
Visconti	8	7	9	9	7
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	1	1	-	1
DK/NA	6	6	6	5	6

1a. (If candidate chosen q1) Is your mind made up, or do you think you might change your mind before the election?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....			
	CANDIDATE CHOSEN Q1.....			
	Tot	CANDIDATE OF CHOICE Q1		
Malloy		Foley	Visconti	
Mind made up	89%	94%	92%	46%
Might change	11	6	8	53
DK/NA	-	-	-	1

TREND: (If candidate chosen) Is your mind made up, or do you think you might change your mind before the election?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....				
	CANDIDATE CHOSEN.....				
	Nov 03 2014	Oct 29 2014	Oct 22 2014	Oct 08 2014	Sep 10 2014
Mind made up	89	86	81	74	69
Might change	11	13	18	25	30
DK/NA	-	1	1	1	1

2. RECALCULATED MATCHUP Q1 ASKING VISCONTI VOTERS: Who is your second choice?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....					
	MATCHUP Q1 WITHOUT VISCONTI.....					
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom
Malloy	47%	7%	86%	44%	41%	53%
Foley	44	89	10	45	51	38
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	1	-	2	1	1
DK/NA	7	3	4	8	6	8

TREND: RECALCULATED MATCHUP ASKING VISCONTI VOTERS: Who is your second choice?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....				
	MATCHUP WITHOUT VISCONTI.....				
	Nov 03	Oct 29	Oct 22	Oct 08	Sep 10
	2014	2014	2014	2014	2014
Malloy	47	45	45	46	43
Foley	44	46	45	46	49
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	1	2	1	1
DK/NA	7	8	8	7	7

3. Is your opinion of Dan Malloy favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....					
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom
Favorable	43%	6%	80%	40%	38%	48%
Unfavorable	49	90	15	51	55	44
Hvn't hrd enough	4	2	3	7	3	5
REFUSED	4	2	2	2	5	3

TREND: Is your opinion of Dan Malloy favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....				
	Nov 03	Oct 29	Oct 22	Oct 08	Sep 10
	2014	2014	2014	2014	2014
Favorable	43	41	42	41	40
Unfavorable	49	52	50	51	53
Hvn't hrd enough	4	4	5	5	5
REFUSED	4	3	3	3	2

4. Is your opinion of Tom Foley favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....					
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom
Favorable	42%	82%	10%	43%	49%	35%
Unfavorable	44	9	79	40	38	50
Hvn't hrd enough	11	8	11	14	9	12
REFUSED	3	1	-	3	4	3

TREND: Is your opinion of Tom Foley favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....				
	Nov 03	Oct 29	Oct 22	Oct 08	Sep 10
	2014	2014	2014	2014	2014
Favorable	42	43	40	41	42
Unfavorable	44	43	46	39	33
Hvn't hrd enough	11	10	12	18	23
REFUSED	3	3	2	2	2

5. Is your opinion of Joe Visconti favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....					
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom
Favorable	12%	13%	8%	14%	15%	10%
Unfavorable	10	8	11	9	11	8
Hvn't hrd enough	75	77	79	76	71	79
REFUSED	3	2	2	1	4	3

TREND: Is your opinion of Joe Visconti favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....				
	Nov 03	Oct 29	Oct 22	Oct 08	Sep 10
	2014	2014	2014	2014	2014
Favorable	12	11	11	7	6
Unfavorable	10	11	8	7	4
Hvn't hrd enough	75	75	80	86	89
REFUSED	3	2	1	1	1