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NEW YORK VOTERS GIVE CUOMO HALF-HEARTED VALENTINE, QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLL FINDS; LITTLE LOVE FOR CUOMO OR GILLIBRAND WHITE HOUSE RUN

As he launches his campaign for a third term, New York State Gov. Andrew Cuomo gets a 47 – 37 percent job approval rating from voters statewide, with a negative 40 – 47 percent approval rating among upstate voters, according to a Quinnipiac University Poll released today.

Today's results are little changed from a July 12, 2017, survey by the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University Poll, showing Gov. Cuomo was at a 46 – 38 percent approval statewide and a negative 37 – 48 percent upstate approval.

In today's survey, Democrats approve 68 – 17 percent, the second poll in row in which he was below 70 percent among Democrats, a low level of same party approval for an elected official. Republicans disapprove 77 – 13 percent. Among independent voters, 41 percent approve and 39 percent disapprove.

New York City voters approve 53 – 27 percent and suburban voters approve 47 – 37 percent.

New York State voters say 50 – 40 percent they are "inclined to vote to reelect" Cuomo.

Only 5 percent of all voters, including 9 percent of Republicans, can correctly name any of the Republican candidates who have announced they are running for governor.

"Only half a box of Valentine's chocolates for New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo today," said Tim Malloy, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Poll. "Support for Gov. Cuomo is as grey as a February Day. And upstate, it's downright chilly."

Looking at Gov. Cuomo's personal qualities, New York State voters say:

- 64 – 28 percent that he has strong leadership qualities;
- 43 – 42 percent, a statistical tie, that he is honest and trustworthy;
- 49 – 43 percent that he cares about their needs and problems.

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19-Year Low for Schumer

New York State voters approve 53 – 35 percent of the job U.S. Sen. Chuck Schumer is doing, his lowest job approval rating since a 51 – 22 percent score in an April 15, 1999, survey, three months after he took office.

Approval for other elected officials are:

- Negative 30 – 65 percent for President Donald Trump, the first time he has hit 30 percent approval in his home state;
- 52 – 27 percent for U.S. Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand;
- 35 – 17 percent for State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli;
- 52 – 22 percent for State Attorney General Eric Schneiderman;
- 42 – 42 percent, including 55 – 41 percent in New York City, for Mayor Bill de Blasio.

"'Proof perhaps that even one the most popular of Senators can get muddied up in today's Washington swamp," Malloy said. "Sen. Chuck Schumer gets the worst approval rating he's seen in nearly 20 years."

Voters say 57 – 21 percent, including 54 – 25 percent among men, that Sen. Gillibrand is doing a good job on the issue of sexual harassment. Voters say 55 – 31 percent they are inclined to vote to reelect Gillibrand this year.

New York State voters say 63 – 28 percent, including 49 – 38 percent among Democrats, they would not like to see Cuomo run for president in 2020.

Voters also say no to a Gillibrand White House run, 58 – 28 percent, including 47 – 35 percent among Democrats.

By an even greater 78 – 15 percent, New York voters say no to a de Blasio run for president, with Democrats opposed 71 – 21 percent.

If they had to choose one of the three to run for president, it would be a toss-up between Gillibrand at 33 percent and Cuomo at 31 percent, with de Blasio at 15 percent.

From February 9 – 12, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,038 New York State voters with a margin of error of +/- 3.9 percentage points, including the design effect. Live interviewers call landlines and cell phones.

The Quinnipiac University Poll, directed by Douglas Schwartz, Ph.D., conducts nationwide public opinion surveys, and statewide polls in Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Florida, Ohio, Virginia, Iowa and Colorado as a public service and for research.

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1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Andrew Cuomo is handling his job as Governor?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE...... COLLEGE DEG Yes	No
Approve	47%	13%	68%	41%	42%	51%	46%	32%
Disapprove	37	77	17	39	44	30	41	52
DK/NA	17	10	15	20	13	19	13	16

	AGE IN YRS.............. 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE..... Men	Wom	Wht	Non- Wht
Approve	34%	53%	47%	52%	35%	43%	39%	59%
Disapprove	31	38	43	36	53	39	46	21
DK/NA	35	8	10	12	12	17	14	20

	AREA............ UpStat	NYC	Sub
Approve	40%	53%	47%
Disapprove	47	27	37
DK/NA	13	20	17

2. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Charles Schumer is handling his job as United States Senator?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE...... COLLEGE DEG Yes	No
Approve	53%	22%	77%	44%	48%	58%	57%	39%
Disapprove	35	75	12	41	43	28	38	47
DK/NA	12	3	11	16	9	14	6	14

	AGE IN YRS.............. 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE..... Men	Wom	Wht	Non- Wht
Approve	36%	57%	57%	62%	43%	54%	49%	60%
Disapprove	36	35	39	31	48	35	42	23
DK/NA	28	9	4	6	8	10	9	16

	AREA............ UpStat	NYC	Sub
Approve	51%	57%	49%
Disapprove	40	27	41
DK/NA	9	15	10

3. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Kirsten Gillibrand is handling her job as United States Senator?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE...... COLLEGE DEG Yes	No
Approve	52%	24%	71%	46%	49%	54%	57%	44%
Disapprove	27	58	10	32	32	24	31	35
DK/NA	21	18	19	22	20	22	13	20

	AGE IN YRS.............. 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE..... Men	Wom	Wht	Non- Wht
Approve	39%	55%	54%	60%	47%	55%	51%	54%
Disapprove	18	29	32	28	37	28	33	18
DK/NA	43	17	14	11	16	17	16	28

	AREA............ UpStat	NYC	Sub
Approve	53%	54%	46%
Disapprove	31	23	31
DK/NA	17	23	23

4. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE...... COLLEGE DEG Yes	No
Approve	30%	79%	5%	34%	40%	22%	31%	47%
Disapprove	65	15	93	59	56	74	66	47
DK/NA	4	5	2	7	5	4	3	5

	AGE IN YRS.............. 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE..... Men	Wom	Wht	Non- Wht
Approve	26%	29%	37%	28%	45%	32%	39%	17%
Disapprove	66	67	62	68	51	64	57	79
DK/NA	7	4	2	4	4	4	4	5

	AREA............ UpStat	NYC	Sub
Approve	36%	22%	37%
Disapprove	60	73	60
DK/NA	4	5	3

5. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Thomas DiNapoli is handling his job as State Comptroller?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE......COLLEGE DEG Yes	No
Approve	35%	34%	40%	33%	37%	34%	38%	32%
Disapprove	17	23	12	19	18	16	15	19
DK/NA	48	43	48	48	45	50	47	49

	AGE IN YRS.............. 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE..... Men	Wom	Wht	Non-Wht
Approve	18%	38%	44%	40%	37%	33%	35%	35%
Disapprove	23	20	14	12	18	15	17	18
DK/NA	59	41	43	48	44	52	48	47

	AREA............. UpStat	NYC	Sub
Approve	44%	30%	31%
Disapprove	15	18	16
DK/NA	41	52	53

6. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Eric Schneiderman is handling his job as State Attorney General?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE......COLLEGE DEG Yes	No
Approve	52%	36%	63%	48%	48%	55%	56%	49%
Disapprove	22	35	12	27	30	15	22	23
DK/NA	26	29	25	25	22	30	22	28

	AGE IN YRS.............. 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE..... Men	Wom	Wht	Non-Wht
Approve	41%	52%	55%	63%	49%	56%	52%	51%
Disapprove	22	26	24	14	29	16	23	22
DK/NA	37	22	21	23	22	28	25	27

	AREA............. UpStat	NYC	Sub
Approve	53%	54%	46%
Disapprove	22	21	24
DK/NA	25	25	30

7. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Bill de Blasio is handling his job as Mayor of New York City?

							WHITE...... COLLEGE DEG	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Yes	No
Approve	42%	13%	64%	33%	36%	48%	30%	28%
Disapprove	42	77	20	50	53	33	48	55
DK/NA	16	11	16	17	12	19	22	18

	AGE IN YRS..............				WHITE.....			Non-
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Wht
Approve	54%	44%	34%	44%	26%	32%	29%	66%
Disapprove	39	42	49	36	58	44	51	27
DK/NA	8	15	17	20	17	24	20	7

	AREA............		
	UpStat	NYC	Sub
Approve	30%	55%	38%
Disapprove	37	41	53
DK/NA	33	4	9

8. Would you be inclined to vote to reelect Andrew Cuomo the Democrat as Governor of New York in 2018, or not?

							WHITE...... COLLEGE DEG	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Yes	No
Yes/Inclined	50%	13%	75%	40%	43%	56%	49%	34%
No	40	85	15	45	48	33	41	59
DK/NA	10	1	10	15	9	11	10	7

	AGE IN YRS..............				WHITE.....			Non-
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Wht
Yes/Inclined	37%	54%	52%	53%	37%	47%	42%	62%
No	47	38	43	37	55	43	49	26
DK/NA	16	8	5	10	8	10	9	12

	AREA............		
	UpStat	NYC	Sub
Yes/Inclined	42%	55%	53%
No	49	32	40
DK/NA	9	13	7

9. Would you be inclined to vote to reelect Kirsten Gillibrand the Democrat as a U.S. Senator in 2018, or not?

| | | | | | | | WHITE...... COLLEGE DEG | |
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Yes	No
Yes/Inclined	55%	18%	78%	51%	49%	62%	60%	46%
No	31	77	7	35	40	22	33	45
DK/NA	14	5	15	14	11	17	7	9

| | AGE IN YRS.............. | | | | WHITE..... | | | Non- |
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Wht
Yes/Inclined	50%	54%	58%	61%	49%	59%	54%	58%
No	28	28	34	31	45	32	38	19
DK/NA	22	18	8	8	7	10	8	23

| | AREA............. | | |
	UpStat	NYC	Sub
Yes/Inclined	53%	59%	53%
No	38	21	35
DK/NA	9	19	12

10. Do you happen to know the names of any of the Republican candidates running for Governor this year? (If Yes) Who would that be?

| | | | | | | | WHITE...... COLLEGE DEG | |
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Yes	No
No	93%	87%	95%	93%	90%	96%	88%	94%
Yes/Incorrect name	2	4	1	2	3	1	4	2
Yes/Named correctly	5	9	4	3	6	3	8	4
REFUSED	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	-

| | AGE IN YRS.............. | | | | WHITE..... | | | Non- |
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Wht
No	96%	94%	92%	89%	87%	94%	91%	96%
Yes/Incorrect name	-	2	3	2	4	2	3	-
Yes/Named correctly	2	4	4	8	8	4	6	2
REFUSED	2	-	1	-	1	-	-	1

| | AREA............. | | |
	UpStat	NYC	Sub
No	85%	98%	96%
Yes/Incorrect name	5	-	1
Yes/Named correctly	10	2	1
REFUSED	-	-	2

11. Would you like to see Andrew Cuomo run for President in 2020 or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE...... COLLEGE DEG Yes	No
Yes	28%	13%	38%	24%	27%	29%	22%	19%
No	63	86	49	67	67	60	71	76
DK/NA	9	1	13	9	6	11	6	5

	AGE IN YRS............. 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE..... Men	Wom	Wht	Non- Wht
Yes	19%	30%	31%	28%	20%	21%	21%	40%
No	66	62	65	62	75	72	74	47
DK/NA	15	8	5	9	5	7	6	13

	AREA............ UpStat	NYC	Sub
Yes	19%	34%	30%
No	72	56	63
DK/NA	9	10	7

12. Would you like to see Kirsten Gillibrand run for President in 2020 or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE...... COLLEGE DEG Yes	No
Yes	28%	14%	35%	30%	26%	31%	31%	24%
No	58	80	47	58	61	55	61	61
DK/NA	14	6	18	12	13	15	8	15

	AGE IN YRS............. 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE..... Men	Wom	Wht	Non- Wht
Yes	31%	31%	28%	26%	26%	29%	28%	31%
No	47	56	60	63	62	61	61	51
DK/NA	22	13	11	10	12	10	11	18

	AREA............ UpStat	NYC	Sub
Yes	27%	33%	22%
No	63	53	58
DK/NA	11	14	20

13. Would you like to see Bill de Blasio run for President in 2020 or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE......COLLEGE DEG Yes	No
Yes	15%	9%	21%	13%	13%	17%	8%	6%
No	78	87	71	79	82	74	84	87
DK/NA	7	3	8	8	4	9	8	7

	AGE IN YRS..............18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE.....Men	Wom	Wht	Non-Wht
Yes	26%	15%	8%	13%	9%	6%	7%	29%
No	68	77	86	79	86	84	85	65
DK/NA	6	8	6	8	5	9	7	6

	AREA............UpStat	NYC	Sub
Yes	8%	26%	9%
No	79	73	84
DK/NA	14	1	7

14. If you had to choose one, who would you most like to see run for president in 2020: Cuomo, Gillibrand, or de Blasio?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE......COLLEGE DEG Yes	No
Cuomo	31%	24%	38%	26%	31%	31%	28%	25%
Gillibrand	33	22	36	36	31	35	43	34
de Blasio	15	15	18	13	16	15	8	12
NONE OF THESE(VOL)	17	36	5	20	20	14	19	24
DK/NA	4	2	4	4	3	5	3	5

	AGE IN YRS..............18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE.....Men	Wom	Wht	Non-Wht
Cuomo	23%	34%	36%	30%	28%	26%	27%	38%
Gillibrand	32	37	33	31	34	43	39	24
de Blasio	34	12	9	12	12	7	10	25
NONE OF THESE(VOL)	10	11	20	23	22	20	21	10
DK/NA	1	6	2	4	3	4	4	4

	AREA............UpStat	NYC	Sub
Cuomo	21%	38%	34%
Gillibrand	43	24	33
de Blasio	11	24	6
NONE OF THESE(VOL)	20	12	22
DK/NA	5	2	5

15. Do you think that U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand is doing a good job or a bad job of addressing the issue of sexual harassment?

							WHITE...... COLLEGE DEG	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Yes	No
Good job	57%	34%	70%	57%	54%	59%	64%	47%
Bad job	21	39	12	23	25	18	21	24
DK/NA	22	26	18	21	21	23	15	29

	AGE IN YRS..............				WHITE.....			Non-
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Wht
Good job	46%	55%	62%	64%	54%	59%	56%	59%
Bad job	25	22	22	18	25	20	22	20
DK/NA	29	23	16	18	22	21	21	21

	AREA.............		
	UpStat	NYC	Sub
Good job	62%	57%	49%
Bad job	16	19	33
DK/NA	22	24	18

16. Would you describe the job U.S. Senator Chuck Schumer has been doing as Senate minority leader as excellent, good, not so good, or poor?

							WHITE...... COLLEGE DEG	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Yes	No
Excellent	15%	3%	26%	8%	12%	17%	14%	13%
Good	41	14	55	39	36	45	43	34
Not so good	17	17	12	24	14	20	15	15
Poor	23	59	4	25	34	13	26	33
DK/NA	5	7	4	3	4	5	2	5

	AGE IN YRS..............				WHITE.....			Non-
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Wht
Excellent	11%	12%	14%	24%	11%	17%	14%	17%
Good	30	42	43	41	35	43	39	42
Not so good	34	15	15	10	13	16	15	21
Poor	16	24	26	22	39	20	29	12
DK/NA	9	7	2	2	3	4	3	8

	AREA.............		
	UpStat	NYC	Sub
Excellent	14%	18%	10%
Good	41	42	37
Not so good	11	21	21
Poor	29	15	27
DK/NA	4	5	5

17. Would you like to see U.S. Senator Chuck Schumer do more to stand up against
President Trump and his policies, or would you like to see him do more to compromise with
President Trump and his policies?

							WHITE...... COLLEGE DEG	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Yes	No
Stand up against	53%	14%	79%	43%	44%	62%	48%	38%
Compromise	39	80	15	50	47	32	44	54
NEITHER(VOL)	3	3	1	3	5	1	3	5
DK/NA	5	4	5	4	4	5	5	3

	AGE IN YRS..............				WHITE.....			Non-
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Wht
Stand up against	53%	56%	50%	55%	36%	51%	43%	70%
Compromise	42	36	41	38	55	42	48	24
NEITHER(VOL)	4	4	3	1	6	2	4	1
DK/NA	1	3	6	5	3	5	4	5

	AREA.............		
	UpStat	NYC	Sub
Stand up against	44%	62%	52%
Compromise	45	32	44
NEITHER(VOL)	5	2	2
DK/NA	6	5	2

18. Would you say that Andrew Cuomo has strong leadership qualities or not?

							WHITE...... COLLEGE DEG	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Yes	No
Yes	64%	41%	78%	61%	61%	67%	64%	56%
No	28	51	13	34	33	24	33	38
DK/NA	8	9	9	5	7	8	3	6

	AGE IN YRS..............				WHITE.....			Non-
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Wht
Yes	55%	69%	67%	63%	56%	65%	60%	71%
No	23	28	30	30	38	32	35	16
DK/NA	22	3	3	6	6	3	4	13

	AREA.............		
	UpStat	NYC	Sub
Yes	59%	67%	67%
No	37	18	32
DK/NA	4	15	1

19. Would you say that Andrew Cuomo is honest and trustworthy or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE...... COLLEGE DEG Yes	No
Yes	43%	25%	56%	39%	41%	45%	41%	35%
No	42	66	25	49	48	36	48	51
DK/NA	15	9	18	12	11	18	11	14

	AGE IN YRS.............. 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE..... Men	Wom	Wht	Non- Wht
Yes	33%	43%	46%	50%	37%	40%	38%	51%
No	42	43	45	38	54	46	50	30
DK/NA	25	14	9	12	10	14	12	20

	AREA............. UpStat	NYC	Sub
Yes	37%	49%	43%
No	54	29	46
DK/NA	10	22	10

20. Would you say that Andrew Cuomo cares about the needs and problems of people like you or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE...... COLLEGE DEG Yes	No
Yes	49%	16%	68%	43%	43%	55%	50%	38%
No	43	78	24	49	51	37	46	56
DK/NA	8	6	8	9	6	9	4	6

	AGE IN YRS.............. 18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE..... Men	Wom	Wht	Non- Wht
Yes	41%	45%	52%	54%	42%	48%	45%	56%
No	43	49	44	38	54	46	50	32
DK/NA	16	5	4	8	4	6	5	12

	AREA............. UpStat	NYC	Sub
Yes	43%	52%	53%
No	53	35	43
DK/NA	3	13	4