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SCHUMER DROPS TO LOWEST SCORE IN 15 YEARS, QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLL FINDS; BUT NEW YORK VOTERS AGREE WITH HIM ON IRAN NUKE DEAL

New York State voters approve 54 - 32 percent of the job U.S. Sen. Charles Schumer is doing, his lowest score since a 52 - 18 percent rating May 2, 2000, according to a Quinnipiac University poll released today.

Voters oppose the Iran nuclear pact 59 - 32 percent and say 57 - 31 percent that it will make the world less safe, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University Poll finds.

Schumer's opposition to the nuclear deal makes them more likely to vote for him, 24 percent say, while 17 percent say less likely and 55 percent say it won't affect their vote.

New York State voters give President Barack Obama a 51 – 46 percent job approval.

Schumer deserves to be reelected in 2016, voters say 56 - 34 percent. It would be good for New York State if Schumer becomes Senate Democratic leader, voters say 61 - 27 percent.

Voters give U.S. Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand a 49 - 25 percent job approval rating, her lowest score since a 47 - 26 percent rating February 15, 2012.

"New York State voters agree with Sen. Charles Schumer's opposition to the Iran nuclear deal, but that doesn't stop the drop in his job approval rating," said Maurice Carroll, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Poll. "Most voters still think Schumer has earned reelection and his likely elevation to U.S. Senate Democratic leader will be good for the state."

From September 10 - 15, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,366 New York State voters with a margin of error of ± 2.7 percentage points. Live interviewers call land lines and cell phones.

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

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

| | | | | | | | AGE IN | YRS | | |
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| | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | 18-34 | 35-49 | 50-64 | 65+ |
| Approve Disapprove DK/NA | 54% 32 14 | 41% 49 11 | 69% 17 14 | 52% 35 14 | 50% 39 11 | 58% 26 16 | 40% 33 27 | 50% 34 16 | 60% 33 7 | 62% 28 10 |
| | AREA UpStat | NYC | Sub | | | | | | | |
| Approve Disapprove DK/NA | 49% 34 17 | 57% 29 13 | 57% 33 10 | | | | | | | |

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

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| | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | 18-34 | 35-49 | 50-64 | 65+ |
| Approve | 49% | 29% | 66% | 47% | 43% | 54% | 45% | 50% | 49% | 53% |
| Disapprove | 25 | 46 | 7 | 29 | 32 | 18 | 20 | 24 | 29 | 25 |
| DK/NA | 26 | 24 | 26 | 24 | 25 | 27 | 36 | 27 | 22 | 22 |
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| Approve | 47% | 54% | 45% | | | | | | | |
| Disapprove | 29 | 18 | 28 | | | | | | | |
| DK/NA | 24 | 28 | 27 | | | | | | | |

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

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| | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | 18-34 | 35-49 | 50-64 | 65+ |
| Approve | 51% | 14% | 86% | 41% | 46% | 56% | 61% | 54% | 48% | 43% |
| Disapprove | 46 | 85 | 12 | 53 | 52 | 40 | 35 | 45 | 49 | 51 |
| DK/NA | 3 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 7 |
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11. Looking ahead to the 2016 election for United States Senator, do you feel that Charles Schumer deserves to be reelected, or do you feel that he does not deserve to be reelected?

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| | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | 18-34 | 35-49 | 50-64 | 65+ |
| Yes/Deserves No/Does not DK/NA | 56% 34 10 | 42% 53 5 | 77% 15 8 | 47% 39 14 | 56% 38 7 | 57% 30 13 | 46% 35 19 | 51% 37 11 | 60% 35 5 | 66% 27 7 |
| | AREA UpStat | NYC | Sub | | | | | | | |
| Yes/Deserves No/Does not DK/NA | 48% 39 13 | 63% 26 10 | 58% 36 6 | | | | | | | |

12. If Charles Schumer becomes the next Senate Democratic leader, do you think that would be a good thing or a bad thing for New York State?

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| | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | 18-34 | 35-49 | 50-64 | 65+ |
| Good thing | 61% 27 | 44% 47 | 77% 12 | 58% 28 | 62% 29 | 60% 25 | 48% 30 | 57% 29 | 68% 26 | 68% 22 |
| Bad thing DK/NA | 12 | 9 | 11 | 14 | 9 | 15 | 23 | 14 | 6 | 10 |
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| Good thing Bad thing DK/NA | UpStat | NYC | Sub | | | | | | | |

13. Do you support or oppose the nuclear deal with Iran?

| | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | AGE IN 18-34 | YRS 35-49 | 50-64 | 65+ |
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| Support | 32% | 5% | 52% | 31% | 35% | 29% | 31% | 29% | 35% | 33% |
| Oppose | 59 | 92 | 36 | 62 | 60 | 58 | 57 | 64 | 58 | 56 |
| DK/NA | 9 | 3 | 12 | 7 | 5 | 13 | 13 | 6 | 7 | 12 |
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| Support | 27% | 39% | 28% | | | | | | | |
| Oppose | 63 | 52 | 63 | | | | | | | |
| DK/NA | 10 | 8 | 9 | | | | | | | |

14. Do you think the nuclear deal with Iran would make the world safer or less safe?

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| | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | 18-34 | 35-49 | 50-64 | 65+ |
| Safer Less safe DK/NA | 31% 57 12 | 4% 90 6 | 52% 35 13 | 30% 59 11 | 32% 57 11 | 30% 57 13 | 31% 48 21 | 26% 65 9 | 34% 57 9 | 32% 57 12 |
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| Safer Less safe DK/NA | 27% 61 12 | 39% 49 12 | 25% 64 11 | | | | | | | |

15. Does Charles Schumer's opposition to the nuclear deal with Iran make you more likely to vote for Schumer, less likely to vote for Schumer, or doesn't it make a difference?

| | Tot | Rep | Dem | Ind | Men | Wom | AGE IN 18-34 | YRS 35-49 | 50-64 | 65+ |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| More likely Less likely No difference DK/NA | 24% 17 55 4 | 37% 10 52 1 | 16% 20 58 6 | 27% 18 51 4 | 23% 20 55 2 | 25% 14 55 6 | 16% 16 62 6 | 28% 18 51 4 | 24% 19 55 2 | 32% 14 50 5 |
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| More likely Less likely No difference | 27% 17 52 | 19% 19 59 | 28% 13 54 |
| DK/NA | 4 | 4 | 5 |