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NEW YORKERS TURN THEIR BACKS ON POLICE PROTESTS, QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLL FINDS; LYNCH, SHARPTON BOTH GET NEGATIVE SCORES

New York City voters, black, white and Hispanic, disapprove 69 - 27 percent of police officers turning their backs on Mayor Bill de Blasio at funerals for two police officers, according to a Quinnipiac University poll released today.

Police union leader Patrick Lynch's comments that the mayor's office had blood on its hands are "too extreme," voters say 77 – 17 percent, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-peack) University Poll finds. There is no party, gender, racial, borough or age group which finds the comments "appropriate."

With a big racial division, voters say 47 - 37 percent that Mayor de Blasio's statements and actions during his 2013 campaign and during his first year in office show he does support police. The mayor supports police, black voters say 69 - 19 percent and Hispanic voters say 53 - 33 percent, while white voters say 49 - 36 percent he does <u>not</u> support police.

Police discipline has broken down, voters say 52 - 38 percent, but voters say 62 - 20 percent that Police Commissioner William Bratton can restore or maintain discipline.

Voters approve 56 - 31 percent of the job Commissioner Bratton is doing, up from 44 - 39 percent in a December 17 Quinnipiac University poll and his highest approval since a 57 - 19 percent score June 12, 2014. Black, white and Hispanic voters all approve.

"Cops turning their backs on their boss, Mayor Bill de Blasio, is unacceptable, New Yorkers say by large margins. Even cop-friendly Staten Island gives that rude gesture only a split decision," said Quinnipiac University Poll Assistant Director Maurice Carroll.

"Comments by the PBA's Patrick Lynch that Mayor de Blasio has 'blood on his hands' are condemned by white, black and Hispanic voters alike."

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"Maybe it's sympathy for a guy in a tough position, a commissioner leading a defiant department, but Commissioner William Bratton's job approval numbers jump up," Carroll added. "Voters think misbehaving cops should be punished and they fear that discipline in the department has broken down, but they believe Commissioner Bratton can straighten things out."

New York City voters approve 56 - 37 percent of the job police citywide are doing, compared to 51 - 41 percent December 17. Approval today is 66 - 28 percent among white voters and 54 - 36 percent among Hispanic voters, while black voters disapprove 54 - 41 percent. Voters approve 71 - 25 percent of the job police in their community are doing.

The recent slowdown in police activity is more of a protest, 56 percent of voters say, while 27 percent say it is because police officers fear for their safety.

Voters say 57 - 34 percent that officers should be disciplined if they deliberately are making fewer arrests or writing fewer tickets. Black, white and Hispanic voters all agree.

Lynch and Sharpton

Voters give Patrolmen's Benevolent Assn. President Patrick Lynch a negative 18 - 39 percent favorability rating and say 43 - 27 percent that he is a mostly negative force in the city.

Rev. Al Sharpton gets a negative 29 - 53 percent favorability, his lowest score ever, and voters say 51 - 37 percent that he is a mostly negative force in the city, also his worst score.

Rev. Sharpton has too much influence with Mayor de Blasio, 37 percent of voters say, while 8 percent say he has too little influence and 34 percent say his influence is about right.

"It's an incongruous pairing, but Lynch and Rev. Al Sharpton, the outspoken police critic, share in the negative judgments of New Yorkers," Carroll said.

Relations between Mayor de Blasio and the police are "generally bad," voters say 77 - 15 percent. Of those who say "bad," 45 percent of voters say de Blasio is to blame, while 43 percent blame police. White voters blame de Blasio 61 - 30 percent and black voters blame police 69 - 16 percent. Hispanic voters are divided with 45 percent blaming the mayor and 42 percent blaming police.

From January 7 – 14, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,182 New York City voters, with a margin of error of \pm 2.9 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, Ohio, Virginia, Iowa, Colorado and the nation as a public service and for research.

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2. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Bill Bratton is handling his job as Police Commissioner?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve Disapprove DK/NA	56% 31 13	50% 33 17	63% 27 9	49% 35 16	60% 30 11	52% 32 16	63% 24 13	53% 38 9	49% 36 15
	AREA					AGE IN	YRS		
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Bill Bratton is handling his job as Police Commissioner?

	Jan 15 2015	Dec 17 2014	Nov 19 2014	Aug 26 2014	Jun 12 2014	Mar 18 2014
Approve	56	44	47	48	57	57
Disapprove	31	39	35	35	19	13
DK/NA	13	17	18	17	24	29

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way - NAME - is handling his job as Police Commissioner?

Police Commiss.	roner:					
			APPRO	VE		
			Tot	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Bill Bratton	Jan 15,	2015	56	63	53	49
Bill Bratton	Dec 17,	2014	44	56	37	32
Bill Bratton	Nov 19,	2014	47	57	44	39
Bill Bratton	Aug 26,	2014	48	58	41	43
Bill Bratton	Jun 12,		57	61	64	48
Bill Bratton	Mar 18,	2014	57	63	61	48
Ray Kelly	Jun 26,	2013	68	82	55	66
Ray Kelly	May 22,	2013	68	77	51	71
Ray Kelly	Apr 11,	2013	65	80	55	54
Ray Kelly	Feb 28,	2013	66	81	55	52
Ray Kelly	Jan 17,	2013	75	81	63	76
Ray Kelly	Nov 21,	2012	68	79	56	67
Ray Kelly	Aug 16,	2012	64	77	51	64
Ray Kelly	Jun 14,	2012	61	78	44	56
Ray Kelly	May 10,	2012	66	75	53	68
Ray Kelly	Mar 13,	2012	64	75	51	64
Ray Kelly	Feb 09,	2012	62	73	52	57
Ray Kelly	Dec 14,	2011	66	72	55	70
Ray Kelly	Oct 19,	2011	66	78	51	58
Ray Kelly	Jul 27,	2011	67	80	60	66
Ray Kelly	May 12,	2011	71	81	64	61
Ray Kelly	Mar 16,	2011	67	79	57	63
Ray Kelly	Nov 23,	2010	67	79	52	64
Ray Kelly	Jun 30,	2010	66	79	54	58
Ray Kelly	May 24,	2010	70	77	68	62
Ray Kelly	Feb 18,	2010	70	80	58	64
Ray Kelly	Jul 28,	2009	67	80	50	64
Ray Kelly	Jun 17,	2009	63	80	46	57
Ray Kelly	Feb 24,	2009	64	77	51	55
Ray Kelly	Jan 27,		67	80	55	57
Ray Kelly	Nov 25,	2008	62	75	48	55
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TREND: (cont'd) Do you approve or disapprove of the way - NAME - is handling his job as Police Commissioner?

Ray Kelly	Oct 03,		61	73	47	58
Ray Kelly	Jul 16,	2008	60	76	39	57
Ray Kelly	May 07,	2008	59	76	36	55
Ray Kelly	Mar 13,	2008	62	75	44	58
Ray Kelly	Jan 09,	2008	60	73	45	55
Ray Kelly	Nov 19,	2007	55	70	42	36
Ray Kelly	Aug 29,	2007	62	73	49	61
Ray Kelly	Jul 25,	2007	64	76	49	57
Ray Kelly	May 23,	2007	58	73	43	50
Ray Kelly	Mar 15,	2007	56	71	39	46
Ray Kelly	Jan 16,	2007	52	69	32	41
Ray Kelly	Jul 12,	2006	66	74	56	62
Ray Kelly	Apr 13,	2006	68	76	60	60
Ray Kelly	Mar 09,	2006	70	76	63	62
Ray Kelly	Feb 03,	2006	70	77	64	66
Ray Kelly	Jul 20,	2005	67	71	66	62
Ray Kelly	Jun 23,	2005	65	68	63	62
Ray Kelly	Jan 19,	2005	65	72	56	61
Ray Kelly	Nov 10,	2004	62	66	60	59
Ray Kelly	Aug 26,	2004	63	71	60	54
Ray Kelly	Jul 20,	2004	61	67	58	55
Ray Kelly	Jun 09,	2004	67	74	64	61
Ray Kelly	Mar 31,	2004	67	73	61	64
Ray Kelly	Feb 04,	2004	65	70	56	61
Ray Kelly	Nov 25,	2003	69	76	63	64
Ray Kelly	Jul 03,	2003	63	72	54	60
Ray Kelly	May 07,	2003	68	77	66	61
Ray Kelly	Feb 26,	2003	68	76	60	60
Bernard Kerik	May 03,	2001	46	54	32	44
Bernard Kerik	Feb 01,	2001	45	49	39	43
Howard Safir	Apr 20,	2000	32	47	6	30
Howard Safir	Mar 15,	2000	38	53	12	34
Howard Safir	Jun 17,	1999	37	50	19	27
Howard Safir	Apr 08,	1999	38	53	16	28
Howard Safir	Oct 02,	1997	54	61	45	43

7. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mayor de Blasio is handling - crime?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	50%	26%	58%	45%	52%	48%	41%	71%	43%
Disapprove	41	69	33	46	40	41	50	20	45
DK/NA	10	6	9	9	8	10	9	9	12
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	AREA.			• • • • • •	• • • • • •	AGE IN	I IKS		• • • •
	AREA. Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30 - 49	50-64	65+
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Approve						_			
Approve Disapprove	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mayor de Blasio is handling crime?

	Jan 15	Dec 18	Nov 18	Aug 26	Jun 11	Mar 18
	2015	2014	2014	2014	2014	2014
Approve	50	46	47	46	57	58
Disapprove	41	43	43	46	30	23
DK/NA	10	11	10	9	13	19

9. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mayor de Blasio is handling - relations between blacks and whites?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve Disapprove DK/NA	48% 42 11	20% 69 11	62% 29 9	34% 56 10	49% 43 8	47% 41 12	35% 58 7	73% 18 9	47% 39 14
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mayor de Blasio is handling relations between blacks and whites?

	Jan 15	Dec 18	Nov 18	Aug 26
	2015	2014	2014	2014
Approve Disapprove	48	47	56	55
	42	41	28	33
DK/NA	11	12	16	13

10. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mayor de Blasio is handling - relations between the police and the community?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve Disapprove DK/NA	41% 52 7	18% 72 10	53% 43 4	30% 63 7	41% 55 4	41% 50 9	30% 63 7	62% 31 7	40% 51 9
	AREA					AGE IN	YRS		
	AREA Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Approve Disapprove						_			

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mayor de Blasio is handling relations between the police and the community?

	Jan 15 2015	Dec 18 2014	Nov 18 2014	Aug 26 2014
Approve	41	36	47	46
Disapprove	52	56	43	44
DK/NA	7	8	10	10

11. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mayor de Blasio is handling - the police department?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	41%	14%	51%	34%	41%	41%	29%	69%	35%
Disapprove	52	77	43	60	54	50	64	28	56
DK/NA	7	9	5	6	5	9	7	3	9
	AREA Brnx	 Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	43%	43%	46%	37%	19%	33%	42%	46%	40%
Disapprove	47	49	48	57	73	56	52	50	52
DK/NA	9	8	6	5	8	12	6	4	8

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mayor de Blasio is handling the police department?

	Jan 15	Dec 18	Nov 18
	2015	2014	2014
Approve	41	34	43
Disapprove	52	55	44
DK/NA	7	11	13

12. Is your opinion of Reverend Al Sharpton favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	29%	8%	38%	23%	26%	31%	16%	56%	26%
Unfavorable	53	80	45	61	57	50	73	25	49
Hvn't hrd enough	13	11	13	12	13	14	7	14	22
REFUSED	4	-	4	3	4	5	4	5	3
	AREA.					AGE IN	YRS		
	AREA. Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	 65+
Favorable						_			
Favorable Unfavorable	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
	Brnx	Kngs 33%	Man 32%	Qns	StIsl	18-29 24%	30-49	50-64 30%	65+ 30%

TREND: Is your opinion of Reverend Al Sharpton favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Jan 15 2015	Dec 18 2014	Nov 18 2014	Aug 26 2014
Favorable	29	35	40	40
Unfavorable	53	48	45	44
Hvn't hrd enough	13	12	12	12
REFUSED	4	5	4	4

13. In your view, is Reverend Sharpton a mostly positive or mostly negative force in New York City?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Positive Negative DK/NA	37% 51 12	15% 80 4	47% 42 12	30% 59 11	31% 56 13	41% 47 12	20% 70 11	67% 22 11	39% 51 10
	AREA					AGE IN	YRS		
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+

TREND: In your view, is Reverend Sharpton a mostly positive or mostly negative force in New York City?

	Jan 15 2015	Dec 18 2014	Nov 18 2014	Aug 26 2014
Positive	37	44	47	49
Negative	51	45	43	40
DK/NA	12	11	11	11

14. Do you think Reverend Sharpton has too much influence with Mayor de Blasio, too little influence, or about the right amount of influence with Mayor de Blasio?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Too much Too little About right	37% 8 34	71% 2 12	27% 11 42	44% 7 28	41% 8 32	34% 9 35	55% 3 23	10% 14 57	35% 15 31
DK/NA	21	15	19	22	19	22	19	19	20
	AREA Brnx	 Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Too much						_			
Too much Too little	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
	Brnx 28%	Kngs	Man 35%	Qns	StIsl	18 - 29 23%	30-49 35%	50-64 43%	65+ 44%

TREND: Do you think Reverend Sharpton has too much influence with Mayor de Blasio too little influence, or about the right amount of influence with Mayor de Blasio?

	Jan 15 2015	Dec 18 2014	Nov 18 2014	Aug 26 2014
Too much	37	33	32	30
Too little	8	12	9	10
About right	34	34	39	39
DK/NA	21	21	20	21

20. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the New York City police are doing their job?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	56%	79%	50%	58%	62%	50%	66%	41%	54%
Disapprove	37	18	43	34	33	41	28	54	36
DK/NA	7	3	7	8	5	9	6	4	10
	AREA					AGE IN	YRS		
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	Brnx 53%	Kngs 55%	Man 51%	Qns	StIsl	18-29 49%	30-49 52%	50-64 59%	65+
Approve Disapprove		2	-	~					

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the New York City police are doing their job?

						APPROVE		
						High	Low	
	Jan 15	Dec 17	Nov 19	Aug 27	Jun 12	Feb 07	Apr 20	
	2015	2014	2014	2014	2014	2002	2000	
Approve	56	51	54	50	59	76	43	
Disapprove	37	41	39	42	32	18	48	
DK/NA	7	8	7	7	9	6	9	

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the New York City police are doing their job?

			APPRO	VE		
			Tot	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Jan	15,	2015	56	66	41	54
Dec	17,	2014	51	72	33	34
Nov	19,	2014	54	73	35	43
Aug	27,	2014	50	67	32	42
Jun	12,	2014	59	71	54	41
Mar	18,	2014	68	81	56	60
Jan	16,	2014	62	78	45	53
May	23,	2013	61	75	41	61
Apr	11,	2013	60	78	40	51
Feb	28,	2013	61	78	40	53
Jan	17,	2013	70	80	56	67
Nov	21,	2012	62	76	47	50
Aug	16,	2012	57	75	37	55
Jun	14,	2012	59	76	37	51
Mar	13,	2012	63	82	42	55
Feb	09,	2012	62	76	46	56
Dec	14,	2011	62	73	47	60
Oct	17,	2011	61	77	40	59
Feb	18,	2010	69	82	54	67
Jun	17,	2009	64	82	35	62
May	08,	2008	51	71	22	46
Mar	13,	2008	60	78	33	57
Mar	15,	2007	60	80	32	57
Jan	16,	2007	53	70	27	45
Apr	13,	2006	72	82	58	69
Jun	23,	2005	69	81	53	65
Jul	03,	2003	63	76	42	62
Feb	07,	2002	76	91	56	74
May	03,	2001	54	72	29	43
Feb	01,	2001	50	64	31	39
Apr	20,	2000	43	60	17	33
Mar	15,	2000	46	63	21	39
Jun	17,	1999	49	71	20	38
Apr	08,	1999	45	63	23	31
Oct	02,	1997	48	62	22	32

21. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the police in your community are doing their job?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve Disapprove DK/NA	71% 25 4	82% 18 -	68% 27 5	75% 22 3	75% 22 2	68% 27 5	81% 16 3	58% 40 3	66% 28 6
	AREA Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	 65+

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the police in your community are doing their job? (*Low also 65% Oct 1997)

						APPROVE	
						High	Low
	Jan 15	Dec 17	Nov 19	Aug 27	Feb 18	Feb 07	Apr 20
	2015	2014	2014	2014	2010	2002	2000*
Approve	71	68	69	67	74	79	65
Disapprove	25	28	27	28	21	18	28
DK/NA	4	4	4	5	5	3	6

22. In general, how serious a problem do you think crime is in New York City; a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not very serious, or not a problem at all?

Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
34%	40%	32%	31%	23%	43%	23%	43%	45%
49	48	49	51	52	46	52	47	42
14	9	16	15	20	10	22	9	10
1	1	2	1	2	_	1	-	2
2	2	1	2	2	1	2	1	2
AREA	Kngs			StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS	50-64	65+
43%	36% 47	23% 51	36% 49	36% 56	38% 47	34% 49	34% 47	29% 54
	34% 49 14 1 2	34% 40% 49 48 14 9 1 1 2 2	34% 40% 32% 49 48 49 14 9 16 1 1 2 2 2 1	34% 40% 32% 31% 49 48 49 51 14 9 16 15 1 1 2 1 2 2 1 2	34% 40% 32% 31% 23% 49 48 49 51 52 14 9 16 15 20 1 1 2 1 2 2 2 1 2 2	34% 40% 32% 31% 23% 43% 49 48 49 51 52 46 14 9 16 15 20 10 1 1 1 2 1 2 - 2 2 1 AREA	34% 40% 32% 31% 23% 43% 23% 49 48 49 51 52 46 52 14 9 16 15 20 10 22 1 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 AREA	34% 40% 32% 31% 23% 43% 23% 43% 49 48 49 51 52 46 52 47 14 9 16 15 20 10 22 9 1 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 AREA. AGE IN YRS.

TREND: In general, how serious a problem do you think crime is in New York City; a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not very serious, or not a problem at all? (*High also 88% Feb 2001)

						VERY+SM	WHT
						High	Low
	Jan 15	Dec 17	Nov 19	Aug 27	May 08	Aug 27	May 08
	2015	2014	2014	2014	2008	2014*	2008
Very serious	34	33	39	37	29	37	29
Smwht serious	49	50	47	51	53	51	53
Not very serious	14	14	13	9	15	9	15
Not a problem at all	1	2	1	2	2	2	2
DK/NA	2	1	1	1	1	1	1

23. Is being the victim of a crime something you personally worry about or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes No DK/NA	50% 48 1	51% 47 1	50% 48 2	52% 47 1	44% 55 2	56% 43 1	41% 58 1	59% 39 2	64% 36 -
	AREA Brnx		Man	Qns			YRS 30-49	50-64	65+

TREND: Is being the victim of a crime something you personally worry about or not? (* Low also 44% Apr 2006)

						YES	
						High	Low
	Jan 15	Dec 17	Nov 19	Aug 27	May 08	Feb 12	May 08
	2015	2014	2014	2014	2008	1997	2008*
Yes	50	54	50	48	44	65	44
No	48	46	48	51	54	34	54
DK/NA	1	1	2	1	1	1	1

24. Do you think the police in - New York City are generally tougher on whites than on blacks, or tougher on blacks than on whites, or do the police treat them both the same?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Tougher on whites	1%	_	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	_	3%
Tougher on blacks	63	29	73	63	62	64	53	87	61
Treat them the same	29	63	21	27	30	27	38	10	30
DK/NA	7	8	5	9	8	7	8	3	7
	A D F A					AGE IN	YRS		
	AI/EA.								
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49		65+
Tougher on whites									
Tougher on whites Tougher on blacks	Brnx	Kngs			StIsl	18-29	30-49		65+
-	Brnx 2%	Kngs 1%	Man -	Qns -	StIsl 3%	18 - 29	30-49 1%	50-64	65+ 2%

TREND: Do you think the police in New York City are generally tougher on whites than on blacks, or tougher on blacks than on whites, or do the police treat them both the same?

						TOUGHER	ON BLKS
						High	Low
	Jan 15	Dec 17	Nov 19	Aug 27	May 08	Apr 08	Feb 07
	2015	2014	2014	2014	2008	1999	2002
Tougher on whites	1	_	1	1	1	1	_
Tougher on blacks	63	64	62	63	61	71	54
Treat them the same	29	29	31	30	30	20	36
DK/NA	7	7	6	7	8	9	9

25. Do you think the police in - your community are generally tougher on whites than on blacks, or tougher on blacks than on whites, or do the police treat them both the same?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Tougher on whites	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	_	3%
Tougher on blacks	44	23	51	41	43	46	29	70	47
Treat them the same	44	71	40	43	46	43	59	24	44
DK/NA	10	5	8	14	10	10	11	6	6
	AREA Brnx	 Kngs	 Man	 Qns	 StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Tougher on whites Tougher on blacks Treat them the same DK/NA	1% 49 42 8	1% 49 40 10	- 47 43 10	1% 40 44 14	5% 18 73 5	2% 56 36 6	- 49 43 9	2% 40 48 10	1% 33 51 15

TREND: Do you think the police in your community are generally tougher on whites than on blacks, or tougher on blacks than on whites, or do the police treat them both the same?

	Jan 15 2015	Dec 17	Nov 19 2014	Aug 27 2014	May 08 2008	TOUGHER High Oct 02 1997	ON BLKS Low Feb 07 2002
	2013	2014	2014	2014	2000	1997	2002
Tougher on whites	1	1	2	1	1	1	1
Tougher on blacks	44	46	45	43	44	48	38
Treat them the same	44	43	45	48	44	40	50
DK/NA	10	10	9	8	12	11	11

26. How serious a problem do you think police brutality is in New York City; a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not very serious, or not a problem at all?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Very serious	36%	24%	40%	31%	29%	42%	18%	59%	48%
Smwht serious	34	22	42	32	34	35	41	29	31
Not very serious	19	33	12	24	23	15	27	7	15
Not a problem at all	8	21	5	9	11	5	11	3	4
DK/NA	3	-	1	4	3	3	3	1	2
	AREA					AGE IN	YRS		
	AREA Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Very serious						_			
Very serious Smwht serious	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
_	Brnx 46%	Kngs	Man 35%	Qns	StIsl 22%	18-29 45%	30-49	50-64 35%	65+ 30%
Smwht serious	Brnx 46% 27	Kngs 38% 34	Man 35% 41	Qns 33% 35	StIsl 22% 28	18-29 45% 26	30-49 37% 35	50-64 35% 35	65+ 30% 40

TREND: How serious a problem do you think police brutality is in New York City; a very serious problem, somewhat serious, not very serious, or not a problem at all?

						VERY+SM	WHT
						High	Low
	Jan 15	Dec 17	Nov 19	Aug 27	May 08	Sep 18	Jun 23
	2015	2014	2014	2014	2008	1997	2005
	2.6	4.4	2.4	2.5	2.0	5 0	0.1
Very serious	36	41	34	37	32	58	21
Smwht serious	34	34	39	37	35	31	40
Not very serious	19	15	19	15	23	9	26
Not a problem at all	8	7	7	10	8	1	9
DK/NA	3	2	2	1	2	1	3

27. Is being the victim of police brutality something you personally worry about or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes No DK/NA	29% 70 1	22% 78 -	31% 69 -	26% 74 -	27% 71 1	30% 70 -	12% 88 -	52% 47 1	38% 62 -
	AREA Brnx	 Kngs	 Man					50-64	
Yes No DK/NA	45% 54 2	30% 68 1	19% 81	30% 70 -	17% 83 1	36% 64 1	29% 71 -	28% 72 -	25% 74

TREND: Is being the victim of police brutality something you personally worry about or not?

	Jan 15 2015	Dec 17 2014	Nov 19 2014	Aug 27 2014	May 08 2008	YES High Jun 17 1999	Low
Yes	29	34	29	30	26	37	23
No	70	65	70	69	74	62	76
DK/NA	1	1	1	1	1	_	1

28. Have you heard or read anything about the death of Eric Garner, who died after being put in an alleged chokehold by a New York City police officer?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes	98%	97%	97%	99%	98%	97%	98%	98%	96%
No	2	Τ	2	Τ	2	2	Τ	2	4
DK/NA	1	2	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
	AREA					AGE IN	YRS		
	AREA Brnx	Kngs	 Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49		65+
Yes						_			
Yes No	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+

TREND: Have you heard or read anything about the death of Eric Garner, who died after being put in an alleged chokehold by a New York City police officer?

			Nov 19 2014	Aug 27 2014
Yes	98	98	94	95
No	2	2	5	4
DK/NA	1	1	1	1

29. From what you know about the death of Eric Garner, which statement comes closer to your opinion: It was a tragic thing, and there is absolutely no excuse for how the police acted, or It was a tragic thing, but it is understandable that the police could have acted this way?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
No excuse Understandable DK/NA	66% 27 7	43% 50 7	73% 21 6	64% 30 7	62% 29 9	69% 25 6	55% 37 8	86% 10 4	71% 24 5
	AREA. Brnx	Kngs	 Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+

TREND: From what you know about the death of Eric Garner, which statement comes closer to your opinion: It was a tragic thing, and there is absolutely no excuse for how the police acted, or It was a tragic thing, but it is understandable that the police could have acted this way?

	Jan 15 2015	Dec 17 2014	Nov 19 2014	Aug 27 2014
No excuse	66	67	64	68
Understandable	27	27	27	24
DK/NA	7	6	9	8

TREND: From what you know about the death (* police shooting) of XXX, which statement comes closer to your opinion: It was a tragic thing, and there is absolutely no excuse for how the police acted, or It was a tragic thing, but it is understandable that the police could have acted this way?

	NO EXC	JSE	 .	
	Tot	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Eric Garner				
Jan 15, 2015	66	55	86	71
Dec 17, 2014	67	50	84	77
Nov 19, 2014	64	46	85	77
Aug 27, 2014	68	52	90	71
Sean Bell*				
May 08, 2008	54	33	81	66
Mar 15, 2007	57	38	88	61
Jan 16, 2007	58	41	84	68
Amadou Diallo*				
Apr 08, 1999	67	52	89	81

30. As you may know, a grand jury has decided not to bring criminal charges against the police officer for the death of Eric Garner. Do you approve or disapprove of the grand jury's decision not to charge the police officer?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve Disapprove DK/NA	27% 66 8	54% 39 7	18% 76 5	34% 59 7	31% 61 8	23% 69 8	39% 52 8	9% 84 7	20% 75 6
	AREA Brnx	 Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+

TREND: As you may know, a grand jury has decided not to bring criminal charges against the police officer for the death of Eric Garner. Do you approve or disapprove of the grand jury's decision not to charge the police officer?

	Jan 15 2015	Dec 17 2014
Approve	27	25
Disapprove	66	67
DK/NA	8	8

31. Would you approve or disapprove of the federal government bringing civil rights charges against the police officer?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	58%	31%	70%	50%	56%	61%	45%	76%	68%
Disapprove	33	65	24	38	36	31	47	15	25
DK/NA	9	4	7	12	8	9	8	9	6
	AREA Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+

TREND: Would you approve or disapprove of the federal government bringing civil rights charges against the police officer?

	Jan 15 2015	Dec 17 2014
Approve	58	64
Disapprove	33	29
DK/NA	9	7

32. Who do you think should investigate the case when a police officer kills someone, the local District Attorney or the State Attorney General?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Local District Atty	23%	41%	19%	26%	26%	21%	31%	7%	28%
State Atty General	65	50	71	63	64	66	55	84	63
DK/NA	11	9	10	10	10	13	15	9	9
	AREA Brnx	 Kngs	 Man	Qns		AGE IN 18-29		50-64	65+
Local District Atty	23%	18%	24%	25%	43%	21%	23%	20%	31%
State Atty General	63	67	67	65	54	67	70	68	56
DK/NA	14	15	9	10	3	12	8	12	13

TREND: Who do you think should investigate the case when a police officer kills someone, the local District Attorney or the State Attorney General?

		Jan 15 2015	Dec 1 2014
Local	District Atty	23	27
State	Atty General	65	61
DK/NA		11	12

33. Do you approve or disapprove of the way - Bill de Blasio has handled the protests in New York City?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve Disapprove DK/NA	51% 43 6	21% 74 5	62% 34 4	42% 53 5	49% 47 4	52% 40 7	38% 58 4	76% 18 6	51% 42 7
	AREA					AGE IN	YRS		
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve Disapprove DK/NA	52% 38 10	52% 44 5	66% 30 4	43% 51 6	24% 74 2	51% 41 8	55% 42 3	51% 43 6	45% 49 5

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Bill de Blasio has handled the protests in New York City ?

	Jan 15 2015	Dec 17 2014
Approve	51	60
Disapprove	43	30
DK/NA	6	10

34. Do you approve or disapprove of the way - the police have handled the protests in New York City?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve Disapprove DK/NA	63% 33 4	80% 19 1	60% 36 4	64% 32 4	67% 30 3	59% 36 5	70% 27 4	58% 38 5	59% 36 6
	AREA Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the police have handled the protests in New York City?

	Jan 15 2015	Dec 17 2014
Approve Disapprove DK/NA	63 33 4	73 19 8

35. When protestors block traffic, but are not violent, do you think police should allow them to block traffic or do you think police should clear the street, even if that means arresting protestors?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Allow to block	32%	19%	37%	25%	29%	34%	28%	33%	32%
Clear street	61	78	55	68	65	57	63	60	62
DK/NA	8	2	9	7	6	9	8	6	6
	AREA.					AGE IN	YRS		
	AREA. Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Allow to block						_			
Allow to block Clear street	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+

TREND: When protestors block traffic, but are not violent, do you think police should allow them to block traffic or do you think police should clear the street, even if that means arresting protestors?

		Jan 15 2015	Dec 17 2014
Allow	to block	32	34
Clear	street	61	57
DK/NA		8	9

36. Do you think relations between Mayor de Blasio and the police are generally good or generally bad?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Good Bad DK/NA	15% 77 8	15% 83 2	17% 76 7	12% 80 8	14% 80 6	16% 75 9	10% 85 5	16% 77 7	23% 68 9
	AREA Brnx	 Kngs	Man	Qns		AGE IN 18-29		50-64	65+
Good Bad DK/NA	20% 73	17% 76 7	12% 77 11	14% 77 8	8% 89 3	29% 64 7	12% 79 8	10% 84 6	12% 79 8

37. (If bad q36) Who do you think is more to blame for that, Mayor de Blasio or the police?

	RELATI	ONS BAD	Q36						
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
de Blasio Police	45% 43	83% 12	31% 56	54% 35	48% 44	43% 42	61% 30	16% 69	45% 42
DK/NA	12	5	13	10	8	15	9	15	12
	AREA					AGE IN	YRS		
		 Kngs	Man					50-64	

38. Over the course of the next year, do you think relations between Mayor de Blasio and the police will get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Better	47%	37%	51%	44%	46%	48%	46%	53%	47%
Worse	15	29	11	17	16	13	16	9	17
Same	32	32	32	34	33	31	32	33	34
DK/NA	6	3	6	6	5	7	7	5	2
	AREA Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Better				Qns 43%	StIsl				
Better Worse	Brnx	Kngs	Man	~		18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
	Brnx 43%	Kngs	Man 55%	43%	43%	18-29 40%	30-49 48%	50-64 50%	65+ 49%

39. Over the course of the next year, do you think relations between the police and minorities in New York City will get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Better Worse Same DK/NA	31% 16 50 4	24% 23 52	35% 13 50	28% 16 51 4	30% 16 50 3	32% 15 49	33% 11 52 4	29% 18 49 5	31% 21 46 1
DR/ NA	AREA					AGE IN	YRS		
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	031

40. Is your opinion of police union leader Patrick Lynch favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable Unfavorable Hvn't hrd enough REFUSED	18% 39 41 2	31% 16 51 1	12% 46 42 1	23% 38 37 1	22% 42 34 1	14% 37 47 2	26% 37 36 2	6% 58 35 1	15% 26 59
	AREA Brnx	 Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS	50-64	65+
Favorable Unfavorable Hvn't hrd enough REFUSED	14% 32 52 2	15% 40 43	13% 51 35	22% 38 37 2	35% 17 47	8% 22 70	18% 39 41	21% 46 31 2	20% 49 30 2

41. In your view, is police union leader Patrick Lynch a mostly positive or mostly negative force in New York City?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Positive Negative DK/NA	27% 43 30	48% 22 30	22% 51 27	27% 41 33	31% 43 26	24% 43 34	30% 39 31	14% 63 23	35% 34 31
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	30-49	50-64	65+

42. Do you think discipline in the New York City police department has broken down or don't you think so?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes	52%	37%	57%	52%	48%	55%	39%	69%	57%
No	38	54	34	39	42	34	48	22	38
DK/NA	10	9	9	9	9	11	12	9	5
	AREA					AGE IN	YRS		
	AREA Brnx		Man		StIsl		YRS 30-49		65+
Yes									
Yes No	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+

43a. (If yes q42) Do you think Police Commissioner Bill Bratton can - restore discipline in the police department or not?

	DISCI	PLINE	BROKEN	DOWN Q42		
	Tot	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes	66%	62%	69%	76%	61%	64%
No	25	28	23	14	32	30
DK/NA	8	10	7	10	6	6

43b. (If no q42) Do you think Police Commissioner Bill Bratton can - maintain discipline in the police department or not?

	DISCIP	LINE NO	r brokei	N DOWN Q42
	Tot	Men	Wom	Wht
Yes	73%	79%	67%	79%
No	19	17	22	14
DK/NA	8	4	12	7

43c. (COMBINED Q42 and Q43a/b) Do you think discipline in the New York City police department has broken down or don't you think so? (If yes q42) Do you think Police Commissioner Bill Bratton can restore discipline in the police department or not? (If no q42) Do you think Police Commissioner Bill Bratton can maintain discipline in the police department or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Not broken down/ Can maintain Not broken down/	28%	38%	26%	29%	34%	23%	38%	13%	26%
Cannot maintain Broken down/	7	12	7	7	7	7	7	7	8
Can restore Broken down/	34	19	42	31	30	38	30	43	37
Cannot restore	13	15	11	15	13	13	6	22	17
DK/NA	17	16	15	18	16	19	20	15	13
	AREA. Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29		50-64	
Not broken down/ Can maintain Not broken down/									
·	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Can maintain Not broken down/ Cannot maintain	Brnx 20%	Kngs 28%	Man 28%	Qns 26%	StIsl	18-29 15%	30-49	50-64 33%	65+ 33%
Can maintain Not broken down/ Cannot maintain Broken down/ Can restore	Brnx 20% 7	Kngs 28% 10	Man 28% 4	Qns 26% 6	StIsl 47% 11	18-29 15% 6	30-49 29% 9	50-64 33% 5	65+ 33% 7
Can maintain Not broken down/ Cannot maintain Broken down/ Can restore Broken down/	20% 7 40	28% 10 33	Man 28% 4 33	Qns 26% 6 38	StIsl 47% 11 23	18-29 15% 6 34	30-49 29% 9 35	50-64 33% 5 37	65+ 33% 7 31

44. Do you think police unions should have a role in disciplining police officers or should the police commissioner have the only role in disciplinary procedures?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Unions have role	39%	42%	40%	41%	35%	42%	35%	41%	45%
Commissnr only role	47	45	49	45	51	43	49	49	46
DK/NA	14	13	11	14	13	14	16	10	9
	AREA Brnx	 Kngs	 Man	 Qns		AGE IN 18-29		50-64	65+
Unions have role	41%	38%	38%	39%	48%	50%	44%	36%	28%
Commissnr only role	42	47	47	52	39	34	46	52	56
DK/NA	17	15	14	9	14	16	10	12	16

45. Do you think comments by police union leader Patrick Lynch, that the mayor's office has "blood on its hands" because of the murder of two police officers last month are appropriate or too extreme?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Appropriate Too extreme DK/NA	17% 77 6	36% 60 5	11% 85 5	23% 72 5	18% 76 6	17% 78 5	22% 72 6	6% 90 4	16% 79 5
	AREA					AGE IN	VDC		
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+

46. Do you approve or disapprove of police officers turning their backs on Mayor de Blasio at the funerals for the two police officers who were killed last month?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve Disapprove DK/NA	27% 69 4	51% 47 3	16% 81 3	36% 60 3	30% 66 4	24% 72 4	34% 62 4	7% 92 1	30% 67 3
	AREA Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS	50-64	65+

47. Do you believe that statements and actions by Mayor de Blasio, during his 2013 campaign for mayor and during his first year in office show that he does support the police or show that he does not support the police?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Does support	47%	21%	58%	40%	45%	49%	36%	69%	53%
Does not support	37	70	27	44	40	35	49	19	33
DK/NA	16	9	15	16	16	16	15	12	14
	AREA Brnx	 Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Does support Does not support	54%	44%	54%	46%	23%	36%	51%	51%	48%
	29	36	31	42	62	42	37	35	37

48. Do you think police are making fewer arrests and issuing fewer summonses for low-level quality of life offenses more as a protest or more because the officers fear for their safety?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
As a protest Fear their safety DK/NA	56% 27 16	45% 40 15	57% 27 16	58% 26 17	61% 24 15	53% 30 17	60% 21 19	62% 23 15	47% 38 15
	AREA Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	30-49	50-64	65+

49. (If more as a protest q48) Do you think police are making fewer arrests and issuing fewer summonses for low-level quality of life offenses as part of an organized protest or spontaneous protests by officers acting individually?

	FEWER Tot	ARRESTS Men	AS A Wom	PROTEST Wht	Q48 Blk	
						-
Organized	61%	65%	57%	61%	73%	53%
Spontaneous	33	30	35	30	23	42
DK/NA	6	5	8	9	3	4

50. If police make fewer arrests and issue fewer summonses for low-level quality of life offenses is that more a good thing because it will reduce tension in the community or more a bad thing because it could lead to increased crime?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Good thing Bad thing DK/NA	36% 50 14	22% 73 5	39% 46 15	36% 52 12	36% 49 15	35% 51 14	30% 55 15	47% 44 9	34% 55 11
	AREA Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	AGE IN 18-29	YRS	50-64	65+

51. If it is found that New York City police officers are deliberately making fewer arrests or deliberately writing fewer summonses, do you think they should or should not be disciplined?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Should	57%	49%	63%	53%	53%	60%	54%	64%	62%
Should not	34	42	28	38	38	31	34	30	35
DK/NA	9	8	9	9	10	9	12	6	3
	AREA.					AGE IN	YRS		
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Should	59%	56%	61%	53%	54%	44%	59%	63%	59%
Should not	30	35	29	37	39	47	34	29	26
DK/NA									