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NEW YORK CITY VOTERS LIKE CUOMO MORE THAN de BLASIO, QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLL FINDS; VOTERS SAY NO TO HORSE BAN, YES TO CELL PHONES IN SCHOOL

The yawning racial gaps persist as New York City voters approve 49 – 40 percent of the job Mayor Bill de Blasio is doing, continuing a string of under-50 percent approval ratings, according to a Quinnipiac University poll released today.

With a much smaller racial divide, Gov. Andrew Cuomo gets a 71 – 23 percent approval rating in New York City, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University Poll finds.

Mayor de Blasio’s approval is 78 – 15 percent among black voters and 54 – 35 percent among Hispanic voters, while white voters disapprove 57 – 32 percent. Democrats approve of the mayor 62 – 28 percent while disapproval is 70 – 22 percent among Republicans and 52 – 37 percent among independent voters. Approval ranges from a high of 60 – 34 percent in Manhattan to a 66 – 24 percent disapproval rating in Staten Island.

Gov. Cuomo sweeps the board, with approval ratings of 79 – 18 percent among black voters, 66 – 30 percent among whites voters and 70 – 20 percent among Hispanic voters. He is up by big margins in each borough and even wins 66 – 30 percent among Republicans.

“Mayor Bill de Blasio must look with envy at Gov. Andrew Cuomo’s approval rating,” said Quinnipiac University Poll Assistant Director Maurice Carroll. “In the city, Mayor de Blasio inches up toward that magic 50 percent job approval mark while Gov. Cuomo soars, even scoring two-thirds approval among Republicans. Let’s see how this translates into getting help in Albany for New York City needs.

“The mayor can’t seem to shake that racial ‘tale of two cities’ that characterizes his administration. Black voters approve 5-1; Hispanic voters approve by 19 percentage points and white voters disapprove almost 2-1.”

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New York City voters say 63 – 25 percent that Mayor de Blasio should not ban horse-drawn carriages, continuing a year-long trend of Quinnipiac University polls showing strong support for horses. None of the listed groups comes close to supporting the ban.

Voters approve 54 – 40 percent of the decision to allow public school students to bring cell phones to school. All party, gender, race, borough and age groups approve, except Republicans, who are opposed, and voters over 65 years old, who are divided.

“New Yorkers approve de Blasio’s decision to allow cell phones in schools. They continue to say neigh to his plan to ban horse-drawn carriages,” Carroll said.

Race Relations in New York City

With black and white voters divided, voters say 59 – 36 percent that “there has been significant progress toward Martin Luther King’s dream of racial equality.” There has been “significant progress,” white voters say 65 – 29 percent and Hispanic voters say 57 – 40 percent. Only 49 percent of black voters see progress, while 48 percent say there has been no progress.

Voters are divided 46 – 45 percent on whether race relations in New York City are generally good or generally bad. White, black and Hispanic voter numbers are similar.

Voters approve 48 – 42 percent of the way de Blasio is handling relations between blacks and whites. But 37 percent of voters say race relations are getting worse, while 16 percent say they are getting better and 45 percent say they are about the same.

New York City voters approve 46 – 16 percent of the job City Comptroller Scott Stringer is doing, his lowest grade so far and the first time his approval is below the mayor’s.

Voters approve 39 – 23 percent of the job Schools Chancellor Carmen Farina is doing and approve 48 – 33 percent of the job de Blasio is doing handling the public schools.

From January 7 – 14, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,182 New York City voters, with a margin of error of +/- 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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1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Bill de Blasio is handling his job as Mayor?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	49%	22%	62%	37%	47%	51%	32%	78%	54%
Disapprove	40	70	28	52	43	38	57	15	35
DK/NA	11	8	10	10	11	11	11	7	11

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	51%	48%	60%	45%	24%	48%	52%	51%	43%
Disapprove	36	38	34	44	66	34	39	40	46
DK/NA	13	14	7	11	10	18	9	9	12

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Bill de Blasio is handling his job as Mayor?

	Jan 16 2015	Dec 18 2014	Nov 18 2014	Aug 26 2014	Jun 11 2014	Mar 18 2014	Jan 16 2014
Approve	49	47	49	50	51	45	53
Disapprove	40	38	36	32	28	34	13
DK/NA	11	15	16	18	21	20	34

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

		APPROVE.....			
		Tot	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Bill de Blasio	Jan 16, 2015	49	32	78	54
Bill de Blasio	Dec 18, 2014	47	34	70	47
Bill de Blasio	Nov 18, 2014	49	34	71	56
Bill de Blasio	Aug 26, 2014	50	36	65	55
Bill de Blasio	Jun 11, 2014	51	41	66	56
Bill de Blasio	Mar 18, 2014	45	39	60	47
Bill de Blasio	Jan 16, 2014	53	43	71	55
Michael Bloomberg	Jul 24, 2013	48	54	39	47
Michael Bloomberg	Jun 27, 2013	51	57	45	52
Michael Bloomberg	May 23, 2013	50	51	44	54
Michael Bloomberg	Apr 11, 2013	50	52	52	51
Michael Bloomberg	Feb 28, 2013	53	56	43	56
Michael Bloomberg	Jan 17, 2013	56	59	50	58
Michael Bloomberg	Nov 20, 2012	56	56	57	50
Michael Bloomberg	Aug 15, 2012	51	57	34	50
Michael Bloomberg	Jun 13, 2012	50	57	39	50
Michael Bloomberg	May 10, 2012	49	54	36	51
Michael Bloomberg	Mar 13, 2012	54	59	41	67
Michael Bloomberg	Feb 08, 2012	46	53	34	52
Michael Bloomberg	Dec 14, 2011	49	55	41	44
Michael Bloomberg	Oct 19, 2011	47	56	44	32
Michael Bloomberg	Sep 12, 2011	54	62	47	47
Michael Bloomberg	Jul 27, 2011	45	49	40	41
Michael Bloomberg	May 11, 2011	40	50	31	31
Michael Bloomberg	Mar 16, 2011	39	46	30	32
Michael Bloomberg	Nov 23, 2010	55	62	44	54
Michael Bloomberg	Jun 30, 2010	57	68	41	54
Michael Bloomberg	May 21, 2010	57	68	51	50
Michael Bloomberg	Mar 23, 2010	61	71	53	56
Michael Bloomberg	Feb 17, 2010	61	69	52	56
Michael Bloomberg	Aug 26, 2009	66	74	62	67

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TREND: (cont'd) Do you approve or disapprove of the way - NAME - is handling his job as Mayor?

Michael Bloomberg	Jul 28, 2009	63	69	54	62
Michael Bloomberg	Jun 16, 2009	66	69	63	66
Michael Bloomberg	Mar 24, 2009	64	73	54	53
Michael Bloomberg	Feb 24, 2009	65	70	62	55
Michael Bloomberg	Jan 27, 2009	69	74	69	62
Michael Bloomberg	Nov 25, 2008	66	73	62	59
Michael Bloomberg	Oct 21, 2008	75	83	69	66
Michael Bloomberg	Oct 03, 2008	75	83	69	68
Michael Bloomberg	Jul 16, 2008	71	75	64	70
Michael Bloomberg	May 07, 2008	70	77	62	66
Michael Bloomberg	Mar 12, 2008	75	81	69	72
Michael Bloomberg	Jan 09, 2008	73	78	78	59
Michael Bloomberg	Nov 19, 2007	71	78	67	56
Michael Bloomberg	Aug 29, 2007	70	76	68	68
Michael Bloomberg	Jul 25, 2007	73	79	65	68
Michael Bloomberg	May 23, 2007	74	80	77	63
Michael Bloomberg	Mar 14, 2007	73	77	69	66
Michael Bloomberg	Jan 16, 2007	75	82	69	69
Michael Bloomberg	Nov 14, 2006	72	80	63	67
Michael Bloomberg	Jul 12, 2006	72	77	66	62
Michael Bloomberg	Apr 12, 2006	69	77	65	61
Michael Bloomberg	Mar 08, 2006	73	80	65	68
Michael Bloomberg	Feb 02, 2006	72	77	66	66
Michael Bloomberg	Nov 17, 2005	75	80	74	67
Michael Bloomberg	Aug 18, 2005	64	70	60	55
Michael Bloomberg	Jul 19, 2005	60	66	59	50
Michael Bloomberg	Jun 22, 2005	55	59	48	51
Michael Bloomberg	May 11, 2005	47	54	46	30
Michael Bloomberg	Mar 30, 2005	46	55	42	30
Michael Bloomberg	Mar 02, 2005	48	58	42	33
Michael Bloomberg	Jan 19, 2005	50	60	39	42
Michael Bloomberg	Nov 10, 2004	49	57	37	41
Michael Bloomberg	Aug 26, 2004	44	52	37	33
Michael Bloomberg	Jul 20, 2004	49	58	39	41
Michael Bloomberg	Jun 09, 2004	50	60	38	39
Michael Bloomberg	Mar 31, 2004	47	56	38	41
Michael Bloomberg	Feb 04, 2004	44	53	35	34
Michael Bloomberg	Nov 25, 2003	37	46	29	31
Michael Bloomberg	Oct 22, 2003	42	52	32	36
Michael Bloomberg	Sep 09, 2003	38	52	24	29
Michael Bloomberg	Jul 02, 2003	31	42	21	22
Michael Bloomberg	May 07, 2003	32	41	25	22
Michael Bloomberg	Feb 26, 2003	48	60	35	38
Michael Bloomberg	Nov 21, 2002	41	52	39	24
Michael Bloomberg	Jul 18, 2002	57	67	50	51
Michael Bloomberg	Mar 27, 2002	62	70	58	58
Michael Bloomberg	Feb 06, 2002	65	69	65	67
Rudolph Giuliani	Oct 24, 2001	79	--	--	--
Rudolph Giuliani	Oct 09, 2001	79	87	58	81
Rudolph Giuliani	Jul 25, 2001	50	63	25	43
Rudolph Giuliani	Jun 07, 2001	51	63	28	49
Rudolph Giuliani	May 02, 2001	50	65	25	44
Rudolph Giuliani	Apr 04, 2001	51	64	24	48
Rudolph Giuliani	Feb 28, 2001	54	70	26	47
Rudolph Giuliani	Jan 31, 2001	51	62	29	52
Rudolph Giuliani	Nov 21, 2000	55	69	27	52
Rudolph Giuliani	Aug 02, 2000	48	63	25	47
Rudolph Giuliani	Jun 14, 2000	49	64	13	40

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TREND: (cont'd) Do you approve or disapprove of the way - NAME - is handling his job as Mayor?

Rudolph Giuliani	Apr 19, 2000	37	57	6	27
Rudolph Giuliani	Mar 15, 2000	43	62	13	39
Rudolph Giuliani	Oct 20, 1999	46	63	22	42
Rudolph Giuliani	Jun 17, 1999	46	66	18	36
Rudolph Giuliani	May 19, 1999	44	61	16	28
Rudolph Giuliani	Apr 08, 1999	40	57	12	35
Rudolph Giuliani	Feb 17, 1999	44	63	13	34
Rudolph Giuliani	Nov 18, 1998	60	74	30	57
Rudolph Giuliani	Jul 23, 1998	55	69	37	49
Rudolph Giuliani	Apr 08, 1998	65	79	47	62
Rudolph Giuliani	Feb 11, 1998	74	84	57	63
Rudolph Giuliani	Oct 29, 1997	68	80	47	73
Rudolph Giuliani	Oct 01, 1997	63	78	32	53
Rudolph Giuliani	Aug 05, 1997	64	78	42	54

3. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Carmen Farina is handling her job as New York City Schools Chancellor?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	39%	26%	46%	32%	39%	39%	30%	49%	48%
Disapprove	23	37	18	28	22	23	24	17	25
DK/NA	39	36	36	41	39	38	46	35	27
AREA..... AGE IN YRS.....									
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	53%	36%	37%	37%	35%	38%	43%	37%	36%
Disapprove	20	21	18	29	26	21	25	23	20
DK/NA	27	43	44	34	39	40	32	40	44

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Carmen Farina is handling her job as New York City Schools Chancellor?

	Jan 16 2015	Dec 18 2014	Nov 18 2014	Aug 26 2014	Jun 11 2014	Mar 19 2014
Approve	39	37	42	39	39	34
Disapprove	23	26	29	30	27	36
DK/NA	39	37	29	31	34	29

4. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Scott Stringer is handling his job as City Comptroller?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	46%	36%	52%	42%	48%	44%	48%	54%	39%
Disapprove	16	26	13	18	16	16	12	11	24
DK/NA	38	38	35	40	36	40	40	35	37
AREA..... AGE IN YRS.....									
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	43%	42%	53%	48%	39%	32%	43%	51%	57%
Disapprove	24	13	13	17	18	20	20	15	8
DK/NA	33	45	34	35	43	48	37	35	35

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Scott Stringer is handling his job as City Comptroller?

	Jan 16 2015	Dec 18 2014	Nov 18 2014	Aug 26 2014	Jun 11 2014	Mar 18 2014
Approve	46	48	52	55	57	53
Disapprove	16	17	18	16	12	12
DK/NA	38	35	31	30	31	35

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

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	71%	66%	78%	63%	70%	71%	66%	79%	70%
Disapprove	23	30	18	30	24	22	30	18	20
DK/NA	6	4	4	7	6	7	5	3	10

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	77%	67%	66%	75%	71%	61%	70%	74%	77%
Disapprove	17	29	26	17	20	29	25	21	19
DK/NA	5	4	8	8	8	11	5	5	4

6. In general, how satisfied are you with the way things are going in New York City today; are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Very satisfied	8%	6%	10%	6%	9%	7%	7%	10%	10%
Smwht satisfied	39	24	45	32	43	35	37	43	35
Smwht dissatisfied	33	29	31	40	31	34	33	35	36
Very dissatisfied	19	41	12	21	15	22	22	12	17
DK/NA	1	-	1	2	2	1	2	-	1

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Very satisfied	12%	9%	8%	5%	6%	1%	9%	13%	6%
Smwht satisfied	43	36	41	39	34	45	35	37	40
Smwht dissatisfied	29	36	35	31	26	40	34	28	32
Very dissatisfied	14	16	16	24	34	10	20	22	21
DK/NA	1	3	-	-	-	4	1	1	1

TREND: In general, how satisfied are you with the way things are going in New York City today; are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

	Jan 16 2015	Dec 18 2014	Nov 18 2014	Aug 26 2014	Jun 11 2014	VERY+SMWHT....	
						High Feb 11 1998	Low Jul 02 2003
Very satisfied	8	4	6	6	10	18	7
Smwht satisfied	39	40	43	44	50	58	23
Smwht dissatisfied	33	31	31	27	23	18	32
Very dissatisfied	19	23	19	22	16	5	38
DK/NA	1	2	1	1	2	1	1

8. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Mayor de Blasio is handling - the public schools?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	48%	29%	59%	37%	47%	48%	37%	66%	50%
Disapprove	33	56	23	41	34	31	40	15	33
DK/NA	20	15	18	22	19	21	23	18	17

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	56%	52%	49%	42%	25%	43%	51%	50%	45%
Disapprove	26	29	27	39	60	33	35	30	32
DK/NA	17	19	24	19	15	24	14	20	23

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

	Jan 16 2015	Dec 18 2014	Nov 18 2014	Aug 26 2014	Jun 11 2014	Mar 19 2014
Approve	48	46	44	49	47	38
Disapprove	33	36	39	35	39	49
DK/NA	20	18	17	16	14	13

15. Do you think Mayor de Blasio should or should not ban horse drawn carriages from New York City?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Should ban	25%	21%	29%	20%	25%	25%	21%	24%	33%
Should not	63	73	60	66	61	65	65	63	63
DK/NA	12	7	11	14	14	11	14	13	4

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Should ban	24%	23%	30%	23%	21%	32%	28%	21%	20%
Should not	64	63	58	66	72	52	61	69	69
DK/NA	12	15	11	11	7	17	11	10	11

TREND: Do you think Mayor de Blasio should or should not ban horse drawn carriages from New York City?

	Jan 16 2015	Dec 18 2014	Nov 19 2014	Sep 02 2014	Jun 11 2014	Mar 19 2014	Jan 16 2014
Should ban	25	22	27	25	26	24	28
Should not	63	67	63	61	66	64	61
DK/NA	12	11	10	14	8	11	11

16. Do you approve or disapprove of the decision to allow public school students to bring cell phones to school?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	54%	45%	55%	55%	53%	54%	50%	57%	59%
Disapprove	40	51	40	37	41	40	41	39	38
DK/NA	6	4	5	8	6	6	9	4	3

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	53%	56%	53%	51%	60%	72%	52%	50%	45%
Disapprove	45	37	38	44	37	24	41	45	47
DK/NA	3	7	8	5	4	4	7	5	9

17. Do you think race relations in New York City today are generally good or generally bad?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Good	46%	31%	52%	45%	59%	35%	48%	46%	46%
Bad	45	62	41	46	34	54	46	44	45
DK/NA	9	7	7	10	7	11	6	10	9

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Good	43%	49%	50%	44%	34%	52%	45%	48%	38%
Bad	43	42	40	51	62	42	47	45	47
DK/NA	15	9	10	5	5	6	8	7	16

TREND: Do you think race relations in New York City today are generally good or generally bad? (*High also 59% May 2008)

						GOOD.....	
						High	Low
	Jan 16	Dec 18	Nov 18	Aug 26	May 08	Nov 18	Apr 19
	2015	2014	2014	2014	2008	2014*	2000
Good	46	50	59	50	59	59	30
Bad	45	41	31	41	32	31	63
DK/NA	9	9	10	9	9	10	7

18. Do you think race relations in New York City are getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Better	16%	7%	18%	15%	21%	11%	15%	17%	17%
Worse	37	62	29	40	28	45	43	28	41
Same	45	32	50	42	49	42	41	54	42
DK/NA	2	-	2	3	2	2	2	1	-

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Better	19%	16%	17%	13%	11%	12%	17%	19%	13%
Worse	36	36	31	41	54	35	42	36	34
Same	44	45	51	44	32	50	40	45	51
DK/NA	1	3	1	2	2	3	1	1	3

TREND: Do you think race relations in New York City are getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same? (*High also 25% Jan 2007)

	Jan 16 2015	Dec 18 2014	Nov 18 2014	Aug 26 2014	May 08 2008	BETTER.....	
						High May 08 2008*	Low Apr 19 2000
Better	16	18	24	15	25	25	14
Worse	37	35	23	31	18	18	45
Same	45	45	52	51	55	55	40
DK/NA	2	3	2	2	2	2	1

19. Martin Luther King Day is January 19. Do you think there has been significant progress toward Martin Luther King's dream of racial equality, or don't you think so?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes	59%	57%	60%	60%	67%	53%	65%	49%	57%
No	36	39	36	34	29	41	29	48	40
DK/NA	5	4	5	5	4	6	6	4	3

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Yes	58%	56%	62%	62%	58%	66%	60%	59%	51%
No	38	39	33	33	36	30	38	36	38
DK/NA	4	5	5	6	6	4	2	6	10