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**YANKEES WIN THE HEARTS OF NEW YORK CITY BASEBALL FANS,
QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLL FINDS**

The New York Yankees win the hearts of 49 percent of New York City baseball fans, while 33 percent of fans cheer for the New York Mets, according to the Quinnipiac University New York City Baseball Poll released today. The Red Sox are in third place, with 3 percent.

This compares to the April 2, 2018, Baseball Poll by the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University, which showed the Yankees over the Mets 53 – 34 percent among Big Apple baseball fans. The Bombers have been number one in every poll since 2007.

Love of the Bombers ranges from 54 – 32 percent in Brooklyn to 63 – 19 percent in The Bronx. The Amazins are on top 47 – 32 percent in Queens.

A total of 42 percent of New York City adults say they are “very interested” or “somewhat interested” in Major League Baseball.

“The Yankees may be racking up injuries, but New Yorkers aren’t losing heart,” said Mary Snow, polling analyst for the Quinnipiac University Poll. “A third of baseball lovers stick with the Mets in a year full of nostalgia for that glorious ‘Miracle Mets’ season 50 years ago.

“As for the team ranking a way distant third among New Yorkers, best not mention them, especially in The Bronx.”

From March 27 – April 1, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,364 New York City adults with a margin of error of +/- 3.4 percentage points, including the design effect. The survey includes 638 baseball fans with a margin of error of +/- 4.9 percentage points, including the design effect.

The Quinnipiac University Poll, directed by Douglas Schwartz, Ph.D., conducts gold standard surveys using random digit dialing with live interviewers calling landlines and cell phones. The Quinnipiac University Poll conducts nationwide surveys and polls in more than a dozen states on national and statewide elections, as well as public policy issues.

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25. (Adults) How interested are you in following major league baseball; very interested, somewhat interested or not interested at all?

ADULTS.....					
	AGE IN YRS				
	Tot	Men	Wom	18-49	50+
Very interested	15%	20%	10%	12%	20%
Somewhat interested	27	30	24	23	30
Not interested	58	49	66	65	50
DK/NA	-	-	-	-	-

	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl
Very interested	15%	15%	12%	16%	18%
Somewhat interested	27	25	28	27	35
Not interested	58	60	60	57	47
DK/NA	-	1	-	-	-

25a. (If very or somewhat interested q25) What is your favorite major league baseball team?

BASEBALL FANS.....					
	AGE IN YRS				
	Tot	Men	Wom	18-49	50+
New York YANKEES	49%	49%	49%	53%	50%
New York METS	33	33	32	29	39
Boston RED SOX	3	3	3	3	3
Chicago CUBS	1	1	-	2	-
Los Angeles DODGERS	1	1	1	-	2
Miami MARLINS	1	1	2	2	-
San Francisco GIANTS	1	-	1	-	1
DK/NA	9	9	10	7	5

	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl
New York YANKEES	63%	54%	56%	32%	*
New York METS	19	32	20	47	
Boston RED SOX	4	3	6	2	
Chicago CUBS	-	-	4	1	
Los Angeles DODGERS	-	1	2	2	
Miami MARLINS	5	2	-	-	
San Francisco GIANTS	-	1	1	-	
DK/NA	8	7	6	16	