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**WITH BIG NEGATIVES, WEINER AT 15% AMONG NYC DEMOCRATS,  
QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLL FINDS;  
ALL VOTERS DIVIDED ON WHETHER HE SHOULD RUN**

Former U.S. Rep. Anthony Weiner gets 15 percent of Democratic primary voters in the New York City mayor's race, but he has a negative favorability, and all voters are evenly divided on whether he should run for mayor, according to a Quinnipiac University poll released today.

Weiner gets a negative 33 – 41 percent favorability rating among all voters, with 23 percent who don't know enough about him to form an opinion, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University poll finds.

City Council Speaker Christine Quinn leads the Democratic primary field with 28 percent, well short of the 40 percent needed to avoid a primary runoff. Her support includes 31 percent of women and 24 percent of men. Results for other candidates are:

- 15 percent for Weiner, including 20 percent of men and 12 percent of women;
- 11 percent for Public Advocate Bill de Blasio, including 10 percent of men and 12 percent of women;
- 10 percent for former City Comptroller William Thompson, including 14 percent of men and 7 percent of women;
- 9 percent for City Comptroller John Liu, including 9 percent of men and 8 percent of women.

“The Democratic primary for New York City mayor still looks like Council Speaker Christine Quinn versus the guys,” said Maurice Carroll, director of the Quinnipiac University Polling Institute. “With his better name recognition, former Congressman Anthony Weiner jumps into the mix at 15 percent. With his negatives, however, the question is whether he can get much higher.

“The one significant element if he enters the race is that it makes it far less likely for Speaker Quinn to hit that magic 40 per cent.”

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“Who’d get into a runoff? The guys are all bunched up. It’s way too early to tell,” Carroll added.

Weiner should run for mayor this year, 41 percent of New York City voters say, while 44 percent say he should stay out of the race.

Men give Weiner a negative 36 – 43 percent favorability rating, compared to women with a negative 30 – 39 percent score. Favorability among Democrats is 38 – 34 percent.

Favorability ratings for other Democratic mayoral contenders are:

- 45 – 27 percent for Quinn, with 26 percent who haven’t heard enough about her;
- 33 – 10 percent for de Blasio, with 55 percent who haven’t heard enough about him;
- 32 – 9 percent for Thompson, with 57 percent who haven’t heard enough about him;
- 31 – 22 percent for Liu, with 45 percent who haven’t heard enough about him.

For former Metropolitan Transportation Authority Chair Joseph Lhota, the leading Republican candidate, 65 percent don’t know enough about him to form an opinion.

In head-to-head general election matchups, all the Democratic contenders beat Lhota:

- Quinn leads Lhota 60 – 21 percent;
- de Blasio tops Lhota 59 – 19 percent;
- Thompson is up 55 – 19 percent;
- Liu is ahead 56 – 22 percent;
- Weiner leads 51 – 26 percent.

“The history of five straight mayoral elections aside, it still looks like a reliably blue Democratic town. Weiner joins his fellow Democrats in thumping Joe Lhota,” Carroll said.

From April 15 – 18, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,161 New York City voters with a margin of error of +/- 2.9 percentage points. Live interviewers call land lines and cell phones. The survey includes 740 Democrats with a margin of error of +/- 3.6 percentage points.

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

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1. (If Registered Democrat) If the Democratic primary for Mayor were being held today, and the candidates were: John Liu, Christine Quinn, William Thompson, Bill de Blasio, and Anthony Weiner, for whom would you vote?

	REGISTERED DEMOCRATS.....					
	Tot	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Liu	9%	9%	8%	5%	9%	6%
Quinn	28	24	31	31	22	35
Thompson	10	14	7	9	14	8
de Blasio	11	10	12	13	7	14
Weiner	15	20	12	15	18	13
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	-	1	1	-	-
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	3	2	3	3	3	1
DK/NA	24	20	26	23	26	24

TREND: (If Registered Democrat) If the Democratic primary for Mayor were being held today, and the candidates were: John Liu, Christine Quinn, William Thompson, Bill de Blasio, and Anthony Weiner for whom would you vote?

	REGISTERED DEMOCRATS.....						
	Apr 19 2013	Apr 10 2013	Feb 27 2013	Jan 16 2013	Nov 21 2012	Aug 15 2012	May 10 2012
Liu	9	7	9	9	5	9	7
Quinn	28	32	37	35	32	29	26
Thompson	10	13	11	10	10	10	13
de Blasio	11	14	14	11	9	9	10
Weiner	15	na	na	na	na	na	na
Stringer	na	na	na	na	4	4	4
Allon	na	na	na	na	na	1	2
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	2	-	1	1	2	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	3	2	2	2	2	2	2
DK/NA	24	30	27	31	37	34	34

2. If the election for Mayor were being held today, and the candidates were Christine Quinn the Democrat and Joseph Lhota the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Quinn	60%	13%	77%	44%	54%	65%	48%	74%	66%
Lhota	21	68	8	35	27	17	35	6	18
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	2	1	3	2	2	2	3	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	4	1	4	5	4	5	3	5	6
DK/NA	13	16	9	13	14	12	13	13	9

	COLLEGE DEG			ANNUAL HSHOLD INC			AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+	
Quinn	58%	61%	67%	54%	57%	60%	63%	57%	
Lhota	25	19	18	23	28	16	21	24	
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	3	1	3	1	-	2	4	
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	5	4	4	6	4	5	4	4	
DK/NA	11	14	10	15	10	19	10	11	

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl
Quinn	65%	60%	65%	56%	43%
Lhota	19	19	20	23	39
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	3	3	-	1	4
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	3	4	6	5	3
DK/NA	9	15	9	15	11

TREND: If the election for Mayor were being held today, and the candidates were Christine Quinn the Democrat and Joseph Lhota the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Apr 19 2013	Apr 10 2013	Feb 27 2013	Jan 16 2013
Quinn	60	59	63	62
Lhota	21	19	19	17
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	2	2	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	4	5	3	3
DK/NA	13	16	13	16

3. If the election for Mayor were being held today, and the candidates were William Thompson the Democrat and Joseph Lhota the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Thompson	55%	8%	74%	40%	55%	56%	42%	75%	68%
Lhota	19	70	5	30	23	16	32	6	11
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	2	1	4	1	3	2	1	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	5	1	5	6	4	5	5	4	4
DK/NA	18	21	14	20	17	20	19	14	16

	COLLEGE DEG Yes	DEG No	ANNUAL <50K	HS HOLD 50-100	INC >100K	AGE IN 18-34	YRS..... 35-54	55+
Thompson	53%	57%	61%	59%	50%	44%	60%	58%
Lhota	22	17	16	19	26	20	18	20
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	3	-	4	3	-	3	3
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	6	4	5	2	5	8	5	3
DK/NA	18	19	19	16	15	27	15	15

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl
Thompson	68%	54%	59%	52%	33%
Lhota	17	17	17	22	35
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	4	1	1	6
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	5	5	5	13
DK/NA	12	20	18	21	14

TREND: If the election for Mayor were being held today, and the candidates were William Thompson the Democrat and Joseph Lhota the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Apr 19 2013	Apr 10 2013	Feb 27 2013	Jan 16 2013
Thompson	55	55	55	55
Lhota	19	17	20	19
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	2	1	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	5	4	4	4
DK/NA	18	21	20	20

4. If the election for Mayor were being held today, and the candidates were Bill de Blasio the Democrat and Joseph Lhota the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
de Blasio	59%	19%	76%	39%	56%	61%	50%	69%	68%
Lhota	19	63	6	30	23	16	29	9	13
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	-	1	5	2	1	2	1	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	4	2	4	4	3	4	3	3	5
DK/NA	17	15	13	22	16	18	18	17	12

	COLLEGE DEG Yes	DEG No	ANNUAL <50K	HSHOLD 50-100	INC >100K	AGE IN 18-34	YRS..... 35-54	55+
de Blasio	56%	61%	66%	59%	53%	52%	59%	63%
Lhota	20	18	17	19	24	18	20	19
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	2	-	2	2	1	3	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	5	3	3	2	6	7	4	3
DK/NA	18	17	14	19	14	22	15	14

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl
de Blasio	70%	59%	64%	51%	41%
Lhota	15	16	18	21	37
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	-	3	1	1	3
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	1	3	4	6	8
DK/NA	14	20	13	20	11

TREND: If the election for Mayor were being held today, and the candidates were Bill de Blasio the Democrat and Joseph Lhota the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Apr 19 2013	Apr 10 2013	Feb 27 2013	Jan 16 2013
de Blasio	59	55	58	57
Lhota	19	18	18	17
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	2	2	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	4	5	4	4
DK/NA	17	19	18	20

5. If the election for Mayor were being held today, and the candidates were John Liu the Democrat and Joseph Lhota the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Liu	56%	12%	75%	36%	54%	57%	39%	76%	65%
Lhota	22	74	7	32	25	19	35	8	15
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	-	1	4	1	2	2	1	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	5	-	5	8	4	5	5	3	6
DK/NA	16	13	12	20	15	17	20	13	12

	COLLEGE DEG Yes	DEG No	ANNUAL <50K	HSHOLD 50-100	INC >100K	AGE IN 18-34	YRS..... 35-54	55+
Liu	53%	58%	63%	56%	52%	56%	60%	54%
Lhota	25	19	18	22	27	14	21	25
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	-	2	1	2	1	-	3	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	7	4	5	5	5	7	4	4
DK/NA	15	17	14	15	15	22	12	15

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5. (cont'd) If the election for Mayor were being held today, and the candidates were John Liu the Democrat and Joseph Lhota the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl
Liu	63%	54%	60%	51%	50%
Lhota	21	19	20	24	33
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	3	1	1	3
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	4	8	5	3
DK/NA	13	20	11	19	10

TREND: If the election for Mayor were being held today, and the candidates were John Liu the Democrat and Joseph Lhota the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Apr 19 2013	Apr 10 2013	Feb 27 2013
Liu	56	52	53
Lhota	22	20	22
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	2	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	5	6	4
DK/NA	16	19	18

6. If the election for Mayor were being held today, and the candidates were Anthony Weiner the Democrat and Joseph Lhota the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Weiner	51%	10%	67%	40%	49%	53%	38%	66%	63%
Lhota	26	77	12	37	31	22	41	10	16
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	-	1	3	1	3	2	1	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	6	1	7	6	5	7	4	5	9
DK/NA	15	12	13	15	13	16	15	17	9

	COLLEGE DEG Yes	COLLEGE DEG No	ANNUAL <50K	HSHOLD INC 50-100	HSHOLD INC >100K	AGE IN YRS..... 18-34	AGE IN YRS..... 35-54	AGE IN YRS..... 55+
Weiner	46%	54%	57%	51%	46%	52%	56%	47%
Lhota	31	24	23	26	35	21	26	30
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	2	-	4	2	-	1	3
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	7	5	5	5	7	5	6	7
DK/NA	14	15	15	14	11	21	12	13

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl
Weiner	60%	50%	54%	49%	34%
Lhota	24	23	25	30	42
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	-	2	2	2	4
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	4	6	6	5	11
DK/NA	12	19	13	14	10

7. Is your opinion of John Liu favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	31%	22%	35%	26%	36%	27%	24%	44%	24%
Unfavorable	22	32	18	30	24	21	32	8	17
Hvn't hrd enough	45	43	46	41	38	50	41	45	56
REFUSED	2	3	1	3	2	3	3	2	2

	COLLEGE DEG Yes	COLLEGE DEG No	ANNUAL HSHOLD INC <50K	ANNUAL HSHOLD INC 50-100	ANNUAL HSHOLD INC >100K	AGE IN YRS..... 18-34	AGE IN YRS..... 35-54	AGE IN YRS..... 55+
Favorable	32%	30%	32%	32%	32%	30%	35%	28%
Unfavorable	28	19	14	29	27	13	21	29
Hvn't hrd enough	37	50	52	38	37	56	42	40
REFUSED	3	2	2	2	3	1	1	4

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl
Favorable	32%	26%	32%	34%	29%
Unfavorable	15	21	25	27	21
Hvn't hrd enough	46	52	41	38	46
REFUSED	7	1	2	1	4

TREND: Is your opinion of John Liu favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Apr 19 2013	Apr 10 2013	Feb 27 2013	Jan 16 2013
Favorable	31	31	34	28
Unfavorable	22	21	23	24
Hvn't hrd enough	45	46	42	46
REFUSED	2	2	2	2

8. Is your opinion of Christine Quinn favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about her?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	45%	21%	52%	43%	44%	46%	42%	51%	46%
Unfavorable	27	57	19	32	32	23	37	14	22
Hvn't hrd enough	26	21	28	24	23	30	18	32	30
REFUSED	2	1	1	2	2	2	2	3	2

	COLLEGE DEG Yes	COLLEGE DEG No	ANNUAL HSHOLD INC <50K	ANNUAL HSHOLD INC 50-100	ANNUAL HSHOLD INC >100K	AGE IN YRS..... 18-34	AGE IN YRS..... 35-54	AGE IN YRS..... 55+
Favorable	46%	44%	47%	42%	48%	34%	53%	46%
Unfavorable	33	23	19	40	33	19	27	32
Hvn't hrd enough	18	31	32	17	17	47	19	19
REFUSED	3	2	2	1	2	-	1	3

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl
Favorable	53%	43%	49%	39%	41%
Unfavorable	21	26	26	29	38
Hvn't hrd enough	22	29	22	31	21
REFUSED	4	2	3	1	1

TREND: Is your opinion of Christine Quinn favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about her?

	Apr 19 2013	Apr 10 2013	Feb 27 2013	Jan 16 2013
Favorable	45	49	51	54
Unfavorable	27	24	21	18
Hvn't hrd enough	26	25	27	26
REFUSED	2	2	1	2

9. Is your opinion of William Thompson favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	32%	21%	36%	30%	39%	26%	29%	44%	29%
Unfavorable	9	21	6	12	12	8	14	4	7
Hvn't hrd enough	57	57	57	57	48	65	56	49	62
REFUSED	2	1	1	1	2	1	1	3	2

	COLLEGE DEG Yes	COLLEGE DEG No	ANNUAL HSHOLD INC <50K	ANNUAL HSHOLD INC 50-100	ANNUAL HSHOLD INC >100K	AGE IN YRS..... 18-34	AGE IN YRS..... 35-54	AGE IN YRS..... 55+
Favorable	32%	32%	32%	35%	30%	21%	33%	40%
Unfavorable	10	9	8	10	13	6	10	10
Hvn't hrd enough	55	58	59	55	54	72	56	48
REFUSED	2	1	1	1	2	-	1	2

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl
Favorable	37%	34%	31%	29%	23%
Unfavorable	9	8	9	12	9
Hvn't hrd enough	51	57	56	59	67
REFUSED	2	1	3	1	-

TREND: Is your opinion of William Thompson favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him? (\*High also 38% July 2009)

	Apr 19 2013	Apr 10 2013	Feb 27 2013	Jan 16 2013	Aug 26 2009	FAVORABLE..... High Aug 26 2009*	FAVORABLE..... Low Feb 24 2009
Favorable	32	36	34	31	38	38	22
Unfavorable	9	10	10	10	10	10	5
Hvn't hrd enough	57	53	55	57	51	51	71
REFUSED	2	2	2	2	1	1	1

10. Is your opinion of Bill de Blasio favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	33%	32%	36%	25%	34%	32%	34%	38%	29%
Unfavorable	10	19	7	13	12	9	15	5	11
Hvn't hrd enough	55	46	55	58	51	57	49	55	59
REFUSED	2	3	1	3	3	2	2	2	1

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10. (cont'd) Is your opinion of Bill de Blasio favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL	HSHOLD	INC	AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+
Favorable	35%	32%	34%	40%	33%	29%	33%	36%
Unfavorable	11	10	9	8	13	6	10	13
Hvn't hrd enough	52	57	56	51	51	65	54	49
REFUSED	2	2	1	1	3	1	3	2
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl			
Favorable	36%	36%	34%	26%	29%			
Unfavorable	11	11	10	10	9			
Hvn't hrd enough	52	50	53	63	58			
REFUSED	1	2	3	1	5			

TREND: Is your opinion of Bill de Blasio favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Apr 19	Apr 10	Feb 27	Jan 16
	2013	2013	2013	2013
Favorable	33	34	39	35
Unfavorable	10	11	13	11
Hvn't hrd enough	55	52	46	52
REFUSED	2	2	2	2

11. Is your opinion of Anthony Weiner favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	33%	17%	38%	32%	36%	30%	30%	41%	31%
Unfavorable	41	65	34	47	43	39	55	25	31
Hvn't hrd enough	23	16	26	18	17	28	12	28	36
REFUSED	3	2	3	3	4	3	2	5	2

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL	HSHOLD	INC	AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+
Favorable	33%	33%	32%	36%	35%	33%	38%	29%
Unfavorable	49	35	34	45	50	32	39	49
Hvn't hrd enough	14	29	30	17	12	34	20	18
REFUSED	4	3	3	2	3	1	3	4

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl
Favorable	39%	32%	32%	35%	20%
Unfavorable	36	43	39	40	53
Hvn't hrd enough	20	23	25	21	25
REFUSED	6	2	3	5	2

TREND: Is your opinion of Anthony Weiner favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Apr 19	Mar 24	Feb 24	Jan 27	Nov 25
	2013	2009	2009	2009	2008
Favorable	33	31	32	34	31
Unfavorable	41	13	12	10	10
Hvn't hrd enough	23	55	55	54	57
REFUSED	3	2	2	2	2

12. Is your opinion of Joseph Lhota favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	19%	42%	12%	28%	25%	15%	29%	9%	14%
Unfavorable	14	6	18	8	18	10	14	15	12
Hvn't hrd enough	65	50	68	63	54	74	56	72	73
REFUSED	2	2	2	1	3	1	1	4	1

	COLLEGE DEG Yes	COLLEGE DEG No	ANNUAL <50K	HSHOLD 50-100	INC >100K	AGE IN 18-34	YRS..... 35-54	55+
Favorable	22%	18%	18%	20%	25%	15%	19%	23%
Unfavorable	17	11	12	14	17	10	13	16
Hvn't hrd enough	58	70	68	65	55	75	66	59
REFUSED	3	2	2	1	3	-	2	2

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl
Favorable	19%	17%	20%	18%	35%
Unfavorable	16	13	16	14	4
Hvn't hrd enough	59	70	61	67	61
REFUSED	6	1	2	1	-

TREND: Is your opinion of Joseph Lhota favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Apr 19 2013	Apr 10 2013	Feb 27 2013	Jan 16 2013
Favorable	19	19	18	19
Unfavorable	14	14	15	11
Hvn't hrd enough	65	65	66	69
REFUSED	2	1	1	1

13. Do you think Anthony Weiner should or should not run for Mayor this year?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Should run	41%	25%	45%	41%	44%	38%	33%	53%	44%
Should not	44	64	40	47	44	45	55	31	42
DK/NA	15	11	15	12	13	16	12	15	14

	COLLEGE DEG Yes	COLLEGE DEG No	ANNUAL <50K	HSHOLD 50-100	INC >100K	AGE IN 18-34	YRS..... 35-54	55+
Should run	36%	44%	44%	44%	39%	48%	44%	34%
Should not	52	40	38	46	55	30	47	50
DK/NA	12	16	18	10	6	22	9	16

	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl
Should run	49%	38%	37%	45%	33%
Should not	34	43	48	45	63
DK/NA	17	19	15	10	4