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NEW YORKERS WELCOME DEM CONVENTION 3-1, QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLL FINDS; VOTERS WANT RIGHT TO RENT ROOMS LIKE A HOTEL

By a 66 – 23 percent margin, New York City voters want to host the 2016 Democratic National Convention, according to a Quinnipiac University poll released today. Welcoming the convention are Democrats 78 – 14 percent and independent voters 60 – 27 percent, while Republican voters say no 52 – 38 percent.

By a small 47 – 39 percent margin, with a split among the boroughs, voters prefer Brooklyn over Manhattan as the site for the convention, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University poll finds.

Brooklyn voters say 54 – 35 percent YIMBY – yes in my backyard – and Manhattan voters agree 53 – 31 percent that the convention should be in Brooklyn. Queens voters are divided with 42 percent for Brooklyn and 40 percent for Manhattan. Backing Manhattan over Brooklyn are Staten Island voters 55 – 31 percent, with 50 percent of Bronx voters agreeing.

All New York City voters agree 67 – 22 percent that Brooklyn is the new “hip place.”

Support for a hip Brooklyn ranges from 49 – 32 percent in The Bronx to 85 – 12 percent in Brooklyn. Even voters over 65 years old say 64 – 19 percent that Brooklyn is hip.

If Mayor Bill de Blasio is seen as a national spokesman for liberal issues, that’s good for New York City, voters say 30 – 17 percent, while 46 percent say it makes no difference.

A role as spokesman on liberal issues is good for de Blasio, voters say 44 – 12 percent.

“Hey! Let’s have a party! By 3-1, New Yorkers would like to play host to the Democratic National Convention in 2016,” said Quinnipiac University Poll Assistant Director Maurice Carroll. “Being host would boost Mayor Bill de Blasio's national renown, and many New Yorkers like the idea that their mayor is turning into a national spokesman for liberalism. Good for the city, good for him, they say.”

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“Haven’t you heard? Brooklyn is now hip! The city’s pitch is to stage the show in Brooklyn – and Brooklyn likes that a lot,” Carroll added. “Manhattanites think the convention ought to be in Brooklyn, too. Are they being gracious, or ducking the traffic?”

Turning Apartments into Hotels

New York City voters support 56 – 36 percent allowing people to rent rooms in their homes to strangers, similar to a hotel. Support is similar among men, women, black voters and white voters, while Hispanic voters are divided, with 46 percent in favor and 45 percent opposed.

Manhattan voters favor the right to rent 61 – 32 percent, followed by Queens at 60 – 29 percent, and Brooklyn at 57 – 34 percent. Staten Island voters are divided with 46 percent in favor and 49 percent opposed, and 50 percent of Bronx voters say the practice should be banned, while 42 percent support it.

Poor Doors and Carriage Horses

Moving homeless families into public housing is a good idea, New York City voters say 76 – 15 percent.

Outlaw the “poor door,” voters say 78 – 17 percent and require luxury housing developers who include affordable housing to provide one entrance for everyone. Support for one entrance ranges from 60 – 33 percent among Republicans to 83 – 13 percent among Democrats.

Mayor de Blasio should not ban horse-drawn carriages, voters say 61 – 25 percent. There is no party, gender, age, race or borough group in favor of the ban. Opposition to the ban tops 2-1 for the fourth Quinnipiac University poll in a row.

“New Yorkers want the right to turn their apartments into hotels,” Carroll said. “Folks in The Bronx and Staten Island are less excited with the idea.

“On another issue, voters want to slam shut the so-called ‘Poor Door,’ allowing rich and not-so-rich to use the same entrance.

“In case you forgot, that idea of banning carriage horses is still around. And New Yorkers still think it's a bad idea.”

From August 20 – 25, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,021 New York City voters, with a margin of error of +/- 3.1 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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22. 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%	11%	27%	30%	22%	28%	21%	27%	31%
Should not	61	82	59	56	64	58	66	56	57
DK/NA	14	7	14	14	14	14	13	17	12

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Should ban	30%	28%	27%	21%	16%	40%	30%	21%	15%
Should not	58	60	57	63	75	49	58	67	65
DK/NA	12	12	16	16	8	12	12	12	20

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

	Sep 02 2014	Jun 11 2014	Mar 19 2014	Jan 16 2014
Should ban	25	26	24	28
Should not	61	66	64	61
DK/NA	14	8	11	11

49. New York State's minimum wage increases to \$8.75 an hour next year. Do you think New York City should or should not increase its minimum wage even higher, to \$11.50 per hour?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Should	79%	48%	88%	75%	73%	84%	69%	91%	87%
Should not	18	48	10	22	24	14	28	7	12
DK/NA	3	4	2	4	4	2	4	2	2

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Should	88%	76%	85%	73%	74%	83%	79%	81%	75%
Should not	10	21	12	25	21	16	19	18	19
DK/NA	3	3	3	2	4	1	2	2	5

50. If Mayor de Blasio is perceived as a national spokesperson for liberal issues, do you think that is good for - New York City, bad for New York City, or doesn't it make a difference?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Good	30%	7%	39%	26%	28%	32%	24%	33%	33%
Bad	17	50	9	20	20	15	27	8	11
No difference	46	37	45	50	47	45	44	49	50
DK/NA	7	5	7	4	5	8	5	11	5

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Good	36%	26%	36%	30%	15%	44%	26%	30%	27%
Bad	13	17	15	16	39	8	19	18	20
No difference	41	51	45	46	39	43	51	47	43
DK/NA	10	7	4	7	7	5	5	6	10

51. If Mayor de Blasio is perceived as a national spokesperson for liberal issues, do you think that is good for - his political career, bad for his political career, or doesn't it make a difference?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Good	44%	32%	50%	38%	45%	43%	43%	42%	49%
Bad	12	10	10	15	13	11	14	12	7
No difference	37	52	33	40	36	38	36	37	37
DK/NA	7	6	7	7	6	9	6	9	7

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Good	45%	40%	49%	44%	39%	60%	45%	37%	42%
Bad	9	14	10	12	11	8	14	13	10
No difference	34	40	32	37	43	27	36	43	39
DK/NA	11	5	8	7	6	5	6	7	10

52. Do you think the New York City policy of moving homeless families into public housing projects is a good idea or a bad idea?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Good idea	76%	65%	80%	75%	71%	81%	74%	82%	79%
Bad idea	15	29	12	17	21	10	15	13	13
DK/NA	8	6	8	8	8	9	11	5	8

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Good idea	84%	76%	80%	73%	58%	87%	75%	78%	71%
Bad idea	9	18	9	18	30	9	18	14	18
DK/NA	7	6	11	9	12	5	7	8	11

53. When a developer includes affordable housing in a luxury housing project, should people living in the affordable housing portion have a separate entrance or should the developer be required to provide one entrance for everyone?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Separate entrance	17%	33%	13%	17%	19%	15%	22%	8%	17%
One entrance	78	60	83	77	76	79	70	90	80
DK/NA	6	7	4	6	5	6	8	2	4

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Separate entrance	8%	20%	15%	18%	21%	18%	16%	14%	19%
One entrance	87	74	80	75	69	77	80	80	72
DK/NA	5	5	5	6	10	5	4	5	10

54. Would you like New York City to host the Democratic National Convention in 2016 or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes	66%	38%	78%	60%	67%	65%	57%	79%	73%
No	23	52	14	27	24	23	32	12	17
DK/NA	11	9	8	13	9	12	11	9	10

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Yes	78%	69%	65%	62%	49%	68%	65%	70%	63%
No	15	21	22	27	38	21	25	21	24
DK/NA	7	10	12	11	13	11	9	8	13

55. If the Democratic National Convention is held in New York City in 2016, would you prefer that the convention be held in Brooklyn or Manhattan?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Brooklyn	47%	52%	47%	51%	49%	46%	50%	51%	38%
Manhattan	39	34	40	37	36	41	34	35	55
DK/NA	14	15	13	12	15	13	16	14	7

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Brooklyn	41%	54%	53%	42%	31%	40%	48%	51%	45%
Manhattan	50	35	31	40	55	47	39	39	36
DK/NA	9	11	15	18	14	13	12	10	19

56. If the Democratic National Convention is held in New York City in 2016, would you tell friends to come to New York City during the convention or tell them to stay away?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Come to NYC	45%	16%	55%	40%	44%	46%	30%	61%	56%
Stay away	41	74	31	46	40	42	56	23	31
DK/NA	14	10	14	13	16	12	14	16	13

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Come to NYC	55%	44%	41%	47%	38%	63%	41%	45%	41%
Stay away	26	42	46	41	55	26	44	45	42
DK/NA	19	14	13	12	7	11	14	11	17

57. Some people say Brooklyn is the new "hip place". Do you agree or disagree?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Agree	67%	70%	67%	69%	69%	66%	73%	67%	56%
Disagree	22	25	22	21	23	21	18	22	30
DK/NA	11	6	12	11	8	13	8	11	15

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Agree	49%	85%	61%	63%	69%	73%	66%	68%	64%
Disagree	32	12	28	23	16	19	28	20	19
DK/NA	19	3	11	14	15	8	6	13	16

58. Do you think New York City residents should be permitted to rent rooms in their homes for a few days at a time to strangers, similar to a hotel, or should this practice be banned?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Permitted to rent	56%	56%	58%	56%	56%	55%	59%	62%	46%
Ban practice	36	40	34	38	34	37	34	31	45
DK/NA	8	4	8	7	9	7	7	7	8

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Kngs	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Permitted to rent	42%	57%	61%	60%	46%	64%	62%	54%	45%
Ban practice	50	34	32	29	49	33	33	38	40
DK/NA	8	8	6	11	5	3	6	8	15