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**De BLASIO HAS 61% OF NEW YORK CITY LIKELY VOTERS,
QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLL FINDS;
58% APPROVE OF MAYOR AND 57% SAY REELECT HIM**

New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio is leaving his challengers in the dust as he takes 61 percent of likely voters in his reelection bid, according to a Quinnipiac University poll released today.

Assembly member Nicole Malliotakis, the Republican challenger, has 17 percent, with 8 percent for Reform Party candidate Sal Albanese and 6 percent for independent candidate Bo Dietl, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University Poll finds. This survey of likely voters can not be compared to earlier surveys of registered voters.

New York City likely voters are divided along racial lines:

- De Blasio gets 44 percent of white voters, with 32 percent for Malliotakis, 11 percent for Albanese and 5 percent for Dietl;
- Black voters go 84 percent for de Blasio, 5 percent for Dietl, 4 percent for Malliotakis and 1 percent for Albanese;
- Hispanic voters go 65 percent for the mayor, 10 percent each for Albanese and Dietl and 9 percent for Malliotakis.

Malliotakis leads 47 – 34 percent among likely voters in Staten Island, while de Blasio sweeps the other boroughs by wide margins.

The economy is the most important issue in deciding how they will vote for mayor, 21 percent of voters say, with 20 percent each for education and crime; 17 percent say housing and 10 percent cite homelessness.

“With a solid grip on four out of five boroughs and his challengers still distant also rans, Mayor Bill de Blasio would seem to be gliding toward reelection in about four weeks,” said Tim Malloy, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Poll.

“The racial divide, which has bedeviled Mayor de Blasio since his first day in office, continues even as he finishes his first term.”

“The economy, education and crime stack up evenly in New Yorkers’ worry list.”

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New York City likely voters give de Blasio a 56 – 36 percent favorability rating. His challengers remain largely unknown:

- 64 percent of likely voters don't know enough about Malliotakis to form an opinion of her;
- 66 percent don't know enough about Dietl;
- 67 percent don't know enough about Albanese.

De Blasio gets a 58 – 36 percent job approval rating. Approval is 83 – 10 percent among black voters and 63 – 31 percent among Hispanic voters, while white voters disapprove 56 – 38 percent.

The Mayor deserves reelection, likely voters say 57 – 37 percent.

Grading the job de Blasio is doing as mayor:

- 14 percent of likely voters give him an A;
- 36 percent give him a B;
- 23 percent say C;
- 10 percent give a D;
- 15 percent give an F.

President Trump, Gov. Cuomo Approval Ratings

New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo soars among New York City likely voters with a 70 – 24 percent approval rating, including 53 – 40 percent among Republicans.

These same voters disapprove 78 – 18 percent of the job President Donald Trump is doing. Job approval ratings for other leaders are:

- 59 – 14 percent for Comptroller Scott Stringer;
- 64 – 16 percent for Police Commissioner James O'Neill;
- 51 – 20 percent for Public Advocate Letitia James;
- 43 – 21 percent for City Council Speaker Melissa Mark-Viverito;
- 44 – 32 percent for Schools Chancellor Carmen Farina.

From September 27 – October 4, Quinnipiac University surveyed 731 New York City likely voters with a margin of error of +/- 4.7 percentage points, including the design effect. Live interviewers call landlines and cell phones.

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

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1. If the election for Mayor were being held today, and the candidates were Bill de Blasio the Democrat, Nicole Malliotakis the Republican, Sal Albanese the Reform Party candidate, and Bo Dietl running as an independent candidate, for whom would you vote? (If undecided) As of today, do you lean more toward Bill de Blasio the Democrat, Nicole Malliotakis the Republican, Sal Albanese the Reform Party candidate, or Bo Dietl running as an independent candidate?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
de Blasio	61%	25%	78%	39%	59%	63%	44%	84%	65%
Malliotakis	17	59	7	25	18	15	32	4	9
Albanese	8	8	6	11	9	7	11	1	10
Dietl	6	7	3	11	6	6	5	5	10
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-
DK/NA	8	1	5	12	7	8	8	7	5

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
de Blasio	69%	68%	68%	48%	34%	59%	67%	65%	55%
Malliotakis	9	14	12	23	47	11	15	17	23
Albanese	6	7	10	7	7	4	8	7	10
Dietl	11	2	2	10	10	11	6	3	5
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	-	-	1	-	3	-	1	1	-
DK/NA	5	8	7	11	-	14	4	7	6

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

	LIKELY VOTERS.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	56%	22%	70%	38%	54%	58%	36%	82%	59%
Unfavorable	36	71	23	53	41	32	57	14	26
Hvn't hrd enough	4	7	3	4	3	4	3	1	9
REFUSED	4	-	4	6	2	5	4	3	5

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	72%	62%	58%	45%	31%	52%	60%	61%	52%
Unfavorable	25	28	35	46	69	39	33	35	40
Hvn't hrd enough	2	6	4	3	-	5	4	2	3
REFUSED	2	4	4	6	-	5	3	2	5

3. Is your opinion of Nicole Malliotakis favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about her?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	18%	45%	9%	27%	24%	14%	29%	6%	15%
Unfavorable	17	-	23	11	15	18	19	14	9
Hvn't hrd enough	64	55	68	62	61	67	51	80	75
REFUSED	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	1
	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	13%	16%	10%	24%	57%	10%	20%	20%	24%
Unfavorable	8	17	25	15	15	12	24	17	11
Hvn't hrd enough	79	67	64	60	28	78	56	62	65
REFUSED	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	1	1

4. Is your opinion of Bo Dietl favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	15%	18%	13%	18%	19%	12%	13%	14%	21%
Unfavorable	18	10	20	20	19	17	22	15	8
Hvn't hrd enough	66	72	67	61	62	70	64	69	70
REFUSED	1	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	1
	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	27%	11%	11%	12%	32%	15%	15%	13%	21%
Unfavorable	8	17	25	19	13	12	21	17	18
Hvn't hrd enough	64	71	64	67	55	74	63	68	60
REFUSED	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	1

5. Is your opinion of Sal Albanese favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	18%	17%	19%	19%	24%	14%	21%	11%	22%
Unfavorable	14	17	14	11	14	14	16	10	14
Hvn't hrd enough	67	66	66	69	61	71	61	78	63
REFUSED	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	1
	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	12%	18%	18%	24%	20%	17%	19%	19%	20%
Unfavorable	8	12	20	14	15	7	15	15	18
Hvn't hrd enough	79	69	62	61	65	76	65	65	60
REFUSED	1	2	1	2	-	-	1	1	2

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

	LIKELY VOTERS.....								
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	58%	23%	73%	38%	53%	62%	38%	83%	63%
Disapprove	36	76	21	58	41	32	56	10	31
DK/NA	6	1	6	4	6	6	5	8	6

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Approve	67%	65%	62%	46%	32%	54%	61%	61%	53%
Disapprove	25	29	33	49	65	41	32	33	42
DK/NA	8	6	5	5	4	5	6	6	5

7. Do you approve or disapprove of the way James O'Neill is handling his job as Police Commissioner?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....								
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	64%	67%	67%	61%	66%	63%	66%	61%	65%
Disapprove	16	18	14	21	18	14	14	19	16
DK/NA	20	15	20	18	16	23	20	20	19

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Approve	59%	64%	66%	64%	75%	51%	71%	66%	67%
Disapprove	20	14	15	17	15	27	17	15	11
DK/NA	21	22	19	19	10	22	12	19	22

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

	LIKELY VOTERS.....								
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	44%	34%	53%	29%	42%	46%	39%	54%	45%
Disapprove	32	40	24	47	34	31	32	28	33
DK/NA	24	26	23	25	25	24	29	18	22

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Approve	45%	43%	46%	40%	52%	40%	52%	43%	40%
Disapprove	33	27	31	37	35	36	31	31	31
DK/NA	22	30	23	23	13	24	17	26	29

9. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Letitia James is handling her job as Public Advocate?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....								
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	51%	25%	61%	38%	54%	49%	40%	72%	52%
Disapprove	20	42	11	30	23	17	24	11	22
DK/NA	29	33	27	33	23	34	37	17	26

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Approve	52%	56%	54%	45%	37%	48%	56%	54%	44%
Disapprove	21	15	20	21	32	22	17	22	20
DK/NA	27	29	26	34	32	30	27	24	35

10. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Melissa Mark-Viverito is handling her job as City Council Speaker?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....								
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	43%	28%	52%	31%	45%	42%	32%	55%	51%
Disapprove	21	36	13	33	25	17	29	10	21
DK/NA	36	36	36	36	30	41	39	35	27

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Approve	43%	43%	49%	42%	27%	50%	47%	48%	32%
Disapprove	26	12	20	25	34	10	21	23	28
DK/NA	31	45	31	34	39	40	32	29	40

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

	LIKELY VOTERS.....								
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	59%	51%	63%	53%	60%	58%	61%	62%	59%
Disapprove	14	18	12	18	19	11	15	18	4
DK/NA	27	31	25	29	21	31	24	20	37

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Approve	62%	57%	62%	57%	59%	45%	58%	68%	61%
Disapprove	9	10	18	18	20	20	18	10	12
DK/NA	29	33	20	26	21	35	24	22	27

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

	LIKELY VOTERS.....								
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	70%	53%	79%	61%	67%	74%	61%	78%	84%
Disapprove	24	40	18	30	28	21	32	17	14
DK/NA	5	7	3	9	6	5	7	5	2

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Approve	76%	72%	71%	67%	57%	64%	69%	78%	70%
Disapprove	22	22	25	24	38	31	25	18	26
DK/NA	2	6	4	8	5	5	6	4	4

13. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as President?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....								
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	18%	69%	5%	24%	20%	16%	30%	3%	14%
Disapprove	78	26	92	71	76	80	67	94	78
DK/NA	4	5	3	5	4	4	4	3	7

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Approve	17%	19%	8%	19%	48%	15%	12%	17%	26%
Disapprove	79	77	87	76	50	82	84	79	69
DK/NA	4	4	5	5	1	3	5	3	5

14. What letter grade would you give Bill de Blasio for the job he has been doing as mayor; A, B, C, D, or F?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....								
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
A	14%	5%	18%	12%	12%	17%	3%	26%	20%
B	36	12	45	25	35	37	32	46	36
C	23	20	24	23	23	23	22	21	25
D	10	21	6	15	10	10	17	4	5
F	15	38	6	25	20	10	25	2	11
DK/NA	2	3	2	-	1	3	2	1	3

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
A	23%	19%	7%	14%	3%	17%	17%	11%	12%
B	39	37	42	31	21	34	35	40	34
C	18	23	32	17	23	22	25	26	18
D	10	10	9	11	10	12	9	7	12
F	6	10	9	25	42	11	13	15	20
DK/NA	4	1	1	3	-	5	-	-	4

15. Do you feel that Bill de Blasio deserves to be reelected, or do you feel that he does not deserve to be reelected?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....								
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes/Deserves	57%	25%	71%	39%	56%	59%	36%	85%	62%
No/Does not	37	74	23	57	40	35	57	11	34
DK/NA	5	1	6	4	4	6	7	4	4

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Yes/Deserves	72%	63%	62%	42%	31%	55%	59%	62%	53%
No/Does not	24	32	31	52	68	42	36	33	40
DK/NA	4	5	7	5	1	3	5	5	7

17. Which of these is the most important issue to you in deciding how to vote for mayor this year: the economy, education, crime, housing, homelessness, or public transportation?

	LIKELY VOTERS.....								
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Economy	21%	32%	19%	21%	25%	18%	21%	23%	16%
Education	20	17	21	20	17	23	18	18	26
Crime	20	27	19	18	21	19	16	20	25
Housing	17	12	19	16	17	17	18	20	13
Homelessness	10	6	10	12	9	11	11	10	13
Public transp	8	2	11	7	10	7	13	6	6
SOMETHING ELSE (VOL)	1	-	1	1	1	1	2	1	-
DK/NA	2	4	1	4	1	3	2	1	1

	AREA.....					AGE IN YRS.....			
	Brnx	Bklyn	Man	Qns	StIsl	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
Economy	13%	21%	20%	28%	26%	26%	14%	24%	21%
Education	22	19	15	27	21	25	26	13	22
Crime	30	21	16	16	25	14	25	19	19
Housing	20	18	22	10	9	17	16	21	14
Homelessness	6	12	12	7	14	4	11	12	11
Public transp	5	7	14	8	2	13	8	9	7
SOMETHING ELSE (VOL)	-	1	2	1	1	1	-	1	3
DK/NA	4	1	1	3	1	-	1	2	4