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# QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLL

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## CLINTON IS QUEEN OF 2016 PENNSYLVANIA PROM, QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLL FINDS; OBAMA CAN'T FIND WAY OUT OF APPROVAL MINESHAFT

In an early look at the 2016 White House race, former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton is holding her own – and then some – in the critical swing state of Pennsylvania, edging New Jersey Gov. Christopher Christie and leading other possible Republican presidential contenders in a Quinnipiac University poll released today.

Secretary Clinton tops Governor-next-door Christie 45 – 41 percent, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University poll finds. She leads 51 – 37 percent among women, while men go to Christie 45 – 38 percent.

The Democrat tops other Republicans:

- 51 – 37 percent over U.S. Sen. Rand Paul of Kentucky. Women back Clinton 56 – 30 percent while men are divided 45 – 45 percent;
- 51 – 36 percent over former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee. Clinton leads 56 – 32 percent among women and 46 – 41 percent among men;
- 51 – 35 percent over former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, including 57 – 31 percent among women and 45 – 39 percent among men;
- 50 – 38 percent over U.S. Rep. Paul Ryan of Wisconsin. Women go Democratic 55 – 31 percent, while men are divided, with 44 percent for Clinton and 45 percent for Ryan.

“While hope for the presidency may be a bridge too far for New Jersey Gov. Christopher Christie, other Republican White House hopefuls are finding even less traction when matched against Secretary Hillary Clinton,” said Tim Malloy, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Poll.

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Pennsylvania voters give Clinton a 55 – 40 percent favorability rating, including 61 – 33 percent among women.

Christie gets a 45 – 36 percent favorability, with negative or split scores for other Republicans:

- Negative 29 – 33 percent for Paul;
- 31 – 30 percent for Huckabee;
- Negative 27 – 36 percent for Bush;
- 32 – 33 percent for Ryan.

### President Obama Approval

Keystone State voters give President Barack Obama a negative 44 – 53 percent job approval rating, compared to a negative 42 – 54 percent score in a February 27 Quinnipiac University poll.

Women are divided 47 – 48 percent, while men give a negative 40 – 58 percent rating. Negative approval is 13 – 86 percent among Republicans and 32 – 63 percent among independent voters, while Democrats approve 78 – 18 percent.

“President Barack Obama gets the smallest of approval bumps in Pennsylvania but, as is the case in every state where Quinnipiac University conducts surveys, he continues to wallow in the weeds,” Malloy said.

Approval ratings remain low for both of Pennsylvania’s U.S. Senators:

- Sen. Robert Casey Jr. gets a 44 – 27 score, compared to 47 – 33 percent February 27;
- Sen. Pat Toomey has a 41 – 27 percent approval today, compared to 43 – 33 percent.

From May 29 – June 2, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,308 registered voters with a margin of error of +/- 2.7 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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4. If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were Hillary Clinton the Democrat and Chris Christie the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Clinton	45%	11%	81%	35%	38%	51%	46%	46%	46%	45%
Christie	41	76	12	45	45	37	43	39	39	41
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	3	2	1	7	3	3	1	5	3	3
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	3	3	1	4	5	2	2	3	3	3
DK/NA	8	9	5	9	9	8	9	6	10	8

TREND: If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were Hillary Clinton the Democrat and Chris Christie the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Jun 05 2014	Feb 27 2014	Dec 19 2013	Mar 14 2013
Clinton	45	46	44	47
Christie	41	41	43	42
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	3	3	2	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	3	3	3	2
DK/NA	8	7	7	7

5. If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were Hillary Clinton the Democrat and Rand Paul the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Clinton	51%	15%	87%	44%	45%	56%	51%	51%	51%	52%
Paul	37	72	7	37	45	30	39	38	34	35
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	2	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	3	3	1	7	3	3	4	3	4	3
DK/NA	8	9	5	10	6	9	6	7	9	8

TREND: If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were Hillary Clinton the Democrat and Rand Paul the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Jun 05 2014	Feb 27 2014	Dec 19 2013	Jun 07 2013
Clinton	51	53	52	52
Paul	37	38	40	37
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	2	1	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	3	2	1	2
DK/NA	8	5	5	8

6. If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were Hillary Clinton the Democrat and Mike Huckabee the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Clinton	51%	13%	88%	47%	46%	56%	54%	54%	50%	51%
Huckabee	36	76	7	34	41	32	29	32	38	39
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	1	1	5	3	2	2	5	1	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	3	2	1	5	3	3	3	3	3	3
DK/NA	7	8	3	9	7	7	12	6	7	6

7. If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were Hillary Clinton the Democrat and Jeb Bush the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Clinton	51%	13%	88%	46%	45%	57%	53%	54%	49%	51%
Bush	35	76	6	31	39	31	29	31	37	38
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	3	1	1	7	4	2	4	5	2	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	4	3	1	7	4	4	3	4	4	4
DK/NA	7	7	4	9	8	6	12	5	8	6

TREND: If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were Hillary Clinton the Democrat and Jeb Bush the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Jun 05 2014	Feb 27 2014	Dec 19 2013
Clinton	51	53	52
Bush	35	36	36
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	3	2	3
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	4	3	4
DK/NA	7	6	6

8. If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were Hillary Clinton the Democrat and Paul Ryan the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Clinton	50%	13%	87%	43%	44%	55%	55%	51%	48%	51%
Ryan	38	76	6	39	45	31	33	38	39	36
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	1	1	4	2	2	1	4	1	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	1	1	6	2	3	2	3	2	2
DK/NA	8	9	5	9	6	9	8	6	9	8

TREND: If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were Hillary Clinton the Democrat and Paul Ryan the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Jun 05 2014	Mar 14 2013
Clinton	50	55
Ryan	38	38
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	2
DK/NA	8	4

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

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	45%	64%	30%	48%	47%	43%	39%	47%	45%	44%
Unfavorable	36	18	52	31	37	35	32	37	38	36
Hvn't hrd enough	17	17	16	19	14	20	28	15	16	17
REFUSED	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3

10. Is your opinion of Rand Paul favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	29%	50%	6%	33%	42%	18%	33%	33%	25%	27%
Unfavorable	33	11	55	31	37	30	30	31	35	35
Hvn't hrd enough	37	39	39	35	21	52	36	35	40	38
REFUSED	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	-

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

	Jun 05 2014	Jun 07 2013
Favorable	29	35
Unfavorable	33	30
Hvn't hrd enough	37	34
REFUSED	-	1

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

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	31%	52%	13%	33%	35%	28%	22%	26%	37%	34%
Unfavorable	30	10	44	31	34	26	28	30	32	29
Hvn't hrd enough	38	37	42	34	30	46	48	43	31	35
REFUSED	1	1	1	2	2	1	2	1	1	1

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

	Jun 05 2014	Dec 5 2007	Aug 23 2007	Feb 08 2007
Favorable	31	22	10	5
Unfavorable	30	14	13	8
Hvn't hrd enough	38	63	75	86
REFUSED	1	2	2	1

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

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	27%	51%	11%	25%	33%	21%	21%	23%	28%	34%
Unfavorable	36	13	48	41	36	35	27	42	36	33
Hvn't hrd enough	36	36	41	32	30	42	51	34	35	33
REFUSED	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

13. Is your opinion of Paul Ryan favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	32%	60%	7%	34%	42%	23%	29%	33%	34%	30%
Unfavorable	33	5	56	31	35	31	33	35	33	32
Hvn't hrd enough	35	34	36	34	23	45	37	32	32	38
REFUSED	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1

14. Is your opinion of Hillary Clinton favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about her?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	55%	23%	88%	48%	48%	61%	54%	60%	54%	54%
Unfavorable	40	73	9	44	47	33	35	38	42	41
Hvn't hrd enough	3	3	3	6	3	4	8	2	3	4
REFUSED	2	2	1	3	2	2	4	1	1	1

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

	Jun 05 2014	Jun 07 2013	May 22 2008	May 01 2008	Feb 27 2008	FAVORABLE.....	
						High	Low
						Jun 07 2013	Mar 07 2007
Favorable	55	56	50	50	46	56	44
Unfavorable	40	37	42	43	44	37	45
Hvn't hrd enough	3	5	5	5	7	5	9
REFUSED	2	2	3	2	3	2	2

18. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Bob Casey Jr. is handling his job as United States Senator?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	44%	35%	59%	37%	43%	45%	28%	41%	50%	49%
Disapprove	27	40	14	29	31	23	19	29	25	29
DK/NA	29	25	27	34	26	32	52	31	25	21

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Bob Casey Jr. is handling his job as United States Senator?

	Jun 05 2014	Feb 27 2014	Dec 19 2013	Jun 06 2013	Apr 26 2013	APPROVE.....	
						High	Low
						May 28 2009	Dec 16 2010
Approve	44	47	46	45	48	56	39
Disapprove	27	33	35	29	34	21	29
DK/NA	29	20	18	26	18	23	32

19. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Pat Toomey is handling his job as United States Senator?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	41%	60%	30%	35%	46%	36%	32%	40%	41%	45%
Disapprove	27	13	35	30	28	26	29	25	26	26
DK/NA	33	27	35	35	26	39	39	34	33	29

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Pat Toomey is handling his job as United States Senator?

	APPROVE.....						
				High		Low	
	Jun 05	Feb 27	Dec 19	Jun 06	Apr 26	Apr 26	Jun 12
	2014	2014	2013	2013	2013	2013	2012
Approve	41	43	45	46	48	48	40
Disapprove	27	33	34	29	30	30	27
DK/NA	33	24	21	25	22	22	32

20. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
							18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	44%	13%	78%	32%	40%	47%	51%	46%	42%	40%
Disapprove	53	86	18	63	58	48	47	50	56	56
DK/NA	3	2	4	5	2	4	2	4	3	5

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

	APPROVE.....						
				High		Low	
	Jun 05	Feb 27	Dec 19	Jun 07	Apr 26	May 04	Dec 19
	2014	2014	2013	2013	2013	2009	2013
Approve	44	42	39	48	48	66	39
Disapprove	53	54	57	48	48	29	57
DK/NA	3	4	4	4	4	5	4