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**U.S. VOTERS BACK DEM PLAN TO REOPEN GOVERNMENT 2-1,
QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY NATIONAL POLL FINDS;
MORE U.S. VOTERS SAY TRUMP TV ADDRESS WAS MISLEADING**

American voters support 63 – 30 percent a Democratic proposal to reopen parts of the government that do not involve border security while negotiating funding for the Wall, according to a Quinnipiac University National Poll released today. Every party, gender, education, age and racial group supports this idea except Republicans, who are opposed 52 – 39 percent.

Voters oppose 63 – 32 percent shutting down the government to force funding for the Wall, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University National Poll finds. Again, Republicans are the only listed group supporting the shutdown, 67 – 24 percent.

The GOP is losing the battle as 56 percent of American voters say President Donald Trump and Republicans in Congress are responsible for the shutdown, while 36 percent say Democrats are responsible.

Voters remain solidly opposed to a wall on the Mexican border, 55 – 43 percent, and reject every argument for the Wall. The 55 – 43 percent opposition compares to 54 – 43 percent opposition in a December 18 survey, just before the partial government shutdown.

American voters are negative in every question about the wall, saying:

- 59 – 40 percent that it is not a good use of taxpayer dollars;
- 55 – 43 percent that the wall would not make the U.S. safer;
- 59 – 40 percent that the wall is not necessary to protect the border;
- 52 percent say the wall is against American values as 41 percent say the wall is consistent with American values.

There is a security crisis along the Mexican border, American voters say 54 – 43 percent, and voters say 68 – 26 percent there is a humanitarian crisis.

“‘Mr. President, it’s on you,’ voters say about the government shutdown, blaming President Donald Trump and Congressional Republicans more than Democrats,” said Tim Malloy, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Poll.

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“And while they believe there is both a humanitarian and a security crisis along the southern border, they absolutely don’t think a wall will solve the problem,” Malloy added.

American voters support 61 – 32 percent a bill to fund new border security measures without funding the Wall. Republicans are the only listed group opposed to this idea, 57 – 36 percent.

President Trump’s TV address to the nation last week was “mostly misleading,” 49 percent of American voters say, while 32 percent say it was “mostly accurate.”

Voters are divided on the response by House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer as 38 percent found it “mostly accurate” and 39 percent found it “mostly misleading.”

American voters believed Pelosi/Schumer more than Trump 46 – 36 percent, including 48 – 33 percent among independent voters.

Only 2 percent of voters say the TV address changed their mind, while 89 percent say it did not change their mind about building the Wall.

“When it comes to the televised arguments for and against the need for a border wall, President Donald Trump flunks the fact meter, but House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer don’t fare much better,” Malloy said.

Voters disapprove 65 – 32 percent of President Trump using emergency executive powers to fund the Wall.

By a narrow 49 – 44 percent American voters trust Democrats in Congress more than Trump on the issue of border security.

Voters say 63 – 29 percent that undocumented immigrants are not more likely than American citizens to commit crimes.

American voters say 73 – 16 percent, including 57 – 28 percent among Republicans, that immigration is good for the country.

From January 9 – 13, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,209 voters nationwide with a margin of error of +/- 3.3 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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22. Overall, do you believe that immigration is good for the country or bad for the country?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG		
							Yes	No	
Good	73%	57%	83%	76%	76%	70%	78%	66%	
Bad	16	28	9	13	14	17	14	21	
DK/NA	12	15	9	11	10	13	8	13	
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Good	74%	80%	74%	65%	77%	68%	72%	74%	76%
Bad	12	11	18	19	14	20	17	9	15
DK/NA	14	10	8	15	10	12	11	16	10

23. Who do you trust more on the issue of border security: President Trump or the Democrats in Congress?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG		
							Yes	No	
President Trump	44%	90%	6%	42%	52%	38%	46%	58%	
Dems in Congress	49	7	91	47	40	57	46	37	
DK/NA	7	4	3	11	8	6	9	5	
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
President Trump	35%	36%	54%	46%	59%	46%	52%	13%	32%
Dems in Congress	59	54	41	48	34	48	41	78	63
DK/NA	6	11	5	6	7	6	7	9	5

24. In general, do you think undocumented immigrants are more likely to commit crimes than American citizens, or don't you think so?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							Yes	No		
Yes/More likely	29%	60%	5%	24%	34%	24%	27%	39%		
No	63	28	92	65	57	67	65	49		
DK/NA	9	12	3	10	9	8	8	11		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Yes/More likely	26%	21%	36%	29%	39%	28%	33%	8%	21%	
No	66	74	56	59	51	63	57	87	71	
DK/NA	8	6	8	12	10	9	10	5	8	

TREND: In general, do you think undocumented immigrants are more likely to commit crimes than American citizens, or don't you think so?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
Jan 14, 2019	29	63	9
Nov 21, 2018	26	65	9
Jul 03, 2018	25	69	6
Apr 11, 2018	22	71	8

25. Do you support or oppose stricter gun laws in the United States?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							Yes	No		
Support	56%	24%	85%	56%	45%	65%	59%	44%		
Oppose	40	72	13	39	51	31	39	50		
DK/NA	4	4	2	5	4	4	3	6		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Support	58%	58%	51%	58%	41%	60%	51%	74%	65%	
Oppose	38	38	45	37	56	35	44	22	32	
DK/NA	3	4	4	5	4	6	5	4	3	

TREND: Do you support or oppose stricter gun laws in the United States?

	Sup	Opp	DK/NA
Jan 14, 2019	56	40	4
Nov 21, 2018	58	36	6
Apr 11, 2018	56	39	4
Mar 06, 2018	63	32	5
Feb 20, 2018	66	31	4
Dec 20, 2017	59	36	5
Nov 15, 2017	60	36	3
Oct 12, 2017	60	36	3
Jun 28, 2017	54	42	4
Jun 30, 2016	54	42	4

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26. Do you support or oppose requiring background checks for all gun buyers?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							Yes	No	COLLEGE DEG	
Support	92%	89%	95%	94%	88%	96%	94%	93%		
Oppose	6	9	5	5	10	3	5	6		
DK/NA	1	2	-	1	2	1	1	1		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Support	90%	92%	93%	95%	91%	95%	93%	93%	90%	
Oppose	9	8	6	3	8	3	6	6	10	
DK/NA	2	1	1	1	-	1	1	1	-	

TREND: Do you support or oppose requiring background checks for all gun buyers?

	Sup	Opp	DK/NA
Jan 14, 2019	92	6	1
Feb 20, 2018	97	2	1
Dec 20, 2017	95	4	1
Nov 15, 2017	95	4	1
Oct 12, 2017	94	5	1
Jun 28, 2017	94	5	-
Jun 30, 2016	93	6	1
Nov 05, 2015	93	5	1
Sep 28, 2015	93	6	1
Jul 03, 2014	92	7	1

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27. If more people carried guns, do you think the United States would be safer or less safe?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							COLLEGE	DEG	Yes	No
Safer	36%	65%	9%	34%	45%	28%	31%	47%		
Less safe	52	20	86	52	43	60	56	40		
DK/NA	12	15	5	14	12	12	12	14		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Safer	43%	30%	40%	31%	49%	31%	39%	22%	33%	
Less safe	46	57	51	59	39	55	48	70	57	
DK/NA	11	13	10	10	12	14	13	9	11	

TREND: If more people carried guns, do you think the United States would be safer or less safe?

	Safer	Less Safe	DK/NA
Jan 14, 2019	36	52	12
Nov 21, 2018	33	57	10
Feb 20, 2018	33	59	9
Nov 15, 2017	37	55	8
Oct 12, 2017	35	56	9
Jun 28, 2017	35	57	8
Jun 30, 2016	40	52	8
Dec 23, 2015	44	47	9
Nov 05, 2015	41	49	9

28. Do you support or oppose building a wall along the border with Mexico?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG				
							Yes	No			
Support	43%	88%	6%	39%	50%	37%	45%	55%			
Oppose	55	10	92	59	48	61	52	42			
DK/NA	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3			
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....						
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Support	32%	34%	54%	45%	56%	45%	50%	10%	34%		
Oppose	66	62	45	51	42	52	47	87	66		
DK/NA	2	4	-	3	3	3	3	3	-		

TREND: Do you support or oppose building a wall along the border with Mexico?

	Sup	Opp	DK/NA
Jan 14, 2019	43	55	2
Dec 18, 2018	43	54	3
Aug 15, 2018	38	58	4
Jun 18, 2018	39	58	4
Apr 11, 2018	40	57	3
Feb 06, 2018	37	59	4
Jan 11, 2018	34	63	3
Dec 13, 2017	36	62	2
Sep 28, 2017	37	60	3
May 11, 2017	33	64	3

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29. In general, do you think that funding a wall along the border with Mexico is a good use of taxpayer dollars, or don't you think so?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG				
							Yes	No			
Yes/Good use	40%	83%	4%	37%	47%	33%	42%	51%			
No	59	15	96	63	52	65	57	47			
DK/NA	1	2	-	-	1	1	-	1			
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....						
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Yes/Good use	28%	30%	49%	43%	53%	41%	47%	8%	31%		
No	71	69	50	55	46	58	52	92	69		
DK/NA	2	-	1	1	1	1	1	-	-		

30. Would you support or oppose a bill that funded new border security measures, but did not fund a wall along the border with Mexico?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							Yes	No		
Support	61%	36%	78%	66%	59%	62%	61%	51%		
Oppose	32	57	14	27	35	28	32	40		
DK/NA	8	7	7	7	6	10	7	9		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Support	72%	67%	51%	56%	54%	58%	56%	79%	67%	
Oppose	21	23	42	36	40	33	36	17	27	
DK/NA	7	10	7	8	6	9	8	5	5	

31. Would you approve or disapprove of President Trump using emergency executive powers to fund a wall along the border with Mexico without the approval of Congress?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							Yes	No		
Approve	32%	68%	4%	29%	36%	28%	34%	41%		
Disapprove	65	28	96	69	61	68	64	56		
DK/NA	3	5	1	2	2	4	2	3		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Approve	22%	24%	41%	36%	41%	35%	38%	6%	27%	
Disapprove	74	74	56	61	57	62	60	92	72	
DK/NA	4	2	3	3	2	3	3	3	1	

32. Do you think that a wall along the border with Mexico would make the United States safer, or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							Yes	No		
Yes/Make safer	43%	86%	7%	40%	51%	36%	46%	54%		
No	55	13	91	57	46	62	52	42		
DK/NA	2	1	3	3	3	2	2	4		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Yes/Make safer	35%	35%	52%	45%	58%	43%	50%	10%	31%	
No	63	63	47	51	39	54	47	89	68	
DK/NA	2	2	1	4	3	2	3	1	1	

33. Do you think that a wall along the border with Mexico is an - effective way to protect the border, or don't you think so?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Yes/Effective	43%	87%	5%	40%	50%	36%	46%	54%		
No	56	10	95	59	49	62	52	45		
DK/NA	2	3	1	1	1	2	2	1		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Yes/Effective	32%	35%	52%	45%	57%	44%	50%	12%	28%	
No	68	62	47	52	42	53	48	88	71	
DK/NA	-	2	-	3	1	3	2	-	1	

34. Do you think that a wall along the border with Mexico is - necessary to protect the border, or don't you think so?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Yes/Necessary	40%	82%	5%	36%	45%	35%	41%	51%		
No	59	16	94	63	53	63	58	46		
DK/NA	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	3		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Yes/Necessary	26%	30%	52%	44%	51%	42%	46%	9%	31%	
No	72	68	48	54	47	56	52	91	68	
DK/NA	2	2	-	2	2	2	2	1	-	

35. Which comes closer to your point of view: a wall along the border with Mexico is consistent with American values, or a wall along the border with Mexico is against American values?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Consistent w/ values	41%	83%	6%	37%	49%	34%	43%	53%		
Against values	52	12	89	55	44	59	52	40		
DK/NA	7	5	4	7	7	6	6	7		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Consistent w/ values	34%	30%	51%	43%	55%	42%	48%	15%	32%	
Against values	57	64	46	49	39	52	46	77	64	
DK/NA	9	6	3	8	6	6	6	8	5	

36. Do you believe that there is a - security crisis along the border with Mexico, or don't you believe that?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Yes/Crisis	54%	86%	25%	54%	58%	50%	51%	64%		
No	43	12	71	42	39	45	46	31		
DK/NA	4	2	4	4	2	5	3	5		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Yes/Crisis	56%	46%	58%	53%	62%	53%	57%	36%	51%	
No	39	49	40	43	36	41	39	59	48	
DK/NA	6	4	2	4	2	5	4	5	1	

37. Do you believe that there is a - humanitarian crisis along the border with Mexico, or don't you believe that?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Yes/Crisis	68%	65%	69%	69%	70%	66%	70%	67%		
No	26	27	29	24	25	27	26	24		
DK/NA	6	8	3	7	5	7	5	9		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Yes/Crisis	73%	61%	70%	71%	71%	66%	68%	59%	71%	
No	20	35	27	22	24	25	25	37	26	
DK/NA	7	4	3	7	5	9	7	5	3	

38. As you may know, the government partially shut down over differences about federal government funding for a wall along the border with Mexico. Who do you think is responsible for this shut down: President Trump and the Republicans in Congress, or the Democrats in Congress?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Trump/Reps in Congr	56%	14%	93%	59%	48%	64%	53%	46%		
Dems in Congress	36	74	5	32	41	31	39	45		
DK/NA	8	11	2	10	12	5	7	9		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Trump/Reps in Congr	66%	63%	46%	55%	42%	56%	50%	89%	63%	
Dems in Congress	27	27	46	37	48	38	42	4	32	
DK/NA	7	10	7	8	11	6	8	8	5	

39. Do you support or oppose shutting down the government to make sure that the wall along the border with Mexico receives funding?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG		
							Yes	No	
Support	32%	67%	3%	28%	37%	27%	32%	41%	
Oppose	63	24	95	68	59	67	62	52	
DK/NA	5	9	2	4	3	6	6	7	
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Support	25%	21%	43%	34%	41%	33%	36%	5%	28%
Oppose	72	72	55	60	54	60	57	91	71
DK/NA	3	7	1	7	5	8	6	4	1

NOTE: Percentages based on all registered voters. Question was asked of those who support the wall in Q28. Those who oppose the wall in Q28 were coded as oppose.

40. As you may know, Democrats in Congress have proposed opening the parts of the government that have nothing to do with border security while continuing to negotiate funding for the wall. President Trump has not agreed. Do you support or oppose this proposal?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG		
							Yes	No	
Support	63%	39%	86%	65%	58%	68%	67%	54%	
Oppose	30	52	12	28	36	25	26	37	
DK/NA	7	9	2	7	6	8	6	9	
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Support	71%	65%	62%	60%	57%	64%	61%	76%	66%
Oppose	23	31	32	31	38	27	32	21	31
DK/NA	6	4	6	9	5	10	8	4	3

41. Do you think that President Trump's recent televised address to the nation was mostly accurate or mostly misleading?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG		
							Yes	No	
Mostly accurate	32%	70%	3%	28%	39%	27%	35%	41%	
Mostly misleading	49	9	83	52	43	54	48	37	
HVN'T HRD ENGH (VOL)	8	10	6	8	10	7	8	11	
DK/NA	10	10	7	12	9	12	9	11	
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Mostly accurate	25%	19%	42%	37%	44%	33%	38%	5%	25%
Mostly misleading	54	57	42	49	37	47	43	83	58
HVN'T HRD ENGH (VOL)	11	9	9	5	11	9	10	3	6
DK/NA	9	14	7	9	8	11	10	9	11

42. Do you think that House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer's recent televised address to the nation was mostly accurate or mostly misleading?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG		
							Yes	No	
Mostly accurate	38%	10%	70%	35%	33%	43%	38%	32%	
Mostly misleading	39	70	12	37	46	33	40	46	
HVN'T HRD ENGH (VOL)	9	7	9	10	9	8	9	9	
DK/NA	14	13	9	18	12	16	12	12	
	AGE IN	YRS.....			WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Mostly accurate	35%	42%	37%	43%	31%	38%	35%	61%	36%
Mostly misleading	37	27	47	40	50	38	43	20	38
HVN'T HRD ENGH (VOL)	10	14	8	5	10	9	9	6	8
DK/NA	18	17	8	12	10	15	12	12	18

43. In general, whose address did you believe more: President Trump's, or House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer's?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG		
							Yes	No	
President Trump	36%	77%	3%	33%	41%	32%	37%	49%	
Pelosi and Schumer	46	8	84	48	40	52	44	34	
HVN'T HRD ENGH (VOL)	6	7	4	5	7	4	7	6	
DK/NA	12	9	9	14	13	12	12	11	
	AGE IN	YRS.....			WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
President Trump	27%	24%	46%	41%	47%	40%	43%	7%	27%
Pelosi and Schumer	47	54	41	48	33	44	39	80	56
HVN'T HRD ENGH (VOL)	10	7	5	3	8	5	7	1	5
DK/NA	15	15	9	9	12	11	11	12	13

44. Did President Trump's recent televised address to the nation change your mind about building a wall along the border with Mexico, or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG		
							Yes	No	
Yes/Changed mind	2%	3%	2%	2%	3%	2%	1%	2%	
No	89	86	92	90	87	90	91	89	
HVN'T HRD ENGH (VOL)	3	5	2	2	4	2	3	4	
DK/NA	6	6	4	6	5	6	4	5	
	AGE IN	YRS.....			WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes/Changed mind	3%	1%	3%	3%	1%	2%	2%	1%	5%
No	84	89	89	93	89	92	90	92	84
HVN'T HRD ENGH (VOL)	7	4	2	1	5	2	4	1	3
DK/NA	6	7	5	4	5	4	4	7	8