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**HELPING DREAMERS CAN'T GET U.S. VOTERS OVER THE WALL,
QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY NATIONAL POLL FINDS;
SUPPORT FOR INFRASTRUCTURE ALMOST 10-1**

American voters support 73 – 21 percent, including 49 – 40 percent among Republicans, legislation to allow undocumented immigrants brought to the U.S. as children – Dreamers – to remain in the U.S. legally, according to a Quinnipiac University National Poll released today.

But voters oppose 49 – 39 percent a bill which combines protection for Dreamers with funding a wall on the border with Mexico, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University Poll finds. Hispanic voters are divided 42 – 42 percent on this combination bill.

Republicans support The Wall/Dreamer combination bill 54 – 29 percent, with opposition at 62 – 29 percent among Democrats and 51 – 39 percent among independent voters.

Opposition is 46 – 40 percent among white voters and 67 – 27 percent among black voters.

American voters are positive on immigration, saying:

- 89 – 7 percent that legal immigration is good for the country;
- 78 – 12 percent that immigration from diverse countries makes the U.S. better;
- 76 – 16 percent that country of origin shouldn't matter in whether immigrants deserve to come to the U.S.

“While Washington roils over what formula will bring sense to the raucous and ugly immigration debate, voters put it simply: Dreamers should be allowed to live the dream,” said Tim Malloy, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Poll.

“Where you come from is irrelevant, says a welcoming nation that sees immigrants as assets, not liabilities, for a country built on people looking for a better life.”

American voters support 87 – 9 percent “increasing federal spending for roads, bridges, mass transit and other infrastructure.”

There is little or no difference in the level of support among any listed party, gender, education, age or racial group.

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A total of 40 percent of American voters are “very satisfied” or “somewhat satisfied” with the way things are going in the nation today, as 59 percent are “somewhat dissatisfied” or “very dissatisfied.”

While it remains negative, this is the highest level of satisfaction since a 2005 Quinnipiac University poll.

“It has been 13 years since Americans have felt this good about life in the U.S., but the numbers suggest there is a long way to go,” Malloy said.

2018 House and Senate Races

American voters say 50 – 39 percent they would like to see the Democratic Party take control of the U.S. House of Representatives this year. Independent voters back the Democrats 45 – 37 percent.

By a similar 52 – 40 percent, voters want the Democrats to take control of the U.S. Senate this year. Independent voters want Democrats in control 47 – 37 percent.

From January 12 – 16, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,212 voters nationwide with a margin of error of +/- 3.4 percentage points, including the design effect. Live interviewers call landlines and cell phones.

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

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2. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Congress is handling its job?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....				
							Yes	No			
Approve	16%	27%	6%	16%	21%	12%	13%	18%			
Disapprove	78	66	88	79	75	81	82	75			
DK/NA	6	7	6	5	4	7	5	7			
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....						
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Approve	24%	14%	15%	11%	19%	12%	15%	14%	25%		
Disapprove	64	82	83	83	76	81	79	82	68		
DK/NA	12	4	2	6	5	7	6	4	8		

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Congress is handling its job?

	App	Dis	DK/NA
Jan 18, 2018	16	78	6
Dec 19, 2017	13	79	8
Dec 05, 2017	12	80	8
Aug 24, 2017	10	83	7
Aug 17, 2017	10	85	5
Aug 03, 2017	10	84	6
Mar 07, 2017	18	70	12
Jan 26, 2017	19	67	14
Jan 10, 2017	12	79	9
Apr 21, 2010	20	71	9

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3. Is your opinion of the Democratic Party favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about it?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....				
							Yes	No			
Favorable	36%	6%	68%	32%	31%	41%	46%	27%			
Unfavorable	49	85	19	52	53	46	48	60			
Hvn't hrd enough	11	7	10	13	12	11	4	9			
REFUSED	3	2	3	3	4	2	2	3			
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....						
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Favorable	37%	35%	37%	38%	30%	42%	36%	41%	39%		
Unfavorable	36	52	54	51	58	51	54	28	38		
Hvn't hrd enough	23	8	6	9	8	6	7	26	19		
REFUSED	4	4	2	2	4	2	3	4	4		

TREND: Is your opinion of the Democratic Party favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about it?

	Fav	Unfav	HvntHrd	REF
Jan 18, 2018	36	49	11	3
Dec 19, 2017	37	44	13	6
Dec 05, 2017	36	47	12	4
Aug 24, 2017	33	52	11	4
Aug 17, 2017	35	54	8	3
Aug 03, 2017	36	48	11	5
Mar 07, 2017	38	53	6	3
Jan 26, 2017	40	51	6	3
Jan 10, 2017	37	52	6	4
Nov 28, 2016	35	56	6	3

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4. Is your opinion of the Republican Party favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about it?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Favorable	31%	74%	4%	27%	37%	25%	26%	43%
Unfavorable	58	18	85	60	53	62	67	46
Hvn't hrd enough	9	7	10	9	6	12	5	7
REFUSED	3	2	1	4	3	2	2	4

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Favorable	27%	33%	34%	28%	41%	29%	35%	9%	32%
Unfavorable	53	58	59	61	50	62	56	75	45
Hvn't hrd enough	17	6	6	8	5	6	6	16	19
REFUSED	3	3	1	2	4	3	3	-	4

TREND: Is your opinion of the Republican Party favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about it?

	Fav	Unfav	HvntHrd	REF
Jan 18, 2018	31	58	9	3
Dec 19, 2017	25	60	11	4
Dec 05, 2017	24	62	10	4
Aug 24, 2017	25	63	8	4
Aug 17, 2017	23	67	8	3
Aug 03, 2017	22	64	11	3
Mar 07, 2017	38	54	6	2
Jan 26, 2017	33	57	6	4
Jan 10, 2017	33	55	8	4
Nov 28, 2016	38	50	7	5

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12. If the election were today, would you want to see the Republican Party or the Democratic Party win control of the United States House of Representatives?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Republican Party	39%	92%	3%	37%	46%	34%	38%	57%
Democratic Party	50	6	93	45	43	57	55	35
DK/NA	10	2	4	18	11	10	7	8

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Republican Party	29%	42%	43%	41%	56%	40%	47%	8%	28%
Democratic Party	55	46	50	51	38	52	45	85	48
DK/NA	16	12	7	8	7	8	7	7	24

TREND: If the election were today, would you want to see the Republican Party or the Democratic Party win control of the United States House of Representatives?

	Rep Party	Dem Party	DK/NA
Jan 18, 2018	39	50	10
Jan 11, 2018	35	52	13
Dec 19, 2017	37	52	12
Dec 13, 2017	37	49	13
Dec 05, 2017	36	50	13
Nov 14, 2017	38	51	11
Oct 11, 2017	41	49	10
Sep 27, 2017	38	47	15
Aug 24, 2017	38	50	11
Aug 17, 2017	40	50	10

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13. If the election were today, would you want to see the Republican Party or the Democratic Party win control of the United States Senate?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Republican Party	40%	93%	4%	37%	46%	34%	38%	58%
Democratic Party	52	5	94	47	46	57	57	37
DK/NA	8	1	2	16	8	9	5	6

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Republican Party	31%	42%	43%	41%	56%	41%	48%	6%	31%
Democratic Party	55	50	51	51	40	52	47	89	47
DK/NA	13	9	6	7	4	7	6	5	22

TREND: If the election were today, would you want to see the Republican Party or the Democratic Party win control of the United States Senate?

	Rep Party	Dem Party	DK/NA
Jan 18, 2018	40	52	8
Jan 11, 2018	36	53	11
Dec 19, 2017	37	53	10
Dec 13, 2017	39	51	10
Dec 05, 2017	37	51	12
Nov 14, 2017	39	52	8
Oct 11, 2017	43	49	8
Sep 27, 2017	40	49	12
Aug 24, 2017	40	51	9
Aug 17, 2017	41	51	8

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14. In general, how satisfied are you with the way things are going in the nation today; are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Very satisfied	9%	23%	1%	7%	12%	6%	10%	12%
Smwht satisfied	31	54	13	31	36	26	25	40
Smwht dissatisfied	22	15	26	24	20	24	25	20
Very dissatisfied	37	7	60	38	31	42	40	26
DK/NA	1	-	-	1	-	1	1	1

	AGE IN 18-34	YRS..... 35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
					Men	Wom			
Very satisfied	8%	9%	11%	7%	15%	8%	11%	1%	5%
Smwht satisfied	27	31	32	32	38	28	32	20	31
Smwht dissatisfied	29	20	19	22	19	25	22	25	25
Very dissatisfied	35	39	37	38	28	38	33	54	38
DK/NA	1	-	-	1	1	1	1	-	-

TREND: In general, how satisfied are you with the way things are going in the nation today; are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

	Very sat	Smwht sat	Smwht dis	Very dis	DK/NA
Jan 18, 2018	9	31	22	37	1
Dec 20, 2017	7	26	24	43	1
Nov 22, 2017	7	25	29	38	1
Nov 14, 2017	5	23	29	42	1
Oct 11, 2017	3	24	29	43	1
Sep 27, 2017	2	22	33	41	1
Aug 24, 2017	3	19	27	50	1
Aug 17, 2017	6	26	26	42	1
Aug 03, 2017	5	27	29	39	1
Jun 28, 2017	4	27	26	41	1

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27. Do you support or oppose increasing federal spending for roads, bridges, mass transit and other infrastructure?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							Yes	No		
Support	87%	86%	88%	89%	89%	86%	91%	88%		
Oppose	9	11	7	8	9	9	6	10		
DK/NA	3	3	5	3	2	5	3	2		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Support	83%	87%	89%	89%	89%	89%	89%	80%	84%	
Oppose	13	9	8	8	9	7	8	15	10	
DK/NA	4	4	3	3	2	3	3	5	6	

TREND: Do you support or oppose increasing federal spending for roads, bridges, mass transit and other infrastructure?

	Sup	Opp	DK/NA
Jan 18, 2018	87	9	3
May 11, 2017	86	12	2
Apr 05, 2017	89	9	3
Mar 08, 2017	90	8	2
Feb 23, 2017	87	10	3
Feb 08, 2017	89	9	2
Nov 23, 2016	83	15	2

33. As you may know, Congress must pass a new spending bill in order to prevent a government shutdown, which then must be signed by President Trump. If a government shutdown does occur, who would you blame more: Republicans in Congress, Democrats in Congress, or President Trump?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							Yes	No		
Republicans	32%	8%	52%	31%	32%	32%	38%	26%		
Democrats	34	76	6	30	36	32	34	47		
President Trump	21	6	32	22	17	24	18	13		
DK/NA	13	10	10	17	15	12	11	13		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Republicans	38%	32%	31%	29%	29%	34%	32%	32%	27%	
Democrats	22	35	38	36	45	37	40	6	22	
President Trump	26	16	19	23	14	17	15	51	30	
DK/NA	14	16	11	12	13	12	12	11	21	

TREND: As you may know, Congress must pass a new spending bill in order to prevent a government shutdown, which then must be signed by President Trump. If a government shutdown does occur, who would you blame more: Republicans in Congress, Democrats in Congress, or President Trump? (* Prior to Dec 13, 2017 included shutdown date)

	Reps	Dems	Trump	DK/NA
Jan 18, 2018	32	34	21	13
Dec 19, 2017	41	31	16	11
Dec 13, 2017	33	29	21	17
Dec 05, 2017	31	31	26	12
Apr 20, 2017	38	32	15	15
Apr 05, 2017	36	28	18	18

34. Overall, do you believe that legal immigration is good for the country or bad for the country?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Good	89%	87%	91%	90%	92%	87%	94%	84%
Bad	7	11	5	5	6	7	4	11
DK/NA	4	2	4	5	3	6	2	6

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Good	88%	94%	91%	84%	91%	87%	89%	85%	92%
Bad	6	5	5	10	6	9	7	10	2
DK/NA	6	1	4	5	3	4	4	5	6

35. Would you support or oppose a bill which allowed undocumented immigrants who were brought to the U.S. as children to remain in the United States legally?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Support	73%	49%	93%	73%	67%	77%	79%	58%
Oppose	21	40	6	20	26	17	16	32
DK/NA	6	11	1	6	6	6	5	10

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Support	77%	72%	69%	73%	63%	74%	69%	87%	85%
Oppose	18	23	23	19	31	18	24	13	12
DK/NA	5	5	7	8	6	8	7	-	3

36. Would you support or oppose a bill which funded a wall along the border with Mexico, but also allowed undocumented immigrants who were brought to the U.S. as children to remain in the United States legally?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG		
							Yes	No	
Support	39%	54%	29%	39%	43%	35%	37%	44%	
Oppose	49	29	62	51	45	52	52	40	
DK/NA	12	17	9	10	12	13	11	16	
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Support	42%	33%	37%	46%	44%	37%	40%	27%	42%
Oppose	49	58	49	39	42	50	46	67	42
DK/NA	9	9	15	15	14	13	13	6	16

37. Which comes closer to your point of view: immigration from diverse countries makes the United States better, or immigration from diverse countries makes the United States worse?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG		
							Yes	No	
Better	78%	62%	89%	80%	78%	78%	82%	68%	
Worse	12	20	8	10	13	11	9	16	
NEITHER (VOL)	3	5	-	4	2	3	4	4	
DK/NA	7	13	3	6	7	8	5	11	
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Better	91%	82%	76%	67%	74%	77%	75%	83%	85%
Worse	6	9	13	19	14	11	13	13	8
NEITHER (VOL)	1	4	3	4	3	4	4	-	1
DK/NA	2	6	9	10	8	8	8	4	6

38. In general, do you think that immigrants from certain countries deserve to immigrate to the United States more than immigrants from other countries, or do you think the country an immigrant is from shouldn't matter?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG		
							Yes	No	
Country matters	16%	28%	7%	16%	17%	15%	19%	19%	
Shouldn't matter	76	57	89	76	78	75	73	70	
DK/NA	8	15	4	7	6	10	7	11	
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Country matters	11%	16%	16%	20%	20%	18%	19%	5%	8%
Shouldn't matter	88	79	71	69	72	72	72	93	89
DK/NA	1	5	12	11	8	10	9	2	3

40. Do you think that the investigation into any links or coordination between President Trump's 2016 election campaign and the Russian government is a legitimate investigation, or do you think it is a political witch hunt?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG				
							Yes	No			
Legitimate	52%	12%	79%	55%	48%	55%	59%	37%			
Witch hunt	43	83	14	41	49	38	38	58			
DK/NA	5	4	6	4	3	7	4	4			
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....						
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Legitimate	54%	55%	52%	49%	43%	53%	48%	70%	58%		
Witch hunt	38	42	44	47	54	42	48	23	31		
DK/NA	8	4	4	4	3	5	4	7	12		