

# Quinnipiac university Poll

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## **AMERICAN VOTERS SAY RUSSIA INTERFERED IN ELECTION, QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY NATIONAL POLL FINDS; MOST SUPPORT SANCTIONS AND MANY WANT MORE**

American voters believe 53 – 39 percent that the Russian government interfered with the 2016 presidential election and support 56 – 30 percent the sanctions imposed on Russia by the Obama Administration, according to a Quinnipiac University national poll released today. In fact, 76 percent of those who support existing sanctions want tougher sanctions.

Russia is an adversary of the U.S., 46 percent of American voters say, while 9 percent say Russia is an ally and 41 percent say it is neither an ally nor an adversary, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University Poll finds.

A total of 67 percent of American voters say alleged Russian interference is a “very important” or “somewhat important” issue, and 68 percent want the matter investigated.

In a separate question, voters support 62 – 32 percent investigations into potential links between President Donald Trump’s campaign advisors and the Russian government.

President Trump is “too friendly” towards Russia, 49 percent of voters say, while 3 percent say he is “too unfriendly” and 43 percent say he has the right attitude towards Russia.

Voters trust Congress more than Trump 60 – 29 percent to handle America’s policy towards Russia.

“Beware the Russian Bear, say American voters, most of whom believe the Kremlin meddled in the U.S. presidential election,” said Tim Malloy, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Poll. “President Donald Trump is too friendly with Russia and voters say 2-1 they would rather have Congress, not the president, handle future relations with Russia.

“Should we let bygones be bygones? Absolutely not, say Americans, who want an investigation – and tougher sanctions.”

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American voters have a 70 – 9 percent unfavorable opinion of Russian President Vladimir Putin and say 78 – 8 percent that he is not democratically elected.

### **Mexico, NATO**

President Trump is “too unfriendly” towards Mexico, 53 percent of American voters say, while 42 percent say he has the right attitude.

Voters are divided on Trump’s attitude towards NATO allies as 44 percent say he is “too unfriendly” and 42 percent say he has the right attitude.

From January 20 – 25, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,190 voters nationwide with a margin of error of +/- 2.8 percentage points. Live interviewers call landlines 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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29. Do you think that most members of the news media are honest or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Yes/Honest	39%	13%	65%	36%	36%	41%	50%	28%
No	57	86	29	60	61	54	45	67
DK/NA	4	1	6	4	3	5	4	4
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	NonWht
Yes/Honest	25%	43%	40%	50%	36%	41%	39%	40%
No	70	53	57	45	60	54	57	57
DK/NA	5	4	4	5	4	5	4	3

34. Who do you trust more to handle the nation's policy towards Russia, President Trump or Congress?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Trump	29%	61%	3%	30%	35%	25%	30%	43%
Congress	60	29	89	60	57	63	62	47
DK/NA	10	10	8	10	8	12	8	9
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	NonWht
Trump	21%	25%	40%	29%	42%	33%	37%	13%
Congress	68	69	52	55	51	57	54	76
DK/NA	11	6	8	16	7	10	9	11

35. Do you see Russia as an ally of the United States, an adversary of the United States, or do you see Russia as neither of these things?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Ally	9%	19%	4%	7%	12%	7%	5%	11%
Adversary	46	32	56	47	45	46	55	42
Neither	41	43	36	43	40	42	37	44
DK/NA	4	6	4	2	3	6	4	3
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	NonWht
Ally	13%	10%	9%	4%	10%	6%	8%	12%
Adversary	35	49	42	57	49	47	48	41
Neither	50	33	47	32	40	42	41	41
DK/NA	1	8	3	6	2	5	3	5

36. Is your opinion of Vladimir Putin favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Favorable	9%	17%	4%	8%	13%	6%	5%	13%
Unfavorable	70	56	80	72	68	71	81	67
Hvn't hrd enough	20	24	16	19	17	22	13	19
REFUSED	1	3	-	1	2	1	1	2

  

	AGE IN 18-34	YRS..... 35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE.....		Wht	NonWht
					Men	Wom		
Favorable	11%	9%	10%	6%	12%	6%	9%	10%
Unfavorable	63	69	70	77	73	74	73	62
Hvn't hrd enough	26	22	17	15	13	18	16	27
REFUSED	-	-	3	2	2	1	2	1

37. Do you believe that Vladimir Putin is a democratically elected leader, or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Yes	8%	11%	6%	8%	10%	5%	8%	9%
No	78	72	82	80	79	76	83	76
DK/NA	15	17	12	11	10	18	10	15

  

	AGE IN 18-34	YRS..... 35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE.....		Wht	NonWht
					Men	Wom		
Yes	8%	9%	10%	4%	10%	6%	8%	7%
No	75	78	76	84	80	78	79	76
DK/NA	17	13	13	13	9	15	12	17

38. Do you think that the Russian government interfered with the 2016 presidential election, or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Yes/Interfered	53%	15%	84%	53%	49%	56%	56%	39%
No	39	74	10	41	44	35	36	52
DK/NA	8	11	7	7	7	10	8	9

  

	AGE IN 18-34	YRS..... 35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE.....		Wht	NonWht
					Men	Wom		
Yes/Interfered	54%	55%	48%	53%	46%	49%	47%	66%
No	40	34	45	36	48	41	44	26
DK/NA	6	11	7	11	6	10	8	7

39. Do you think that the alleged Russian interference in the 2016 election is a very important issue, a somewhat important issue, a not so important issue, or not an important issue at all?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Very important	47%	19%	77%	39%	39%	54%	43%	35%
Somewhat important	20	22	14	27	21	20	23	22
Not so important	11	19	3	13	13	9	13	15
Not important at all	19	37	4	18	24	15	18	24
DIDN'T INTERFERE (VOL)	1	2	-	2	1	1	1	2
DK/NA	2	1	2	1	2	1	1	1

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	NonWht
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom		
Very important	52%	46%	42%	48%	34%	44%	39%	65%
Somewhat important	23	20	20	21	20	24	23	17
Not so important	8	15	11	11	17	11	14	4
Not important at all	14	17	24	18	26	18	21	11
DIDN'T INTERFERE (VOL)	1	-	2	2	2	2	2	1
DK/NA	2	2	-	1	1	1	1	2

40. Do you support or oppose investigations into the Russian government's potential role in the 2016 presidential election?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Support	68%	43%	88%	67%	66%	70%	72%	56%
Oppose	28	51	11	29	31	26	25	38
DK/NA	4	6	1	4	3	5	2	6

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	NonWht
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom		
Support	72%	69%	64%	70%	63%	64%	64%	79%
Oppose	24	28	32	26	34	30	32	18
DK/NA	4	3	4	5	3	6	4	2

41. Do you approve or disapprove of the new sanctions ordered by the U.S. government against Russia in retaliation for alleged election interference?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Approve	56%	27%	80%	57%	55%	57%	60%	47%
Disapprove	30	54	11	30	33	27	28	38
DK/NA	14	19	9	13	12	15	12	15

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	NonWht
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom		
Approve	56%	56%	55%	58%	53%	54%	54%	64%
Disapprove	32	30	33	25	37	29	33	23
DK/NA	12	14	11	17	10	17	14	13

41a. (If approve q41) Would you support or oppose additional sanctions on Russia?

	APPROVE Q41.....						WHITE.....	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Support	76%	54%	87%	72%	79%	74%	77%	69%
Oppose	14	27	7	17	13	14	12	20
DK/NA	10	19	6	10	8	12	11	11
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	NonWht
Support	71%	84%	75%	76%	77%	70%	73%	83%
Oppose	16	7	16	14	13	18	16	10
DK/NA	12	9	9	10	11	12	11	7

42. Do you support or oppose investigations into the potential links between some of Donald Trump's campaign advisors and the Russian government?

							WHITE.....	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Support	62%	28%	87%	66%	61%	64%	69%	52%
Oppose	32	61	11	31	34	30	27	40
DK/NA	6	11	2	4	5	7	4	8
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	NonWht
Support	66%	65%	60%	59%	60%	60%	60%	70%
Oppose	31	32	35	29	36	32	34	27
DK/NA	3	4	4	12	4	8	6	3

43. Do you believe President Trump has too friendly of an attitude towards - Russia, too unfriendly of an attitude towards Russia, or has about the right attitude towards Russia?

							WHITE.....	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Too friendly	49%	13%	83%	45%	44%	53%	52%	37%
Too unfriendly	3	2	4	2	3	3	1	2
Right attitude	43	81	8	48	50	37	43	56
DK/NA	5	4	5	5	3	7	5	5
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	NonWht
Too friendly	54%	50%	42%	50%	41%	47%	44%	61%
Too unfriendly	6	3	2	1	2	2	2	6
Right attitude	38	36	53	43	54	45	50	28
DK/NA	2	10	3	7	3	6	5	6

44. Do you believe President Trump has too friendly of an attitude towards - Mexico, too unfriendly of an attitude towards Mexico, or has about the right attitude towards Mexico?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....	
							COLLEGE DEG	Yes
Too friendly	1%	1%	2%	-	-	2%	1%	1%
Too unfriendly	53	11	83	55	49	57	54	37
Right attitude	42	85	9	41	48	35	41	59
DK/NA	4	4	6	3	2	6	4	3
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	NonWht
Too friendly	2%	-	1%	1%	-	1%	1%	2%
Too unfriendly	62	62	44	46	41	48	45	71
Right attitude	34	34	52	46	56	46	51	21
DK/NA	2	5	4	7	2	5	4	6

45. Do you believe President Trump has too friendly of an attitude towards - NATO allies, too unfriendly of an attitude towards NATO allies, or has about the right attitude towards NATO allies?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....	
							COLLEGE DEG	Yes
Too friendly	3%	3%	4%	4%	3%	4%	1%	4%
Too unfriendly	44	7	75	42	40	47	53	31
Right attitude	42	83	10	41	50	34	38	54
DK/NA	11	7	12	14	8	15	8	12
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	NonWht
Too friendly	3%	3%	5%	1%	1%	4%	2%	6%
Too unfriendly	41	49	40	48	40	43	41	50
Right attitude	42	36	48	40	52	41	46	32
DK/NA	14	12	8	11	7	13	10	13