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**U.S. VOTERS STILL SAY 2-1 TRUMP COMMITTED CRIME,
QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY NATIONAL POLL FINDS;
BUT VOTERS OPPOSE IMPEACHMENT 2-1**

American voters say 57 – 28 percent that Donald Trump committed crimes before he became president, according to a Quinnipiac University National Poll released today.

This compares to results of a March 5 survey by the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University National Poll, before release of the Mueller Report, in which voters said 64 – 24 percent that President Trump committed crimes before he was elected.

In today’s survey, 46 percent of voters say Trump committed crimes since he became president and 46 percent say he did not commit crimes.

But American voters say 66 – 29 percent that Congress should not begin impeachment of President Trump. Democrats support impeachment 56 – 38 percent. Opposition to impeachment is 95 – 4 percent among Republicans and 70 – 27 percent among independent voters.

Investigating Trump distracts Congress from other national issues, 53 percent of voters say, while 43 percent say Congress can investigate Trump and work on other national issues at the same time.

Special Counsel Robert Mueller conducted a fair investigation, voters say 72 – 18 percent, including 65 – 25 percent among Republicans.

Voters say 51 – 38 percent that the Mueller Report did not clear President Trump of any wrongdoing.

American voters also say 54 – 42 percent that Trump “attempted to derail or obstruct the investigation into the Russian interference in the 2016 election.”

“No. The Mueller Report did not clear President Trump, American voters say,” said Tim Malloy, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Poll.

“Yes. The President tried to thwart the investigation.

“But should impeachment proceed?

“The resounding ‘no’ from voters says Americans want to move on.”

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American voters give President Trump a negative 41 – 55 percent job approval rating, compared to a negative 38 – 55 percent rating March 5, before the release of the Mueller Report. Today, there is a wide gender gap as women disapprove 62 – 34 percent while men are divided, with 48 percent approving and 46 percent disapproving.

Trump and the Media

The news media is an important part of democracy, 66 percent of American voters say, while 23 percent say the media is the “enemy of the people.” Republicans say 49 – 36 percent that the news media is the enemy of the people. Every other listed party, gender, education, age and racial group says the media is an important part of democracy.

By 52 – 35 percent, voters trust the media more than Trump to tell the truth about important issues. Republicans trust Trump more than the media 82 – 9 percent. Trusting the media more are Democrats 92 – 2 percent and independent voters 54 – 29 percent.

U.S. Supreme Court

The U.S. Supreme Court is too influenced by politics, voters say 59 – 35 percent. Republicans are divided as 44 percent say the Supreme Court is too influenced by politics and 49 percent say it is not. Every other listed group says the Supreme Court is too influenced by politics.

Voters say 81 – 15 percent that the process of confirming Supreme Court justices is too political. Every listed group agrees by wide margins.

Employers should not be allowed to fire someone based on their sexual orientation or sexual identity, American voters say 92 – 6 percent.

Adding a question to the 2020 U.S. Census asking census participants if they are U.S. citizens is a good idea, American voters say 48 – 33 percent.

From April 26 – 29, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,044 voters nationwide with a margin of error of +/- 3.5 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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12. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							Yes	No		
Approve	41%	88%	3%	37%	48%	34%	44%	53%		
Disapprove	55	9	96	55	46	62	53	42		
DK/NA	5	2	1	8	6	3	3	6		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Approve	35%	39%	45%	42%	54%	43%	48%	8%	33%	
Disapprove	57	57	53	54	39	55	48	87	63	
DK/NA	7	4	3	3	6	3	4	6	4	

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president?

	App	Dis	DK/NA
May 02, 2019	41	55	5
Mar 26, 2019	39	55	5
Mar 05, 2019	38	55	6
Jan 29, 2019	38	57	5
Jan 15, 2019	41	55	3
Dec 19, 2018	39	52	8
Nov 20, 2018	41	54	6
Oct 02, 2018	41	53	6
Sep 10, 2018	38	54	8
Aug 14, 2018	41	54	5

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12a. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president? COMBINED WITH: (If approve/disapprove q12) Do you strongly or somewhat approve/disapprove?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Approve strongly	30%	75%	1%	20%	35%	26%	33%	41%
Approve smwht	10	12	2	16	13	8	10	11
Disapprove smwht	8	5	7	11	9	7	7	7
Disapprove strongly	46	4	89	44	37	55	46	34
DK/NA	6	3	1	9	7	4	4	7

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Approve strongly	15%	30%	36%	34%	41%	33%	36%	3%	23%
Approve smwht	20	9	8	7	13	9	11	5	10
Disapprove smwht	13	7	6	5	7	7	7	13	9
Disapprove strongly	42	49	47	49	32	48	40	72	54
DK/NA	9	4	3	5	7	4	5	7	4

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling his job as president? COMBINED WITH: (If approve/disapprove) Do you strongly or somewhat approve/disapprove?

	APPROVE.....		DISAPPROVE.....		
	Strngly	Smwht	Smwht	Strngly	DK/NA
May 02, 2019	30	10	8	46	6
Mar 26, 2019	28	11	8	47	6
Mar 05, 2019	28	9	9	46	8
Jan 29, 2019	29	9	6	50	5
Jan 15, 2019	33	8	5	50	4
Dec 19, 2018	31	8	7	46	8
Nov 20, 2018	31	9	6	47	7
Oct 02, 2018	31	10	6	46	7
Sep 10, 2018	27	10	6	48	9
Aug 14, 2018	30	10	6	48	6

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13. Who do you trust more to tell you the truth about important issues: President Trump or the news media?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							Yes	No		
Trump	35%	82%	2%	29%	40%	31%	38%	49%		
News media	52	9	92	54	46	57	50	41		
DK/NA	13	10	6	16	14	12	12	11		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Trump	25%	37%	39%	38%	46%	41%	43%	9%	22%	
News media	58	52	49	52	39	51	45	74	59	
DK/NA	17	11	12	10	15	8	12	17	20	

TREND: Who do you trust more to tell you the truth about important issues: President Trump or the news media?

	Trump	News Media	DK/NA
May 02, 2019	35	52	13
Nov 21, 2018	34	54	12
Sep 12, 2018	30	54	16
Jul 25, 2018	34	54	12
Jun 20, 2018	36	53	11
Apr 26, 2018	37	53	10
Nov 14, 2017	34	54	12
Oct 12, 2017	37	52	11
Aug 23, 2017	36	54	10
Aug 16, 2017	37	55	9

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14. Which comes closer to your point of view: the news media is the enemy of the people, or the news media is an important part of democracy?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....			
							COLLEGE	DEG	Yes	No
Enemy of the people	23%	49%	4%	19%	26%	21%	20%	32%		
Part of democracy	66	36	92	70	62	70	70	56		
NEITHER (VOL)	6	7	2	6	7	4	6	5		
DK/NA	5	9	2	5	5	6	4	7		

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Enemy of the people	20%	28%	22%	22%	28%	24%	26%	15%	18%
Part of democracy	66	60	68	71	59	67	63	76	69
NEITHER (VOL)	6	7	6	3	7	4	5	5	8
DK/NA	8	4	4	5	6	5	6	5	5

TREND: Which comes closer to your point of view: the news media is the enemy of the people, or the news media is an important part of democracy?

	Enemy	Impt Part	NEITHER	DK/NA
May 02, 2019	23	66	6	5
Nov 21, 2018	21	69	3	6
Sep 12, 2018	21	69	5	6
Aug 14, 2018	26	65	4	6
Jul 25, 2018	21	71	3	4
Jun 20, 2018	23	65	6	6
Apr 26, 2018	22	66	4	8

15. Which comes closer to your point of view: Congress can investigate President Trump and work on other national issues at the same time, or the investigation into President Trump is distracting Congress from other national issues?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Work at same time	43%	9%	75%	41%	37%	48%	41%	32%
Distracting	53	88	22	55	58	49	57	63
DK/NA	4	3	2	4	5	3	3	5

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Work at same time	44%	47%	41%	42%	32%	40%	36%	66%	55%
Distracting	51	48	57	54	63	57	60	27	41
DK/NA	5	4	2	4	5	2	4	7	4

TREND: Which comes closer to your point of view: Congress can investigate President Trump and work on other national issues at the same time, or the investigation into President Trump is distracting Congress from other national issues?

	WrkSame Time	Distr-acting	DK/NA
May 02, 2019	43	53	4
Mar 05, 2019	46	49	4

16. Do you think that President Trump believes he is above the law, or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Yes/Above law	56%	15%	95%	56%	47%	63%	53%	47%
No	41	81	4	41	50	33	43	51
DK/NA	3	4	1	4	3	4	4	2

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Yes/Above law	60%	58%	53%	55%	43%	56%	50%	82%	60%
No	37	40	44	41	53	41	47	16	35
DK/NA	4	2	2	4	3	3	3	2	5

TREND: Do you think that President Trump believes he is above the law, or not?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
May 02, 2019	56	41	3
Dec 12, 2017	61	36	3
Aug 17, 2017	59	40	2
Aug 02, 2017	60	36	4

24. Do you think that Supreme Court Justices are too influenced by politics, or don't you think so?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Yes/Too influenced	59%	44%	74%	57%	57%	61%	53%	57%		
No	35	49	21	37	38	32	41	37		
DK/NA	6	6	5	6	6	7	7	7		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Yes/Too influenced	70%	60%	57%	51%	51%	58%	55%	74%	66%	
No	25	34	39	40	42	36	39	19	34	
DK/NA	5	6	4	9	7	6	7	7	-	

25. Do you think that the process of confirming Supreme Court Justices is too political, or don't you think so?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Yes/Too political	81%	74%	85%	85%	82%	79%	83%	77%		
No	15	19	13	13	15	15	12	19		
DK/NA	4	7	2	2	2	5	4	5		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Yes/Too political	74%	85%	81%	82%	82%	79%	80%	84%	80%	
No	20	12	17	13	15	16	15	13	19	
DK/NA	5	3	2	5	3	6	4	3	2	

26. Do you think employers should be allowed to fire someone based on their sexual orientation or sexual identity, or don't you think so?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG			
							Yes	No		
Yes/Allowed	6%	12%	1%	5%	8%	4%	5%	8%		
No	92	83	98	94	89	95	93	89		
DK/NA	2	4	-	1	3	1	2	2		
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....					
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Yes/Allowed	7%	7%	6%	5%	8%	5%	7%	4%	3%	
No	92	90	93	93	88	94	91	92	96	
DK/NA	1	3	1	2	3	1	2	4	1	

27. As you may know, the U.S. Census attempts to count all people living in the United States, whether they are citizens or not and whether they are in the U.S. legally or not. Right now, the federal government is planning to add a question to the 2020 Census asking whether or not the person participating in the census is a citizen of the United States. Do you think adding a citizenship question to the census is a good idea or a bad idea, or haven't you heard enough about it?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG				
							Yes	No			
Good idea	48%	82%	20%	47%	56%	41%	48%	60%			
Bad idea	33	7	58	33	29	37	36	23			
Haven't hrd enough	17	9	20	19	14	20	14	16			
DK/NA	2	2	2	1	2	1	2	1			
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....						
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Good idea	40%	47%	53%	51%	64%	45%	54%	27%	34%		
Bad idea	29	35	34	34	25	34	30	47	42		
Haven't hrd enough	30	15	12	12	10	19	15	22	24		
DK/NA	-	3	-	2	1	2	2	4	-		

28. Do you think that Congress should begin the process to impeach President Trump, which could lead to his removal from office, or don't you think so?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG				
							Yes	No			
Yes/Begin process	29%	4%	56%	27%	25%	33%	22%	25%			
No	66	95	38	70	72	61	74	71			
DK/NA	4	1	6	3	3	6	4	4			
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....						
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Yes/Begin process	38%	34%	23%	27%	21%	25%	23%	57%	42%		
No	59	61	75	67	75	70	72	38	57		
DK/NA	3	5	3	7	3	5	4	5	2		

TREND: Do you think that Congress should begin the process to impeach President Trump, which could lead to his removal from office, or don't you think so?

	Yes/ Begin	No	DK/NA
May 02, 2019	29	66	4
Mar 05, 2019	35	59	7
Dec 19, 2018	35	60	5

29. Do you think that Congress should investigate to determine whether or not to bring impeachment charges against President Trump, or don't you think so?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG				
							Yes	No			
Yes/Investigate	47%	8%	84%	45%	41%	52%	45%	32%			
No	51	90	15	53	57	46	53	65			
DK/NA	2	1	1	2	2	2	2	3			
AGE IN YRS.....											
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE.....						
					Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Yes/Investigate	51%	52%	42%	45%	35%	42%	39%	77%	57%		
No	47	47	57	51	62	56	59	22	42		
DK/NA	2	1	1	5	2	3	3	1	1		

30. Do you think that President Trump committed any crimes before he was president, or don't you think so?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG				
							Yes	No			
Yes/Committed crimes	57%	17%	91%	60%	50%	63%	56%	44%			
No	28	60	5	22	34	23	27	37			
DK/NA	15	23	4	18	16	14	17	19			
AGE IN YRS.....											
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	WHITE.....						
					Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Yes/Committed crimes	62%	63%	55%	52%	45%	55%	50%	86%	67%		
No	30	26	28	27	36	29	32	12	23		
DK/NA	9	11	17	21	20	16	18	2	10		

TREND: Do you think that President Trump committed any crimes before he was president, or don't you think so?

	Yes/Com- mitted	No	DK/NA
May 02, 2019	57	28	15
Mar 05, 2019	64	24	13

31. Do you think that President Trump has committed any crimes while he has been president, or don't you think so?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....	
							COLLEGE DEG	Yes
Yes/Committed crimes	46%	7%	82%	47%	39%	53%	43%	35%
No	46	88	10	45	54	39	47	60
DK/NA	8	4	9	8	7	8	10	5

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Yes/Committed crimes	48%	50%	45%	45%	32%	45%	39%	75%	61%
No	43	44	50	47	60	48	53	21	29
DK/NA	9	6	6	8	8	7	8	5	10

TREND: Do you think that President Trump has committed any crimes while he has been president, or don't you think so?

	Yes/Com- mitted	No	DK/NA
May 02, 2019	46	46	8
Mar 05, 2019	45	43	12

32. As you may know, Special Counsel Robert Mueller was appointed to oversee the criminal investigation into any links or coordination between President Trump's campaign and the Russian government. Do you think that he conducted a fair investigation into this matter, or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Yes/Fair	72%	65%	77%	78%	73%	71%	80%	71%
No	18	25	14	14	20	16	15	16
DK/NA	10	10	9	8	7	12	6	13

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Yes/Fair	68%	71%	76%	71%	75%	76%	75%	62%	65%
No	18	21	18	16	18	13	15	28	21
DK/NA	15	9	6	13	7	11	9	10	14

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	Yes/ Fair	No	DK/NA
May 02, 2019	72	18	10
Mar 26, 2019	55	26	19
Mar 05, 2019	54	27	19
Dec 19, 2018	48	38	13
Nov 20, 2018	56	28	16
Sep 10, 2018	55	32	13
Aug 14, 2018	51	33	16
Jul 24, 2018	55	31	13
Jun 08, 2018	50	35	15
Apr 26, 2018	54	31	15

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33. Do you think that the Mueller report cleared President Trump of any wrongdoing, or don't you think so?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Yes/Cleared	38%	76%	11%	34%	46%	32%	39%	46%
No	51	16	83	52	46	56	51	42
DK/NA	11	8	6	13	8	13	10	11

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk	Hsp
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom			
Yes/Cleared	36%	36%	40%	40%	49%	36%	42%	21%	36%
No	46	54	53	52	41	52	47	71	52
DK/NA	18	10	7	8	9	12	11	7	11

34. Do you believe that President Trump has attempted to derail or obstruct the investigation into the Russian interference in the 2016 election, or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....				
							Yes	No			
							COLLEGE DEG				
							Yes	No			
Yes/Attempted	54%	11%	93%	56%	46%	61%	52%	39%			
No	42	85	5	40	51	33	44	54			
DK/NA	4	4	2	4	3	5	4	7			
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....						
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp		
Yes/Attempted	58%	56%	51%	53%	40%	51%	46%	87%	66%		
No	38	40	44	43	56	42	49	11	33		
DK/NA	4	4	5	4	4	7	5	2	1		

TREND: Do you believe that President Trump has attempted to derail or obstruct the investigation into the Russian interference in the 2016 election, or not?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
May 02, 2019	54	42	4
Feb 06, 2018	53	41	6
Jan 11, 2018	56	39	6
Dec 12, 2017	57	38	5
Nov 15, 2017	53	43	4
Aug 24, 2017	56	38	6
Aug 16, 2017	57	38	6
Aug 02, 2017	58	37	4
Jun 29, 2017	55	41	4