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# QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLL

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## **JOHNNY CARSON TOPS LIST AS ALL-TIME KING OF LATE NIGHT, QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY NATIONAL POLL FINDS; JIMMY FALLON TOPS LIST OF CURRENT HOSTS**

Johnny Carson is the favorite late-night TV talk show host for 25 percent of Americans over 18 years old, with 13 percent naming David Letterman, 7 percent tuning in Jay Leno and 6 percent clicking on Jimmy Fallon, according to a Quinnipiac University National poll released today.

Jimmy Fallon is the choice of the current post-Letterman crop for 20 percent of Americans, followed by 11 percent for Jimmy Kimmel and 6 percent for Conan O'Brien.

The independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University Poll asked American adults open-ended questions, allowing for any answer.

In the all-time favorite category, 45 percent of people 50 to 64 years old and 39 percent of people 65 and older pick Johnny Carson. Only one percent of people 18 to 29 years old and 16 percent of people 30 to 49 years old name Carson.

Letterman is the choice of 8 percent of Americans 18 to 29 years old, 18 percent of people 30 to 49 years old, 13 percent of people 50 to 64 years old and 10 percent of people 65 and older. There is little gender gap between those who pick Letterman and Carson fans.

“Twenty-three years after his last monologue, American insomniacs are still saying, ‘Heeeeeere’s Johnnie!’” said Tim Malloy, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Poll.

From May 19 – 26, Quinnipiac University surveyed 2,105 Americans over 18 years old with a margin of error of +/- 2.1 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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82. (Adults) Who is your favorite late-night television talk show host of all time?

	ADULTS.....						
	Tot	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
				18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Allen, Steve	-	-	-	-	-	-	1%
Carson, Johnny	25	27	23	1	16	45	39
Colbert, Stephen	1	1	1	2	2	-	-
Corden, James	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Daly, Carson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fallon, Jimmy	6	5	8	11	7	4	2
Ferguson, Craig	1	1	1	1	1	-	-
Hall, Arsenio	1	1	-	-	2	-	-
Kimmel, Jimmy	3	2	4	8	2	1	1
Leno, Jay	7	9	6	7	7	8	7
Letterman, David	13	13	13	8	18	13	10
O'Brien, Conan	3	4	2	6	5	1	-
O'Reilly, Bill	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paar, Jack	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
Rose, Charlie	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Stewart, Jon	2	3	2	5	3	1	1
NONE (VOL)	14	14	14	22	11	11	15
OTHER SPECIFY (VOL)	3	3	2	3	4	2	1
DK/NA	19	16	22	24	22	12	19

	REGION.....			
	NEast	MWest	South	West
Allen, Steve	1%	-	-	-
Carson, Johnny	25	31	23	23
Colbert, Stephen	-	1	1	3
Corden, James	-	-	-	-
Daly, Carson	1	-	-	-
Fallon, Jimmy	9	7	5	6
Ferguson, Craig	-	-	1	1
Hall, Arsenio	1	-	-	2
Kimmel, Jimmy	3	3	3	2
Leno, Jay	6	7	8	7
Letterman, David	15	16	13	9
O'Brien, Conan	2	2	3	4
O'Reilly, Bill	-	-	-	1
Paar, Jack	-	-	-	1
Rose, Charlie	1	-	-	-
Stewart, Jon	3	2	2	3
NONE (VOL)	13	12	17	12
OTHER SPECIFY (VOL)	3	1	3	3
DK/NA	15	16	21	22

83. (Adults) As you may know, David Letterman has retired. Thinking about other late-night television talk show hosts who are currently on TV, who is your favorite?

	ADULTS.....						
	Tot	Men	Wom	AGE IN YRS.....			
18-29				30-49	50-64	65+	
Colbert, Stephen	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%
Corden, James	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
Daly, Carson	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fallon, Jimmy	20	19	20	19	23	23	10
Ferguson, Craig	1	-	1	1	1	-	-
Kimmel, Jimmy	11	11	12	13	13	10	10
Leno, Jay	-	1	-	1	-	-	1
Meyers, Seth	-	1	-	-	1	-	-
O'Brien, Conan	6	7	4	6	10	3	1
Stewart, Jon	2	2	2	4	2	1	1
NONE (VOL)	25	25	24	20	16	28	40
OTHER SPECIFY (VOL)	3	2	3	3	3	2	2
DK/NA	31	29	33	31	30	30	33

	REGION.....			
	NEast	MWest	South	West
Colbert, Stephen	1%	2%	1%	1%
Corden, James	-	1	1	-
Daly, Carson	1	1	-	-
Fallon, Jimmy	23	20	19	17
Ferguson, Craig	1	1	-	1
Kimmel, Jimmy	13	12	9	12
Leno, Jay	-	-	1	1
Meyers, Seth	-	-	1	1
O'Brien, Conan	3	7	5	8
Stewart, Jon	2	2	1	3
NONE (VOL)	23	25	27	22
OTHER SPECIFY (VOL)	2	3	3	2
DK/NA	30	27	32	33