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**MERKEL CHALLENGES TRUMP AS LEADER OF FREE WORLD,
QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY NATIONAL POLL FINDS;
VOTERS OPPOSE GOP HEALTH CARE BILL ALMOST 4-1**

Only 46 percent of American voters say President Donald Trump is the “leader of the free world,” while 29 percent say German Chancellor Angela Merkel now fills that role, according to a Quinnipiac University national poll released today. Another 6 percent say someone else and 19 percent are undecided.

President Trump tops Merkel 80 – 6 percent among Republicans and 47 – 26 percent among independent voters, with Democrats choosing Merkel 50 – 22 percent, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University Poll finds.

American voters say 72 – 23 percent that the U.S. should be the leader of the free world.

Voters disapprove 60 – 35 percent of the way Trump is handling foreign policy and disapprove 60 – 35 percent of the way he is handling relations with European allies. The president’s attitude towards NATO allies is too unfriendly, 50 percent of voters say, as 4 percent say he is too friendly and 39 percent say he has the right attitude.

A total of 88 percent say it is “very important” or “somewhat important” that Trump publicly reaffirm that an attack on any NATO member is an attack on all NATO members.

Trump did a bad job on his first foreign trip as president, voters say 51 – 40 percent.

“Stick to ‘one for all and all for one.’ That’s the clear message from American voters who want NATO to have our back...and vice versa,” said Tim Malloy, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Poll.

“The White House self-review of President Donald Trump’s overseas trip clashes with how voters feel about a visit that polarized many and raised questions about who can best be described as leader of the free world.”

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“Americans give their president a less than ringing endorsement. What about the rest of the world?” Malloy added.

Health Care

American voters disapprove 62 – 17 percent of the Republican health care plan, compared to a 57 – 20 percent disapproval in a May 25 Quinnipiac University poll. Today, Republicans approve of the health care plan 42 – 25 percent, as every other listed party, gender, education, age or racial group disapproves by wide margins.

Voters oppose 65 – 30 percent decreasing federal funding for Medicaid. Republicans support a Medicaid cut 49 – 39 percent, while every other listed group opposes the cut by wide margins.

Voters disapprove 66 – 28 percent of the way Trump is handling health care.

Control of House, Senate

American voters say 51 – 39 percent that they would like to see the Democratic Party win control of the House of Representatives. Independent voters are divided as 43 percent want Republican control and 42 percent want Democratic control.

By a similar 52 – 39 percent, voters would like to see Democrats win control of the U.S. Senate. Again, independent voters are divided, with 42 percent for Republicans and 43 percent for Democrats.

American voters disapprove 73 – 19 percent of the job Republicans in Congress are doing and disapprove 63 – 28 percent of the job Democrats in Congress are doing.

Only 29 percent of voters are “very satisfied” or “somewhat satisfied” with the way things are going in the nation today, while 70 percent are “somewhat dissatisfied” or “very dissatisfied.”

From May 31 – June 6, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,361 voters nationwide with a margin of error of +/- 3.2 percentage points, including the design effect. 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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2. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Republicans in Congress are handling their job?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....	
							Yes	No
Approve	19%	47%	4%	19%	22%	17%	20%	24%
Disapprove	73	43	92	73	71	75	74	67
DK/NA	7	10	4	9	7	8	6	9
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	NonWht
Approve	15%	24%	20%	18%	23%	21%	22%	14%
Disapprove	81	68	71	75	69	72	70	79
DK/NA	5	8	9	7	8	7	8	7

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Republicans in Congress are handling their job? (* High also 34%, ** Low also 12%)

	App	Dis	DK/NA
Jun 08, 2017	19	73	7
May 25, 2017	21	70	9
May 10, 2017	22	71	7
Apr 19, 2017	24	68	7
Apr 04, 2017	21	70	9
Mar 22, 2017	29	64	7
Feb 22, 2017	31	62	8

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3. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Democrats in Congress are handling their job?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....	
							Yes	No
Approve	28%	9%	54%	19%	25%	31%	33%	22%
Disapprove	63	87	39	69	66	60	61	67
DK/NA	9	4	7	12	9	9	6	10
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	NonWht
Approve	27%	30%	29%	31%	23%	31%	27%	31%
Disapprove	66	60	64	59	67	62	64	59
DK/NA	7	10	7	10	10	7	8	9

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Democrats in Congress are handling their job? (* Low also 24%)

	App	Dis	DK/NA
Jun 08, 2017	28	63	9
May 25, 2017	28	63	9
May 10, 2017	34	58	9
Apr 19, 2017	29	63	7
Apr 04, 2017	34	57	9
Mar 22, 2017	30	60	10
Feb 22, 2017	32	59	8

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8. 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%	90%	3%	43%	47%	32%	40%	53%
Democratic Party	51	6	94	42	44	58	54	37
DK/NA	10	4	3	15	9	10	5	10
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	NonWht
Republican Party	30%	36%	46%	40%	55%	40%	47%	22%
Democratic Party	58	52	48	50	37	52	45	66
DK/NA	12	12	6	9	8	8	8	12

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
Jun 08, 2017	39	51	10
May 10, 2017	38	54	8

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9. 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	39%	91%	4%	42%	46%	34%	41%	52%
Democratic Party	52	8	93	43	46	58	55	39
DK/NA	8	2	3	15	8	8	5	9
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	NonWht
Republican Party	32%	37%	45%	41%	54%	39%	46%	24%
Democratic Party	57	55	49	51	39	54	47	66
DK/NA	12	9	5	8	7	7	7	10

10. 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	4%	7%	2%	4%	6%	2%	5%	4%
Smwht satisfied	25	49	8	25	30	20	26	31
Smwht dissatisfied	24	24	19	29	27	22	24	23
Very dissatisfied	46	18	70	39	37	54	44	39
DK/NA	2	2	1	2	1	2	1	3

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	NonWht
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom		
Very satisfied	2%	3%	5%	5%	7%	3%	5%	2%
Smwht satisfied	19	26	25	26	33	24	28	16
Smwht dissatisfied	29	25	24	20	26	22	24	26
Very dissatisfied	49	45	45	48	33	49	41	56
DK/NA	1	1	2	1	2	2	2	-

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
Jun 08, 2017	4	25	24	46	2
May 24, 2017	4	29	29	37	2
May 10, 2017	5	28	25	41	1
Apr 19, 2017	7	26	27	38	2
Apr 04, 2017	3	25	27	44	1
Mar 22, 2017	5	26	27	39	2
Mar 07, 2017	6	26	29	37	2
Feb 22, 2017	6	25	28	39	2
Feb 07, 2017	8	24	26	38	3
Jan 26, 2017	6	26	30	36	3
Jan 10, 2017	3	27	35	33	2
Nov 28, 2016	5	22	30	42	2

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25. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling - foreign policy?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Approve	35%	79%	5%	35%	41%	30%	37%	48%
Disapprove	60	16	93	59	54	65	59	44
DK/NA	5	5	3	6	5	5	4	8

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	NonWht
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom		
Approve	22%	36%	39%	41%	48%	37%	42%	19%
Disapprove	72	60	58	54	46	57	52	79
DK/NA	7	3	3	5	6	5	6	2

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling - foreign policy?

	App	Dis	DK/NA
Jun 08, 2017	35	60	5
May 24, 2017	38	56	7
May 10, 2017	36	59	6
Apr 19, 2017	40	56	4
Apr 04, 2017	33	58	9
Mar 22, 2017	34	58	7
Mar 07, 2017	38	54	8
Feb 22, 2017	36	56	7
Feb 07, 2017	38	56	6

28. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling - health care?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Approve	28%	68%	2%	29%	34%	24%	32%	38%
Disapprove	66	23	97	63	58	73	64	53
DK/NA	6	10	1	8	9	4	4	9

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	NonWht
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom		
Approve	17%	31%	32%	31%	39%	31%	35%	13%
Disapprove	78	62	63	62	51	65	58	83
DK/NA	5	7	5	7	10	4	7	4

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling - health care?

	App	Dis	DK/NA
Jun 08, 2017	28	66	6
May 25, 2017	32	62	6
May 11, 2017	28	66	6
Apr 20, 2017	29	65	6
Apr 04, 2017	28	64	9
Mar 23, 2017	29	61	10

30. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Donald Trump is handling - relations with European allies?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Approve	35%	77%	6%	37%	43%	29%	35%	48%
Disapprove	60	19	92	58	53	67	62	47
DK/NA	4	4	3	6	4	4	3	6

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	NonWht
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom		
Approve	24%	36%	39%	40%	49%	35%	42%	22%
Disapprove	71	61	57	56	46	61	54	75
DK/NA	5	3	4	4	5	4	4	3

38. Based on what you've heard, do you think President Trump did a good job or a bad job on his first foreign trip as President?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Good job	40%	84%	11%	40%	46%	35%	41%	52%
Bad job	51	12	80	48	47	54	54	40
DK/NA	9	4	9	12	7	10	5	8

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....	
							Wht	NonWht
Good job	27%	40%	46%	45%	52%	41%	47%	27%
Bad job	60	49	48	49	41	52	46	60
DK/NA	13	10	6	7	7	6	7	13

40. 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	No
Too friendly	4%	3%	5%	4%	2%	6%	2%	3%
Too unfriendly	50	14	82	45	46	54	57	38
Right attitude	39	79	8	42	48	32	37	52
DK/NA	6	4	5	8	4	8	4	7

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....	
							Wht	NonWht
Too friendly	6%	4%	5%	3%	1%	4%	3%	8%
Too unfriendly	60	50	47	47	42	53	47	57
Right attitude	27	39	43	44	54	36	45	27
DK/NA	7	7	5	7	4	7	5	8

TREND: 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?

	Too Frndly	Too Unfrndl	Right Att	DK/NA
Jun 08, 2017	4	50	39	6
Jan 30, 2017	3	44	42	11

41. Do you think that the United States should be the leader of the free world, or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Yes/Should be	72%	79%	74%	68%	75%	69%	74%	69%
No	23	16	22	27	21	25	21	25
DK/NA	5	5	5	5	4	6	5	6

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE.....	
							Wht	NonWht
Yes/Should be	56%	71%	76%	85%	74%	69%	72%	75%
No	38	26	19	10	22	23	23	23
DK/NA	6	2	4	5	4	8	6	3

42. Do you believe that President Trump and the Republicans in Congress will be able to pass any significant legislation by the end of 2017, or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Yes/Pass legislation	44%	60%	28%	50%	44%	44%	47%	47%
No	50	33	66	45	50	49	47	48
DK/NA	6	7	6	6	5	7	6	6

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	NonWht
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom		
Yes/Pass legislation	52%	40%	42%	41%	49%	45%	47%	37%
No	43	56	53	49	46	48	47	57
DK/NA	5	4	5	10	5	7	6	7

47. As president, do you think Donald Trump should - support efforts to repeal the Affordable Care Act, also known as Obamacare, or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Yes/Should	44%	83%	15%	46%	48%	40%	41%	56%
No	53	14	84	48	48	57	57	39
DK/NA	4	3	1	6	4	3	2	4

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	NonWht
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom		
Yes/Should	39%	45%	45%	45%	55%	44%	49%	33%
No	54	54	52	52	41	54	48	63
DK/NA	7	2	3	3	4	2	3	4

TREND: As president, do you think Donald Trump should support efforts to repeal the Affordable Care Act, also known as Obamacare, or not?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
Jun 08, 2017	44	53	4
May 25, 2017	45	50	4
May 11, 2017	44	53	3
Apr 20, 2017	44	53	2
Apr 05, 2017	42	54	4
Mar 23, 2017	45	51	5
Mar 08, 2017	45	51	4
Feb 23, 2017	43	54	3
Feb 08, 2017	46	50	4
Jan 12, 2017	48	47	5

48. Do you think President Trump and the Republicans in Congress should repeal all of the Affordable Care Act, also known as Obamacare, should repeal parts of the healthcare law but keep other parts, or should not repeal any of the Affordable Care Act?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Repeal all	19%	39%	5%	19%	20%	18%	16%	24%
Repeal parts	47	52	41	49	49	46	51	51
Should not repeal	30	5	51	28	27	33	31	21
DK/NA	4	4	3	4	4	4	3	4
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	NonWht
Repeal all	16%	19%	21%	19%	23%	18%	20%	17%
Repeal parts	43	51	44	52	52	50	51	41
Should not repeal	38	28	31	24	21	29	25	39
DK/NA	3	3	3	5	4	3	4	3

TREND: Do you think President Trump and the Republicans in Congress should repeal all of the Affordable Care Act, also known as Obamacare, should repeal parts of the healthcare law but keep other parts, or should not repeal any of the Affordable Care Act? (*President-elect)

	Repeal All	Repeal Parts	Not Repeal	DK/NA
Jun 08, 2017	19	47	30	4
May 25, 2017	19	48	30	3
May 11, 2017	19	45	34	3
Mar 23, 2017	20	50	27	3
Mar 08, 2017	21	49	27	3
Jan 27, 2017	16	51	30	3
Jan 12, 2017*	18	47	31	4

49. There is a Republican health care plan to replace Obamacare, known as the American Health Care Act. Do you approve or disapprove of this Republican health care plan?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Approve	17%	42%	1%	18%	21%	13%	17%	24%
Disapprove	62	25	84	62	57	66	64	49
DK/NA	21	32	14	20	22	21	19	27
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	NonWht
Approve	16%	13%	21%	19%	24%	17%	21%	9%
Disapprove	71	65	58	54	52	60	56	74
DK/NA	13	22	21	27	23	23	23	17

TREND: There is a Republican health care plan to replace Obamacare, known as the American Health Care Act. Do you approve or disapprove of this Republican health care plan? (*"revised Republican health care plan")

	App	Dis	DK/NA
Jun 08, 2017	17	62	21
May 25, 2017	20	57	23
May 11, 2017*	21	56	22
Mar 23, 2017	17	56	26

49a. There is a Republican health care plan to replace Obamacare, known as the American Health Care Act. Do you approve or disapprove of this Republican health care plan?
 COMBINED WITH: (If approve/disapprove q49) Do you strongly or somewhat approve/disapprove?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Approve strongly	6%	17%	1%	4%	6%	5%	6%	8%
Approve smwht	11	26	1	14	14	8	11	16
Disapprove smwht	12	12	8	17	14	11	10	15
Disapprove strongly	49	13	76	45	44	54	54	34
DK/NA	22	32	15	20	22	21	19	27

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	NonWht
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom		
Approve strongly	3%	5%	9%	7%	6%	8%	7%	3%
Approve smwht	14	8	12	11	18	10	14	6
Disapprove smwht	22	10	10	8	14	11	12	13
Disapprove strongly	49	56	48	46	38	49	44	61
DK/NA	13	22	21	27	23	23	23	17

TREND: There is a Republican health care plan to replace Obamacare, known as the American Health Care Act. Do you approve or disapprove of this Republican health care plan?
 COMBINED WITH: (If approve/disapprove) Do you strongly or somewhat approve/disapprove?
 (* "revised Republican health care plan")

	App Strngly	App Smwht	Dis Smwht	Dis Strngly	DK/NA
Jun 08, 2017	6	11	12	49	22
May 25, 2017	8	11	11	46	24
May 11, 2017*	9	12	10	46	23
Mar 23, 2017	6	11	12	43	27

50. Do you support or oppose decreasing federal funding for Medicaid, a government program that helps pay for health care for low income Americans?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Support	30%	49%	16%	29%	33%	26%	28%	34%
Oppose	65	39	82	67	61	69	66	57
DK/NA	5	13	1	4	6	5	7	8

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	NonWht
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom		
Support	23%	30%	32%	32%	34%	29%	31%	26%
Oppose	73	66	61	62	58	65	61	72
DK/NA	4	4	6	6	8	7	7	1

TREND: Do you support or oppose decreasing federal funding for Medicaid, a government program that helps pay for health care for low income Americans?

	Sup	Opp	DK/NA
Jun 08, 2017	30	65	5
Mar 23, 2017	22	74	4

51. Who do you think is the leader of the free world: President Donald Trump or German Chancellor Angela Merkel?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Trump	46%	80%	22%	47%	53%	39%	44%	55%
Merkel	29	6	50	26	26	32	35	21
SOMEONE ELSE (VOL)	6	2	6	7	7	5	7	5
DK/NA	19	12	21	20	14	24	14	20
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	NonWht
Trump	37%	46%	50%	48%	56%	44%	50%	39%
Merkel	33	24	31	30	24	30	27	31
SOMEONE ELSE (VOL)	9	10	4	1	6	6	6	6
DK/NA	21	20	15	20	13	20	17	23

53. How important is it to you that President Trump publicly reaffirm that an attack on any NATO member is an attack on all NATO members: very important, somewhat important, not so important, or not important at all?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	WHITE..... COLLEGE DEG	
							Yes	No
Very important	60%	54%	71%	55%	61%	59%	66%	56%
Smwht important	28	32	23	32	27	30	23	32
Not so important	6	8	1	7	6	5	7	6
Not important at all	4	4	3	4	4	3	3	3
DK/NA	2	2	2	2	1	3	1	3
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	NonWht
Very important	52%	60%	66%	63%	61%	61%	61%	59%
Smwht important	38	26	23	26	27	29	28	30
Not so important	7	7	5	4	6	6	6	4
Not important at all	2	5	3	3	4	2	3	6
DK/NA	1	2	2	4	2	2	2	2