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**SNOWDEN IS WHISTLE-BLOWER, NOT TRAITOR,  
U.S. VOTERS TELL QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY NATIONAL POLL**

American voters say 55 – 34 percent that former National Security Agency consultant Edward Snowden is a whistle-blower rather than a traitor, according to a Quinnipiac University national poll released today.

This finding is unchanged from a July 10 survey by the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University.

“Most American voters think positively of Edward Snowden, but that was before he accepted asylum in Russia,” said Peter A. Brown, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Polling Institute.

From July 28 – 31, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,468 registered voters with a margin of error of +/- 2.6 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, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Iowa, Ohio, Virginia and the nation as a public service and for research.

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20. Do you regard Edward Snowden, the national security consultant who released information to the media about the phone scanning program, as more of a traitor or more of a whistle-blower?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Traitor	34%	38%	36%	34%	34%	35%	34%	39%	26%
Whistle-blower	55	51	56	55	57	52	55	50	60
DK/NA	11	11	9	11	9	13	11	10	14

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	COLLEGE DEG		RELIGION.....			Men	Wom	BornAgnEv	
	Yes	No	Prot	Cath	None			Yes	No
Traitor	42%	30%	37%	38%	29%	33%	35%	33%	39%
Whistle-blower	50	57	54	49	61	58	52	57	51
DK/NA	8	12	9	13	10	9	13	10	10

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HSHOLD INC			AGE IN YRS.....			
	Yes	No	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+
Traitor	40%	32%	31%	34%	41%	22%	26%	40%	43%
Whistle-blower	51	56	57	58	47	64	64	50	45
DK/NA	9	12	12	7	13	14	10	10	11

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