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Siena College Poll:

In Aftermath of Mueller Report, New Yorkers Are Divided: 50% Say "The Case is Closed, It's Time to Move On"; 45% Say House Should Start Impeachment Investigation

Voters Believe: Russia Influenced Campaign to Support Trump; Trump Committed Impeachable Offenses & Trump Obstructed Justice

Do We Need an Investigation into How the Investigation was Started? Dems, Reps, Inds are All Equally Divided on that Question

Loudonville, NY. More than three-quarters of New York voters say they are at least somewhat familiar with the findings of Special Counsel Robert Mueller, who is viewed favorably by 47 percent of voters (including a majority of Democrats and independents) and unfavorably by 34 percent (including a plurality of Republicans). In light of the Mueller Report findings, half of voters say "the case is closed, it's time to move on," while 45 percent say the House Judiciary Committee should immediately open an impeachment investigation of President Trump, according to a new Siena College poll of New York registered voters.

By a 62-29 percent margin, voters say that the Russians ran a campaign to influence the 2016 presidential election in support of Trump. By a 59-35 percent margin, they say Trump obstructed justice, and they say he committed impeachable offenses 53-39 percent. Voters are divided on whether there was a conspiracy between the Russians and the Trump campaign, however, by 50-42 percent, voters say there is no proof of coordination between the Russians and the Trump campaign. The Mueller report does not completely exonerate Trump, 67 percent say.

Should there be an investigation into how and why the original investigation into Trump was started? Democrats, Republicans and independents are all closely divided, as are voters from every region of the state.

"In the aftermath of the Mueller Report and all that's come out since, New Yorkers are closely divided on what should happen next. Half of voters say 'the case is closed, it's time to move on,' while 45 percent say 'the House Judiciary Committee should immediately open an impeachment investigation," said Siena College pollster Steven Greenberg. "While 61 percent of Democrats say there should be an impeachment investigation, 83 percent of Republicans and 52 percent of independents say it's time to move on."

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"By a 59-35 percent margin, voters say Trump obstructed justice and by a 53-39 percent margin, they say he's committed impeachable offenses," Greenberg said. "On both issues, Democrats overwhelmingly agree and Republicans overwhelmingly disagree. Independents side more with Democrats on both."

Agree or Disagree with Statements About Mueller Report					
		Total	Dem	Rep	Ind
The Russians engaged in a systematic campaign to influence		62%	75%	36%	63%
the 2016 presidential race in support of Trump	Disagree	29%	18%	53%	27%
Mueller and his team conducted their investigation fairly and		61%	68%	45%	63%
without bias	Disagree	31%	24%	47%	29%
President Trump obstructed justice by trying to thwart Mueller's		59%	76%	23%	58%
investigation	Disagree	35%	20%	72%	34%
President Trump has committed impeachable offenses	Agree	53%	72%	17%	48%
President Trump has committed impeachable offenses	Disagree	39%	22%	76%	39%
While the Russians tried to influence the 2016 presidential race to support Trump, there is no proof of coordination between the Russians and the Trump Campaign		50%	36%	77%	53%
		42%	54%	16%	41%
We now need an investigation into how and why the original investigation into President Trump – which led to the	Agree	46%	45%	46%	47%
appointment of Special Counsel Mueller – was started	Disagree	46%	47%	46%	47%
There was a conspiracy between the Russians and the Trump	Agree	44%	58%	14%	43%
campaign	Disagree	47%	33%	78%	46%
The Mueller Report completely exonerates President Trump from	Agree	25%	14%	44%	28%
any wrongdoing	Disagree	67%	81%	40%	67%
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"New Yorkers are closely divided on whether or not they believe there was a conspiracy between the Russians and the Trump campaign. Forty-four percent believe there was a conspiracy and 47 percent disagree. Democrats strongly believe there was a conspiracy while Republicans overwhelmingly believe there wasn't. Independents are closely divided," Greenberg said. "But a small majority of voters – including three-quarters of Republicans, more than half of independents and even 36 percent of Democrats – say there was no proof of coordination between the Trump campaign and the Russians.

"Voters strongly believe, 61-31 percent, that Mueller and his team conducted their investigation fairly and without bias. More than 60 percent of Democrats and independents believe it, although Republicans are closely divided," Greenberg said. "Mueller is viewed favorably by 47 percent of voters, including strong majorities of Democrats and independents, while 34 percent, including a plurality of Republicans, view him unfavorably."

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This Siena College Poll was conducted June 2-6, 2019 by telephone calls conducted in English to 812 New York State registered voters. Respondent sampling was initiated by asking for the youngest male in the household. It has an overall margin of error of + 4.1 percentage points including the design effects resulting from weighting. Sampling was conducted via a stratified dual frame probability sample of landline and cell phone telephone numbers (both from ASDE) from within New York State. Data was statistically adjusted by age, party by region, and gender to ensure representativeness. The Siena College Research Institute, directed by Donald Levy, Ph.D., conducts political, economic, social and cultural research primarily in NYS. SCRI, an independent, non-partisan research institute, subscribes to the American Association of Public Opinion Research Code of Professional Ethics and Practices. For more information, call Steve Greenberg at (518) 469-9858. For survey crosstabs: www.Siena.edu/SCRI/SNY.



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Siena College Poll Trends – June 11, 2019

Q. 2 Is the United States on the right track, or is it headed in the wrong direction?

DATE	RIGHT TRACK	WRONG DIRECTION	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
June 2019	33	60	7
April 2019	36	54	9
March 2019	34	57	9
February 2019	35	57	8
January 2019	32	62	6
November 2018*	39	56	5
October 2018*	38	56	7
June 2018*	39	54	7
April 2018	30	63	6
HIGHEST EVER	62 (5/09)	74 (10/13, 8/11)	17 (9/08)
LOWEST EVER	19 (10/13, 10/08)	24 (12/09)	5 (1/13)

Q. 8 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Donald Trump?

DATE	FAVORABLE	UNFAVORABLE	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
June 2019	34	63	3
April 2019	38	59	3
March 2019	36	60	5
February 2019	35	59	6
January 2019	32	64	4
November 2018*	39	58	3
October 2018*	37	59	4
June 2018*	38	59	3
April 2018	31	65	4
HIGHEST EVER	41 (12/16)	72 (8/16)	10 (10/13)
LOWEST EVER	24 (8/16)	53 (12/16)	2 (9/15)

Q. 13 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Nancy Pelosi?

DATE	FAVORABLE	Unfavorable	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
June 2019	47	45	8
May 2017	43	41	16
HIGHEST EVER	47 (6/19)	45 (6/19)	16 (5/17)
LOWEST EVER	43 (5/17)	41 (5/17)	8 (6/19)

Q. 14 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Mitch McConnell?

DATE	FAVORABLE	UNFAVORABLE	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
June 2019	25	50	24
May 2017	20	48	32
HIGHEST EVER	25 (6/19)	50 (6/19)	32 (5/17)
LOWEST EVER	20 (5/17)	48 (5/17)	24 (6/19)

Q. 17 How would you rate the job that Donald Trump is doing as President? Would you rate it excellent, good, fair, or poor?

DATE	EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	Poor	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
June 2019	13	16	18	52	1
April 2019	17	18	17	48	0
March 2019	14	17	19	49	2
February 2019	14	19	16	50	1
June 2018*	19	17	12	51	1
April 2018	14	13	17	54	1
HIGHEST EVER	19 (6/18)	19 (2/19, 7/1	7) 20 (2/17)	63 (10)	(17) 3 (4/17)
LOWEST EVER	8 (10/17, 9/	17) 13 (4/18)	12 (6/18)	48 (4/1	9, 2/17) 0 (4/19, 10/17)

Poll Trend Notes:

* All surveys are of registered voters except for the following polls: June thru November 2018, November 2017, September thru November 2016, July thru October 2014, August/October 2012, October 2010, September/October 2008, and September/October 2006, which are polls of likely voters.

Trends reflect questions asked at least twice since the first Siena College Poll in February 2005.

Results listed here include all times questions have been asked since April 2018.

"Highest Ever" and "Lowest Ever" are provided at the bottom of each question.

[^] Inconsequential wording change.