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**PA 2024 ELECTIONS: CASEY LEADS McCORMICK IN U.S. SENATE RACE,
QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY PENNSYLVANIA POLL FINDS;
RACE FOR THE WHITE HOUSE: BIDEN VS. TRUMP MATCHUP BARELY BUDGES**

Roughly two weeks after Republican David McCormick announced he would challenge incumbent Democratic Senator Bob Casey, voters give Casey a 50 – 44 percent lead over McCormick, according to a Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pea-ack) University poll of registered voters in Pennsylvania released today.

Democrats back Casey 96 – 2 percent, while Republicans back McCormick 89 – 7 percent. Independents are split, with 45 percent supporting McCormick and 44 percent supporting Casey.

Voters have a favorable opinion of Casey 42 – 26 percent with 31 percent saying they haven’t heard enough about him.

One-quarter of voters (25 percent) have a favorable opinion of McCormick, while 17 percent have an unfavorable opinion of him, and 57 percent say they haven’t heard enough about him.

“David McCormick, who defied former President Trump by refusing to say the 2020 election was stolen, dusts himself off from his previous Senate bid and comes back for more in what is immediately an intensely watched and competitive race with three term incumbent Senator Bob Casey,” said Quinnipiac University Polling Analyst Tim Malloy.

GOP PRIMARY

In the 2024 Republican presidential primary, former President Donald Trump receives 61 percent support among registered Republican voters in Pennsylvania, up from 49 percent support in a Quinnipiac University poll in Pennsylvania in late June. Florida Governor Ron DeSantis receives 14 percent support, down from 25 percent support in June.

Former United Nations Ambassador and South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley receives 8 percent support, compared to 4 percent support in June. In today’s poll, former Vice President Mike Pence and former New Jersey Governor Chris Christie each receive 4 percent support, entrepreneur Vivek Ramaswamy receives 2 percent support, and South Carolina Senator Tim Scott and North Dakota Governor Doug Burgum each receive 1 percent support. All other listed Republican candidates receive less than one percent support.

“It’s certainly not enough for Trump to ‘hear footsteps,’ but Ron DeSantis may well take note that candidate Nikki Haley is closing in on second position,” added Malloy.

DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY

In the 2024 Democratic presidential primary, President Joe Biden receives 70 percent support among registered Democratic voters in Pennsylvania, environmentalist and anti-vaccine activist Robert F. Kennedy Jr. receives 17 percent support, and author Marianne Williamson receives 5 percent support, largely unchanged from June.

BIDEN VS. TRUMP

In a hypothetical 2024 general election matchup between President Biden and former President Trump, 47 percent of all registered voters support Trump, while 45 percent support Biden. This compares to June when 47 percent supported Trump and 46 percent supported Biden.

In today's poll, Republicans (90 – 5 percent) and independents (48 – 39 percent) support Trump, while Democrats (93 – 4 percent) support Biden.

Registered voters give both candidates very similar favorability ratings.

Registered voters were asked whether they had a favorable or unfavorable opinion of:

- Joe Biden: 39 percent favorable, 57 percent unfavorable;
- Donald Trump: 40 percent favorable, 56 percent unfavorable.

“Biden vs. Trump: same as it ever was, setting up another likely bare-knuckled brawl between the two candidates in Biden's home state,” added Malloy.

MOST URGENT ISSUE

Given a list of nine issues and asked which is the most urgent one facing the country today, 30 percent of registered voters say the economy, 23 percent say preserving democracy in the United States, and 15 percent say immigration.

Among Republicans, the top issue is the economy (43 percent) followed by immigration (30 percent).

Among Democrats, the top issue is preserving democracy in the United States (41 percent) with the economy (12 percent) and gun violence (12 percent) trailing far behind.

Among independents, the top issues are the economy (39 percent) followed by preserving democracy in the United States (21 percent), and immigration (12 percent).

JOB APPROVALS

Job approval ratings for Pennsylvania elected officials:

- Governor Josh Shapiro: 53 percent approve, 27 percent disapprove, with 19 percent not offering an opinion;
- Senator Bob Casey: 48 percent approve, 31 percent disapprove, with 21 percent not offering an opinion;
- Senator John Fetterman: 41 percent approve, 48 percent disapprove, with 11 percent not offering an opinion.

Forty-one percent of voters approve of the way President Joe Biden is handling his job, while 55 percent disapprove.

FAVORABILITY RATINGS

Forty-six percent of voters have a favorable opinion of Governor Josh Shapiro, while 27 percent have an unfavorable opinion of him, and 27 percent say they haven't heard enough about him.

Thirty-nine percent of voters have a favorable opinion of Senator John Fetterman, while 46 percent have an unfavorable opinion of him, and 13 percent say they haven't heard enough about him.

1,725 Pennsylvania self-identified registered voters were surveyed from September 28th – October 2nd with a margin of error of +/- 2.4 percentage points.

The survey included 711 self-identified registered Republican voters with a margin of error of +/- 3.7 percentage points and 759 self-identified registered Democratic voters with a margin of error of +/- 3.6 percentage points.

The Quinnipiac University Poll, directed by Doug Schwartz, Ph.D. since 1994, conducts independent, non-partisan national and state polls on politics and issues. Surveys adhere to industry best practices and are based on random samples of adults using random digit dialing with live interviewers calling landlines and cell phones.

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1. (If Registered Republican) If the Republican primary for president were being held today, and the candidates were: Donald Trump, Ron DeSantis, Nikki Haley, Mike Pence, Tim Scott, Asa Hutchinson, Chris Christie, Vivek Ramaswamy, Larry Elder, Doug Burgum, and Will Hurd for whom would you vote? (INCLUDES LEANERS)

	REGISTERED REPUBLICANS.....					
	POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY					
	Tot	CONSERVATIVE		Mod/	Men	Wom
Very		Smwht	Lib			
Trump	61%	80%	61%	42%	57%	64%
DeSantis	14	13	13	16	14	13
Haley	8	2	8	12	9	6
Pence	4	-	4	7	4	4
Scott	1	1	1	1	1	2
Hutchinson	-	-	-	1	-	-
Christie	4	-	2	9	5	3
Ramaswamy	2	-	5	2	4	-
Elder	-	-	1	-	1	-
Burgum	1	-	1	-	1	-
Hurd	-	-	-	1	-	-
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	-
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	1	-	1	2	1	1
UNDECIDED (VOL)	3	2	1	5	2	4
REFUSED	1	-	1	1	-	1

2. (If Registered Democrat) If the Democratic primary for president were being held today, and the candidates were: Joe Biden, Robert F. Kennedy Jr., and Marianne Williamson, for whom would you vote? (INCLUDES LEANERS)

	REGISTERED DEMOCRATS.....					
	POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY					
	Tot	LIBERAL.....		Mod/	Men	Wom
Very		Smwht	Cons			
Biden	70%	80%	75%	64%	73%	67%
Kennedy	17	7	13	23	17	17
Williamson	5	9	5	4	4	6
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	1	1	1	1	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	2	-	2	2	2
UNDECIDED (VOL)	5	1	5	5	3	6
REFUSED	1	-	1	1	-	1

3. If the election for president were being held today, and the candidates were Joe Biden the Democrat and Donald Trump the Republican, for whom would you vote? (INCLUDES LEANERS)

	REGISTERED VOTERS.....						WHITE.....	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	4 YR COLL DEG	
							Yes	No
Biden	45%	5%	93%	39%	41%	49%	58%	36%
Trump	47	90	4	48	52	43	37	58
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	3	3	-	5	2	3	2	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	2	2	4	2	3	2	2
UNDECIDED (VOL)	2	1	1	3	1	2	1	1
REFUSED	1	-	-	1	1	1	-	1

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht		Blk
							Wht	Blk	
Biden	47%	46%	43%	54%	40%	48%	44%	67%	
Trump	43	45	54	42	56	45	50	19	
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	4	3	2	1	2	2	2	3	
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	1	3	2	2	1	2	2	4	
UNDECIDED (VOL)	4	1	-	1	-	1	1	8	
REFUSED	1	1	-	-	1	1	1	-	

4. If the election for United States Senator were being held today, and the candidates were Bob Casey the Democrat and David McCormick the Republican, for whom would you vote? (INCLUDES LEANERS)

	REGISTERED VOTERS.....						WHITE.....	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	4 YR COLL DEG	
							Yes	No
Casey	50%	7%	96%	44%	46%	53%	60%	39%
McCormick	44	89	2	45	49	40	38	54
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	-	-	2	-	1	-	-
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	1	-	-	2	-	1	-	1
UNDECIDED (VOL)	4	4	1	7	3	4	1	4
REFUSED	1	-	-	1	1	1	-	1

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht		Blk
							Wht	Blk	
Casey	53%	52%	44%	57%	42%	51%	47%	77%	
McCormick	37	44	52	42	54	43	48	16	
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	1	
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	1	1	-	-	-	1	1	-	
UNDECIDED (VOL)	8	3	2	1	2	4	3	6	
REFUSED	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	

5. Is your opinion of Joe Biden favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

REGISTERED VOTERS.....							WHITE.....	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	4 YR COLL DEG	
							Yes	No
Favorable	39%	5%	85%	30%	33%	45%	49%	32%
Unfavorable	57	95	12	64	64	51	49	66
Hvn't hrd enough	2	1	1	3	2	2	1	1
REFUSED	2	-	2	2	2	2	1	1

AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk
Favorable	35%	40%	37%	51%	31%	44%	38%	61%
Unfavorable	60	57	60	47	68	53	60	34
Hvn't hrd enough	3	1	1	2	1	2	1	-
REFUSED	2	3	1	-	1	1	1	5

6. Is your opinion of Donald Trump favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

REGISTERED VOTERS.....							WHITE.....	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	4 YR COLL DEG	
							Yes	No
Favorable	40%	77%	5%	35%	42%	37%	26%	51%
Unfavorable	56	19	94	59	53	59	71	46
Hvn't hrd enough	2	2	-	3	3	2	2	1
REFUSED	2	2	-	3	2	1	1	1

AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk
Favorable	31%	38%	47%	37%	46%	39%	42%	21%
Unfavorable	63	59	51	60	51	59	55	79
Hvn't hrd enough	4	2	1	1	2	1	2	-
REFUSED	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	-

7. Is your opinion of Josh Shapiro favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

REGISTERED VOTERS.....							WHITE.....	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	4 YR COLL DEG	
							Yes	No
Favorable	46%	19%	77%	41%	42%	49%	59%	39%
Unfavorable	27	48	7	25	28	25	23	30
Hvn't hrd enough	27	32	15	33	28	25	17	30
REFUSED	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....				
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk
Favorable	33%	46%	45%	60%	43%	50%	47%	55%
Unfavorable	27	30	32	17	29	26	27	10
Hvn't hrd enough	37	23	23	21	27	23	25	32
REFUSED	3	1	-	2	2	1	1	2

8. Is your opinion of Bob Casey favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	REGISTERED VOTERS.....						WHITE.....	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	4 YR COLL DEG	
							Yes	No
Favorable	42%	12%	78%	36%	39%	44%	53%	34%
Unfavorable	26	51	2	27	29	24	26	30
Hvn't hrd enough	31	35	19	36	31	31	20	35
REFUSED	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk
Favorable	24%	48%	43%	52%	38%	44%	41%	58%
Unfavorable	16	16	39	29	31	26	28	3
Hvn't hrd enough	60	35	18	17	29	29	29	39
REFUSED	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	-

9. Is your opinion of John Fetterman favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	REGISTERED VOTERS.....						WHITE.....	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	4 YR COLL DEG	
							Yes	No
Favorable	39%	4%	80%	32%	33%	44%	49%	33%
Unfavorable	46	83	9	49	55	39	44	54
Hvn't hrd enough	13	11	11	17	11	16	6	12
REFUSED	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk
Favorable	40%	42%	35%	46%	32%	44%	39%	52%
Unfavorable	36	46	56	43	59	43	50	24
Hvn't hrd enough	23	11	9	10	9	11	10	21
REFUSED	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	2

10. Is your opinion of David McCormick favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	REGISTERED VOTERS.....						WHITE.....	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	4 YR COLL DEG	
							Yes	No
Favorable	25%	47%	4%	27%	29%	21%	25%	28%
Unfavorable	17	3	32	14	18	16	26	14
Hvn't hrd enough	57	50	64	58	52	62	49	57
REFUSED	1	-	1	1	1	1	-	1
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk
Favorable	18%	22%	33%	26%	32%	22%	27%	10%
Unfavorable	10	19	17	23	20	17	18	13
Hvn't hrd enough	71	60	50	51	47	60	54	76
REFUSED	1	-	-	1	1	1	1	-

11. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Josh Shapiro is handling his job as governor?

	REGISTERED VOTERS.....						WHITE.....	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	4 YR COLL DEG	
							Yes	No
Approve	53%	28%	86%	46%	50%	56%	64%	49%
Disapprove	27	51	4	29	32	24	22	30
DK/NA	19	21	10	25	18	20	13	21
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk
Approve	44%	52%	52%	69%	51%	58%	55%	62%
Disapprove	26	30	33	18	33	23	27	10
DK/NA	30	18	15	13	17	19	18	28

12. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Bob Casey is handling his job as United States Senator?

	REGISTERED VOTERS.....						WHITE.....	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	4 YR COLL DEG	
							Yes	No
Approve	48%	18%	82%	45%	45%	51%	58%	43%
Disapprove	31	58	6	30	37	26	29	35
DK/NA	21	23	13	25	18	23	13	22
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk
Approve	35%	53%	47%	58%	45%	52%	49%	61%
Disapprove	26	24	41	30	39	28	33	11
DK/NA	39	23	12	11	16	21	19	28

13. Do you approve or disapprove of the way John Fetterman is handling his job as United States Senator?

	REGISTERED VOTERS.....						WHITE.....	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	4 YR COLL DEG	
							Yes	No
Approve	41%	7%	82%	33%	35%	46%	50%	34%
Disapprove	48	85	9	52	56	41	43	55
DK/NA	11	8	9	15	9	13	7	11
	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....			
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk
Approve	41%	44%	36%	48%	34%	46%	40%	59%
Disapprove	45	43	55	43	59	43	50	22
DK/NA	14	13	8	9	7	11	9	20

14. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as president?

	REGISTERED VOTERS.....						WHITE.....	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	4 YR COLL DEG	
							Yes	No
Approve	41%	6%	85%	31%	34%	47%	51%	32%
Disapprove	55	93	11	63	63	48	48	65
DK/NA	4	2	4	6	3	5	1	3

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom		
Approve	35%	43%	38%	51%	32%	45%	39%	60%
Disapprove	59	54	59	46	66	52	58	31
DK/NA	6	3	3	3	2	3	3	9

15. What do you think is the most urgent issue facing the country today: the economy, gun violence, racial inequality, abortion, health care, preserving democracy in the United States, climate change, immigration, or crime?

	REGISTERED VOTERS.....						WHITE.....	
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	4 YR COLL DEG	
							Yes	No
Economy	30%	43%	12%	39%	35%	26%	29%	32%
Gun violence	7	2	12	5	5	8	8	4
Racial inequality	4	-	6	4	5	3	2	2
Abortion	4	3	5	5	2	6	3	5
Health care	5	5	6	3	6	5	6	4
Preserving democracy	23	8	41	21	23	22	30	21
Climate change	4	1	8	4	3	5	5	3
Immigration	15	30	2	12	15	15	12	20
Crime	4	5	3	4	5	3	2	4
SOMETHING ELSE (VOL)	2	2	1	2	2	2	1	3
DK/NA	3	1	2	2	2	3	1	3

	AGE IN YRS.....				WHITE.....		Wht	Blk
	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Men	Wom		
Economy	36%	36%	29%	22%	37%	26%	31%	22%
Gun violence	8	8	4	8	5	6	5	20
Racial inequality	7	6	2	2	1	3	2	9
Abortion	9	3	3	3	2	6	4	4
Health care	8	7	3	3	4	5	4	4
Preserving democracy	12	23	25	31	24	23	24	26
Climate change	8	4	4	4	3	5	4	3
Immigration	6	7	23	19	17	17	17	-
Crime	4	3	3	4	4	3	3	9
SOMETHING ELSE (VOL)	2	1	2	1	2	2	2	-
DK/NA	-	2	2	3	1	3	2	2