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De Blasio on verge of avoiding a runoff

Raleigh, N.C. – PPP's look at the New York City mayoral race finds Bill de Blasio on the cusp of winning the Democratic nomination outright Tuesday. He's polling at 38% to 19% for William Thompson, 13% for Christine Quinn, 9% for Anthony Weiner, and 5% for John Liu with minor candidates combining for 7% of the vote and 10% still undecided.

If undecided voters broke in proportion to their current level of support- of course no guarantee- de Blasio would win with 42% to 21% for Thompson. Even if de Blasio falls short of 40% Tuesday though he's still in very strong position for a potential runoff, leading Thompson 53/33 and Quinn 67/21 in hypothetical match ups.

De Blasio's in a strong position for Tuesday because he is popular with every segment of the electorate. His overall favorability is 62/18, and he leads with men and women, Hispanics, whites, African American, and Asians, young voters and older voters, voters in every borough, and liberals, moderates, and conservatives alike.

In the race for Comptroller Eliot Spitzer has a slight lead over Scott Stringer at 45/41, although with 14% of voters undecided it remains very much a toss up. If Spitzer really wins it will be a pretty unusual race in that his net favorability rating (-2 at 43/45) is 31 points lower than Stringer's (+29 at 51/22). But Spitzer's name recognition is 88% to Stringer's 73% and if he pulls it out it may suggest that bad name recognition is better than no name recognition.

There continues to be a massive racial divide in this race with Stringer leading by 26 points among white voters, but Spitzer up 43 with African Americans and 24 with Hispanics.

“Between the question of whether de Blasio can get to 40% and who will win the Comptroller race it looks like it could be a long night Tuesday in New York City,” said Dean Debnam, President of Public Policy Polling.

PPP surveyed 683 likely voters on September 7th and 8th. The margin of error was +/- 3.8%. This poll was not authorized or paid for by any campaign or political organization. PPP's surveys are conducted through automated telephone interviews.



New York City Survey Results

Q1 The candidates for Mayor are Sal Albanese, Randy Credico, Bill de Blasio, Neil Grimaldi, John Liu, Christine Quinn, Erick Salgado, William Thompson, Jr., and Anthony Weiner. If the election was today, who would you vote for?

Sal Albanese.....	3%
Randy Credico.....	1%
Bill de Blasio.....	38%
Neil Grimaldi.....	1%
John Liu.....	5%
Christine Quinn.....	13%
Erick Salgado.....	2%
William Thompson Jr.....	19%
Anthony Weiner.....	9%
Undecided.....	10%

Q2 The candidates for Comptroller are Eliot Spitzer and Scott Stringer. If the election was today, who would you vote for?

Eliot Spitzer.....	45%
Scott Stringer.....	41%
Undecided.....	14%

Q3 Do you approve or disapprove of the job Michael Bloomberg is doing as Mayor?

Approve.....	39%
Disapprove.....	46%
Not sure.....	16%

Q4 If there was a runoff for Mayor between Bill de Blasio and Christine Quinn who would you vote for?

Bill de Blasio.....	67%
Christine Quinn.....	21%
Undecided.....	12%

Q5 If there was a runoff for Mayor between Bill de Blasio and William Thompson, Jr., who would you vote for?

Bill de Blasio.....	53%
William Thompson Jr.....	33%
Undecided.....	14%

Q6 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Bill de Blasio?

Favorable.....	62%
Unfavorable.....	18%
Not sure.....	20%

Q7 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Christine Quinn?

Favorable.....	34%
Unfavorable.....	48%
Not sure.....	18%

Q8 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of William Thompson, Jr.?

Favorable.....	57%
Unfavorable.....	18%
Not sure.....	25%

Q9 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Anthony Weiner?

Favorable.....	20%
Unfavorable.....	66%
Not sure.....	14%

Q10 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Eliot Spitzer?

Favorable.....	43%
Unfavorable.....	45%
Not sure.....	11%





Q11 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of Scott Stringer?

Favorable..... 51%
Unfavorable 22%
Not sure 27%

Q12 If you are a woman, press 1. If a man, press 2.

Woman 56%
Man..... 44%

Q13 If you are Hispanic, press 1. If white, press 2. If African American, press 3. If Asian, press 4. If other, press 5.

Hispanic..... 14%
White 44%
African American..... 27%
Asian..... 6%
Other..... 8%

Q14 If you are 18 to 45 years old, press 1. If 46 to 65, press 2. If you are older than 65, press 3.

18 to 45..... 42%
46 to 65..... 36%
Older than 65..... 22%

Q15 If you live in the Bronx, press 1. If Brooklyn, press 2. If Manhattan, press 3. If Queens, press 4. If Staten Island, press 5.

Bronx 13%
Brooklyn..... 33%
Manhattan..... 28%
Queens 21%
Staten Island..... 5%

Q16 Would you describe yourself as very liberal, somewhat liberal, moderate, somewhat conservative, or very conservative?

Very liberal..... 24%
Somewhat liberal 27%
Moderate..... 33%
Somewhat conservative..... 12%
Very conservative 4%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Mayor			
Sal Albanese	3%	2%	3%
Randy Credico	1%	1%	1%
Bill de Blasio	38%	36%	40%
Neil Grimaldi	1%	1%	0%
John Liu	5%	4%	6%
Christine Quinn	13%	12%	15%
Erick Salgado	2%	2%	2%
William Thompson Jr.	19%	18%	21%
Anthony Weiner	9%	11%	7%
Undecided	10%	13%	6%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Comptroller			
Eliot Spitzer	45%	45%	45%
Scott Stringer	41%	39%	44%
Undecided	14%	16%	11%

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		Woman	Man
Bloomberg Approval			
Approve	39%	41%	35%
Disapprove	46%	43%	49%
Not sure	16%	16%	16%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
De Blasio/Quinn			
Bill de Blasio	67%	67%	66%
Christine Quinn	21%	21%	23%
Undecided	12%	12%	11%





Crosstabs

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
De Blasio/Thompson			
Bill de Blasio	53%	52%	55%
William Thompson Jr.	33%	32%	34%
Undecided	14%	16%	11%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
De Blasio Favorability			
Favorable	62%	64%	58%
Unfavorable	18%	16%	21%
Not sure	20%	20%	21%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Quinn Favorability			
Favorable	34%	33%	35%
Unfavorable	48%	47%	50%
Not sure	18%	20%	15%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Thompson Favorability			
Favorable	57%	55%	60%
Unfavorable	18%	16%	21%
Not sure	25%	29%	19%





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	Base	Gender	
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Weiner Favorability			
Favorable	20%	21%	18%
Unfavorable	66%	63%	70%
Not sure	14%	15%	13%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Spitzer Favorability			
Favorable	43%	42%	45%
Unfavorable	45%	46%	45%
Not sure	11%	12%	10%

	Base	Gender	
		Woman	Man
Stringer Favorability			
Favorable	51%	46%	57%
Unfavorable	22%	24%	20%
Not sure	27%	30%	23%

	Base	Race				
		Hispanic	White	African American	Asian	Other
Mayor						
Sal Albanese	3%	6%	2%	2%	1%	3%
Randy Credico	1%	5%	0%	0%	4%	-
Bill de Blasio	38%	33%	39%	42%	25%	32%
Neil Grimaldi	1%	-	-	0%	7%	3%
John Liu	5%	2%	3%	5%	23%	10%
Christine Quinn	13%	14%	21%	2%	7%	9%
Erick Salgado	2%	5%	2%	-	2%	-
William Thompson Jr.	19%	8%	18%	26%	9%	26%
Anthony Weiner	9%	17%	5%	13%	13%	1%
Undecided	10%	10%	8%	10%	9%	16%





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Comptroller						
Eliot Spitzer	45%	54%	33%	62%	41%	37%
Scott Stringer	41%	30%	59%	19%	38%	43%
Undecided	14%	16%	8%	19%	21%	20%

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Approve	39%	35%	48%	25%	57%	21%
Disapprove	46%	48%	37%	58%	34%	54%
Not sure	16%	16%	14%	17%	9%	24%

	Base	Race				
		Hispanic	White	African American	Asian	Other
De Blasio/Quinn						
Bill de Blasio	67%	69%	57%	80%	74%	70%
Christine Quinn	21%	20%	30%	8%	10%	23%
Undecided	12%	10%	12%	12%	16%	7%

	Base	Race				
		Hispanic	White	African American	Asian	Other
De Blasio/Thompson						
Bill de Blasio	53%	58%	55%	49%	61%	40%
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Undecided	14%	17%	13%	12%	23%	17%





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De Blasio Favorability						
Favorable	62%	58%	58%	70%	52%	65%
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Not sure	20%	22%	19%	21%	33%	18%

	Base	Race				
		Hispanic	White	African American	Asian	Other
Quinn Favorability						
Favorable	34%	39%	42%	22%	17%	25%
Unfavorable	48%	39%	46%	52%	51%	62%
Not sure	18%	22%	11%	27%	32%	13%

	Base	Race				
		Hispanic	White	African American	Asian	Other
Thompson Favorability						
Favorable	57%	47%	56%	68%	26%	67%
Unfavorable	18%	24%	19%	11%	38%	16%
Not sure	25%	28%	25%	21%	36%	18%

	Base	Race				
		Hispanic	White	African American	Asian	Other
Weiner Favorability						
Favorable	20%	33%	10%	29%	26%	22%
Unfavorable	66%	59%	79%	49%	58%	64%
Not sure	14%	8%	12%	21%	15%	14%





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Not sure	11%	7%	11%	10%	25%	11%

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		Hispanic	White	African American	Asian	Other
Stringer Favorability						
Favorable	51%	33%	64%	38%	43%	53%
Unfavorable	22%	35%	15%	29%	26%	18%
Not sure	27%	32%	21%	33%	31%	29%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Mayor				
Sal Albanese	3%	4%	2%	2%
Randy Credico	1%	1%	0%	2%
Bill de Blasio	38%	36%	41%	35%
Neil Grimaldi	1%	1%	1%	0%
John Liu	5%	4%	7%	4%
Christine Quinn	13%	11%	13%	17%
Erick Salgado	2%	3%	1%	1%
William Thompson Jr.	19%	18%	20%	21%
Anthony Weiner	9%	11%	7%	9%
Undecided	10%	12%	7%	10%

	Base	Age		
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Comptroller				
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Bill de Blasio	67%	68%	71%	58%
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De Blasio/Thompson				
Bill de Blasio	53%	55%	54%	47%
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De Blasio Favorability				
Favorable	62%	59%	67%	57%
Unfavorable	18%	20%	15%	18%
Not sure	20%	20%	18%	25%





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Thompson Favorability				
Favorable	57%	52%	61%	61%
Unfavorable	18%	25%	16%	12%
Not sure	25%	24%	24%	28%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Weiner Favorability				
Favorable	20%	18%	20%	22%
Unfavorable	66%	67%	68%	62%
Not sure	14%	15%	12%	16%

	Base	Age		
		18 to 45	46 to 65	Older than 65
Spitzer Favorability				
Favorable	43%	44%	42%	44%
Unfavorable	45%	45%	48%	42%
Not sure	11%	11%	10%	14%





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Unfavorable	22%	28%	19%	16%
Not sure	27%	27%	26%	28%

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		Bronx	Brooklyn	Manhattan	Queens	Staten Island
Mayor						
Sal Albanese	3%	6%	3%	1%	2%	3%
Randy Credico	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	3%
Bill de Blasio	38%	34%	43%	42%	28%	28%
Neil Grimaldi	1%	-	1%	0%	2%	-
John Liu	5%	4%	4%	4%	7%	12%
Christine Quinn	13%	5%	6%	24%	15%	9%
Erick Salgado	2%	4%	2%	1%	1%	-
William Thompson Jr.	19%	15%	25%	16%	19%	16%
Anthony Weiner	9%	13%	5%	2%	17%	25%
Undecided	10%	17%	10%	9%	8%	4%

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Comptroller						
Eliot Spitzer	45%	50%	40%	37%	57%	49%
Scott Stringer	41%	30%	42%	53%	32%	39%
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Favorable	34%	22%	26%	45%	32%	42%
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Not sure	25%	36%	20%	25%	26%	20%

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Weiner Favorability						
Favorable	20%	25%	16%	11%	30%	40%
Unfavorable	66%	53%	69%	76%	59%	49%
Not sure	14%	22%	14%	13%	12%	12%

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Spitzer Favorability						
Favorable	43%	43%	38%	44%	45%	63%
Unfavorable	45%	34%	52%	47%	44%	29%
Not sure	11%	23%	10%	9%	11%	8%

	Base	Borough				
		Bronx	Brooklyn	Manhattan	Queens	Staten Island
Stringer Favorability						
Favorable	51%	39%	45%	65%	47%	44%
Unfavorable	22%	21%	27%	18%	21%	24%
Not sure	27%	41%	28%	17%	32%	31%





Crosstabs

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Mayor						
Sal Albanese	3%	5%	4%	1%	-	-
Randy Credico	1%	1%	1%	0%	2%	5%
Bill de Blasio	38%	46%	36%	36%	35%	25%
Neil Grimaldi	1%	-	1%	2%	1%	-
John Liu	5%	3%	6%	5%	8%	3%
Christine Quinn	13%	10%	15%	17%	9%	8%
Erick Salgado	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	8%
William Thompson Jr.	19%	14%	21%	21%	23%	10%
Anthony Weiner	9%	7%	6%	11%	9%	18%
Undecided	10%	14%	9%	5%	12%	21%

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Eliot Spitzer	45%	46%	38%	52%	41%	39%
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Not sure	16%	15%	14%	17%	18%	15%

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De Blasio/Thompson						
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William Thompson Jr.	33%	26%	38%	34%	35%	26%
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De Blasio Favorability						
Favorable	62%	69%	64%	57%	61%	47%
Unfavorable	18%	12%	19%	21%	18%	21%
Not sure	20%	19%	17%	22%	21%	31%

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Quinn Favorability						
Favorable	34%	31%	43%	32%	32%	12%
Unfavorable	48%	50%	46%	52%	43%	45%
Not sure	18%	19%	11%	17%	25%	43%

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Thompson Favorability						
Favorable	57%	64%	68%	51%	57%	9%
Unfavorable	18%	14%	13%	24%	17%	30%
Not sure	25%	23%	19%	25%	25%	61%





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Weiner Favorability						
Favorable	20%	18%	18%	21%	19%	32%
Unfavorable	66%	76%	74%	60%	63%	30%
Not sure	14%	6%	8%	19%	19%	38%

	Base	Ideology				
		Very liberal	Somewhat liberal	Moderate	Somewhat conservative	Very conservative
Spitzer Favorability						
Favorable	43%	45%	40%	49%	38%	25%
Unfavorable	45%	46%	50%	40%	49%	50%
Not sure	11%	9%	10%	11%	13%	25%

	Base	Ideology				
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Stringer Favorability						
Favorable	51%	59%	67%	44%	37%	14%
Unfavorable	22%	21%	16%	24%	29%	28%
Not sure	27%	20%	17%	32%	34%	58%

