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## “Dementia Joe” Slipping in the Polls, Even Among Democrats

Democrats, 86 percent of whom have consistently supported the resident of the Oval Office, bailed last month. [According to Gallup](#), their rating of his job performance dropped an astonishing 11 percent last month, to 75 percent — the lowest since he was inaugurated in January 2021.

Noted Gallup:

President Joe Biden’s job approval rating among Democrats has tumbled 11 percentage points in the past month to 75%, the worst reading of his presidency from his own party. This drop has pushed his overall approval rating down four points to 37%, matching his personal low....

[His] current 75% approval rating among Democrats is well below the 86% average from his own party throughout his presidency.



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Biden lost ground among Independents last month as well, with his approval rating declining four points, to 35 percent. Among blacks the decline has been precipitous. When Biden ran in 2020, he attracted 92 percent of the black vote. Today his support among this bloc is nearly 30 percentage points lower, at 63 percent.

Among younger voters — aged 18-49 — support for Biden has all but disappeared. Just 21 percent of them want him to run for reelection in 2024.

Even these starkly dismal numbers mask how the electorate feels when it comes to individual issues. On the economy, Biden’s approval rate is 32 percent; on foreign policy it is 31 percent; on immigration it is 31 percent; on inflation it is 29 percent; and on crime, just 35 percent.

His performance has been so bad that three in every five Democrats (and Democrat-leaning Independents) want someone other than Biden to run in 2024.

When matched to his likely opponent, Donald Trump, Biden fares poorly as well. Last month a Washington Post/ABC News poll showed Trump beating Biden by 10 full percentage points, 52-42.

And a Monmouth University poll released earlier this month revealed that three-quarters of all voters think that Biden is “too old” to serve another term.

Just as nature abhors a vacuum, so does politics. Rivals to Biden are coming out of the woodwork,



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seeing their opportunity to unseat him. There's Marianne Williamson, the author and liberal political activist who announced her run back in March. There's Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., the liberal Democrat-turned-Independent who announced his run in April. And there's Cornel West, the far-left political activist who announced in June.

And now there's Minnesota Representative Dean Phillips, who just announced for 2024. Said Phillips: "I will not sit still. I will not be quiet in the face of numbers [like these] that are so clearly saying that we [Democrats] are going to be facing an emergency next November."

That "emergency" is already here. The numbers show it, and Democrats are scrambling to find someone — anyone but "[Dementia Joe](#)" — to run successfully, likely against Donald Trump, in 2024.



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