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#### McClatchy-Marist Poll\*

### **Majority Expects Trump Presidency To Heighten Racial Tensions**

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#### **This McClatchy-Marist Poll Reports:**

Examining perceptions of U.S. race relations under President Donald Trump, 52% of Americans think race relations will get worse. 26% say they will improve, and 18% believe they will remain about the same. Four percent are unsure.

With the exception of Republicans, 63%, those who supported Trump in the election, 61%, Tea Party supporters, 49%, conservatives, 49%, and white evangelical Christians, 42%, at least a plurality believe race relations under the Trump Administration will deteriorate.

A majority of Americans remain downbeat about the overall status of race relations in the United States, although that number has improved. 51% of Americans say race relations in this country have gotten worse in the past year, but that is down from 58% in September 2015. However, there has been an increase in the proportion of Americans who say race relations are status quo and characterize that as a bad thing, 25% up from 20% previously. Only 10% currently report race relations have improved in the United States, and 9% believe race relations have remained the same which they consider to be a good thing. These proportions are similar to what was reported in 2015.

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