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<b>Q1. Is the United States on the right track, or is it headed in the wrong direction?</b>															
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/ All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
<b>Right track</b>	31%	61%	12%	24%	26%	35%	55%	8%	30%	31%	29%	32%	32%	26%	39%
<b>Wrong direction</b>	64%	33%	82%	72%	70%	58%	39%	89%	65%	62%	64%	63%	62%	69%	54%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	6%	7%	7%	3%	4%	7%	6%	3%	5%	7%	7%	5%	6%	6%	7%

I'm going to read the names of several people in public life and I'd like for you to tell me whether you have a favorable opinion or an unfavorable opinion of each of the people I name.

**Q2. Kathy Hochul**

	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/ All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
<b>Favorable</b>	52%	76%	36%	47%	44%	59%	85%	24%	54%	50%	47%	55%	54%	47%	56%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	33%	12%	47%	37%	42%	25%	7%	60%	39%	29%	33%	33%	34%	34%	28%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	15%	12%	17%	15%	14%	16%	8%	16%	8%	20%	20%	11%	12%	18%	16%

**Q3. Chris Collins**

	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/ All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
<b>Favorable</b>	48%	24%	68%	45%	54%	42%	19%	80%	57%	41%	49%	47%	51%	52%	32%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	33%	57%	17%	31%	29%	37%	62%	8%	38%	30%	28%	38%	38%	24%	40%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	19%	19%	15%	24%	17%	20%	19%	12%	5%	29%	24%	15%	11%	24%	28%

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<b>Q4. Barack Obama</b>															
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/ All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
<b>Favorable</b>	42%	78%	19%	36%	36%	48%	75%	10%	42%	42%	43%	41%	42%	35%	59%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	56%	21%	78%	61%	63%	49%	24%	88%	56%	56%	55%	56%	57%	62%	38%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	2%	1%	3%	3%	1%	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	3%	3%
<b>Q5. Mitt Romney</b>															
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/ All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
<b>Favorable</b>	51%	21%	75%	50%	57%	45%	19%	85%	49%	52%	48%	53%	53%	56%	32%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	44%	76%	21%	43%	41%	48%	77%	13%	46%	43%	46%	43%	43%	37%	62%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	5%	3%	4%	7%	2%	7%	4%	2%	5%	5%	6%	4%	3%	6%	5%
<b>Q6. Kirsten Gillibrand</b>															
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/ All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
<b>Favorable</b>	47%	69%	34%	39%	41%	52%	70%	25%	47%	47%	44%	49%	50%	41%	54%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	35%	16%	47%	38%	42%	28%	13%	58%	37%	33%	35%	35%	37%	36%	26%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	18%	15%	18%	23%	17%	20%	18%	17%	16%	20%	22%	16%	13%	23%	20%
<b>Q7. Wendy Long</b>															
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/ All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
<b>Favorable</b>	15%	11%	21%	10%	16%	14%	10%	22%	15%	15%	13%	17%	18%	14%	12%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	14%	14%	13%	17%	14%	14%	16%	14%	13%	15%	15%	14%	17%	13%	13%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	71%	75%	66%	73%	70%	71%	74%	65%	71%	70%	72%	70%	65%	74%	75%

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<b>Q8. Andrew Cuomo</b>															
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
<b>Favorable</b>	66%	77%	57%	69%	67%	66%	78%	55%	66%	66%	63%	69%	70%	62%	70%
<b>Unfavorable</b>	29%	19%	40%	24%	30%	28%	18%	41%	30%	28%	33%	26%	27%	32%	25%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	5%	5%	3%	7%	3%	6%	4%	4%	4%	5%	4%	5%	3%	6%	6%

<b>Q9. If the 2012 election for President were held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were:</b>															
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
<b>Barack Obama on the Democratic line</b>	41%	77%	15%	40%	35%	46%	75%	9%	42%	41%	42%	40%	40%	34%	58%
<b>Mitt Romney on the Republican line</b>	53%	17%	80%	53%	59%	48%	19%	89%	54%	53%	54%	52%	54%	62%	33%
<b>Someone else</b>	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%
<b>Not voting</b>	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	4%	5%	4%	5%	5%	4%	5%	1%	4%	4%	3%	5%	5%	3%	5%

<b>Q10. And if the election for U.S. Senator was held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were:</b>															
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
<b>Kirsten Gillibrand on the Democratic line</b>	49%	80%	27%	46%	44%	53%	82%	17%	49%	49%	47%	50%	49%	44%	62%
<b>Wendy Long on the Republican line</b>	40%	11%	63%	37%	47%	33%	10%	72%	40%	39%	40%	39%	37%	48%	26%
<b>Someone else</b>	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%
<b>Not voting</b>	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	11%	9%	10%	15%	8%	14%	7%	12%	10%	11%	11%	11%	14%	9%	9%

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<b>Q11. Looking at the issue of health care and the Federal health care legislation enacted two years ago, which of the following two choices is closest to your point of view:</b>															
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/ All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Although it may not go far enough, I'd like to see the health care reform legislation fully implemented as soon as possible	40%	70%	19%	37%	38%	43%	68%	12%	40%	41%	42%	39%	37%	35%	59%
I'm in favor of repealing the health care reform legislation	56%	23%	78%	61%	61%	52%	26%	86%	56%	56%	54%	57%	58%	62%	38%
Don't know/No opinion	4%	6%	3%	2%	2%	6%	6%	2%	4%	4%	4%	4%	5%	3%	3%
<b>Q12. President Obama has proposed eliminating the income tax cuts passed during the Bush Administration for taxpayers earning more than \$250,000. Would you like to see those tax cuts eliminated or are you in favor of keeping those tax cuts in place?</b>															
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/ All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Eliminated	50%	74%	31%	50%	49%	50%	75%	25%	49%	51%	54%	47%	46%	46%	68%
Keep	47%	23%	64%	48%	49%	45%	23%	70%	50%	44%	42%	50%	52%	49%	30%
Don't know/No opinion	4%	3%	5%	2%	2%	5%	2%	5%	2%	5%	4%	3%	3%	5%	2%

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<b>Q13. Of the following issues, which single issue is the most important one you want your Member of Congress to be working on in Washington:</b>															
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/ All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Health care	13%	20%	10%	11%	10%	17%	16%	10%	10%	16%	12%	15%	13%	14%	13%
Education	7%	11%	5%	6%	6%	9%	10%	4%	10%	5%	11%	5%	7%	7%	9%
Jobs	40%	42%	41%	37%	39%	40%	42%	39%	41%	39%	42%	38%	41%	41%	38%
Taxes	6%	4%	8%	5%	6%	6%	4%	8%	9%	4%	7%	6%	8%	5%	4%
The federal budget deficit	25%	14%	31%	32%	31%	20%	17%	34%	23%	27%	25%	26%	22%	29%	27%
The war in Afghanistan	6%	8%	4%	6%	5%	6%	9%	3%	5%	6%	3%	8%	8%	3%	6%
Other	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%
Don't know/No opinion	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%

<b>Q14. Kathy Hochul is running for re-election to be a Member of Congress. As things stand now, would you vote to re-elect her or would you prefer someone else?</b>															
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/ All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Re-elect Hochul	45%	75%	26%	40%	40%	50%	86%	12%	48%	44%	40%	50%	47%	41%	52%
Prefer someone else	40%	16%	58%	42%	46%	35%	9%	72%	44%	38%	39%	41%	43%	41%	30%
Don't know/No opinion	14%	9%	16%	18%	13%	15%	5%	16%	9%	19%	21%	10%	10%	18%	18%

<b>Q15. If the election for Member of Congress from the 27th Congressional District was held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were:</b>															
	Party				Gender				Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F			Erie	Niagara/ All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Kathy Hochul on the Democratic line	45%	80%	21%	41%	39%	51%			47%	44%	42%	48%	49%	35%	57%
Chris Collins on the Republican line	47%	12%	74%	47%	55%	39%			47%	46%	48%	46%	46%	55%	31%
Not voting	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%	2%			0%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%
Don't know/No opinion	7%	6%	5%	11%	6%	7%			6%	8%	9%	5%	4%	8%	10%

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<b>Q16. How likely would you say you are to vote for [CANDIDATE NAME]? Are you...</b>															
	Party			Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion			
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/ All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
<b>Absolutely certain; there's no chance I will change my mind</b>	49%	61%	50%	34%	49%	50%	52%	47%	58%	43%	37%	59%	53%	46%	47%
<b>Fairly certain; it's unlikely I will change my mind</b>	33%	29%	35%	35%	35%	31%	27%	38%	28%	37%	38%	29%	33%	35%	29%
<b>Not very certain; I very well may change my mind</b>	12%	7%	10%	21%	11%	12%	13%	11%	10%	13%	17%	8%	9%	12%	18%
<b>Not certain at all; there's a good chance I will change my mind</b>	6%	4%	5%	10%	5%	7%	8%	3%	4%	7%	8%	4%	5%	7%	6%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
<b>Q17. Have you seen or heard any commercials for Kathy Hochul or been contacted by the Hochul campaign?</b>															
	Party			Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion			
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/ All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
<b>Seen or heard Hochul commercial</b>	24%	25%	24%	23%	21%	27%	26%	22%	27%	22%	20%	27%	25%	26%	18%
<b>Been contacted by the Hochul campaign</b>	6%	10%	4%	5%	3%	9%	8%	5%	5%	7%	4%	8%	6%	5%	9%
<b>Both</b>	7%	7%	7%	6%	8%	6%	7%	8%	6%	8%	4%	9%	7%	6%	7%
<b>Neither</b>	62%	57%	64%	64%	67%	57%	58%	65%	61%	62%	70%	55%	60%	62%	65%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	1%	0%	1%	2%	0%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%

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<b>Q18. Have you seen or heard any commercials for Chris Collins or been contacted by the Collins campaign?</b>															
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/ All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
<b>Seen or heard Collins commercial</b>	21%	21%	23%	19%	21%	21%	20%	22%	23%	19%	16%	24%	20%	20%	23%
<b>Been contacted by the Collins campaign</b>	4%	1%	7%	1%	4%	4%	2%	5%	4%	3%	3%	4%	4%	5%	1%
<b>Both</b>	6%	4%	7%	7%	5%	7%	8%	5%	10%	3%	5%	7%	8%	5%	3%
<b>Neither</b>	69%	73%	63%	73%	70%	68%	69%	68%	62%	74%	75%	64%	68%	70%	72%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%

**On each of the following issues, I'd like you to tell me who you think would do a better job representing you in the United States Congress.**

<b>Q19. Health Care</b>															
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/ All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
<b>Kathy Hochul</b>	42%	77%	20%	36%	38%	47%	85%	7%	47%	39%	38%	46%	46%	32%	55%
<b>Chris Collins</b>	44%	11%	69%	46%	52%	38%	6%	85%	46%	43%	45%	44%	45%	51%	28%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	13%	12%	11%	18%	11%	16%	9%	8%	7%	18%	17%	10%	9%	17%	17%

<b>Q20. Education</b>															
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region		Age		Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Hochul	Collins	Erie	Niagara/ All others	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
<b>Kathy Hochul</b>	47%	77%	26%	45%	45%	50%	83%	16%	49%	46%	47%	48%	52%	36%	59%
<b>Chris Collins</b>	37%	11%	59%	36%	44%	31%	6%	71%	43%	33%	35%	39%	37%	43%	25%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	16%	12%	15%	19%	12%	19%	10%	13%	8%	21%	18%	14%	11%	21%	16%

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<b>Q21. Jobs</b>															
	<b>Party</b>				<b>Gender</b>		<b>Vote Choice</b>		<b>Region</b>		<b>Age</b>		<b>Religion</b>		
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Dem</b>	<b>Rep</b>	<b>Ind/ Other</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Hochul</b>	<b>Collins</b>	<b>Erie</b>	<b>Niagara/ All others</b>	<b>Under 55</b>	<b>55 and older</b>	<b>Cath</b>	<b>Prot</b>	<b>Other</b>
<b>Kathy Hochul</b>	41%	72%	19%	39%	37%	45%	81%	6%	44%	39%	38%	44%	45%	31%	53%
<b>Chris Collins</b>	48%	17%	71%	49%	57%	40%	11%	88%	52%	45%	47%	49%	48%	55%	34%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	11%	10%	10%	12%	6%	15%	7%	6%	4%	16%	15%	7%	7%	14%	13%
<b>Q22. Taxes</b>															
	<b>Party</b>				<b>Gender</b>		<b>Vote Choice</b>		<b>Region</b>		<b>Age</b>		<b>Religion</b>		
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Dem</b>	<b>Rep</b>	<b>Ind/ Other</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Hochul</b>	<b>Collins</b>	<b>Erie</b>	<b>Niagara/ All others</b>	<b>Under 55</b>	<b>55 and older</b>	<b>Cath</b>	<b>Prot</b>	<b>Other</b>
<b>Kathy Hochul</b>	39%	69%	18%	37%	35%	42%	79%	5%	42%	37%	35%	42%	41%	30%	52%
<b>Chris Collins</b>	49%	20%	71%	48%	57%	41%	12%	89%	52%	47%	49%	49%	50%	52%	37%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	12%	11%	11%	15%	7%	17%	9%	6%	6%	17%	16%	9%	9%	17%	11%
<b>Q23. Federal budget deficit</b>															
	<b>Party</b>				<b>Gender</b>		<b>Vote Choice</b>		<b>Region</b>		<b>Age</b>		<b>Religion</b>		
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Dem</b>	<b>Rep</b>	<b>Ind/ Other</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Hochul</b>	<b>Collins</b>	<b>Erie</b>	<b>Niagara/ All others</b>	<b>Under 55</b>	<b>55 and older</b>	<b>Cath</b>	<b>Prot</b>	<b>Other</b>
<b>Kathy Hochul</b>	35%	65%	16%	27%	30%	39%	71%	3%	34%	35%	29%	39%	37%	27%	44%
<b>Chris Collins</b>	52%	24%	71%	55%	61%	44%	19%	89%	58%	47%	53%	51%	53%	55%	42%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	13%	11%	13%	18%	9%	17%	10%	8%	7%	18%	19%	9%	10%	18%	14%
<b>Q24. The war in Afghanistan</b>															
	<b>Party</b>				<b>Gender</b>		<b>Vote Choice</b>		<b>Region</b>		<b>Age</b>		<b>Religion</b>		
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Dem</b>	<b>Rep</b>	<b>Ind/ Other</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Hochul</b>	<b>Collins</b>	<b>Erie</b>	<b>Niagara/ All others</b>	<b>Under 55</b>	<b>55 and older</b>	<b>Cath</b>	<b>Prot</b>	<b>Other</b>
<b>Kathy Hochul</b>	42%	69%	22%	41%	40%	43%	79%	10%	46%	39%	40%	43%	43%	32%	56%
<b>Chris Collins</b>	37%	14%	56%	34%	41%	33%	7%	70%	39%	35%	36%	37%	38%	44%	19%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	22%	17%	22%	25%	19%	24%	14%	20%	16%	26%	24%	20%	19%	24%	24%



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<b>Q25. Representing the interests of our community in Washington</b>															
	<b>Party</b>				<b>Gender</b>		<b>Vote Choice</b>		<b>Region</b>		<b>Age</b>		<b>Religion</b>		
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Dem</b>	<b>Rep</b>	<b>Ind/ Other</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Hochul</b>	<b>Collins</b>	<b>Erie</b>	<b>Niagara/ All others</b>	<b>Under 55</b>	<b>55 and older</b>	<b>Cath</b>	<b>Prot</b>	<b>Other</b>
<b>Kathy Hochul</b>	46%	77%	25%	41%	42%	49%	88%	8%	50%	43%	41%	49%	50%	36%	55%
<b>Chris Collins</b>	42%	13%	63%	44%	48%	36%	6%	82%	46%	39%	41%	43%	43%	46%	28%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	12%	10%	12%	15%	10%	15%	6%	10%	4%	18%	18%	8%	7%	17%	16%

<b>Q26. Currently the Republicans have a majority in the U.S. House of Representatives. Every seat is up for election in November. Would you like to see the Republicans retain control of the House or would you prefer to see the Democrats take control of the house?</b>															
	<b>Party</b>				<b>Gender</b>		<b>Vote Choice</b>		<b>Region</b>		<b>Age</b>		<b>Religion</b>		
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Dem</b>	<b>Rep</b>	<b>Ind/ Other</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Hochul</b>	<b>Collins</b>	<b>Erie</b>	<b>Niagara/ All others</b>	<b>Under 55</b>	<b>55 and older</b>	<b>Cath</b>	<b>Prot</b>	<b>Other</b>
<b>Republicans</b>	54%	17%	83%	54%	61%	47%	16%	92%	53%	54%	55%	52%	51%	65%	38%
<b>Democrats</b>	40%	78%	13%	37%	34%	46%	77%	6%	43%	38%	39%	41%	42%	31%	56%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	6%	5%	4%	9%	5%	7%	7%	2%	4%	7%	5%	7%	7%	4%	6%

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<b>Nature of the Sample</b>	
<b>New York State Likely Voters Congressional District 27</b>	
<b>Party</b>	
Democrat	32%
Republican	41%
Independent/Other	26%
<b>Region</b>	
Erie	42%
Niagara/All others	58%
<b>Religion</b>	
Catholic	44%
Protestant	35%
Other	19%
<b>Age</b>	
Under 55	44%
55 and older	56%
<b>Gender</b>	
Male	47%
Female	53%