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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 |                        | Previous Cong Dist |                  | Age         |                 | Religion |      |       |  |
|  | Total | Dem | Rep | Ind/<br>Other | M      | F   | Hochul      | Collins | Erie   | Niagara/<br>All others | CD 26<br>2010      | Other CD<br>2010 | Under<br>55 | 55 and<br>older | Cath     | Prot | Other |  |
| <b>Right track</b>   | 38%   | 70% | 15% | 36%           | 32%    | 44% | 70%         | 8%      | 34%    | 42%                    | 39%                | 37%              | 33%         | 43%             | 39%      | 27%  | 59%   |  |
| <b>Wrong direction</b>   | 56%   | 25% | 81% | 58%           | 62%    | 51% | 22%         | 90%     | 60%    | 53%                    | 55%                | 57%              | 63%         | 51%             | 55%      | 70%  | 34%   |  |
| <b>Don't know/No opinion</b>   | 5%    | 5%  | 5%  | 6%            | 6%     | 5%  | 8%          | 2%      | 6%     | 5%                     | 6%                 | 5%               | 4%          | 6%              | 6%       | 3%   | 7%    |  |
| <b>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.</b> |       |     |     |               |        |     |             |         |        |                        |                    |                  |             |                 |          |      |       |  |
| <b>Q2. Kathy Hochul</b>  |       |     |     |               |        |     |             |         |        |                        |                    |                  |             |                 |          |      |       |  |
|  | Party |     |     |               | Gender |     | Vote Choice |         | Region |                        | Previous Cong Dist |                  | Age         |                 | Religion |      |       |  |
|  | Total | Dem | Rep | Ind/<br>Other | M      | F   | Hochul      | Collins | Erie   | Niagara/<br>All others | CD 26<br>2010      | Other CD<br>2010 | Under<br>55 | 55 and<br>older | Cath     | Prot | Other |  |
| <b>Favorable</b>   | 47%   | 76% | 23% | 47%           | 44%    | 49% | 91%         | 6%      | 45%    | 48%                    | 47%                | 47%              | 39%         | 53%             | 49%      | 38%  | 64%   |  |
| <b>Unfavorable</b>   | 48%   | 20% | 71% | 49%           | 51%    | 45% | 4%          | 91%     | 50%    | 46%                    | 48%                | 47%              | 56%         | 42%             | 47%      | 59%  | 29%   |  |
| <b>Don't know/No opinion</b>   | 5%    | 4%  | 6%  | 4%            | 5%     | 6%  | 4%          | 3%      | 4%     | 6%                     | 5%                 | 6%               | 6%          | 5%              | 5%       | 3%   | 7%    |  |
| <b>Q3. Chris Collins</b>   |       |     |     |               |        |     |             |         |        |                        |                    |                  |             |                 |          |      |       |  |
|  | Party |     |     |               | Gender |     | Vote Choice |         | Region |                        | Previous Cong Dist |                  | Age         |                 | Religion |      |       |  |
|  | Total | Dem | Rep | Ind/<br>Other | M      | F   | Hochul      | Collins | Erie   | Niagara/<br>All others | CD 26<br>2010      | Other CD<br>2010 | Under<br>55 | 55 and<br>older | Cath     | Prot | Other |  |
| <b>Favorable</b>   | 50%   | 22% | 75% | 45%           | 55%    | 45% | 10%         | 91%     | 55%    | 45%                    | 50%                | 49%              | 52%         | 48%             | 51%      | 60%  | 27%   |  |
| <b>Unfavorable</b>   | 43%   | 69% | 18% | 49%           | 39%    | 46% | 82%         | 5%      | 40%    | 45%                    | 43%                | 43%              | 40%         | 45%             | 44%      | 33%  | 62%   |  |
| <b>Don't know/No opinion</b>   | 8%    | 8%  | 7%  | 6%            | 6%     | 9%  | 8%          | 4%      | 4%     | 10%                    | 7%                 | 8%               | 8%          | 7%              | 6%       | 7%   | 12%   |  |
| <b>Q4. Barack Obama</b>  |       |     |     |               |        |     |             |         |        |                        |                    |                  |             |                 |          |      |       |  |
|  | Party |     |     |               | Gender |     | Vote Choice |         | Region |                        | Previous Cong Dist |                  | Age         |                 | Religion |      |       |  |
|  | Total | Dem | Rep | Ind/<br>Other | M      | F   | Hochul      | Collins | Erie   | Niagara/<br>All others | CD 26<br>2010      | Other CD<br>2010 | Under<br>55 | 55 and<br>older | Cath     | Prot | Other |  |
| <b>Favorable</b>   | 44%   | 77% | 16% | 44%           | 37%    | 50% | 83%         | 5%      | 41%    | 46%                    | 45%                | 43%              | 39%         | 47%             | 45%      | 30%  | 70%   |  |
| <b>Unfavorable</b>   | 55%   | 22% | 83% | 53%           | 61%    | 48% | 16%         | 94%     | 57%    | 53%                    | 54%                | 56%              | 60%         | 51%             | 53%      | 70%  | 29%   |  |
| <b>Don't know/No opinion</b>   | 2%    | 1%  | 1%  | 2%            | 1%     | 2%  | 2%          | 1%      | 2%     | 1%                     | 2%                 | 2%               | 2%          | 2%              | 2%       | 1%   | 1%    |  |

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| <b>Q5. Mitt Romney</b>  |              |            |            |                       |               |          |                    |                |               |                                |                           |                          |                     |                         |                 |             |              |  |
|---|--------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|---------------|----------|--------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|--|
|   | <b>Party</b> |            |            |                       | <b>Gender</b> |          | <b>Vote Choice</b> |                | <b>Region</b> |                                | <b>Previous Cong Dist</b> |                          | <b>Age</b>          |                         | <b>Religion</b> |             |              |  |
|   | <b>Total</b> | <b>Dem</b> | <b>Rep</b> | <b>Ind/<br/>Other</b> | <b>M</b>      | <b>F</b> | <b>Hochul</b>      | <b>Collins</b> | <b>Erie</b>   | <b>Niagara/<br/>All others</b> | <b>CD 26<br/>2010</b>     | <b>Other CD<br/>2010</b> | <b>Under<br/>55</b> | <b>55 and<br/>older</b> | <b>Cath</b>     | <b>Prot</b> | <b>Other</b> |  |
| <b>Favorable</b>  | 57%          | 22%        | 86%        | 55%                   | 62%           | 52%      | 19%                | 95%            | 60%           | 54%                            | 56%                       | 58%                      | 60%                 | 54%                     | 55%             | 72%         | 29%          |  |
| <b>Unfavorable</b>  | 41%          | 75%        | 13%        | 41%                   | 37%           | 44%      | 77%                | 5%             | 38%           | 43%                            | 41%                       | 40%                      | 38%                 | 43%                     | 42%             | 25%         | 70%          |  |
| <b>Don't know/No opinion</b>  | 3%           | 3%         | 1%         | 4%                    | 1%            | 4%       | 4%                 | 0%             | 2%            | 3%                             | 3%                        | 2%                       | 2%                  | 3%                      | 3%              | 2%          | 1%           |  |
|   |              |            |            |                       |               |          |                    |                |               |                                |                           |                          |                     |                         |                 |             |              |  |
| <b>Q6. Andrew Cuomo</b>   |              |            |            |                       |               |          |                    |                |               |                                |                           |                          |                     |                         |                 |             |              |  |
|   | <b>Party</b> |            |            |                       | <b>Gender</b> |          | <b>Vote Choice</b> |                | <b>Region</b> |                                | <b>Previous Cong Dist</b> |                          | <b>Age</b>          |                         | <b>Religion</b> |             |              |  |
|   | <b>Total</b> | <b>Dem</b> | <b>Rep</b> | <b>Ind/<br/>Other</b> | <b>M</b>      | <b>F</b> | <b>Hochul</b>      | <b>Collins</b> | <b>Erie</b>   | <b>Niagara/<br/>All others</b> | <b>CD 26<br/>2010</b>     | <b>Other CD<br/>2010</b> | <b>Under<br/>55</b> | <b>55 and<br/>older</b> | <b>Cath</b>     | <b>Prot</b> | <b>Other</b> |  |
| <b>Favorable</b>  | 69%          | 80%        | 60%        | 69%                   | 69%           | 69%      | 82%                | 54%            | 69%           | 69%                            | 69%                       | 69%                      | 66%                 | 72%                     | 69%             | 64%         | 80%          |  |
| <b>Unfavorable</b>  | 27%          | 17%        | 35%        | 26%                   | 28%           | 26%      | 14%                | 42%            | 25%           | 28%                            | 28%                       | 25%                      | 28%                 | 26%                     | 28%             | 31%         | 16%          |  |
| <b>Don't know/No opinion</b>  | 4%           | 3%         | 5%         | 4%                    | 4%            | 5%       | 4%                 | 4%             | 6%            | 3%                             | 2%                        | 6%                       | 6%                  | 3%                      | 3%              | 4%          | 4%           |  |
|   |              |            |            |                       |               |          |                    |                |               |                                |                           |                          |                     |                         |                 |             |              |  |
| <b>Q7. Bill Clinton</b>   |              |            |            |                       |               |          |                    |                |               |                                |                           |                          |                     |                         |                 |             |              |  |
|   | <b>Party</b> |            |            |                       | <b>Gender</b> |          | <b>Vote Choice</b> |                | <b>Region</b> |                                | <b>Previous Cong Dist</b> |                          | <b>Age</b>          |                         | <b>Religion</b> |             |              |  |
|   | <b>Total</b> | <b>Dem</b> | <b>Rep</b> | <b>Ind/<br/>Other</b> | <b>M</b>      | <b>F</b> | <b>Hochul</b>      | <b>Collins</b> | <b>Erie</b>   | <b>Niagara/<br/>All others</b> | <b>CD 26<br/>2010</b>     | <b>Other CD<br/>2010</b> | <b>Under<br/>55</b> | <b>55 and<br/>older</b> | <b>Cath</b>     | <b>Prot</b> | <b>Other</b> |  |
| <b>Favorable</b>  | 55%          | 84%        | 29%        | 59%                   | 54%           | 56%      | 88%                | 22%            | 55%           | 55%                            | 55%                       | 54%                      | 52%                 | 57%                     | 58%             | 41%         | 75%          |  |
| <b>Unfavorable</b>  | 43%          | 15%        | 67%        | 40%                   | 45%           | 41%      | 10%                | 76%            | 42%           | 43%                            | 42%                       | 43%                      | 47%                 | 39%                     | 39%             | 56%         | 22%          |  |
| <b>Don't know/No opinion</b>  | 3%           | 1%         | 4%         | 1%                    | 1%            | 4%       | 2%                 | 3%             | 3%            | 2%                             | 3%                        | 3%                       | 1%                  | 4%                      | 3%              | 3%          | 3%           |  |
|   |              |            |            |                       |               |          |                    |                |               |                                |                           |                          |                     |                         |                 |             |              |  |
| <b>Q8. If the 2012 election for President were held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were:</b> |              |            |            |                       |               |          |                    |                |               |                                |                           |                          |                     |                         |                 |             |              |  |
|   | <b>Party</b> |            |            |                       | <b>Gender</b> |          | <b>Vote Choice</b> |                | <b>Region</b> |                                | <b>Previous Cong Dist</b> |                          | <b>Age</b>          |                         | <b>Religion</b> |             |              |  |
|   | <b>Total</b> | <b>Dem</b> | <b>Rep</b> | <b>Ind/<br/>Other</b> | <b>M</b>      | <b>F</b> | <b>Hochul</b>      | <b>Collins</b> | <b>Erie</b>   | <b>Niagara/<br/>All others</b> | <b>CD 26<br/>2010</b>     | <b>Other CD<br/>2010</b> | <b>Under<br/>55</b> | <b>55 and<br/>older</b> | <b>Cath</b>     | <b>Prot</b> | <b>Other</b> |  |
| <b>Barack Obama on the Democratic line</b>  | 42%          | 75%        | 13%        | 44%                   | 36%           | 47%      | 80%                | 4%             | 39%           | 44%                            | 43%                       | 41%                      | 37%                 | 46%                     | 42%             | 27%         | 70%          |  |
| <b>Mitt Romney on the Republican line</b>   | 55%          | 21%        | 85%        | 53%                   | 61%           | 51%      | 18%                | 94%            | 58%           | 54%                            | 54%                       | 57%                      | 61%                 | 51%                     | 53%             | 70%         | 29%          |  |
| <b>Someone else</b>   | 1%           | 1%         | 0%         | 1%                    | 2%            | 0%       | 1%                 | 0%             | 1%            | 1%                             | 1%                        | 1%                       | 2%                  | 0%                      | 2%              | 0%          | 0%           |  |
| <b>Don't know/No opinion</b>  | 2%           | 3%         | 1%         | 1%                    | 2%            | 2%       | 1%                 | 1%             | 3%            | 1%                             | 2%                        | 2%                       | 0%                  | 3%                      | 2%              | 2%          | 1%           |  |
|   |              |            |            |                       |               |          |                    |                |               |                                |                           |                          |                     |                         |                 |             |              |  |

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| <b>Q9. 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 |                        | Previous Cong Dist |                  | Age         |                 | Religion |      |       |  |
|  | Total | Dem | Rep | Ind/<br>Other | M      | F   | Hochul      | Collins | Erie   | Niagara/<br>All others | CD 26<br>2010      | Other CD<br>2010 | Under<br>55 | 55 and<br>older | Cath     | Prot | Other |  |
| Re-elect Hochul  | 45%   | 73% | 20% | 48%           | 40%    | 49% | 92%         | 3%      | 44%    | 46%                    | 46%                | 44%              | 37%         | 51%             | 47%      | 36%  | 59%   |  |
| Prefer someone else  | 51%   | 22% | 75% | 50%           | 56%    | 46% | 5%          | 96%     | 53%    | 48%                    | 50%                | 51%              | 57%         | 46%             | 48%      | 61%  | 35%   |  |
| Don't know/No opinion  | 5%    | 5%  | 5%  | 2%            | 4%     | 5%  | 3%          | 2%      | 3%     | 6%                     | 4%                 | 5%               | 6%          | 4%              | 5%       | 3%   | 6%    |  |
|  |       |     |     |               |        |     |             |         |        |                        |                    |                  |             |                 |          |      |       |  |
| <b>Q10. 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 |     | Vote Choice |         | Region |                        | Previous Cong Dist |                  | Age         |                 | Religion |      |       |  |
|  | Total | Dem | Rep | Ind/<br>Other | M      | F   | Hochul      | Collins | Erie   | Niagara/<br>All others | CD 26<br>2010      | Other CD<br>2010 | Under<br>55 | 55 and<br>older | Cath     | Prot | Other |  |
| Kathy Hochul on the Democratic line  | 47%   | 79% | 19% | 50%           | 43%    | 50% |             |         | 46%    | 48%                    | 47%                | 47%              | 41%         | 51%             | 47%      | 36%  | 67%   |  |
| Chris Collins on the Republican line   | 48%   | 17% | 77% | 42%           | 52%    | 44% |             |         | 52%    | 45%                    | 47%                | 49%              | 53%         | 44%             | 46%      | 62%  | 25%   |  |
| Not voting   | 1%    | 1%  | 1%  | 2%            | 1%     | 1%  |             |         | 1%     | 1%                     | 1%                 | 1%               | 1%          | 1%              | 2%       | 0%   | 2%    |  |
| Don't know/No opinion  | 4%    | 3%  | 3%  | 6%            | 3%     | 5%  |             |         | 2%     | 6%                     | 5%                 | 3%               | 5%          | 4%              | 5%       | 2%   | 7%    |  |
|  |       |     |     |               |        |     |             |         |        |                        |                    |                  |             |                 |          |      |       |  |
| <b>Q11. How likely would you say you are to vote for [CANDIDATE NAME]? Are you...</b>  |       |     |     |               |        |     |             |         |        |                        |                    |                  |             |                 |          |      |       |  |
|  | Party |     |     |               | Gender |     | Vote Choice |         | Region |                        | Previous Cong Dist |                  | Age         |                 | Religion |      |       |  |
|  | Total | Dem | Rep | Ind/<br>Other | M      | F   | Hochul      | Collins | Erie   | Niagara/<br>All others | CD 26<br>2010      | Other CD<br>2010 | Under<br>55 | 55 and<br>older | Cath     | Prot | Other |  |
| Absolutely certain; there's no chance I will change my mind  | 74%   | 80% | 72% | 72%           | 74%    | 75% | 74%         | 75%     | 77%    | 72%                    | 76%                | 72%              | 72%         | 77%             | 76%      | 69%  | 82%   |  |
| Fairly certain; it's unlikely I will change my mind  | 20%   | 16% | 22% | 22%           | 20%    | 21% | 21%         | 20%     | 19%    | 22%                    | 20%                | 21%              | 22%         | 19%             | 19%      | 25%  | 12%   |  |
| Not very certain; I very well may change my mind   | 4%    | 2%  | 5%  | 5%            | 4%     | 3%  | 3%          | 4%      | 3%     | 5%                     | 3%                 | 5%               | 4%          | 3%              | 4%       | 4%   | 2%    |  |
| Not certain at all; there's a good chance I will change my mind  | 1%    | 2%  | 1%  | 1%            | 2%     | 0%  | 3%          | 0%      | 2%     | 1%                     | 1%                 | 2%               | 2%          | 1%              | 1%       | 1%   | 3%    |  |
| Don't know/No opinion  | 0%    | 0%  | 0%  | 0%            | 0%     | 0%  | 0%          | 0%      | 0%     | 0%                     | 0%                 | 0%               | 0%          | 0%              | 0%       | 0%   | 0%    |  |
|  |       |     |     |               |        |     |             |         |        |                        |                    |                  |             |                 |          |      |       |  |

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| <b>Q12. Regardless of who you support, which candidate do you think has been waging the more negative campaign?</b> |              |              |            |                       |               |          |                    |                |               |                                |                           |                          |                     |                         |                 |             |              |
|---|--------------|--------------|------------|-----------------------|---------------|----------|--------------------|----------------|---------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|
|   |              | <b>Party</b> |            |                       | <b>Gender</b> |          | <b>Vote Choice</b> |                | <b>Region</b> |                                | <b>Previous Cong Dist</b> |                          | <b>Age</b>          |                         | <b>Religion</b> |             |              |
|   | <b>Total</b> | <b>Dem</b>   | <b>Rep</b> | <b>Ind/<br/>Other</b> | <b>M</b>      | <b>F</b> | <b>Hochul</b>      | <b>Collins</b> | <b>Erie</b>   | <b>Niagara/<br/>All others</b> | <b>CD 26<br/>2010</b>     | <b>Other CD<br/>2010</b> | <b>Under<br/>55</b> | <b>55 and<br/>older</b> | <b>Cath</b>     | <b>Prot</b> | <b>Other</b> |
| <b>Kathy Hochul</b>   | 39%          | 17%          | 57%        | 39%                   | 42%           | 36%      | 5%                 | 70%            | 39%           | 38%                            | 39%                       | 38%                      | 41%                 | 37%                     | 40%             | 45%         | 26%          |
| <b>Chris Collins</b>  | 34%          | 56%          | 14%        | 39%                   | 29%           | 39%      | 66%                | 5%             | 35%           | 33%                            | 33%                       | 36%                      | 33%                 | 35%                     | 35%             | 24%         | 53%          |
| <b>Vol: Both</b>  | 17%          | 18%          | 17%        | 13%                   | 17%           | 17%      | 18%                | 16%            | 16%           | 18%                            | 18%                       | 16%                      | 12%                 | 20%                     | 16%             | 20%         | 12%          |
| <b>Vol: Neither</b>   | 1%           | 0%           | 2%         | 1%                    | 2%            | 1%       | 1%                 | 1%             | 1%            | 1%                             | 1%                        | 1%                       | 2%                  | 0%                      | 2%              | 1%          | 0%           |
| <b>Don't know/No opinion</b>  | 9%           | 9%           | 10%        | 7%                    | 11%           | 8%       | 10%                | 8%             | 9%            | 9%                             | 10%                       | 8%                       | 12%                 | 7%                      | 8%              | 10%         | 9%           |

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| <b>Nature of the Sample</b>                                       |     |
|---|-----|
| <b>New York State Likely Voters<br/>Congressional District 27</b> |     |
| <b>Party</b>  |     |
| Democrat  | 33% |
| Republican  | 40% |
| Independent/Other   | 25% |
| <b>Region</b>   |     |
| Erie  | 44% |
| Niagara/All others  | 56% |
| <b>Previous Congressional District</b>                            |     |
| CD 26 2010  | 51% |
| Other CD 2010   | 49% |
| <b>Religion</b>   |     |
| Catholic  | 41% |
| Protestant  | 38% |
| Other   | 19% |
| <b>Age</b>  |     |
| Under 55  | 43% |
| 55 and older  | 57% |
| <b>Gender</b>   |     |
| Male  | 47% |
| Female  | 53% |