

Siena College Research Institute
 October 31-November 1, 2012
 489 Likely Voters New York State Senate District 43
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Q1. Is New York State on the right track, or is it headed in the wrong direction?																			
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice			Political View			Region		Previous Senate Dist		Age		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Andrews	Marchione	McDonald	Lib	Mod	Conserv	Saratoga/ Washington	Columbia/ Rensselaer	SD 43 2010	Other SD 2010	Under 55	55 and older	
Right track	57%	68%	50%	55%	58%	56%	74%	40%	69%	74%	66%	39%	56%	57%	57%	56%	51%	61%	
Wrong direction	36%	24%	47%	38%	35%	38%	15%	56%	28%	15%	30%	58%	37%	36%	36%	38%	43%	32%	
Don't know/No opinion	7%	9%	4%	7%	7%	6%	11%	3%	4%	11%	4%	4%	7%	6%	7%	6%	6%	6%	

I'm going to read the names of several people and institutions 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 and institutions I name.

Q2. Andrew Cuomo																			
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice			Political View			Region		Previous Senate Dist		Age		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Andrews	Marchione	McDonald	Lib	Mod	Conserv	Saratoga/ Washington	Columbia/ Rensselaer	SD 43 2010	Other SD 2010	Under 55	55 and older	
Favorable	74%	84%	68%	71%	72%	76%	85%	62%	82%	86%	77%	64%	78%	71%	75%	73%	71%	76%	
Unfavorable	23%	14%	29%	26%	26%	20%	15%	34%	16%	12%	20%	34%	20%	25%	23%	23%	26%	21%	
Don't know/No opinion	3%	2%	3%	3%	2%	4%	1%	4%	2%	2%	4%	3%	2%	4%	2%	4%	2%	3%	

Q3. Barack Obama																			
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice			Political View			Region		Previous Senate Dist		Age		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Andrews	Marchione	McDonald	Lib	Mod	Conserv	Saratoga/ Washington	Columbia/ Rensselaer	SD 43 2010	Other SD 2010	Under 55	55 and older	
Favorable	51%	81%	26%	50%	46%	55%	93%	17%	60%	90%	59%	17%	56%	47%	50%	52%	46%	53%	
Unfavorable	48%	18%	73%	49%	53%	43%	7%	82%	39%	9%	39%	83%	43%	51%	49%	46%	52%	45%	
Don't know/No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	

Q4. Mitt Romney																			
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice			Political View			Region		Previous Senate Dist		Age		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Andrews	Marchione	McDonald	Lib	Mod	Conserv	Saratoga/ Washington	Columbia/ Rensselaer	SD 43 2010	Other SD 2010	Under 55	55 and older	
Favorable	47%	19%	74%	45%	51%	44%	9%	81%	39%	10%	37%	84%	44%	49%	47%	48%	53%	44%	
Unfavorable	50%	78%	24%	53%	46%	54%	90%	16%	61%	88%	60%	14%	53%	48%	51%	49%	45%	54%	
Don't know/No opinion	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	3%	0%	1%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	

Q5. Kathy Marchione																			
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice			Political View			Region		Previous Senate Dist		Age		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Andrews	Marchione	McDonald	Lib	Mod	Conserv	Saratoga/ Washington	Columbia/ Rensselaer	SD 43 2010	Other SD 2010	Under 55	55 and older	
Favorable	41%	21%	60%	39%	44%	38%	11%	84%	15%	15%	34%	67%	43%	40%	41%	42%	38%	43%	
Unfavorable	36%	56%	24%	35%	35%	37%	64%	5%	58%	67%	38%	16%	39%	34%	38%	32%	38%	36%	
Don't know/No opinion	23%	23%	16%	27%	21%	25%	25%	11%	27%	18%	28%	16%	18%	26%	21%	26%	24%	21%	

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Q6. Robin Andrews																			
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice			Political View			Region		Previous Senate Dist		Age		
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Favorable	16%	34%	8%	11%	17%	16%	43%	3%	15%	32%	16%	9%	13%	19%	13%	25%	16%	17%	
Unfavorable	16%	9%	20%	19%	18%	15%	5%	27%	14%	7%	16%	24%	15%	18%	17%	15%	19%	15%	
Don't know/No opinion	67%	57%	71%	70%	66%	69%	52%	70%	71%	61%	69%	67%	72%	64%	70%	61%	66%	68%	
Q7. Roy McDonald																			
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice			Political View			Region		Previous Senate Dist		Age		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Andrews	Marchione	McDonald	Lib	Mod	Conserv	Saratoga/ Washington	Columbia/ Rensselaer	SD 43 2010	Other SD 2010	Under 55	55 and older	
Favorable	45%	43%	50%	43%	43%	48%	30%	24%	92%	51%	53%	31%	53%	40%	51%	34%	48%	44%	
Unfavorable	37%	31%	39%	41%	40%	35%	38%	65%	2%	29%	28%	55%	37%	37%	37%	38%	36%	38%	
Don't know/No opinion	17%	26%	11%	17%	18%	17%	32%	11%	6%	20%	19%	13%	10%	23%	12%	29%	17%	18%	
Q8. New York State Senate																			
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice			Political View			Region		Previous Senate Dist		Age		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Andrews	Marchione	McDonald	Lib	Mod	Conserv	Saratoga/ Washington	Columbia/ Rensselaer	SD 43 2010	Other SD 2010	Under 55	55 and older	
Favorable	35%	38%	36%	33%	31%	39%	36%	30%	42%	39%	37%	31%	35%	36%	33%	40%	34%	37%	
Unfavorable	54%	49%	56%	58%	60%	49%	55%	58%	51%	51%	54%	57%	55%	54%	57%	47%	59%	51%	
Don't know/No opinion	10%	13%	8%	9%	9%	12%	10%	11%	7%	11%	9%	12%	11%	10%	9%	13%	7%	12%	
Q9. If the 2012 election for President were held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were:																			
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice			Political View			Region		Previous Senate Dist		Age		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Andrews	Marchione	McDonald	Lib	Mod	Conserv	Saratoga/ Washington	Columbia/ Rensselaer	SD 43 2010	Other SD 2010	Under 55	55 and older	
Barack Obama on the Democratic line	50%	81%	25%	50%	45%	54%	89%	16%	60%	88%	60%	14%	53%	48%	50%	49%	45%	53%	
Mitt Romney on the Republican line	45%	15%	73%	43%	51%	40%	5%	81%	35%	6%	35%	83%	42%	48%	45%	46%	49%	43%	
Someone else	2%	1%	0%	3%	2%	1%	4%	0%	2%	2%	3%	0%	3%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	
Don't know/No opinion	3%	2%	2%	4%	1%	5%	1%	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%	2%	4%	3%	4%	3%	3%	

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Q10. After losing the Republican primary Roy McDonald announced that despite remaining on the Independence Party Line on the ballot, he would not be campaigning for re-election. In light of that, if the election for State Senator was held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were:

	Party				Gender		Political View			Region		Previous Senate Dist		Age				
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	Saratoga/Washington	Columbia/Rensselaer	SD 43 2010	Other SD 2010	Under 55	55 and older			
Robin Andrews on the Democratic line	25%	55%	8%	20%	26%	25%				56%	25%	7%	23%	27%	21%	34%	24%	26%
Kathy Marchione on the Republican line	40%	13%	62%	38%	44%	37%				10%	31%	71%	39%	40%	40%	40%	40%	40%
Roy McDonald on the Independence Party line	29%	25%	26%	35%	26%	32%				28%	36%	21%	33%	26%	32%	22%	31%	28%
Not voting	1%	0%	0%	2%	1%	0%				0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%
Don't know/No opinion	5%	6%	3%	5%	3%	7%				6%	7%	1%	4%	6%	6%	4%	4%	5%

Q11. How likely would you say you are to vote for [CANDIDATE NAME]? Are you...

	Party				Gender		Vote Choice			Political View			Region		Previous Senate Dist		Age	
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Absolutely certain; there's no chance I will change my mind	64%	61%	67%	63%	65%	62%	65%	70%	55%	64%	58%	70%	66%	62%	61%	69%	58%	68%
Fairly certain; it's unlikely I will change my mind	27%	29%	23%	29%	26%	28%	24%	24%	34%	24%	31%	23%	27%	27%	30%	21%	30%	25%
Not very certain; I very well may change my mind	7%	7%	7%	5%	6%	7%	9%	5%	8%	5%	10%	5%	6%	7%	7%	6%	10%	4%
Not certain at all; there's a good chance I will change my mind	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%	2%	1%	2%	4%	6%	0%	2%	2%	3%	2%	3%	2%	3%
Don't know/No opinion	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%

Q12. Regardless of who you support, which active candidate do you think has been waging the more negative campaign?

	Party				Gender		Vote Choice			Political View			Region		Previous Senate Dist		Age	
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Robin Andrews	24%	12%	36%	21%	26%	22%	6%	46%	13%	5%	22%	39%	23%	25%	26%	20%	24%	24%
Kathy Marchione	28%	49%	20%	22%	27%	30%	55%	4%	42%	47%	32%	13%	31%	26%	27%	32%	30%	28%
Vol: Both	4%	4%	5%	2%	3%	4%	2%	3%	5%	1%	5%	4%	3%	5%	5%	1%	4%	3%
Vol: Neither	8%	3%	7%	12%	10%	6%	4%	10%	7%	8%	7%	8%	7%	8%	8%	8%	8%	8%
Don't know/No opinion	36%	33%	31%	43%	34%	38%	34%	37%	32%	39%	34%	37%	36%	36%	35%	39%	35%	37%

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Q13. As you consider your choice for State Senator here in the 43rd state senate district, how important to you is the position taken by each candidate on the issue of same-sex marriage? Is it very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not at all important?

	Party				Gender		Vote Choice			Political View			Region		Previous Senate Dist		Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Andrews	Marchione	McDonald	Lib	Mod	Conserv	Saratoga/Washington	Columbia/Rensselaer	SD 43 2010	Other SD 2010	Under 55	55 and older
Very important	40%	46%	36%	39%	38%	41%	48%	41%	32%	57%	26%	46%	41%	39%	38%	44%	36%	43%
Somewhat important	26%	23%	25%	29%	29%	24%	26%	21%	33%	25%	33%	20%	28%	25%	28%	23%	29%	24%
Not very important	15%	16%	16%	15%	14%	16%	13%	18%	14%	9%	19%	15%	13%	17%	13%	21%	16%	15%
Not at all important	18%	12%	22%	17%	18%	17%	10%	19%	20%	8%	19%	19%	17%	18%	21%	10%	18%	18%
Don't know/No opinion	1%	3%	0%	1%	1%	2%	3%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%

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Nature of the Sample	
New York State Likely Voters State Senate District 43	
Party	
Democrat	28%
Republican	33%
Independent/Other	37%
Political View	
Liberal	22%
Moderate	39%
Conservative	35%
Previous Senate District	
SD 43 in 2010	68%
Other SD in 2010	32%
Region	
Saratoga/Washington	41%
Columbia/Rensselaer	59%
Age	
Under 55	41%
55 and older	58%
Gender	
Male	48%
Female	52%