

Siena College Research Institute
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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 or institutions I name.

Q1. Andrew Cuomo														
	Total	Party			Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age		
		Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older	
Favorable	52%	79%	44%	39%	51%	52%	75%	32%	54%	51%	49%	47%	60%	
Unfavorable	35%	11%	41%	50%	39%	31%	17%	51%	32%	40%	30%	38%	30%	
Don't know/No opinion	13%	10%	15%	11%	10%	17%	8%	17%	14%	10%	20%	15%	10%	

Q2. Carl Paladino														
	Total	Party			Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age		
		Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older	
Favorable	31%	9%	42%	38%	33%	28%	18%	43%	34%	34%	16%	31%	30%	
Unfavorable	35%	49%	28%	29%	33%	37%	49%	22%	38%	31%	38%	27%	47%	
Don't know/No opinion	35%	42%	30%	33%	34%	36%	33%	35%	28%	35%	47%	42%	23%	

Q3. Rick Lazio														
	Total	Party			Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age		
		Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older	
Favorable	20%	16%	25%	16%	18%	22%	17%	22%	21%	21%	14%	20%	19%	
Unfavorable	44%	46%	41%	47%	47%	41%	47%	43%	41%	50%	36%	39%	52%	
Don't know/No opinion	36%	38%	34%	37%	35%	37%	36%	35%	38%	29%	50%	41%	29%	

Q4. Darrel Aubertine														
	Total	Party			Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age		
		Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older	
Favorable	54%	78%	45%	44%	52%	57%	85%	26%	65%	41%	64%	49%	63%	
Unfavorable	33%	14%	43%	36%	36%	30%	6%	58%	28%	40%	25%	35%	29%	
Don't know/No opinion	13%	8%	12%	20%	13%	13%	9%	16%	7%	18%	11%	16%	9%	

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Q5. Patty Ritchie													
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older
Favorable	39%	30%	46%	38%	39%	38%	27%	53%	42%	25%	66%	42%	34%
Unfavorable	18%	28%	14%	17%	20%	17%	27%	10%	19%	19%	16%	18%	20%
Don't know/No opinion	43%	42%	41%	44%	41%	45%	46%	37%	39%	57%	18%	41%	46%
Q6. Barack Obama													
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older
Favorable	48%	72%	33%	46%	48%	48%	71%	26%	42%	49%	55%	49%	46%
Unfavorable	46%	24%	60%	45%	46%	46%	23%	66%	52%	46%	34%	44%	49%
Don't know/No opinion	6%	4%	7%	8%	7%	6%	6%	7%	6%	5%	10%	7%	5%
Q7. Tea Party Movement													
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older
Favorable	42%	24%	57%	36%	46%	36%	27%	58%	48%	41%	31%	40%	44%
Unfavorable	36%	51%	26%	37%	36%	37%	48%	23%	35%	34%	45%	34%	40%
Don't know/No opinion	22%	24%	17%	27%	18%	26%	25%	19%	18%	25%	24%	26%	16%
Q8. New York State Senate													
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older
Favorable	22%	26%	19%	24%	18%	27%	24%	20%	25%	23%	16%	23%	22%
Unfavorable	67%	60%	73%	68%	74%	60%	62%	73%	65%	67%	74%	69%	66%
Don't know/No opinion	10%	14%	7%	8%	8%	13%	15%	7%	10%	11%	10%	9%	13%

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Q9. If the election for Governor was held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were:													
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older
Andrew Cuomo on the Democratic line	48%	84%	28%	42%	43%	53%	74%	25%	45%	44%	60%	44%	55%
Carl Paladino on the Republican line	32%	4%	49%	35%	33%	31%	14%	52%	37%	33%	16%	33%	30%
Rick Lazio on the Conservative Party line	10%	5%	15%	7%	11%	8%	4%	14%	5%	10%	17%	12%	7%
Don't know/No opinion	11%	7%	9%	16%	14%	8%	9%	8%	12%	12%	6%	12%	9%
Q10. Democrats currently control the State Senate by a 32 to 30 majority. Looking at this year's election, would you prefer to see the Democrats win a larger majority, would you prefer to see the Republicans win control of the Senate, or would you prefer to see the Senate continue to be closely divided between Republicans and Democrats?													
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older
Larger majority for Democrats	20%	40%	8%	17%	21%	18%	36%	4%	19%	20%	21%	20%	20%
Majority for Republicans	39%	11%	63%	29%	39%	38%	17%	61%	45%	37%	28%	40%	37%
Closely divided	34%	40%	24%	45%	33%	36%	40%	26%	33%	34%	37%	32%	38%
Don't know/No opinion	8%	9%	5%	9%	7%	8%	6%	8%	3%	8%	14%	8%	5%
Q11. What is the most important issue you want your State Senator to be working on in Albany?													
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older
Property taxes	9%	5%	13%	8%	10%	9%	5%	13%	9%	8%	14%	9%	10%
State budget	13%	9%	12%	18%	12%	13%	14%	12%	19%	6%	16%	13%	12%
State taxes	10%	11%	8%	14%	11%	9%	9%	11%	10%	12%	7%	11%	9%
Government reform	17%	18%	14%	19%	22%	11%	12%	20%	14%	20%	15%	18%	15%
Health care	10%	10%	11%	7%	5%	15%	12%	8%	9%	12%	6%	7%	14%
Education	7%	8%	5%	9%	7%	7%	10%	4%	7%	7%	5%	8%	5%
Creating jobs	32%	39%	32%	24%	31%	32%	34%	30%	28%	32%	36%	30%	34%
Something else	2%	0%	3%	2%	1%	3%	4%	1%	2%	3%	0%	3%	1%
Don't know/No opinion	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%

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Q12. As things stand now, would you vote to re-elect Darrel Aubertine as State Senator or would you prefer someone else?													
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older
Re-elect Aubertine	45%	70%	39%	30%	41%	50%	85%	12%	58%	31%	55%	40%	54%
Prefer someone else	44%	26%	49%	56%	48%	40%	11%	76%	38%	53%	36%	50%	36%
Don't know/No opinion	10%	3%	12%	14%	11%	10%	5%	11%	4%	15%	10%	10%	10%

Q13. If the election for State Senator was held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were:													
	Party				Gender				Region			Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F			Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older
Darrel Aubertine on the Democratic line	45%	78%	33%	32%	42%	49%			58%	39%	39%	40%	55%
Patty Ritchie on the Republican line	48%	18%	61%	60%	51%	45%			39%	51%	58%	55%	36%
Don't know/No opinion	7%	5%	6%	8%	7%	6%			4%	10%	3%	5%	8%

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 State Senate.

Q14. Property taxes													
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older
Darrel Aubertine	37%	64%	27%	25%	33%	41%	76%	2%	48%	33%	25%	30%	48%
Patty Ritchie	45%	19%	58%	55%	46%	44%	8%	85%	42%	42%	59%	53%	34%
Don't know/No opinion	18%	16%	16%	20%	21%	14%	15%	13%	10%	24%	16%	17%	18%

Q15. State budget													
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older
Darrel Aubertine	36%	64%	24%	26%	31%	42%	75%	2%	45%	30%	34%	29%	48%
Patty Ritchie	45%	19%	58%	54%	48%	43%	4%	88%	39%	44%	60%	52%	36%
Don't know/No opinion	18%	17%	18%	20%	21%	15%	21%	10%	16%	25%	6%	20%	16%

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Q16. State taxes													
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older
Darrel Aubertine	37%	65%	22%	30%	31%	43%	76%	2%	44%	34%	29%	30%	48%
Patty Ritchie	48%	23%	61%	52%	50%	45%	7%	90%	41%	45%	66%	53%	39%
Don't know/No opinion	16%	12%	17%	18%	20%	12%	17%	7%	14%	22%	5%	17%	13%
Q17. Government ethics reform													
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older
Darrel Aubertine	38%	63%	24%	33%	36%	40%	76%	5%	46%	33%	33%	34%	45%
Patty Ritchie	45%	22%	59%	49%	48%	42%	8%	84%	39%	44%	59%	51%	35%
Don't know/No opinion	17%	15%	17%	18%	17%	18%	16%	11%	15%	23%	8%	15%	20%
Q18. Health care													
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older
Darrel Aubertine	40%	67%	26%	35%	37%	44%	76%	10%	48%	34%	41%	34%	50%
Patty Ritchie	42%	15%	57%	46%	42%	42%	6%	80%	38%	42%	48%	47%	33%
Don't know/No opinion	18%	18%	17%	19%	21%	14%	18%	10%	14%	24%	11%	18%	16%
Q19. Education													
	Party				Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older
Darrel Aubertine	40%	68%	24%	37%	35%	45%	78%	7%	47%	35%	38%	34%	49%
Patty Ritchie	42%	20%	57%	43%	43%	41%	4%	81%	37%	42%	52%	48%	33%
Don't know/No opinion	18%	12%	19%	21%	22%	14%	18%	12%	16%	23%	10%	18%	18%

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Q20. Job creation													
		Party			Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older
Darrel Aubertine	39%	68%	27%	30%	32%	47%	77%	7%	46%	36%	35%	32%	51%
Patty Ritchie	42%	14%	58%	47%	44%	40%	5%	81%	38%	40%	55%	48%	33%
Don't know/No opinion	19%	18%	15%	23%	24%	13%	18%	11%	16%	24%	10%	20%	16%
Q21. Representing the interests of our community in Albany													
		Party			Gender		Vote Choice		Region			Age	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Aubertine	Ritchie	Jefferson	Oswego	St. Lawrence	Under 55	55 and older
Darrel Aubertine	41%	67%	29%	33%	36%	46%	81%	6%	53%	37%	29%	33%	55%
Patty Ritchie	45%	22%	56%	54%	47%	43%	4%	88%	34%	45%	67%	53%	33%
Don't know/No opinion	14%	11%	15%	12%	16%	11%	14%	6%	13%	18%	4%	14%	12%