

Siena College Research Institute
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801 New York State Registered Voters
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1. Is New York State on the right track, or is it headed in the wrong direction?																									
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K- \$100K	\$100K+
Right track	47%	54%	35%	47%	43%	50%	54%	50%	39%	51%	46%	44%	43%	66%	57%	52%	44%	47%	46%	46%	52%	47%	46%	50%	45%
Wrong direction	39%	33%	49%	43%	42%	37%	32%	39%	46%	37%	39%	42%	41%	27%	33%	37%	42%	38%	42%	39%	32%	40%	39%	34%	45%
Don't know/No opinion	14%	13%	16%	10%	14%	13%	14%	11%	15%	13%	14%	15%	15%	7%	10%	11%	14%	16%	12%	15%	16%	13%	15%	16%	10%
2. Is the United States on the right track, or is it headed in the wrong direction?																									
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K- \$100K	\$100K+
Right track	44%	58%	27%	35%	40%	47%	61%	46%	29%	53%	38%	39%	39%	71%	52%	46%	43%	44%	41%	47%	48%	45%	43%	49%	41%
Wrong direction	47%	35%	66%	52%	49%	45%	30%	44%	63%	39%	55%	49%	51%	27%	37%	43%	48%	47%	51%	48%	43%	42%	48%	43%	48%
Don't know/No opinion	9%	7%	7%	13%	11%	8%	9%	10%	8%	8%	8%	12%	10%	2%	11%	8%	9%	8%	5%	9%	13%	9%	8%	8%	11%
I'm going to read a series of names of people and institutions in public life and I'd like you to tell me whether you have a favorable opinion or an unfavorable opinion of each person or institution I name.																									
3. Andrew Cuomo																									
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
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Favorable	77%	83%	70%	70%	77%	77%	80%	81%	68%	79%	77%	74%	76%	80%	83%	75%	75%	80%	76%	84%	74%	80%	80%	74%	79%
Unfavorable	16%	12%	20%	22%	16%	16%	16%	12%	23%	15%	13%	19%	17%	14%	15%	20%	19%	12%	16%	12%	17%	16%	14%	17%	16%
Don't know/No opinion	7%	5%	9%	8%	7%	7%	4%	7%	9%	6%	10%	6%	7%	6%	2%	5%	7%	8%	8%	4%	8%	4%	6%	9%	5%
4. Kirsten Gillibrand																									
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
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Favorable	57%	59%	54%	54%	54%	59%	64%	65%	40%	55%	52%	61%	59%	45%	57%	47%	56%	64%	55%	56%	60%	55%	55%	55%	60%
Unfavorable	18%	14%	27%	17%	24%	14%	12%	13%	31%	18%	18%	18%	18%	20%	15%	10%	21%	20%	19%	22%	16%	16%	15%	17%	20%
Don't know/No opinion	25%	26%	19%	29%	22%	27%	24%	22%	28%	27%	30%	20%	23%	34%	27%	43%	23%	16%	26%	21%	23%	29%	30%	27%	20%
5. Barack Obama																									
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K- \$100K	\$100K+
Favorable	62%	82%	29%	55%	56%	66%	88%	67%	34%	75%	51%	55%	54%	96%	76%	59%	66%	59%	58%	52%	65%	67%	68%	64%	54%
Unfavorable	35%	17%	67%	39%	40%	32%	11%	30%	63%	23%	48%	40%	43%	4%	24%	37%	33%	37%	40%	45%	34%	26%	30%	34%	43%
Don't know/No opinion	3%	0%	4%	6%	4%	2%	1%	3%	3%	3%	1%	4%	3%	0%	1%	4%	2%	2%	3%	3%	1%	7%	3%	2%	3%

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6. Sheldon Silver																									
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Favorable	19%	24%	14%	15%	16%	22%	26%	21%	13%	29%	13%	14%	17%	23%	31%	22%	18%	19%	19%	34%	16%	15%	20%	20%	17%
Unfavorable	41%	36%	52%	41%	52%	32%	32%	43%	46%	38%	40%	46%	45%	29%	34%	22%	44%	51%	42%	42%	44%	36%	35%	38%	51%
Don't know/No opinion	39%	40%	34%	44%	32%	45%	41%	36%	41%	33%	47%	40%	38%	48%	35%	56%	38%	30%	39%	24%	39%	49%	45%	42%	32%
7. Dean Skelos																									
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+
Favorable	11%	11%	16%	9%	13%	10%	10%	12%	12%	9%	20%	8%	10%	12%	23%	13%	9%	13%	11%	7%	14%	11%	10%	12%	12%
Unfavorable	17%	20%	18%	13%	21%	14%	15%	20%	15%	14%	13%	23%	17%	22%	16%	17%	21%	14%	18%	13%	19%	17%	18%	17%	19%
Don't know/No opinion	71%	69%	66%	78%	66%	75%	74%	68%	73%	76%	66%	69%	73%	67%	61%	70%	70%	73%	71%	80%	68%	72%	72%	71%	69%
8. CSEA, New York's largest public employee union																									
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
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Favorable	38%	42%	35%	31%	36%	40%	46%	41%	28%	37%	38%	40%	35%	45%	51%	43%	39%	34%	40%	21%	39%	35%	37%	41%	39%
Unfavorable	35%	27%	43%	44%	41%	30%	27%	32%	47%	25%	35%	45%	38%	30%	22%	28%	36%	39%	34%	34%	39%	37%	34%	37%	34%
Don't know/No opinion	27%	30%	22%	25%	24%	30%	27%	27%	24%	38%	27%	16%	27%	25%	28%	29%	25%	27%	26%	45%	22%	28%	30%	22%	27%
9. NYSUT, the statewide teachers' union																									
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+
Favorable	43%	49%	35%	37%	38%	47%	55%	44%	30%	46%	38%	42%	39%	56%	56%	51%	44%	36%	46%	28%	45%	37%	46%	41%	43%
Unfavorable	39%	32%	54%	41%	44%	35%	22%	42%	50%	33%	43%	43%	43%	25%	34%	29%	41%	44%	41%	46%	37%	40%	32%	46%	42%
Don't know/No opinion	18%	19%	12%	22%	18%	18%	22%	14%	20%	20%	20%	15%	19%	19%	10%	21%	14%	20%	13%	26%	18%	23%	22%	13%	15%
10. 1199/SEIU, the largest healthcare workers' union																									
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+
Favorable	37%	46%	27%	33%	33%	41%	48%	41%	22%	46%	36%	30%	31%	63%	51%	48%	37%	31%	41%	26%	39%	31%	40%	39%	38%
Unfavorable	31%	23%	42%	36%	41%	23%	19%	28%	45%	24%	30%	38%	33%	23%	24%	28%	32%	31%	29%	36%	31%	34%	24%	32%	35%
Don't know/No opinion	32%	31%	31%	31%	27%	36%	32%	31%	33%	30%	34%	32%	36%	14%	24%	25%	31%	37%	31%	38%	31%	35%	35%	29%	27%

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11. The Business Council of New York State, New York's largest business advocacy group																									
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Favorable	31%	30%	37%	30%	31%	32%	24%	34%	34%	28%	29%	36%	30%	39%	37%	38%	34%	24%	34%	34%	31%	26%	34%	33%	30%
Unfavorable	25%	25%	21%	29%	29%	22%	35%	24%	20%	25%	25%	26%	24%	22%	36%	29%	26%	23%	24%	19%	21%	35%	20%	33%	24%
Don't know/No opinion	44%	45%	42%	41%	40%	46%	41%	43%	46%	48%	45%	39%	46%	38%	28%	34%	40%	54%	42%	47%	48%	39%	46%	34%	46%
12. How would you rate the job that Andrew Cuomo is doing as Governor? Would you rate it excellent, good, fair, or poor?																									
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K- \$100K	\$100K+
Excellent	10%	9%	10%	12%	12%	8%	12%	11%	6%	10%	9%	11%	11%	10%	7%	7%	7%	15%	9%	16%	10%	9%	9%	7%	11%
Good	47%	50%	45%	43%	43%	50%	45%	49%	47%	44%	51%	47%	48%	43%	43%	36%	51%	49%	50%	46%	43%	45%	49%	49%	47%
Fair	29%	28%	31%	30%	27%	30%	29%	30%	28%	27%	31%	29%	27%	29%	38%	43%	28%	21%	28%	18%	34%	30%	28%	33%	26%
Poor	4%	5%	3%	5%	4%	4%	5%	3%	6%	8%	2%	2%	3%	10%	5%	4%	5%	3%	4%	7%	3%	4%	6%	2%	5%
Don't know/No opinion	10%	9%	11%	11%	13%	7%	9%	7%	14%	12%	7%	11%	10%	8%	8%	10%	9%	12%	8%	12%	10%	12%	8%	9%	11%
13. Based on what you've seen of him as Governor so far, would you describe Andrew Cuomo as a liberal, a moderate or a conservative?																									
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Liberal	21%	20%	22%	21%	21%	21%	29%	14%	25%	23%	18%	21%	20%	26%	26%	24%	21%	19%	20%	20%	25%	19%	22%	22%	16%
Moderate	57%	59%	55%	57%	54%	59%	51%	70%	45%	56%	64%	54%	60%	49%	49%	56%	57%	57%	56%	58%	53%	62%	48%	57%	65%
Conservative	15%	15%	16%	11%	17%	12%	11%	12%	21%	13%	12%	18%	13%	20%	18%	11%	17%	14%	17%	16%	16%	11%	13%	17%	15%
Don't know/No opinion	7%	6%	7%	10%	8%	7%	9%	4%	8%	9%	5%	7%	7%	6%	7%	9%	5%	9%	8%	7%	6%	9%	17%	3%	4%
14. I know it's a ways off, but if Barack Obama runs for re-election as President in 2012, would you vote to re-elect him or would you prefer someone else?																									
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Re-elect Obama	49%	69%	17%	40%	45%	51%	80%	49%	23%	62%	39%	41%	41%	90%	56%	42%	52%	49%	41%	39%	52%	60%	54%	49%	45%
Prefer someone else	43%	23%	76%	50%	46%	41%	18%	39%	71%	31%	53%	49%	51%	5%	36%	48%	41%	43%	52%	47%	38%	34%	38%	43%	49%
Don't know/No opinion	8%	7%	7%	10%	9%	8%	3%	12%	6%	7%	7%	10%	8%	5%	8%	10%	7%	8%	7%	14%	10%	5%	9%	8%	6%
15. I know it's a ways off, but if Kirsten Gillibrand runs for re-election as United States Senator in 2012, would you vote to re-elect her or would you prefer someone else?																									
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K- \$100K	\$100K+
Re-elect Gillibrand	52%	59%	43%	47%	50%	54%	57%	60%	37%	51%	49%	55%	51%	59%	54%	49%	53%	54%	52%	43%	55%	52%	48%	55%	56%
Prefer someone else	29%	22%	41%	31%	31%	27%	24%	25%	39%	30%	30%	27%	30%	22%	26%	25%	31%	29%	30%	38%	27%	24%	27%	33%	27%
Don't know/No opinion	19%	19%	16%	21%	19%	19%	18%	15%	24%	18%	21%	18%	19%	19%	20%	27%	16%	17%	18%	20%	19%	23%	25%	12%	17%

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16. How would you describe the fiscal condition of New York State right now? Would you describe it as excellent, good, fair, or poor?																										
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	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+	
Excellent	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Good	7%	10%	2%	7%	7%	8%	11%	8%	5%	12%	5%	4%	4%	24%	13%	14%	6%	5%	7%	3%	11%	5%	10%	6%	5%	
Fair	26%	30%	19%	24%	22%	29%	33%	26%	18%	34%	24%	19%	22%	30%	44%	29%	23%	26%	26%	34%	25%	24%	29%	27%	21%	
Poor	66%	59%	77%	69%	70%	63%	56%	65%	76%	54%	70%	75%	73%	45%	42%	56%	70%	68%	67%	64%	63%	69%	60%	67%	74%	
Don't know/No opinion	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	1%	0%	0%	
17. Who do you trust more to do the right thing for New York...																										
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income			
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Governor Cuomo	70%	73%	66%	70%	73%	68%	69%	76%	62%	65%	74%	72%	71%	68%	69%	65%	71%	72%	69%	70%	68%	73%	65%	74%	74%	
the State Legislature	17%	17%	18%	16%	15%	19%	17%	14%	23%	19%	16%	16%	16%	24%	22%	25%	17%	13%	19%	14%	20%	13%	21%	17%	13%	
Neither	8%	6%	9%	9%	7%	8%	9%	5%	10%	8%	6%	8%	8%	5%	6%	6%	8%	8%	8%	8%	7%	8%	6%	7%	10%	
Both	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	2%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	
Don't know/No opinion	4%	3%	6%	5%	3%	5%	4%	4%	5%	6%	3%	3%	4%	2%	2%	4%	3%	5%	3%	8%	4%	4%	6%	3%	3%	
18. How much did you hear or read about Governor Cuomo's proposed State Budget, that he released last week - a great deal, some, not very much, nothing at all?																										
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income			
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A great deal	16%	16%	18%	16%	19%	14%	15%	16%	19%	15%	14%	19%	16%	22%	14%	9%	18%	19%	19%	17%	15%	14%	14%	16%	20%	
Some	45%	41%	54%	45%	45%	45%	48%	41%	47%	44%	43%	46%	49%	30%	32%	41%	43%	49%	46%	48%	46%	34%	37%	48%	48%	
Not very much	22%	23%	17%	21%	21%	22%	18%	28%	16%	24%	25%	18%	21%	21%	30%	15%	25%	23%	21%	20%	22%	25%	24%	21%	20%	
Nothing	17%	20%	11%	18%	14%	20%	19%	15%	18%	17%	18%	17%	15%	28%	24%	35%	14%	9%	14%	15%	17%	26%	25%	14%	12%	
Don't know/No opinion	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
19. Generally speaking, how would you grade Governor Cuomo's proposed State Budget - would you give it an A, a B, a C, a D, or a failing grade of F?																										
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A	8%	7%	9%	9%	10%	6%	5%	8%	9%	8%	10%	5%	8%	8%	4%	2%	7%	11%	9%	12%	5%	5%	8%	6%	7%	
B	39%	40%	41%	36%	43%	36%	37%	42%	39%	41%	36%	40%	40%	37%	45%	35%	38%	44%	40%	48%	41%	35%	36%	48%	39%	
C	27%	28%	26%	26%	23%	30%	32%	25%	24%	25%	24%	31%	26%	27%	25%	23%	28%	28%	25%	14%	31%	28%	30%	25%	27%	
D	6%	5%	7%	6%	5%	7%	5%	6%	7%	7%	5%	5%	6%	9%	4%	8%	6%	5%	8%	2%	5%	6%	4%	6%	6%	
F	3%	3%	4%	3%	2%	4%	4%	2%	4%	4%	1%	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%	5%	2%	3%	
Don't know/No opinion	17%	16%	14%	20%	17%	17%	17%	17%	17%	14%	23%	16%	17%	14%	20%	30%	17%	10%	16%	19%	15%	23%	17%	14%	17%	

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Now, I'd like to ask you about some of the specific items Governor Cuomo included in his proposed State Budget and for each item I mention, I'd like you to tell me whether you support it or oppose it.																										
20. No increases in any state taxes and no new taxes																										
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income			
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+	
Support	79%	72%	92%	80%	78%	80%	63%	82%	89%	73%	83%	83%	81%	72%	71%	81%	79%	78%	84%	74%	80%	70%	79%	79%	78%	
Oppose	19%	25%	7%	18%	21%	17%	35%	15%	9%	24%	16%	15%	17%	21%	26%	16%	20%	19%	15%	22%	16%	29%	17%	19%	20%	
Don't know/No opinion	2%	3%	1%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%	1%	7%	2%	3%	1%	3%	1%	4%	4%	1%	4%	1%	2%	
21. No new state borrowing																										
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income			
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+	
Support	76%	68%	84%	84%	77%	75%	67%	75%	87%	68%	80%	82%	81%	58%	61%	74%	76%	77%	81%	75%	71%	73%	73%	77%	79%	
Oppose	17%	23%	13%	12%	18%	17%	25%	19%	9%	22%	15%	14%	13%	32%	33%	16%	19%	16%	15%	12%	20%	22%	18%	16%	17%	
Don't know/No opinion	7%	9%	4%	4%	5%	8%	8%	7%	5%	10%	4%	5%	5%	10%	6%	10%	6%	5%	5%	13%	9%	5%	9%	7%	3%	
22. Reducing the size of the budget by \$3.7 billion - or 2.7 percent - from the current year's budget																										
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income			
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+	
Support	75%	67%	86%	79%	82%	69%	68%	76%	81%	65%	79%	83%	81%	59%	57%	65%	79%	78%	79%	71%	69%	74%	65%	77%	83%	
Oppose	20%	26%	12%	17%	14%	25%	26%	20%	16%	27%	17%	14%	14%	41%	34%	34%	17%	15%	17%	21%	26%	20%	25%	20%	14%	
Don't know/No opinion	5%	7%	2%	4%	3%	6%	6%	5%	3%	8%	4%	3%	5%	1%	8%	2%	5%	7%	4%	9%	5%	6%	10%	3%	3%	
23. Reducing state aid to local school districts by about \$1.5 billion - or 7.3 percent - from the current year's budget																										
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income			
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+	
Support	34%	25%	46%	41%	40%	28%	20%	35%	44%	28%	39%	36%	39%	19%	20%	17%	32%	45%	35%	39%	33%	29%	30%	33%	37%	
Oppose	64%	73%	54%	55%	57%	70%	77%	63%	54%	69%	60%	62%	59%	79%	80%	81%	67%	51%	63%	57%	66%	67%	67%	66%	61%	
Don't know/No opinion	2%	2%	1%	4%	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	0%	2%	0%	3%	1%	4%	1%	4%	3%	1%	3%	
24. Reducing spending for Medicaid by about \$1 billion - or 2 percent - from the current budget, although it had been scheduled to increase by 13 percent																										
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income			
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+	
Support	51%	41%	61%	59%	55%	47%	40%	51%	61%	44%	47%	59%	55%	36%	36%	52%	51%	50%	55%	52%	45%	49%	41%	55%	59%	
Oppose	45%	54%	36%	36%	41%	48%	54%	44%	36%	49%	48%	38%	41%	61%	54%	45%	45%	44%	41%	39%	49%	49%	54%	42%	38%	
Don't know/No opinion	4%	5%	3%	5%	4%	5%	6%	4%	3%	6%	5%	2%	4%	3%	10%	2%	3%	7%	3%	9%	6%	2%	5%	3%	4%	

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25. Reducing spending for SUNY and CUNY - the State and City University colleges - by about 10 percent from the current year's budget																											
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income				
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K- \$100K	\$100K+		
Support	41%	33%	50%	49%	45%	38%	25%	41%	55%	36%	39%	48%	45%	25%	31%	40%	36%	47%	43%	49%	39%	35%	43%	43%	38%		
Oppose	56%	65%	47%	50%	53%	59%	72%	55%	44%	61%	58%	50%	52%	71%	69%	57%	61%	51%	54%	47%	59%	60%	55%	56%	60%		
Don't know/No opinion	3%	3%	3%	1%	2%	3%	3%	4%	1%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	0%	3%	3%	2%	2%	4%	1%	5%	3%	1%	2%		

26. Reducing spending on the state workforce by \$550 million - either through negotiations with the state employee unions, or up to 9,800 layoffs if negotiations fail																											
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income				
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K- \$100K	\$100K+		
Support	55%	46%	63%	62%	63%	47%	41%	54%	66%	46%	58%	61%	60%	30%	45%	43%	54%	63%	54%	68%	47%	59%	46%	56%	62%		
Oppose	40%	48%	34%	33%	33%	46%	50%	42%	31%	46%	40%	35%	35%	68%	52%	51%	43%	31%	43%	25%	48%	33%	44%	41%	36%		
Don't know/No opinion	5%	6%	3%	5%	4%	6%	9%	4%	3%	8%	2%	4%	6%	2%	4%	7%	3%	6%	3%	7%	5%	8%	10%	3%	2%		

27. Reducing aid to municipalities by about \$15 million - or 2 percent - from the current year's budget																											
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income				
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K- \$100K	\$100K+		
Support	53%	46%	63%	56%	58%	50%	45%	54%	60%	48%	57%	56%	56%	45%	41%	45%	56%	53%	53%	52%	52%	47%	55%	61%			
Oppose	38%	45%	26%	37%	36%	39%	44%	40%	30%	41%	35%	37%	36%	48%	49%	47%	37%	33%	39%	34%	36%	41%	42%	38%	34%		
Don't know/No opinion	9%	8%	11%	7%	6%	11%	10%	6%	10%	11%	8%	7%	8%	7%	11%	7%	8%	11%	7%	14%	11%	7%	10%	7%	5%		

28. Creating regional economic development councils to distribute \$130 million in capital funding and \$30 million in tax credits for significant economic development projects																											
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income				
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K- \$100K	\$100K+		
Support	64%	69%	59%	60%	68%	60%	72%	67%	52%	65%	63%	62%	62%	74%	66%	66%	66%	59%	64%	49%	60%	74%	58%	66%	69%		
Oppose	27%	21%	35%	29%	25%	28%	20%	23%	37%	23%	26%	30%	29%	15%	28%	30%	26%	26%	28%	31%	30%	19%	29%	27%	24%		
Don't know/No opinion	10%	10%	6%	11%	7%	12%	9%	10%	10%	12%	10%	8%	9%	11%	6%	4%	8%	15%	8%	20%	10%	7%	12%	7%	6%		

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29. Governor Cuomo said that his proposed state budget closes a budget gap of more than \$10 billion. He said there are significant cuts in both health care and education because they account for the two largest portions of the state budget. Which of the following positions best describes what you would prefer the State Legislature to do when the budget is passed?

	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer/Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+
The Legislature should approve the Governor's proposed spending cuts in BOTH health care and education	31%	22%	39%	41%	38%	26%	20%	33%	40%	28%	33%	34%	34%	29%	17%	27%	33%	32%	32%	26%	34%	29%	26%	33%	34%
The Legislature should approve the Governor's proposed spending cuts in health care but NOT education	17%	19%	18%	12%	19%	15%	17%	18%	15%	14%	15%	21%	19%	10%	17%	24%	17%	12%	20%	14%	15%	17%	12%	19%	23%
The Legislature should approve the Governor's proposed spending cuts in education but NOT health care	11%	7%	13%	15%	9%	12%	9%	11%	14%	9%	13%	11%	11%	4%	14%	8%	10%	14%	11%	17%	10%	6%	9%	11%	12%
The Legislature should NOT approve the Governor's proposed spending cuts in EITHER health care or education, even if it means raising taxes	36%	47%	27%	26%	30%	41%	48%	34%	28%	43%	33%	31%	32%	52%	48%	38%	37%	35%	33%	35%	37%	42%	47%	34%	29%
Don't know/No opinion	4%	5%	3%	6%	3%	6%	6%	4%	3%	6%	5%	3%	4%	5%	4%	2%	4%	6%	3%	8%	4%	6%	6%	3%	2%

30. Thinking about the state's personal income tax. Two years ago, the tax rate for those earning more than \$200,000 a year was increased from about 7 percent to about 9 percent. That increase is scheduled to expire at the end of 2011. Do you think that...

	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer/Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+
The tax rate increase on those earning more than \$200,000 a year should expire, as Governor Cuomo argues	33%	27%	45%	34%	39%	28%	19%	32%	47%	33%	38%	29%	32%	34%	34%	29%	35%	33%	36%	41%	31%	29%	32%	31%	37%
The tax rate increase on those earning more than \$200,000 a year should be continued, as many legislators argue	65%	71%	53%	63%	60%	69%	79%	67%	50%	64%	59%	69%	65%	64%	63%	71%	61%	65%	62%	58%	67%	69%	64%	68%	61%
Don't know/No opinion	2%	2%	2%	3%	1%	3%	2%	2%	3%	3%	3%	1%	2%	1%	3%	0%	4%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	4%	1%	2%

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31. Of the following four choices, which would be your first step to help close the current 10 billion dollar budget gap facing New York State?																										
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income			
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K- \$100K	\$100K+	
Enact changes to the state's Medicaid program that will save more than three billion dollars	22%	21%	24%	20%	21%	23%	17%	25%	23%	23%	19%	22%	21%	25%	24%	25%	25%	17%	24%	15%	20%	21%	20%	16%	29%	
Reduce school aid by 7.3 percent or about 1.5 billion dollars	5%	6%	6%	5%	6%	5%	2%	7%	6%	6%	6%	4%	6%	3%	6%	8%	3%	6%	7%	11%	4%	3%	4%	7%	5%	
Retain the surcharge on New Yorkers earning more than \$200,000 per year, resulting in 1 billion dollars in revenue for the state this year and between 4 and 5 billion dollars in future years	49%	55%	39%	50%	46%	52%	66%	47%	38%	51%	51%	47%	49%	57%	44%	52%	48%	49%	48%	45%	51%	53%	51%	56%	44%	
Freeze state worker wages and potentially reduce the state work force by nearly 10,000 to save \$550 million	20%	16%	27%	21%	24%	17%	12%	18%	29%	16%	22%	24%	21%	9%	24%	14%	20%	24%	19%	23%	22%	20%	22%	20%	20%	
Don't know/No opinion	3%	3%	5%	3%	4%	3%	3%	3%	4%	4%	3%	3%	3%	6%	3%	1%	4%	4%	2%	7%	4%	3%	3%	1%	2%	
32. Of the remaining three choices, which would be your second step?																										
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income			
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K- \$100K	\$100K+	
Enact changes to the state's Medicaid program that will save more than three billion dollars	28%	27%	28%	33%	30%	27%	31%	26%	31%	25%	35%	28%	29%	30%	28%	36%	29%	23%	32%	22%	28%	28%	23%	36%	28%	
Reduce school aid by 7.3 percent or about 1.5 billion dollars	10%	7%	14%	14%	13%	8%	6%	10%	14%	10%	11%	10%	12%	4%	7%	7%	10%	13%	11%	12%	11%	8%	8%	9%	14%	
Retain the surcharge on New Yorkers earning more than \$200,000 per year, resulting in 1 billion dollars in revenue for the state this year and between 4 and 5 billion dollars in future years	20%	20%	20%	17%	16%	23%	19%	19%	21%	19%	17%	22%	18%	18%	28%	20%	19%	20%	20%	16%	16%	23%	23%	16%	21%	
Freeze state worker wages and potentially reduce the state work force by nearly 10,000 to save \$550 million	35%	39%	31%	31%	35%	35%	34%	40%	29%	38%	32%	34%	34%	44%	33%	36%	36%	34%	33%	39%	40%	33%	38%	36%	33%	
Don't know/No opinion	7%	7%	6%	4%	6%	7%	10%	6%	5%	8%	5%	6%	6%	6%	4%	1%	6%	10%	5%	11%	5%	8%	8%	3%	4%	

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33. Of the two remaining choices, which would be the one you would LEAST like to see enacted?																									
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K- \$100K	\$100K+
Enact changes to the state's Medicaid program that will save more than three billion dollars	18%	18%	16%	18%	18%	17%	14%	18%	19%	18%	18%	17%	18%	20%	13%	10%	17%	23%	15%	23%	18%	19%	20%	18%	15%
Reduce school aid by 7.3 percent or about 1.5 billion dollars	45%	47%	42%	44%	42%	47%	50%	43%	43%	43%	42%	48%	44%	39%	57%	59%	44%	36%	43%	35%	45%	50%	41%	45%	52%
Retain the surcharge on New Yorkers earning more than \$200,000 per year, resulting in 1 billion dollars in revenue for the state this year and between 4 and 5 billion dollars in future years	12%	8%	15%	16%	15%	10%	5%	15%	14%	11%	16%	11%	13%	10%	7%	9%	13%	13%	12%	19%	13%	8%	12%	10%	13%
Freeze state worker wages and potentially reduce the state work force by nearly 10,000 to save \$550 million	19%	21%	18%	16%	18%	20%	24%	17%	19%	20%	19%	17%	19%	25%	17%	21%	19%	18%	24%	11%	17%	17%	17%	22%	17%
Don't know/No opinion	7%	6%	9%	6%	7%	7%	7%	7%	6%	9%	4%	7%	6%	6%	6%	1%	7%	10%	5%	11%	8%	6%	9%	4%	3%
34. Thinking about the effect of the governor's proposed budget on public education in New York, which statement comes closer to your opinion:																									
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K- \$100K	\$100K+
There is plenty of waste and duplication in school districts across New York. They can absorb the cut and students will not suffer.	47%	40%	57%	50%	50%	44%	33%	44%	61%	44%	48%	48%	49%	38%	34%	25%	43%	63%	48%	53%	49%	38%	51%	44%	44%
These are the largest education cuts in New York history, and if adopted, the quality of students' education will be	49%	56%	36%	45%	45%	52%	62%	52%	33%	52%	46%	47%	46%	59%	62%	72%	54%	29%	48%	40%	46%	56%	45%	51%	52%
Don't know/No opinion	5%	4%	7%	4%	5%	4%	5%	4%	6%	4%	5%	5%	5%	3%	4%	2%	3%	8%	4%	6%	5%	6%	4%	4%	4%
35. Thinking about New York's Medicaid program, which statement comes closer to your view:																									
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K- \$100K	\$100K+
New York spends far more than any other state on Medicaid. Certainly, we can tighten our belt and find savings without people suffering.	70%	63%	77%	77%	70%	70%	56%	71%	80%	63%	74%	74%	73%	61%	63%	68%	70%	71%	76%	60%	66%	67%	64%	72%	76%
Many of the current proposals for cutting and reforming Medicaid would have disastrous health care consequences.	27%	34%	21%	19%	26%	28%	40%	26%	17%	33%	22%	24%	24%	37%	34%	31%	27%	24%	22%	32%	33%	29%	32%	26%	21%
Don't know/No opinion	3%	4%	2%	4%	4%	3%	4%	3%	3%	4%	5%	2%	3%	1%	3%	1%	3%	5%	2%	8%	2%	5%	3%	2%	3%

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36. Governor Cuomo said that he expects his proposed budget to be opposed by special interests and lobbyists who will say his budget is not in the best interests of New Yorkers. For example, various education, health care and public employee groups oppose the governor's budget. Governor Cuomo is asking the public to support his budget proposal. Overall how strongly do you support or oppose the Governor's budget proposal? Would you say you...																									
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer/Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+
Strongly support	21%	15%	29%	24%	26%	16%	18%	18%	28%	18%	22%	23%	23%	13%	14%	9%	19%	30%	24%	25%	21%	14%	19%	19%	23%
Somewhat support	51%	53%	47%	51%	51%	51%	44%	55%	51%	49%	50%	54%	51%	55%	47%	62%	47%	48%	52%	47%	53%	47%	48%	57%	51%
Somewhat oppose	17%	19%	15%	17%	14%	21%	22%	17%	14%	18%	19%	16%	16%	18%	26%	20%	21%	13%	16%	14%	18%	21%	17%	17%	16%
Strongly oppose	8%	11%	8%	4%	8%	9%	11%	9%	5%	11%	8%	6%	7%	13%	11%	7%	11%	6%	7%	9%	8%	12%	13%	6%	7%
Don't know/No opinion	3%	2%	1%	4%	2%	3%	5%	2%	2%	4%	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%	3%	1%	5%	1%	5%	3%	1%	3%
37. On another topic, which of the following two choices best describes your view on a proposed property tax cap:																									
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer/Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+
A 2% property tax cap will provide desperately needed relief for homeowners, and promote economic development	64%	57%	74%	67%	64%	63%	48%	65%	77%	55%	70%	69%	66%	59%	61%	60%	61%	68%	67%	61%	66%	58%	69%	67%	56%
While I agree that property taxes are painful for many New Yorkers, the cap - in addition to the proposed education budget cuts - could dramatically lower school quality	31%	37%	19%	30%	32%	30%	46%	31%	17%	37%	25%	27%	29%	37%	37%	39%	34%	23%	28%	28%	31%	34%	26%	29%	39%
Don't know/No opinion	5%	6%	7%	3%	4%	7%	6%	4%	6%	8%	5%	4%	6%	4%	2%	1%	4%	9%	5%	11%	3%	7%	5%	4%	5%
38. One year from today, which of the following two statements about New York State government do you think you will most likely be able to make:																									
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer/Black	Other	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	< \$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+
Albany is considerably less dysfunctional; Governor Cuomo has succeeded in getting Republicans and Democrats to work together for the benefit of New Yorkers	46%	50%	43%	42%	42%	50%	47%	49%	43%	47%	50%	43%	47%	49%	38%	40%	45%	51%	49%	40%	47%	42%	48%	46%	44%
Albany is still way too dysfunctional; while his intentions were good, Governor Cuomo failed in getting Democrats and Republicans to cooperate	46%	43%	47%	51%	50%	42%	43%	45%	49%	43%	44%	49%	45%	43%	59%	56%	49%	37%	46%	46%	45%	49%	44%	49%	47%
Don't know/No opinion	8%	7%	10%	7%	8%	8%	10%	6%	8%	9%	6%	7%	8%	7%	2%	4%	6%	12%	5%	14%	7%	8%	9%	5%	8%

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Nature of the Sample	
New York Registered Voters	
Party	
Democrat	48%
Republican	24%
Independent/Other	25%
Region	
NYC	38%
Suburbs	23%
Upstate	38%
Political View	
Liberal	24%
Moderate	43%
Conservative	31%
Religion	
Catholic	41%
Jewish	10%
Protestant	25%
Other	20%
Age	
18 to 34	23%
35 to 54	39%
55 and older	38%
Gender	
Male	45%
Female	55%
Race/Ethnicity	
White	74%
African American/Black	13%
Other	10%
Income	
Less than \$50,000	29%
\$50,000 to \$100,000	31%
\$100,000 or more	30%