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Q1. Is New York State on the right track, or is it headed in the wrong direction?																						
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
Right track	32%	45%	15%	27%	30%	33%	48%	31%	20%	41%	35%	19%	27%	44%	55%	44%	28%	28%	31%	25%	32%	38%
Wrong direction	54%	38%	76%	62%	57%	51%	38%	52%	68%	40%	52%	69%	60%	40%	32%	45%	56%	58%	55%	54%	57%	48%
Don't know/No opinion	15%	17%	9%	11%	13%	16%	14%	17%	12%	19%	12%	11%	13%	16%	13%	11%	16%	14%	14%	22%	12%	14%

Q2. Is the United States on the right track, or is it headed in the wrong direction?																						
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
Right track	39%	52%	22%	33%	37%	41%	56%	38%	28%	48%	34%	33%	33%	63%	50%	52%	38%	33%	39%	44%	31%	45%
Wrong direction	51%	37%	73%	56%	54%	48%	36%	48%	67%	41%	56%	58%	59%	26%	31%	41%	52%	56%	51%	47%	56%	48%
Don't know/No opinion	10%	11%	5%	11%	9%	11%	8%	13%	5%	11%	9%	9%	9%	11%	18%	6%	10%	11%	10%	8%	13%	7%

Q3. Which of the following five choices best describes how you currently feel about your future in New York State?																						
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
I am never moving out of New York State	19%	22%	16%	17%	18%	20%	20%	23%	14%	24%	16%	17%	21%	12%	21%	11%	13%	31%	26%	21%	14%	12%
I currently have no plans to move out of New York	37%	39%	31%	37%	34%	40%	44%	37%	33%	40%	34%	36%	38%	42%	32%	44%	35%	35%	30%	52%	36%	43%
I may move out of New York State during my retirement, but not before	22%	20%	26%	20%	22%	21%	18%	21%	25%	21%	28%	19%	22%	23%	13%	14%	28%	19%	21%	16%	25%	22%
Unless conditions in New York State get better, I'm going to leave	10%	7%	13%	14%	12%	9%	11%	6%	13%	7%	10%	13%	10%	9%	11%	16%	10%	7%	12%	4%	10%	9%
I would like to move out of New York State as quickly as I can	11%	11%	12%	10%	12%	9%	6%	11%	15%	6%	11%	15%	8%	14%	20%	16%	11%	7%	10%	7%	12%	14%
Don't know/No opinion	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	0%	2%	1%	1%	1%	0%	2%	0%	2%	1%	1%	0%	2%	1%

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 I name.

Q4. David Paterson																						
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
Favorable	30%	36%	25%	26%	29%	31%	34%	32%	24%	34%	23%	30%	27%	45%	29%	37%	24%	31%	24%	24%	40%	31%
Unfavorable	58%	53%	65%	60%	61%	55%	54%	57%	64%	52%	62%	60%	61%	41%	54%	48%	63%	58%	65%	57%	51%	51%
Don't know/No opinion	12%	11%	11%	15%	10%	14%	12%	11%	12%	14%	15%	10%	11%	14%	17%	16%	12%	11%	11%	18%	9%	18%

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Q5. Andrew Cuomo																						
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
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Favorable	64%	78%	39%	64%	59%	69%	87%	67%	44%	73%	64%	56%	62%	78%	70%	58%	63%	70%	61%	71%	64%	70%
Unfavorable	26%	14%	51%	26%	33%	21%	10%	23%	45%	21%	32%	29%	30%	10%	23%	27%	30%	23%	32%	22%	30%	14%
Don't know/No opinion	9%	8%	10%	11%	9%	9%	3%	10%	11%	6%	4%	15%	9%	11%	7%	15%	7%	7%	7%	7%	6%	16%
Q6. Carl Paladino																						
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
Favorable	19%	11%	35%	23%	23%	16%	9%	13%	37%	10%	15%	32%	22%	18%	10%	24%	19%	17%	25%	17%	21%	7%
Unfavorable	68%	75%	53%	67%	65%	70%	87%	73%	47%	74%	74%	57%	67%	69%	72%	59%	68%	72%	63%	67%	63%	81%
Don't know/No opinion	13%	14%	12%	10%	12%	14%	4%	14%	17%	16%	11%	11%	11%	13%	18%	18%	12%	10%	12%	15%	15%	11%
Q7. Kirsten Gillibrand																						
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
Favorable	50%	63%	34%	42%	45%	55%	66%	57%	30%	54%	43%	51%	50%	54%	47%	43%	50%	55%	48%	61%	49%	53%
Unfavorable	24%	13%	39%	29%	28%	20%	8%	17%	47%	15%	28%	30%	26%	12%	20%	21%	25%	24%	29%	15%	25%	15%
Don't know/No opinion	26%	24%	26%	29%	27%	25%	27%	26%	24%	30%	29%	19%	24%	34%	34%	36%	25%	21%	23%	24%	26%	32%
Q8. Tom DiNapoli																						
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
Favorable	30%	31%	31%	30%	33%	27%	30%	32%	29%	24%	31%	35%	32%	28%	23%	35%	26%	32%	33%	39%	26%	26%
Unfavorable	26%	23%	31%	27%	28%	24%	22%	27%	27%	23%	28%	27%	26%	18%	35%	25%	23%	28%	31%	13%	19%	28%
Don't know/No opinion	44%	46%	38%	43%	38%	49%	48%	42%	44%	53%	41%	38%	42%	54%	42%	40%	52%	40%	36%	48%	54%	45%
Q9. Eric Schneiderman																						
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
Favorable	27%	37%	11%	27%	30%	24%	40%	25%	21%	31%	29%	22%	27%	33%	25%	27%	23%	31%	22%	54%	18%	34%
Unfavorable	19%	16%	26%	18%	20%	18%	13%	18%	23%	20%	18%	18%	19%	9%	35%	23%	16%	19%	24%	10%	19%	12%
Don't know/No opinion	54%	47%	63%	55%	50%	57%	46%	57%	56%	49%	52%	60%	55%	58%	40%	51%	61%	49%	53%	36%	64%	54%

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Q10. Charles Schumer																						
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Favorable	67%	83%	43%	58%	60%	72%	85%	74%	45%	76%	62%	61%	64%	86%	58%	61%	64%	72%	61%	78%	64%	76%
Unfavorable	24%	10%	48%	30%	32%	18%	9%	18%	42%	17%	31%	27%	27%	7%	26%	24%	27%	22%	31%	16%	27%	13%
Don't know/No opinion	9%	7%	9%	12%	8%	10%	6%	8%	12%	8%	7%	12%	9%	7%	16%	15%	9%	6%	8%	5%	9%	12%
Q11. Barack Obama																						
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
Favorable	58%	82%	20%	49%	53%	61%	90%	61%	29%	71%	51%	48%	49%	92%	79%	61%	59%	55%	50%	61%	53%	79%
Unfavorable	37%	14%	74%	45%	44%	32%	7%	30%	70%	24%	45%	45%	45%	6%	18%	33%	36%	40%	46%	33%	44%	13%
Don't know/No opinion	5%	3%	7%	6%	3%	7%	3%	8%	1%	4%	4%	7%	6%	2%	2%	6%	5%	5%	4%	7%	3%	9%
Q12. Tea Party Movement																						
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
Favorable	33%	18%	65%	30%	35%	31%	10%	29%	59%	26%	39%	36%	36%	14%	35%	29%	34%	34%	38%	20%	43%	17%
Unfavorable	49%	63%	19%	49%	49%	49%	80%	50%	22%	56%	47%	43%	47%	71%	33%	47%	49%	50%	39%	57%	44%	72%
Don't know/No opinion	18%	18%	16%	21%	16%	20%	11%	20%	19%	18%	15%	21%	17%	16%	32%	25%	17%	16%	23%	23%	13%	11%
Q13. How would you describe the fiscal condition of New York State right now? Would you describe it as excellent, good, fair, or poor?																						
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
Excellent	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Good	7%	10%	4%	6%	8%	6%	8%	6%	8%	11%	5%	4%	6%	12%	12%	15%	5%	5%	11%	7%	4%	4%
Fair	27%	33%	18%	24%	20%	33%	31%	28%	24%	33%	29%	20%	24%	21%	51%	33%	29%	22%	23%	31%	29%	31%
Poor	65%	56%	78%	69%	71%	60%	59%	64%	68%	54%	67%	75%	69%	66%	37%	52%	65%	72%	65%	61%	66%	63%
Don't know/No opinion	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	2%

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Q14. While there are many issues for the new Governor to address, which of the following would you like to see Governor-elect Cuomo make his number one top priority:																						
	Party			Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				
	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
Balancing the state's budget	31%	24%	41%	32%	35%	28%	25%	31%	37%	27%	31%	35%	34%	11%	29%	28%	32%	31%	31%	30%	34%	23%
Developing programs that help create new jobs	48%	56%	35%	48%	44%	52%	52%	49%	41%	55%	39%	47%	44%	74%	52%	60%	49%	41%	48%	49%	48%	56%
Enacting a stronger ethics law, requiring full disclosure of outside income by state officials	6%	6%	5%	6%	8%	5%	10%	4%	6%	7%	8%	4%	7%	3%	4%	4%	5%	9%	5%	7%	4%	9%
Requiring that new legislative districts be crafted by an independent, non-partisan commission	4%	6%	3%	4%	4%	5%	6%	5%	2%	5%	6%	3%	4%	2%	8%	5%	2%	6%	5%	6%	1%	5%
Enacting a property tax cap	9%	6%	14%	9%	8%	9%	6%	10%	11%	4%	17%	8%	9%	8%	3%	2%	10%	11%	8%	7%	10%	6%
Vol: Something else	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	0%	2%	1%	3%	3%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Don't know/No opinion	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%

Q15. Which of those issues should be the number two priority for Governor-elect Cuomo?																						
	Party			Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				
	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
Balancing the state's budget	33%	37%	28%	29%	29%	36%	36%	33%	30%	40%	28%	27%	29%	54%	39%	40%	32%	29%	32%	36%	36%	29%
Developing programs that help create new jobs	23%	19%	29%	25%	21%	25%	19%	23%	28%	22%	24%	25%	25%	12%	25%	20%	23%	26%	25%	23%	25%	17%
Enacting a stronger ethics law, requiring full disclosure of outside income by state officials	16%	19%	11%	12%	21%	11%	20%	14%	12%	18%	17%	13%	17%	10%	14%	10%	20%	14%	13%	19%	15%	19%
Requiring that new legislative districts be crafted by an independent, non-partisan commission	8%	7%	7%	9%	9%	6%	11%	7%	7%	6%	6%	10%	9%	3%	4%	9%	6%	9%	7%	7%	6%	12%
Enacting a property tax cap	18%	14%	24%	23%	17%	18%	11%	20%	21%	12%	24%	21%	19%	19%	8%	18%	19%	17%	22%	13%	15%	17%
Vol: Something else	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	3%	0%	1%	0%	3%	1%	0%	9%	3%	0%	2%	1%	2%	1%	5%
Don't know/No opinion	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	0%	1%	2%	2%	0%	1%	1%

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**For the following issues, I'd like you to tell me whether you are very optimistic, somewhat optimistic, not very optimistic or not at all optimistic that Governor-elect Cuomo will be successful in addressing.**

**Q16. Solving the state's budget deficit**

	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
Very optimistic	12%	17%	9%	6%	10%	14%	9%	14%	10%	15%	11%	10%	8%	33%	15%	12%	10%	15%	13%	19%	11%	10%
Somewhat optimistic	47%	51%	37%	48%	42%	51%	59%	47%	37%	48%	51%	43%	48%	37%	53%	52%	44%	45%	45%	43%	45%	54%
Not very optimistic	25%	20%	28%	30%	25%	24%	22%	23%	30%	24%	22%	27%	27%	19%	14%	15%	30%	26%	25%	30%	18%	
Not at all optimistic	15%	11%	22%	15%	22%	9%	9%	12%	22%	11%	14%	19%	15%	11%	15%	17%	14%	14%	17%	9%	14%	13%
Don't know/No opinion	2%	1%	4%	1%	1%	3%	1%	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	0%	3%	4%	2%	0%	1%	3%	0%	5%

**Q17. Developing programs to create new jobs**

	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
Very optimistic	22%	30%	12%	20%	21%	23%	22%	24%	18%	26%	23%	19%	18%	40%	36%	26%	20%	22%	26%	20%	18%	24%
Somewhat optimistic	53%	54%	53%	52%	46%	60%	66%	57%	42%	56%	51%	53%	56%	46%	42%	57%	53%	52%	49%	56%	60%	53%
Not very optimistic	15%	11%	18%	18%	17%	12%	8%	13%	23%	13%	13%	17%	15%	11%	14%	8%	18%	16%	15%	16%	13%	17%
Not at all optimistic	9%	4%	16%	9%	14%	4%	2%	6%	17%	4%	12%	11%	9%	2%	8%	7%	9%	9%	10%	5%	8%	5%
Don't know/No opinion	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%	2%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	2%	1%	2%

**Q18. Passing a new ethics law requiring full disclosure of outside income by state officials**

	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
Very optimistic	18%	24%	14%	11%	16%	20%	22%	19%	13%	19%	19%	16%	16%	26%	20%	17%	15%	21%	20%	21%	17%	14%
Somewhat optimistic	44%	46%	35%	49%	39%	48%	47%	47%	39%	46%	45%	41%	43%	43%	59%	49%	45%	41%	46%	38%	37%	55%
Not very optimistic	22%	21%	28%	20%	24%	20%	25%	20%	21%	21%	22%	23%	23%	22%	11%	19%	25%	21%	20%	26%	23%	22%
Not at all optimistic	14%	7%	19%	20%	19%	10%	4%	11%	25%	9%	13%	19%	15%	8%	10%	13%	13%	14%	12%	9%	20%	9%
Don't know/No opinion	2%	2%	4%	0%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	4%	1%	1%	3%	1%	0%	2%	2%	2%	2%	5%	3%	1%

**Q19. Turning a property tax cap proposal into law**

	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
Very optimistic	13%	17%	6%	13%	10%	16%	11%	17%	8%	15%	14%	11%	11%	29%	15%	16%	11%	15%	14%	20%	10%	13%
Somewhat optimistic	39%	42%	35%	40%	34%	44%	41%	44%	34%	38%	37%	42%	40%	32%	51%	43%	41%	36%	41%	36%	43%	34%
Not very optimistic	27%	24%	30%	28%	31%	23%	28%	20%	36%	25%	30%	27%	28%	25%	17%	18%	30%	29%	26%	23%	29%	24%
Not at all optimistic	14%	9%	21%	17%	20%	9%	11%	12%	18%	12%	15%	16%	14%	10%	14%	15%	13%	14%	14%	12%	12%	18%
Don't know/No opinion	6%	7%	8%	2%	5%	8%	9%	7%	4%	10%	3%	4%	7%	5%	4%	8%	5%	6%	4%	9%	5%	11%

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Q20. Requiring the upcoming legislative redistricting be done by an independent, non-partisan commission																						
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
Very optimistic	11%	15%	6%	11%	9%	13%	12%	11%	8%	13%	11%	10%	9%	21%	13%	16%	8%	11%	10%	13%	9%	14%
Somewhat optimistic	43%	46%	35%	48%	36%	48%	48%	48%	34%	44%	44%	41%	42%	50%	46%	47%	43%	41%	44%	46%	42%	46%
Not very optimistic	23%	20%	23%	24%	26%	19%	26%	19%	26%	23%	22%	22%	25%	11%	22%	20%	24%	22%	21%	17%	26%	24%
Not at all optimistic	15%	10%	29%	12%	22%	9%	5%	14%	25%	11%	15%	20%	16%	10%	12%	11%	15%	17%	18%	7%	17%	11%
Don't know/No opinion	8%	10%	7%	5%	6%	10%	10%	8%	7%	9%	9%	7%	8%	8%	7%	6%	9%	7%	8%	18%	7%	5%

Q21. Making state government less dysfunctional																						
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
Very optimistic	14%	20%	6%	10%	11%	17%	12%	18%	9%	18%	14%	11%	12%	25%	23%	16%	12%	16%	14%	20%	14%	13%
Somewhat optimistic	44%	47%	36%	46%	41%	46%	52%	43%	40%	46%	43%	41%	44%	45%	46%	51%	44%	40%	45%	33%	46%	44%
Not very optimistic	25%	22%	30%	25%	27%	23%	27%	23%	26%	22%	23%	28%	27%	12%	19%	17%	27%	27%	24%	33%	22%	23%
Not at all optimistic	15%	8%	23%	18%	19%	11%	8%	13%	23%	12%	16%	17%	15%	16%	9%	13%	16%	14%	14%	12%	16%	15%
Don't know/No opinion	3%	2%	6%	0%	2%	3%	2%	4%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%	3%	4%	2%	3%	2%	2%	2%	6%

Q22. New York State faces a multi-billion-dollar budget gap over the current and next fiscal years. Given that health care and education account for the two largest portions of the state budget, which of the following positions best describes how you would prefer Governor-elect Cuomo and the State Legislature close the deficit?																						
	Party				Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
	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
Cut spending to both health care and education to help balance the budget	26%	19%	40%	25%	32%	21%	17%	25%	35%	19%	32%	29%	28%	12%	30%	27%	23%	29%	26%	19%	32%	20%
Cut spending to health care but not education	12%	10%	17%	14%	14%	11%	7%	13%	16%	10%	16%	12%	13%	11%	12%	19%	15%	6%	14%	7%	12%	12%
Cut spending to education but not health care	6%	5%	8%	7%	8%	5%	4%	7%	8%	5%	6%	8%	8%	2%	3%	0%	6%	11%	7%	3%	7%	5%
Do not cut spending to either health care or education, even if it means raising taxes	52%	63%	32%	49%	44%	58%	70%	53%	38%	61%	43%	48%	49%	70%	54%	52%	52%	51%	50%	68%	45%	60%
Don't know/No opinion	3%	3%	4%	4%	3%	4%	2%	3%	4%	4%	4%	3%	3%	5%	2%	2%	4%	3%	3%	4%	5%	2%

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**Q23. Overall, do you think New York State government, under the new Cuomo administration, will improve the quality of life for the people of New York over the next two years, keep things about the same or that the quality of life here in New York will worsen?**

	Total	Party			Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
		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
Improve the quality of life	41%	49%	26%	42%	34%	46%	51%	42%	29%	46%	35%	39%	39%	50%	45%	38%	42%	41%	38%	47%	40%	45%
Keep things about the same	44%	41%	49%	42%	45%	43%	40%	46%	46%	43%	43%	46%	45%	38%	44%	42%	44%	45%	45%	39%	43%	45%
Quality of life will worsen	14%	9%	22%	14%	18%	10%	7%	10%	23%	10%	18%	15%	14%	11%	10%	17%	14%	12%	16%	10%	16%	9%
Don't know/No opinion	2%	1%	3%	2%	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	4%	1%	2%	1%	0%	3%	1%	3%	2%	4%	1%	0%

**Q24. The current Governor, David Paterson, has begun implementing a plan to lay off about 1,000 state workers to help balance the state budget. Do you support or oppose Governor Paterson's plan?**

	Total	Party			Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
		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
Support	40%	30%	53%	44%	47%	33%	33%	38%	49%	35%	41%	44%	47%	11%	17%	22%	41%	47%	39%	42%	41%	36%
Oppose	53%	61%	43%	50%	44%	60%	54%	56%	47%	56%	51%	51%	45%	83%	75%	72%	50%	45%	54%	52%	52%	55%
Don't know/No opinion	8%	9%	4%	6%	9%	7%	14%	6%	4%	9%	8%	6%	8%	6%	8%	6%	9%	7%	7%	7%	7%	9%

**Q25. Switching gears, do you support or oppose the Governor and Legislature passing a law to legalize same sex marriages in New York?**

	Total	Party			Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
		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
Support	52%	62%	33%	56%	49%	55%	84%	52%	29%	53%	53%	52%	56%	41%	47%	65%	54%	44%	52%	60%	39%	68%
Oppose	39%	29%	58%	38%	43%	36%	14%	35%	64%	39%	37%	40%	37%	43%	48%	29%	34%	49%	40%	31%	51%	24%
Don't know/No opinion	9%	8%	8%	6%	9%	9%	2%	13%	7%	9%	10%	8%	7%	15%	5%	6%	12%	7%	8%	9%	10%	8%

**Q26. Currently, it is unclear which party will control the State Senate in January because the elections of state senators in three districts are still not determined. No matter what, the Senate is going to be closely - if not evenly - divided between Democrats and Republicans. Which of the following options do you think would be best for New York?**

	Total	Party			Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
		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
Democrats retain a narrow 2-seat majority and control the Senate	22%	36%	3%	16%	21%	24%	46%	20%	8%	34%	21%	11%	19%	34%	35%	23%	26%	19%	18%	30%	18%	34%
Republicans take a narrow 2 or 4-seat majority and control the Senate	22%	6%	54%	24%	28%	18%	6%	17%	46%	13%	25%	30%	27%	5%	10%	24%	23%	21%	27%	16%	26%	11%
Regardless of the outcome, Republicans and Democrats should share power, jointly running the Senate	53%	55%	40%	57%	50%	55%	47%	61%	43%	50%	51%	56%	52%	61%	48%	50%	47%	58%	53%	49%	53%	52%
Don't know/No opinion	3%	3%	3%	3%	2%	3%	1%	3%	4%	3%	3%	2%	2%	0%	8%	3%	4%	2%	2%	5%	3%	3%

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Q27. Do you think Carl Paladino should or should not remain active in politics in New York?																						
	Party			Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				
	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
<b>Should</b>	27%	20%	45%	25%	29%	25%	10%	29%	39%	21%	30%	31%	28%	34%	18%	29%	27%	26%	31%	24%	28%	19%
<b>Should not</b>	58%	65%	41%	62%	59%	58%	80%	56%	44%	60%	56%	58%	58%	53%	65%	51%	60%	61%	53%	57%	60%	67%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	15%	15%	14%	13%	12%	17%	9%	15%	17%	19%	14%	11%	14%	13%	17%	20%	14%	12%	16%	19%	12%	14%
Q28. Despite the fact that he has not even been sworn in as Governor, some are already speculating that Andrew Cuomo may be considered as a candidate for President in the future. Which of these two options best describes how you feel about this speculation?																						
	Party			Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion				
	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
<b>I don't like the speculation because Cuomo needs to prove he can succeed as Governor first</b>	85%	79%	92%	94%	87%	84%	81%	86%	89%	84%	83%	88%	88%	77%	80%	84%	84%	87%	84%	83%	88%	86%
<b>I like the speculation because it shows that New York plays a prominent role in national politics</b>	11%	16%	6%	5%	8%	13%	15%	12%	8%	12%	11%	10%	9%	20%	15%	11%	12%	10%	12%	12%	10%	11%
<b>Don't know/No opinion</b>	4%	5%	2%	1%	5%	3%	5%	2%	4%	4%	7%	2%	3%	4%	5%	5%	4%	3%	4%	5%	2%	3%



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<b>Nature of the Sample</b>	
<b>Registered Voters</b>	
<b>Party</b>	
Democrat	47%
Republican	24%
Independent/Other	25%
<b>Region</b>	
NYC	38%
Suburbs	24%
Upstate	38%
<b>Political View</b>	
Liberal	23%
Moderate	40%
Conservative	30%
<b>Religion</b>	
Catholic	42%
Jewish	10%
Protestant	24%
Other	19%
<b>Age</b>	
18 to 34	23%
35 to 54	38%
55 and older	38%
<b>Gender</b>	
Male	45%
Female	55%
<b>Race/Ethnicity</b>	
White	72%
African American/Black	13%
Other	11%