

Siena College Research Institute
December 6 - 8, 2010
806 New York State Registered Voters
MOE +/- 3.5%

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	29%	36%	18%	24%	28%	29%	37%	33%	17%	38%	27%	21%	25%	45%	48%	37%	25%	28%	24%	31%	32%	31%
Wrong direction	60%	50%	73%	67%	60%	59%	48%	57%	75%	46%	62%	72%	65%	39%	43%	53%	65%	59%	68%	58%	57%	54%
Don't know/No opinion	11%	13%	9%	8%	11%	11%	15%	10%	8%	16%	12%	7%	11%	15%	8%	10%	10%	13%	8%	11%	11%	15%

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			
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Right track	30%	41%	16%	22%	29%	31%	40%	34%	17%	36%	26%	27%	27%	48%	42%	27%	33%	29%	31%	21%	31%	30%
Wrong direction	59%	48%	77%	65%	63%	56%	49%	56%	73%	52%	66%	62%	64%	29%	52%	59%	59%	60%	61%	71%	55%	57%
Don't know/No opinion	11%	11%	7%	13%	8%	13%	10%	11%	11%	12%	8%	11%	9%	23%	5%	14%	8%	11%	7%	8%	14%	13%

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.

Q3. 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	32%	33%	27%	35%	33%	32%	31%	35%	28%	36%	27%	31%	31%	34%	41%	22%	31%	39%	33%	37%	28%	33%
Unfavorable	61%	59%	67%	61%	61%	61%	62%	59%	67%	56%	65%	63%	62%	56%	51%	68%	64%	53%	62%	52%	65%	60%
Don't know/No opinion	7%	8%	6%	5%	6%	8%	7%	6%	6%	7%	8%	6%	6%	10%	8%	10%	5%	7%	6%	11%	8%	7%

Q4. Andrew 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
Favorable	66%	78%	47%	64%	63%	69%	77%	76%	43%	72%	64%	62%	65%	76%	69%	58%	64%	73%	66%	73%	63%	68%
Unfavorable	25%	15%	45%	27%	28%	23%	16%	18%	46%	20%	27%	30%	27%	14%	22%	34%	28%	18%	28%	20%	27%	24%
Don't know/No opinion	8%	8%	8%	9%	9%	7%	8%	6%	11%	8%	9%	8%	8%	10%	9%	8%	8%	9%	6%	8%	11%	8%

Q5. 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	55%	74%	27%	45%	53%	57%	74%	63%	27%	62%	48%	52%	49%	92%	71%	50%	56%	58%	48%	45%	59%	67%
Unfavorable	42%	24%	70%	51%	44%	41%	24%	34%	70%	34%	51%	44%	48%	6%	26%	47%	41%	39%	50%	51%	38%	30%
Don't know/No opinion	3%	2%	3%	3%	4%	3%	2%	3%	3%	3%	1%	4%	3%	2%	3%	2%	3%	3%	2%	4%	3%	3%

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Q6. Tea Party Movement																						
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Favorable	31%	19%	56%	31%	38%	25%	11%	25%	57%	24%	34%	36%	32%	19%	33%	32%	30%	31%	37%	25%	32%	23%
Unfavorable	52%	68%	29%	48%	47%	57%	73%	59%	27%	64%	47%	44%	50%	70%	51%	46%	57%	52%	45%	61%	48%	66%
Don't know/No opinion	17%	13%	15%	22%	15%	18%	16%	16%	16%	12%	19%	20%	18%	11%	16%	22%	14%	17%	18%	14%	20%	11%
Q7. Sheldon Silver																						
	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	22%	31%	14%	13%	21%	23%	24%	22%	23%	32%	12%	19%	20%	39%	28%	22%	24%	21%	21%	36%	23%	17%
Unfavorable	42%	36%	49%	46%	51%	35%	40%	40%	47%	35%	49%	44%	44%	25%	49%	32%	41%	49%	47%	34%	39%	41%
Don't know/No opinion	36%	33%	37%	41%	28%	43%	35%	38%	31%	33%	39%	37%	37%	36%	23%	46%	35%	30%	32%	30%	38%	42%
Q8. Dean Skelos																						
	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	9%	8%	10%	11%	11%	8%	8%	11%	9%	8%	13%	9%	9%	11%	17%	7%	9%	11%	11%	6%	8%	10%
Unfavorable	19%	23%	14%	17%	21%	18%	23%	20%	18%	18%	20%	20%	18%	20%	22%	24%	22%	14%	20%	17%	20%	19%
Don't know/No opinion	71%	69%	76%	72%	68%	74%	69%	70%	74%	74%	67%	71%	73%	69%	62%	69%	69%	75%	69%	77%	73%	72%
Q9. John Sampson																						
	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	10%	13%	4%	12%	11%	9%	14%	10%	8%	11%	8%	10%	9%	16%	22%	15%	10%	7%	8%	13%	12%	10%
Unfavorable	14%	15%	14%	12%	15%	13%	16%	12%	16%	15%	18%	11%	13%	22%	14%	20%	15%	9%	16%	12%	11%	15%
Don't know/No opinion	76%	72%	82%	76%	74%	78%	71%	78%	76%	74%	74%	79%	78%	63%	64%	65%	75%	84%	75%	76%	77%	75%
Q10. Brian Kolb																						
	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	9%	9%	10%	7%	13%	6%	9%	10%	8%	7%	7%	13%	8%	7%	20%	17%	9%	4%	12%	6%	6%	9%
Unfavorable	9%	10%	11%	7%	10%	9%	9%	9%	11%	9%	11%	9%	8%	19%	5%	16%	9%	6%	8%	7%	12%	9%
Don't know/No opinion	82%	81%	79%	86%	77%	85%	81%	81%	81%	85%	82%	78%	83%	74%	75%	67%	82%	90%	80%	86%	82%	82%

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Q11. How would you rate the job that David Paterson is doing as Governor? Would you rate it excellent, good, fair, or poor?																						
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		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	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	3%	2%	1%	2%	2%	5%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	3%	2%
Good	15%	16%	13%	14%	15%	15%	13%	16%	16%	16%	11%	17%	15%	20%	6%	10%	13%	20%	13%	12%	16%	19%
Fair	41%	45%	36%	39%	38%	42%	41%	43%	36%	44%	44%	36%	40%	49%	46%	39%	41%	41%	40%	48%	40%	39%
Poor	41%	36%	47%	44%	45%	38%	44%	38%	45%	36%	43%	44%	43%	22%	46%	49%	42%	35%	45%	33%	38%	40%
Don't know/No opinion	2%	2%	2%	0%	0%	3%	1%	1%	1%	3%	1%	1%	1%	4%	0%	0%	3%	2%	1%	4%	3%	0%

Q12. In the month since Election Day, how would you rate the job that Governor-elect Andrew Cuomo is doing as he prepares to become Governor on January 1st? Would you rate it as excellent, good, fair, or poor?																						
	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
Excellent	7%	10%	3%	3%	7%	6%	5%	6%	7%	8%	7%	5%	4%	17%	19%	4%	5%	10%	8%	8%	7%	4%
Good	36%	45%	23%	35%	32%	40%	44%	38%	30%	40%	35%	32%	36%	45%	30%	33%	36%	38%	35%	42%	35%	38%
Fair	33%	27%	45%	33%	36%	31%	30%	32%	40%	28%	35%	37%	35%	26%	34%	44%	33%	28%	36%	28%	35%	31%
Poor	6%	3%	12%	8%	8%	5%	3%	6%	10%	7%	6%	6%	7%	3%	3%	3%	9%	6%	8%	6%	5%	5%
Don't know/No opinion	18%	16%	17%	21%	17%	18%	18%	18%	13%	17%	16%	20%	18%	9%	15%	15%	17%	19%	14%	15%	18%	23%

Q13. 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?																						
	Total	Party			Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
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Re-elect Obama	43%	62%	10%	37%	41%	45%	66%	46%	19%	56%	34%	36%	35%	87%	65%	37%	42%	47%	35%	36%	47%	55%
Prefer someone else	47%	29%	83%	50%	50%	45%	25%	44%	73%	37%	55%	53%	55%	7%	24%	54%	47%	43%	57%	47%	45%	35%
Don't know/No opinion	10%	9%	6%	14%	10%	10%	9%	11%	8%	8%	11%	12%	10%	5%	11%	9%	11%	9%	8%	16%	9%	10%

Q14. If Andrew Cuomo was forced to limit his inaugural address to only one topic, which of the following would you like to see the new Governor make the topic of his address :																						
	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
Resolving the state's budget deficits	22%	19%	28%	25%	26%	19%	18%	22%	26%	22%	19%	25%	23%	16%	30%	25%	19%	24%	23%	14%	19%	29%
Reforming state government ethics	10%	9%	9%	10%	13%	7%	10%	8%	11%	9%	8%	12%	10%	4%	16%	9%	5%	15%	11%	9%	8%	10%
Revitalizing the state's economy	44%	43%	46%	48%	45%	44%	46%	45%	42%	40%	53%	43%	46%	41%	31%	43%	49%	40%	44%	45%	47%	41%
Improving the quality of education	14%	17%	10%	11%	9%	18%	17%	15%	10%	19%	12%	10%	12%	26%	14%	18%	16%	10%	11%	16%	16%	16%
Strengthening our health care system	8%	10%	5%	5%	5%	10%	8%	7%	8%	8%	6%	8%	7%	10%	9%	4%	8%	9%	9%	13%	8%	3%
Vol: Something else	1%	1%	3%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	0%	0%	1%	2%	0%	2%	2%	0%	1%
Don't know/No opinion	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%	0%	0%	1%	2%	0%	2%	2%	1%

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Q15. Would you say you paid more attention or less attention to politics in 2010 than you did in previous years, or would you say you paid about the same amount of attention to politics in 2010 as you have in previous years?

	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
More attention	42%	40%	50%	39%	39%	44%	26%	43%	55%	40%	38%	47%	42%	41%	47%	40%	42%	43%	48%	39%	44%	32%
Less attention	12%	15%	10%	9%	11%	14%	18%	10%	11%	15%	11%	11%	13%	16%	7%	14%	14%	10%	11%	14%	13%	13%
Same amount	45%	44%	40%	52%	50%	42%	56%	47%	34%	45%	51%	43%	46%	43%	46%	46%	44%	47%	40%	46%	43%	54%
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%	1%

Q16. Now that it is certain that the Republicans have regained the majority in the State Senate for the 2011 legislative session, do you think the state senate under Republican control will be more effective, less effective or that Republican control will not change the level of effectiveness in the senate addressing New York's problems?

	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
More effective	31%	19%	56%	29%	28%	33%	16%	27%	49%	26%	37%	32%	34%	16%	20%	42%	28%	27%	38%	34%	29%	21%
Less effective	21%	32%	5%	16%	19%	23%	37%	19%	11%	30%	15%	16%	17%	45%	39%	18%	22%	22%	16%	26%	25%	24%
No change	43%	45%	34%	49%	48%	39%	41%	50%	35%	39%	45%	46%	45%	37%	33%	36%	47%	44%	42%	37%	41%	49%
Don't know/No opinion	5%	4%	5%	6%	5%	5%	5%	4%	5%	4%	4%	6%	5%	2%	8%	4%	4%	7%	4%	3%	5%	6%

Now, I'd like you to imagine that you are a New York State Senator for a day. I'm going to mention a few legislative ideas that might come up for a vote in the State Senate and I'd like you to tell me what YOU would do as State Senator. Would you vote for the proposal or would you vote against the proposal? And remember, State Senators do not have the option to abstain from voting.

Q17. Making same sex marriages legal 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
Vote for	56%	63%	39%	63%	54%	58%	83%	63%	25%	59%	56%	54%	57%	49%	64%	67%	59%	47%	52%	61%	44%	74%
Vote against	43%	36%	61%	36%	45%	41%	16%	36%	74%	40%	42%	46%	42%	51%	36%	32%	39%	52%	46%	39%	55%	24%
Don't know/No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%	1%

Q18. Allowing wine to be sold in supermarkets and grocery stores 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
Vote for	59%	56%	61%	65%	65%	55%	65%	60%	55%	53%	67%	61%	62%	47%	53%	77%	59%	49%	57%	57%	56%	70%
Vote against	39%	42%	38%	34%	34%	43%	34%	39%	44%	45%	33%	37%	37%	52%	43%	23%	39%	48%	42%	41%	42%	28%
Don't know/No opinion	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	4%	0%	2%	3%	1%	1%	2%	2%

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Q19. Requiring state legislators to detail the amount and source of all their income earned outside of their legislative duties																						
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Vote for	85%	84%	84%	91%	87%	84%	89%	86%	83%	84%	85%	87%	87%	80%	87%	82%	85%	88%	85%	83%	84%	88%
Vote against	14%	15%	16%	9%	13%	15%	11%	14%	17%	14%	15%	13%	13%	18%	13%	18%	14%	11%	14%	16%	14%	12%
Don't know/No opinion	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%	0%	0%	2%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%
Q20. Limiting to 2 percent the amount property taxes can rise each year																						
	Total	Party			Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
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Vote for	76%	71%	82%	82%	74%	77%	70%	79%	77%	72%	74%	82%	80%	66%	61%	81%	77%	72%	74%	72%	80%	77%
Vote against	21%	26%	17%	16%	24%	19%	27%	19%	21%	24%	22%	18%	18%	30%	39%	18%	21%	24%	23%	25%	18%	20%
Don't know/No opinion	3%	3%	1%	2%	1%	4%	3%	2%	3%	4%	4%	1%	2%	3%	0%	1%	2%	4%	3%	3%	2%	3%
Q21. Imposing a new tax of a nickel per 12 oz serving on sugared beverages, such as soda, in New York																						
	Total	Party			Gender		Political View			Region			Ethnic			Age			Religion			
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Vote for	43%	43%	36%	51%	44%	43%	57%	42%	35%	46%	49%	38%	45%	31%	55%	45%	39%	46%	34%	62%	40%	53%
Vote against	56%	56%	64%	49%	55%	57%	42%	58%	65%	53%	51%	62%	54%	69%	45%	55%	60%	53%	65%	36%	59%	46%
Don't know/No opinion	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%
Q22. Reducing state aid to education by \$1 billion to help close the state's \$9 billion deficit in next year's budget																						
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		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
Vote for	23%	19%	35%	21%	28%	19%	11%	20%	38%	20%	23%	26%	25%	24%	13%	23%	22%	25%	27%	25%	24%	18%
Vote against	74%	79%	64%	76%	71%	77%	88%	77%	60%	77%	74%	72%	74%	76%	86%	74%	77%	72%	71%	75%	75%	78%
Don't know/No opinion	2%	2%	1%	3%	1%	4%	1%	3%	1%	3%	3%	1%	2%	0%	1%	3%	2%	3%	2%	1%	1%	4%
Q23. Reducing state aid to Medicaid and health care by \$1 billion to help close the state's \$9 billion deficit in next year's budget																						
	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
Vote for	29%	25%	39%	29%	30%	28%	17%	26%	44%	24%	28%	34%	29%	31%	26%	26%	35%	25%	39%	12%	30%	21%
Vote against	68%	73%	58%	67%	67%	69%	82%	69%	54%	71%	68%	64%	67%	69%	71%	72%	61%	72%	57%	83%	68%	74%
Don't know/No opinion	3%	3%	3%	4%	3%	4%	2%	4%	3%	5%	4%	2%	3%	0%	3%	2%	4%	4%	3%	5%	1%	5%

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Q24. Increasing the state's personal income tax rate on those families making more than \$1 million a year to help close the state's \$9 billion deficit in next year's budget																						
	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
Vote for	73%	78%	60%	72%	68%	76%	88%	78%	53%	75%	72%	71%	72%	79%	77%	66%	74%	75%	69%	65%	76%	78%
Vote against	26%	20%	39%	26%	31%	22%	10%	21%	46%	22%	27%	28%	27%	17%	22%	34%	24%	22%	30%	35%	22%	20%
Don't know/No opinion	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	3%	1%	1%	1%	3%	1%	0%	1%	3%	2%	0%	2%	2%
Q25. Increasing the salaries of state judges, who have not received a pay raise since 1998																						
	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
Vote for	43%	48%	39%	38%	48%	38%	49%	49%	30%	49%	38%	39%	41%	52%	61%	43%	47%	39%	40%	48%	42%	47%
Vote against	52%	48%	58%	54%	49%	55%	48%	47%	67%	45%	55%	58%	55%	45%	38%	49%	50%	57%	57%	43%	56%	46%
Don't know/No opinion	5%	4%	3%	7%	2%	7%	4%	4%	3%	5%	7%	3%	4%	3%	1%	8%	4%	4%	3%	10%	2%	7%
Q26. Increasing the salaries of state legislators, who have not received a pay raise since 1998																						
	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
Vote for	27%	31%	20%	29%	28%	27%	31%	30%	20%	33%	27%	22%	25%	38%	44%	37%	28%	21%	26%	34%	24%	33%
Vote against	69%	65%	79%	66%	69%	69%	64%	67%	78%	62%	70%	75%	71%	60%	53%	59%	69%	75%	72%	59%	73%	63%
Don't know/No opinion	4%	3%	1%	5%	3%	4%	5%	2%	2%	5%	2%	3%	4%	2%	3%	5%	3%	3%	3%	7%	3%	4%
Q27. Legalizing the use of prescription marijuana for medical purposes																						
	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
Vote for	60%	62%	52%	66%	62%	59%	73%	65%	40%	62%	61%	58%	62%	52%	60%	57%	67%	55%	60%	70%	50%	68%
Vote against	37%	36%	46%	31%	37%	38%	26%	32%	56%	35%	37%	40%	36%	46%	40%	40%	31%	42%	38%	27%	47%	30%
Don't know/No opinion	3%	2%	2%	3%	1%	4%	1%	2%	4%	3%	2%	2%	3%	2%	0%	2%	2%	3%	2%	3%	3%	2%
Q28. 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?																						
	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
Improve the quality of life	45%	56%	31%	38%	43%	47%	53%	49%	31%	54%	41%	38%	44%	52%	65%	48%	40%	47%	42%	54%	45%	48%
Keep things about the same	42%	36%	50%	48%	42%	42%	37%	39%	50%	32%	50%	47%	44%	40%	25%	43%	43%	40%	47%	28%	43%	37%
Quality of life will worsen	10%	5%	16%	10%	13%	7%	6%	8%	15%	9%	5%	13%	9%	6%	6%	6%	13%	9%	9%	10%	10%	10%
Don't know/No opinion	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%	4%	5%	4%	2%	3%	2%	3%	4%	3%	4%	2%	8%	2%	5%

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Q29. If you could play Santa Claus, which of the following gifts would you most like to leave under Governor-elect Andrew Cuomo's Christmas tree?																						
		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
A balanced state budget with no new taxes	29%	26%	31%	32%	29%	30%	22%	29%	37%	27%	36%	28%	31%	23%	26%	29%	28%	31%	33%	28%	29%	23%
A thriving Wall Street to help New York's economy	7%	8%	9%	6%	9%	6%	7%	9%	5%	8%	11%	4%	7%	8%	10%	11%	6%	6%	8%	10%	5%	9%
A revitalized upstate economy that produces jobs	32%	32%	34%	32%	35%	30%	34%	35%	28%	24%	26%	44%	34%	32%	26%	31%	34%	32%	32%	17%	35%	39%
A scandal-free and effective State Legislature	9%	8%	11%	9%	10%	9%	8%	10%	8%	10%	9%	8%	10%	7%	1%	7%	9%	11%	11%	10%	8%	8%
The best schools and hospitals in the nation	20%	24%	13%	18%	15%	24%	28%	16%	19%	28%	17%	13%	17%	28%	38%	21%	21%	18%	15%	34%	21%	20%
Vol: Something else	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	2%	1%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%
Don't know/No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%

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Nature of the Sample	
New York Registered Voters	
Party	
Democrat	48%
Republican	24%
Independent/Other	25%
Region	
NYC	38%
Suburbs	24%
Upstate	38%
Political View	
Liberal	24%
Moderate	44%
Conservative	29%
Religion	
Catholic	36%
Jewish	10%
Protestant	28%
Other	23%
Age	
18 to 34	23%
35 to 54	39%
55 and older	38%
Gender	
Male	45%
Female	55%
Race/Ethnicity	
White	78%
African American/Black	11%
Other	7%