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Siena College Poll:

Hochul Favorability & Job Approval Ratings Each Drop by Net 8 Points; Voters Say Hochul is Honest, Hard Working & Not Corrupt; But Plurality Says She's Out of Touch with Average New Yorkers

Top Issues Voters Want Albany to Address Remain the Same:

Cost of Living in NY, Recent Influx of Migrants, Crime and Housing

***Biden Leads Trump by 12 Points in Head-to-Head & by 10 Points with RFK & West;
Biden v. Trump v. 'Someone Else' – Someone Else 41, Biden 28, Trump 28***

Loudonville, NY. Governor Kathy Hochul's favorability rating, 41-46%, down from 45-42% last month, and job approval rating, 48-47%, down from 52-43%, each fell by net eight points from January, according to a Siena College poll of registered New York State voters released today. A majority of voters says Hochul is hard working, and pluralities think she is honest and is not corrupt, while voters are closely divided on whether she is effective or a strong leader, and a plurality of voters says she is out of touch with average New Yorkers.

Nearly half of voters, 49%, identify the cost of living in New York as one of their top two issues for the Governor and Legislature to address, 29% calling it the top issue. The recent influx of migrants, crime, and affordable housing are New Yorkers' next three top issues.

President Biden leads former President Trump in a head-to-head match-up, 48-36%, up a little from 46-37% last month. If given their way, 41% of voters say they want the next president to be someone other than Biden or Trump, each of whom has the support of 28% of voters in that scenario.

"After recording her best favorability and job approval ratings in nearly a year last month, Hochul saw both fall by net eight points this month, with her favorability rating slipping back into negative territory, where it spent most of 2023," Siena College pollster Steven Greenberg said. "Whether it was her budget proposals, her efforts on issues of importance to voters, or perhaps the recent attention-grabbing special election in Queens and Nassau, both Hochul's favorability and job approval ratings fell the most with downstate suburban voters and Democrats.

"Another potential factor affecting how voters see Hochul is that a majority, 56%, continue to say that the quality of life in New York is getting worse, compared to only 14% who think it's getting better, and 25% who say it's staying about the same," Greenberg said. "More than two-thirds of Republicans and independents think the quality of life in New York is getting worse, as do a plurality, 42%, of Democrats."

| Governor Hochul Characteristics | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--------|----------------------|------------|------------|--------------|-----------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| Hochul Is or Is Not... | | February 2024 | | | | May 2023 | | | |
| | | Total | Dem | Rep | I / O | Total | Dem | Rep | I / O |
| Hard working | Is | 56% | 65% | 40% | 51% | 58% | 72% | 41% | 45% |
| | Is Not | 18% | 11% | 37% | 17% | 20% | 8% | 38% | 27% |
| Corrupt | Is | 22% | 14% | 33% | 26% | 26% | 15% | 44% | 30% |
| | Is Not | 49% | 59% | 34% | 43% | 47% | 58% | 30% | 41% |
| Honest | Is | 42% | 54% | 31% | 32% | 44% | 61% | 24% | 31% |
| | Is Not | 29% | 16% | 43% | 40% | 32% | 18% | 56% | 40% |
| Effective | Is | 40% | 52% | 24% | 33% | 39% | 55% | 21% | 27% |
| | Is Not | 37% | 24% | 61% | 41% | 39% | 23% | 65% | 47% |
| A strong leader | Is | 36% | 47% | 20% | 28% | 40% | 57% | 20% | 26% |
| | Is Not | 40% | 26% | 67% | 43% | 40% | 21% | 70% | 51% |
| Out of touch with average NYers | Is | 43% | 36% | 56% | 46% | 49% | 39% | 69% | 50% |
| | Is Not | 33% | 35% | 28% | 32% | 31% | 37% | 18% | 31% |
| Siena College Poll: February 20, 2024 | | | | | | | | | |

“The good news for the Governor is that a strong majority of voters – including a majority of independents and a small plurality of Republicans – think she is hard working, and 49% say she is not corrupt – although Republicans are closely divided. A plurality of all voters and a majority of Democrats also think Hochul is honest,” Greenberg said. “While Democrats think she is effective and strong leader, overall voters are closely divided.

“A plurality of voters, including a majority of Republicans and a plurality of independents, think Hochul is out of touch with average New Yorkers,” Greenberg said. “Even Democrats are closely divided.”

Cost of Living Remains Voters’ Top Issue for Albany to Address, Followed by Migrants, Crime, Housing

Top issue voters want Governor and Legislature to address: cost of living 29%, influx of migrants 23%, crime 15%, affordable housing 13%, access to health care 9%, and environment and New Yorkers leaving the state 4% each. Top two issues: cost of living 49%, migrants 39%, crime 33%, housing 29%, health 24%, and New Yorkers leaving and environment 10% each.

“New Yorkers were clear on the top issues they wanted the Governor and Legislature to address in September, and those are the same issues they want Albany to address today. The cost of living in the state, the recent influx of migrants to New York, crime, and the need for affordable housing were the top issues in the fall and remain the top issues today,” Greenberg said. “The top three issues for Democrats are cost of living, housing and migrants. For Republicans it’s migrants, cost of living and crime. Independents say cost of living, migrants and crime.”

Biden Holds Double-Digit Lead Over Trump in 2- or 4-Way Race; ‘Someone Else’ Beats Biden & Trump

“While Biden holds a 12-point lead over Trump in a head-to-head matchup, and leads by 10 points in a four-way race, it’s worth remembering just how ‘blue’ New York is. Democrats have a 27-point enrollment advantage over Republicans, Biden beat Trump by 23 points in 2020, and no Republican presidential candidate has carried the state since Ronald Reagan in 1984, 40 years ago,” Greenberg said.

“When asked their presidential preference among Biden, Trump and ‘someone else,’ a plurality of New Yorkers, including a large majority of independents, want someone other than Biden or Trump,” Greenberg said. “While 61% of Republicans stick with Trump and 29% want someone else, only 46% of Democrats want Biden, compared to 38% who want another choice. Pluralities of white, Black and Latino voters all want their next president to not be named Biden or Trump.”

Majority of Voters: Neither Trump Federal Conviction nor Biden Impeachment Would Change Their Vote

“If Trump were convicted of a federal crime, 54% of voters say it would make no difference in their vote, while 31% would be less likely to support him and 11% more likely. Similarly, 65% say a Biden impeachment would have no impact on their vote, compared to 19% who would be less likely and 11% more likely,” Greenberg said. “Majorities of Republicans and independents say neither would change their vote. A majority of Democrats say that about a Biden impeachment but only a plurality feels that way about a Trump conviction.”

Odds & Ends

- The Supreme Court currently has a 44-45% favorability rating, up from 37-52% last May. Democrats still view the Court unfavorably, 37-56%, but up significantly from 27-65% in May. Independents are slightly favorable, 45-42%, up from 40-49%, and Republicans remain favorable, 59-25%.
- A majority, 56%, thinks crime across the state has gotten worse in the last year, up from 48% last month. A plurality of voters, 48%, continues to think crime in their community has stayed about the same. Now, 58% of voters are very or somewhat concerned they will be a victim of crime, little changed from 59% last May.
- Support for increasing military and economic aid for Ukraine rose a little to 51-36%, up from 50-40% last month, while voters remain divided on increasing Israeli aid, 44-43%, from 43-45% last month.
- Nearly three-quarters of voters, 71%, think it’s very or somewhat likely that the U.S. will remain a democratic republic at the end of this decade, compared to 19% who think it’s not at all or not very likely, virtually unchanged from 71-18% in September. Democrats, 75% are most optimistic, followed by Republicans, 69%, and 64% of independents.
- Only 7% think both Biden and Trump are physically and mentally fit to serve a four-year term, while 32% think neither is fit, and 35% say Trump is but Biden is not, and 23% say Biden is fit but not Trump.

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This Siena College Poll was conducted February 12-14, 2024, among 806 NYS Registered Voters. Of the 806 respondents, 496 were contacted through a dual frame (landline and cell phone) mode and 310 respondents were drawn from a proprietary online panel (Lucid). Telephone calls were conducted in English and respondent sampling was initiated by asking for the youngest person in the household. Telephone sampling was conducted via a stratified dual frame probability sample of landline and cell phone telephone numbers weighted to reflect known population patterns. The landline telephone sample was obtained from ASDE and the cell phone sample was obtained from Dynata. Data from collection modes was statistically adjusted by age, party by region, race/ethnicity, education, and gender to ensure representativeness. It has an overall margin of error of +/- 4.2 percentage points including the design effects resulting from weighting. The Siena College Research Institute, directed by Donald Levy, Ph.D., conducts political, economic, social, and cultural research primarily in NYS. SCRI, an independent, non-partisan research institute, subscribes to the American Association of Public Opinion Research Code of Professional Ethics and Practices. For more information, call Steve Greenberg at (518) 469-9858. For survey crosstabs: www.Siena.edu/SCRI/SNY.



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Q. 1 Is New York State on the right track, or is it headed in the wrong direction?

| DATE | RIGHT TRACK | WRONG DIRECTION | DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION |
|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------|
| February 2024 | 36 | 52 | 11 |
| January 2024 | 34 | 55 | 10 |
| November 2023 | 36 | 53 | 11 |
| October 2023 | 34 | 52 | 14 |
| September 2023 | 35 | 52 | 13 |
| August 2023 | 39 | 48 | 12 |
| June 2023 | 38 | 50 | 12 |
| May 2023 | 42 | 48 | 11 |
| March 2023 | 39 | 48 | 14 |
| February 2023 | 41 | 49 | 10 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 65 (4/20) | 76 (10/31/10) | 30 (1/07) |
| LOWEST EVER | 14 (10/10) | 26 (1/07) | 7 (4/20, 2/17, 5/13) |

Q. 2 Is the United States on the right track, or is it headed in the wrong direction?

| DATE | RIGHT TRACK | WRONG DIRECTION | DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| February 2024 | 31 | 62 | 8 |
| January 2024 | 31 | 60 | 9 |
| November 2023 | 25 | 66 | 9 |
| October 2023 | 25 | 65 | 10 |
| September 2023 | 33 | 59 | 8 |
| August 2023 | 30 | 62 | 8 |
| June 2023 | 32 | 61 | 8 |
| May 2023 | 28 | 63 | 8 |
| March 2023 | 33 | 57 | 10 |
| February 2023 | 35 | 56 | 9 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 62 (5/09) | 74 (10/13, 8/11) | 17 (9/08) |
| LOWEST EVER | 19 (8/22, 10/13, 10/08) | 24 (12/09) | 5 (1/13) |

Q. 3 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Joe Biden?

| DATE | FAVORABLE | UNFAVORABLE | DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| February 2024 | 46 | 50 | 4 |
| January 2024 | 43 | 53 | 3 |
| November 2023 | 44 | 51 | 4 |
| October 2023 | 45 | 52 | 3 |
| September 2023 | 50 | 45 | 5 |
| August 2023 | 46 | 50 | 4 |
| June 2023 | 47 | 47 | 6 |
| May 2023 | 51 | 45 | 4 |
| March 2023 | 48 | 45 | 6 |
| February 2023 | 54 | 43 | 3 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 65 (2/21) | 53 (1/24) | 28 (9/08) |
| LOWEST EVER | 43 (1/24) | 26 (9/08) | 3 (1/24, 2/23, 9/22, 2/21) |

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Q. 4 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Donald Trump?

| DATE | FAVORABLE | UNFAVORABLE | DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------------|
| February 2024 | 37 | 58 | 4 |
| January 2024 | 37 | 57 | 5 |
| November 2023 | 34 | 60 | 6 |
| October 2023 | 36 | 59 | 5 |
| September 2023 | 33 | 61 | 5 |
| August 2023 | 37 | 56 | 7 |
| June 2023 | 33 | 61 | 6 |
| May 2023 | 30 | 64 | 5 |
| March 2023 | 38 | 57 | 5 |
| February 2023 | 37 | 60 | 2 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 41 (12/16) | 72 (8/16) | 10 (10/13) |
| LOWEST EVER | 24 (8/16) | 53 (12/16) | 2 (2/23, 4/20, 9/15) |

Q. 5 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Kathy Hochul?

| DATE | FAVORABLE | UNFAVORABLE | DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| February 2024 | 41 | 46 | 13 |
| January 2024 | 45 | 42 | 12 |
| November 2023 | 40 | 43 | 17 |
| October 2023 | 40 | 44 | 16 |
| September 2023 | 40 | 41 | 19 |
| August 2023 | 40 | 46 | 14 |
| June 2023 | 42 | 43 | 16 |
| May 2023 | 40 | 45 | 15 |
| March 2023 | 43 | 43 | 13 |
| February 2023 | 46 | 43 | 11 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 48 (1/23) | 46 (2/24, 8/23) | 69 (4/21) |
| LOWEST EVER | 18 (4/21) | 13 (4/21) | 10 (1/23) |

Q. 6 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Kirsten Gillibrand?

| DATE | FAVORABLE | UNFAVORABLE | DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION |
|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| February 2024 | 40 | 32 | 28 |
| January 2024 | 42 | 28 | 31 |
| November 2023 | 42 | 26 | 33 |
| October 2023 | 39 | 30 | 31 |
| September 2023 | 41 | 27 | 32 |
| August 2023 | 39 | 28 | 33 |
| June 2023 | 41 | 31 | 28 |
| May 2023 | 41 | 31 | 28 |
| March 2023 | 46 | 25 | 29 |
| February 2023 | 43 | 36 | 22 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 61 (12/12) | 36 (2/23, 9/19, 8/19, 6/19) | 56 (1/09) |
| LOWEST EVER | 26 (3/09) | 14 (1/09) | 14 (4/20, 10/31/10) |

Q. 7 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Chuck Schumer?

| DATE | FAVORABLE | UNFAVORABLE | DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| February 2024 | 48 | 40 | 12 |
| January 2024 | 49 | 38 | 13 |
| November 2023 | 46 | 40 | 14 |
| October 2023 | 44 | 41 | 15 |
| September 2023 | 47 | 37 | 15 |
| August 2023 | 48 | 38 | 14 |
| June 2023 | 46 | 38 | 16 |
| May 2023 | 50 | 38 | 12 |
| March 2023 | 54 | 36 | 11 |
| February 2023 | 48 | 45 | 8 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 70 (7/05) | 46 (2/19) | 17 (2/05) |
| LOWEST EVER | 44 (10/23) | 20 (2/05, 11/06) | 4 (10/31/10) |

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Q. 8 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Robert F. Kennedy, Jr.?

| DATE | FAVORABLE | UNFAVORABLE | DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| February 2024 | 40 | 37 | 23 |
| January 2024 | 44 | 32 | 24 |
| November 2023 | 37 | 36 | 28 |
| October 2023 | 41 | 37 | 22 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 44 (1/24) | 37 (2/24, 10/23) | 28 (11/23) |
| LOWEST EVER | 37 (11/23) | 32 (1/24) | 22 (10/23) |

Q. 9 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Cornel West?

| DATE | FAVORABLE | UNFAVORABLE | DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION |
|---------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|
| February 2024 | 20 | 24 | 56 |
| January 2024 | 23 | 22 | 56 |
| November 2023 | 18 | 22 | 60 |
| October 2023 | 18 | 21 | 60 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 23 (1/24) | 24 (2/24) | 60 (11/23, 10/23) |
| LOWEST EVER | 18 (11/23, 10/23) | 21 (10/23) | 56 (2/24, 1/24) |

Q. 10 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about the United States Supreme Court?

| DATE | FAVORABLE | UNFAVORABLE | DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| February 2024 | 44 | 45 | 10 |
| May 2023 | 37 | 52 | 11 |
| December 2022 | 45 | 41 | 14 |
| October 2021 | 51 | 32 | 17 |
| July 2012 | 63 | 30 | 8 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 63 (7/12) | 52 (5/23) | 17 (10/21) |
| LOWEST EVER | 37 (5/23) | 30 (7/12) | 8 (7/12) |

Q. 12 If Kirsten Gillibrand runs for re-election as US Senator in 2024, as things stand now, would you vote to re-elect her or would you prefer someone else?

| DATE | RE-ELECT GILLIBRAND | SOMEONE ELSE | DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION |
|---------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| February 2024 | 39 | 37 | 23 |
| January 2024 | 43 | 38 | 19 |
| November 2023 | 40 | 35 | 25 |
| October 2023 | 39 | 38 | 23 |
| September 2023 | 41 | 37 | 22 |
| August 2023 | 40 | 41 | 19 |
| June 2023 | 40 | 40 | 20 |
| May 2023 | 43 | 38 | 19 |
| March 2023 | 43 | 38 | 19 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 43 (1/24, 5/23, 3/23) | 41 (8/23) | 25 (11/23) |
| LOWEST EVER | 39 (2/24, 10/23) | 35 (11/23) | 19 (1/24, 8/23, 5/23, 3/23) |

Q. 13 Do you approve or disapprove of the job that Joe Biden is doing as President? FOLLOW UP: Is that strong or somewhat?

| DATE | STRONGLY APPROVE | SOMEWHAT APPROVE | SOMEWHAT DISAPPROVE | STRONGLY DISAPPROVE | DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION |
|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| February 2024 | 21 | 24 | 15 | 37 | 3 |
| January 2024 | 20 | 24 | 16 | 40 | 1 |
| November 2023 | 20 | 25 | 16 | 37 | 2 |
| October 2023 | 22 | 24 | 12 | 39 | 3 |
| September 2023 | 22 | 25 | 13 | 35 | 4 |
| August 2023 | 22 | 25 | 13 | 37 | 3 |
| June 2023 | 24 | 23 | 17 | 34 | 3 |
| May 2023 | 22 | 29 | 15 | 32 | 2 |
| March 2023 | 24 | 26 | 15 | 33 | 2 |
| February 2023 | 26 | 29 | 11 | 31 | 3 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 29 (10/22) | 30 (1/23) | 17 (6/23) | 41 (8/22) | 4 (9/23) |
| LOWEST EVER | 18 (8/22) | 23 (6/23) | 6 (10/22) | 31 (2/23) | 1 (1/24, 9/22) |

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Q. 14 Do you approve or disapprove of the job that Kathy Hochul is doing as governor? FOLLOW UP: Is that strongly or somewhat?

| DATE | STRONGLY APPROVE | SOMEWHAT APPROVE | SOMEWHAT DISAPPROVE | STRONGLY DISAPPROVE | DON'T KNOW/ NO OPINION |
|---------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| February 2024 | 18 | 30 | 20 | 27 | 6 |
| January 2024 | 17 | 35 | 13 | 30 | 6 |
| November 2023 | 17 | 31 | 15 | 29 | 8 |
| October 2023 | 16 | 29 | 14 | 31 | 9 |
| September 2023 | 16 | 32 | 16 | 25 | 11 |
| August 2023 | 18 | 28 | 17 | 29 | 8 |
| June 2023 | 19 | 29 | 16 | 28 | 9 |
| May 2023 | 17 | 33 | 17 | 27 | 7 |
| March 2023 | 20 | 32 | 15 | 26 | 7 |
| February 2023 | 20 | 36 | 12 | 28 | 4 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 24 (9/22) | 36 (2/23, 1/23) | 20 (2/24) | 38 (10/22) | 11 (9/23) |
| LOWEST EVER | 16 (10/23, 9/23) | 28 (8/23) | 7 (10/22) | 25 (9/23, 1/23) | 4 (2/23) |

Q. 15 Do you think Governor Hochul is or is not a strong leader?

| DATE | IS | IS NOT | MIDDLE/ MIXED | DON'T KNOW/ NO OPINION |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| February 2024 | 36 | 40 | 16 | 8 |
| May 2023 | 40 | 40 | 11 | 9 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 40 (5/23) | 40 (2/24, 5/23) | 16 (2/24) | 9 (5/23) |
| LOWEST EVER | 36 (2/24) | 40 (2/24, 5/23) | 11 (5/23) | 8 (2/24) |

Q. 16 Do you think Governor Hochul is or is not corrupt?

| DATE | IS | IS NOT | MIDDLE/ MIXED | DON'T KNOW/ NO OPINION |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| February 2024 | 22 | 49 | 12 | 18 |
| May 2023 | 26 | 47 | 11 | 17 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 26 (5/23) | 49 (2/24) | 12 (2/24) | 18 (2/24) |
| LOWEST EVER | 22 (2/24) | 47 (5/23) | 11 (5/23) | 17 (5/23) |

Q. 17 Do you think Governor Hochul is or is not honest?

| DATE | IS | IS NOT | MIDDLE/ MIXED | DON'T KNOW/ NO OPINION |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| February 2024 | 42 | 29 | 12 | 16 |
| May 2023 | 44 | 32 | 12 | 12 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 44 (5/23) | 32 (5/23) | 12 (2/24, 5/23) | 16 (2/24) |
| LOWEST EVER | 42 (2/24) | 29 (2/24) | 12 (2/24, 5/23) | 12 (5/23) |

Q. 18 Do you think Governor Hochul is or is not effective?

| DATE | IS | IS NOT | MIDDLE/ MIXED | DON'T KNOW/ NO OPINION |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| February 2024 | 40 | 37 | 16 | 7 |
| May 2023 | 39 | 39 | 14 | 8 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 40 (2/24) | 39 (5/23) | 16 (2/24) | 8 (5/23) |
| LOWEST EVER | 39 (5/23) | 37 (2/24) | 14 (5/23) | 7 (2/24) |

Q. 19 Do you think Governor Hochul is or is not hard working?

| DATE | IS | IS NOT | MIDDLE/ MIXED | DON'T KNOW/ NO OPINION |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| February 2024 | 56 | 18 | 13 | 13 |
| May 2023 | 58 | 20 | 9 | 13 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 58 (5/23) | 20 (5/23) | 13 (2/24) | 13 (2/24, 5/23) |
| LOWEST EVER | 56 (2/24) | 18 (2/24) | 9 (5/23) | 13 (2/24, 5/23) |

Q. 20 Do you think Governor Hochul is or is not out of touch with average New Yorkers?

| DATE | IS | IS NOT | MIDDLE/ MIXED | DON'T KNOW/ NO OPINION |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| February 2024 | 43 | 33 | 15 | 9 |
| May 2023 | 49 | 31 | 12 | 8 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 49 (5/23) | 33 (2/24) | 15 (2/24) | 9 (2/24) |
| LOWEST EVER | 43 (2/24) | 31 (5/23) | 12 (5/23) | 8 (5/23) |

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Q. 21 As you consider all aspects of living in New York State, do you think the quality of life in the state is getting better, staying the same, or getting worse?

| DATE | BETTER | SAME | WORSE | DON'T KNOW/ NO OPINION |
|---------------------|------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| February 2024 | 14 | 25 | 56 | 4 |
| September 2023 | 14 | 27 | 57 | 3 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 14 (2/24, 9/23) | 27 (9/23) | 57 (9/23) | 4 (2/24) |
| LOWEST EVER | 14 (2/24, 9/23) | 25 (2/24) | 56 (2/24) | 3 (9/23) |

Q. 22 Of the following seven issues – crime, the recent influx of migrants, affordable housing, threats to the environment, the cost of living in New York, having access to health care – including mental health – and New Yorkers leaving the state – which do you think is the single most important issue that the Governor and Legislature should be working on now? * **OTHER/**

| DATE | CRIME | INFLUX OF MIGRANTS | HOUSING | ENVIRON. | COST OF LIVING | HEALTH CARE | NYERS LEAVING ST. | DON'T KNOW/ NO OPINION |
|---------------------|------------------|-----------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| February 2024 | 15 | 23 | 13 | 4 | 29 | 9 | 4 | 4 |
| September 2023 | 19 | 18 | 17 | 4 | 27 | 8 | 4 | 3 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 19 (9/23) | 23 (2/24) | 17 (9/23) | 4 (2/24, 9/23) | 29 (2/24) | 9 (2/24) | 4 (2/24, 9/23) | 4 (2/24) |
| LOWEST EVER | 15 (2/24) | 18 (9/23) | 13 (2/24) | 4 (2/24, 9/23) | 27 (9/23) | 8 (9/23) | 4 (2/24, 9/23) | 3 (9/23) |

Q. 24 Do you think over the last year or so that the problem of crime in New York State has gotten better, stayed about the same, or has gotten worse?

| DATE | BETTER | SAME | WORSE | DON'T KNOW/ NO OPINION |
|---------------------|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| February 2024 | 12 | 31 | 56 | 2 |
| January 2024 | 16 | 34 | 48 | 1 |
| November 2023 | 13 | 30 | 53 | 3 |
| October 2023 | 9 | 28 | 59 | 4 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 16 (1/24) | 34 (1/24) | 59 (10/23) | 4 (10/23) |
| LOWEST EVER | 9 (10/23) | 28 (10/23) | 48 (1/24) | 1 (1/24) |

Q. 25 Closer to home, do you think over the last year or so that the problem of crime in your community has gotten better, stayed about the same, or has gotten worse?

| DATE | BETTER | SAME | WORSE | DON'T KNOW/ NO OPINION |
|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| February 2024 | 12 | 48 | 37 | 3 |
| January 2024 | 14 | 46 | 39 | 1 |
| November 2023 | 12 | 46 | 40 | 1 |
| October 2023 | 10 | 46 | 42 | 2 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 14 (1/24) | 48 (2/24) | 42 (10/23) | 3 (2/24) |
| LOWEST EVER | 10 (10/23) | 46 (1/24, 11/23, 10/23) | 37 (2/24) | 1 (1/24, 11/23) |

Q. 26 And what about in your everyday life, how concerned are you that you might be a victim of a crime?

| DATE | VERY CONCERNED | SOMEWHAT CONCERNED | NOT VERY CONCERNED | NOT CONCERNED AT ALL | DON'T KNOW/ NO OPINION |
|---------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| February 2024 | 22 | 36 | 29 | 11 | 2 |
| May 2023 | 24 | 35 | 26 | 13 | 1 |
| March 2023 | 28 | 32 | 29 | 10 | 0 |
| December 2022 | 26 | 35 | 23 | 14 | 2 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 28 (3/23) | 36 (2/24) | 29 (2/24, 3/23) | 14 (12/22, 2/22) | 2 (2/24, 12/22) |
| LOWEST EVER | 22 (2/24, 2/22) | 32 (3/23) | 23 (12/22) | 10 (3/23) | 0 (3/23) |

Q. 27 If the 2024 election for President was held today and the candidates were Democrat Joe Biden and Republican Donald Trump, would you vote for Trump or Biden? (Order of candidates was rotated.)

| DATE | BIDEN | TRUMP | OTHER/NO VOTE | DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION |
|---------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| February 2024 | 48 | 36 | 10 | 6 |
| January 2024 | 46 | 37 | 9 | 7 |
| November 2023 | 46 | 36 | 11 | 8 |
| October 2023 | 46 | 37 | 9 | 8 |
| September 2023 | 52 | 31 | 7 | 10 |
| August 2023 | 47 | 34 | 11 | 8 |
| June 2023 | 50 | 28 | 17 | 4 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 52 (9/23) | 37 (1/24, 10/23) | 17 (6/23) | 10 (9/23) |
| LOWEST EVER | 46 (1/24, 11/23, 10/23) | 28 (6/23) | 7 (9/23) | 4 (2/23) |

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- Q. 28** What if the 2024 election for President was held today and the candidates were Democrat Joe Biden, Republican Donald Trump, and two independent candidates, Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. and Cornel West, would you vote for Trump, Biden, West, or Kennedy? (Order of first two candidates was rotated but always came first; order of second two candidates was rotated.)

| DATE | BIDEN | TRUMP | KENNEDY | WEST | OTHER/NO VOTE/ DON'T KNOW/ NO OPINION |
|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| February 2024 | 42 | 32 | 13 | 6 | 7 |
| January 2024 | 41 | 32 | 13 | 3 | 11 |
| November 2023 | 37 | 28 | 18 | 5 | 11 |
| October 2023 | 38 | 31 | 13 | 5 | 14 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 42 (2/24) | 32 (2/24, 1/24) | 18 (11/23) | 6 (2/24) | 14 (10/23) |
| LOWEST EVER | 37 (11/23) | 28 (11/23) | 13 (2/24, 1/24, 10/23) | 3 (1/24) | 7 (2/24) |

- Q. 30** When it comes to the physical and mental fitness to serve a four-year term as the next President, which of the following options best describes how you feel: both Biden and Trump are fit to serve four years, Biden is fit but Trump is not, Trump is fit but Biden is not, or neither Trump nor Biden is fit to serve.

| DATE | BOTH FIT | BIDEN FIT | TRUMP FIT | NEITHER FIT | DON'T KNOW/ NO OPINION |
|---------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------------|
| February 2024 | 7 | 23 | 35 | 32 | 3 |
| September 2023 | 9 | 26 | 28 | 34 | 4 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 9 (9/23) | 26 (9/23) | 35 (2/24) | 34 (9/23) | 4 (9/23) |
| LOWEST EVER | 7 (2/24) | 23 (2/24) | 28 (9/23) | 32 (2/24) | 3 (2/24) |

- Q. 33** If the election for your representative in Congress was held today, would you vote for the Democrat or the Republican? (Order was rotated.)

| DATE | DEMOCRAT | REPUBLICAN | NOT VOTE/OTHER/ DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| February 2024 | 49 | 34 | 17 |
| January 2024 | 49 | 32 | 19 |
| November 2023 | 49 | 34 | 16 |
| October 2023 | 49 | 37 | 14 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 49 (2/24, 1/24, 11/23, 10/23) | 37 (10/23) | 19 (1/24) |
| LOWEST EVER | 49 (2/24, 1/24, 11/23, 10/23) | 32 (1/24) | 14 (10/23) |

- Q. 34** Despite the current partisan divisions, how likely do you think it is that the United States will continue to be a democratic republic in 2030 – is it very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not at all likely?

| DATE | VERY LIKELY | SOMEWHAT LIKELY | NOT VERY LIKELY | NOT AT ALL LIKELY | DON'T KNOW/ NO OPINION |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| February 2024 | 34 | 37 | 15 | 4 | 10 |
| September 2023 | 36 | 35 | 13 | 5 | 11 |
| December 2022 | 40 | 30 | 16 | 7 | 7 |
| January 2022 | 29 | 38 | 17 | 5 | 10 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 40 (12/22) | 38 (1/22) | 17 (1/22) | 7 (12/22) | 11 (9/23) |
| LOWEST EVER | 29 (1/22) | 30 (12/22) | 13 (9/23) | 4 (2/24) | 7 (12/22) |

- Q. 35** Do you support or oppose providing more military and economic aid to Ukraine?

| DATE | SUPPORT | OPPOSE | MIXED/DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| February 2024 | 51 | 36 | 13 |
| January 2024 | 50 | 40 | 10 |
| November 2023 | 52 | 36 | 12 |
| October 2023 | 51 | 38 | 11 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 52 (11/23) | 40 (1/24) | 13 (2/24) |
| LOWEST EVER | 50 (1/24) | 36 (2/24, 11/23) | 10 (1/24) |

- Q. 36** Do you support or oppose providing more military and economic aid to Israel?

| DATE | SUPPORT | OPPOSE | DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|
| February 2024 | 44 | 43 | 12 |
| January 2024 | 43 | 45 | 12 |
| November 2023 | 51 | 37 | 12 |
| October 2023 | 57 | 32 | 12 |
| HIGHEST EVER | 57 (10/23) | 45 (1/24) | 12 (2/24, 1/24, 11/23, 10/23) |
| LOWEST EVER | 43 (1/24) | 32 (10/23) | 12 (2/24, 1/24, 11/23, 10/23) |

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Trends reflect questions asked at least twice since the first Siena College Poll in February 2005.

Results listed here include all times questions have been asked since January 2023.

“Highest Ever” and “Lowest Ever” are provided at the bottom of each question.

^ Inconsequential wording change.