



**New York State:
Paterson, Cuomo, and Albany Politics**

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This Marist Poll Reports:

26% Approval Rating for Paterson

The brief bump in New York Governor David Paterson's approval rating did not last long. About one-quarter of registered voters statewide -- 26% -- think Paterson is doing either an excellent or good job in office. Four in ten say the governor is performing fairly well while 30% think he is doing a poor job.

When The Marist Poll last asked about the governor's job performance in mid-January, 31% thought the governor was doing an above average job. 41% rated him as fair. 23% reported he was performing poorly.

"With Attorney General Andrew Cuomo looking over his shoulder, Governor David Paterson continues to have serious problems with voters across party lines and throughout the state," says Dr. Lee M. Miringoff, Director of the Marist Institute for Public Opinion.

Governor David Paterson's job approval rating has notched down among voters regardless of party. 30% of Democrats, 21% of Republicans, and 27% of non-enrolled voters view the governor as doing an above average job. This compares with 34% of Democrats, 25% of Republicans, and 33% of non-enrolled voters who thought that way in Marist's mid-January survey. Across the board, more voters think Paterson is doing a poor job compared with Marist's previous survey.

Although Paterson's job approval rating is little changed among voters in New York City, he has lost support in the suburbs and upstate. 30% of voters in the city, 21% of those in the suburbs, and 27% of upstate voters report the governor is doing well. Two weeks ago, 28% in New York City, 28% in the suburbs, and 33% upstate held those views.

Budget Blues for Paterson, But...

Although nearly six in ten voters -- 57% -- disapprove of the way Governor David Paterson is handling the state's budget, he has somewhat improved his standing. 37% currently approve of his budgetary skills compared with 28% who shared this view in November. Last time, 64% disapproved.

Dems Want Paterson Out...Cuomo Bid

Will Governor Paterson's stint in Albany be short-lived? Many Democratic voters statewide - - 60% -- do not want Paterson to run for governor this year while only one-third does. This is relatively unchanged from Marist's November survey when 57% of Democrats wanted Paterson to drop out, and 34% wanted him to remain in the contest.

When it comes to another prominent Democrat in the state, New York State Attorney General Andrew Cuomo, it's a different story. More than three-quarters of Democratic voters -- 76% -- want Cuomo to toss his hat into the ring while just 16% do not. 8% are unsure. In Marist's September 2009 survey, 77% wanted Cuomo to take on Paterson, and 18% did not. 5% were unsure.

But, what a difference a couple of years make! When The Marist Poll asked about potential gubernatorial bids in the midst of former Governor Eliot Spitzer's sex scandal in March 2008, a majority of Democrats -- 55% -- wanted Paterson to run for the office this year while 19% did not. 26% were unsure. Cuomo's prospects, at the time, were a lot dimmer. Democrats divided when it came to a potential run. 46% wanted Cuomo to seek the office of governor while 41% did not. 13% were unsure.

Cuomo Leads Paterson By More Than Three-To-One Among Democrats

If Paterson remains in the race and Cuomo announces his candidacy, who would be the likely Democratic nominee for governor? If this year's Democratic primary were held today, Cuomo would defeat Paterson, 70% to 23%. Similar proportions of Democratic voters in New York State held these views when Marist last asked this question in November.

Paterson and Lazio Locked in Tight Race...Cuomo Leads Lazio

And, the hits just keep on coming for Governor Paterson. If he were to secure the Democratic nomination, he would find himself in a tough battle with former U.S. Representative Rick Lazio. Currently, Republican Lazio receives 46% of the statewide vote to Paterson's 43%. These proportions are relatively unchanged since Marist's November survey.

However, Cuomo fares much better against Lazio. Currently, he receives 64% of registered voters' support compared with 27% for Lazio. In November, Cuomo had 69% compared with Lazio's 24%.

Kudos for Cuomo

What accounts for Cuomo's lead? Perhaps, it has something to do with the job New Yorkers think he is doing as attorney general. 62% of registered voters statewide think Cuomo is doing either an excellent or good job in office while just 6% say he is performing poorly. Cuomo's current job approval rating is consistent with the 64% he achieved in Marist's mid-January survey.

NYS Voters Call for Change

Simply put, registered voters in New York State are dissatisfied with state government. 67% of the electorate thinks the way things are done in Albany need major changes. 21% report

minor changes are needed. And, more than one-tenth of the electorate -- 12% -- think state government is broken and beyond repair. When Marist last asked this question in November, similar proportions of the New York State electorate agreed.

"In these serious times, voters find Albany coming up way short in providing direction and leadership," says Dr. Lee M. Miringoff, Director of the Marist Institute for Public Opinion. "For voters, it's all about state government dysfunction."

Although Governor David Paterson's approval rating stands at a dreadful 26%, the New York State Senate and Assembly fare worse in voters' eyes. Only 17% of voters statewide believe the State Senate is doing either an excellent or good job. One-third reports its performance is mediocre while nearly half -- 48% -- says the legislative body is performing poorly. Nearly identical proportions of voters reported this to be the case in Marist's November survey.

The New York State Assembly isn't immune from voters' disgust. Just 17% view the Assembly as doing an above average job. 35% see the body as doing a fair job while 45% think it is performing below average. In Marist's November poll, 13% thought the Assembly was doing either an excellent or good job, 36% rated it as fair, and 47% gave it a thumbs-down.

Current State Legislators' 2010 Prospects: Voters' Dissatisfaction a Lingering Effect?

So, what does all of this mean for incumbents running for re-election in 2010? Currently, 46% of the statewide electorate report that if the election were held today, they would vote for their current state senator while 41% say they would vote for someone else. 13% are unsure.

Voters are torn when it comes to the current members of the State Assembly. 44% report they would support their incumbent if this year's election were held today while 41% would back a challenger. 15% are unsure.

Little has changed on either of these questions since Marist's November survey.

On both questions, political party makes a difference. Majorities of Democrats, in both instances, plan to support the incumbent. When it comes to New York Republicans, a majority -- 54% -- plan to vote for a new state senator. And, nearly half -- 48% -- would cast their ballot for a new representative in the Assembly.

Wrong Way State

74% of New York State registered voters think the state is on the wrong course compared with 21% who say it is heading in the right direction. Voters' concerns have not changed since Marist's November survey when 75% thought the state was moving along the wrong path, and one-fifth reported it was on track.

Pre SOTU, Obama's Approval Rating Below 50% in NYS

In a poll conducted before President Barack Obama's State of the Union Address, fewer than half of New York State voters -- 46% -- believe Barack Obama is doing either an

excellent or good job as president. 27% say he is doing a fair job, and 27% think he is performing poorly.

This is a major change since The Marist Poll last asked this question in mid-January and is the first time the president's job approval rating has slipped below 50% in New York State since taking office. In mid-January, 56% gave the president above average marks, 22% saw Obama as doing a fair job, and 21% thought he was doing a subpar job.

The decline is the result of a loss of support for the president across party lines. Currently, 65% of Democrats, 21% of Republicans, and 45% of non-enrolled voters think well of the president's job performance. In mid-January, those proportions stood at 73%, 33%, and 52%, respectively.

More Than One-Quarter Unsure of DiNapoli

Name recognition is not a strong suit of New York State Comptroller Tom DiNapoli. Although 31% of voters in New York State think the comptroller is doing either an excellent or good job in office, 27% are either unsure how to rate DiNapoli or have never heard of him. A plurality -- 36% -- reports DiNapoli is doing a fair job in office, and 6% say he is performing poorly.

Mr. DiNapoli has continuously had a difficult time making inroads with the New York State electorate. In The Marist Poll's November survey, DiNapoli received almost identical marks.

Marist Poll February 2010 NYS Tables

| | | Registered Voters | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------|--|-------|-------|-------|--------------------|
| | | Would you rate the job Governor David Paterson is doing in office as excellent, good, fair, or poor? | | | | |
| | | Excellent | Good | Fair | Poor | Unsure-Never Heard |
| | | Row % | Row % | Row % | Row % | Row % |
| Registered Voters | | 3% | 23% | 40% | 30% | 4% |
| Party Registration | Democrat | 4% | 26% | 40% | 24% | 5% |
| | Republican | 2% | 19% | 35% | 41% | 2% |
| | Non-enrolled | 3% | 24% | 44% | 26% | 4% |
| Political Ideology | Liberal | 3% | 24% | 46% | 25% | 2% |
| | Moderate | 2% | 25% | 45% | 26% | 2% |
| | Conservative | 2% | 21% | 30% | 40% | 7% |
| Region | New York City | 3% | 27% | 36% | 30% | 4% |
| | Suburbs | 0% | 21% | 45% | 31% | 3% |
| | Upstate | 4% | 23% | 39% | 29% | 5% |
| Income | Less \$50,000 | 3% | 24% | 42% | 27% | 4% |
| | \$50,000-\$99,999 | 3% | 23% | 37% | 32% | 5% |
| | \$100,000 or more | 1% | 25% | 40% | 34% | 1% |
| Income | Less than \$50,000 | 3% | 24% | 42% | 27% | 4% |
| | \$50,000 or more | 2% | 24% | 38% | 33% | 3% |
| Race | White | 3% | 22% | 40% | 32% | 3% |
| | Non White | 4% | 28% | 38% | 22% | 8% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 6% | 23% | 34% | 27% | 10% |
| | 30 to 44 | 2% | 20% | 35% | 38% | 5% |
| | 45 to 59 | 1% | 21% | 47% | 29% | 2% |
| | 60 or older | 5% | 28% | 38% | 26% | 3% |
| Age | Under 45 | 3% | 21% | 35% | 35% | 7% |
| | 45 or older | 3% | 25% | 42% | 27% | 3% |
| Gender | Men | 5% | 23% | 36% | 32% | 4% |
| | Women | 1% | 24% | 43% | 27% | 4% |

February 2010 Marist Poll New York Registered Voters "N=838 MOE +/- 3.5%". Totals may not add to 100 due to rounding.

| | | Registered Voters | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|------------|-----------|
| | | Do you approve or disapprove of how Governor David Paterson is handling the state's budget? | | |
| | | Approve | Disapprove | Unsure |
| | | Row % | Row % | Row % |
| Registered Voters | | 37% | 57% | 6% |
| Party Registration | Democrat | 41% | 54% | 5% |
| | Republican | 31% | 63% | 6% |
| | Non-enrolled | 33% | 60% | 7% |
| Political Ideology | Liberal | 34% | 62% | 5% |
| | Moderate | 39% | 56% | 5% |
| | Conservative | 35% | 58% | 7% |
| Region | New York City | 36% | 56% | 8% |
| | Suburbs | 33% | 63% | 5% |
| | Upstate | 39% | 56% | 5% |
| Income | Less \$50,000 | 37% | 57% | 6% |
| | \$50,000-\$99,999 | 35% | 59% | 5% |
| | \$100,000 or more | 37% | 59% | 4% |
| Income | Less than \$50,000 | 37% | 57% | 6% |
| | \$50,000 or more | 36% | 59% | 5% |
| Race | White | 35% | 59% | 6% |
| | Non White | 40% | 55% | 5% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 30% | 67% | 3% |
| | 30 to 44 | 26% | 66% | 8% |
| | 45 to 59 | 37% | 59% | 5% |
| | 60 or older | 47% | 46% | 6% |
| Age | Under 45 | 28% | 66% | 6% |
| | 45 or older | 42% | 52% | 5% |
| Gender | Men | 40% | 54% | 5% |
| | Women | 33% | 61% | 6% |

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| | | Democrats | | |
|--|---------------------------|---|------------|------------|
| | | Do you want David Paterson to run for governor in 2010, or not? | | |
| | | Yes | No | Unsure |
| | | Row % | Row % | Row % |
| Democrats | | 33% | 60% | 7% |
| Political Ideology | Liberal | 31% | 62% | 7% |
| | Moderate | 33% | 58% | 9% |
| | Conservative | 37% | 59% | 4% |
| Region | New York City | 36% | 58% | 6% |
| | Suburbs | 28% | 61% | 11% |
| | Upstate | 31% | 63% | 6% |
| Income | Less than \$50,000 | 41% | 52% | 7% |
| | \$50,000 or more | 31% | 64% | 5% |
| Race | White | 26% | 69% | 5% |
| | Non White | 44% | 45% | 10% |
| Age | Under 45 | 34% | 59% | 7% |
| | 45 or older | 32% | 61% | 7% |
| Gender | Men | 38% | 57% | 5% |
| | Women | 30% | 62% | 8% |
| February 2010 Marist Poll New York Registered Democrats "N=360 MOE +/- 5.5%". Totals may not add to 100 due to rounding. | | | | |

| | | Democrats | | |
|--------------------|--------------------|---|-------|--------|
| | | Do you want Andrew Cuomo to run for governor in 2010, or not? | | |
| | | Yes | No | Unsure |
| | | Row % | Row % | Row % |
| Democrats | | 76% | 16% | 8% |
| Political Ideology | Liberal | 83% | 9% | 8% |
| | Moderate | 71% | 22% | 8% |
| | Conservative | 80% | 13% | 6% |
| Region | New York City | 77% | 17% | 6% |
| | Suburbs | 77% | 15% | 8% |
| | Upstate | 74% | 14% | 12% |
| Income | Less than \$50,000 | 79% | 19% | 3% |
| | \$50,000 or more | 77% | 15% | 8% |
| Race | White | 80% | 12% | 8% |
| | Non White | 70% | 21% | 9% |
| Age | Under 45 | 75% | 14% | 10% |
| | 45 or older | 76% | 17% | 7% |
| Gender | Men | 71% | 19% | 10% |
| | Women | 80% | 13% | 7% |

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Nature of the Sample: 624 New York State Registered Voters

This survey of 624 New York State registered voters was conducted on March 11th, 2008. Registered voters were interviewed by telephone in proportion to the voter registration in each county in New York State and adjusted for turnout in statewide elections. The margin of error is $\pm 4\%$. The error margin increases for cross-tabulations.

Question Wording: If Eliot Spitzer steps down as governor, Lieutenant Governor David Paterson becomes governor and will fulfill the remainder of Governor Spitzer's term in office. Do you want each of the following to run for governor in 2010:

| Registered Voters | Yes | No | Unsure |
|-----------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| David Paterson | 50% | 24% | 26% |
| Democrat | 55% | 19% | 26% |
| Republican | 42% | 29% | 29% |
| Non-enrolled | 50% | 25% | 25% |
| Andrew Cuomo | 39% | 49% | 12% |
| Democrat | 46% | 41% | 13% |
| Republican | 30% | 61% | 9% |
| Non-enrolled | 41% | 47% | 12% |

| | | Democrats | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|---------------------|---------------|
| | | If this year's New York State Democratic primary for Governor were held today, whom would you support if the candidates are: | | |
| | | David Paterson | Andrew Cuomo | Unsure |
| | | Row % | Row % | Row % |
| Democrats | | 23% | 70% | 7% |
| Political Ideology | Liberal | 17% | 78% | 5% |
| | Moderate | 27% | 65% | 8% |
| | Conservative | 29% | 65% | 7% |
| Region | New York City | 24% | 69% | 7% |
| | Suburbs | 19% | 76% | 5% |
| | Upstate | 24% | 69% | 7% |
| Income | Less than \$50,000 | 22% | 69% | 9% |
| | \$50,000 or more | 24% | 72% | 4% |
| Race | White | 16% | 79% | 5% |
| | Non White | 36% | 56% | 8% |
| Age | Under 45 | 28% | 65% | 7% |
| | 45 or older | 21% | 73% | 6% |
| Gender | Men | 23% | 70% | 7% |
| | Women | 23% | 70% | 6% |

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| | | Registered Voters | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|--|--------------------------------------|--------|
| | | If the 2010 election for Governor of New York State were held today, whom would you support if the candidates are: | | |
| | | David Paterson, the Democratic candidate | Rick Lazio, the Republican candidate | Unsure |
| | | Row % | Row % | Row % |
| Registered Voters | | 43% | 46% | 11% |
| Party Registration | Democrat | 62% | 26% | 12% |
| | Republican | 21% | 71% | 8% |
| | Non-enrolled | 34% | 53% | 13% |
| Political Ideology | Liberal | 59% | 29% | 12% |
| | Moderate | 44% | 44% | 12% |
| | Conservative | 27% | 63% | 10% |
| Region | New York City | 55% | 35% | 11% |
| | Suburbs | 39% | 53% | 8% |
| | Upstate | 38% | 49% | 13% |
| Income | Less \$50,000 | 46% | 41% | 13% |
| | \$50,000-\$99,999 | 45% | 47% | 8% |
| | \$100,000 or more | 41% | 49% | 9% |
| Income | Less than \$50,000 | 46% | 41% | 13% |
| | \$50,000 or more | 43% | 48% | 9% |
| Race | White | 37% | 52% | 11% |
| | Non White | 62% | 26% | 11% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 49% | 46% | 5% |
| | 30 to 44 | 39% | 50% | 11% |
| | 45 to 59 | 39% | 48% | 13% |
| | 60 or older | 48% | 40% | 12% |
| Age | Under 45 | 42% | 49% | 9% |
| | 45 or older | 43% | 44% | 13% |
| Gender | Men | 47% | 46% | 8% |
| | Women | 39% | 46% | 15% |

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| | | Registered Voters | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|--|--------------------------------------|--------|
| | | If the 2010 election for Governor of New York State were held today, whom would you support if the candidates are: | | |
| | | Andrew Cuomo, the Democratic candidate | Rick Lazio, the Republican candidate | Unsure |
| | | Row % | Row % | Row % |
| Registered Voters | | 64% | 27% | 9% |
| Party Registration | Democrat | 84% | 10% | 6% |
| | Republican | 33% | 58% | 9% |
| | Non-enrolled | 61% | 28% | 11% |
| Political Ideology | Liberal | 85% | 8% | 7% |
| | Moderate | 70% | 22% | 9% |
| | Conservative | 39% | 50% | 11% |
| Region | New York City | 70% | 26% | 4% |
| | Suburbs | 63% | 28% | 10% |
| | Upstate | 60% | 28% | 12% |
| Income | Less \$50,000 | 70% | 23% | 7% |
| | \$50,000-\$99,999 | 65% | 27% | 8% |
| | \$100,000 or more | 59% | 33% | 8% |
| Income | Less than \$50,000 | 70% | 23% | 7% |
| | \$50,000 or more | 62% | 30% | 8% |
| Race | White | 61% | 30% | 9% |
| | Non White | 72% | 19% | 9% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 70% | 18% | 12% |
| | 30 to 44 | 60% | 31% | 9% |
| | 45 to 59 | 60% | 31% | 9% |
| | 60 or older | 67% | 26% | 8% |
| Age | Under 45 | 63% | 26% | 10% |
| | 45 or older | 63% | 28% | 8% |
| Gender | Men | 61% | 31% | 8% |
| | Women | 66% | 24% | 10% |

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| | | Registered Voters | | | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|---|-------|-------|-------|--------------------|
| | | Would you rate the job New York State Attorney General Andrew Cuomo is doing in office as excellent, good, fair, or poor? | | | | |
| | | Excellent | Good | Fair | Poor | Unsure-Never Heard |
| | | Row % | Row % | Row % | Row % | Row % |
| Registered Voters | | 17% | 45% | 26% | 6% | 6% |
| Party Registration | Democrat | 23% | 46% | 21% | 4% | 6% |
| | Republican | 14% | 40% | 29% | 8% | 9% |
| | Non-enrolled | 13% | 45% | 29% | 8% | 5% |
| Political Ideology | Liberal | 26% | 44% | 18% | 4% | 7% |
| | Moderate | 12% | 51% | 27% | 6% | 4% |
| | Conservative | 16% | 36% | 32% | 9% | 8% |
| Region | New York City | 15% | 50% | 23% | 6% | 5% |
| | Suburbs | 22% | 44% | 24% | 5% | 5% |
| | Upstate | 16% | 42% | 28% | 7% | 8% |
| Income | Less \$50,000 | 17% | 49% | 21% | 7% | 6% |
| | \$50,000-\$99,999 | 18% | 42% | 28% | 6% | 6% |
| | \$100,000 or more | 18% | 41% | 28% | 7% | 7% |
| Income | Less than \$50,000 | 17% | 49% | 21% | 7% | 6% |
| | \$50,000 or more | 18% | 41% | 28% | 6% | 6% |
| Race | White | 18% | 44% | 25% | 5% | 7% |
| | Non White | 14% | 45% | 27% | 9% | 5% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 11% | 39% | 31% | 3% | 16% |
| | 30 to 44 | 10% | 41% | 32% | 9% | 8% |
| | 45 to 59 | 18% | 47% | 24% | 7% | 3% |
| | 60 or older | 25% | 47% | 20% | 4% | 4% |
| Age | Under 45 | 10% | 41% | 31% | 7% | 11% |
| | 45 or older | 22% | 47% | 22% | 6% | 4% |
| Gender | Men | 18% | 46% | 23% | 8% | 6% |
| | Women | 17% | 44% | 28% | 4% | 7% |

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| | | Registered Voters | | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|--------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|
| | | Do you think the way things are done in state government in Albany: | | | |
| | | Do not need to be changed | Need minor changes | Need major changes | Are broken and beyond repair |
| | | Row % | Row % | Row % | Row % |
| Registered Voters | | <1% | 21% | 67% | 12% |
| Party Registration | Democrat | 1% | 27% | 63% | 9% |
| | Republican | 0% | 9% | 75% | 16% |
| | Non-enrolled | 0% | 22% | 66% | 12% |
| Political Ideology | Liberal | 0% | 22% | 69% | 9% |
| | Moderate | 0% | 20% | 69% | 11% |
| | Conservative | 0% | 20% | 65% | 15% |
| Region | New York City | 1% | 30% | 58% | 10% |
| | Suburbs | 0% | 17% | 75% | 9% |
| | Upstate | 0% | 17% | 69% | 14% |
| Income | Less \$50,000 | 0% | 28% | 62% | 10% |
| | \$50,000-\$99,999 | 0% | 18% | 71% | 11% |
| | \$100,000 or more | 0% | 16% | 72% | 11% |
| Income | Less than \$50,000 | 0% | 28% | 62% | 10% |
| | \$50,000 or more | 0% | 17% | 71% | 11% |
| Race | White | 0% | 18% | 70% | 12% |
| | Non White | 1% | 34% | 56% | 9% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 0% | 58% | 33% | 8% |
| | 30 to 44 | 0% | 17% | 78% | 5% |
| | 45 to 59 | 1% | 13% | 72% | 14% |
| | 60 or older | 0% | 17% | 68% | 16% |
| Age | Under 45 | 0% | 30% | 64% | 6% |
| | 45 or older | 0% | 15% | 70% | 15% |
| Gender | Men | 0% | 20% | 64% | 16% |
| | Women | 0% | 21% | 71% | 8% |

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| | | Registered Voters | | | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|--|-------|-------|-------|--------------------|
| | | Would you rate the job the New York State Senate in Albany is doing as excellent, good, fair, or poor? | | | | |
| | | Excellent | Good | Fair | Poor | Unsure-Never Heard |
| | | Row % | Row % | Row % | Row % | Row % |
| Registered Voters | | 2% | 15% | 33% | 48% | 2% |
| Party Registration | Democrat | 2% | 17% | 37% | 41% | 3% |
| | Republican | 1% | 13% | 24% | 61% | 1% |
| | Non-enrolled | 1% | 16% | 37% | 45% | 1% |
| Political Ideology | Liberal | 1% | 18% | 36% | 44% | 2% |
| | Moderate | 1% | 13% | 35% | 50% | 1% |
| | Conservative | 0% | 15% | 30% | 52% | 3% |
| Region | New York City | 3% | 17% | 34% | 44% | 2% |
| | Suburbs | 0% | 16% | 36% | 46% | 3% |
| | Upstate | 2% | 14% | 31% | 52% | 2% |
| Income | Less \$50,000 | 3% | 20% | 31% | 43% | 3% |
| | \$50,000-\$99,999 | 0% | 16% | 34% | 48% | 1% |
| | \$100,000 or more | 0% | 10% | 33% | 56% | 0% |
| Income | Less than \$50,000 | 3% | 20% | 31% | 43% | 3% |
| | \$50,000 or more | 0% | 14% | 34% | 52% | 1% |
| Race | White | 1% | 14% | 33% | 51% | 2% |
| | Non White | 3% | 20% | 36% | 37% | 4% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 5% | 25% | 47% | 18% | 5% |
| | 30 to 44 | 2% | 15% | 32% | 50% | 1% |
| | 45 to 59 | 0% | 13% | 35% | 51% | 1% |
| | 60 or older | 1% | 14% | 27% | 56% | 3% |
| Age | Under 45 | 3% | 18% | 37% | 39% | 2% |
| | 45 or older | 0% | 13% | 31% | 54% | 2% |
| Gender | Men | 2% | 13% | 27% | 55% | 2% |
| | Women | 1% | 17% | 39% | 41% | 2% |

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| | | Registered Voters | | | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|--|-------|-------|-------|--------------------|
| | | Would you rate the job the New York State Assembly in Albany is doing as excellent, good, fair, or poor? | | | | |
| | | Excellent | Good | Fair | Poor | Unsure-Never Heard |
| | | Row % | Row % | Row % | Row % | Row % |
| Registered Voters | | 2% | 15% | 35% | 45% | 3% |
| Party Registration | Democrat | 2% | 15% | 42% | 36% | 5% |
| | Republican | 1% | 12% | 25% | 61% | 1% |
| | Non-enrolled | 0% | 19% | 37% | 42% | 2% |
| Political Ideology | Liberal | 1% | 16% | 43% | 37% | 3% |
| | Moderate | 3% | 11% | 36% | 49% | 2% |
| | Conservative | 0% | 16% | 31% | 48% | 4% |
| Region | New York City | 4% | 14% | 39% | 40% | 3% |
| | Suburbs | 1% | 15% | 37% | 44% | 3% |
| | Upstate | 1% | 15% | 33% | 48% | 3% |
| Income | Less \$50,000 | 3% | 20% | 35% | 38% | 3% |
| | \$50,000-\$99,999 | 1% | 14% | 36% | 46% | 4% |
| | \$100,000 or more | 0% | 11% | 36% | 53% | 1% |
| Income | Less than \$50,000 | 3% | 20% | 35% | 38% | 3% |
| | \$50,000 or more | 1% | 12% | 36% | 49% | 3% |
| Race | White | 1% | 14% | 34% | 48% | 3% |
| | Non White | 4% | 19% | 42% | 31% | 4% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 7% | 24% | 43% | 18% | 7% |
| | 30 to 44 | 2% | 17% | 36% | 44% | 1% |
| | 45 to 59 | 0% | 11% | 36% | 50% | 2% |
| | 60 or older | 2% | 13% | 31% | 50% | 4% |
| Age | Under 45 | 4% | 19% | 38% | 36% | 3% |
| | 45 or older | 1% | 12% | 34% | 50% | 3% |
| Gender | Men | 2% | 11% | 33% | 52% | 2% |
| | Women | 2% | 18% | 38% | 38% | 5% |

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| | | Registered Voters | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|-----------------------|--------|
| | | If the 2010 election for New York State Senate were held today, would you support your current state senator who represents your district in Albany or would you vote for someone else? | | |
| | | Vote for current state senator | Vote for someone else | Unsure |
| | | Row % | Row % | Row % |
| Registered Voters | | 46% | 41% | 13% |
| Party Registration | Democrat | 57% | 31% | 12% |
| | Republican | 33% | 54% | 13% |
| | Non-enrolled | 43% | 43% | 15% |
| Political Ideology | Liberal | 56% | 31% | 14% |
| | Moderate | 44% | 41% | 15% |
| | Conservative | 41% | 49% | 10% |
| Region | New York City | 49% | 34% | 17% |
| | Suburbs | 50% | 39% | 12% |
| | Upstate | 43% | 45% | 12% |
| Income | Less \$50,000 | 44% | 40% | 16% |
| | \$50,000-\$99,999 | 46% | 41% | 13% |
| | \$100,000 or more | 47% | 43% | 9% |
| Income | Less than \$50,000 | 44% | 40% | 16% |
| | \$50,000 or more | 47% | 42% | 11% |
| Race | White | 46% | 41% | 13% |
| | Non White | 48% | 38% | 14% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 57% | 33% | 10% |
| | 30 to 44 | 38% | 47% | 15% |
| | 45 to 59 | 49% | 39% | 11% |
| | 60 or older | 45% | 40% | 15% |
| Age | Under 45 | 44% | 42% | 13% |
| | 45 or older | 47% | 39% | 13% |
| Gender | Men | 45% | 43% | 12% |
| | Women | 47% | 38% | 15% |

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| | | Registered Voters | | |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|-----------------------|--------|
| | | If the 2010 election for New York State Assembly were held today, would you support your current state assembly person who represents your district in Albany or would you vote for someone else? | | |
| | | Vote for current state assembly person | Vote for someone else | Unsure |
| | | Row % | Row % | Row % |
| Registered Voters | | 44% | 41% | 15% |
| Party Registration | Democrat | 51% | 35% | 14% |
| | Republican | 37% | 48% | 15% |
| | Non-enrolled | 39% | 46% | 15% |
| Political Ideology | Liberal | 50% | 31% | 18% |
| | Moderate | 42% | 44% | 14% |
| | Conservative | 40% | 47% | 14% |
| Region | New York City | 47% | 38% | 15% |
| | Suburbs | 45% | 37% | 18% |
| | Upstate | 41% | 46% | 14% |
| Income | Less \$50,000 | 43% | 42% | 14% |
| | \$50,000-\$99,999 | 43% | 41% | 15% |
| | \$100,000 or more | 44% | 42% | 13% |
| Income | Less than \$50,000 | 43% | 42% | 14% |
| | \$50,000 or more | 44% | 42% | 15% |
| Race | White | 43% | 42% | 16% |
| | Non White | 46% | 42% | 13% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 46% | 37% | 17% |
| | 30 to 44 | 36% | 51% | 13% |
| | 45 to 59 | 48% | 38% | 15% |
| | 60 or older | 45% | 39% | 16% |
| Age | Under 45 | 39% | 47% | 14% |
| | 45 or older | 46% | 38% | 15% |
| Gender | Men | 43% | 45% | 13% |
| | Women | 45% | 38% | 17% |

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| | | Registered Voters | | |
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| | | In general, thinking about the way things are going in New York State, do you feel things are going in the right direction or that things are going in the wrong direction? | | |
| | | Right direction | Wrong direction | Unsure |
| | | Row % | Row % | Row % |
| Registered Voters | | 21% | 74% | 5% |
| Party Registration | Democrat | 30% | 64% | 6% |
| | Republican | 7% | 88% | 5% |
| | Non-enrolled | 20% | 75% | 5% |
| Political Ideology | Liberal | 28% | 69% | 4% |
| | Moderate | 20% | 74% | 6% |
| | Conservative | 16% | 80% | 4% |
| Region | New York City | 27% | 66% | 7% |
| | Suburbs | 20% | 74% | 6% |
| | Upstate | 18% | 78% | 4% |
| Income | Less \$50,000 | 28% | 69% | 4% |
| | \$50,000-\$99,999 | 19% | 77% | 5% |
| | \$100,000 or more | 19% | 75% | 6% |
| Income | Less than \$50,000 | 28% | 69% | 4% |
| | \$50,000 or more | 19% | 76% | 5% |
| Race | White | 19% | 76% | 5% |
| | Non White | 31% | 64% | 5% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 45% | 55% | 0% |
| | 30 to 44 | 15% | 79% | 6% |
| | 45 to 59 | 18% | 78% | 5% |
| | 60 or older | 21% | 72% | 7% |
| Age | Under 45 | 25% | 71% | 4% |
| | 45 or older | 19% | 75% | 6% |
| Gender | Men | 23% | 73% | 4% |
| | Women | 20% | 74% | 6% |

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| | | Registered Voters | | | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|---|-------|-------|-------|--------------------|
| | | Would you rate the job President Barack Obama is doing in office as excellent, good, fair, or poor? | | | | |
| | | Excellent | Good | Fair | Poor | Unsure-Never Heard |
| | | Row % | Row % | Row % | Row % | Row % |
| Registered Voters | | 13% | 33% | 27% | 27% | <1% |
| Party Registration | Democrat | 22% | 43% | 21% | 14% | 1% |
| | Republican | 4% | 17% | 26% | 53% | 1% |
| | Non-enrolled | 9% | 36% | 33% | 22% | 0% |
| Political Ideology | Liberal | 23% | 45% | 23% | 8% | 0% |
| | Moderate | 10% | 37% | 32% | 21% | 0% |
| | Conservative | 7% | 18% | 23% | 52% | 0% |
| Region | New York City | 18% | 39% | 23% | 20% | 0% |
| | Suburbs | 14% | 31% | 22% | 33% | 0% |
| | Upstate | 10% | 30% | 31% | 28% | 1% |
| Income | Less \$50,000 | 16% | 37% | 24% | 23% | 0% |
| | \$50,000-\$99,999 | 12% | 33% | 28% | 27% | 0% |
| | \$100,000 or more | 11% | 31% | 28% | 30% | 0% |
| Income | Less than \$50,000 | 16% | 37% | 24% | 23% | 0% |
| | \$50,000 or more | 12% | 32% | 28% | 28% | 0% |
| Race | White | 10% | 31% | 28% | 30% | 1% |
| | Non White | 24% | 39% | 23% | 13% | 0% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 12% | 46% | 27% | 15% | 0% |
| | 30 to 44 | 14% | 29% | 26% | 30% | 1% |
| | 45 to 59 | 12% | 32% | 29% | 26% | 1% |
| | 60 or older | 15% | 31% | 24% | 30% | 0% |
| Age | Under 45 | 13% | 35% | 26% | 25% | 1% |
| | 45 or older | 13% | 32% | 27% | 28% | 0% |
| Gender | Men | 12% | 33% | 24% | 31% | 1% |
| | Women | 15% | 33% | 29% | 23% | 0% |

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| | | Registered Voters | | | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|---|-------|-------|-------|--------------------|
| | | Would you rate the job New York State Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli is doing in office as excellent, good, fair, or poor? | | | | |
| | | Excellent | Good | Fair | Poor | Unsure-Never Heard |
| | | Row % | Row % | Row % | Row % | Row % |
| Registered Voters | | 3% | 28% | 36% | 6% | 27% |
| Party Registration | Democrat | 3% | 29% | 34% | 5% | 29% |
| | Republican | 1% | 27% | 34% | 11% | 27% |
| | Non-enrolled | 3% | 28% | 40% | 4% | 24% |
| Political Ideology | Liberal | 4% | 29% | 33% | 1% | 33% |
| | Moderate | 3% | 25% | 38% | 8% | 27% |
| | Conservative | 1% | 28% | 41% | 9% | 21% |
| Region | New York City | 2% | 26% | 38% | 5% | 29% |
| | Suburbs | 2% | 27% | 36% | 3% | 31% |
| | Upstate | 4% | 29% | 36% | 9% | 23% |
| Income | Less \$50,000 | 4% | 25% | 40% | 7% | 24% |
| | \$50,000-\$99,999 | 2% | 29% | 35% | 6% | 28% |
| | \$100,000 or more | 3% | 26% | 38% | 7% | 27% |
| Income | Less than \$50,000 | 4% | 25% | 40% | 7% | 24% |
| | \$50,000 or more | 2% | 28% | 36% | 6% | 27% |
| Race | White | 3% | 28% | 36% | 6% | 27% |
| | Non White | 2% | 26% | 40% | 7% | 25% |
| Age | 18 to 29 | 0% | 30% | 38% | 3% | 29% |
| | 30 to 44 | 2% | 19% | 44% | 9% | 25% |
| | 45 to 59 | 1% | 32% | 41% | 7% | 20% |
| | 60 or older | 7% | 30% | 26% | 4% | 33% |
| Age | Under 45 | 1% | 22% | 42% | 7% | 27% |
| | 45 or older | 4% | 31% | 33% | 6% | 27% |
| Gender | Men | 4% | 31% | 35% | 7% | 23% |
| | Women | 2% | 25% | 37% | 6% | 30% |

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