



NY1/YNN-Marist Poll

Obama Leads Romney by 22% in New York State

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This NY1/YNN-Marist Poll Reports:

President Barack Obama has a double-digit lead over his probable Republican challenger Mitt Romney in New York State. According to this NY1/YNN-Marist Poll, nearly six in ten registered voters in New York -- 57% -- support President Obama while 35% back Romney. Only 8% are undecided.

Similar results were reported in NY1/YNN-Marist's January survey. At that time, 58% said they would cast their ballot for the president while 35% reported they would vote for Romney. Seven percent, at that time, were undecided.

"New York is solid for President Obama's re-election prospects," says Dr. Lee M. Miringoff, Director of The Marist College Institute for Public Opinion. "Anything else in a state that he carried by 27 points in 2008 would be startling."

President Obama enjoys an approval rating of 47% among registered voters in New York State. This includes 18% who say the president is doing an excellent job and 29% who report he is doing a good one. More than one in five -- 22% -- thinks the president is doing a fair job while 31% believe he is performing poorly. Less than 1% is unsure.

The president's approval rating in New York is virtually unchanged. In January, 46% gave Mr. Obama a thumbs-up. 26% thought the president deserved a "fair" grade, and 28% reported he missed the mark. Less than 1% was unsure.

42% Plan to Support Gillibrand for Re-election...More than One-Third Still Unsure

U.S. Senator Kirsten Gillibrand faces re-election in November. What are her electoral chances? More than four in ten registered voters statewide -- 42% -- say they will definitely

vote for Gillibrand while 23% report they will definitely vote against her. A notable 35% are unsure.

In NY1/YNN-Marist's January survey, 38% were unquestionably in Gillibrand's corner while 18% were not. 44%, at that time, were unsure.

When it comes to Gillibrand's job approval rating, 42% of voters give her high marks. Included here are 11% who say she is doing an excellent job in office and 31% who believe her performance is good. 28% rate Gillibrand's job performance as fair while 14% say it is poor. 16% are unsure.

Three months ago, Gillibrand's approval rating stood at 40%. 29% thought she was doing a fair job as senator while 12% believed she fell short. 18% were unsure.

Schumer Still Stands Strong

A majority of registered voters in New York -- 54% -- applaud Senator Chuck Schumer's job performance. 18% rate it as excellent while 36% say he is doing a good job in office. Fair is the rating 25% give to Schumer while 16% believe his performance is subpar. Just 5% are unsure.

There has been little change on this question since NY1/YNN-Marist's January survey when 56% gave Schumer high marks. 27% rated him as fair, and 12% thought he was performing poorly in the role. Five percent, then, were unsure.

How the Survey was Conducted

Nature of the Sample: NY1/YNN-Marist New York State Poll of 760 Adults

This survey of 760 New York State adults was conducted April 10th through 12th, 2012. Adults 18 years of age and older residing in New York State were interviewed by telephone. Telephone numbers were selected based upon a list of telephone exchanges from throughout the state. The exchanges were selected to ensure that each county was represented in proportion to its population. To increase coverage, this land-line sample was supplemented by respondents reached through random dialing of cell phone numbers. The two samples were then combined. Results are statistically significant within ± 3.5 percentage points. There are 632 registered voters. The sample of registered voters was adjusted for turnout in statewide elections. The results for this subset are statistically significant within ± 4.0 percentage points. The error margin increases for cross-tabulations.

Nature of the Sample: New York State

		Nature of the Sample - New York State	
		NYS Adults	NYS Registered Voters
		Col %	Col %
NYS Adults		100%	
NYS Registered Voters		83%	100%
Party Registration	Democrat	n/a	45%
	Republican	n/a	27%
	Non-enrolled	n/a	27%
	Other	n/a	2%
Support Tea Party	Yes	n/a	19%
	No	n/a	74%
	Unsure	n/a	7%
Political Ideology	Liberal	n/a	28%
	Moderate	n/a	38%
	Conservative	n/a	35%
Region	New York City	42%	30%
	Suburbs	21%	25%
	Upstate	37%	46%
Income	Less \$50,000	46%	43%
	\$50,000 to just under \$100,000	29%	29%
	\$100,000 or more	25%	28%
Income	Less than \$50,000	46%	43%
	\$50,000 or more	54%	57%
Education	Not college graduate	58%	55%
	College graduate	42%	45%
Age	Under 45	48%	41%
	45 or older	52%	59%
Age	18 to 29	19%	13%
	30 to 44	29%	28%
	45 to 59	25%	27%
	60 or older	27%	32%
Race	White	64%	70%
	African American	14%	11%
	Latino	17%	15%
	Other	6%	5%
Race	White	64%	70%
	Non White	36%	30%
Gender	Men	48%	49%
	Women	52%	51%
Evangelical Christians		14%	13%
Interview Type	Landline	76%	76%
	Cell Phone	24%	24%

NY1/YNN-Marist Poll NYS Adults: Interviews conducted April 10th through 12th, 2012, N=760 MOE +/- 3.5 percentage points. NYS Registered Voters: N=632 MOE +/- 4.0 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

		NYS Registered Voters		
		If November's presidential election were held today, whom would you support if the candidates are:		
		Barack Obama, the Democrat	Mitt Romney, the Republican	Undecided
		Row %	Row %	Row %
NYS Registered Voters		57%	35%	8%
Party Registration	Democrat	87%	10%	3%
	Republican	21%	71%	8%
	Non-enrolled	47%	40%	13%
Political Ideology	Liberal	89%	10%	1%
	Moderate	60%	34%	6%
	Conservative	27%	61%	12%
Region	New York City	70%	24%	7%
	Suburbs	54%	40%	6%
	Upstate	50%	40%	10%
Income	Less \$50,000	56%	36%	9%
	\$50,000 to just under \$100,000	65%	28%	7%
	\$100,000 or more	56%	38%	5%
Income	Less than \$50,000	56%	36%	9%
	\$50,000 or more	61%	33%	6%
Education	Not college graduate	51%	40%	10%
	College graduate	62%	32%	5%
Age	Under 45	62%	32%	6%
	45 or older	53%	37%	9%
Age	18 to 29	54%	41%	4%
	30 to 44	66%	28%	6%
	45 to 59	52%	39%	9%
	60 or older	55%	36%	10%
Race	White	48%	43%	9%
	Non White	80%	17%	4%
Gender	Men	50%	41%	9%
	Women	63%	29%	7%
Evangelical Christians		51%	43%	5%
Interview Type	Landline	55%	37%	8%
	Cell Phone	64%	30%	6%

NY1/YNN-Marist Poll NYS Registered Voters: Interviews conducted April 10th through 12th, 2012, N=632
MOE +/- 4.0 percentage points. Totals may not add to 100% due to rounding.

NYS 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 %
NYS Registered Voters		18%	29%	22%	31%	<1%
Party Registration	Democrat	30%	36%	23%	11%	<1%
	Republican	6%	17%	19%	58%	<1%
	Non-enrolled	10%	31%	25%	34%	<1%
Political Ideology	Liberal	27%	43%	24%	7%	<1%
	Moderate	20%	33%	23%	25%	<1%
	Conservative	7%	14%	18%	60%	<1%
Region	New York City	28%	32%	19%	21%	<1%
	Suburbs	15%	26%	30%	29%	<1%
	Upstate	12%	28%	21%	39%	<1%
Income	Less \$50,000	18%	27%	20%	35%	<1%
	\$50,000 to just under \$100,000	18%	30%	22%	29%	<1%
	\$100,000 or more	16%	32%	24%	28%	<1%
Income	Less than \$50,000	18%	27%	20%	35%	<1%
	\$50,000 or more	17%	31%	23%	28%	<1%
Education	Not college graduate	15%	27%	22%	36%	<1%
	College graduate	20%	31%	22%	27%	<1%
Age	Under 45	18%	29%	25%	27%	<1%
	45 or older	17%	29%	20%	33%	<1%
Age	18 to 29	18%	26%	27%	29%	<1%
	30 to 44	18%	31%	24%	27%	<1%
	45 to 59	17%	28%	20%	35%	<1%
	60 or older	17%	31%	20%	32%	<1%
Race	White	12%	28%	23%	37%	<1%
	Non White	30%	31%	22%	17%	<1%
Gender	Men	15%	28%	24%	34%	<1%
	Women	20%	30%	21%	29%	<1%
Interview Type	Landline	17%	29%	22%	32%	<1%
	Cell Phone	20%	30%	23%	27%	<1%

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	New York State Registered Voters						
	Would you rate the job President Barack Obama is doing in office as excellent, good, fair, or poor?						
	Excellent /Good	Fair/Poor	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Unsure
April 2012	47%	53%	18%	29%	22%	31%	<1%
January 2012	46%	54%	13%	33%	26%	28%	<1%
November 2011	44%	56%	14%	30%	27%	29%	<1%
August 2011	46%	53%	12%	34%	25%	28%	2%
January 2011	53%	47%	17%	36%	25%	22%	1%
October 30, 2010	45%	55%	16%	29%	23%	32%	<1%
October 22, 2010	45%	55%	16%	29%	22%	33%	<1%
September 30, 2010	43%	56%	13%	30%	27%	29%	1%
September 24, 2010	47%	53%	16%	31%	22%	31%	<1%
May 12, 2010	55%	45%	22%	33%	22%	23%	<1%
March 29, 2010	53%	47%	21%	32%	21%	26%	<1%
March 3, 2010	52%	47%	16%	36%	24%	23%	1%
February 3, 2010	46%	54%	13%	33%	27%	27%	<1%
January 15, 2010	56%	43%	20%	36%	22%	21%	1%
November 23, 2009	55%	44%	18%	37%	24%	20%	1%
September 24, 2009	52%	46%	25%	27%	20%	26%	2%
September 14, 2009	57%	43%	23%	34%	23%	20%	<1%
July 1, 2009	63%	36%	31%	32%	20%	16%	1%
May 4, 2009	64%	34%	33%	31%	20%	14%	2%
March 3, 2009	68%	28%	33%	35%	15%	13%	4%
January 27, 2009	60%	22%	28%	32%	16%	6%	18%
Marist Poll New York Registered Voters							

		NYS Registered Voters		
		Thinking about the elections in November, do you definitely plan to vote for Kirsten Gillibrand for re-election to the U.S. Senate or do you definitely plan to vote against her?		
		Vote for her	Vote against her	Undecided
		Row %	Row %	Row %
NYS Registered Voters		42%	23%	35%
Party Registration	Democrat	54%	12%	34%
	Republican	32%	39%	29%
	Non-enrolled	35%	25%	40%
Political Ideology	Liberal	55%	12%	33%
	Moderate	50%	16%	34%
	Conservative	27%	37%	36%
Region	New York City	40%	23%	37%
	Suburbs	39%	28%	33%
	Upstate	46%	20%	35%
Income	Less \$50,000	42%	20%	39%
	\$50,000 to just under \$100,000	47%	26%	27%
	\$100,000 or more	42%	24%	34%
Income	Less than \$50,000	42%	20%	39%
	\$50,000 or more	44%	25%	30%
Education	Not college graduate	40%	24%	36%
	College graduate	46%	21%	33%
Age	Under 45	37%	24%	39%
	45 or older	47%	22%	31%
Age	18 to 29	46%	22%	32%
	30 to 44	33%	25%	42%
	45 to 59	41%	21%	37%
	60 or older	52%	22%	26%
Race	White	46%	21%	32%
	Non White	37%	25%	38%
Gender	Men	45%	26%	29%
	Women	40%	20%	41%
Interview Type	Landline	43%	22%	35%
	Cell Phone	40%	24%	36%

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NYS Registered Voters

Would you rate the job Senator Kirsten Gillibrand is doing in office as excellent, good, fair, or poor?

		Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Unsure-Never Heard
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
NYS Registered Voters		11%	31%	28%	14%	16%
Party Registration	Democrat	14%	36%	26%	6%	18%
	Republican	11%	29%	28%	24%	9%
	Non-enrolled	6%	26%	33%	16%	19%
Political Ideology	Liberal	16%	33%	28%	6%	18%
	Moderate	11%	41%	26%	9%	12%
	Conservative	8%	18%	33%	24%	18%
Region	New York City	9%	27%	34%	16%	15%
	Suburbs	11%	27%	32%	12%	18%
	Upstate	13%	35%	23%	14%	16%
Income	Less \$50,000	10%	29%	31%	13%	18%
	\$50,000 to just under \$100,000	13%	33%	29%	11%	13%
	\$100,000 or more	10%	32%	27%	17%	13%
Income	Less than \$50,000	10%	29%	31%	13%	18%
	\$50,000 or more	12%	33%	28%	14%	13%
Education	Not college graduate	11%	27%	30%	14%	18%
	College graduate	11%	35%	25%	14%	15%
Age	Under 45	8%	25%	34%	14%	19%
	45 or older	13%	35%	25%	13%	14%
Age	18 to 29	5%	29%	36%	15%	16%
	30 to 44	10%	23%	33%	14%	20%
	45 to 59	11%	32%	27%	16%	13%
Race	60 or older	14%	38%	22%	10%	15%
	White	14%	36%	21%	16%	13%
	Non White	5%	19%	45%	9%	22%
Gender	Men	11%	28%	30%	17%	14%
	Women	11%	33%	27%	11%	18%
Interview Type	Landline	12%	32%	28%	14%	15%
	Cell Phone	10%	27%	29%	15%	19%

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	New York State Registered Voters						
	Would you rate the job Senator Kirsten Gillibrand is doing in office as excellent, good, fair, or poor?						
	Excellent/ Good	Fair/Poor	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Unsure- Never Heard
April 2012	42%	42%	11%	31%	28%	14%	16%
January 2012	40%	41%	6%	34%	29%	12%	18%
November 2011	41%	43%	8%	33%	32%	11%	16%
May 2011	41%	42%	9%	32%	31%	11%	17%
January 2011	49%	39%	13%	36%	29%	10%	12%
October 30, 2010	36%	48%	6%	30%	30%	18%	16%
October 22, 2010	35%	47%	6%	29%	32%	15%	18%
September 28, 2010	27%	56%	4%	23%	38%	18%	17%
May 11, 2010	27%	51%	3%	24%	37%	14%	22%
March 29, 2010	27%	51%	2%	25%	34%	17%	22%
March 2, 2010	25%	53%	3%	22%	38%	15%	22%
February 1, 2010	24%	51%	2%	22%	33%	18%	25%
January 15, 2010	24%	51%	2%	22%	33%	18%	25%
November 23, 2009	25%	51%	3%	22%	39%	12%	24%
September 17, 2009	26%	47%	3%	23%	38%	9%	27%
July 1, 2009	24%	43%	3%	21%	30%	13%	33%
May 4, 2009	19%	38%	2%	17%	28%	10%	43%
March 3, 2009	18%	32%	3%	15%	27%	5%	50%
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		Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Unsure-Never Heard
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
NYS Registered Voters		18%	36%	25%	16%	5%
Party Registration	Democrat	26%	40%	22%	8%	4%
	Republican	15%	32%	25%	26%	2%
	Non-enrolled	7%	34%	28%	20%	10%
Political Ideology	Liberal	25%	44%	18%	6%	7%
	Moderate	19%	43%	26%	10%	1%
	Conservative	11%	23%	31%	29%	6%
Region	New York City	21%	36%	23%	17%	4%
	Suburbs	16%	41%	22%	18%	4%
	Upstate	16%	34%	27%	15%	7%
Income	Less \$50,000	14%	32%	30%	16%	8%
	\$50,000 to just under \$100,000	21%	38%	24%	15%	2%
	\$100,000 or more	19%	43%	19%	17%	2%
Income	Less than \$50,000	14%	32%	30%	16%	8%
	\$50,000 or more	20%	40%	21%	16%	2%
Education	Not college graduate	15%	33%	28%	16%	8%
	College graduate	21%	40%	22%	15%	1%
Age	Under 45	12%	36%	29%	15%	8%
	45 or older	21%	37%	21%	17%	4%
Age	18 to 29	9%	40%	26%	17%	8%
	30 to 44	13%	34%	31%	13%	8%
	45 to 59	17%	38%	21%	21%	3%
	60 or older	25%	36%	21%	14%	4%
Race	White	19%	38%	22%	17%	4%
	Non White	14%	33%	32%	13%	8%
Gender	Men	17%	36%	24%	19%	4%
	Women	18%	37%	25%	14%	6%
Interview Type	Landline	19%	34%	26%	16%	5%
	Cell Phone	13%	43%	22%	16%	6%

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	New York State Registered Voters						
	Would you rate the job Senator Charles Schumer is doing in office as excellent, good, fair, or poor?						
	Excellent/Good	Fair/Poor	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Unsure-Never Heard
April 2012	54%	41%	18%	36%	25%	16%	5%
January 2012	56%	39%	18%	38%	27%	12%	5%
November 2011	56%	41%	18%	38%	26%	15%	3%
May 2011	56%	40%	17%	39%	26%	14%	4%
January 2011	59%	37%	22%	37%	28%	9%	5%
October 30, 2010	55%	40%	20%	35%	25%	15%	5%
October 22, 2010	53%	43%	19%	34%	26%	17%	4%
September 28, 2010	47%	50%	15%	32%	31%	19%	3%
March 11, 2010	50%	47%	14%	36%	31%	16%	3%
March 29, 2010	51%	45%	13%	38%	28%	17%	4%
March 2, 2010	53%	43%	12%	41%	28%	15%	4%
February 1, 2010	47%	48%	11%	36%	31%	17%	5%
January 15, 2010	51%	42%	13%	38%	24%	18%	7%
November 23, 2009	54%	42%	17%	37%	29%	13%	4%
September 17, 2009	58%	39%	17%	41%	26%	13%	3%
July 1, 2009	54%	42%	15%	39%	27%	15%	4%
May 4, 2009	55%	39%	18%	37%	25%	14%	6%
March 3, 2009	57%	38%	17%	40%	25%	13%	5%
October 28, 2008	55%	33%	20%	35%	20%	13%	12%
April 9, 2008	57%	37%	15%	42%	27%	10%	6%
March 27, 2007	57%	32%	20%	37%	23%	9%	11%
October 20, 2006	55%	40%	19%	36%	32%	8%	5%
July 19, 2006	58%	35%	13%	45%	27%	8%	7%
May 10, 2006	56%	35%	15%	41%	27%	8%	9%
January 2006 (Release: February 1 st)	57%	35%	15%	42%	23%	12%	8%
September 30, 2005	55%	36%	17%	38%	25%	11%	9%
April 12, 2005	58%	32%	15%	43%	24%	8%	10%
October 28, 2004	61%	29%	19%	42%	21%	8%	10%
September 17, 2004	50%	40%	13%	37%	29%	11%	10%
April 19, 2004	54%	35%	13%	41%	27%	8%	11%
January 14, 2004	58%	30%	14%	44%	23%	7%	12%
September 22, 2003	52%	40%	12%	40%	30%	10%	8%
April 10, 2003	52%	35%	10%	42%	27%	8%	13%
December 15, 2002	53%	36%	11%	42%	28%	8%	11%
September 16, 2002	52%	35%	9%	43%	27%	8%	13%
April 20, 2002	55%	32%	11%	44%	26%	6%	13%
December 12, 2001	54%	31%	12%	42%	24%	7%	15%
April 9, 2001	49%	34%	12%	37%	26%	8%	17%
December 1, 2000	51%	31%	13%	38%	22%	9%	18%
March 31, 2000	39%	34%	9%	30%	27%	7%	27%
September 24, 1999	44%	39%	9%	35%	31%	8%	17%
March 10, 1999	41%	33%	7%	34%	23%	10%	26%
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