



**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%

February 2010 Marist Poll New York Registered Democrats "N=360 MOE +/- 5.5%". Totals may not add to 100 due to rounding.

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%

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

		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		
		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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