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# NY1/YNN-Marist Poll

NY May Bid Farewell to 36% of Young Residents
\*\*\* Complete Tables for Poll Appended \*\*\*

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#### This NY1/YNN-Marist Poll Reports:

A sizeable proportion of New Yorkers, including more than one-third of those under age 30, may soon be sending out change of address notifications, but those new homes will not be in New York State. According to this NY1/YNN-Marist Poll, 26% of adults in New York State plan to move someplace else in the next five years while 67% say they will stay. Just 6% are unsure. Similar proportions of registered voters statewide share this view.

The picture is even bleaker when looking at the state's youngest residents. 36% of New Yorkers under 30 years old report they will pack their bags and move to another state. 60%, however, say they will remain in the Empire State, and 3% are unsure.

"New Yorkers are feeling the financial squeeze on the home front. Right now, many young people do not see their future in New York State," says Dr. Lee M. Miringoff, Director of The Marist College Institute for Public Opinion. "Unchecked, this threatens to drain the state of the next generation."

Older New Yorkers are less likely to move out of New York State in the next five years. 26% of those 30 to 44, 29% of residents 45 to 59, and 16% of those 60 and older think they will switch their state of residence.

Regionally, about one-third -- 33% -- of those in the suburbs of New York City, 26% of those upstate, and 24% of New York City residents report they will make their exit.

As to the reasons New Yorkers are planning their exit strategies:

Of residents who expect to leave New York, more than six in ten -- 62% -- cite
economic reasons like jobs, the cost of living, or taxes. 38%, however, report noneconomic reasons such as the proximity to family, overcrowding, quality of life,
schools, or retirement as the catalyst.

## Cost of Living: Few View NYS as Affordable

More than three in four adults statewide --- 77% -- perceive New York to be an expensive place to live for the average family. Included here are a majority -- 55% -- who say the overall cost of living is not very affordable and 22% who report it is not affordable at all. However, 22% say it is affordable while only 1% thinks it is very affordable. Similar proportions of registered voters in New York State share these views.

Adults in the suburbs of New York City -- 87% -- and in the city -- 80% -- are more likely to describe the cost of living in the state as not affordable compared with those upstate -- 65%.

#### Other Key Findings Include:

- Nearly seven in ten registered voters statewide -- 69% -- want property taxes to be capped so that they do not rise more than two percent annually. 26% do not, however, for fear that such a cap will cause cuts to local services or raise other taxes. Five percent are unsure. There has been relatively no change on this question since NY1/YNN-Marist last reported it in January.
- More than three in four employed adults in New York State -- 76% -- say it would be
  either very difficult or difficult to find a similar job about the same distance from their
  home if they lost their current position. Included here are 46% who report it would be
  very difficult and 30% who say it would be difficult. 19%, though, don't think it would
  be very difficult while 5% believe it would not be difficult at all.
- When it comes to their overall personal family finances, more New York State voters think they will see a change in their family's financial picture in the upcoming year. Currently, 47% believe their financial situation will stay about the same while a majority -- 54% -- thought that way in February. More than three in ten -- 31% -- expect their money matters to get better while 22% think they will get worse. In February, 27% believed an improvement was on the way while 19% expected their finances to diminish.

#### Slight Increase in Voters Who Think NYS Economy is Getting Worse

Although 47% of registered voters statewide believe New York's economy is about the same as it has been, there has been a slight bump in the proportion who thinks the economy is declining. 37% of registered voters currently report the state's economy is getting worse compared with 16% who say it is getting better.

When NY1/YNN-Marist last reported this question in early February, half of voters -- 50% -- said the economy was about the same as it had been previously, 31% thought it was getting worse, and 19% believed it was improving.

"As the state of the economy fails to recover, New Yorkers see this not as a sluggish rebound but as a sluggish economy," says Dr. Lee M. Miringoff, Director of The Marist College Institute for Public Opinion.

Although there has been little change among Republicans on this question, more nonenrolled voters and Democrats view the economy as deteriorating. Nearly half of nonenrolled voters -- 48% -- believe this to currently be the case while about one-third -- 33% -- thought this way in February. Among Democrats, 34% have this perception now compared with 26% who said the state's economy was declining a few months ago.

#### Economic Glass Half Full or Half Empty: Majority Predict More Bad News

Pessimism about the future of the statewide economy has grown. A majority of registered voters in New York -- 53% -- say, when thinking about the economy, the worst is yet to come. 44% are more upbeat and report the worst is behind us, and just 4% are unsure.

When NY1/YNN-Marist last reported this question in early February, voters divided. At that time, nearly half -- 49% -- believed the worst was over while 47% thought the worst was ahead. Four percent were unsure.

While there has been little change among Republicans, there has been a shift among non-enrolled and Democratic voters. Currently, a majority of non-enrolled voters -- 55% -- say the worst is yet to come while 42% think the worst is over. Opinions among non-enrolled voters have flipped since February when a majority -- 52% -- believed the worst was over while 45% thought the worst was yet to come.

Democrats now divide. 46% of these voters expect more economic challenges in the future while 48% say they are in the past. A few months ago, 40% said more bad news was ahead while a majority -- 56% -- predicted the worst was over. Among Republicans, 60% think the worst is yet to come compared with 37% who report the worst is over. A few months ago, those proportions stood at 57% and 39%, respectively.

While there has been little change in the proportion of voters in New York City's suburbs -- 48% -- who think the worst of the economy's problems are ahead, more voters upstate -- 57% -- and those in New York City -- 50% -- have this view. In early February, the proportions in each of these regions stood at 49%, 48%, and 45%, respectively.

### **How the Survey was Conducted**

# Nature of the Sample: New York State Poll of 941 Adults

This survey of 941 New York State adults was conducted on April 25<sup>th</sup> through April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011. 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 758 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. There are 526 employed adults and 248 adults who plan to move out of New York State. The results for these subsets are statistically significant at ±4.5 percentage points and ±6.5 percentage points, respectively. The error margin increases for cross-tabulations.

Nature of the Sample - NYS Adults			
		NYS Adults	
		Col %	
NYS Adults		100%	
Registered Voters		81%	
Region	New York City	43%	
	Suburbs	21%	
	Upstate	36%	
Income	Less than \$50,000	48%	
	\$50,000 or more	52%	
Race	White	57%	
	African American	14%	
	Latino	14%	
	Other	16%	
Race	White	57%	
	Non White	43%	
Generation	Millennials (18-30)	23%	
	Gen X (31-46)	25%	
	Baby Boomers (47-65)	34%	
	Silent-Greatest (Over 65)	19%	
Age	Under 45	43%	
	45 or older	57%	
Gender	Men	48%	
	Women	52%	
Employment	Employed	56%	
Status	Not employed	32%	
Union Member in Household	Yes	34%	
Own or Rent	Own	63%	
Home	Rent	35%	
Interview Type	Landline	73%	
	Cell Phone	27%	

NY1/YNN-Marist Poll NYS Adults: Interviews conducted April 25th through 29th, 2011, N=941 MOE +/- 3.5%. Totals may not add to 100 due to rounding.

Nature of the S	ample - NYS Register	ed Voters
		NYS Registered Voters
		Col %
NYS Registered Vot	NYS Registered Voters	
Party Registration	Democrat	44%
	Republican	28%
	Non-enrolled	25%
	Other	2%
Support Tea Party	Yes	21%
Political Ideology	Liberal	28%
	Moderate	42%
	Conservative	30%
Region	New York City	30%
	Suburbs	24%
	Upstate	46%
Income	Less than \$50,000	45%
	\$50,000 or more	55%
Race	White	66%
	African American	10%
	Latino	12%
	Other	13%
Race	White	66%
	Non White	34%
Generation	Millennials (18-30)	17%
	Gen X (31-46)	25%
	Baby Boomers (47-65)	37%
	Silent-Greatest (Over 65)	22%
Age	Under 45	37%
	45 or older	63%
Gender	Men	48%
	Women	52%
Employment	Employed	58%
Status	Not employed	29%
Union Member in Household	Yes	36%
Own or Rent	Own	72%
Home	Rent	28%
Interview Type	Landline	75%
	Cell Phone	25%

NY1/YNN-Marist Poll NYS Registered Voters: Interviews conducted April 25th through 29th, 2011, N=758 MOE +/-4%. Totals may not add to 100 due to rounding.

# Plan to Move Out of New York State?

Asked of NYS Adults:

**Question Wording:** Thinking about five years from now, do you plan to stay in New York State or do you plan to move someplace else?

			NYS Adults	
		plan to stay	it five years fron in New York Sta move someplac	te or do you
		Plan to stay	Plan to move someplace else	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
NYS Adults		67%	26%	6%
NYS Registered Vot	ers	71%	24%	5%
Party Registration	Democrat	68%	26%	6%
	Republican	73%	24%	4%
	Non-enrolled	75%	23%	2%
Tea Party Supporte	rs	61%	29%	10%
Political Ideology	Liberal	76%	22%	2%
	Moderate	69%	24%	7%
	Conservative	70%	25%	5%
Region	New York City	70%	24%	7%
	Suburbs	60%	33%	7%
	Upstate	69%	26%	5%
Income	Less \$50,000	67%	25%	8%
	\$50,000 to just under \$100,000	67%	30%	3%
	\$100,000 or more	71%	24%	5%
Income	Less than \$50,000	67%	25%	8%
	\$50,000 or more	69%	28%	4%
Education	Not college graduate	65%	29%	6%
	College graduate	69%	25%	6%
Age	Under 45	64%	31%	5%
	45 or older	70%	23%	6%
Age	18 to 29	60%	36%	3%
	30 to 44	67%	26%	7%
	45 to 59	67%	29%	4%
	60 or older	74%	16%	9%
Generation	Millennials (18-30)	61%	35%	3%
	Gen X (31-46)	69%	26%	6%
	Baby Boomers (47-65)	65%	29%	5%
	Silent-Greatest (Over 65)	77%	13%	10%
Race	White	72%	23%	6%
	Non White	65%	30%	5%
Gender	Men	63%	30%	7%
	Women	71%	23%	5%
Employment Status	Employed	67%	28%	4%
	Not Employed	65%	26%	8%
Own or Rent Home	Own	68%	27%	5%
	Rent	68%	25%	7%
Interview Type	Landline	68%	26%	6%
	Cell Phone	64%	29%	7%

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#### Reason Behind Plans to Move Out of New York State

Asked of Adults who Plan to Move Out of NYS:

Question Wording: What is the main reason you plan to move away from the New York State?

		Adults who pla	nn to move out
		What is the main reason you plan to move away from the New York State?	
		Economic reasons	Non- economic reasons
		Row %	Row %
Adults who plan to move out of NYS		62%	38%
NYS Registered Voters		61%	39%
Income	Less than \$50,000	60%	40%
	\$50,000 or more	61%	39%
Education	Not college graduate	61%	39%
	College graduate	63%	37%
Age	Under 45	62%	38%
	45 or older	62%	38%
Race	White	65%	35%
	Non White	59%	41%
Gender	Men	70%	30%
	Women	52%	48%
Employment	Employed	66%	34%
Status	Not Employed	59%	41%
Own or Rent	Own	65%	35%
Home	Rent	54%	46%

NY1/YNN-Marist Poll Adults Who Plan to Move Out of New York State: Interviews conducted April 25th through 29th, 2011, N=248 MOE +/-6.5%. Totals may not add to 100 due to rounding.

		Adults who plan to move out of NYS
		Col %
What is the main	Cost of living	30%
reason you plan to move away	Taxes	19%
from the New	Jobs	10%
York State?	Climate	7%
	Quality of life	4%
	Retirement	4%
	Overcrowded	2%
	Housing costs	2%
	Schools	2%
	Move near family	2%
	Finish college-school	1%
	Not convenient-Location	1%
	In Army	<1%
	Other	16%

NY1/YNN-Marist Poll Adults Who Plan to Move Out of New York State: Interviews conducted April 25th through 29th, 2011, N=248 MOE +/-6.5%. Totals may not add to 100 due to rounding.

# Cost of Living in New York State

Asked of NYS Adults:

**Question Wording:** Overall, would you describe the cost of living in New York State for the average family as very affordable, affordable, not very affordable, or not affordable at all?

			NYS A	Adults	
		State for the	ld you describe average family a ry affordable, o	ıs very affordab	le, affordable,
		Very affordable	Affordable	Not very affordable	Not affordable at all
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
NYS Adults		1%	22%	55%	22%
NYS Registered Vot	ers	2%	20%	56%	23%
Party Registration	Democrat	1%	21%	56%	22%
	Republican	1%	18%	61%	20%
	Non-enrolled	3%	21%	51%	25%
Tea Party Supporte	rs	1%	13%	53%	33%
Political Ideology	Liberal	<1%	28%	50%	22%
	Moderate	<1%	19%	58%	22%
	Conservative	5%	15%	60%	21%
Plan to Leave NYS		1%	20%	49%	30%
Region	New York City	2%	18%	58%	22%
	Suburbs	<1%	13%	58%	29%
	Upstate	1%	34%	48%	17%
Income	Less \$50,000	3%	26%	45%	26%
	\$50,000 to just under \$100,000	<1%	23%	59%	18%
	\$100,000 or more	1%	14%	69%	17%
Income	Less than \$50,000	3%	26%	45%	26%
	\$50,000 or more	<1%	19%	63%	17%
Education	Not college graduate	2%	24%	52%	22%
	College graduate	1%	21%	59%	19%
Age	Under 45	1%	27%	53%	19%
	45 or older	2%	19%	56%	23%
Age	18 to 29	1%	38%	48%	14%
	30 to 44	1%	16%	58%	25%
	45 to 59	<1%	17%	59%	24%
	60 or older	4%	22%	51%	22%
Generation	Millennials (18-30)	1%	36%	49%	14%
	Gen X (31-46)	1%	14%	59%	26%
	Baby Boomers (47-65)	<1%	18%	59%	23%
	Silent-Greatest (Over 65)	5%	24%	47%	24%
Race	White	<1%	22%	58%	19%
	Non White	3%	24%	51%	22%
Gender	Men	2%	28%	53%	17%
	Women	1%	17%	56%	26%
Employment	Employed	1%	18%	60%	21%
Status	Not Employed	1%	29%	47%	22%
Own or Rent	Own	1%	24%	56%	19%
Home	Rent	1%	20%	52%	27%
Interview Type	Landline	2%	23%	54%	21%
	Cell Phone	<1%	21%	56%	23%

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Property Tax Cap

Asked of NYS Registered Voters:

# Question Wording: Which statement comes closer to your opinion:

		NY	S Registered Voters	
		Which stateme	nt comes closer to your op	inion:
		Increases to property taxes should be capped so they may not rise more than 2% per year	Increases to property taxes should not be capped because it may force local government to cut services or raise other taxes	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
NYS Registered Vot	ers	69%	26%	5%
Party Registration	Democrat	65%	30%	4%
	Republican	69%	25%	5%
	Non-enrolled	74%	20%	6%
Tea Party Supporte		79%	20%	2%
Political Ideology	Liberal	66%	29%	5%
	Moderate	69%	26%	4%
	Conservative	69%	26%	5%
Region	New York City	57%	38%	6%
	Suburbs	74%	18%	7%
	Upstate	74%	22%	3%
Income	Less \$50,000	68%	25%	7%
	\$50,000 to just under \$100,000	71%	25%	3%
	\$100,000 or more	68%	30%	2%
Income	Less than \$50,000	68%	25%	7%
	\$50,000 or more	70%	27%	3%
Education	Not college graduate	69%	26%	5%
	College graduate	69%	27%	5%
Age	Under 45	67%	31%	2%
	45 or older	70%	23%	7%
Age	18 to 29	69%	30%	1%
	30 to 44	65%	32%	3%
	45 to 59	68%	27%	5%
	60 or older	72%	19%	8%
Generation	Millennials (18-30)	69%	29%	1%
	Gen X (31-46)	64%	33%	3%
	Baby Boomers (47-65)	70%	24%	6%
	Silent-Greatest (Over 65)	72%	19%	9%
Race	White	71%	24%	5%
	Non White	66%	30%	4%
Gender	Men	70%	26%	4%
	Women	68%	26%	6%
Employment Status	Employed	69%	27%	4%
	Not Employed	68%	26%	6%
Own or Rent Home	Own	71%	24%	5%
	Rent	63%	31%	6%
Interview Type	Landline	69%	25%	6%
	Cell Phone	68%	30%	2%

NY1/YNN-Marist Poll NYS Registered Voters: Interviews conducted April 25th through 29th, 2011, N=758 MOE +/- 4%. Totals may not add to 100 due to rounding.

# **Alternative Employment Near Home**

Asked of NYS Employed Adults:

**Question Wording:** If you were to lose your job, would it be very difficult, difficult, not very difficult, or not difficult at all to find another similar position about the same distance from your home?

			NYS Emplo	yed Adults	
		If you were to lose your job, would it be very difficult, difficult, not very difficult, or not difficult at all to find another similar position about the same distance from your home?			
		Very difficult	Difficult	Not very difficult	Not difficult at all
		Row %	Row %	Row %	Row %
NYS Employed Adu	Its	46%	30%	19%	5%
NYS Registered Vot	ters	48%	28%	19%	4%
Party Registration	Democrat	51%	26%	19%	4%
	Republican	46%	32%	18%	4%
	Non-enrolled	47%	29%	21%	3%
Tea Party Supporte	rs	54%	26%	16%	4%
Political Ideology	Liberal	56%	21%	20%	2%
	Moderate	43%	34%	20%	3%
	Conservative	47%	26%	17%	10%
Region	New York City	47%	31%	18%	4%
	Suburbs	50%	24%	22%	5%
	Upstate	43%	33%	19%	5%
Income	Less \$50,000	51%	31%	14%	5%
	\$50,000 to just under \$100,000	47%	30%	18%	5%
	\$100,000 or more	40%	28%	28%	4%
Income	Less than \$50,000	51%	31%	14%	5%
	\$50,000 or more	43%	29%	23%	5%
Education	Not college graduate	45%	31%	19%	5%
	College graduate	47%	28%	20%	4%
Age	Under 45	39%	33%	23%	4%
	45 or older	54%	26%	16%	5%
Race	White	47%	30%	20%	4%
	Non White	45%	29%	20%	5%
Gender	Men	46%	34%	16%	4%
	Women	47%	26%	23%	5%
Own or Rent	Own	46%	29%	21%	4%
Home	Rent	46%	33%	15%	6%
Interview Type	Landline	48%	28%	19%	5%
	Cell Phone	42%	34%	20%	4%

NY1/YNN-Marist Poll NYS Employed Adults: Interviews conducted April 25th through 29th, 2011, N=526 MOE +/- 4.5%. Totals may not add to 100 due to rounding.

# **Family Finances in the Coming Year**

Asked of NYS Registered Voters:

**Question Wording:** In the coming year, do you expect your personal family finances to get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

		NY:	S Registered Vo	ters
		In the coming year, do you expect yo personal family finances to get better, worse, or stay about the same?		
		Get better	Get worse	Stay about the same
		Row %	Row %	Row %
NYS Registered Vot	ers	31%	22%	47%
Party Registration	Democrat	29%	19%	51%
	Republican	28%	25%	47%
	Non-enrolled	30%	25%	45%
Tea Party Supporte	rs	26%	21%	53%
Political Ideology	Liberal	35%	17%	48%
	Moderate	28%	19%	53%
	Conservative	30%	28%	42%
Region	New York City	38%	17%	45%
	Suburbs	26%	24%	50%
	Upstate	28%	24%	48%
Income	Less \$50,000	34%	25%	41%
	\$50,000 to just under \$100,000	27%	21%	52%
	\$100,000 or more	35%	17%	48%
Income	Less than \$50,000	34%	25%	41%
	\$50,000 or more	31%	19%	50%
Education	Not college graduate	28%	27%	45%
	College graduate	34%	17%	49%
Age	Under 45	45%	16%	39%
	45 or older	23%	25%	52%
Age	18 to 29	46%	12%	42%
	30 to 44	44%	18%	38%
	45 to 59	29%	21%	50%
	60 or older	16%	30%	54%
Generation	Millennials (18-30)	45%	11%	43%
	Gen X (31-46) Baby Boomers	40% 27%	21%	39% 52%
	(47-65) Silent-Greatest	17%	32%	51%
Page	(Over 65)			
Race	White	26%	22%	52%
Gender	Non White Men	42%	20%	38%
Genuel	Women	31%	20%	49%
Employment	Employed	31% 34%	24%	46% 46%
Status	Not Employed	28%	21%	
Own or Rent	Own	28%	21%	52%
Home	Rent	41%	24% 17%	49% 42%
Interview Type	Landline	29%	24%	42%
interview Type	Cell Phone	37%	15%	48%

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# Family Finances in the Coming Year (Over Time)

Asked of NYS Registered Voters:

**Question Wording:** In the coming year, do you expect your personal family finances to get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

Registered Voters							
In the coming year, do you expect your personal family finances to get better, get worse, or stay about the same?							
Date	Get better	Get worse	Stay about the same				
May 2011	31%	22%	47%				
February 2011	27%	19%	54%				
September 28, 2010	26%	16%	58%				
May 12, 2010	27%	19%	54%				
April 8, 2010	22%	19%	59%				
February 2, 2010	26%	18%	56%				
November 24, 2010 24% 20% 56%							
September 14, 2010	27%	18%	55%				
July 9, 2009	20%	25%	55%				

Marist Poll New York Registered Voters

# **New York State Economy**

Asked of NYS Registered Voters:

**Question Wording:** Right now, do you think the New York State economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same?

		NYS	Registered Vo	ters
		Right now, do you think the New York State economy is getting better, getting worse, staying about the same?		
		Getting better	Getting worse	Staying about the same
		Row %	Row %	Row %
NYS Registered Vot	ers	16%	37%	47%
Party Registration	Democrat	20%	34%	46%
	Republican	12%	33%	55%
	Non-enrolled	14%	48%	38%
Tea Party Supporte	rs	9%	43%	49%
Political Ideology	Liberal	22%	31%	47%
	Moderate	18%	37%	44%
	Conservative	9%	39%	52%
Region	New York City	21%	28%	51%
	Suburbs	14%	33%	52%
	Upstate	14%	45%	41%
Income	Less \$50,000	15%	41%	43%
	\$50,000 to just under \$100,000	17%	34%	48%
	\$100,000 or more	17%	26%	57%
Income	Less than \$50,000	15%	41%	43%
	\$50,000 or more	17%	31%	52%
Education	Not college graduate	10%	45%	45%
	College graduate	22%	29%	50%
Age	Under 45	20%	40%	41%
	45 or older	14%	35%	51%
Age	18 to 29	21%	49%	29%
	30 to 44	19%	32%	49%
	45 to 59	15%	35%	50%
	60 or older	13%	36%	51%
Generation	Millennials (18-30)	21%	49%	30%
	Gen X (31-46)	18%	33%	49%
	Baby Boomers (47-65)	15%	33%	52%
	Silent-Greatest (Over 65)	12%	39%	49%
Race	White	16%	34%	50%
	Non White	17%	41%	43%
Gender	Men	21%	36%	43%
	Women	12%	38%	50%
Employment	Employed	16%	38%	46%
Status	Not Employed	20%	35%	45%
Own or Rent	Own	16%	33%	51%
Home	Rent	17%	46%	37%
Interview Type	Landline	17%	35%	48%
	Cell Phone	14%	43%	43%

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# **New York State Economy (Over Time)**

Asked of NYS Registered Voters:

**Question Wording:** Right now, do you think the New York State economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same?

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May 2011	16%	37%	47%					
February 2011	19%	31%	50%					
September 28, 2010	12%	46%	42%					
May 12, 2010	15%	48%	37%					
April 8, 2010	12%	54%	34%					
February 2, 2010	11%	49%	40%					
November 24, 2009 15% 39% 46%								
September 14, 2009	September 14, 2009 19% 29% 52%							
July 9, 2009	8%	46%	46%					

**Marist Poll New York Registered Voters** 

# New York State Economy: Will It Get Worse?

Asked of NYS Registered Voters:

**Question Wording:** When thinking about the New York State economy, which statement comes closer to your view:

		NYS Registered Voters		
		When thinking about the New York State economy, which statement comes closer to your view:		
		The worst is yet to come	The worst is behind us	Unsure
		Row %	Row %	Row %
NYS Registered Voters		53%	44%	4%
Party Registration	Democrat	46%	48%	6%
	Republican	60%	37%	2%
	Non-enrolled	55%	42%	3%
Tea Party Supporters		70%	26%	3%
Political Ideology	Liberal	38%	58%	4%
	Moderate	48%	48%	4%
	Conservative	69%	28%	3%
Region	New York City	50%	45%	5%
	Suburbs	48%	48%	4%
	Upstate	57%	40%	3%
Income	Less \$50,000	55%	41%	4%
	\$50,000 to just under \$100,000	53%	42%	5%
	\$100,000 or more	44%	54%	3%
Income	Less than \$50,000	55%	41%	4%
	\$50,000 or more	49%	47%	4%
Education	Not college graduate	63%	34%	3%
	College graduate	42%	53%	5%
Age	Under 45	53%	45%	3%
	45 or older	52%	43%	4%
Age	18 to 29	48%	52%	<1%
	30 to 44	56%	40%	5%
	45 to 59	52%	44%	4%
	60 or older	52%	42%	5%
Generation	Millennials (18-30)	49%	51%	<1%
	Gen X (31-46)	58%	39%	4%
	Baby Boomers (47-65)	50%	45%	4%
	Silent-Greatest (Over 65)	52%	42%	6%
Race	White	53%	43%	4%
	Non White	50%	46%	3%
Gender	Men	51%	45%	4%
	Women	54%	42%	4%
Employment Status	Employed	52%	44%	3%
	Not Employed	54%	42%	3%
Own or Rent Home	Own	51%	44%	5%
	Rent	54%	44%	2%
Interview Type	Landline	50%	45%	5%
	Cell Phone	61%	39%	1%

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