

Siena College Research Institute
September 15, 18-21, 2011
808 New York State Registered Voters
MOE +/- 3.4%

Q1. Is New York State on the right track, or is it headed in the wrong direction?																											
	Party				Gender		Political View			Union HH		Region			Ethnicity			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	Yes	No	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	<\$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+
Right track	45%	55%	32%	42%	46%	45%	53%	49%	34%	42%	47%	48%	46%	42%	44%	58%	37%	42%	46%	47%	43%	46%	48%	49%	42%	44%	53%
Wrong direction	44%	36%	56%	48%	44%	45%	31%	42%	57%	48%	43%	39%	45%	49%	46%	34%	58%	49%	44%	43%	48%	42%	46%	36%	48%	46%	41%
Don't know/No opinion	10%	10%	12%	9%	10%	10%	16%	9%	9%	10%	11%	13%	9%	8%	11%	8%	5%	10%	10%	10%	9%	12%	6%	15%	11%	10%	6%

I'm going to read a series of names of people and institutions in public life and I'd like you to tell me whether you have a favorable opinion or an unfavorable opinion of each person or institution I name.

Q3. Andrew Cuomo																											
	Party				Gender		Political View			Union HH		Region			Ethnicity			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	Yes	No	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	<\$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+
Favorable	72%	75%	63%	74%	73%	71%	82%	74%	61%	71%	72%	71%	73%	71%	72%	69%	72%	60%	74%	77%	73%	75%	74%	66%	64%	78%	78%
Unfavorable	18%	16%	21%	20%	19%	18%	9%	17%	29%	18%	18%	17%	18%	19%	16%	25%	24%	25%	16%	16%	17%	12%	19%	22%	23%	15%	15%
Don't know/No opinion	10%	9%	16%	6%	8%	12%	9%	10%	10%	10%	11%	9%	10%	12%	6%	3%	15%	10%	7%	10%	13%	7%	11%	13%	6%	7%	

Q5. Kirsten Gillibrand																											
	Party				Gender		Political View			Union HH		Region			Ethnicity			Age			Religion				Income		
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Favorable	46%	54%	35%	42%	44%	48%	58%	48%	35%	44%	47%	43%	37%	54%	48%	49%	29%	34%	48%	51%	40%	54%	47%	51%	45%	47%	52%
Unfavorable	25%	16%	38%	30%	29%	22%	13%	22%	39%	26%	24%	24%	30%	23%	26%	25%	20%	24%	21%	29%	34%	17%	23%	16%	26%	21%	25%
Don't know/No opinion	29%	30%	27%	29%	28%	31%	29%	30%	26%	31%	28%	33%	33%	23%	26%	26%	50%	42%	31%	20%	25%	29%	30%	33%	29%	32%	23%

Q6. Charles Schumer																											
	Party				Gender		Political View			Union HH		Region			Ethnicity			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	Yes	No	NYC	Subs	Upst	White	Afr Amer /Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	<\$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+
Favorable	59%	73%	40%	51%	57%	60%	75%	64%	40%	66%	57%	67%	57%	52%	57%	70%	59%	48%	63%	63%	56%	65%	65%	54%	54%	67%	60%
Unfavorable	30%	20%	49%	35%	33%	28%	14%	25%	53%	22%	33%	22%	36%	36%	32%	22%	34%	39%	28%	27%	35%	26%	28%	29%	32%	26%	33%
Don't know/No opinion	11%	7%	11%	14%	9%	12%	11%	12%	7%	11%	10%	11%	7%	12%	10%	8%	7%	13%	9%	10%	9%	9%	7%	17%	14%	6%	7%

Q11. How would you rate the job that Andrew Cuomo is doing as Governor? Would you rate it excellent, good, fair, or poor?																											
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Excellent	12%	15%	4%	13%	14%	10%	20%	10%	7%	11%	12%	12%	12%	11%	13%	5%	16%	6%	12%	14%	12%	17%	11%	10%	14%	10%	13%
Good	43%	45%	43%	43%	38%	48%	41%	49%	37%	36%	47%	42%	43%	46%	45%	43%	32%	33%	41%	52%	44%	51%	46%	36%	39%	46%	47%
Fair	36%	33%	41%	35%	37%	34%	32%	36%	40%	42%	33%	37%	31%	37%	33%	40%	41%	50%	39%	26%	35%	24%	34%	46%	36%	37%	32%
Poor	7%	6%	8%	7%	7%	6%	5%	4%	13%	10%	6%	6%	11%	5%	6%	8%	9%	8%	5%	7%	8%	6%	8%	4%	8%	6%	6%
Don't know/No opinion	2%	2%	4%	2%	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%	1%	3%	3%	3%	1%	3%	3%	2%	2%	3%	2%	1%	2%	1%	4%	2%	2%	2%

Q12. And more specifically, how would you rate the job that Andrew Cuomo has done in responding to the recent hurricane, tropical storm and flooding that has caused serious damage in many parts of the state? Would you rate Cuomo's performance in responding to these natural disasters as excellent, good, fair, or poor?

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Excellent	20%	21%	15%	24%	22%	18%	26%	19%	17%	21%	20%	25%	19%	16%	20%	24%	23%	17%	22%	20%	21%	25%	19%	16%	21%	20%	20%
Good	50%	51%	53%	44%	47%	51%	45%	51%	48%	46%	51%	43%	49%	56%	51%	42%	37%	45%	48%	53%	51%	49%	50%	48%	50%	53%	48%
Fair	19%	17%	23%	18%	20%	18%	15%	20%	21%	23%	17%	23%	18%	15%	17%	27%	20%	17%	20%	19%	22%	16%	16%	19%	15%	19%	20%
Poor	4%	4%	3%	6%	4%	4%	1%	4%	6%	4%	4%	3%	6%	3%	7%	10%	9%	3%	2%	4%	1%	5%	4%	6%	2%	4%	
Don't know/No opinion	8%	8%	7%	9%	7%	8%	12%	5%	8%	6%	8%	6%	8%	9%	9%	1%	9%	12%	6%	7%	2%	8%	10%	13%	8%	6%	7%

Q13. On another issue, Governor Cuomo made openness and transparency of state government an important issue when campaigning for Governor last year. Do you think the Governor has made the workings of state government in Albany more open and transparent than it had been, less open and transparent than it had been, or do you think there has been no change in the level of openness and transparency in state government?

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More open and transparent	30%	32%	27%	29%	31%	29%	33%	33%	24%	28%	31%	27%	26%	35%	32%	32%	25%	19%	28%	37%	32%	27%	30%	26%	31%	30%	28%
Less open and transparent	4%	3%	3%	4%	3%	4%	3%	5%	3%	5%	3%	3%	4%	3%	3%	7%	4%	7%	2%	3%	5%	2%	4%	2%	6%	1%	3%
No change	58%	55%	59%	60%	58%	58%	54%	55%	63%	61%	57%	60%	63%	53%	56%	54%	64%	64%	63%	49%	57%	60%	59%	59%	55%	63%	61%
Don't know/No opinion	9%	9%	10%	6%	9%	9%	10%	7%	10%	6%	10%	10%	7%	9%	9%	6%	7%	10%	6%	11%	6%	10%	8%	13%	8%	7%	8%

Q16. Kirsten Gillibrand is running for re-election as United States Senator in 2012. As things stand now would you vote to re-elect her or would you prefer someone else?

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Re-elect Gillibrand	45%	55%	32%	38%	45%	44%	54%	52%	30%	46%	45%	44%	43%	47%	44%	59%	35%	38%	44%	51%	39%	42%	51%	47%	43%	48%	47%
Prefer someone else	34%	24%	49%	39%	38%	29%	24%	27%	52%	34%	34%	32%	39%	32%	35%	24%	38%	33%	33%	33%	45%	26%	29%	28%	34%	32%	35%
Don't know/No opinion	22%	21%	19%	24%	16%	26%	22%	21%	18%	20%	22%	25%	18%	21%	21%	17%	27%	28%	23%	16%	16%	32%	21%	25%	23%	20%	18%

Q17. How would you describe the fiscal condition of New York State right now? Would you describe it as excellent, good, fair, or poor?

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Excellent	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	2%	2%	1%	0%	1%	1%	2%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%
Good	11%	14%	5%	12%	13%	10%	13%	12%	8%	10%	11%	15%	13%	7%	9%	25%	6%	16%	11%	10%	9%	13%	14%	10%	12%	11%	12%
Fair	36%	40%	31%	34%	38%	35%	39%	39%	30%	36%	37%	43%	33%	32%	35%	37%	41%	33%	35%	40%	33%	36%	36%	44%	39%	36%	36%
Poor	50%	43%	62%	54%	48%	52%	43%	48%	60%	52%	50%	41%	50%	60%	54%	35%	50%	48%	54%	47%	56%	48%	50%	43%	48%	52%	51%
Don't know/No opinion	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%	2%	3%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	0%	3%	0%	2%	1%	1%	0%	3%	1%	1%	1%

Q18. On another issue, there has been an ongoing debate about hydraulic fracturing - or hydro-fracking - the proposed method to recover natural gas from the Marcellus Shale in the southern tier of New York State. How much attention have you paid to this debate about hydro-fracking - a great deal of attention, some, not very much, or no attention at all?

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Great deal	18%	19%	20%	18%	28%	11%	23%	16%	18%	18%	19%	14%	13%	26%	21%	11%	15%	10%	22%	19%	18%	16%	18%	22%	17%	19%	20%
Some	33%	29%	38%	38%	31%	35%	31%	35%	34%	31%	34%	27%	31%	41%	37%	27%	11%	27%	31%	40%	37%	37%	29%	32%	31%	32%	38%
Not very much	23%	24%	24%	20%	21%	24%	25%	21%	24%	25%	22%	27%	22%	19%	22%	30%	29%	21%	21%	26%	23%	19%	25%	23%	28%	25%	18%
No attention at all	24%	27%	18%	24%	20%	28%	20%	28%	23%	26%	23%	30%	32%	14%	20%	31%	42%	40%	26%	14%	22%	27%	27%	23%	25%	23%	24%
Don't know/No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	2%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	2%	1%	0%	1%	2%	3%	2%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	

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Q19. [Statements were rotated] Opponents of hydro-fracking are concerned that this method of extracting natural gas has not yet been fully studied and may pose risks to drinking water and the environment. Supporters of hydro-fracking believe it is safe and will create new jobs and supply needed energy for the state. Are you more inclined to trust the opponents or the supporters of hydro-fracking?																											
	Party				Gender		Political View			Union HH		Region			Ethnicity			Age			Religion				Income		
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Supporters	33%	24%	47%	38%	42%	25%	18%	33%	47%	29%	34%	29%	37%	34%	33%	39%	28%	32%	34%	31%	38%	39%	30%	26%	34%	30%	33%
Opponents	51%	59%	36%	48%	47%	54%	68%	51%	37%	53%	50%	50%	44%	56%	53%	36%	49%	50%	49%	53%	48%	39%	49%	62%	44%	53%	56%
Don't know/No opinion	17%	17%	17%	14%	11%	21%	14%	16%	16%	18%	16%	21%	19%	11%	14%	25%	23%	18%	16%	16%	14%	22%	20%	12%	22%	17%	11%
Q20. Recently, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation released a study recommending that New York allow hydro-fracking on private lands outside of areas that provide drinking water under strict regulation by the Department. Are you in favor or opposed to the recommendation of the Department of Environmental Conservation to allow hydro-fracking in a large portion of the Marcellus Shale?																											
	Party				Gender		Political View			Union HH		Region			Ethnicity			Age			Religion				Income		
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Favor	44%	36%	57%	50%	55%	36%	33%	46%	54%	44%	45%	39%	51%	46%	47%	42%	43%	50%	46%	41%	52%	46%	40%	41%	42%	47%	47%
Oppose	40%	46%	28%	38%	35%	44%	53%	40%	30%	41%	39%	42%	31%	44%	39%	39%	39%	36%	39%	43%	36%	33%	42%	46%	42%	38%	41%
Don't know/No opinion	16%	17%	15%	12%	10%	20%	14%	14%	16%	15%	16%	19%	18%	10%	15%	19%	18%	14%	15%	16%	13%	21%	18%	13%	16%	15%	12%

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Nature of the Sample	
New York State Registered Voters	
Party	
Democrat	48%
Republican	24%
Independent/Other	25%
Region	
NYC	39%
Suburbs	23%
Upstate	38%
Political View	
Liberal	24%
Moderate	42%
Conservative	29%
Union Household	
Yes	25%
No	72%
Religion	
Catholic	34%
Jewish	11%
Protestant	30%
Other	21%
Age	
18 to 34	22%
35 to 54	37%
55 and older	37%
Gender	
Male	45%
Female	55%
Race/Ethnicity	
White	69%
African American/Black	15%
Latino	9%
Income	
Less than \$50,000	29%
\$50,000 to \$100,000	30%
\$100,000 or more	28%