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#### Siena New York Poll:

### NYers Overwhelmingly Oppose Gov's License Proposal

Spitzer Gets Lowest Job Performance Rating Ever
Bloomberg Leads Spitzer 50-37 in 2010 Gubernatorial Match-up

**Loudonville, NY**, Seventy-two percent of New York voters who have read or heard about the Governor's proposal to allow undocumented aliens to obtain New York driver's licenses oppose the Governor's plan, while only 22 percent support it, according to a new Siena (College) Research Institute poll of registered voters released today. The Siena New York poll also shows that Eliot Spitzer's job performance rating is lower than it has ever been, with a majority of voters saying he's doing a fair or poor job. If the 2010 gubernatorial race were held today, New York City Mayor Michael Bloomberg, running as a Republican, would beat Democrat Spitzer 50-37 percent.

"Nearly three-quarters of voters – including 59 percent of Democrats – oppose the Governor's plan to give driver's licenses to undocumented aliens," said Steven Greenberg, Siena New York Poll spokesman. "The voters' message to the Governor is clear: 'No, no, no.' Opposition to the Spitzer proposal is intense, with 41 percent strongly opposing it and only 7 percent strongly supporting it.

"Nearly two-thirds of voters believe that the Governor's proposal poses a national security risk, and twothirds disagree with the argument that it will lower auto insurance costs. Even most Democrats are on the opposite side of the fence from the Governor on those questions. Voters from every region of New York overwhelmingly oppose Governor Spitzer on this issue," Greenberg said.

Spitzer's favorable/unfavorable rating is 54-36 percent, down from 56-26 percent last month, and a high of 75-10 percent in January. His job performance rating is 41 percent positive 55 percent negative, down from 44-49 percent last month, and a high of 57-36 percent in May.

"While the Governor's numbers may not be falling off a cliff, they are rolling swiftly and solidly down hill," Greenberg said.

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"In four short months, the voters' view of Spitzer's job performance has reversed itself. Four times as many voters think he's doing a poor job as think he's doing an excellent job," Greenberg said. "Since January, his favorability has fallen by 21 points while his unfavorability has risen by 26 points."

In a hypothetical race against Bloomberg for Governor in 2010, Spitzer trails 50-37 percent. He beat Bloomberg 43-41 percent in June. Democrats favor Spitzer 54-35 percent, while Republicans favor Bloomberg 70-18 percent. Bloomberg leads by 28 points in New York City and 31 points in the downstate suburbs. Spitzer has a 15-point lead over Bloomberg upstate.

"What a difference a summer can make. In June, Spitzer had a small lead but now Mayor Mike's lead is significant. Eliot Spitzer should be happy his re-election is three years away," Greenberg said.

Similar to last month, nearly 60 percent of New York voters who know about the Attorney General's "troopergate" report believe that Spitzer needs to be more forthright about what he knows, while only 29 percent believe he has been honest with the public. Seventy percent of voters continue to believe the Governor should publicly testify under oath about everything he knows about the situation. And 62 percent (up from 53 percent last month) think Spitzer was aware of what his top aides were doing.

"Voters' views on 'troopergate' have not dramatically changed since September. They don't think the Governor has been honest with the public, they think he knew what his aides were doing, and they overwhelmingly say he should publicly testify about the issue," Greenberg said. "Interestingly, when voters were asked who's more at fault in the troopergate scandal, they are split with 33 percent saying Spitzer, 33 percent saying Bruno, and 14 percent volunteering that the two are equally to blame."

One current Spitzer initiative did receive overwhelming approval. Seventy-one percent of voters support the S-CHIP lawsuit the Governor has joined to broaden health care coverage for children. Democrats support the lawsuit by an 86-9 percent margin. Republicans support it 54-36 percent.

When asked to rank nine issues on a scale of importance, the top issues for New York voters were health care, jobs and the economy, public education, taxes and integrity in state government. Democrats ranked as their top three health care, jobs and the economy and public education. The top three for Republicans were taxes, integrity in state government and public education.

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## Siena New York Poll Trends – October 2007

Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Eliot Spitzer?

DATE	FAVORABLE	Unfavorable	Don't Know/No Opinion
October 2007	54	36	10
September 2007	56	26	18
July 2007	59	28	14
June 2007	64	22	15
May 2007	67	21	12
April 2007	67	20	13
March 2007	62	20	18
February 2007	74	12	14
January 2007	75	10	16
November 15, 2006	75	14	12
November 3, 2006	74	17	10
October 2006	69	20	12
September 2006	74	16	10
August 2006	71	15	15
June 2006	68	16	16
May 2006	63	19	19
March 2006	62	18	20
January 2006	59	19	23
November 2005	65	15	20
October 2005	61	19	20
August 2005	60	14	26
July 2005	62	15	22
June 2005	59	15	25
May 2005	58	17	25
April 2005	53	18	29
March 2005	50	18	32
February 2005	48	17	34

How would you rate the job that Eliot Spitzer is doing as Governor – excellent, good, fair, or poor?

DATE	<b>EXCELLENT</b>	GOOD	FAIR	<b>Poor</b>	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
October 2007	4	37	38	17	4
September 2007	5	39	38	11	8
July 2007	7	39	34	14	6
June 2007	9	46	30	7	8
May 2007	11	46	27	9	7
April 2007	10	45	31	7	7
March 2007	8	39	31	8	13
February 2007	15	43	21	3	20
January 2007	11	37	15	4	33

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Looking ahead, if the 2010 election for Governor were held today and the candidates were Eliot Spitzer on the Democratic line and Michael Bloomberg on the Republican line, who would you vote for (ROTATE CHOICES)?

DATE	SPITZER	<b>BLOOMBERG</b>	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
October 2007	37	50	14
June 2007	43	41	16

Do you think that Eliot Spitzer was aware of what his top aides were doing?

DATE	YES	No	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
October 2007	62	20	18
September 2007	53	27	20
July 2007	51	28	21

Do you think that Eliot Spitzer has been honest with the public regarding what he knows about this issue or do you think he needs to be more forthright?

		MORE	
DATE	HONEST	<b>FORTHRIGHT</b>	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
October 2007	29	59	12
September 2007	26	59	15

Do you think Eliot Spitzer should publicly testify under oath about everything he knows about this situation?

DATE	YES	No	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
October 2007	70	25	5
September 2007	70	19	11

Which best describes your point of view? Getting to the bottom of this issue is extremely important. It should be a top state government priority; although important, while this issue is being investigated, state government should concentrate on other issues that affect the lives of New Yorkers; or, this issue is not important and it is not what state government should be focused upon.

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DATE	<b>PRIORITY</b>	<b>IMPORTANT</b>	<b>IMPORTANT</b>	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
October 2007	10	62	27	1
September 2007	12	66	21	2

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Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Andrew Cuomo?

DATE	FAVORABLE	Unfavorable	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
October 2007	54	29	17
September 2007	51	26	24
July 2007	55	26	19
June 2007	49	31	20
May 2007	51	32	18
April 2007	52	31	18
March 2007	50	32	19
February 2007	45	35	20
January 2007	48	29	23
November 15, 2006	50	36	15
November 3, 2006	49	36	15
October 2006	44	42	15
September 2006	50	35	15
August 2006	44	35	21
June 2006	47	29	24
January 2006	45	31	24

How would you rate the job that Andrew Cuomo is doing as Attorney General – excellent, good, fair, or poor?

DATE	EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	Poor	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
October 2007	7	42	35	6	12
September 2007	8	41	28	7	17
July 2007	11	41	27	6	14
June 2007	7	39	27	9	18
May 2007	9	41	26	9	16
April 2007	8	39	29	9	15
March 2007	5	35	29	8	23
January 2007	11	37	15	4	33

Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Joe Bruno?

DATE	<b>FAVORABLE</b>	Unfavorable	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
October 2007	22	38	40
July 2007	23	42	36
March 2007	17	37	46
January 2007	17	36	47
May 2006	21	29	50
July 2005	26	30	44
April 2005	18	30	52

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Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Sheldon Silver?

DATE	<b>FAVORABLE</b>	Unfavorable	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
October 2007	22	37	42
July 2007	24	34	42
March 2007	23	35	42
January 2007	20	37	43
May 2006	24	31	45
July 2005	28	34	38
April 2005	19	30	50

Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Michael Bloomberg?

DATE	<b>FAVORABLE</b>	UNFAVORABLE	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
October 2007	68	20	12
July 2007	65	19	17
June 2007	62	20	18

Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Hillary Clinton?

DATE	FAVORABLE	Unfavorable	Don't Know/No Opinion
October 2007	53	41	6
September 2007	57	37	7
July 2007	59	35	6
June 2007	54	39	7
May 2007	56	39	5
April 2007	50	42	7
March 2007	56	37	8
February 2007	56	40	5
January 2007	60	33	7
November 15, 2006	65	29	6
November 3, 2006	61	33	6
October 2006	56	38	6
September 2006	60	37	4
August 2006	54	38	7
June 2006	54	38	8
May 2006	58	36	6
March 2006	55	39	6
January 2006	60	37	3
November 2005	60	34	6
October 2005	59	35	6
August 2005	59	37	4
July 2005	60	34	6
June 2005	60	33	7
May 2005	58	35	7
April 2005	60	33	6
March 2005	58	34	8
February 2005	61	33	6

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Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Charles Schumer?

DATE	<b>FAVORABLE</b>	UNFAVORABLE	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
October 2007	65	24	11
June 2007	64	23	13
February 2007	66	24	11
November 15, 2006	68	20	11
July 2005	70	22	9
February 2005	63	20	17

Is New York State on the right track, or is it headed in the wrong direction?

DATE	RIGHT TRACK	WRONG DIRECTION	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
October 2007	42	36	22
September 2007	44	30	26
July 2007	37	38	25
June 2007	45	28	27
May 2007	46	29	25
April 2007	47	29	24
March 2007	37	37	26
February 2007	49	26	25
January 2007	45	26	30
November 15, 2006	52	30	18
November 3, 2006	36	43	21
October 2006	29	47	23
September 2006:	33	39	28
August 2006	29	47	25
June 2006	29	45	26
May 2006	27	52	21
March 2006	35	39	26
January 2006	34	43	24
November 2005	38	41	22
October 2005	34	42	24
August 2005	36	44	20
July 2005	33	41	26
June 2005	30	44	26
May 2005	29	46	25
April 2005	29	44	27
March 2005	26	47	27
February 2005	32	44	24

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right track	42	51	34	39	43	40	48	49	•			80		43	34	42	42	32	47
wrong direction	36	27	50		37	36	32	26	48			7		36		39	25	44	30
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favorable	54	64	39	54	56	53	53	55				47	61	54	53	50	59	50	66
unfavorable	36	26	50	39	36	35		35				40		35		38	30	45	
don't know/no opinion	10	10	12	6	9	11	10	11	10		8			11	10	12	11	6	
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unfavorable	41	18	69	50	45	37	41	41	41	45		27	44	40		46	44	47	27
don't know/no opinion	6	7	4	7	9	4	6	7	6				0	7	7	5	9	8	
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unfavorable	29	19	41	28	34	24	25	36	27	30				31	25	27	27	37	27
don't know/no opinion	17	14	18		15	20		13						18		15	16		
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favorable	68	67	69		71	65	74	83					71	70		68	83	55	
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favorable	22	27	19		24	19	28	19		22	29	20		20	24	19	44	17	22
unfavorable	37	29	40		44	29	34	36	39		38	7			44	38	30	34	
don't know/no opinion	42	44	41	42		51	38	45			33	73				43	27	50	
7.Joseph Bruno																			
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favorable	22	16	29	21	27	17	21	19	•	23	21	27	21	23	21	25	16	26	14
unfavorable	38	43	31	39	45	32	37	36		39	17	40			42	36	39	33	
don't know/no opinion	40	41	40			52 51	41	45			63	33			37	39	45		40
don t know/no opinion	40	41	40	39	20	ان	41	40	33	30	03	- 33	40	41	37	39	40	41	40
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	Total	Dem	Rep	Other	М	F	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
favorable	65	82	50		61	68	69	71	56	64	75	80			64	63	80	59	
unfavorable	24	9	37	33		18	21	22	28		17	0		21	28	25	17	28	
don't know/no opinion	11	9	13	12	8	15	10	7	16	11	8	20	12	13	8	12	3	13	13
9. How would you rate the	e job that E	liot Spi	tzer is o	doing as G	overnor?	Would	l you rat	te it excelle	nt, good, 1	fair, or p	oor?	I	I						
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				Ind./				NYC			Afr.Am./								
		Dem	Rep	Other	М	F	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
excellent	4	6	3	6	5	4	4	4	5	4	8	0	5	3	6	3	5	8	4
good	37	46	24			36	35	37	38	37	50	40	49	36		34	45		43
fair	38	35	44	38	33	43	39	41	37	38	38	47	33	42	33	40	34	39	
poor	17	9	26	22	20	14	17	14	18	19	4	0	11	15	23	21	6	21	10
don't know/no opinion	4	4	3	3	5	3	5	5	2	4	0	13	3	4	3	2	9	3	6
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excellent	7	10	5			6		7	7	-	2.001	7	5			7	9		
good	42	47	33			46		37	42		58	20		-		44	42		
fair	35	28	44			34	34	41	31		29	47			27	33	33		
poor	6	3	8			34		4	7		0					7	0		
don't know/no opinion	12	13	10			12		12			8					10	16		
don t know/no opinion	12	13	10	17	14	14	10	14	, , , , , ,					1 4	10	10	10	1 1	17

11. Looking far ahead, if the 2010 election for Governor were held today and the candidates were (rotate choices):

			Party	1	GENE	DER		Region	•		Ethnic			AGE			Relig	ion	
				Ind./				NYC			Afr.Am./								
	Total	Dem	Rep	Other	М	F	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
Eliot Spitzer	37	54	18	28	35	39	31	27	50	37	33	20	47	35	38	35	38	37	41
Michael Bloomberg	50	35	70	60	51	48	59	58	35	50	54	73	42	54	44	54	50	48	41
don't know/no opinion	14	11	13	13	14	13	11	16	15	14	13	7	11	11	18	12	13	14	18

12. I'm going to read you a list of issues that the Governor and Legislature could address. For each, please tell me whether you think it is very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not at all important as an issue for the Governor and Legislature to address:

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			Party	<u> </u>	GENI	DER		Region			Ethnic			AGE			Relig	ion	
Public Education	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	М	F	NYC	NYC Suburbs	Upstate	White	Afr.Am./ Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
very important	76	80	70	76	72	80	78	74	75	74	88	87	79	77	74	73	72	74	85
somewhat important	21	17	26	22	25	18	18	23	23	23	13	13	20	21	23	24	22	24	13
not very important	2	2	3	2	2	2	3	2	2	3	0	0	2	2	3	2	6	2	1
not important at all	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1
dk/no opinion	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
			Party	<u> </u> /	GENI	DER		Region			Ethnic			AGE			Relig	jion	
				Ind./				NYC			Afr.Am./								
13. Health Care	Total	Dem	Rep	Other	M	F	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
very important	77	85	69	71	72	82	75	76	79	76	96	80	73	78	76	77	77	74	79
somewhat important	19	13	25	24	22	15	21	19	17	20	4	13	24	19	18	19	20	21	16
not very important	3	1	6	4	4	2	3	4	2	3	0	7	2	2	5	3	2	4	2
not important at all	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	0	0	2	1	2	1	0	0	2
dk/no opinion	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	1
			Party	<u> </u> /	GENI	DER		Region			Ethnic			AGE			Relig	jion	
14. Jobs and the				Ind./				NYC			Afr.Am./								
economy	Total	Dem	Rep	Other	M	F	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
very important	76	81	68	73	75	77	74	73	80	75	88	87	73	78	73	77	72	74	75
somewhat important	22	18	29	24	22	23	23	26	19	23	13	7	24	21	25	21	23	26	22
not very important	2	1	2	3	2	1	2	1	1	1	0	7	3	1	1	2	3	0	1
not important at all	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0
dk/no opinion	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1

			Party	1	GENI	DER		Region			Ethnic			AGE			Relig	jion	
				Ind./				NYC			Afr.Am./								
15. Taxes	Total	Dem	Rep	Other	M	F	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
very important	72	68	75	73	75	69	69	70	76	72	67	80	64	72	74	75	69	69	69
somewhat important	25	28	23	23	21	28	27	26	22	24	29	20	32	25	22	23	28	28	26
not very important	3	4	2	4	4	3	5	4	2	3	4	0	5	3	3	3	3	3	5
not important at all	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
dk/no opinion	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
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16. Crime	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	М	F	NYC	NYC Suburbs	Upstate	White	Afr.Am./ Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
very important	65	64	68	62	61	69	72	63	60	63	92	53	68	63	68	65	69	66	64
somewhat important	33	34	30	36	36	30	26	36	37	35	8	47	30	35	30	33	30	34	33
not very important	2	2	2	2	2	1	2	1	2	2	0	0	2	1	2	2	2	0	3
not important at all	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
dk/no opinion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
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		•	Party	,	GENI	DER		Region			Ethnic			AGE	•		Relig	jion	
				Ind./				NYC			Afr.Am./								
17. The environment	Total	Dem	Rep	Other	М	F	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
very important	63	69	56	61	58	68	64	67	61	62	75	73	41	66	67	63	53	68	66
somewhat important	32	27	39	35	36	29	30	32	34	33	25	27	53	31	28	34	36	29	29
not very important	3	3	3	3	4	3	5	1	4	4	0	0	5	3	4	3	9	3	3
not important at all	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	2	1	1	1	2	0	1
dk/no opinion	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
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			Party		GENI	DER		Region			Ethnic			AGE			Relig	jion	
				Ind./				NYC			Afr.Am./								
18. Energy	Total	Dem	Rep	Other	M	F	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
very important	61	64	55	62	59	62	56	61	64	60	67	87	55	62	61	61	52	65	60
somewhat important	35	31	41	32	35	35	37	37	32	34	25	13	41	35	31	33	44	31	36
not very important	4	4	4	4	4	3	6	3	3	4	4	0	3	3	5	4	3	4	3
not important at all	1	1	0	2	1	0	1	1	1	1	4	0	2	0	2	1	2	0	1
dk/no opinion	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0
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19. Integrity in state				Ind./				NYC			Afr.Am./								
government	Total	Dem	Rep	Other	М	F	NYC	Suburbs			Black	Latino			55+	Cath.			
very important	70	68	72	73	70	70	69	70	70	70	75	60	55	68	78	69	58	77	73
somewhat important	25	27	23	23	23	27	25	27	24	25	21	40	33	27	18	26	36	22	20
not very important	2	3	2	2	3	2	4	2	2	2	0	0	8	2	1	2	5	0	3
not important at all	2	2	2	1	3	1	2	1	3	2	4	0	5	2	2	2	2	1	2
dk/no opinion	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	1

			Party	1	GENI	DER		Region			Ethnic			AGE			Relig	ion	
				Ind./				NYC			Afr.Am./								
20. Homeland security	Total	Dem	Rep	Other	M	F	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
very important	64	61	68	69	59	69	71	64	57	63	83	53	65	63	64	87	58	64	59
somewhat important	28	31	25	27	29	28	23	26	36	30	17	27	29	29	27	27	28	29	31
not very important	6	8	6	5	10	3	6	8	5	6	0	13	6	6	7	4	13	6	9
not important at all	1	1	1	0	2	0	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	1	2	2	1
dk/no opinion	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	1	0	0	0	1

21. The Attorney General issued a report finding that two of the Governor's top aides used the State Police to improperly gather information about Senate Majority Leader Joseph Bruno. Are you aware of this?

			Party	1	GENI	DER		Region			Ethnic			AGE			Relig	ion	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	М	F	NYC	NYC Suburbs	Upstate	White	Afr.Am./ Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
Yes	71	71	71	67	81	61	66	66	79	72	63	47	59	69	78	68	75	76	71
No	28	28	28	33	19	37	34	33	20	27	38	47	41	30	21	31	25	24	27
dk/no opinion	1	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	1	1	0	7	0	1	2	1	0	0	1

22. Do you think that Fliot Spitzer has been honest with the public regarding what he knows about this issue or do you think that he needs to be more forthright?

			Party	1	GENE	ER		Region			Ethnic			AGE			Relig	ion	
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	М	F	NYC	NYC Suburbs	Upstate	White	Afr.Am./ Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
honest about what he knew	29	36	19	26	32	25	25	29	32	27	53	43	28	28	29	28	19	29	36
needs to be more forthright	59	50	71	60	56	63	64	58	56	60	47	57	67	58	60	63	58	58	53
don't know/no opinion	12	14	10	14	12	12	12	14	12	13	0	0	5	14	11	10	23	13	12

23. Do you think that Eliot Spitzer was aware of what his top aides were doing?

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				Ind./				NYC			Afr.Am./								
	Total	Dem	Rep	Other	M	F	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
yes	62	54	69	71	65	59	60	64	62	64	60	57	74	63	59	68	54	52	60
no	20	24	16	16	18	22	20	21	20	18	27	29	13	22	17	18	21	26	20
don't know/no opinion	18	23	15	12	17	19	20	15	18	19	13	14	13	15	24	14	25	22	20

24. Do you think Eliot Spitzer should publicly testify under oath about everything he knows about this situation?

			Party	,	GENI	DER		Region			Ethnic			AGE			Relig	ion	
				Ind./				NYC			Afr.Am./								
	Total	Dem	Rep	Other	M	F	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
yes	70	62	77	73	67	74	66	71	72	71	40	100	67	72	69	74	54	74	66
no	25	32	19	23	29	20	26	25	24	24	60	0	28	24	26	22	33	23	30
don't know/no opinion	5	6	5	4	4	6	8	4	3	5	0	0	5	4	5	4	13	3	4

25. Who do you think is more at fault in the so-called "troopergate scandal" - (rotate choices)

			Party	,	GENE	DER		Region			Ethnic			AGE			Relig	ion	
				Ind./				NYC			Afr.Am./								
	Total	Dem	Rep	Other	М	F	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
Eliot Spitzer	33	26	41	36	33	32	36	36	28	34	27	43	36	33	32	39	31	38	16
Joseph Bruno	33	35	31	32	33	33	33	30	35	33	13	43	26	34	33	30	38	35	37
both equally	14	14	12	16	16	12	12	12	18	13	33	14	5	16	14	13	6	12	21
neither/other	5	8	4	3	5	6	8	5	3	5	7	0	15	3	5	5	6	1	8
don't know/no opinion	15	17	13	14	13	18	11	17	17	16	20	0	18	14	16	13	19	15	18
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26. Which best describes your point of view: [ROTATE CHOICES] 1. Getting to the bottom of this isssue is extremely important. It should be a top state government priority. 2. Although important, while this issue is being investigated, state government should concentrate on other issues that affect the lives of New Yorkers. 3. This issue is not important and it is not what state government should be focused upon.

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	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	М	F	NYC	NYC Suburbs	Upstate	White	Afr.Am./ Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
getting to bottom/top state gov priority	10	10	9	11	11	9	12	12	8	9	7	14	10	8	14	13	8	7	8
concentrate other issues	62	57	71	63	62	62	63	60	62	62	73	57	72	64	57	61	71	65	58
not important	27	31	20	26	26	27	23	27	29	27	20	29	18	27	27	24	19	28	34
don't know/no opinion	1	3	1	0	1	2	1	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	3	2	2	0	1

27. Recently, Governor Spitzer announced that proof of being in this country legally will no longer be required from applicants seeking New York State driver's licenses if they have a valid foreign passport. How much have you read or heard about this story:

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				Ind./				NYC			Afr.Am./								
	Total	Dem	Rep	Other	М	F	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
a great deal	34	33	34	35	38	30	35	28	36	34	29	27	18	27	50	35	23	40	32
some	36	37	36	35	33	39	33	40	37	36	42	33	32	40	31	37	42	35	33
very little	18	19	19	15	17	19	16	21	17	18	17	27	26	19	14	18	20	13	21
nothing at all	12	12	12	16	13	11	15	11	10	12	13	13	24	14	5	11	14	12	14
don't know/no opinion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

28. Some say that this change would allow illegal aliens to obtain a New York driver's license, posing a national security risk. Do you:

			Party	1	GENI	DER		Region			Ethnic			AGE			Relig	ion	
				Ind./				NYC			Afr.Am./								
	Total	Dem	Rep	Other	M	F	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
agree	64	52	75	74	61	66	63	63	65	67	48	23	52	65	64	70	62	66	50
disagree	32	41	22	25	35	29	31	33	31	29	38	77	46	31	29	27	29	29	46
don't know/no opinion	5	8	3	1	4	5	5	5	4	4	14	0	2	4	7	4	9	5	5

29. Other say that this change will significantly reduce the number of unlicensed drivers, resulting in lower auto insurance costs for all New Yorkers. Do you:

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				Ind./				NYC			Afr.Am./								
	Total	Dem	Rep	Other	M	F	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
agree	25	35	17	20	27	22	30	29	16	23	33	39	36	26	20	23	27	20	30
disagree	66	52	76	76	65	66	62	62	72	68	48	46	60	66	65	69	55	70	61
don't know/no opinion	10	14	8	4	7	12	8	9	12	9	19	15	4	8	15	8	18	10	9

30. Overall, do you strongly support, support, oppose, or strongly oppose the Governor's plan to allow undocumented immigrants to get a New York driver's license?

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				Ind./				NYC			Afr.Am./								
	Total	Dem	Rep	Other	М	F	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
strongly support	7	12	3	4	8	7	8	6	7	6	5	23	10	8	5	7	6	5	9
support	15	22	7	12	15	14	16	17	11	14	19	31	12	15	15	11	20	15	21
oppose	31	29	33	30	29	33	27	33	34	30	38	23	44	32	26	31	27	35	30
strongly oppose	41	30	53	50	44	39	43	37	43	45	29	8	34	40	46	46	36	38	34
don't know/no opinion	6	7	4	3	4	7	7	7	4	6	10	15	0	5	8	5	11	8	6

31. The federal S-CHIP program helps provide health insurance for children in low and middle income families. Recently, President Bush vetoed legislation that would expand the program. Governor Spitzer has joined seven other states to sue the federal government in an attempt to increase the number of children that are covered by the program. Do you support or oppose the Governor's lawsuit?

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	Total	Dem	Rep	Other	М	F	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Jewish	Prot.	Other
support	71	86	54	64	67	75	73	76	65	70	96	80	77	73	64	69	72	65	77
oppose	22	9	36	29	26	18	20	19	26	23	4	13	21	20	25	22	19	30	17
don't know/no opinion	7	5	9	6	8	7	7	6	9	8	0	7	2	6	12	9	9	6	6