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Siena Poll:

### Hochul Holds 19-Point Lead Over Stefanik & Leads Blakeman by 25 Points

Nearly 2/3 of NYS Voters Support Universal Free Childcare For Infants Through Pre-K, Paid for by Increased Taxes on NYers Earning More than \$1M;

NYC Voters Support Eliminating Bus Fares – Paid for by Increased Taxes on City Residents Earning More Than \$1M – By a Narrower 50-41%

Two-thirds of NYC Voters and a Small Plurality of Voters From Outside NYC Think Mamdani's Election Will Be Good for NYC; Mamdani Favorability Rating Up to 46-31%

Majorities Between 58-65% Say Trump Administration Has Gone 'Too Far' on ICE Agents on City Streets, Increased Tariffs, Prosecuting Critics & Bombing Alleged Venezuelan Drug Boats

**Loudonville, NY.** Governor Kathy Hochul holds double-digit leads over both Rep. Elise Stefanik (Hochul leads 49-30%, with 20% undecided) and Nassau County Executive Bruce Blakeman (50-25%, 21% undecided), according to a new Siena Poll of New York State registered voters released today. Voters support, 65-27%, universal free childcare for infants through pre-K, paid for by increased taxes on New York taxpayers earning more than \$1 million. By a narrower 50-41% New York City voters support eliminating bus fares, paid for by increased taxes on City taxpayers earning more than \$1 million.

New York City Mayor-elect Zohran Mamdani's 46-31% statewide favorability rating is up from 40-40% last month, and stands at 61-23% in New York City, up from 55-31% in November. By a 49-32% margin, up from 45-39% last month, voters statewide think his election will be good for New York City. And when looking at City voters alone, they say his election is good for the City, 66-25%, up from last month's 57-26%.

"Closing out 2025 – six months from the primaries and 11 months till the general election – Hochul maintains a solid 19-point lead over Stefanik, with one in five voters being undecided, and currently has a larger 25-point lead over recent entrant Blakeman," Siena pollster Steven Greenberg said. "Hochul has the support of more than three-quarters of Democrats against either Republican. Stefanik leads among Republicans 82-7%, while Blakeman's lead is 73-7%. With independents, Hochul leads Blakeman by 10 points and Stefanik by seven points."

Hochul's 43-41% favorability rating is a little better than November's 43-45%. Her job approval rating is also four points better than last month, 52-39%, from 52-43%. Stefanik's favorability rating is 22-33%, from 28-36% in November. Blakeman has a 13-17% favorability rating, similar to 16-17% in June. Lt. Governor Antonio Delgado has a 17-15% favorability rating, from 20-20% last month.

Among registered Democrats, Hochul leads Delgado 56-13% (56-16% last month). With registered Republicans, Stefanik leads Blakeman 48-17%. In June, Stefanik, 35%, led Rep. Michael Lawler, 18%, and Blakeman, 7%.

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"Hochul's favorability rating tilts slightly favorable – only the third in positive territory this year – but she has still yet to crack 50% favorability in a state where 48% of the enrolled voters are Democrats," Greenberg said. "At the same time, Stefanik is underwater among voters who are familiar enough to have an opinion about her but is still largely unknown to more than two in five voters. For Blakeman and Delgado, the need to become more known to voters becomes a pressing issue six months before the primaries, with each of them unfamiliar to more than two-thirds of all voters, and both of them unfamiliar to a majority of voters in their respective parties."

Expectations for Hochul, Stefanik Largely Follow Party Lines, As Do Traits Voters See in the Candidates

Hochul v. Stefanik: Would or Would Not Be Successful as Gov Elected in 2026 in Addressing?									
		Kathy	Hochul			Elise S	tefanik		
		Total	Dems	Reps	Ind	Total	Dems	Reps	Ind
Making life more affordable for	Would	37%	51%	16%	27%	25%	13%	53%	23%
New Yorkers	Would not	40%	24%	70%	43%	39%	52%	15%	36%
Kaanin n Naw Vankana aafa	Would	43%	60%	18%	35%	31%	20%	57%	28%
Keeping New Yorkers safe	Would not	31%	17%	65%	29%	32%	44%	10%	28%
Ensuring NYers have access	Would	45%	62%	22%	33%	24%	11%	53%	22%
to quality affordable healthcare	Would not	31%	20%	56%	31%	40%	53%	11%	41%
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"On issues, voters have higher expectations for Hochul on ensuring access to healthcare and keeping New Yorkers safe. Voters don't think either Hochul or Stefanik will succeed in making life more affordable," Greenberg said. "Stefanik stands out with voters for being decisive, while she is either breakeven or in negative territory on the other characteristics. Hochul scores well with voters on being honest, decisive and empathetic, however, a plurality finds her to be not very or not at all inspiring."

Hochul v. Stefanik: To What Extent Do These Words Describe Them?									
	Kathy Hochul					Elise Stefanik			
		Total	Dems	Reps	Ind	Total	Dems	Reps	Ind
	Completely	23%	30%	15%	18%	20%	12%	43%	15%
Decisive	Somewhat	33%	40%	22%	30%	26%	23%	27%	30%
Decisive	Not very much	15%	14%	23%	13%	8%	10%	4%	6%
	Not at all	18%	10%	33%	20%	17%	25%	5%	14%
	Completely	19%	26%	9%	14%	18%	8%	41%	15%
Authentic	Somewhat	33%	42%	18%	29%	18%	14%	25%	19%
Authentic	Not very much	16%	17%	16%	15%	12%	12%	10%	13%
	Not at all	22%	9%	53%	20%	25%	38%	5%	20%
	Completely	22%	30%	12%	15%	17%	8%	43%	11%
Honoot	Somewhat	35%	41%	18%	36%	20%	13%	28%	27%
Honest	Not very much	14%	12%	20%	15%	10%	12%	6%	11%
	Not at all	19%	9%	46%	16%	27%	41%	5%	19%
	Completely	23%	31%	9%	21%	14%	6%	38%	11%
Empethetic	Somewhat	33%	41%	24%	28%	19%	11%	28%	24%
Empathetic	Not very much	14%	11%	22%	12%	11%	13%	7%	11%
	Not at all	20%	9%	41%	20%	30%	43%	6%	26%
	Completely	15%	20%	9%	12%	14%	6%	40%	8%
Inoniring	Somewhat	27%	37%	14%	21%	19%	11%	25%	27%
Inspiring	Not very much	19%	20%	19%	18%	11%	12%	10%	10%
	Not at all	29%	16%	57%	27%	32%	46%	7%	26%
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### Strong Support for Free Universal Childcare Statewide; In NYC, Tepid Support for Free Buses

"While a small majority of Republicans opposes free universal childcare, paid for by increasing taxes on those New Yorkers earning more than \$1 million, it is supported by four in five Democrats, and independents support it two-to-one," Greenberg said. "It is supported upstate and downstate, and other than Republicans and conservatives, it is supported by a majority – often an overwhelming majority – of every demographic group.

"While a small majority of New York City voters say there should be no fares on New York City buses – paid for by increasing taxes on those in the City earning \$1 million – the partisan divide is fairly narrow. Democrats support it 54-39%, while Republicans oppose it 58-39%, and independents tilting toward support, 46-41%," Greenberg said. "The bigger divide on this issue is age; voters under 35 support it 61-26%, while those 55 and older oppose it 49-42%."

#### New Yorkers – Particularly those from NYC – Are Warming Up to Mayor-elect Mamdani

"Enjoy the honeymoon, Mayor-elect Mamdani. Two-thirds of Democrats across the state view him favorably. Independent voters are now leaning favorably by six points, while they were six points on the unfavorable side in November. And while he's viewed favorably in New York City, 61-23%, voters outside the City, who were decidedly negative toward him last month, are now close to breakeven," Greenberg said.

"Two-thirds of City voters and a small plurality of voters outside the Big Apple say Mamdani's election will be good for New York City. Two-thirds of Democrats say his election is good and two-thirds of Republicans say it is bad. Independent voters, 43-30%, up from 38-40% last month, now say it will be good," Greenberg said. "Even after the friendly Oval Office meeting between the Mayor-elect and President Trump last month, a plurality of voters still thinks Mamdani and Trump will <u>not</u> work together to improve the quality of life for New Yorkers, 47-29%. However, that's improved from November's 67-14%. The significant movement on that question was across the board, from Democrats, Republicans, independents, as well as voters both inside and outside the City."

#### Strong Majority of Voters Say Each of Four Actions by Trump Administration Have Gone 'Too Far'

Do you think the actions of the Trump Administration are just about right, have gone too far, or have not gone far enough?							
	Total   Dems   Reps   Ind						
Putting increased tariffs on	Just about right	26%	10%	65%	22%		
imports from virtually every	Too far	62%	82%	18%	63%		
country in the world	Not far enough	7%	5%	12%	5%		
Deploying Federal immigration	Just about right	21%	8%	54%	19%		
officials such as ICE agents to	Too far	65%	86%	18%	67%		
round up illegal immigrants	Not far enough	10%	4%	26%	7%		
Prosecuting officials who have	Just about right	17%	8%	40%	13%		
been critical of the President,	Too far	61%	81%	18%	60%		
such as NY AG Letitia James	Not far enough	13%	5%	31%	12%		
Bombing boats in international	Just about right	26%	9%	57%	29%		
waters that Trump says are	Too far	58%	81%	13%	52%		
Venezuelan drug traffickers	Not far enough	9%	5%	24%	4%		
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"Between 58% and 65% of voters say Trump Administration actions – from deploying ICE agent in US cities, to increased tariffs, to prosecuting political enemies, and bombing boats off of Venezuela – have gone too far," Greenberg said. "While Democrats and independents say he's gone too far on all four, Republicans feel very differently."

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"A majority of Republicans think Trump's actions have been just about right on three of the four issues. But while only a plurality of Republicans, 40%, say Trump's actions on prosecuting those critical of him have been just about right," Greenberg said. "Interestingly, 31% of Republicans – compared to 12% of independents and 5% of Democrats – say he has not gone far enough in prosecuting his critics."

Trump has a 32-62% favorability rating, down a little from 35-61% in November. His job approval rating, 34-62%, is also down a little from last month's 37-61%.

#### **Odds & Ends**

- When asked whether New York State is doing better than most other states, keeping pace, or falling behind most other states, nearly half, 45%, say New York is falling behind, while 30% say we are keeping pace and 19% say we're doing better. A large majority of Republicans, a large plurality of independents, and even a narrow plurality of Democrats say New York is falling behind other states.
- Regardless of whether they agree or disagree with Trump on some or all of his decisions, by a 57-38% margin, voters say Trump does not have a plan to make America great again. Republicans overwhelmingly think he has a plan, 84-12%, but 79% of Democrats and 53% of independents say he does not.
- For only the second time this year, a narrow plurality of voters thinks New York State is on the right track, rather than headed in the wrong direction, 44-41%, up from 39-45% in November. There was no movement on voters' view on the direction of the country, which remains two-to-one negative. Voters say the country is headed in the wrong direction, rather than on the right track, 63-31%, nearly identical to 62-30% last month.
- ➤ Voters continue to strongly support increasing taxes on the wealthiest 5% of New Yorkers, 58-35%, from 60-32% in November. It's strongly supported by Dems, supported by inds, and opposed by Reps.
- New York's senior Senator, Minority Leader Chuck Schumer's favorability rating remains decidedly underwater, 36-49%, however, that is a significant improvement from 32-55% last month.

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This Siena Poll was conducted December 8-12, 2025, among 801 NYS Registered Voters. Of the 801 respondents, 513 were contacted through a dual frame (landline and cell phone) mode (160 completed via text to web) and 288 respondents were drawn from a proprietary online panel (Cint). Telephone calls were conducted in English and respondent sampling was initiated by asking for the youngest person in the household. Telephone sampling was conducted via a stratified dual frame probability sample of landline and cell phone telephone numbers weighted to reflect known population patterns. The landline telephone sample was obtained from ASDE and the cell phone sample was obtained from MSG. Interviews conducted online are excluded from the sample and final analysis if they fail any data quality attention check question. Duplicate responses are identified by their response ID and removed from the sample. Three questions were asked of online respondents including a honey-pot question to catch bots and two questions ask the respondent to follow explicit directions. The proprietary panel also incorporates measures that "safeguard against automated bot attacks, deduplication issues, fraudulent VPN usage, and suspicious IP addresses". Coding of open-ended responses was done by a single human coder. Data from collection modes was weighted to balance sample demographics to match estimates for New York State's population using data from the Census Bureau's 2023 U.S. American Community Survey (ACS), on age, region, race/ethnicity, education, and gender to ensure representativeness. The sample was also weighted to match current patterns of party registration using data from the New York State Board of Elections. It has an overall margin of error of +/- 4.1 percentage points including the design effects resulting from weighting. Sampling error is only one of many potential sources of error and there may be other unmeasured error in this or any other public opinion poll. The Siena Research Institute, directed by Donald Levy, Ph.D., conducts political, economic, social, and cultural research primarily in NYS. SRI, an independent, non-partisan research institute, subscribes to the American Association of Public Opinion Research Code of Professional Ethics and Practices. For more information, call Steve Greenberg at (518) 469-9858. For survey crosstabs: www.Siena.edu/SRI/SNY.



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## Siena Poll Trends – December 2025

Q. 1 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
December 2025	44	41	14
November 2025	39	45	16
September 2025	42	41	17
August 2025	41	45	15
June 2025	37	50	13
May 2025	43	46	11
April 2025	41	45	14
March 2025	38	46	16
February 2025	36	50	14
December 2024	36	50	14
HIGHEST EVER	65 (4/20)	76 (10/31/10)	30 (1/07)
LOWEST EVER	14 (10/10)	26 (1/07)	7 (4/20, 2/17, 5/13)

Q. 2 Is the United States on the right track, or is it headed in the wrong direction?

DATE	RIGHT TRACK	WRONG DIRECTION	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
December 2025	31	63	6
November 2025	30	62	8
September 2025	33	59	8
August 2025	33	59	8
June 2025	35	58	8
May 2025	37	58	5
April 2025	37	56	8
March 2025	36	54	10
February 2025	37	55	8
December 2024	30	60	9
HIGHEST EVER	62 (5/09)	74 (10/13, 8/11)	17 (9/08)
LOWEST EVER	19 (8/22, 10/13, 10/	<b>/08) 24 (12/09)</b>	5 (1/13)

**Q. 3** Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Kathy Hochul?

DATE	<b>FAVORABLE</b>	UNFAVORABLE	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
December 2025	43	41	16
November 2025	43	45	12
September 2025	45	42	14
August 2025	42	44	14
June 2025	42	47	11
May 2025	44	46	10
April 2025	44	43	13
March 2025	40	50	10
February 2025	39	47	14
December 2024	39	49	12
HIGHEST EVER	48 (1/23)	54 (9/24)	69 (4/21)
LOWEST EVER	18 (4/21)	13 (4/21)	10 (5/25, 3/25, 1/23)

**Q. 4** Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Elise Stefanik?

DATE	<b>FAVORABLE</b>	UNFAVORABLE	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
December 2025	22	33	44
November 2025	28	36	36
September 2025	21	34	45
August 2025	27	32	41
June 2025	25	32	43
May 2025	25	35	39
December 2024	22	29	49
HIGHEST EVER	28 (11/25)	36 (11/25)	49 (12/24)
LOWEST EVER	21 (9/25)	29 (12/24)	36 (11/25)

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**Q. 5** Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Donald Trump?

DATE	FAVORABLE	UNFAVORABLE	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
December 2025	32	62	6
November 2025	35	61	3
September 2025	34	61	5
August 2025	37	56	7
June 2025	37	60	3
May 2025	38	59	3
April 2025	40	55	5
March 2025	39	57	4
February 2025	41	56	4
December 2024	37	59	4
HIGHEST EVER	41 (2/25, 12/16)	72 (8/16)	10 (10/13)
LOWEST EVER	24 (8/16)	53 (12/16)	2 (8/24, 2/23, 4/20, 9/15)

**Q. 6** Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Chuck Schumer?

DATE	<b>FAVORABLE</b>	UNFAVORABLE	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
December 2025	36	49	15
November 2025	32	55	13
September 2025	42	45	13
August 2025	38	50	13
June 2025	41	47	12
May 2025	42	48	10
April 2025	39	49	12
February 2025	45	41	14
December 2024	47	40	12
HIGHEST EVER	70 (7/05)	55 (11/25)	17 (2/05)
LOWEST EVER	32 (11/25)	20 (2/05, 11/06	<b>4</b> (10/31/10)

**Q.** 7 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Zohran Mamdani?

DATE	FAVORABLE	UNFAVORABLE	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
December 2025	46	31	23
November 2025	40	40	20
September 2025	30	38	32
August 2025	28	37	34
HIGHEST EVER	<b>46 (12/25)</b>	40 (11/25)	34 (8/25)
LOWEST EVER	28 (8/25)	31 (12/25)	20 (11/25)

**Q. 8** Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Antonio Delgado?

DATE	FAVORABLE	UNFAVORABLE	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
December 2025	17	15	68
November 2025	20	20	61
August 2025	21	18	61
June 2025	24	18	58
May 2025	25	18	58
April 2025	25	19	56
March 2025	19	16	65
December 2024	17	15	68
HIGHEST EVER	29 (6/22)	20 (11/25)	68 (12/25, 12/24)
LOWEST EVER	<mark>17 (12/25, 12/24, 1/24</mark>	15 (12/25, 12/24	, <mark>12/22)</mark> 55 (6/22)

**Q. 9** Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Bruce Blakeman?

DATE	FAVORABLE	UNFAVORABLE	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
December 2025	13	17	70
June 2025	16	17	67
May 2025	17	16	66
April 2025	18	15	67
March 2025	12	14	74
August 2010	7	10	83
HIGHEST EVER	18 (4/25)	<b>17</b> (12/25, 6/25)	90 (12/09)
LOWEST EVER	4 (12/09)	6 (5/10, 4/10, 2/	09) 66 (5/25)

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Q. 10 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Letitia James?

DATE	FAVORABLE	UNFAVORABLE	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
December 2025	45	31	24
November 2025	43	32	25
February 2025	40	33	27
HIGHEST EVER	<b>45</b> (12/25, 1/24, 9/22)	33 (2/25, 5/24, 10	70 (6/18)
LOWEST EVER	20 (6/18)	10 (10/18, 6/18)	<b>24</b> (12/25, 1/24)

Q. 11 Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion about Hakeem Jeffries?

DATE	FAVORABLE	UNFAVORABLE	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
December 2025	35	33	32
November 2025	31	37	32
September 2025	34	31	35
February 2025	38	27	36
December 2024	39	27	33
HIGHEST EVER	39 (12/24)	37 (11/25)	51 (12/22)
LOWEST EVER	31 (11/25)	17 (12/22)	32 (12/25, 11/25)

Q. 12 I know it's a long way off, but if Kathy Hochul runs for re-election as Governor in 2026, as things stand now, would you vote to re-elect Hochul, or would you prefer someone else?

		SOMEONE				
DATE	RE-ELECT	ELSE	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION			
December 2025	37	50	13			
November 2025	42	48	10			
September 2025	37	51	12			
August 2025	35	53	12			
June 2025	37	55	8			
May 2025	36	55	10			
April 2025	39	48	13			
March 2025	34	56	10			
February 2025	31	57	12			
December 2024	33	57	11			
HIGHEST EVER	42 (11/25)	57 (2/25, 12/24)	<b>13</b> (12/25, 4/25)			
LOWEST EVER	31 (2/25)	48 (11/25, 4/25)	8 (6/25)			

Q. 13 (DEMS ONLY) If the 2026 Democratic primary for Governor was held today, and the candidates were Kathy Hochul and Antonio Delgado, would you vote for Delgado, Hochul, or someone else? (Names of candidates were rotated.)

	Катну	ANTONIO		Don't Know/
DATE	HOCHUL	DELGADO	OTHER	NO OPINION
December 2025	56	13	2	29
November 2025	56	16	3	25
August 2025	50	15	4	31
June 2025	49	12	$14^{+}$	26
May 2025	46	12	$14^{+}$	28
April 2025	44	12	$14^{+}$	30
March 2025	46	11	$14^{+}$	28
HIGHEST EVER	56 (12/25, 11/25)	16 (11/25)	14 (4/25)	31 (8/25)
LOWEST EVER	44 (4/25)	11 (3/25)	<b>2 (12/25)</b>	25 (11/25)
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Q. 14 (REPS ONLY) If the 2026 Republican primary for Governor was held today, and the candidates were Bruce Blakeman and Elise Stefanik, would you vote for Stefanik, Blakeman, or someone else? A (Names of candidates were rotated.)

	BRUCE	MIKE	ELISE	Ι	Oon't Know/
DATE	BLAKEMAN	LAWLER	STEFANIK	OTHER	NO OPINION
December 2025	17	NA	48	1	34
June 2025	7	18	35	1	39
May 2025	11	22	35	2	30
April 2025	28	22	NA	4	45
March 2025	13	25	NA	3	60
HIGHEST EVER	28 (4/25)	25 (3/25)	48 (12/25)	4 (4/25)	60 (3/25)
LOWEST EVER	7 (6/25)	18 (6/25)	35 (6/25, 5/25)	1 (12/25, 6/2	25) 30 (5/25)

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Q. 15 If the 2026 general election for Governor was held today, and the candidates were Democrat Kathy Hochul and Republican Elise Stefanik, would you vote for Stefanik, Hochul, or someone else? (Names of candidates were rotated.)

			OTHER/	DON'T KNOW/
DATE	HOCHUL	STEFANIK	No Vote	NO OPINION
December 2025	49	30	1	20
November 2025	52	32	2	14
September 2025	52	27	3	17
August 2025	45	31	3	20
June 2025	47	24	2	27
HIGHEST EVER	52 (11/25	, 9/25)32 (11/25)	3 (9/25, 8	/25) 27 (6/25)
LOWEST EVER	45 (8/25	<b>5)</b> 24 (6/25)	1 (12/25)	14 (11/25)

**Q. 17** If the 2026 general election for your representative in Congress was held today, would you vote for the Democrat or the Republican? (Names of parties were rotated.)

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DATE	DEMOCRAT	REPUBLICAN	NOT VOTE	NO OPINION
December 2025	55	31	5	9
November 2025	55	32	1	12
HIGHEST EVER	<mark>55 (12/25, 11/25</mark>	32 (11/25)	<b>5 (12/25)</b>	12 (11/25)
LOWEST EVER	<mark>55 (12/25, 11/25</mark>	<b>31 (12/25)</b>	1 (11/25)	<b>9 (12/25)</b>

Q. 18 Do you approve or disapprove of the job that Kathy Hochul is doing as governor? FOLLOW UP: Is that strongly or somewhat?

D	STRONGLY		SOMEWHAT	STRONGLY	Don't Know/
DATE	APPROVE	APPROVE	DISAPPROVE	DISAPPROVE	NO OPINION
December 2025	16	36	15	24	8
November 2025	15	37	16	27	5
September 2025	16	38	16	24	7
August 2025	15	38	15	27	5
June 2025	17	33	15	30	5
May 2025	15	35	17	29	3
April 2025	16	32	18	27	7
March 2025	15	31	16	32	6
February 2025	14	30	16	32	8
December 2024	13	33	20	29	4
HIGHEST EVER	24 (9/22)	38 (9/25,	8/25) 20 (12/24	1, 2/24) 40 (9/24)	11 (9/23)
LOWEST EVER	12 (9/24)	27 (10/24	, 9/24) 7 (10/22	24 (12/25, 9	<b>0/25)</b> 3 (5/25)

Q. 35 Do you think Zohran Mamdani's election as mayor will be good for New York City or bad for New York City?

DATE	GOOD	BAD	MIXED	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
December 2025	49	32	3	16
November 2025	45	39	2	15
HIGHEST EVER	49 (12/25)	39 (11/25)	<mark>3 (12</mark>	<mark>/25) 16 (12/25)</mark>
LOWEST EVER	45 (11/25)	<b>32 (12/25)</b>	2 (11	/25) 15 (11/25)

Q. 36 Do you think Mayor-elect Mamdani and President Trump will or will not work together to improve the quality of life for New Yorkers?

DATE	WILL	WILL NOT	MIXED	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
December 2025	29	47	2	22
November 2025	14	67	1	17
HIGHEST EVER	<b>29 (12/25)</b>	67 (11/25)	<mark>2 (12/</mark>	<mark>25)                                    </mark>
LOWEST EVER	14 (11/25)	47 (12/25)	1 (11/2	<b>25) 17</b> (11/25)

Q. 37 Do you think Mayor-elect Mamdani and Governor Hochul will or will not work together to improve the quality of life for New Yorkers?

DATE	WILL	WILL NOT	MIXED	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
December 2025	58	24	2	17
November 2025	58	24	1	17
HIGHEST EVER	<mark>58</mark> (12/25, 11	/25) 24 (12/25, 1	1/25) 2 (12/	<b>17</b> (12/25, 11/25)
LOWEST EVER	<mark>58</mark> (12/25, 11	/25) 24 (12/25, 1	1/25) 1 (11/	<b>25) 17</b> (12/25, 11/25)

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Q. 38 Do you support or oppose New York State increasing taxes on the top five percent of earners in the state?

DATE	SUPPORT	OPPOSED	MIXED	DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION
December 2025	58	35	0	7
November 2025	60	32	1	7
HIGHEST EVER	60 (11/25)	35 (12/25)	1 (11/	<b>7</b> (12/25, 11/25)
LOWEST EVER	58 (12/25)	32 (11/25)	0 (12/	<b>7</b> (12/25, 11/25)

Q. 42 Do you approve or disapprove of the job that Donald Trump is doing as President? FOLLOW UP: Is that strongly or somewhat?

	STRONGLY S	SOMEWHAT	SOMEWHAT	STRONGLY	DON'T KNOW/
DATE	APPROVE	APPROVE	DISAPPROVE	DISAPPROVE	NO OPINION
December 2025	19	15	10	52	3
November 2025	21	16	10	51	2
September 2025	22	15	10	52	1
August 2025	23	18	9	49	2
June 2025	25	14	11	48	2
May 20225	24	16	8	49	2
April 2025	25	17	8	48	2
March 2025	27	15	7	48	3
February 2025	31	15	7	44	3
HIGHEST EVER	31 (2/25)	18 (8/25)	11 (6/25)	<b>52</b> (12/25,	9/25) 3 (12/25, 2/25)
LOWEST EVER	<b>19 (12/25</b>	14 (6/25)	7 (2/25)	44 (2/25)	1 (9/25)

**Poll Trend Notes:** 

Trends reflect questions asked at least twice since the first Siena Poll in February 2005. Results listed here include every time questions have been asked since December 2024.

<sup>\*</sup> All surveys are of registered voters except for the following polls: August thru October 2024, August thru October 2022, October 2020; June thru November 2018; November 2017; September thru November 2016; July thru October 2014; August/October 2012; October 2010; September/October 2008; and September/October 2006, which are polls of likely voters.

<sup>&</sup>quot;Highest Ever" and "Lowest Ever" are provided at the bottom of each question.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>^</sup> Inconsequential wording change.