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**Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.**

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QS2a: Are you currently registered to vote in New York State?

Yes, registered .....	100	<b>CONTINUE</b>
No, not registered .....	0	<b>TERMINATE</b>
Not sure .....	0	<b>TERMINATE</b>

Q1: Do you approve or disapprove of the job that Kathy Hochul is doing as governor of New York?

Strongly approve .....	15
Somewhat approve .....	42
Somewhat disapprove.....	20
Strongly disapprove.....	23
<b>Total Approve</b>	<b>57</b>
<b>Total Disapprove</b>	<b>43</b>

Now we have some questions on budget and tax issues...

Q2: Over the next month, the legislature and governor need to approve a new state budget determining state taxes and spending. How closely are you following news about the state budget?

Very closely .....	16
Somewhat closely .....	45
Not too closely .....	32
Not closely at all.....	7
<b>Total Very/Somewhat Closely</b>	<b>61</b>

Q3. Here are some goals that the legislature and governor might try to achieve regarding the state budget. Please rate how important each one of these goals is to you using a scale from 0 to 10, on which low numbers closer to 0 mean not important and higher numbers closer to 10 mean extremely important. You may use any number from 0 to 10, depending on how strongly you feel.

**THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE SAYING 8-10**

	<b>Total 8-10</b>	9-10	7-8	4-6	0-3
Improve access to quality healthcare and long-term care for low-income families and seniors** .....	<b>71</b>	57	25	14	4
Close tax loopholes that mainly benefit the wealthy** .....	<b>69</b>	56	21	12	11
Avoid MTA fare increases <sup>1</sup> .....	<b>64</b>	51	23	18	9
Increase the share of taxes paid by wealthy individuals .....	<b>62</b>	48	25	17	9
Increase tax revenue from wealthy individuals to expand funding for public education, public transit, healthcare, and child care .....	<b>61</b>	45	28	16	11
Raise state taxes on corporations that benefit from federal tax loopholes* .....	<b>59</b>	42	29	22	8
Increase funding for K-12 public schools** .....	<b>59</b>	44	27	21	8
Increase the share of taxes paid by profitable corporations .....	<b>56</b>	39	30	24	7
Invest in renewable energy* .....	<b>55</b>	39	27	24	10
Increase funding for affordable housing** .....	<b>54</b>	43	23	23	10
Increase funding to make child care universal* .....	<b>52</b>	36	25	26	13
Lower the cost of attending SUNY, CUNY, and other state colleges* .....	<b>52</b>	37	28	25	10
Expand tax breaks for businesses .....	<b>27</b>	17	22	35	26
Reduce tax rates for corporations .....	<b>15</b>	9	13	29	50
Avoid tax increases on wealthy individuals .....	<b>15</b>	9	12	17	62

<sup>1</sup> Asked only of respondents in the MTA region  
 \* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORMS A/B).  
 \*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORMS C/D).

Q4. Below are two possible budget priorities for New York State. Please indicate whether you think A or B should be the higher budget priority.

A) Avoiding tax increases on corporations and wealthy individuals

B) Increasing state investment in public schools, higher education, healthcare, child care, and public transit

A -- much higher priority .....	7
A -- somewhat higher priority .....	11
B -- somewhat higher priority .....	21
B -- much higher priority .....	62
<b>Total Priority A</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Total Priority B</b>	<b>83</b>

Q5. Now you will see some different proposals that the legislature may consider for increasing state revenue this year. For each one, please indicate whether you favor or oppose this proposal

**THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE SAYING FAVOR**

	<b>Total Favor</b>	<b>Total Oppose</b>	Strongly favor	Somewhat favor	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose
Increase taxes on multinational corporations that shift their profits overseas to avoid U.S. taxes*	<b>91</b>	<b>9</b>	64	28	6	3
Establish a wealth tax on people with a net worth of \$100 million or more**	<b>87</b>	<b>13</b>	62	25	8	5
Increase the tax rate on corporations with profits over \$10 million*	<b>86</b>	<b>14</b>	55	30	11	4
Increase state tax rates on wealthy investors who receive special tax breaks on their federal taxes**	<b>85</b>	<b>15</b>	58	27	10	5
Raise the state personal income tax on incomes over \$5 million	<b>84</b>	<b>16</b>	52	32	11	5
Increase the corporate tax rate for corporations with over \$5 million in profits	<b>84</b>	<b>16</b>	50	34	10	6
Raise the personal income tax rate on incomes above \$1 million**	<b>82</b>	<b>18</b>	48	34	11	7
Increase the tax rate on the most profitable corporations to pay for the MTA and other public transit throughout the state	<b>76</b>	<b>24</b>	39	37	15	9
Raise the capital gains tax on the sale of stocks and other investments for people with incomes over \$500,000	<b>75</b>	<b>25</b>	36	39	18	7
Increase payroll taxes on workers and businesses and use the funds for public transportation	<b>25</b>	<b>75</b>	7	18	37	38
Increase in-state tuition for SUNY students by up to 9% each year for the next five years*	<b>21</b>	<b>79</b>	9	13	34	45
Raise MTA subway and bus fares to \$3.00 <sup>1</sup>	<b>21</b>	<b>79</b>	6	15	28	51
Increase tuition for students at SUNY and CUNY	<b>19</b>	<b>81</b>	7	12	35	46
Increase in-state tuition for SUNY students by up to 50% over the next five years**	<b>17</b>	<b>83</b>	5	13	34	49

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 \*\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORMS B/D).

Q6. Overall, which of these two approaches to dealing with the budget deficit would you prefer?

- A) Increase taxes on profitable corporations and wealthy individuals
- B) Increase the fees the state charges for services and increase college tuitions

A -- feel strongly	69
A -- do not feel strongly	15
B -- do not feel strongly	8
B -- feel strongly	8
<b>Total Approach A</b>	<b>84</b>
<b>Total Approach B</b>	<b>16</b>

Now we have some questions about two pieces of legislation that will soon be considered by the New York state legislature.

Q7a. Legislation A would make these changes:

- Increase the corporate tax rate on corporations with over \$5 million in profits
- Raise the state personal income tax rate by 0.5% (one-half of 1 percent) on incomes over \$5 million.

Do you strongly favor, somewhat favor, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose this proposed Legislation A?

Strongly favor.....	53
Somewhat favor.....	33
Somewhat oppose.....	10
Strongly oppose.....	5
<b>Total Favor</b>	<b>86</b>
<b>Total Oppose</b>	<b>14</b>

Q7b: If your state legislator voted IN FAVOR of Legislation A, would you be more likely to vote for them, less likely to vote for them, or would it not make a difference either way in your vote?

More likely to vote.....	60
Less likely to vote.....	14
No difference either way.....	26

Q8a. Legislation B would make these changes:

- Maintain current corporate tax rates and current taxes on wealthy individuals
- Raise MTA fares to \$3.00
- Increase tuition for SUNY and CUNY students.

Do you strongly favor, somewhat favor, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose this proposed Legislation B?

Strongly favor.....	7
Somewhat favor.....	11
Somewhat oppose.....	27
Strongly oppose.....	55
<b>Total Favor</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Total Oppose</b>	<b>82</b>

Q8b: If your state legislator voted IN FAVOR of Legislation B, would you be more likely to vote for them, less likely to vote for them, or would it not make a difference either way in your vote?

More likely to vote.....	16
Less likely to vote.....	61
No difference either way.....	23

Q9. And overall, if the legislature had to pass one of these two budget bills, which one would you prefer to see the legislature pass?

Legislation A:

- Increase the corporate tax rate on corporations with over \$5 million in profits
- Raise the state personal income tax rate by 0.5% (one-half of 1 percent) on incomes over \$5 million

OR

Legislation B

- Maintain current corporate tax rates and current taxes on wealthy individuals
- Raise MTA fares to \$3.00
- Increase tuition for SUNY and CUNY students

Legislation A -- feel strongly .....	67
Legislation A -- do not feel strongly .....	16
Legislation B -- do not feel strongly .....	9
Legislation B -- feel strongly .....	8
<b>Total Legislation A</b>	<b>83</b>
<b>Total Legislation B</b>	<b>17</b>

These last few questions are for statistical purposes only.

Qmarital: Are you...?

Now married.....	52
Widowed .....	7
Divorced.....	8
Separated.....	1
Never married .....	32

QF1: Are you a member of a labor union or is anyone else in your household a member of a labor union?

Yes, I am a union member .....	17
I am not a union member, but another person in my household is a union member.....	12
No one in my household is a union member.....	71

QF2: Are you the parent of any children age 18 or younger?

Yes, I am a parent. ....	29
No, I am not a parent.....	71

QF3: Thinking about your general approach to issues, do you consider yourself to be...?

Very conservative .....	9
Somewhat conservative.....	19
Moderate.....	40
Somewhat liberal .....	19
Very liberal.....	13
<b>Total Conservative</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>Total Liberal</b>	<b>32</b>

Qurb: Which of the following best describes the area where you live?

Urban.....	41
Suburban.....	43
Small town.....	5
Rural.....	11
<b>Total Small Town/Rural</b>	<b>16</b>

QF5: If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, what would the total be?

Less than \$20,000 .....	8
Between \$20,000 and \$34,999 ...	11
Between \$35,000 and \$49,999 ...	13
Between \$50,000 and \$74,999 ...	18
Between \$75,000 and \$99,999 ...	14
Between \$100,000 and \$149,999	21
Between \$150,000 and \$199,999	9
\$200,000 or more.....	6

<b>QUESTIONS QS3-QS8 WERE ASKED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE QUESTIONNAIRE</b>
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The next several questions are for statistical purposes only to make sure we have a representative sample.

QS3: Are you registered to vote as a Democrat, a Republican, with some other party, or with no party affiliation?

Democrat .....	51
Republican.....	22
Some other party .....	9
No party affiliation .....	18

QSageauto. Just to make sure we have a representative sample, in what year were you born?

18-24 .....	6
25-29 .....	9
30-34 .....	9
35-39 .....	8
40-44 .....	8
45-49 .....	7
50-54 .....	7
55-59 .....	11
60-64 .....	9
65-69 .....	8
70-74 .....	9
75 or older .....	9

QS5: For statistical purposes only, are you...?

Male .....	46
Female .....	54
Other/Non-binary...	0

Q5: Again, for statistical purposes only, are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin? And to ensure that we have a representative sample, please indicate your race.

Asian or Asian American .....	4
Black or African American .....	13
Hispanic/Latino/Spanish origin .....	12
American Indian or Native American .....	1
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander .....	0
White .....	69
Another race.....	1

Q6: What is the last grade of school or level of education you completed?

Did not graduate high school .....	1
High school graduate .....	26
Attended technical or vocational school.....	3
Attended some college, but no degree .....	15
Graduated 2-year college with an associate's degree.	12
Graduated 4-year college with a bachelor's degree ....	22
Obtained a master's, PhD, or professional degree .....	21

Q7: Which of the following best describes your current employment status?

Employed full time .....	48
Employed part time (less than 35 hours per week).....	14
Laid off/unemployed but looking for work .....	5
Disabled, unable to work .....	3
Stay-at-home parent.....	3
Full-time student .....	1
Retired .....	25
<b>Total Employed</b>	<b>62</b>