

CT Statewide

AREA

N=			500	100%
Fairfield/Litchfield	1	(1/ 46)	152	30%
Hartford	2		125	25%
New Haven	3		115	23%
East	4		108	22%

START

Hello, my name is _____ and I am conducting a survey for Suffolk University and I would like to get your opinions on some political questions. Would you be willing to spend five minutes answering some questions?

N=			500	100%
Continue	1	(1/ 48)	500	100%

GENDER

Gender

N=			500	100%
Male	1	(1/ 49)	241	48%
Female	2		259	52%

S1

Thank You.

S1. Are you currently registered to vote?

N=			500	100%
Yes	1	(1/ 50)	500	100%
NO/DK/RF	2		0	0%

S2. Are you enrolled as a Democrat, Republican, or Independent Non-partisan/ Other?

N=			500	100%
Democrat	1	(1/ 53)	186	37%
Republican	2		105	21%
Independent/Non-Partisan.....	3		209	42%

S3. How likely are you to vote in the upcoming election for Governor and U.S. Senate - would you say you are almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or that it is not likely you will vote in the general?

N=			500	100%
Almost certain	1	(1/ 54)	460	92%
Probably vote	2		40	8%
50-50	3		0	0%
Probably not	4		0	0%
Definitely not	5		0	0%
Don't know	6		0	0%

S4. What is your age category?

N=			500	100%
18-24 yrs	1	(1/ 57)	4	1%
25-34 yrs	2		18	4%
35-44 yrs	3		53	11%
45-54 yrs	4		114	23%
55-64 yrs	5		151	30%
65-74 yrs	6		80	16%
75+ yrs	7		76	15%
Refused (DO NOT READ)	8		4	1%

S5. For statistical purposes only, can you please tell me what your ethnic background / ancestry is?

N=			500	100%
White/Caucasian	1	(1/ 58)	436	87%
Black/African-American	2		24	5%
American Indian and Alaska Native	3		4	1%
Asian	4		2	0%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	5		2	0%
Hispanic/Latino	6		8	2%
Other (DO NOT READ)	7		20	4%
Don't know (DO NOT READ)	8		4	1%

PRE1

Great, I am going to read you a list of individuals in state and local politics. For each, please tell me if your opinion of them is generally favorable or generally unfavorable. If you are undecided or if you have never heard of someone, just tell me that. First take Barack Obama.

N= 500 100%
 Continue 1 (1/ 59) 500 100%

Q1. Is your opinion of Barack Obama generally favorable or generally unfavorable?

N= 500 100%
 Never heard 1 (1/ 60) 4 1%
 Favorable 2 269 54%
 Unfavorable 3 199 40%
 Heard of/Undecided 4 28 6%

Q2. Is your opinion of Tom Foley generally favorable or generally unfavorable?

N= 500 100%
 Never heard 1 (1/ 61) 11 2%
 Favorable 2 159 32%
 Unfavorable 3 179 36%
 Heard of/Undecided 4 151 30%

Q3. Is your opinion of Dan Malloy generally favorable or generally unfavorable?

N= 500 100%
 Never heard 1 (1/ 62) 14 3%
 Favorable 2 204 41%
 Unfavorable 3 146 29%
 Heard of/Undecided 4 136 27%

Q4. Is your opinion of Linda McMahon generally favorable or generally unfavorable?

N= 500 100%
 Never heard 1 (1/ 63) 3 1%
 Favorable 2 165 33%
 Unfavorable 3 261 52%
 Heard of/Undecided 4 71 14%

Q5. Is your opinion of Richard Blumenthal generally favorable or generally unfavorable?

N= 500 100%
 Never heard 1 (1/ 64) 2 0%
 Favorable 2 280 56%
 Unfavorable 3 169 34%
 Heard of/Undecided 4 49 10%

Q6. Is your opinion of Hillary Clinton generally favorable or generally unfavorable?

N= 500 100%
 Never heard 1 (1/ 65) 3 1%
 Favorable 2 325 65%
 Unfavorable 3 131 26%
 Heard of/Undecided 4 41 8%

The following are questions about Connecticut politicians and issues:

Q7. Do you think Connecticut is heading in the right direction or is on the wrong track?

N= 500 100%
 Right direction 1 (1/ 66) 131 26%
 Wrong track 2 265 53%
 Undecided (DO NOT READ) 3 104 21%

Q8. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing as President?

N= 500 100%
 Approve 1 (1/ 67) 230 46%
 Disapprove 2 210 42%
 Undecided (DO NOT READ) 3 60 12%

Q9. Is the recession over in Connecticut?
 N= 500 100%
 Yes 1 (1/ 68) 40 8%
 No 2 436 87%
 Undecided (DO NOT READ) 3 24 5%

Q10. Do believe that the jobs situation will improve in the next six months?
 N= 500 100%
 Yes 1 (1/ 69) 171 34%
 No 2 292 58%
 Undecided (DO NOT READ) 3 37 7%

Q11. Do you believe that the federal stimulus plan has been effective in Connecticut?
 N= 500 100%
 Yes 1 (1/ 70) 156 31%
 No 2 284 57%
 Undecided (DO NOT READ) 3 60 12%

Q12. In the race for U.S. Senate your ballot lists four candidates in the following order: Republican Linda McMahon {mick-MAN}, Democrat Richard Blumenthal {BLUE-men-thol}, Connecticut for Lieberman Candidate John Mertens {MER-tins}, Working Families Candidate Richard Blumenthal or Independent Warren Mosler {MOSE-ler}, for whom will you vote or toward whom would you LEAN at this time?
 N= 500 100%
 Vote/Lean McMahon - Republican 1 (1/ 71) 160 32%
 Vote/Lean Blumenthal - Democrat 2 257 51%
 Vote/Lean Mertens- Connecticut for Lieberman ... 3 3 1%
 Vote/Lean Mosler - Independent 4 5 1%
 Vote/Lean Blumenthal - Working Families 5 13 3%
 Undecided 6 62 12%

Q13. If you were standing in the voting booth right now, would you prefer Republican McMahon, Democrat Blumenthal, Connecticut for Lieberman Candidate Mertens, Working Families Candidate Blumenthal, or Independent Mosler?
 N= 62 100%
 Vote/Lean McMahon - Republican 1 (1/ 72) 33 53%
 Vote/Lean Blumenthal - Democrat 2 13 21%
 Vote/Lean Mertens- Connecticut for Lieberman ... 3 4 6%
 Vote/Lean Mosler - Independent 4 4 6%
 Vote/Lean Blumenthal - Working Families 5 0 0%
 Undecided 6 8 13%

Q12/13 COMBINED With Blumenthal Democrat/Working Families Combined
 N= 500 100%
Vote/Lean McMahon - Republican 1 (1/ 71) 193 39%
Vote/Lean Blumenthal - Democrat/Working Families 2 283 57%
Vote/Lean Mertens- Connecticut for Lieberman ... 3 7 1%
Vote/Lean Mosler - Independent 4 9 2%
Undecided 6 8 2%

Q14. Which candidate has run a more negative campaign? Linda McMahon or Richard Blumenthal?
 N= 500 100%
 McMahon 1 (1/ 73) 311 62%
 Blumenthal 2 101 20%
 Undecided 3 88 18%

Q15. Linda McMahon has released an ad stating that Richard Blumenthal lied about serving in Vietnam. Does this make you more likely to vote for Linda McMahon, Richard Blumenthal or one of the other candidates for US Senate?
 N= 500 100%
 McMahon 1 (1/ 74) 127 25%
 Blumenthal 2 152 30%
 One of the other candidates 3 23 5%
 No Difference {Do Not Volunteer} 4 167 33%
 Undecided {Do Not Volunteer} 5 31 6%

Q16. In the race for Governor your ballot lists three candidates in the following order: Republican Tom Foley, Democrat Dan Malloy, Working Families candidate Dan Malloy, or Independent Thomas Marsh. For whom will you vote or toward whom would you LEAN at this time?

N=			500	100%
Vote/Lean Foley - Republican	1	(1/ 75)	164	33%
Vote/Lean Malloy- Democrat	2		204	41%
Vote/Lean Malloy - Working Families	3		20	4%
Vote/Lean Marsh - Independent	4		15	3%
Undecided	5		97	19%

Q17. If you were standing in the voting booth right now, would you prefer Republican Foley, Democrat Malloy, Working Families candidate Malloy or Independent Marsh?

N=			97	100%
Vote/Lean Foley - Republican	1	(1/ 76)	27	28%
Vote/Lean Malloy- Democrat	2		20	21%
Vote/Lean Malloy - Working Families	3		2	2%
Vote/Lean Marsh - Independent	4		7	7%
Undecided	5		41	42%

Q16/17 COMBINED With Malloy Democrat/Working Families Combined

N=			500	100%
Vote/Lean Foley - Republican	1	(1/ 75)	191	38%
Vote/Lean Malloy- Democrat/Working Families	2		246	49%
Vote/Lean Marsh - Independent	4		22	4%
Undecided	5		41	8%

Q18. If the General Election for Secretary of State was held today and the candidates were Republican Jerry Farrell, Democrat Denise Merrill {MERR-ill}, <randomize names of other party candidates> or Independent Michael Telesca for whom will you vote or toward whom would you LEAN at this time?

N=			500	100%
Vote/Lean Farrell - Republican	1	(1/ 78)	111	22%
Vote/Lean Merrill - Democrat	2		142	28%
Vote/Lean DeRosa - Green	3		15	3%
Vote/Lean Mosher - Libertarian	4		6	1%
Vote/Lean Merrill - Working Families	5		18	4%
Vote/Lean Telesca- Independent	6		13	3%
Undecided	7		195	39%

Q18 With Merrill Democrat/Working Families Combined

N=			500	100%
Vote/Lean Farrell - Republican	1	(1/ 78)	111	22%
Vote/Lean Merrill - Democrat/Working Families	2		160	32%
Vote/Lean DeRosa - Green	3		15	3%
Vote/Lean Mosher - Libertarian	4		6	1%
Vote/Lean Telesca- Independent	6		13	3%
Undecided	7		195	39%

Q19. If the General Election for Treasurer was held today and the candidates were, Republican Jeff Wright, Democrat Denise Nappier, <randomize names of other party candidates>, or Independent Andrew Grant White, for whom will you vote or toward whom would you LEAN at this time?

N=			500	100%
Vote/Lean Wright - Republican	1	(1/ 80)	102	20%
Vote/Lean Nappier - Democrat	2		193	39%
Vote/Lean Bue - Green Party	3		8	2%
Vote/Lean Nappier - Working Families	4		18	4%
Vote/Lean White - Independents	5		10	2%
Undecided	6		169	34%

Q19 With Nappier Democrat/Working Families Combined

N=			500	100%
Vote/Lean Wright - Republican	1	(1/ 80)	102	20%
Vote/Lean Nappier - Democrat/Working Families	2		211	43%
Vote/Lean Bue - Green Party	3		8	2%
Vote/Lean White - Independents	5		10	2%
Undecided	6		169	34%

Q20. If the General Election for Comptroller was held today and the candidates were Republican Jack Orchulli, Democrat Kevin Lembo, <randomize names of other party candidates>, or Independent Hugh Dolan, for whom will you vote or toward whom would you LEAN at this time?

N=			500	100%
Vote/Lean Orchulli - Republican	1	(1/ 82)	81	16%
Vote/Lean Lembo - Democrat	2		143	29%
Vote/Lean Bennett - Green Party	3		13	3%
Vote/Lean Lembo - Working Families	4		20	4%
Vote/Lean Katz - Libertarian	5		7	1%
Vote/Lean Dolan - Independent	6		18	4%
Undecided	7		218	44%

Q20 With Lembo Democrat/Working Families Combined

N=			500	100%
Vote/Lean Orchulli - Republican	1	(1/ 82)	81	16%
Vote/Lean Lembo - Democrat/Working Families	2		163	33%
Vote/Lean Bennett - Green Party	3		13	3%
Vote/Lean Katz - Libertarian	5		7	1%
Vote/Lean Dolan - Independent	6		18	4%
Undecided	7		218	44%

Q21. If the General Election for Attorney General was held today and the candidates were Republican Martha Dean, Democrat George Jepsen, <randomize names of other party candidates>, or Independent Stephen Fournier, for whom will you vote or toward whom would you LEAN at this time?

N=			500	100%
Vote/Lean Dean- Republican	1	(1/ 84)	139	28%
Vote/Lean Jepsen - Democrat	2		185	37%
Vote/Lean Fournier - Green Party	3		5	1%
Vote/Lean Jepsen - Working Families	4		14	3%
Vote/Lean Fournier - Independent	5		19	4%
Undecided	6		138	28%

Q21 With Jepsen Democrat/Working Families Combined

N=			500	100%
Vote/Lean Dean- Republican	1	(1/ 84)	139	28%
Vote/Lean Jepsen - Democrat/Working Families	2		199	40%
Vote/Lean Fournier - Green Party	3		5	1%
Vote/Lean Fournier - Independents	5		19	4%
Undecided	6		138	28%

Q22. Thinking about your local congressional race will you vote for the Democratic or Republican candidate for congress?

N=			500	100%
Democrat	1	(1/ 85)	245	49%
Republican	2		165	33%
Undecided (DO NOT READ)	3		83	17%
Refused (DO NOT READ)	4		7	1%

Currently possession of a "Useable Amount" of marijuana is treated as a misdemeanor, punishable by up to one year in jail or fine of up to \$1,000 for the first offense. Democratic candidate for Governor Dan Malloy has said he supports decriminalizing possession of small amounts of marijuana. His opponent, Republican Tom Foley has come out against decriminalizing marijuana. Both candidates oppose full legalization.

Q23

At this time, which of the following describes how you feel about marijuana laws in Connecticut? One, it should be fully legal to have one ounce or less for personal use; two, It should be decriminalized to have one ounce or less for personal use; three, It should be legal only when prescribed by a doctor to have one ounce or less or; four, possession of one ounce or less should be illegal under any circumstances.

N=			500	100%
It should be fully legal to have one ounce or .. less for personal use	1	(1/ 88)	84	17%
It should be decriminalized to have one ounce or less for personal use	2		122	24%
It should be legal only when prescribed by a ... doctor to have one ounce or less	3		187	37%
Possession of one ounce or less should be illegal 4 under any circumstances	4		88	18%

Undecided 5 19 4%

Q24. As you may know, Connecticut law now permits marriages between two individuals of the same sex. Do you personally know anyone who has entered into a same-sex marriage?"

N= 500 100%
 Yes 1 (1/ 89) 223 45%
 No 2 270 54%
 Don't know/Refused 3 7 1%
 Undecided 4 0 0%

Q25. A number of proposals have been made for existing laws or constitutional amendments regarding same-sex marriage. Which of the following comes closest to how you feel about same-sex marriage in Connecticut...(READ 1-4)

N= 500 100%
 One, Absolute prohibition of any same-sex unions 1 (1/ 90) 80 16%
 Two, It should remain as it currently is, with domestic partnerships receiving some but not all the legal benefits of marriage; 2 80 16%
 Three, It should be changed so that domestic partnerships have all the same legal benefits of marriage ... 3 153 31%
 Four, Same-sex couples should be able to legally marry 4 162 32%
 Undecided 5 25 5%

DEMO
 THE FINAL THREE QUESTIONS WILL HELP US CLASSIFY YOUR RESPONSES WITH OTHERS
 TAKING THE SURVEY

N= 500 100%
 Continue 1 (1/ 91) 500 100%

Q26. Are there any members of your household who are union members?

N= 500 100%
 Yes 1 (1/ 92) 121 24%
 No 2 376 75%
 Undecided (DO NOT READ) 3 3 1%

Q27. Do you currently have children in the school system?

N= 500 100%
 Yes 1 (1/ 93) 147 29%
 No 2 349 70%
 Undecided 3 4 1%

Q28. Are you or are any members of your household gun owners?

N= 500 100%
 Yes 1 (1/ 94) 134 27%
 No 2 361 72%
 Undecided 3 5 1%