

11. In some cases an increase in spending in one area of the budget can be tied to a decrease in another area. Would you be in favor of an increase in spending on primary or preventive care IF that increase in spending was financed by cutting funding to hospitals for inpatient care?

	Statewide	NYC	Western	Central	Northeast	LI	Hudson Valley
Yes	31%	31%	26%	34%	34%	31%	32%
No	53%	51%	56%	55%	54%	54%	51%
Don't know	16%	17%	18%	11%	12%	16%	17%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

12. Which of the following two statements is closer to your position: [ROTATE] The governor and legislature should be working to provide ways to improve and safeguard the health of all New Yorkers. If budget cuts need to be made, health care is not the area. OR It is time the governor and legislature take steps to keep government spending down even if it means health care may have to be cut.

	Statewide	NYC	Western	Central	Northeast	LI	Hudson Valley
Health care not the area	73%	77%	68%	70%	72%	77%	74%
Health care may have to be cut	21%	17%	25%	24%	23%	17%	21%
Don't know	6%	7%	7%	6%	5%	6%	5%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

13. Some of the budget changes the governor seeks would affect the manner in which hospitals are reimbursed through Medicaid for the services they provide to low income New Yorkers. Many health care providers are concerned that if the governor's suggestions are adopted as is, patient care could suffer. They suggest careful study. Are you more in favor of immediately enacting the governor's suggested changes or would you favor following the recommendation of health care providers who suggest studying the issues?

	Statewide	NYC	Western	Central	Northeast	LI	Hudson Valley
Enact immediately	13%	14%	18%	16%	9%	11%	11%
Study the issues	75%	72%	70%	77%	80%	79%	77%
Don't know	11%	13%	12%	7%	11%	9%	12%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Note: The poll was conducted by Siena Research Institute between January 25 and February 1. The results are based on a statewide sample of 620 registered New York State voters. The margin of error is $\pm 3.9\%$.

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