

POLL 134b  
General population  
October 13-17, 2001

V12. How would you generally describe economic conditions in New Jersey right now? Would you say that economically New Jersey is in good times or bad times right now?

- 1 Good times
- 2 Bad times
- 9 Don't know

V13. During the next year, do you think economic conditions in New Jersey will get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

- 1 Better
- 2 Worse
- 3 About the same
- 9 Don't know

V18. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Jon Corzine is handling his job as Senator, or don't you have an opinion on his performance?

- 1 Approve
- 2 Disapprove
- 9 Don't know

V19. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Bob Torricelli is handling his job as Senator, or don't you have an opinion on his performance?

- 1 Approve
- 2 Disapprove
- 9 Don't know

V20. Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as President?

- 1 Approve
- 2 Disapprove
- 9 Don't know

T1. It has been almost five weeks since the terrorist attacks – as of TODAY, do you feel that your life has returned to normal, is BEGINNING to return to normal, still has not returned to normal, or will NEVER return to normal?

- 1 Returned to normal
- 2 Beginning to return to normal
- 3 Still not returned to normal
- 4 will NEVER return to normal
- 9 Don't know

T3. Are you currently employed either full- or part-time?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No [GOTO T5]
- 9 Don't know [GOTO T5]

T4. As a result of the terrorist attacks of September 11, would you say you have you lost business where you work, gained business, or has there been no change?

- 1 Lost
- 2 Gained
- 3 No Change
- 9 Don't know

T5. I'm going to read you a short list of things some people have done as a result of the September 11 attack. Please just tell me whether or not you have done each of the following – Have you [FILL – RANDOMIZE] -- |

- A Put off or cancelled a planned trip?
- B Put off buying something because of economic uncertainty?
- C Changed your driving patterns—how you get to and from places?
- D Had bad dreams or nightmares about the attack?
- E Been drinking more alcohol than normal?
- F Been spending more time with family and friends?

Response options to T5A-F

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 9 Don't know

**Now just a few final questions so we can classify your answers.**

D1. In politics today, do you consider yourself a Democrat, Republican, Independent, or something else?

- 1 Democrat [GOTO D3]
- 2 Republican [GOTO D3]
- 3 Independent
- 4 Something Else/Other
- 9 Don't Know/No opinion

**(IF #3,4, OR 9 TO D1, ASK)**

D2. Do you lean more toward the Democratic Party or more toward the Republican Party?

- 1 Democratic party
- 2 Republican party
- 3 Other party
- 4 Neither
- 9 Don't know/no opinion

D3. Regardless of the political party you might favor, do you consider yourself to be liberal, conservative, or somewhere in between?

- 1 Liberal
- 2 Conservative
- 3 Somewhere in between
- 4 Other
- 9 Don't Know/No opinion

D4. Did you receive a high school diploma?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No **[GOTO D6]**
- 9 Don't Know **[GOTO D6]**

D5. Did you ever attend college? (IF YES, ASK: Did you graduate?)

- 1 Yes, graduated
- 2 Yes, did not graduate **[GOTO D6]**
- 3 Junior college--graduate **[GOTO D6]**
- 4 Vocational/technical school **[GOTO D6]**
- 9 No **[GOTO D6]**

D5A. Was this from a 4-year college, a junior college two-year program, or a vocational/technical school?

- 1 Four year college
- 2 Junior college/2 year program
- 3 Vocational/technical school
- 9 Other/Don't know

D6. What was your age on your last birthday?

   /    /    (ENTER AGE: 97=97+, 98=DK, 99 = REFUSED)

D6A. Do you feel as though you are part of a distinct generation—where you have something in common with most others in your age group, or don't you feel this way?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No
- 3 Depends (VOL)
- 9 Don't know

D7. Are you of Latino or Hispanic origin, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban or some other Spanish background?

- 1 Yes
- 2 No/Don't know

D8. Are you white, black or of Asian origin?

- 1 White
- 2 Black

- 3 Asian
- 4 Other (VOL)
- 9 Not determined/Don't know

**IF NOT REGISTERED TO VOTE (Q1 NE 1) GOTO D11**

D9. Can you recall if you voted in the 2000 election between Al Gore and George W. Bush, or did something prevent you from voting -- IF VOTED: Did you vote for Al Gore, George W. Bush, or someone else?

- 1 Voted for Gore
- 2 Voted for Bush
- 3 Voted for someone else
- 4 Did not vote
- 9 Don't know

D10. Can you recall if you voted in the 1997 election for Governor between Christie Whitman and Jim McGreevey, or did something prevent you from voting -- IF VOTED: Did you vote for Christie Whitman or Jim McGreevey?

- 1 Voted for Whitman
- 2 Voted for McGreevey
- 3 Voted for someone else (VOL.)
- 4 Did not vote
- 9 Don't know

D11. Do you consider yourself to be Catholic, Protestant, Jewish, Muslim, some other religion, atheist or agnostic?

- 1 Catholic
- 2 Protestant
- 3 Jewish
- 4 Muslim
- 5 Other: (SPECIFY: \_\_\_\_\_)
- 6 Atheist/Agnostic
- 9 Don't Know/Refused

D12. In what county do you live?

- |               |               |             |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|
| 01 Atlantic   | 08 Gloucester | 15 Ocean    |
| 02 Bergen     | 09 Hudson     | 16 Passaic  |
| 03 Burlington | 10 Hunterdon  | 17 Salem    |
| 04 Camden     | 11 Mercer     | 18 Somerset |
| 05 Cape May   | 12 Middlesex  | 19 Sussex   |
| 06 Cumberland | 13 Monmouth   | 20 Union    |
| 07 Essex      | 14 Morris     | 21 Warren   |

99 Don't know/Refused

D13. So that we can group all answers, is your total annual family income before taxes: Under 35,000; between \$35,000 to just under \$70,000; between \$70,000 to just under \$100,000; or \$100,000 or more?

- 1 Under \$35,000
- 2 \$35,000 to \$69,999
- 3 \$70,000 to \$100,000
- 4 \$100,000 or more
- 9 Don't know