

New Jersey Poll 6
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Hello, my name is _____. I'm a student at Rutgers University and I'm taking a survey for the Eagleton Institute. I'd like your views on some important issues facing the state of New Jersey.

1. To begin with, for how many years have you lived in New Jersey, or have you lived here all your life?

- 1 LESS THAN ONE
- 2 1 OR 2
- 3 3 - 5
- 4 6 - 10
- 5 11 - 20
- 6 20 - 30
- 7 MORE THAN 30
- 8 ALL MY LIFE
- 9 DON'T KNOW

2. What in your opinion are the two or three most important issues facing the state of New Jersey (FIRST MENTION)?

3. What in your opinion are the two or three most important issues facing the state of New Jersey (SECOND MENTION)

4. What in your opinion are the two or three most important issues facing the state of New Jersey (THIRD MENTION)

I'd like you to rate the performance of some state and national government officials.

5. Overall, how good a job do you think the Governor of New Jersey is doing--excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

- 1 EXCELLENT
- 2 GOOD
- 3 ONLY FAIR
- 4 POOR
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

6. How good a job do you think the present New Jersey State Legislature is doing--excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

- 1 EXCELLENT
- 2 GOOD
- 3 ONLY FAIR
- 4 POOR
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

7. How would you rate the job Nixon is doing as President--excellent, pretty good, only fair, or poor?

- 1 EXCELLENT
- 2 GOOD
- 3 ONLY FAIR
- 4 POOR

9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

I would like to ask you a few questions about the party primary elections this June.

8. Do you ordinarily vote in primary elections, that is, the elections to select party candidates?

1 YES

2 NO

9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

9. Have you read or heard anything about the primary for Governor this June?

1 YES

2 NO [SKIP TO Q.18]

9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

(IF "YES" TO Q. 9, ASK:)

10. Do you happen to know who is interested in running for Governor of New Jersey-- ANYONE ELSE (DO NOT READ CHOICES) |

A CAHILL?

B SANDMAN?

C DEROSE ?

D CRABIEL ?

E KLEIN ?

F COFFEE?

G FORST?

H OTHER?

1 YES

0 NO/DON'T KNOW

18. Have you been following the primary race for Mayor of New York?

1 YES

2 NO [SKIP TO Q. 33]

9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

(IF "YES" TO Q. 18, ASK:)

19. Do you happen to know who is interested in running for Mayor of New York-- Anyone else-- (DO NOT READ CHOICES) |

A LINDSAY?

B GARELIK?

C BIAGGI?

D BLUMENTHAL?

E MYERSON?

F BADILLO?

G KOCH?

H KRETCHMER?

I POSTEL?

J GRAY?

K BEAME?

L WAGNER?
 M MARCH?
 N OTHER?

1 YES
 0 NO/DON'T KNOW

Let's return to some New Jersey issues.

33. In your experience, which political party, the Democrats or the Republicans, do you think runs things most of the time in YOUR TOWN?

1 DEMOCRATS
 2 REPUBLICANS
 3 NEITHER
 4 BOTH
 5 DON'T KNOW

34. In your experience, which political party, the Democrats or the Republicans, do you think runs things most of the time in THE COUNTY?

1 DEMOCRATS
 2 REPUBLICANS
 3 NEITHER
 4 BOTH
 5 DON'T KNOW

35. In your experience, which political party, the Democrats or the Republicans, do you think runs things most of the time in THE STATE?

1 DEMOCRATS
 2 REPUBLICANS
 3 NEITHER
 4 BOTH
 5 DON'T KNOW

36. I would like to get some idea of how you feel about different organizations or institutions that exist to serve you and others.

For each of the institutions or groups I mention such as (. . . .STARTING POINT. .), tell me whether you have a lot of confidence in them, some confidence in them, or not very much confidence. By confidence I mean that you feel they are doing what they ought to be doing. Let's start with your (. . . .STARTING POINT. .) , do you have a lot of confidence, some, or not very much |

A LOCAL SCHOOLS?
 B RUTGERS UNIVERSITY?
 C THE N.J. STATE GOV'T?
 D THE NATIONAL GOV'T?
 E YOUR LOCAL GOV'T?
 F LABOR UNIONS?
 G NEWSPAPERS?
 H RADIO & TELEVISION NEWS?
 I LARGE CORPORATIONS?
 J LOCAL BUSINESSMEN?
 K N.J. DEMOCRATIC PARTY?

L N.J. REPUBLICAN PARTY?

- 1 LOT
- 2 SOME
- 3 NOT MUCH
- 4 DON'T KNOW

48. In your everyday dealings with people in the world, do you find people basically honest, slightly dishonest, or quite dishonest?

- 1 BASICALLY HONEST
- 2 SLIGHTLY DISHONEST
- 3 QUITE DISHONEST
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

49. How about politicians in New Jersey. Do you think they are basically honest in their dealings with others, slightly dishonest or quite dishonest?

- 1 BASICALLY HONEST
- 2 SLIGHTLY DISHONEST
- 3 QUITE DISHONEST
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

50. How would you rate business leaders in dealing with others along this scale-- Are they basically honest, slightly dishonest, or quite dishonest?

- 1 BASICALLY HONEST
- 2 SLIGHTLY DISHONEST
- 3 QUITE DISHONEST
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

51. How would you rate union leaders in dealing with others along this scale-- Are they basically honest, slightly dishonest, or quite dishonest?

- 1 BASICALLY HONEST
- 2 SLIGHTLY DISHONEST
- 3 QUITE DISHONEST
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

52. How much have you read or heard during the past year about corruption in government-- a great deal, a fair amount, very little, or nothing at all?

- 1 A GREAT DEAL
- 2 A FAIR AMOUNT
- 3 VERY LITTLE
- 4 NOTHING AT ALL
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

53. In your opinion, is your local government very corrupt, somewhat corrupt, or not at all corrupt?

- 1 VERY CORRUPT
- 2 SOMEWHAT CORRUPT
- 3 NOT AT ALL CORRUPT
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

54. How, about your state government-- Is it very corrupt, somewhat corrupt, or not at all corrupt?

- 1 VERY CORRUPT
- 2 SOMEWHAT CORRUPT
- 3 NOT AT ALL CORRUPT
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

55. How about the federal government-- Is it very corrupt, somewhat corrupt, or not at all corrupt?

- 1 VERY CORRUPT
- 2 SOMEWHAT CORRUPT
- 3 NOT AT ALL CORRUPT
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

56. A number of charges of corruption have been made against officials in the Cahill administration. Do you feel Governor Cahill is personally involved in the cases of alleged corruption?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 3 NOT SURE
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

57. In general, do you think the New Jersey State Government is more corrupt or less corrupt than governments in other states?

- 1 MORE
- 2 LESS
- 3 SAME
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

58. Some people seem to think about what's going on in government most of the time, whether there's an election on or not. Others aren't that interested. Would you say you follow what's going on in government most of the time, some of the time, only now and then, or hardly at all?

- 1 MOST OF THE TIME
- 2 SOME OF THE TIME
- 3 ONLY NOW AND THEN
- 4 HARDLY AT ALL [SKIP TO Q. 62]
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

[OF THOSE ANSWERING 1, 2, OR 3 ON Q. 58, ASK:]

59. Which one do you follow most closely--international affairs, national affairs, state affairs, or local affairs?

- 1 INTERNATIONAL
- 2 NATIONAL
- 3 STATE
- 4 LOCAL
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

60. Which do you follow the least?

(INTERVIEWER: READ THE THREE REMAINING LEVELS)

- 1 INTERNATIONAL
- 2 NATIONAL
- 3 STATE
- 4 LOCAL
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

61. Of the other two, which one do you follow most closely?

(INTERVIEWER: READ THE TWO REMAINING LEVELS)

- 1 INTERNATIONAL
- 2 NATIONAL
- 3 STATE
- 4 LOCAL
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

62. Where do you get information about what is happening in New Jersey politics-
- Do you get your information from (READ CHOICES)|

- A NEWSPAPERS?
- B TELEVISION?
- C RADIO?
- D FRIENDS & ACQUAINTANCES?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 9 DON'T KNOW

66. Is there any other place you get information about New Jersey politics. What is it?

- 1 YES (SPECIFY) _____
- 2 NO
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

(IF MORE THAN ONE SOURCE MENTIONED IN Q. 62-66, ASK:)

67. Which one of these do you consider most valuable (READ CHOICES)?

- 1 NEWSPAPERS
- 2 TELEVISION
- 3 RADIO
- 4 FRIENDS
- 5 OTHER
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

I would like to turn now and ask some questions on a different topic.

68. Do you have a family doctor, that is, a doctor who treats more than just the children?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

69. Do you personally have a regular planned physical check-up?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO [SKIP TO Q. 71]
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

(IF "YES" TO Q. 69 ASK:)

70. About how often do you have a check-up?

- 1 ONCE A YEAR
- 2 ONCE EVERY TWO YEARS
- 3 BETWEEN TWO AND FIVE YEARS
- 4 LESS THAN ONCE EVERY FIVE YEARS
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

71. When was the last time you went to the dentist?

- 1 LAST THREE MONTHS
- 2 LAST SIX MONTHS
- 3 LAST YEAR
- 4 LAST TWO YEARS
- 5 LAST TEN YEARS
- 6 LONGER THAN TEN YEARS
- 7 NEVER
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

72. There has been a lot of talk about automobiles and air pollution. Do you think that air pollution caused by automobiles is a serious problem in New Jersey?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

73. Do you feel that cars that excessively pollute the air should be kept off the roads?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

74. Do you or your family own a car?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO [SKIP TO Q. 76]
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

(IF "YES" TO Q. 74, ASK:)

75. If your car were tested, do you think it would meet reasonable auto pollution emission standards?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

Turning now to the problems of housing in New Jersey.

76. The law in New Jersey allows municipalities to impose controls on rents, do you think your own community should act to control rents?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

77. Would you be in favor of or opposed to more rental units being built in your area?

- 1 IN FAVOR OF
- 2 OPPOSED TO
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

New Jersey has a weekly and daily lottery and is considering other forms of gambling as a way of raising money for the state.

78. In the last four weeks have you bought a weekly lottery ticket?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

79. In the last week have you bought a daily lottery ticket?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

80. Would you be in favor of Off Track Betting in New Jersey?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

81. Would you be in favor of legalizing gambling on other sports in addition to horse racing such as football, basketball or baseball?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

82. Would you be in favor or gambling casinos in New Jersey?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

83. If additional forms of gambling were legally introduced, do you think your taxes would be reduced?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

Now on a different topic.

84. Have you heard of Douglass College?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO [Go to q.90]
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

(IF "YES" TO Q.84, ASK:)

85. Is Douglass College a men's college, a women's college, or is it co-educational?

- 1 MEN'S
- 2 WOMEN'S
- 3 CO-EDUCATIONAL
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

86. Is Douglass College a state college or is it privately supported?

- 1 STATE
- 2 PRIVATE
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

87. From your experience and what you have heard, how would you rate Douglass College as an educational institution. Do you feel it provides students with an excellent education, a good education, a fair education, or a poor education?

- 1 EXCELLENT
- 2 GOOD
- 3 FAIR
- 4 POOR
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

88. Douglass is a women's college. Compared to other women's colleges, do you feel Douglass has a better overall reputation, a poorer reputation, or is it about the same as other women's colleges?

- 1 BETTER
- 2 POORER
- 3 ABOUT THE SAME
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

89. Compared to co-educational colleges, do you feel Douglass has a better overall reputation, a poorer reputation, or is it about the same as co-educational colleges?

- 1 BETTER
- 2 POORER
- 3 ABOUT THE SAME
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

90. Are you registered to vote?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

91. Did you vote in the election last November?

1 YES [Go to q.93]

2 NO

9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

(IF "NO" TO Q. 91, ASK:)

92. If you had voted, for whom would you have voted for President: Richard Nixon or George McGovern?

1 NIXON

2 MCGOVERN

3 OTHER

4 NEITHER

9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

(IF "YES" TO Q. 91, ASK:)

93. In the presidential race, did you vote for Richard Nixon, George McGovern, or for some other candidate?

1 NIXON

2 MCGOVERN

3 OTHER

9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

94. For Congress, did you vote for the Democratic or Republican candidate?

1 DEMOCRAT

2 REPUBLICAN

3 OTHER

9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

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

1 LIBERAL [GO TO Q.97]

2 CONSERVATIVE [GO TO Q.97]

3 SOMEWHERE IN BETWEEN

9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

(IF SOMEWHERE IN BETWEEN OR DON'T KNOW ON Q. 95, ASK:)

96. Do you lean more toward the liberal side or more toward the conservative side?

1 LIBERAL

2 CONSERVATIVE

9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

[ASK ALL RESPONDENTS]

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

- 1 DEMOCRAT [GO TO Q.99]
- 2 REPUBLICAN [GO TO Q.99]
- 3 INDEPENDENT
- 4 SOMETHING ELSE
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

(IF "INDEPENDENT," "DON'T KNOW," OR "SOMETHING ELSE" ON Q.97 ASK:)

98. As of today, do you lean more toward the Democratic party or more toward the Republican party?

- 1 DEMOCRATIC
- 2 REPUBLICAN
- 9 DON'T KNOW/UNDECIDED

99. How long have you lived at your present residence?

- 1 LESS THAN ONE YEAR
- 2 1 - 2
- 3 3 - 5
- 4 6 - 10
- 5 11 - 20
- 6 20 - 30
- 7 MORE THAN 30
- 8 ALL MY LIFE
- 9 NOT DETERMINED

100. Do you own or rent your apartment or house?

- 1 OWN
- 2 RENT
- 3 LIVE RENT FREE WITH PARENTS/RELATIVES
- 9 NOT DETERMINED

101. In which of these age groups are you?

- 1 18 - 20
- 2 21 - 24
- 3 25 - 29
- 4 THIRTIES (30 - 39)
- 5 FORTIES (40 - 49)
- 6 FIFTIES (50 - 59)
- 7 60 OR OVER
- 9 NO ANSWER/REFUSED

102. Would you say you were in the working class or the middle class?

- 1 WORKING
- 2 MIDDLE
- 3 DOESN'T ACCEPT CLASSES
- 4 LOWER
- 5 UPPER
- 9 NOT DETERMINED

103. What is your race?

- 1 WHITE
- 2 NEGRO/BLACK
- 3 OTHER
- 9 NOT DETERMINED

104. What was the last grade in school you completed?

- 1 8TH GRADE OR LESS
- 2 HIGH SCHOOL INCOMPLETE (GRADES 9, 10, and 11)
- 3 HIGH SCHOOL COMPLETE
- 4 SOME COLLEGE
- 5 COLLEGE GRADUATE
- 6 GRADUATE WORK
- 9 NOT DETERMINED

105. Are you employed outside the home?

- 1 YES [Go to q.107]
- 2 NO
- 9 NO ANSWER [GO TO Q.109]

(IF NO TO Q.105, ASK:)

106. Are you (READ CHOICES)?

- 1 RETIRED
- 2 UNEMPLOYED
- 3 HOUSEWIFE
- 4 STUDENT (WHERE) _____
- 5 OTHER (SPECIFY) _____
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

AFTER Q. 106 GO TO Q. 109

107. What is your occupation?

108. Do you work in New Jersey or out of state?

- 1 NEW JERSEY
- 2 OUT OF STATE
- 3 BOTH
- 9 NO OPINION/REFUSED

109. Are you a member of a union?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 9 NOT DETERMINED

110. Are you the head of the house?

- 1 YES [Go to q.116]
- 2 NO
- 9 NO ANSWER [Go to q.116]

(IF "NO" TO Q. 110, ASK:)

111. Is the head of the house employed outside the home?

- 1 YES [Go to q.113]
- 2 NO
- 9 NO ANSWER

(IF "NO" TO Q. 111, ASK:)

112. Is the head of the house (READ CHOICES)?

- 1 RETIRED
- 2 UNEMPLOYED
- 3 HOUSEWIFE
- 4 STUDENT (WHERE)
- 5 OTHER (SPECIFY)
- 9 DON'T KNOW

[AFTER Q. 112 GO TO Q. 115]

[IF YES TO Q. 111, ASK:]

113. What is the occupation of the head of the house?

114. Does the head of the house work in New Jersey or out of state?

- 1 NEW JERSEY
- 2 OUT OF STATE
- 3 BOTH
- 9 NOT DETERMINED

115. Is the head of the house a member of a union?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 9 DON'T KNOW

116. What is your religious preference?

- 1 PROTESTANT
- 2 CATHOLIC/ORTHODOX
- 3 JEWISH
- 4 OTHER (SPECIFY)
- 5 NONE
- 9 REFUSED

117. Other than American do you consider yourself to be a member of any of the following nationality groups (READ CHOICES AT DESIGNATED STARTING POINT) ?

A GERMAN?

B HUNGARIAN?

C IRISH?

D ITALIAN?

E CZECH?

F POLISH?

1 YES

2 NO

9 DON'T KNOW

(IF ANSWERS TO Q. 117-122 ARE ALL NO OR DON'T KNOW THEN ASK:)

123. Other than American do you consider yourself to be a member of any other group?

1 YES (SPECIFY)

2 NO

9 DON'T KNOW

124. Do you have any children attending public school in New Jersey?

1 YES

2 NO

9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

125. Is there anyone in your household attending college?

1 YES

2 NO [GO TO Q.127]

9 REFUSED

(IF "YES" TO Q. 125, ASK:)

126. Do they attend college in New Jersey or out of state?

1 NEW JERSEY

2 OUT OF STATE

3 BOTH

9 REFUSED

127. So that we can group all answers, what is your total annual family income before taxes: under \$5000; \$5000 to \$10,000; \$10,000 to \$15,000; \$15,000 to \$20,000; over \$20,000?

1 UNDER \$5000

2 \$5000 - \$10,000

3 \$10,000 - \$15,000

4 \$15,000 - \$20,000

5 OVER \$20,000

9 REFUSED/DON'T KNOW

128. Where do you live--in what township or municipality?

128A. In what county is that?

129. Gender?

- 1 MAN
- 2 WOMAN