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Hello, my name is (first and last name). I'm on the staff of the Eagleton Poll, and I'm taking a public opinion survey of New Jersey adults for Rutgers University. I'd like your views on what New Jersey is like as a place to live and on some topics currently in the news.

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

- 1 LESS THAN ONE
- 2 ONE OR TWO
- 3 3- 5
- 4 6 - 10
- 5 11 - 20
- 6 21 - 30
- 7 MORE THAN 30
- 8 ALL MY LIFE
- 9 DON'T KNOW

2. As far as you know, is the Governor of New Jersey a Democrat or a Republican?

- 1 DEMOCRAT
- 2 REPUBLICAN
- 9 DON'T KNOW

3. Which party controls the New Jersey State Legislature--the Republicans or the Democrats?

- 1 REPUBLICANS
- 2 DEMOCRATS
- 9 DON'T KNOW

4. Are you aware of what state offices are up for election in November--PROBE: Which ones? (DO NOT READ CHOICES)

- 1 STATE SENATORS
- 2 STATE ASSEMBLYMEN
- 3 STATE LEGISLATURE/BOTH SENATE AND ASSEMBLY
- 4 OTHER
- 9 DON'T KNOW

5. Do you happen to know who is now your State Senator in Trenton--PROBE: Who is he or she? (IF RESPONDENT CLAIMS MORE THAN ONE, ASK FOR ALL THE NAMES)

- 1 DOES NOT KNOW NAME
- 2 GIVES A NAME (WRITE IN NAME)

5A. FOR CODING PURPOSES ONLY:

- 1 A STATE SENATOR IS CORRECTLY NAMED
- 2 A STATE SENATOR IS NOT CORRECTLY NAMED

6. Do you know if the people from your district who represent you in the Legislature are Democrats, Republicans or both--IF BOTH: PROBE FOR HOW MANY DEMOCRATS AND HOW MANY REPUBLICANS?

- 1 DEMOCRAT
- 2 REPUBLICAN
- 3 BOTH--2 DEMOCRATS, 1 REPUBLICAN
- 4 BOTH--1 DEMOCRAT, 2 REPUBLICANS
- 5 BOTH, UNDETERMINED
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO

7. Next, I'd like to know how interested you are in politics at various levels of government--First take local politics--are you very interested, somewhat interested, or not interested in local politics (ASK FOR EACH) -- |

- A Local?
- B State?
- C National?

- 1 VERY INTERESTED
- 2 SOMEWHAT INTERESTED
- 3 NOT INTERESTED
- 9 DON'T KNOW

8. Are you registered to vote here in New Jersey--IF YES, PROBE: As a Democrat, Republican, Independent or something else?

- 1 DEMOCRAT
- 2 REPUBLICAN
- 3 INDEPENDENT
- 4 OTHER/REGISTERED-REFUSES PARTY
- 5 NO
- 9 DON'T KNOW

9. In November, there will be an election for the representatives from your district in the State Senate and Assembly--How much have you read or heard about this election--a great deal, some, not much, or nothing at all?

- 1 A GREAT DEAL
- 2 SOME
- 3 NOT MUCH
- 4 NOTHING AT ALL
- 9 DON'T KNOW

10. As of now, how likely are you to vote in the November election for the New Jersey Legislature--do you think you definitely will vote, probably will vote, probably not vote, or definitely not vote?

- 1 DEFINITELY WILL VOTE
- 2 PROBABLY WILL VOTE
- 3 PROBABLY WILL NOT VOTE
- 4 DEFINITELY WILL NOT VOTE
- 9 DON'T KNOW

11a. How interested are you in the outcome of the election for the New Jersey State Assembly and Senate--very interested, somewhat interested, not very interested, or not at all interested?

- 1 VERY INTERESTED
- 2 SOMEWHAT INTERESTED
- 3 NOT VERY INTERESTED
- 4 NOT AT ALL INTERESTED
- 9 DON'T KNOW

11b. Which party would you rather see in control of the State Legislature, the Democrats or the Republicans?

- 1 DEMOCRATS
- 2 REPUBLICANS
- 3 NO DIFFERENCE/DOESN'T MATTER/DOESN'T LOOK AT THIS WAY
- 4 NEITHER
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

12. If the election were held today, would you vote for the Democratic or Republican candidate for the state Senate from your district?

- 1 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE
- 2 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE
- 9 DON'T KNOW

IF #7 OR #9 TO Q.12. ASK:

13. Are you leaning more toward the Democratic candidate or the Republican candidate?

- 1 DEMOCRATIC
- 2 REPUBLICAN
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NEITHER

IF #1, #2 OR #3 TO Q. 12. ASK:

14a. Are you very sure about your choice, or might you change your mind before election day?

- 1 SURE/FIRM
- 2 MIGHT CHANGE/DON'T KNOW

14b. When did you decide who you would vote for--in the last few days, in the last couple of weeks, in the last month or two, or did you know all along?

- 1 LAST FEW DAYS
- 2 LAST WEEK OR TWO
- 3 LAST MONTH OR TWO
- 4 EARLIER/KNEW ALL ALONG
- 8 OTHER
- 9 DON'T KNOW

15. And, if the election were held today would you vote for the Democratic or Republican candidates for the State Assembly?

- 1 DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE
- 2 REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE
- 9 DON'T KNOW

16. Are you leaning more toward the Democratic candidate(s) or the Republican candidate(s)?

- 1 DEMOCRATIC
- 2 REPUBLICAN
- 3 ONE OF EACH
- 4 ONE DEMOCRAT, D. K. OTHER
- 5 ONE REPUBLICAN, D. K. OTHER
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NEITHER

17a. Are you very sure about your choice, or might you change your mind before election day?

- 1 SURE/FIRM
- 2 MIGHT CHANGE/DON'T KNOW

17b. When did you decide who you would vote for--in the last few days, in the last couple of weeks, in the last month or two, or did you know all along?

- 1 LAST FEW DAYS
- 2 LAST WEEK OR TWO
- 3 LAST MONTH OR TWO
- 4 EARLIER/KNEW ALL ALONG
- 8 OTHER
- 9 DON'T KNOW

18. And in past elections, did you usually favor the Democratic or the Republican candidates for the State Legislature in Trenton? (INTERVIEWERS NOTE: IF RESPONDENT SAYS "SOMETIMES DEMOCRAT" OR "SOMETIMES REPUBLICAN," CIRCLE CHOICE 3)

- 1 DEMOCRAT
- 2 REPUBLICAN
- 3 DEPENDS ON CANDIDATES/VOTES FOR PERSON
- 4 NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN PAST--TOO YOUNG, NOT IN STATE
- 9 DON'T KNOW

19. Some of the candidates for the State Assembly and Senate have been campaigning against Governor Jim Florio--In your opinion, should Governor Jim Florio be an issue in the election for State Senate and Assembly or not?

- 1 YES, SHOULD BE AN ISSUE
- 2 NO, SHOULD NOT BE AN ISSUE
- 9 DON'T KNOW

20. If a candidate in your district campaigns against Governor Jim Florio, will this make you more likely to support that candidate, less likely to support that candidate, or won't it make any difference?

- 1 MORE LIKELY
- 2 LESS LIKELY
- 3 NO DIFFERENCE
- 9 DON'T KNOW

21. And, if a candidate in your district is an incumbent--that is someone who currently holds that position--will this make you more likely to support that

candidate, less likely to support that candidate, or won't it make any difference?

- 1 MORE LIKELY
- 2 LESS LIKELY
- 3 NO DIFFERENCE
- 9 DON'T KNOW

ASK EVERYONE:

22. Where do you get information about what is happening in New Jersey politics-  
-PROBE: Are there any other places you get information |

- A NEWSPAPERS?
- B TELEVISION?
- C RADIO?
- D FRIENDS AND ACQUAINTANCES?
- E OTHER (Specify:)?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO

23. Which one of these do you consider most valuable?

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(IF A NEWSPAPER IS MENTIONED ON Q.22. ASK:)

24a. What is the name of the newspaper you usually read?

- 99 DON'T KNOW
- 01 Asbury Park Press
- 02 Atlantic City Press
- 03 Bergen Record
- 04 Camden Courter Post
- 05 Newark Star-Ledger
- 06 New York Times
- 07 Philadelphia Inquirer
- 08 Trenton Times
- Other (Specify:)

24b. Is that a New Jersey, New York, or Philadelphia newspaper?

- 1 A NEW JERSEY NEWSPAPER
- 2 NEW YORK NEWSPAPER
- 3 A PHILADELPHIA NEWSPAPER
- 4 OTHER OUT OF STATE NEWSPAPER
- 9 DONTKNOW

25. How satisfied are you with the coverage given New Jersey politics by this newspaper-very satisfied, fairly satisfied, fairly dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

- 1 VERY SATISFIED
- 2 FAIRLY SATISFIED
- 3 FAIRLY DISSATISFIED
- 4 VERY DISSATISFIED

9 DON'T KNOW

(IF TELEVISION IS MENTIONED IN Q.22. ASK:)

26. How satisfied are you with the amount of information you get from television about New Jersey politics--very satisfied, fairly satisfied, fairly dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

- 1 VERY SATISFIED
- 2 FAIRLY SATISFIED
- 3 FAIRLY DISSATISFIED
- 4 VERY DISSATISFIED
- 9 DON'T KNOW

(IF RADIO IS MENTIONED IN Q.22. ASK:)

27. Is the radio station you get this information from a New Jersey station or not?

- 1 YES. NEW JERSEY STATION
- 2 NO, NOT A NEW JERSEY STATION
- 9 DON'T KNOW

28. How satisfied are you with the amount of information you get from the radio station you listen to about New Jersey politics--very satisfied, fairly satisfied, fairly dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

- 1 VERY SATISFIED
- 2 FAIRLY SATISFIED
- 3 FAIRLY DISSATISFIED
- 4 VERY DISSATISFIED
- 9 DON'T KNOW

29. Is your general impression of George Bush favorable or unfavorable, or don't you have an opinion about him--IF FAVORABLE OR UNFAVORABLE, PROBE: Is that very or somewhat favorable/unfavorable?

- 1 VERY FAVORABLE
- 2 SOMEWHAT FAVORABLE
- 3 SOMEWHAT UNFAVORABLE
- 4 VERY UNFAVORABLE
- 9 NO OPINION/DON'T KNOW

30A. Overall, how would you rate the job George Bush is doing as president--excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

- 1 EXCELLENT
- 2 GOOD
- 3 FAIR
- 4 POOR
- 9 DON'T KNOW

30B. How would you rate his handling of the nation's foreign affairs--excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

- 1 EXCELLENT
- 2 GOOD

- 3 FAIR
- 4 POOR
- 9 DON'T KNOW

30C. How would you rate Bush's handling of problems with the economy-excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

- 1 EXCELLENT
- 2 GOOD
- 3 FAIR
- 4 POOR
- 9 DON'T KNOW

30D. How do you rate his handling of social problems in this country-excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

- 1 EXCELLENT
- 2 GOOD
- 3 FAIR
- 4 POOR
- 9 DON'T KNOW

31. Thinking back over George Bush's first 1,000 days in office, do you think he deserves to be re-elected for a second term, or not?

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

32. There will be a presidential election about one year from now--Do you think you will vote for Bush the Republican, or the Democratic Party's candidate in next year's presidential election?

- 1 BUSH
- 2 DEMOCRATIC PARTY CANDIDATE
- 3 DEPENDS ON WHO DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE IS
- 9 DON'T KNOW

33. And, how would you rate the job Dan Quayle is doing as Vice President--excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

- 1 EXCELLENT
- 2 GOOD
- 3 ONLY FAIR
- 4 POOR
- 9 DON'T KNOW

On another topic,

34. How much attention do you think women's concerns get from government and politicians--too little, too much, or about the right amount?

- 1 TOO LITTLE
- 2 TOO MUCH
- 3 RIGHT AMOUNT
- 9 DON'T KNOW

35. Overall, how serious is the problem of sexual harassment in the workplace-- very serious, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not serious at all?

- 1 VERY SERIOUS
- 2 SOMEWHAT SERIOUS
- 3 NOT TOO SERIOUS
- 4 NOT SERIOUS AT ALL
- 9 DON'T KNOW

36. As far as you know, does the place where you work have a policy about sexual harassment or doesn't it?

- 1 WORKPLACE HAS A SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY
- 2 WORKPLACE DOES NOT HAVE A SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY
- 8 DOES NOT WORK
- 9 DON'T KNOW

37. Do you think all companies in New Jersey should be required by law to have a policy about sexual harassment, or do you think each company should decide for itself whether or not it wants a policy?

- 1 COMPANIES SHOULD BE REQUIRED TO HAVE A POLICY
- 2 COMPANIES SHOULD DECIDE FOR ITSELF WHETHER OR NOT TO HAVE A POLICY
- 9 DON'T KNOW

38a. Have you ever been the object of an unwanted sexual advance or proposition at work?

- 1 YES [Go to q.38b]
- 2 NO [Go to q.39]
- 9 DON'T KNOW [Go to q.39]

(IF YES TO Q.38a. ASK:)

38b. Did you report that incident at the time?

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

39. Do you personally know anyone else who has been the object of an unwanted sexual advance or proposition at work?

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

40. Do you think you might ever have done or said something at work that might be considered sexual harassment even if it was unintentional?

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



41. Do you think that for something to be "sexual harassment" it must involve physical contact, or do you think that "sexual harassment" can just involve unwanted sexual conversations, without any physical contact?

- 1 MUST INVOLVE PHYSICAL CONTACT
- 2 CAN INVOLVE UNWANTED SEXUAL CONVERSATIONS
- 9 DON'T KNOW

42. Some working women complain about a different form of sexual harassment, such as men putting their arm around them, sex-related teasing or joking and small things like that--Have you ever felt uncomfortable at work because of anything like this--IF YES, ASK: How often does this happen at work--daily, pretty often, sometimes, rarely, or never?

- 1 NO, NEVER FELT UNCOMFORTABLE
- 2 DAILY
- 3 PRETTY OFTEN
- 4 SOMETIMES
- 5 RARELY
- 6 NEVER
- 9 DON'T KNOW

On a different topic,

43. How serious is the problem of finding decent affordable housing in New Jersey--very serious, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not serious at all?

- 1 VERY SERIOUS
- 2 SOMEWHAT SERIOUS
- 3 NOT TOO SERIOUS
- 4 NOT SERIOUS AT ALL
- 9 DON'T KNOW

44. The New Jersey Department of Community Affairs provides some programs on affordable housing to New Jersey residents--Have you ever read or heard about any of these programs?

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

45. Can you recall the name of the programs you have heard about?

- 01 BALANCED HOUSING PROGRAM
- 02 HOUSING DEMONSTRATION PROGRAM
- 03 SMALL CITIES PROGRAM
- 04 SECTION 8 PROGRAM
- 05 HOMELESS PREVENTION PROGRAM
- 06 MODERATE REHABILITATION PROGRAM
- 07 NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION PROGRAM
- 08 RENTAL REHABILITATION PROGRAM
- 09 NJHMFA (N.J. HOME MORTGAGE FINANCING)
- 10 NO/DON'T KNOW
- 11 OTHER (Specify:)

Just a few more questions so we can classify your answers.

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

- 1 DEMOCRAT [Go to q.D3]
- 2 REPUBLICAN [Go to q.D3]
- 3 INDEPENDENT
- 4 SOMETHING ELSE/OTHER
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

(IF #3, 4, OR 9 TO Q. 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 a liberal, conservative, or somewhere in between?

- 1 LIBERAL [Go to q.D5]
- 2 CONSERVATIVE [Go to q.D5]
- 3 SOMEWHERE IN BETWEEN
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

(IF #3 OR 9 TO Q.D3, ASK)

D4. Do you lean more toward the liberal side or more toward the conservative side?

- 1 LIBERAL
- 2 CONSERVATIVE
- 3 OTHER/NEITHER
- 9 DON'T KNOW/NO OPINION

D5. Did you receive a high school diploma?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO [Go to q.D7]
- 9 DON'T KNOW [Go to q.D7]

D6. Did you ever attend college--IF YES, ASK: Did you graduate?

- 1 YES, GRADUATED
- 2 YES, DID NOT GRADUATE
- 3 JUNIOR COLLEGE--GRADUATE
- 4 VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL SCHOOL
- 5 NO
- 9 DON'T KNOW

D7. Are you Currently employed, temporarily laid off, retired or not employed?

- 1 EMPLOYED
- 2 TEMPORARILY LAID OFF [Go to q.XD7b]

- 3 RETIRED [Go to q.D10]
- 4 NOT EMPLOYED [Go to q.D10]
- 9 OTHER/REFUSED [Go to q.D10]

IF #1 OR 2 TO Q. D7, ASK:)

D8A. Do you get paid at an hourly rate, a salary, or are you self-employed?

- 1 HOURLY (AND PIECEWORK)
- 2 SALARIED (AND COMMISSIONS)
- 3 SELF-EMPLOYED
- 9 DON'T KNOW

D8B. What kind of work do you do? (CIRCLE APPROPRIATE NUMBER--ALSO CIRCLE SPECIFIC OCCUPATION IF LISTED) (PROBE FOR JOB DESCRIPTION)

D9. Are you the chief wage earner in your household?

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

(IF "NO" TO Q. D 9, ASK:)

D10. Is the chief wage earner in your household currently employed, temporarily laid off, retired or not employed?

- 1 EMPLOYED
- 2 TEMPORARILY LAID OFF [Go to q.XD10b]
- 3 RETIRED [Go to q.D11]
- 4 NOT EMPLOYED [Go to q.D11]
- 9 OTHER/REFUSED [Go to q.D11]

(IF #1, OR #2 TO Q.D10, ASK:)

D11a. Does/did the chief wage earner get paid at an hourly rate, paid a salary, or is the chief wage earner self-employed?

- 1 HOURLY (AND PIECEWORK)
- 2 SALARIED (AND COMMISSIONS)
- 3 SELF-EMPLOYED
- 9 DON'T KNOW

D11b. What kind of work does the chief wage earner do? (CIRCLE APPROPRIATE NUMBER. ALSO CIRCLE SPECIFIC OCCUPATION IF LISTED.) (PROBE FOR JOB DESCRIPTION)

D12. Do you own or rent your apartment or house?

(IF "OWN--#1 OR #3" TO Q.D12, ASK)

D12a. Approximately what is the total amount you pay per month on mortgage payments, property taxes, and homeowner insurance?

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D12b. Approximately what is the total amount you pay per month on rent or lease payments?

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D13. Are you married, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?

- 1 MARRIED
- 2 WIDOWED
- 3 DIVORCED
- 4 SEPARATED
- 5 NEVER MARRIED
- 9 DON'T KNOW

D14. Are you white, black, Hispanic, or Asian origin?

- 1 WHITE
- 2 BLACK
- 3 HISPANIC
- 4 ASIAN
- 5 OTHER (SPECIFY: 1
- 9 NOT DETERMINED

D15. Do you consider yourself to be Catholic, Protestant, Jewish, or something else?

- 1 CATHOLIC
- 2 PROTESTANT
- 3 JEWISH
- 4 NONE/ATHEIST/AGNOSTIC
- 5 OTHER
- 9 DON'T KNOW/REFUSED

D16. What was your age on your last birthday?

(CODE # OF YEARS)

D17. In what age group are you [read choices]?

- 1 18 - 20
- 2 21- 24
- 3 25- 29
- 4 THIRTIES (30 - 39)
- 5 FORTIES (40 - 49)
- 6 FIFTIES (50 - 59)
- 7 60- 64
- 8 65 OR OVER
- 9 NO ANSWER/REFUSED

D18. Where do you live--in what township or municipality?

D18a. In what county is that?

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D19A. So that we can group all answers, what is your total annual family income before taxes?

D19b. (IF DON'T KNOW OR REFUSED, ASK:) Would that be: Under \$35,000; between \$35,000 dollars to just under \$70,000; or \$70,000 or more?

- 1 UNDER \$35,000
- 2 \$35,000 TO \$69,999
- 3 \$70,000 TO \$100,000
- 4 MORE THAN \$100,000
- 9 DON'T KNOW

D19C. Is that: under \$10,000; \$10,000-\$20,000; \$20,000-\$30,000, or over \$30,000?

- 1 UNDER \$10,000
- 2 \$10,000-\$20,000
- 3 \$20,001-\$30,000
- 4 OVER \$30,000
- 9 DON'T KNOW

D19D. Is that: \$35,000 to \$50,000 or over \$50,000?

- 1 \$35,000 TO \$50,000
- 2 OVER \$50,000
- 9 DON'T KNOW