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 some topics currently in the news. We are not selling anything, not asking for money, and all your answers will be completely confidential.

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

1  Two or less
2  3-5
3  6-10
4  11-20
5  21 or more
6  All My Life
9  Don't Know

2. How would you rate the job Bill Clinton is doing as President--excellent, good, only fair or poor?

1  Excellent—GO TO Q4
2  Good —GO TO Q4
3  Only Fair
4  Poor —GO TO Q4
9  Don't Know

3. So overall, do you approve or disapprove of the job he is doing as President?

1  Approve
2  Disapprove
9  Don’t know

4. As you know, there will be an election for President this fall. How much thought have you given to the coming presidential election: quite a lot or only a little?

1  Quite a lot
2  Some (VOL)
3  Little
4  None (VOL)
9  Don’t know

5. And, how much interest do you have in this election--a lot, some, or a little?

1  A LOT
2  SOME
3  A LITTLE/NONE
9  DON'T KNOW

NO Q6 THIS SURVEY VERSION

7. Are you currently registered to vote at the address where you now live?
1   YES
2   NO-- SKIP TO MP1
9   DON’T KNOW-- SKIP TO MP1

8. How often would you say you vote: always, nearly always, part of the time, or seldom?

1   Always
2   Nearly Always
3   Part of the Time
4   Seldom
5   Never (VOL)
9   Don’t know

9. I’d like you to rate your chances of voting in the upcoming November election on a scale of 10 to 1. If 10 represents a person who DEFINITELY will vote and 1 represents a person who definitely will NOT vote, where would you place yourself—10 definitely will; 1 definitely will not?

/____/____/ Record actual number; 99 = Don’t know/refused

CATI SKIP INSTRUCTIONS: IF Q9 EQ 1, GO TO Q13

10. If the election for President was held today and you had to choose right now—Would you vote for (CATI RANDOMIZE NAMES IN ITALICS) George W. Bush, the Republican; or Al Gore, the Democrat?

1   Bush – SKIP TO Q12
2   Gore – SKIP TO Q12
7   Neither/Other– SKIP TO Q13 ROTATION
8   Wouldn’t vote– SKIP TO Q13 ROTATION
9   Don’t know/Undecided– ASK Q 11

IF "UNDECIDED OR DON'T KNOW TO Q.10, ASK:

11. At this moment do you lean more towards Bush or more towards Gore?

1   Bush – SKIP TO Q13 ROTATION
2   Gore – SKIP TO Q 13 ROTATION
3   Neither/Undecided. – SKIP TO Q 13 ROTATION
12. Are you very sure about voting for (Bush/Gore); or might you change your mind before the election?

   1 VERY SURE
   2 MIGHT CHANGE/DON'T KNOW

CATI ROTATE QUESTIONS 13A AND 13B
13a. How much do you think you know about George W. Bush -- a lot, some, just a little or nothing at all?

   1 A LOT
   2 SOME
   3 A LITTLE
   4 NOTHING
   9 DON'T KNOW

13b. How much do you think you know about Al Gore -- a lot, some, just a little, or nothing at all?

   1 A LOT
   2 SOME
   3 A LITTLE
   4 NOTHING
   9 DON'T KNOW

CATI ROTATE QUESTIONS 14A & 14B
14a. Is your general impression of George Bush favorable or unfavorable, or don't you really have an opinion about him?  (IF FAVORABLE OR UNFAVORABLE, PROBE: Is that very (favorable/unfavorable) or somewhat (favorable/unfavorable)?)

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

14b. Is your general impression of Al Gore favorable or unfavorable, or don't you really have an opinion about him?  (IF FAVORABLE OR UNFAVORABLE, PROBE: Is that very (favorable/unfavorable) or somewhat (favorable/unfavorable)?)

   1 VERY FAVORABLE
   2 SOMEWHAT FAVORABLE
   3 SOMEWHAT UNFAVORABLE
   4 VERY UNFAVORABLE
15. Thinking about the presidential candidates, would you say you are very satisfied, fairly satisfied, not too satisfied, or not at all satisfied with the choices?

1 Very satisfied
2 Fairly satisfied
3 Not too satisfied
4 Not at all satisfied
9 Don’t know

16. What is the most important personal quality that you look for in a President? **TAKE ONLY FIRST RESPONSE**

1 Honesty/Integrity/Trustworthiness
2 Experience/Background
3 Intelligence/Smart
4 Compassion/Warmth
5 Religiosity/belief in God
6 Leadership/Inspirational qualities
7 Toughness
8 Able to attract talented people around him
9 Sincerity/Believes what he says
10 Moral Values
11 Agree with him on issues
12 His party/Democrat or Republican
13 Other
99 Don’t Know

**SENATE QUESTIONS**

S1. There will also be an election for the U.S. Senate in New Jersey. How much interest do you have in this election--a lot, some, a little, or none at all?

1 A LOT
2 SOME
3 A LITTLE
4 NONE
9 DON’T KNOW

S2. If the election for the Senate was held today, Would you vote for (CATI RANDOMIZE NAMES IN ITALICS) Bob Franks, the Republican; or Jon Corzine (KORE-ZIGN), the Democrat?

1 Franks –SKIP TO S4
2 Corzine –SKIP TO S4
7 Neither/Other –SKIP TO S5 ROTATION
8 Wouldn’t vote –SKIP TO S5 ROTATION
9  Don’t know/Undecided – ASK S3

**IF "UNDECIDED OR DON’T KNOW TO S2 ASK:**

S3.  At this moment do you lean more towards Franks or more towards Corzine?

1  Franks – SKIP TO S5 ROTATION  
2  Corzine – SKIP TO S5 ROTATION  
3  Neither/Undecided. – SKIP TO S5 ROTATION

S4.  Are you very sure about voting for (Franks/Corzine); or might you change your mind before the election?

1  VERY SURE  
2  MIGHT CHANGE/DON’T KNOW

**CATI ROTATE QUESTIONS S5A and S5B**

S5a.  How much do you think you know about Bob Franks -- a lot, some just a little, or nothing at all?

1  A LOT  
2  SOME  
3  A LITTLE  
4  NOTHING  
9  DON'T KNOW

S5b.  How much do you think you know about Jon Corzine -- a lot, some, just a little or nothing at all?

1  A LOT  
2  SOME  
3  A LITTLE  
4  NOTHING  
9  DON'T KNOW

**CATI ROTATE QUESTIONS S6 & S7**

S6.  Is your general impression of Bob Franks favorable or unfavorable, or don't you really have an opinion about him?  **(IF FAVORABLE OR UNFAVORABLE, PROBE:**  Is that very (favorable/unfavorable) or somewhat (favorable/unfavorable)?

1  VERY FAVORABLE  
2  SOMewhat FAVORABLE  
3  SOMewhat UNFAVORABLE  
4  VERY UNFAVORABLE  
9  NO OPINION/DON'T KNOW
S7. Is your general impression of Jon Corzine favorable or unfavorable, or don't you really have an opinion about him? **(IF FAVORABLE OR UNFAVORABLE, PROBE:** Is that very (favorable/unfavorable) or somewhat (favorable/unfavorable)?

1. VERY FAVORABLE
2. SOMEWHAT FAVORABLE
3. SOMEWHAT UNFAVORABLE
4. VERY UNFAVORABLE
9. NO OPINION/DON'T KNOW
S8. Do you happen to know the name of the U.S. Senator from New Jersey who is not running for re-election this year–Is it Frank Lautenberg, Bob Torricelli, (TORE-A-SELL-I) or aren’t you sure?

1 Lautenberg
2 Torricelli
3 Not sure/don’t know

S9A. New Jersey will be sending a new Senator to Washington this year. What is the one problem you would most like to see him take on–What should be first on his agenda [FIRST MENTION]?

S9B. New Jersey will be sending a new Senator to Washington this year. What is the one problem you would most like to see him take on–What should be first on his agenda [SECOND MENTION]? PROBE: What else, Anything else?

S9C. New Jersey will be sending a new Senator to Washington this year. What is the one problem you would most like to see him take on–What should be first on his agenda [THIRD MENTION]? PROBE: What else, Anything else?

S9D. New Jersey will be sending a new Senator to Washington this year. What is the one problem you would most like to see him take on–What should be first on his agenda [FOURTH MENTION]? PROBE: What else, Anything else?

S9E. New Jersey will be sending a new Senator to Washington this year. What is the one problem you would most like to see him take on–What should be first on his agenda [FIFTH MENTION]? PROBE: What else, Anything else?

S10. I’m going to read you a list of issues and would like you to tell me how interested you would be in hearing the candidates for the Senate discussing them. For each one I read please just tell me if you would be VERY interested, SOMewhat interested, or NOT TOO INTERESTED. First (ROTATE ITEMS)...very, somewhat or not too interested in hearing the candidates discuss this |

A Education?
B Health care?
C Campaign Finance reform?
D Social security?
E Gun control?
F How the federal budget surplus should be used?
G Tax policy?
H The death penalty?
I Relations with other countries?

RESPONSE CODES FOR ITEMS S10A-I
1 Very interested
2 Somewhat interested
S11. Most people do not vote in every election. I’m going to read you some past elections. Please just tell me whether you’re certain you voted in it or not - |

A The 1996 election for President between Clinton and Dole?
B The 1997 election for Governor between Whitman and McGreevy?
C The 1998 election for Congress?
D The 1999 election for the New Jersey Assembly?

Response Codes for S11A-D
1 Yes, Certain I voted
2 No/Don’t Know/Can’t say

MONEY AND POLITICS
MP1. The primary election for the US Senate that just ended was the most expensive in New Jersey’s history. I have a couple of quick questions about that. First, did you see any ads on TV for any of the candidates?

1 Yes
2 No/Don’t know–SKIP TO MP3

MP2. I’m going to read you the names of some candidates. For each one please just tell me—Yes or No—if you saw a TV ad for him. (RANDOMIZE NAMES) Yes or no - |

A Jim Florio?
B Bill Gormley?
C Murray Sabrin (SAY-brin)?
D Jim Treffinger (Tre-FIN-jur)?
E Jon Corzine?
F Robert Franks?

Response Options MP2A-F
1 Yes, saw TV ad
2 No, didn’t see
9 Don’t know/not sure.

MP3. Did you receive literature at your home sent by any of the candidates, or not?

1 Yes
2 No/Don’t know—SKIP TO MP5

MP4. For each candidate I name please just tell me if you got mail from him—yes or no. (RANDOMIZE NAMES) Yes or no - |
A Jim Florio?
B Bill Gormley?
C Murray Sabrin (SAY-brin)?
D Jim Treffinger?
E Jon Corzine?
F Robert Franks?

Response Options MP4A-F
1 Yes, got mail
2 No, didn’t get mail
9 Don’t know/not sure.

MP5. How important do you think money is in determining who wins and loses elections--Is it the most important factor, one of many important ones, or not as important as others?

1 Most important
2 One of many important ones
3 Not as important as others
9 Don’t know

MP6. Which concerns you more: how much money a candidate spends, or who contributes money to the candidate?

1 How much is spent
2 Who contributes money
3 Both (VOL)
4 Neither (VOL)
9 Don’t know

MP6B. As you might know, Jon Corzine spent over 30 million dollars—almost all was his own money—in his campaign for the Democratic Senate nomination. Does his spending this much bother you, or not? IF BOTHERS, PROBE: How much does it bother you—a lot, some, or just a little?

1 Bothers Lot
2 Bothers Some
3 Bothers a Little
4 Doesn’t bother
9 Don’t know

MP7A. I’m going to read you some pairs of statements about spending by the Corzine campaign. Please let me know if statement 1 or statement 2 comes closer to your views, even if neither one captures exactly how you feel: (RANDOMIZE MP7A-C; ROTATE STATEMENTS 1 & 2; READ STATEMENTS 1 & 2 ONLY) as a political
newcomer, Corzine had to spend heavily to get known or Corzine spent more than he had to, giving him an unfair advantage?

1 Had to spend heavily
2 Spent more than he had to
8 Both (VOL)
9 Don’t Know/Refuses to choose

MP7B. I’m going to read you some pairs of statements about spending by the Corzine campaign. Please let me know if statement 1 or statement 2 comes closer to your views, even if neither one captures exactly how you feel: I am not bothered by a candidate spending as much as Corzine did since it is his own money and he is not beholden to special interest contributors or the idea of one candidate spending that much money bothers me no matter where the money comes from?

1 Not bothered
2 The idea bothers me
8 Both (VOL)
9 Don’t Know/Refuses to choose

MP7C. I’m going to read you some pairs of statements about spending by the Corzine campaign. Please let me know if statement 1 or statement 2 comes closer to your views, even if neither one captures exactly how you feel: Jon Corzine BOUGHT the Democratic Senate nomination—it was because of the money or while Corzine may have spent more than his opponent, he communicated what he wanted to do to voters of his party and they responded to those ideas?

1 Corzine BOUGHT nomination
2 Corzine communicated what he wanted to do
8 Both (VOL)
9 Don’t Know/Refuses to choose

MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION

MV1. Have you heard or read anything about problems with the new car inspection system at the New Jersey DMV or not?

1 Yes
2 Not heard/read
9 Don’t know

MV2 Question this draft

MV3. Have you taken your car for an inspection since the new inspection procedures started in December1999, or not?

1 Yes
2 No/don’t know/don’t have car—SKIP TO NJP1

MV4. Did you go to a state inspection center or a private garage for your inspection?

1 State inspection center
2 Private Garage—SKIP TO NJP1
9 Don’t know—SKIP TO NJP1

MV5. Did you get the new test, the old test, or aren’t you sure?

1 New
2 Old
9 Not sure/don’t know

MV6. How long did you have to wait, in minutes, to get your car inspected?

_________ Code actual number up to 60 minutes—1 hour

81 1 1/4 hrs 84 2 hrs to just under 3 hours
82 1 ½ hrs 85 3 hours to just under 4 hours
83 1 3/4 hrs 86 4 hours or longer
99 Don’t know

MV7. Was your wait longer, shorter, or the same as the last time your car was inspected?

1 Wait was longer
2 Wait was shorter
3 Wait was the same
8 First time inspected/no comparison (VOL)
9 Don’t know

MV8A. Now some quick questions about the test and the people running the facility. Was the test fair or unfair?

1 Fair
2 Unfair
9 Don’t know

MV8B. Now some quick questions about the test and the people running the facility. Were the people running the test courteous or not courteous?

1 Courteous
2 Not courteous
9 Don’t know
MV8C. Now some quick questions about the test and the people running the facility. Were the people running the test experienced or inexperienced?

1 Experienced
2 Inexperienced
9 Don’t know

MV9. Overall, would you say you were satisfied or dissatisfied with your experience having your car tested? IF SATISFIED OR DISSATISFIED, PROBE: Would you say very or somewhat (SATISFIED/DISSATISFIED)?

1 Very Satisfied
2 Somewhat Satisfied
3 Somewhat Dissatisfied
4 Very Dissatisfied
9 Don’t know

NEW JERSEY PERSONALITY

FORM A ONLY

NJP1. Now on a different subject, I’d like to get your views on what New Jerseyans are like as people. Thinking about those who live in this state, please tell me if you think each word I read DOES or does NOT fit New Jerseyans better than people who live elsewhere. The first word is (RANDOMIZE WORDS FOR FORMS A & B)...Does this fit New Jerseyans better than people who live elsewhere or not.|

A Tough?
B Rude?
C Aggressive?
D Smart?
E Loud?
F Hardworking?
G Honest?
H Argumentative?

response options njp1a - h
1 Yes, does fit New Jerseyans better
2 No, does not fit New Jerseyans better
9 Don’t know

FORM B ONLY

NJP2. Now on a different subject, I’d like to get your views on what New Jerseyans are like as people. Thinking about those who live in this state, please tell me if you think each word I read DOES or does NOT fit New Jerseyans better than people who live elsewhere. The first word is (RANDOMIZE WORDS FOR FORMS A & B)...Does this fit New Jerseyans better than people who live elsewhere or not.|

A Family-oriented
B Religious?
C Ambitious?
D Compassionate?
E Friendly?
F Fair-minded?
G Funny?
H Tough?

response options njp2a - h
1   Yes, does fit New Jerseyans better
2   No, does not fit New Jerseyans better
9   Don’t know

RIGHT TO DIE
The last topic on our survey is about health care, and how people with serious or terminal illnesses can plan for the medical treatment they get.

RD1. In your opinion, if a terminally ill person is mentally competent, but being kept alive only by a machine they want to be removed from, should they be allowed to do so even if it means they will die, or not?

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

RD2. And what about if this same patient had not made his or her wishes known in advance? If the family believes the patient would not want to continue under such conditions, do you think they should or should not be allowed to discontinue medical treatment?

   1 Should
   2 Should not
   3 Depends (VOL)
   9 Don’t know

RD3. Do you personally now have someone appointed to make health care decisions for you if you could not do so because of a serious illness—sometimes this is called a health care proxy?

   1 Yes
   2 No
   9 Don’t know

RD4. Have you talked to someone close to you—such as a spouse, partner, friend or grown child—about your wishes for health care during a life-threatening illness, or not?
RD5. And have you talked to your Doctor or current health provider about your wishes for health care during a life-threatening illness, or not?

1 Yes
2 No
9 Don’t know

RD6. Do you currently have a document called a “living will,” which gives instruction for treatment in the event you have a life-threatening illness, or not?

1 Yes
2 No
9 Don’t know

RD7. If you were a patient with a life-threatening illness, which of these two treatments do you think you would choose: (RANDOMIZE OPTIONS 1 AND 2) Extend life as much as possible, even if it means more pain and discomfort or relieve pain and discomfort, even if it means not living as long?

1 Extend life as much as possible, even if it means more pain and discomfort.
2 Relieve pain and discomfort, even if it means not living as long.
9 Don’t know

RD8. Suppose you had made your wishes known for the health care you wanted during a life-threatening illness. How confident are you that those wishes would actually be followed by Doctors and hospital staff—very confident, somewhat confident or not too confident?

1 Very
2 Somewhat
3 Not too
9 Don’t know

CATI ROTATE RD9 AND RD10

RD9. In general, how well do you think doctors and hospital staff do in treating pain among patients with life-threatening illnesses—Do they do an excellent, good, only fair, or poor job?

1 Excellent
2 Good
3 Only Fair
4 Poor
9 Don’t know
RD10. In general, how well do you think that doctors and hospital staff do in caring for the emotional needs of patients with life-threatening illnesses—Do they do an excellent, good, only fair, or poor job?

1 Excellent
2 Good
3 Only Fair
4 Poor
9 Don’t know

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

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

1 Democrat —ASK D1a
2 Republican -ASK D1a
3 Independent –SKIP TO D1b
4 Something Else/Other –SKIP TO D2
9 Don’t Know/No opinion –SKIP TO D1b

D1a. Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican), or a not so strong(Democrat/Republican)?

1 Strong —SKIP TO D2
2 Not Strong/Don’t know–SKIP TO D2

D1b. 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

D2. And how are you formally registered for election purposes: Are you registered as a democrat, undeclared, republican, independent or something else?

1 Democrat
2 Undeclared
3 Republican
4 Independent
5 Something else
9 Don’t know

D2A. Regardless of the political party you might favor, do you consider yourself to be a liberal, conservative, or somewhere in between?
1 Liberal
2 Conservative
3 Somewhere in between
4 Other
9 Don’t Know/No opinion

D3. Which of the following BEST describes the area where you now live: READ OPTIONS 1 THROUGH 3?

1 A large city or urban area
2 A suburban area
3 A rural area
9 Other/don’t know/refused

D4. Did you receive a high school diploma?

1 Yes
2 No/Don’t Know--SKIP TO D6

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

1 Yes, graduated
2 Yes, did not graduate--skip to d6
3 Junior college--graduate--skip to d6
4 Vocational/technical school--skip to d6
9 No--skip to 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. Are you married, living as married, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?

1 Married
2 Living as married
3 Widowed
4 Divorced
5 Separated
6 Never married
9 Don't know
D7. What was your age on your last birthday?

_/ _ _ _ _ (ENTER AGE: 97=97+, 98=DK, 99 = REFUSED)
CATI NOTE, IF REFUSED IN D7, ASK D8; OTHERWISE GO TO D9

D8. Were you born before 1946, between 1946 and 1964, or after 1964?

1 before 1946
2 between 1946 and 1964
3 after 1964
9 Refused/don’t know

D9. 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

D10. Are you white, black or of Asian origin?

1    White
2    Black
3    Asian
4    Other
9    Not determined

D11. In which 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
D12. 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

D13. Not counting cell phones, how many DIFFERENT telephone numbers for incoming calls
reach this household--this does not include those lines that are ONLY used for fax machines
and computers?

1 One
2 Two
3 Three
4 Four or more
9 Don’t Know/Refused

D14. And do you have a cell phone?

1 Yes
2 No
9 Don’t know

D15. Is the telephone number I reached you at currently listed in the telephone directory? IF NO,
PROBE: Is that because it’s new or because your household does not want to be listed?

1 Yes, listed
2 Not listed--new listing
3 Not listed--by choice
4 Some listed/some unlisted (VOL)
9 Don’t know/refused

D16. Including yourself, how many adults--that is people 18 or over, live in your household?

1 One
2 Two
3 Three
4 Four or more
9 Don’t Know/Refused

D17. 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
6 Atheist/Agnostic
9 Don’t Know/Refused

D18. Do you live in a house, an apartment, or a condominium?

1 House
2 Apartment
3 Condo/Townhouse
4 Other
9 Don’t know/Refused

D19. Thanks. You've been very helpful. The results of the poll will be released in the Newark Star-Ledger. Sometimes we need to recontact people to verify that this interview took place, or someone writing up the results may want to know more about how you feel. Would it be okay for us to recontact you if necessary? (IF YES, ASK: Could I please have just your first name?"

1 YES ----->
2 NO

Verify phone number; Thank you very much for your help.