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**Most New Jersey Voters Worry About Future of American Democracy; 6 in 10 Think Political Violence is Major Problem in U.S.**

***Few claim they will commit acts of political violence, but 1 in 10 say they know someone who would consider it; over half label Jan. 6 an insurrection, blame Trump for it***

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. (Nov. 1, 2024) – New Jersey voters are apprehensive about what Election Day may bring, in terms of subsequent political violence and the future of the country’s democracy, according to a special Rutgers-Eagleton Poll in partnership with NJ Advanced Media and the Miller Center on Policing and Community Resilience at the Eagleton Institute of Politics.

Democrats, Republicans, and independents alike share this trepidation.

Forty-seven percent are “very worried” and 39% are “somewhat worried” about the future of America’s democracy. Partisans on either side of the aisle share this worry, though to varying degrees – 92% among Democrats, 84% among independents, and 79% among Republicans when it comes to being “very” or “somewhat worried.”

Worry may stem, at least in part, from beliefs that the tone and nature of politics has become less respectful (86%) and that political violence is a major (59%) or at least minor (28%) problem in the United States right now. About 8 in 10 say it is either “very” (37%) or “somewhat likely” (42%) that there will be some sort of political violence in response to election results in the U.S. in the coming months. Once again, partisans agree on these issues, just at different levels: Republicans and independents are less likely than Democrats to say political violence is a major problem – though still half or more of each group feels this way – and smaller majorities among these two groups believe post-election violence is likely.

“Concerns over democracy’s future and the threat of political violence are not one-sided,” said Ashley Koning, an assistant research professor and director of the [Eagleton Center for Public Interest Polling](#) (ECPIP) at [Rutgers University-New Brunswick](#). “Democrats, Republicans and independents alike are all worried about the same issue here, but likely foresee different

solutions and likely blame the other side as the culprit. Living through a time marked by the constant threat and reality of political violence – including the Capitol riot, contentious protests, and assassination attempts within the past few years alone, it is hard for voters to see much hope for America’s future, especially in the coming weeks.”

Fourteen percent of voters say there may be times where it is justified to break the law to defend one’s own political beliefs, advance a political objective or express political dissatisfaction; 71% don’t think it is ever justified and 15% are unsure. Independents are more likely to say this behavior can be justified than partisans on either side of the aisle.

Overwhelming majorities say it is “never” justified to take actions such as physical harm (90%), property damage (87%) or intimidation (84%) to defend one’s own political beliefs, advance a political objective or express political dissatisfaction; voters largely view the action of protests or rallies as “always” (47%) or “sometimes” (33%) justified, however.

Nearly all voters say they would be “not very likely” (7%) or “not at all likely” (90%) to ever consider engaging in political violence, yet 11% say they know someone who would. Democrats and independents are about four times more likely than Republicans to say they know someone who would consider it, though the percentages are still small.

Looking back on the attack on the U.S. Capitol nearly four years ago, 56% of voters say it was an “insurrection and a threat to democracy,” 17% say it was “an unfortunate event” that was “in the past, so no need to worry about it anymore” and another 17% say it was a “political protest protected under the First Amendment;” 10% are unsure.

While 55% say Jan. 6 was a “protest aimed at overturning the results of a legitimate presidential election,” 22% feel just the opposite, saying it was a “protest aimed at preventing certification of results of a fraudulent election;” 23% are undecided.

Fifty-six percent of voters say Donald Trump bears “a lot” of responsibility for what happened on Jan. 6, 11% say “a little,” and 25% say “none at all;” 8% are unsure.

“There are deep partisan divides among New Jersey voters on how they interpret Jan. 6,” said [Jessica Roman](#), director of data management and analysis at ECPIP. “While almost all Democrats see it as an insurrection aimed at overturning a legitimate election and place much of the responsibility for it on Trump, independents and especially Republicans are more mixed, with about half of the former feeling the same as Democrats and half of the latter believing it was a protest aimed at preventing a fraudulent election and that Trump bears no blame at all. These numbers are similar to when we last asked these questions in 2022, showing that little has changed with voters’ views on Jan. 6 leading up to the 2024 election.”

Results are from a statewide poll of 1,018 adults contacted through the probability-based [Rutgers-Eagleton/SSRS Garden State Panel](#) from Oct. 15 to Oct. 22. The full sample has a margin

of error of +/- 4.1 percentage points. The registered voter subsample contains 929 registered voters and has a margin of error of +/- 4.2 percentage points.

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Questions and Tables

The questions covered in this release are listed below. Column percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding. Respondents are New Jersey adults who self-reported being registered to vote unless otherwise noted; all percentages are of weighted results. Interpret groups with samples sizes under 100 with extreme caution.

J2. Do you think January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 was an intended to be...

A protest aimed at overturning the results of a legitimate presidential election	55%
A protest aimed at preventing certification of results of a fraudulent election	22%
Don't know	23%
Unweighted N=	927

	Party ID			Gender		Race or Ethnicity		Age			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Man	Woman	White, Non-Hispanic	Non-White	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
<b>Overturn legit</b>	85%	47%	19%	52%	57%	50%	62%	55%	55%	49%	61%
<b>Prevent fraud</b>	7%	22%	48%	22%	22%	26%	16%	18%	21%	26%	22%
<b>Don't know</b>	8%	31%	34%	26%	21%	24%	21%	27%	24%	25%	17%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	392	333	202	442	478	620	305	214	216	277	219

	Income				Region					Education			
	<\$50K	\$50K- <\$100K	\$100K- <\$150K	\$150K+	Urban	Suburb	Exurban	Phil/ South	Shore	HS or less	Some college	College grad	Grad work
<b>Overturn legit</b>	41%	59%	57%	65%	64%	55%	54%	56%	48%	41%	53%	61%	71%
<b>Prevent fraud</b>	27%	26%	20%	16%	17%	26%	20%	21%	23%	33%	23%	14%	14%
<b>Don't know</b>	33%	15%	24%	20%	19%	20%	26%	23%	29%	26%	25%	25%	15%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	193	253	180	233	142	311	141	177	156	204	229	226	267

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**J3. When it comes to the events that occurred on January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021, which of the following comes closest to your view?**

It was an insurrection and a threat to democracy	56%
It was a political protest protected under the First Amendment	17%
It was an unfortunate event, but in the past, so no need to worry about it anymore	17%
Don't know	10%
<b>Unweighted N=</b>	<b>928</b>

	Party ID			Gender		Race or Ethnicity		Age			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Man	Woman	White, Non-Hispanic	Non-White	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
<b>Insurrection</b>	89%	47%	15%	50%	61%	52%	62%	49%	59%	54%	61%
<b>Protected</b>	2%	20%	34%	19%	15%	21%	10%	10%	12%	17%	25%
<b>In past</b>	4%	16%	40%	22%	13%	20%	13%	21%	16%	20%	11%
<b>Don't know</b>	4%	17%	11%	9%	11%	8%	15%	20%	12%	9%	3%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	392	333	203	442	479	621	305	214	217	277	219

	Income				Region					Education			
	<\$50K	\$50K- <\$100K	\$100K- <\$150K	\$150K+	Urban	Suburb	Exurban	Phil/ South	Shore	HS or less	Some college	College grad	Grad work
<b>Insurrection</b>	46%	57%	57%	67%	62%	56%	55%	57%	51%	46%	48%	63%	72%
<b>Protected</b>	17%	21%	14%	11%	9%	20%	16%	19%	13%	26%	17%	8%	11%
<b>In past</b>	14%	16%	21%	17%	13%	15%	18%	15%	25%	16%	23%	19%	10%
<b>Don't know</b>	23%	6%	8%	5%	15%	9%	11%	8%	11%	12%	11%	10%	7%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	193	253	181	233	142	311	141	177	157	204	229	227	267

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**J4. How much responsibility, if any, does Donald Trump bear for the violence and destruction committed by some of his supporters after they broke into the United States Capital?**

<b>A lot</b>	56%
<b>A little</b>	11%
<b>None at all</b>	25%
<b>Don't know</b>	8%
<b>Unweighted N=</b>	928

	Party ID			Gender		Race or Ethnicity		Age			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Man	Woman	White, Non-Hispanic	Non-White	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
<b>A lot</b>	90%	49%	12%	50%	61%	49%	66%	57%	54%	52%	60%
<b>A little</b>	4%	10%	22%	13%	9%	11%	10%	12%	12%	13%	6%
<b>None at all</b>	5%	29%	50%	28%	23%	32%	15%	17%	27%	27%	28%
<b>Don't know</b>	1%	12%	16%	9%	8%	8%	9%	14%	7%	8%	5%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	392	334	202	441	480	621	305	214	217	277	219

	Income				Region					Education			
	<\$50K	\$50K- <\$100K	\$100K- <\$150K	\$150K+	Urban	Suburb	Exurban	Phil/ South	Shore	HS or less	Some college	College grad	Grad work
<b>A lot</b>	48%	59%	58%	61%	68%	54%	53%	56%	53%	42%	57%	60%	70%
<b>A little</b>	10%	7%	11%	12%	9%	10%	13%	12%	9%	9%	9%	16%	9%
<b>None at all</b>	24%	28%	26%	20%	14%	27%	26%	25%	28%	34%	28%	18%	16%
<b>Don't know</b>	17%	5%	5%	7%	9%	9%	8%	7%	10%	15%	6%	6%	5%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	194	252	181	233	142	311	141	177	157	204	229	227	267

J5. How worried are you, if at all, about the future of America's democracy?

Very worried	47%
Somewhat worried	39%
Not very worried	8%
Not at all worried	3%
Don't know	3%
<b>Unweighted N=</b>	<b>928</b>

	Party ID			Gender		Race or Ethnicity		Age			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Man	Woman	White, Non-Hispanic	Non-White	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
<b>Very</b>	57%	40%	40%	40%	53%	52%	40%	37%	49%	54%	46%
<b>Somewhat</b>	35%	44%	39%	43%	35%	36%	44%	42%	37%	34%	44%
<b>Not very</b>	5%	7%	13%	9%	7%	7%	9%	9%	6%	9%	6%
<b>Not at all</b>	1%	4%	5%	4%	2%	3%	3%	3%	2%	3%	4%
<b>Don't know</b>	2%	5%	3%	4%	3%	2%	5%	9%	5%	1%	<1%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	392	334	202	442	479	621	305	214	218	277	218

	Income				Region					Education			
	<\$50K	\$50K- <\$100K	\$100K- <\$150K	\$150K+	Urban	Suburb	Exurban	Phil/ South	Shore	HS or less	Some college	College grad	Grad work
<b>Very</b>	45%	46%	48%	48%	56%	43%	50%	45%	48%	44%	44%	47%	54%
<b>Somewhat</b>	35%	44%	38%	35%	26%	43%	36%	39%	45%	40%	44%	39%	33%
<b>Not very</b>	7%	6%	7%	13%	10%	7%	10%	9%	4%	5%	8%	8%	12%
<b>Not at all</b>	4%	3%	4%	3%	<1%	4%	3%	5%	1%	4%	3%	3%	1%
<b>Don't know</b>	10%	1%	2%	1%	7%	4%	2%	3%	1%	7%	2%	3%	1%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	194	252	181	233	142	310	141	178	157	205	229	227	266



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**X1. Do you or do you not think it's ever justified to break the law in order to defend one's own political beliefs, advance a political objective, or express political dissatisfaction?**

<b>Yes, I do</b>	14%
<b>No, I don't</b>	71%
<b>Don't know</b>	15%
<b>Unweighted N=</b>	927

	Party ID			Gender		Race or Ethnicity		Age			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Man	Woman	White, Non-Hispanic	Non-White	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
<b>Yes, I do</b>	12%	18%	9%	18%	9%	12%	17%	17%	21%	11%	8%
<b>No, I don't</b>	73%	64%	79%	68%	75%	75%	64%	51%	67%	76%	84%
<b>Don't know</b>	14%	18%	12%	14%	17%	13%	19%	31%	12%	13%	7%
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<b>Yes, I do</b>	14%	12%	18%	13%	15%	11%	13%	17%	14%	8%	15%	13%	22%
<b>No, I don't</b>	70%	73%	71%	73%	58%	77%	69%	70%	72%	78%	74%	63%	67%
<b>Don't know</b>	16%	15%	11%	14%	26%	12%	18%	13%	13%	14%	11%	24%	11%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	193	253	181	233	142	311	141	177	156	204	228	227	267

X2. How often do you think each of the following actions are justified, if ever, to defend one’s own political beliefs, advance a political objective, or express political dissatisfaction?

Participating in a protest or rally in support of or in opposition to political leaders, organizations, and/or individuals

Always	47%
Sometimes	33%
Rarely	6%
Never	8%
Don’t know	5%
Unweighted N=	927

	Party ID			Gender		Race or Ethnicity		Age			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Man	Woman	White, Non-Hispanic	Non-White	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
<b>Always</b>	50%	44%	49%	51%	45%	54%	38%	44%	46%	50%	48%
<b>Sometimes</b>	32%	36%	31%	32%	34%	32%	34%	35%	29%	31%	38%
<b>Rarely</b>	5%	6%	7%	4%	8%	7%	5%	6%	7%	6%	5%
<b>Never</b>	8%	8%	6%	8%	7%	4%	14%	5%	11%	8%	7%
<b>Don’t know</b>	5%	6%	6%	5%	6%	3%	9%	9%	7%	4%	3%
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<b>Always</b>	42%	41%	51%	61%	42%	43%	53%	47%	55%	37%	51%	50%	56%
<b>Sometimes</b>	35%	34%	31%	30%	36%	35%	30%	33%	31%	38%	30%	32%	32%
<b>Rarely</b>	3%	7%	8%	3%	4%	8%	12%	3%	3%	5%	9%	6%	5%
<b>Never</b>	10%	12%	5%	3%	12%	9%	3%	8%	6%	11%	5%	9%	5%
<b>Don't know</b>	10%	5%	5%	4%	6%	5%	2%	9%	5%	10%	5%	2%	2%
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X2. How often do you think each of the following actions are justified, if ever, to defend one's own political beliefs, advance a political objective, or express political dissatisfaction?

Threatening, intimidating, and/or harassing political leaders, organizations, and/or individuals

Always	2%
Sometimes	3%
Rarely	8%
Never	84%
Don't know	3%
Unweighted N=	927

	Party ID			Gender		Race or Ethnicity		Age			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Man	Woman	White, Non-Hispanic	Non-White	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
<b>Always</b>	1%	2%	3%	2%	1%	1%	3%	6%	2%	<1%	<1%
<b>Sometimes</b>	1%	4%	4%	2%	4%	3%	3%	6%	3%	3%	1%
<b>Rarely</b>	6%	12%	5%	10%	6%	7%	11%	19%	6%	5%	4%
<b>Never</b>	90%	78%	85%	83%	86%	88%	78%	61%	85%	92%	94%
<b>Don't know</b>	2%	3%	3%	2%	3%	1%	5%	7%	4%	0%	1%
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<b>Always</b>	3%	4%	0%	0%	1%	4%	0%	1%	<1%	3%	3%	1%	1%
<b>Sometimes</b>	3%	3%	7%	0%	3%	4%	1%	2%	3%	3%	3%	4%	3%
<b>Rarely</b>	8%	9%	10%	6%	15%	6%	9%	5%	10%	6%	10%	9%	9%
<b>Never</b>	80%	82%	81%	92%	75%	83%	89%	88%	85%	85%	80%	85%	87%
<b>Don't know</b>	5%	2%	2%	1%	6%	2%	1%	4%	2%	4%	4%	1%	1%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	194	253	181	233	142	309	141	178	157	204	229	227	266

X2. How often do you think each of the following actions are justified, if ever, to defend one's own political beliefs, advance a political objective, or express political dissatisfaction?

**Physically harming political leaders and/or individuals**

Always	2%
Sometimes	1%
Rarely	4%
Never	90%
Don't know	2%
Unweighted N=	924

	Party ID			Gender		Race or Ethnicity		Age			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Man	Woman	White, Non-Hispanic	Non-White	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
<b>Always</b>	1%	2%	3%	2%	1%	1%	2%	5%	1%	1%	0%
<b>Sometimes</b>	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	3%	2%	1%	<1%
<b>Rarely</b>	3%	7%	2%	4%	4%	4%	4%	12%	3%	2%	1%
<b>Never</b>	94%	86%	91%	90%	91%	93%	86%	74%	90%	96%	98%
<b>Don't know</b>	1%	4%	2%	2%	3%	1%	5%	7%	3%	0%	1%
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<b>Always</b>	1%	4%	2%	0%	<1%	5%	0%	<1%	<1%	2%	4%	1%	<1%
<b>Sometimes</b>	2%	2%	<1%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%	<1%	1%	1%	1%	2%
<b>Rarely</b>	5%	4%	7%	2%	6%	4%	2%	4%	5%	3%	6%	6%	3%
<b>Never</b>	86%	89%	89%	96%	85%	89%	95%	92%	92%	90%	87%	91%	94%
<b>Don't know</b>	5%	1%	2%	1%	5%	2%	2%	2%	2%	4%	2%	1%	1%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	193	251	180	233	140	309	141	178	156	203	228	227	265

X2. How often do you think each of the following actions are justified, if ever, to defend one's own political beliefs, advance a political objective, or express political dissatisfaction?

**Damaging property associated with political leaders, organizations, and/or individuals**

Always	2%
Sometimes	3%
Rarely	6%
Never	87%
Don't know	3%
Unweighted N=	922

	Party ID			Gender		Race or Ethnicity		Age			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Man	Woman	White, Non-Hispanic	Non-White	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
<b>Always</b>	1%	3%	1%	2%	2%	1%	3%	7%	<1%	<1%	0%
<b>Sometimes</b>	1%	4%	3%	3%	2%	2%	4%	6%	2%	2%	1%
<b>Rarely</b>	6%	7%	3%	7%	3%	5%	7%	14%	8%	2%	1%
<b>Never</b>	90%	82%	91%	86%	89%	91%	82%	65%	85%	95%	98%
<b>Don't know</b>	2%	4%	2%	2%	3%	2%	5%	8%	5%	<1%	<1%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	390	330	202	438	477	618	302	213	217	274	217



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	Income				Region					Education			
	<\$50K	\$50K- <\$100K	\$100K- <\$150K	\$150K+	Urban	Suburb	Exurban	Phil/ South	Shore	HS or less	Some college	College grad	Grad work
<b>Always</b>	1%	4%	2%	0%	<1%	4%	1%	<1%	<1%	1%	2%	3%	1%
<b>Sometimes</b>	3%	3%	4%	1%	3%	4%	<1%	2%	3%	3%	3%	1%	3%
<b>Rarely</b>	6%	4%	8%	6%	12%	4%	5%	5%	5%	3%	7%	7%	6%
<b>Never</b>	84%	87%	84%	92%	79%	85%	93%	91%	90%	87%	85%	88%	89%
<b>Don't know</b>	6%	1%	2%	1%	6%	3%	1%	2%	2%	5%	3%	1%	1%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	194	251	181	229	142	308	140	176	156	203	229	226	263

Political violence includes violence or threats of violence done on behalf of one’s own political beliefs, to advance a political objective, or express political dissatisfaction at the local, state, or national level.

**X3. How likely would you, personally, be to ever consider engaging in political violence?**

Very likely	<1%
Somewhat likely	1%
Not very likely	7%
Not at all likely	90%
Don’t know	2%
Unweighted N=	928

	Party ID			Gender		Race or Ethnicity		Age			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Man	Woman	White, Non-Hispanic	Non-White	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
<b>Very</b>	1%	0%	<1%	<1%	<1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%
<b>Somewhat</b>	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%	1%	<1%	1%
<b>Not very</b>	4%	11%	7%	12%	3%	6%	9%	10%	9%	7%	5%
<b>Not at all</b>	93%	85%	90%	85%	93%	93%	85%	82%	86%	93%	94%
<b>Don’t know</b>	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	4%	4%	4%	0%	0%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	391	334	203	441	480	621	305	214	217	277	219

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Rutgers-Eagleton Poll**

	Income				Region					Education			
	<\$50K	\$50K- <\$100K	\$100K- <\$150K	\$150K+	Urban	Suburb	Exurban	Phil/ South	Shore	HS or less	Some college	College grad	Grad work
<b>Very</b>	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	<1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%
<b>Somewhat</b>	1%	2%	<1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	<1%	2%	1%	1%	1%
<b>Not very</b>	10%	12%	5%	4%	7%	7%	2%	13%	7%	8%	9%	5%	7%
<b>Not at all</b>	84%	84%	94%	95%	88%	90%	96%	85%	91%	88%	89%	92%	90%
<b>Don't know</b>	5%	1%	1%	<1%	3%	3%	0%	1%	1%	3%	1%	2%	<1%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	194	253	181	232	141	311	141	178	157	205	229	227	266

**X4. Regardless of how you feel about political violence personally, do you know anyone who you think would consider engaging in political violence?**

<b>Yes</b>	11%
<b>No</b>	79%
<b>Don't know</b>	10%
<b>Unweighted N=</b>	928

	Party ID			Gender		Race or Ethnicity		Age			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Man	Woman	White, Non-Hispanic	Non-White	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
<b>Yes</b>	14%	12%	3%	12%	10%	11%	10%	16%	10%	8%	10%
<b>No</b>	75%	75%	92%	79%	80%	80%	79%	73%	77%	83%	81%
<b>Don't know</b>	11%	12%	5%	9%	11%	10%	11%	11%	13%	9%	9%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	392	333	203	442	479	621	305	214	218	277	218

	Income				Region					Education			
	<\$50K	\$50K-<\$100K	\$100K-<\$150K	\$150K+	Urban	Suburb	Exurban	Phil/South	Shore	HS or less	Some college	College grad	Grad work
<b>Yes</b>	6%	15%	10%	11%	15%	7%	13%	11%	13%	9%	10%	10%	14%
<b>No</b>	80%	76%	81%	80%	73%	83%	79%	81%	75%	82%	80%	81%	73%
<b>Don't know</b>	13%	9%	9%	9%	12%	10%	8%	8%	11%	9%	10%	9%	12%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	194	253	181	232	142	311	140	178	157	205	229	226	267

X5. To what extent, if at all, do you think political violence is a problem right now in the United States?

A major problem	59%
A minor problem	28%
Not much of a problem	6%
Not a problem at all	2%
Don't know	5%
<b>Unweighted N=</b>	<b>927</b>

	Party ID			Gender		Race or Ethnicity		Age			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Man	Woman	White, Non-Hispanic	Non-White	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
<b>Major</b>	69%	50%	55%	50%	66%	59%	57%	46%	57%	60%	68%
<b>Minor</b>	23%	34%	29%	34%	23%	29%	28%	34%	30%	27%	25%
<b>Not much</b>	4%	8%	8%	8%	5%	6%	7%	9%	8%	6%	4%
<b>Not at all</b>	1%	2%	3%	2%	1%	2%	2%	5%	1%	2%	<1%
<b>Don't know</b>	3%	6%	5%	5%	4%	4%	6%	6%	5%	6%	2%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	391	333	203	442	478	620	305	214	218	276	218

	Income				Region					Education			
	<\$50K	\$50K- <\$100K	\$100K- <\$150K	\$150K+	Urban	Suburb	Exurban	Phil/ South	Shore	HS or less	Some college	College grad	Grad work
<b>Major</b>	57%	57%	59%	64%	55%	58%	58%	60%	61%	59%	61%	52%	64%
<b>Minor</b>	23%	33%	26%	27%	26%	30%	31%	23%	31%	26%	31%	32%	25%
<b>Not much</b>	8%	5%	9%	5%	11%	5%	6%	10%	2%	5%	5%	11%	6%
<b>Not at all</b>	1%	3%	3%	1%	4%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	3%	1%
<b>Don't know</b>	11%	2%	2%	3%	4%	5%	4%	5%	4%	8%	2%	3%	4%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	194	251	181	233	142	309	141	178	157	204	229	227	266

**X6. How likely do you think it is that there will be some sort of political violence in response to election results in the United States in the coming months?**

<b>Very likely</b>	37%
<b>Somewhat likely</b>	42%
<b>Not too likely</b>	10%
<b>Not at all likely</b>	3%
<b>Don't know</b>	8%
<b>Unweighted N=</b>	927

	Party ID			Gender		Race or Ethnicity		Age			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Man	Woman	White, Non-Hispanic	Non-White	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
<b>Very</b>	46%	36%	26%	29%	44%	38%	37%	37%	40%	37%	36%
<b>Somewhat</b>	44%	40%	38%	44%	39%	40%	42%	43%	35%	40%	47%
<b>Not too likely</b>	5%	10%	19%	15%	7%	12%	8%	10%	10%	10%	11%
<b>Not at all</b>	<1%	3%	8%	4%	2%	2%	4%	3%	5%	3%	2%
<b>Don't know</b>	4%	11%	9%	8%	8%	7%	9%	7%	9%	10%	4%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	390	334	203	442	478	622	303	213	218	277	218

	Income				Region					Education			
	<\$50K	\$50K- <\$100K	\$100K- <\$150K	\$150K+	Urban	Suburb	Exurban	Phil/South	Shore	HS or less	Some college	College grad	Grad work
<b>Very</b>	36%	39%	41%	35%	44%	40%	30%	28%	44%	37%	32%	43%	37%
<b>Somewhat</b>	35%	43%	42%	43%	36%	37%	47%	51%	39%	40%	48%	38%	40%
<b>Not too likely</b>	8%	9%	11%	12%	13%	9%	15%	12%	6%	8%	10%	8%	15%
<b>Not at all</b>	7%	2%	2%	3%	1%	4%	5%	3%	3%	4%	2%	5%	1%
<b>Don't know</b>	13%	7%	4%	7%	7%	11%	3%	7%	7%	11%	7%	5%	6%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	194	251	181	233	142	310	141	178	156	205	229	226	266

Y1. In your daily life, how much contact do you, personally, have with people who have different political views from yourself?

A lot	29%
Some	42%
Only a little	20%
No contact at all	5%
Don't know	4%
Unweighted N=	927

	Party ID			Gender		Race or Ethnicity		Age			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Man	Woman	White, Non-Hispanic	Non-White	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
<b>A lot</b>	25%	33%	30%	29%	29%	32%	25%	29%	40%	31%	20%
<b>Some</b>	43%	39%	46%	42%	42%	47%	34%	32%	37%	39%	56%
<b>Only a little</b>	25%	17%	17%	20%	20%	17%	26%	26%	11%	21%	20%
<b>No contact</b>	4%	7%	3%	5%	5%	2%	10%	7%	7%	2%	4%
<b>Don't know</b>	3%	5%	4%	3%	4%	3%	6%	6%	4%	6%	<1%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	391	334	202	442	478	620	305	214	218	275	219

	Income				Region					Education			
	<\$50K	\$50K- <\$100K	\$100K- <\$150K	\$150K+	Urban	Suburb	Exurban	Phil/ South	Shore	HS or less	Some college	College grad	Grad work
<b>A lot</b>	24%	27%	33%	35%	29%	21%	39%	30%	36%	21%	30%	35%	35%
<b>Some</b>	40%	44%	43%	43%	32%	47%	38%	41%	44%	46%	40%	38%	42%
<b>Only a little</b>	21%	22%	20%	16%	25%	20%	18%	21%	17%	22%	21%	19%	18%
<b>No contact</b>	7%	4%	2%	4%	11%	6%	4%	3%	1%	5%	5%	5%	4%
<b>Don't know</b>	9%	3%	2%	3%	3%	6%	2%	4%	2%	6%	4%	3%	1%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	194	252	181	233	142	310	140	178	157	205	229	227	265

Y2. Over the last several years, would you say that the tone and nature of politics in this country has...

Become more respectful	1%
Become less respectful	86%
Not changed much	9%
Don't know	4%
<b>Unweighted N=</b>	<b>928</b>

	Party ID			Gender		Race or Ethnicity		Age			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Man	Woman	White, Non-Hispanic	Non-White	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
<b>More</b>	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	<1%
<b>Less</b>	91%	81%	87%	83%	89%	91%	79%	79%	83%	89%	92%
<b>Not changed</b>	7%	10%	10%	12%	6%	6%	13%	14%	11%	5%	8%
<b>Don't know</b>	1%	7%	2%	4%	3%	2%	6%	6%	4%	5%	0%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	392	333	203	442	479	622	304	214	217	277	219

	Income				Region					Education			
	<\$50K	\$50K-<\$100K	\$100K-<\$150K	\$150K+	Urban	Suburb	Exurban	Phil/South	Shore	HS or less	Some college	College grad	Grad work
<b>More</b>	3%	1%	0%	1%	4%	1%	<1%	1%	<1%	2%	1%	<1%	1%
<b>Less</b>	79%	84%	90%	93%	84%	86%	90%	80%	92%	80%	89%	85%	94%
<b>Not changed</b>	9%	14%	9%	4%	7%	9%	9%	12%	6%	11%	8%	12%	4%
<b>Don't know</b>	10%	2%	1%	1%	5%	4%	<1%	7%	2%	7%	3%	2%	1%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	194	252	181	233	142	310	141	178	157	205	228	227	267



**Y4. Which news or media outlet, if any, do you trust the most?**

*Note: This question was originally asked in an open-ended format.*

**Top 10 Version**

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CNN	13%
Fox	9%
MSNBC	5%
ABC	5%
New York Times	4%
NPR	3%
BBC	3%
NBC	2%
CBS	2%
X (formerly Twitter)	2%
Other	19%
A variety to cross-check	<1%
None	31%
Don't watch/consume	<1%
Don't know	2%

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Unweighted N= 870

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	Party ID			Gender		Race or Ethnicity		Age			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Man	Woman	White, Non-Hispanic	Non-White	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
<b>CNN</b>	22%	9%	4%	13%	13%	10%	17%	12%	17%	12%	11%
<b>Fox</b>	<1%	10%	23%	12%	7%	14%	2%	4%	6%	10%	15%
<b>MSNBC</b>	11%	2%	1%	3%	7%	4%	7%	3%	2%	6%	7%
<b>ABC</b>	10%	2%	2%	2%	8%	5%	5%	2%	4%	3%	9%
<b>NYT</b>	7%	2%	1%	4%	4%	4%	4%	5%	3%	2%	5%
<b>NPR</b>	5%	3%	2%	3%	3%	4%	1%	2%	3%	5%	2%
<b>BBC</b>	2%	2%	4%	3%	2%	4%	<1%	1%	1%	4%	4%
<b>NBC</b>	4%	2%	1%	1%	4%	2%	3%	1%	1%	3%	4%
<b>CBS</b>	2%	1%	3%	2%	1%	2%	2%	0%	1%	2%	4%
<b>X (Twitter)</b>	1%	1%	2%	3%	<1%	1%	3%	6%	1%	1%	0%
<b>Other</b>	13%	31%	22%	29%	16%	20%	25%	22%	25%	21%	21%
<b>A variety</b>	1%	<1%	<1%	1%	<1%	<1%	1%	2%	<1%	<1%	<1%
<b>None</b>	17%	40%	41%	31%	32%	30%	33%	38%	41%	34%	17%
<b>Don't consume</b>	0%	<1%	0%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	<1%	0%	<1%	0%
<b>Don't know</b>	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	366	313	191	423	441	586	282	194	206	262	207

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<b>CNN</b>	12%	15%	13%	13%	13%	16%	16%	8%	9%	14%	10%	13%	14%
<b>Fox</b>	14%	6%	12%	5%	4%	7%	16%	14%	9%	16%	6%	8%	5%
<b>MSNBC</b>	2%	5%	8%	4%	4%	8%	2%	5%	3%	6%	4%	5%	5%
<b>ABC</b>	9%	4%	4%	4%	5%	3%	3%	8%	7%	8%	6%	2%	2%
<b>NYT</b>	1%	2%	7%	7%	10%	5%	4%	<1%	2%	1%	4%	6%	6%
<b>NPR</b>	2%	3%	1%	6%	1%	2%	7%	3%	4%	0%	1%	6%	7%
<b>BBC</b>	<1%	1%	5%	6%	1%	4%	3%	1%	3%	2%	2%	4%	3%
<b>NBC</b>	2%	3%	4%	1%	1%	<1%	5%	4%	4%	2%	3%	3%	2%
<b>CBS</b>	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	4%	3%	2%	3%	2%	1%
<b>X (Twitter)</b>	2%	1%	3%	1%	7%	1%	0%	1%	2%	1%	4%	1%	1%
<b>Other</b>	15%	25%	15%	19%	20%	20%	20%	16%	19%	15%	23%	19%	19%
<b>A variety</b>	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	<1%	3%	<1%	0%	<1%	<1%	1%	<1%
<b>None</b>	38%	30%	26%	33%	31%	32%	20%	34%	36%	31%	35%	29%	31%
<b>Don't consume</b>	0%	<1%	0%	0%	0%	<1%	0%	<1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	<1%
<b>Don't know</b>	1%	3%	0%	1%	3%	1%	0%	3%	1%	2%	1%	0%	3%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	177	236	170	226	135	295	132	162	146	190	211	211	258

Y5. How patriotic towards America do you consider yourself to be?

Very patriotic	50%
Somewhat patriotic	35%
Not very patriotic	9%
Not at all patriotic	3%
Don't know	3%
<b>Unweighted N=</b>	<b>929</b>

	Party ID			Gender		Race or Ethnicity		Age			
	Dem	Ind	Rep	Man	Woman	White, Non-Hispanic	Non-White	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+
<b>Very</b>	42%	49%	66%	54%	48%	62%	32%	17%	33%	63%	76%
<b>Somewhat</b>	40%	33%	28%	35%	35%	30%	42%	45%	46%	32%	21%
<b>Not very</b>	13%	10%	2%	7%	11%	6%	16%	24%	12%	3%	2%
<b>Not at all</b>	2%	3%	2%	1%	3%	1%	5%	7%	4%	1%	<1%
<b>Don't know</b>	2%	4%	2%	2%	4%	1%	5%	7%	4%	1%	1%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	392	334	203	442	480	622	305	214	218	277	219

	Income				Region					Education			
	<\$50K	\$50K- <\$100K	\$100K- <\$150K	\$150K+	Urban	Suburb	Exurban	Phil/ South	Shore	HS or less	Some college	College grad	Grad work
<b>Very</b>	41%	55%	48%	52%	30%	44%	57%	60%	61%	56%	52%	44%	48%
<b>Somewhat</b>	36%	35%	35%	36%	37%	41%	34%	28%	28%	28%	37%	38%	40%
<b>Not very</b>	13%	6%	9%	11%	23%	9%	7%	6%	6%	11%	7%	10%	10%
<b>Not at all</b>	1%	2%	7%	1%	5%	1%	2%	2%	4%	1%	2%	6%	2%
<b>Don't know</b>	8%	2%	2%	<1%	5%	4%	0%	4%	1%	5%	2%	2%	1%
<b>Unwt N=</b>	194	253	181	233	142	311	141	178	157	205	229	227	267

### Methodology

The Rutgers-Eagleton Poll was conducted using the [Rutgers-Eagleton/SSRS Garden State Panel](#) from October 15 to 22, 2024 with a scientifically selected random sample of 1,018 New Jersey adults, 18 or older. Analysis is based on a registered voter subsample including 929 New Jersey adults, 18 or older, who are self-reported registered voters. The Rutgers-Eagleton/SSRS Garden State Panel is a probability-based panel of New Jersey adults aged 18 or older. Members are recruited randomly based on statewide representative ABS (Address Based Sample) design. ABS sample is drawn from the Delivery Sequence File (DSF) maintained by the U.S. Postal Service. Population coverage of the DSF is in the 98%-99% range. During the recruitment process, full demographic information on panelists is collected. The Rutgers/SSRS Garden State Panel is a multi-mode panel. For this poll, only Internet households were invited to participate via web; non-internet households were not included. Sample drawn was stratified by county, age, gender, race and ethnicity, and education to ensure adequate representation of each demographic group. Only panelists who complete surveys by web in English were eligible for selection for this study.

Data were weighted to represent the adult population of New Jersey. Weighting was done by applying a base weight and calibrating sample demographic distributions to match target population benchmarks. With the base weight applied, the data were weighted to balance the demographic profile of the sample to target population parameters.

Missing data in the raking variables were imputed using hot decking. Hot deck imputation replaces the missing values of a respondent randomly with another similar respondent without missing data. Hot decking was done using an SPSS macro detailed in 'Goodbye, Listwise Deletion: Presenting Hot Deck Imputation as an Easy and Effective Tool for Handling Missing Data' (Myers, 2011).

Data were calibrated by raking sample distributions to target population distributions using iterative proportional fitting. This procedure balances each calibration variable to target benchmarks individually and iteratively. The entire set of calibration variables is cycled through until the weights converge across all dimensions.

Data were weighted to distributions of sex by age, sex by education, sex by race, age by race, age by education, detailed education, race/ethnicity, region, home tenure, number of adults per household, civic engagement, voter registration, internet use frequency and 2020 recalled vote.

Table 1 shows the variables used in the calibration and the sources of the target distributions.

**Table 1. Calibration Variables**

Calibration variables	Sources
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sex</li> <li>• Age</li> <li>• Education</li> <li>• Race</li> <li>• Hispanic nativity</li> <li>• Number of adults in household</li> <li>• Home tenure</li> </ul>	Current Population Survey 2023 <sup>1</sup>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Region</li> </ul>	American Community Survey <sup>2</sup>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Civic engagement</li> <li>• Voter registration</li> <li>• Internet frequency</li> </ul>	Modeled from SSRS Opinion Panel
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2020 Presidential recalled vote</li> </ul>	National Election Pool

Weights were trimmed at the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 98<sup>th</sup> percentiles to prevent individual interviews from having too much influence on survey-derived estimates. The table below compares unweighted and weighted sample distributions to target population benchmarks.

Data were also calibrated by form. Non-registered voters were randomly assigned to one of the two forms and combined with the random half samples of registered voters to create two general population half samples. Data for each general population half sample were then calibrated separately using the procedures described above. After calibration, the form split weight for the non-registered voters were dropped and the remaining form split weights were standardized to the number of registered voters within each split form. The tables below compare unweighted and weighted sample distributions to target population benchmarks for each split form grouping.

Post-data collection statistical adjustments require analysis procedures that reflect departures from simple random sampling. We calculate the effects of these design features so that an appropriate adjustment can be incorporated into tests of statistical significance when using these data. The so-called "design effect" or *deff* represents the loss in statistical efficiency that results from a disproportionate sample design and systematic non-response. The total sample design effect for this survey is 1.80. Design effect for the registered voter subsample is 1.71.

All surveys are subject to sampling error, which is the expected probable difference between interviewing everyone in a population versus a scientific sampling drawn from that population. Sampling error should be adjusted to recognize the effect of weighting the data to better match the population. In this poll, the simple sampling error for 1,018 New Jersey adults is +/-3.1 percentage points at a 95% confidence interval. The design effect<sup>3</sup> is 1.80, making the adjusted margin of error +/- 4.1 percentage

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<sup>1</sup> Sarah Flood, Miriam King, Renae Rodgers, Steven Ruggles, J. Robert Warren, Daniel Backman, Annie Chen, Grace Cooper, Stephanie Richards, Megan Schouweiler and Michael Westberry. IPUMS CPS: Version 11.0 [dataset]. Minneapolis, MN: IPUMS, 2023.

<sup>2</sup> "Age and Sex." American Community Survey, ACS 1-Year Estimates Subject Tables, Table S0101, 2022.

<sup>3</sup> Post-data collection statistical adjustments require analysis procedures that reflect departures from simple random sampling. We calculate the effects of these design features so that an appropriate adjustment can be

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points. Thus, if 50% of New Jersey adults in this sample favor a particular position, we would be 95% sure that the true figure is between 45.9 and 54.1% (50 +/- 4.1) if all New Jersey adults had been interviewed, rather than just a sample. Among the registered voter subsample (n=929), the simple sampling error is +/- 3.2 percentage points. Design effect for the registered voter subsample is 1.71, making the adjusted margin of error +/- 4.2 percentage points.

Sampling error is only one possible source of error in a survey estimate. Sampling error does not consider other sources of variation inherent in public opinion studies, such as selection bias, non-response bias, question wording, context effects, or reporting accuracy, which may contribute additional error.

This Rutgers-Eagleton Poll was fielded by SSRS through the Rutgers-Eagleton/SSRS Garden State Panel. The questionnaire was developed and all data analyses were completed in house by the Eagleton Center for Public Interest Polling (ECPiP); questions in this release were developed in consultation with NJ Advanced Media. Jessica Roman, Kyle Morgan, and David Martin assisted with analysis and preparation of this report. The Rutgers-Eagleton Poll is paid for and sponsored by the Eagleton Institute of Politics at Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, a non-partisan academic center for the study of politics and the political process; funding for questions in this release was provided by the Miller Center on Policing and Community Resilience at the Eagleton Institute of Politics. Full questionnaires are available on request and can also be accessed through our archives at [eagletonpoll.rutgers.edu](http://eagletonpoll.rutgers.edu). For more information, please contact [poll@eagleton.rutgers.edu](mailto:poll@eagleton.rutgers.edu).

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**Weighted Demographics**  
**929 New Jersey Registered Voters**  
**Overall Margin of Error = +/- 4.2 percentage points**

*Please note: Totals may equal slightly more or less than 100% due to rounding.*

		<b>deff</b>	<b>MOE</b>			<b>deff</b>	<b>MOE</b>
<b>Man</b>	46%	1.85	+/- 6.3%	<b>White, Non-Hisp</b>	61%	1.68	+/- 5.1%
<b>Woman</b>	54%	1.60	+/- 5.7%	<b>Non-White</b>	39%	1.67	+/- 7.3%
<b>18-34</b>	22%	1.71	+/- 8.8%	<b>&lt;50K</b>	22%	1.67	+/- 9.1%
<b>35-49</b>	19%	1.75	+/- 8.8%	<b>50K-&lt;100K</b>	31%	1.82	+/- 8.3%
<b>50-64</b>	30%	1.62	+/- 7.5%	<b>100K-&lt;150K</b>	23%	1.67	+/- 9.4%
<b>65+</b>	28%	1.69	+/- 8.6%	<b>150K+</b>	24%	1.63	+/- 8.2%
<b>Democrat</b>	39%	1.61	+/- 6.3%	<b>Urban</b>	13%	1.52	+/- 10.2%
<b>Independent</b>	37%	1.89	+/- 7.4%	<b>Suburb</b>	34%	1.94	+/- 7.7%
<b>Republican</b>	24%	1.55	+/- 8.6%	<b>Exurban</b>	14%	1.52	+/- 10.2%
<b>HS or Less</b>	32%	1.63	+/- 8.7%	<b>Phil/South</b>	20%	1.64	+/- 9.4%
<b>Some College</b>	23%	1.65	+/- 8.3%	<b>Shore</b>	18%	1.56	+/- 9.8%
<b>College Grad</b>	22%	1.58	+/- 8.2%				
<b>Grad Work</b>	23%	1.54	+/- 7.4%				