

**Siena Research Institute - 10/01/08 - 10/03/08 418 completes +/- 4.8%**

**Q1. David Paterson**

	Party				Senate Vote			Gender		Region			Age			Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Alesi	Nachbar	Don't know	M	F	Rochester/ Irondequoit	East	South	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
Favorable	56%	72%	41%	53%	53%	70%	51%	57%	55%	57%	59%	54%	45%	59%	61%	61%	52%	52%
Unfavorable	18%	8%	30%	18%	23%	11%	7%	18%	18%	15%	21%	17%	24%	15%	17%	20%	17%	15%
Don't know/No opinion	26%	20%	28%	29%	24%	18%	41%	25%	27%	28%	20%	30%	31%	26%	22%	19%	30%	33%

**Q2. James Alesi**

	Party				Senate Vote			Gender		Region			Age			Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Alesi	Nachbar	Don't know	M	F	Rochester/ Irondequoit	East	South	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
Favorable	54%	54%	61%	49%	76%	14%	26%	56%	53%	56%	59%	49%	50%	53%	59%	66%	50%	41%
Unfavorable	18%	19%	15%	19%	5%	55%	19%	21%	14%	12%	24%	15%	14%	20%	17%	11%	18%	26%
Don't know/No opinion	28%	27%	24%	32%	19%	32%	56%	23%	33%	33%	17%	36%	36%	26%	24%	23%	31%	33%

**Q3. David Nachbar**

	Party				Senate Vote			Gender		Region			Age			Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Alesi	Nachbar	Don't know	M	F	Rochester/ Irondequoit	East	South	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
Favorable	13%	20%	8%	8%	11%	24%	3%	12%	13%	13%	13%	13%	19%	11%	10%	15%	10%	11%
Unfavorable	11%	10%	13%	12%	12%	15%	6%	12%	10%	12%	10%	13%	14%	11%	10%	15%	8%	8%
Don't know/No opinion	76%	71%	78%	79%	77%	61%	91%	75%	77%	76%	77%	75%	66%	78%	80%	70%	82%	81%

**Q4. Barack Obama**

	Party				Senate Vote			Gender		Region			Age			Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Alesi	Nachbar	Don't know	M	F	Rochester/ Irondequoit	East	South	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
Favorable	59%	85%	21%	66%	47%	88%	69%	56%	63%	58%	60%	58%	67%	57%	56%	57%	53%	67%
Unfavorable	34%	9%	70%	28%	46%	8%	21%	39%	29%	33%	35%	34%	26%	38%	36%	36%	43%	24%
Don't know/No opinion	7%	6%	8%	6%	7%	5%	10%	5%	8%	9%	5%	8%	7%	5%	8%	7%	4%	9%

**Q5. John McCain**

	Party				Senate Vote			Gender		Region			Age			Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Alesi	Nachbar	Don't know	M	F	Rochester/ Irondequoit	East	South	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
Favorable	52%	34%	81%	45%	64%	28%	37%	61%	43%	38%	58%	56%	40%	56%	56%	53%	63%	41%
Unfavorable	39%	58%	10%	45%	26%	68%	50%	30%	47%	47%	39%	33%	50%	35%	36%	36%	31%	49%
Don't know/No opinion	9%	8%	10%	10%	10%	5%	13%	9%	9%	14%	3%	11%	10%	9%	8%	10%	6%	10%

Q6. As things stand now, would you vote to re-elect James Alesi as State Senator or would you prefer someone else?																		
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		Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Alesi	Nachbar	Don't know	M	F	Rochester/ Irondequoit	East	South	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
Re-elect Alesi	52%	48%	62%	48%	78%	8%	10%	52%	51%	50%	56%	49%	48%	52%	56%	63%	56%	33%
Prefer someone else	20%	22%	17%	21%	7%	56%	25%	24%	17%	20%	26%	15%	16%	20%	23%	17%	19%	26%
Don't know/No opinion	28%	30%	21%	31%	15%	36%	65%	24%	32%	31%	17%	36%	36%	28%	21%	20%	24%	41%

Q7. What is the most important issue you want your State Senator to be working on in Albany? (ROTATE CHOICES)																		
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		Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Alesi	Nachbar	Don't know	M	F	Rochester/ Irondequoit	East	South	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
Property taxes	22%	19%	24%	21%	24%	17%	21%	28%	16%	20%	28%	18%	24%	22%	19%	26%	17%	20%
The state's budget deficit	17%	10%	20%	21%	19%	16%	7%	19%	14%	20%	16%	15%	10%	18%	20%	12%	21%	19%
Job creation	18%	21%	21%	11%	16%	23%	21%	14%	22%	14%	17%	21%	24%	18%	14%	19%	17%	17%
Government reform	15%	14%	18%	14%	15%	10%	21%	18%	13%	13%	17%	15%	17%	12%	18%	16%	16%	14%
Health care	18%	23%	9%	24%	17%	20%	24%	12%	25%	20%	14%	22%	17%	21%	17%	21%	17%	16%
Education	6%	10%	4%	6%	5%	13%	3%	6%	7%	10%	6%	4%	7%	7%	6%	3%	8%	11%
Something else	2%	1%	4%	2%	3%	0%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%	4%	2%	1%	5%	3%	3%	2%
Don't know/No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	3%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	0%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%

Q8. If the presidential election were held today and the candidates were (ROTATE CHOICES): Barack Obama on the Democratic line and John McCain on the Republican line, who would you vote for?																		
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Barack Obama	50%	81%	13%	50%	36%	83%	57%	45%	54%	52%	49%	48%	64%	44%	46%	47%	41%	60%
John McCain	39%	12%	77%	31%	53%	11%	20%	46%	33%	37%	40%	39%	26%	46%	39%	42%	50%	27%
Don't know/No opinion	11%	7%	10%	19%	10%	6%	23%	9%	13%	12%	11%	13%	10%	11%	14%	11%	10%	13%

Q9. In your district, the candidates for State Senate are (ROTATE CHOICES): James Alesi on the Republican line and David Nachbar on the Democratic line. If the election were held today would you vote for Alesi or Nachbar?																		
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		Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Alesi	Nachbar	Don't know	M	F	Rochester/ Irondequoit	East	South	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
James Alesi	62%	48%	83%	60%				61%	64%	67%	65%	57%	57%	65%	64%	75%	67%	39%
David Nachbar	21%	34%	7%	20%				20%	22%	23%	22%	19%	21%	20%	21%	13%	17%	35%
Don't know/No opinion	17%	19%	10%	20%				19%	14%	11%	14%	24%	21%	15%	15%	11%	17%	25%

Q10. Currently, Democrats have a majority in the State Assembly and Republicans have a majority in the State Senate. The Governor is a Democrat. All things being equal, would you prefer to see the State Senate remain Republican controlled or would you prefer it to be controlled by the Democrats?

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		Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Alesi	Nachbar	Don't know	M	F	Rochester/ Irondequoit	East	South	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
Republican control	40%	17%	73%	33%	53%	13%	23%	50%	30%	39%	41%	39%	29%	44%	43%	45%	44%	28%
Democratic control	43%	72%	12%	41%	30%	80%	50%	34%	52%	50%	40%	41%	52%	40%	40%	40%	41%	50%
Don't know/No opinion	17%	11%	15%	26%	17%	8%	27%	16%	18%	11%	19%	20%	19%	16%	17%	15%	15%	22%

On each of the following issues, I'd like you to tell me who you think would do a better job - James Alesi or David Nachbar - representing you in the State Senate.

Q11. Property taxes

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		Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Alesi	Nachbar	Don't know	M	F	Rochester/ Irondequoit	East	South	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
James Alesi	45%	37%	61%	41%	69%	7%	3%	47%	44%	47%	51%	38%	34%	48%	52%	59%	47%	23%
David Nachbar	20%	26%	13%	21%	8%	72%	4%	22%	19%	22%	18%	21%	26%	19%	18%	13%	15%	35%
Don't know/No opinion	34%	37%	26%	38%	23%	22%	93%	32%	37%	30%	31%	41%	40%	33%	30%	27%	39%	41%

Q12. State budget deficit

	Total	Party			Senate Vote			Gender		Region			Age			Religion		
		Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Alesi	Nachbar	Don't know	M	F	Rochester/ Irondequoit	East	South	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
James Alesi	47%	36%	63%	44%	72%	5%	1%	50%	43%	53%	50%	39%	43%	48%	48%	59%	45%	29%
David Nachbar	20%	29%	9%	20%	5%	74%	6%	20%	19%	20%	17%	21%	16%	21%	20%	13%	17%	31%
Don't know/No opinion	34%	35%	28%	35%	23%	22%	93%	30%	38%	28%	33%	40%	40%	31%	32%	28%	38%	40%

Q13. Job creation

	Total	Party			Senate Vote			Gender		Region			Age			Religion		
		Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Alesi	Nachbar	Don't know	M	F	Rochester/ Irondequoit	East	South	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
James Alesi	43%	36%	58%	39%	66%	9%	3%	51%	36%	44%	50%	36%	34%	44%	50%	59%	39%	24%
David Nachbar	20%	26%	12%	21%	8%	69%	3%	18%	22%	24%	16%	21%	26%	19%	17%	13%	18%	31%
Don't know/No opinion	37%	37%	30%	40%	26%	22%	94%	31%	42%	32%	34%	43%	40%	37%	32%	28%	43%	45%

Q14. Government reform

	Total	Party			Senate Vote			Gender		Region			Age			Religion		
		Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Alesi	Nachbar	Don't know	M	F	Rochester/ Irondequoit	East	South	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
James Alesi	44%	34%	63%	38%	69%	2%	1%	47%	41%	46%	48%	39%	38%	44%	50%	57%	46%	23%
David Nachbar	20%	28%	8%	24%	6%	75%	6%	21%	19%	21%	20%	20%	19%	22%	19%	12%	16%	36%
Don't know/No opinion	36%	38%	29%	37%	25%	23%	93%	32%	40%	33%	32%	41%	43%	35%	32%	31%	39%	41%

Q15. Health care																		
	Party				Senate Vote			Gender		Region			Age			Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Alesi	Nachbar	Don't know	M	F	Rochester/ Irondequoit	East	South	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
James Alesi	43%	39%	56%	35%	65%	10%	3%	44%	42%	45%	51%	35%	31%	45%	51%	58%	44%	22%
David Nachbar	20%	25%	15%	20%	7%	69%	3%	21%	19%	22%	17%	21%	29%	17%	17%	13%	15%	34%
Don't know/No opinion	37%	36%	29%	44%	27%	20%	94%	34%	39%	33%	32%	44%	40%	37%	32%	29%	42%	44%

Q16. Education																		
	Party				Senate Vote			Gender		Region			Age			Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Alesi	Nachbar	Don't know	M	F	Rochester/ Irondequoit	East	South	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
James Alesi	45%	40%	57%	40%	70%	5%	1%	47%	43%	50%	46%	41%	36%	48%	49%	57%	50%	23%
David Nachbar	18%	24%	13%	19%	5%	69%	3%	20%	17%	21%	17%	18%	21%	18%	17%	13%	10%	32%
Don't know/No opinion	37%	37%	30%	41%	25%	26%	96%	33%	40%	29%	37%	42%	43%	34%	35%	29%	40%	45%

Q17. Fighting for Upstate																		
	Party				Senate Vote			Gender		Region			Age			Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Alesi	Nachbar	Don't know	M	F	Rochester/ Irondequoit	East	South	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
James Alesi	50%	45%	64%	43%	77%	8%	1%	52%	48%	51%	54%	46%	40%	53%	55%	63%	53%	29%
David Nachbar	16%	22%	7%	19%	2%	68%	3%	18%	14%	17%	15%	16%	16%	16%	17%	11%	11%	27%
Don't know/No opinion	34%	34%	28%	38%	21%	24%	96%	30%	38%	32%	30%	39%	43%	31%	29%	26%	36%	44%