

Siena Research Institute - 09/11/08 - 09/17/08 450 completes +/- 4.6%

Q1. David Paterson

	Party				Senate Vote			Gender		Region			Age			Religion		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Ranzenhofer	Mesi	Don't know	M	F	Tonanwanda	Amherst	Clarence, Newstead, Genesee County	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
Favorable	54%	57%	55%	45%	57%	55%	44%	57%	50%	55%	53%	52%	50%	51%	57%	56%	52%	50%
Unfavorable	15%	13%	17%	15%	15%	13%	18%	12%	17%	16%	13%	17%	12%	17%	14%	14%	21%	10%
Don't know/No opinion	32%	30%	28%	40%	28%	32%	38%	30%	33%	29%	34%	31%	38%	32%	29%	31%	27%	39%

Q2. Michael Ranzenhofer

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	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Ranzenhofer	Mesi	Don't know	M	F	Tonanwanda	Amherst	Clarence, Newstead, Genesee County	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
Favorable	35%	18%	52%	32%	68%	14%	16%	36%	36%	35%	39%	32%	27%	33%	44%	39%	42%	22%
Unfavorable	12%	14%	11%	13%	5%	24%	6%	13%	12%	18%	8%	11%	23%	8%	11%	13%	10%	13%
Don't know/No opinion	52%	67%	37%	55%	27%	62%	78%	51%	53%	47%	53%	57%	50%	59%	45%	48%	48%	65%

Q3. Joseph Mesi

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	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Ranzenhofer	Mesi	Don't know	M	F	Tonanwanda	Amherst	Clarence, Newstead, Genesee County	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
Favorable	45%	50%	42%	47%	31%	72%	25%	45%	46%	52%	48%	35%	44%	47%	45%	52%	43%	35%
Unfavorable	18%	19%	18%	15%	33%	4%	14%	15%	20%	19%	19%	14%	15%	20%	18%	17%	22%	14%
Don't know/No opinion	37%	31%	40%	38%	36%	24%	61%	40%	34%	29%	33%	51%	42%	34%	37%	31%	35%	52%

Q4. Barack Obama

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	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Ranzenhofer	Mesi	Don't know	M	F	Tonanwanda	Amherst	Clarence, Newstead, Genesee County	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
Favorable	51%	75%	29%	55%	33%	71%	45%	56%	46%	49%	55%	47%	62%	44%	52%	46%	46%	65%
Unfavorable	35%	14%	53%	37%	56%	18%	30%	31%	38%	37%	35%	34%	29%	42%	32%	37%	40%	27%
Don't know/No opinion	14%	11%	18%	9%	11%	11%	26%	12%	16%	14%	11%	19%	9%	14%	17%	17%	14%	8%

Q5. John McCain																		
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Favorable	57%	30%	79%	60%	83%	38%	45%	58%	57%	61%	58%	52%	56%	57%	57%	56%	71%	47%
Unfavorable	31%	58%	8%	32%	12%	49%	32%	33%	30%	30%	33%	31%	41%	28%	30%	31%	19%	44%
Don't know/No opinion	12%	11%	13%	8%	5%	13%	23%	9%	13%	9%	9%	17%	3%	14%	13%	13%	10%	9%

Q6. What is the most important issue you want your State Senator to be working on in Albany? (ROTATE CHOICES)																		
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Property taxes	22%	22%	22%	20%	26%	21%	15%	23%	20%	21%	17%	28%	12%	22%	26%	22%	17%	25%
The state's budget deficit	12%	7%	19%	9%	17%	7%	14%	14%	11%	9%	14%	14%	18%	10%	11%	11%	18%	9%
Job creation	20%	29%	15%	16%	15%	31%	11%	27%	15%	24%	24%	13%	26%	20%	17%	22%	18%	20%
Government reform	16%	9%	21%	19%	21%	11%	18%	16%	16%	19%	16%	14%	12%	20%	15%	17%	20%	12%
Health care	18%	22%	13%	22%	12%	22%	18%	11%	22%	18%	17%	18%	9%	22%	18%	19%	17%	15%
Education	7%	6%	7%	10%	5%	6%	12%	3%	11%	5%	10%	6%	20%	3%	5%	4%	8%	13%
Something else	4%	5%	2%	3%	3%	2%	8%	4%	4%	4%	2%	6%	3%	3%	5%	4%	2%	5%
Don't know/No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	2%	0%	1%	2%

Q7. 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,																		
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Barack Obama	40%	70%	13%	44%	18%	62%	37%	44%	37%	42%	39%	39%	56%	37%	35%	38%	29%	55%
John McCain	45%	18%	71%	40%	72%	28%	30%	42%	48%	47%	46%	42%	41%	50%	43%	48%	50%	34%
Don't know/No opinion	15%	11%	15%	16%	9%	10%	34%	14%	16%	11%	15%	19%	3%	13%	22%	14%	21%	11%

Q8. In your district, the candidates for State Senate are (ROTATE CHOICES): Michael Ranzenhofer on the Republican line and Joseph Mesi on the Democratic line. If the election

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Michael Ranzenhofer	38%	19%	59%	28%				39%	38%	35%	40%	40%	36%	34%	45%	39%	49%	28%
Joseph Mesi	40%	63%	21%	43%				43%	37%	45%	38%	38%	47%	42%	35%	45%	27%	42%
Don't know/No opinion	22%	18%	20%	29%				18%	25%	20%	22%	23%	18%	25%	20%	16%	25%	30%

Q9. 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

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Republican control	44%	16%	69%	44%	73%	24%	31%	43%	45%	37%	45%	50%	51%	47%	39%	44%	57%	32%
Democratic control	38%	70%	12%	39%	11%	64%	37%	40%	36%	45%	36%	32%	44%	33%	41%	40%	22%	50%
Don't know/No opinion	18%	14%	19%	17%	16%	12%	33%	17%	18%	18%	18%	18%	6%	20%	20%	16%	20%	18%

Q10. Property taxes

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Michael Ranzenhofer	35%	22%	47%	37%	77%	10%	8%	36%	35%	33%	38%	34%	29%	36%	39%	34%	42%	31%
Joseph Mesi	31%	46%	19%	33%	7%	68%	4%	30%	32%	39%	29%	25%	38%	30%	28%	36%	19%	32%
Don't know/No opinion	34%	33%	34%	30%	16%	22%	88%	35%	34%	29%	33%	41%	33%	34%	33%	30%	39%	37%

Q11. State budget deficit

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Michael Ranzenhofer	38%	23%	51%	39%	81%	12%	10%	39%	38%	35%	41%	38%	36%	36%	42%	38%	45%	31%
Joseph Mesi	27%	42%	15%	29%	5%	63%	2%	28%	27%	31%	27%	25%	29%	27%	26%	32%	15%	30%
Don't know/No opinion	35%	35%	33%	32%	14%	26%	88%	33%	36%	34%	33%	38%	36%	36%	32%	30%	40%	39%

Q12. Job creation																		
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Michael Ranzenhofer	32%	19%	45%	30%	75%	4%	6%	28%	35%	34%	34%	28%	29%	29%	37%	30%	39%	28%
Joseph Mesi	32%	47%	17%	38%	5%	72%	6%	36%	28%	36%	28%	31%	36%	33%	29%	36%	17%	37%
Don't know/No opinion	36%	35%	38%	32%	20%	24%	88%	36%	37%	30%	38%	41%	36%	38%	34%	34%	44%	35%

Q13. Government reform																		
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Michael Ranzenhofer	34%	22%	49%	27%	73%	9%	9%	30%	37%	32%	38%	31%	32%	32%	38%	32%	45%	28%
Joseph Mesi	30%	44%	17%	34%	9%	64%	6%	34%	28%	35%	31%	25%	32%	30%	30%	37%	14%	32%
Don't know/No opinion	36%	34%	34%	39%	18%	27%	85%	36%	36%	34%	31%	44%	36%	38%	33%	31%	41%	40%

Q14. Health care																		
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Michael Ranzenhofer	30%	19%	43%	25%	69%	7%	6%	26%	34%	29%	36%	24%	29%	27%	34%	29%	38%	25%
Joseph Mesi	33%	48%	17%	40%	13%	67%	5%	36%	30%	38%	30%	32%	38%	33%	30%	38%	19%	35%
Don't know/No opinion	37%	33%	40%	35%	19%	26%	89%	38%	36%	34%	35%	44%	33%	40%	35%	33%	44%	40%

Q15. Education																		
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	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind./ Other	Ranzenhofer	Mesi	Don't know	M	F	Tonanwanda	Amherst	Clarence, Newstead, Genesee County	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath.	Prot.	Other
Michael Ranzenhofer	31%	19%	46%	21%	71%	4%	6%	28%	32%	25%	34%	31%	23%	31%	34%	29%	40%	23%
Joseph Mesi	32%	47%	19%	37%	7%	72%	5%	33%	32%	38%	32%	28%	41%	31%	30%	38%	17%	37%
Don't know/No opinion	37%	33%	35%	41%	22%	23%	89%	39%	36%	37%	34%	41%	36%	38%	36%	33%	42%	40%

Q16. Fighting for Upstate

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Michael Ranzenhofer	30%	20%	42%	27%	68%	7%	6%	27%	33%	26%	36%	27%	32%	27%	34%	28%	37%	28%
Joseph Mesi	35%	49%	22%	39%	13%	73%	5%	37%	34%	41%	34%	30%	32%	38%	34%	41%	24%	34%
Don't know/No opinion	34%	31%	36%	34%	20%	20%	89%	37%	33%	32%	30%	43%	36%	35%	32%	31%	39%	38%