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# 2012 Survey Results

- 1.) Do you support proposals to address New York State's short- and long-term economic and fiscal challenges: without raising taxes or state borrowing?
- |  | <u>Strongly Agree</u> | <u>Agree</u> | <u>Disagree</u> | <u>N/A</u> |
|--|-----------------------|--------------|-----------------|------------|
| by permanently capping annual increases in state spending?                   | 48%                   | 26%          | 21%             | 5%         |
| through reducing or eliminating state mandates and regulations?              | 54%                   | 26%          | 15%             | 5%         |
| by providing targeted tax incentives to encourage private-sector job growth? | 41%                   | 38%          | 16%             | 5%         |
| by investing more in local highways, roads and bridges?                      | 39%                   | 46%          | 11%             | 4%         |
| by consolidating and reducing the size of the state bureaucracy?             | 72%                   | 20%          | 5%              | 3%         |
- 2.) Is beginning a long-term plan for New York State to take over local Medicaid costs one of the top three priorities facing the Governor and the Legislature in 2012?
- |  | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>N/A</u> |
|--|------------|-----------|------------|
|  | 65%        | 24%       | 11%        |
- 3.) Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: State government spending must be cut even if it means significantly reduced state support for local schools and health care.
- |  | <u>Strongly Agree</u> | <u>Agree</u> | <u>Disagree</u> | <u>N/A</u> |
|--|-----------------------|--------------|-----------------|------------|
|  | 20%                   | 22%          | 54%             | 4%         |
- 4.) Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: New York State is not doing enough to encourage economic growth and create private-sector jobs.
- |  | <u>Strongly Agree</u> | <u>Agree</u> | <u>Disagree</u> | <u>N/A</u> |
|--|-----------------------|--------------|-----------------|------------|
|  | 41%                   | 38%          | 15%             | 6%         |
- 5.) Are you in favor of or opposed to the following statement on the future of the Marcellus Shale natural gas industry: The State Department of Environmental Conservation should allow hydraulic fracturing within the Marcellus Shale under strict environmental safeguards, regulation and oversight in order to capture this valuable energy resource, create local jobs and secure other regional benefits?
- |  | <u>Favor</u> | <u>Oppose</u> | <u>N/A</u> |
|--|--------------|---------------|------------|
|  | 55%          | 43%           | 2%         |
- 6.) Should the New York State Legislature and Governor Andrew Cuomo enact legislation to authorize the sale of wine in grocery stores?
- |  | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>N/A</u> |
|--|------------|-----------|------------|
|  | 56%        | 39%       | 5%         |
- 7.) Are you optimistic about the future of the Southern Tier and Finger Lakes regions?
- |  | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> | <u>N/A</u> |
|--|------------|-----------|------------|
|  | 60%        | 33%       | 6%         |