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Cuomo earns high marks for COVID-19 handling in New York

Spectrum News/Ipsos poll reveals that less New York City residents approve of Mayor de Blasio in comparison to Governor Cuomo

Topline Findings

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These are the findings of an Ipsos poll conducted between October 7-19, 2020 on behalf of Spectrum News. For this survey, a sample of 1,451 adults age 18+ from New York State was interviewed online in English, including an oversample of 451 respondents in the five New York City boroughs, for a total of 850 interviews in those boroughs. The poll has a credibility interval of plus or minus 2.9 percentage points for all respondents and plus or minus 3.8 percentage points for respondents in the five New York City boroughs.

For full results, please refer to the following annotated questionnaire:

Full Annotated Questionnaire

		New York (N=1,451)	NYC Boroughs (N=850)
1. Which of the following do you consider to be the main problem facing New York today? You may select up to three.	Healthcare	17%	15%
	Crime or violence	27%	30%
	Immigration	7%	5%
	Unemployment	27%	28%
	Education	9%	10%
	Taxes	24%	14%
	Climate change/natural disasters	7%	8%
	COVID-19/coronavirus	57%	61%
	Racial injustice	19%	24%
	Opioid or drug addiction	11%	8%
	Affordable housing	20%	24%
	Gun control	9%	12%
	Police reform	12%	14%
	Other	4%	2%
None of these	3%	3%	
2. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way Andrew Cuomo is handling his job as governor?	Strongly approve	30%	34%
	Somewhat approve	35%	37%
	Somewhat disapprove	13%	12%
	Strongly disapprove	17%	9%
	Don't know	6%	8%
NETS	Approve	65%	71%
	Disapprove	29%	21%



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		IF NYC BOROUGHES	-	N=850	
3. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way Bill de Blasio is handling his job as mayor of New York?		Strongly approve	-	14%	
		Somewhat approve	-	35%	
		Somewhat disapprove	-	20%	
		Strongly disapprove	-	23%	
		Don't know	-	8%	
NETS		Approve	-	49%	
		Disapprove	-	43%	
5. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way Andrew Cuomo is handling the following?	COVID-19	Strongly approve	38%	40%	
		Somewhat approve	29%	33%	
		Somewhat disapprove	13%	11%	
		Strongly disapprove	15%	10%	
		Don't know	5%	6%	
	NETS		Approve	67%	73%
			Disapprove	28%	21%
	Jobs and the economy		Strongly approve	20%	24%
			Somewhat approve	36%	39%
			Somewhat disapprove	20%	17%
			Strongly disapprove	16%	11%
			Don't know	9%	9%
	NETS		Approve	56%	63%
			Disapprove	35%	28%
	Crime and public safety		Strongly approve	21%	25%
			Somewhat approve	32%	35%
			Somewhat disapprove	19%	18%
			Strongly disapprove	19%	12%
			Don't know	9%	10%
	NETS		Approve	54%	60%
			Disapprove	37%	30%
	Protests and social unrest		Strongly approve	22%	26%
			Somewhat approve	33%	36%
			Somewhat disapprove	14%	14%
			Strongly disapprove	22%	16%
			Don't know	9%	9%
	NETS		Approve	55%	61%
			Disapprove	36%	30%
	Plans for sending children back to school		Strongly approve	21%	24%
			Somewhat approve	34%	33%
			Somewhat disapprove	19%	19%
			Strongly disapprove	17%	16%
			Don't know	9%	8%
	NETS		Approve	55%	58%
			Disapprove	37%	34%
	Climate change		Strongly approve	21%	23%
			Somewhat approve	32%	35%
			Somewhat disapprove	14%	13%
			Strongly disapprove	11%	8%
			Don't know	22%	22%
	NETS		Approve	52%	58%
			Disapprove	25%	20%



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5. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way Andrew Cuomo is handling the following?	COVID-19 nursing home policies	Strongly approve	21%	26%
		Somewhat approve	29%	32%
		Somewhat disapprove	17%	16%
		Strongly disapprove	22%	14%
		Don't know	12%	12%
	NETS	Approve	50%	58%
		Disapprove	39%	30%
	Public transit	Strongly approve	20%	25%
		Somewhat approve	39%	40%
		Somewhat disapprove	15%	15%
		Strongly disapprove	12%	11%
		Don't know	15%	10%
	NETS	Approve	59%	64%
		Disapprove	27%	26%
6. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way Mayor Bill de Blasio is handling the following?		IF NYC BOROUGHES	-	N=850
	COVID-19	Strongly approve	-	19%
		Somewhat approve	-	33%
		Somewhat disapprove	-	19%
		Strongly disapprove	-	20%
		Don't know	-	9%
	NETS	Approve	-	52%
		Disapprove	-	39%
		IF NYC BOROUGHES	-	N=850
	Jobs and the economy	Strongly approve	-	12%
		Somewhat approve	-	31%
		Somewhat disapprove	-	24%
		Strongly disapprove	-	21%
		Don't know	-	12%
	NETS	Approve	-	43%
		Disapprove	-	45%
		IF NYC BOROUGHES	-	N=850
	Crime and public safety	Strongly approve	-	15%
		Somewhat approve	-	29%
		Somewhat disapprove	-	20%
		Strongly disapprove	-	27%
		Don't know	-	10%
	NETS	Approve	-	44%
		Disapprove	-	47%
		IF NYC BOROUGHES	-	N=850
	Protests and social unrest	Strongly approve	-	15%
		Somewhat approve	-	31%
		Somewhat disapprove	-	21%
		Strongly disapprove	-	25%
Don't know		-	9%	
NETS	Approve	-	46%	
	Disapprove	-	45%	



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6. Overall, do you approve or disapprove of the way Mayor Bill de Blasio is handling the following?		IF NYC BOROUGHES	-	N=850
	Plans for sending children back to school	Strongly approve	-	15%
		Somewhat approve	-	26%
		Somewhat disapprove	-	25%
		Strongly disapprove	-	27%
		Don't know	-	8%
	<i>NETS</i>	<i>Approve</i>	-	41%
		<i>Disapprove</i>	-	51%
		IF NYC BOROUGHES	-	N=850
	Affordable housing	Strongly approve	-	14%
		Somewhat approve	-	26%
		Somewhat disapprove	-	25%
		Strongly disapprove	-	24%
		Don't know	-	12%
	<i>NETS</i>	<i>Approve</i>	-	40%
		<i>Disapprove</i>	-	49%
		IF NYC BOROUGHES	-	N=850
	Homelessness	Strongly approve	-	14%
		Somewhat approve	-	21%
		Somewhat disapprove	-	24%
		Strongly disapprove	-	31%
		Don't know	-	10%
	<i>NETS</i>	<i>Approve</i>	-	35%
		<i>Disapprove</i>	-	55%
		IF NYC BOROUGHES	-	N=850
	Public transit	Strongly approve	-	17%
		Somewhat approve	-	36%
Somewhat disapprove		-	19%	
Strongly disapprove		-	17%	
Don't know		-	11%	
<i>NETS</i>	<i>Approve</i>	-	53%	
	<i>Disapprove</i>	-	36%	
	IF NYC BOROUGHES	-	N=850	
Plans for reopening Broadway, museums, and other tourist attractions during COVID-19	Strongly approve	-	16%	
	Somewhat approve	-	29%	
	Somewhat disapprove	-	23%	
	Strongly disapprove	-	19%	
	Don't know	-	13%	
<i>NETS</i>	<i>Approve</i>	-	45%	
	<i>Disapprove</i>	-	43%	
7. How would you rate how the following are handling the COVID-19 pandemic?	The federal government	Excellent	9%	12%
		Good	26%	29%
		Just fair	22%	19%
		Poor	38%	37%
		Don't know	4%	5%
	<i>NETS</i>	<i>Excellent/Good</i>	35%	40%
		<i>Just fair/Poor</i>	61%	55%
	Your state government	Excellent	21%	25%
		Good	38%	38%
		Just fair	21%	19%
		Poor	17%	15%
		Don't know	3%	3%
	<i>NETS</i>	<i>Excellent/Good</i>	59%	63%
		<i>Just fair/Poor</i>	38%	34%

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7. How would you rate how the following are handling the COVID-19 pandemic?	Your local/city government	Excellent	16%	18%
		Good	43%	39%
		Just fair	26%	25%
		Poor	12%	15%
		Don't know	4%	4%
	NETS	<i>Excellent/Good</i>	59%	56%
		<i>Just fair/Poor</i>	38%	40%
8. In light of the current circumstances, how long do you think it will be before life in your city or community will get back to normal?		Less than a month	2%	2%
		1-2 months	4%	4%
		3-under 6 months	10%	13%
		6 months-1 year	31%	32%
		Longer than a year	40%	39%
		Never	4%	4%
		Don't know	9%	7%
NETS		<i>Under 6 months</i>	16%	19%
		<i>6 months or longer</i>	71%	70%
9. How likely are you to vote in the upcoming presidential election?		Very likely	65%	65%
		Somewhat likely	10%	13%
		Somewhat unlikely	3%	4%
		Very unlikely	10%	7%
		I have already voted	6%	6%
		Don't know	6%	6%
NETS		<i>Likely</i>	75%	77%
		<i>Unlikely</i>	13%	11%
10. Thinking about the upcoming presidential election, regardless of your plans to vote (including if you have already voted), what would be your preferred method of voting this year?		In-person on Election Day	43%	37%
		In-person before Election Day	15%	17%
		By mail or absentee ballot	25%	28%
		By dropping off your ballot at an election office or polling place	6%	7%
		Other	1%	0%
		I do not plan to vote	11%	11%
11. Regardless of your plan to vote, how confident are you that your vote will be counted if you voted...	In-person on Election Day	Very confident	58%	54%
		Somewhat confident	23%	27%
		Not very confident	7%	8%
		Not confident at all	6%	7%
		Don't know	6%	6%
	NETS	<i>Confident</i>	81%	80%
		<i>Not confident</i>	13%	14%
	In-person before Election Day	Very confident	46%	43%
		Somewhat confident	29%	30%
		Not very confident	10%	11%
		Not confident at all	8%	9%
		Don't know	8%	7%
	NETS	<i>Confident</i>	75%	73%
		<i>Not confident</i>	18%	20%
	By mail or absentee ballot	Very confident	27%	28%
		Somewhat confident	30%	31%
		Not very confident	20%	21%
		Not confident at all	17%	14%
Don't know		7%	6%	
NETS	<i>Confident</i>	57%	59%	
	<i>Not confident</i>	36%	35%	



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11. Regardless of your plan to vote, how confident are you that your vote will be counted if you voted...	By dropping off your ballot at an election office or polling place	Very confident	33%	33%	
		Somewhat confident	34%	34%	
		Not very confident	16%	18%	
		Not confident at all	11%	10%	
		Don't know	7%	6%	
	<i>NETS</i>	<i>Confident</i>	67%	67%	
		<i>Not confident</i>	26%	27%	
13. How likely are you to trust the outcome of the presidential election, regardless of who wins?		Very likely	32%	32%	
		Somewhat likely	33%	35%	
		Somewhat unlikely	14%	13%	
		Very unlikely	7%	8%	
		Don't know	15%	13%	
<i>NETS</i>		<i>Likely</i>	65%	67%	
		<i>Unlikely</i>	21%	20%	
14. Have the following made you more or less favorable towards President Donald Trump ahead of this November's election?	The handling of the current vacancy in the U.S. Supreme Court	Much more favorable	15%	15%	
		Somewhat more favorable	13%	13%	
		No impact	22%	22%	
		Somewhat less favorable	11%	11%	
		Much less favorable	33%	35%	
		Don't know	6%	6%	
	<i>NETS</i>		<i>More favorable</i>	28%	27%
			<i>Less favorable</i>	44%	45%
	The nomination of Amy Coney Barrett to the U.S. Supreme Court	Much more favorable	15%	13%	
		Somewhat more favorable	12%	13%	
		No impact	25%	23%	
		Somewhat less favorable	10%	10%	
		Much less favorable	28%	32%	
		Don't know	10%	8%	
	<i>NETS</i>		<i>More favorable</i>	27%	26%
			<i>Less favorable</i>	39%	42%
	The recent reporting on Trump's tax returns	Much more favorable	9%	10%	
		Somewhat more favorable	9%	13%	
		No impact	29%	24%	
		Somewhat less favorable	10%	11%	
		Much less favorable	37%	37%	
		Don't know	6%	5%	
	<i>NETS</i>		<i>More favorable</i>	18%	23%
			<i>Less favorable</i>	47%	48%
	The national recovery plan from the coronavirus	Much more favorable	12%	13%	
		Somewhat more favorable	17%	17%	
		No impact	18%	15%	
		Somewhat less favorable	11%	13%	
		Much less favorable	36%	37%	
		Don't know	6%	5%	
<i>NETS</i>		<i>More favorable</i>	29%	31%	
		<i>Less favorable</i>	47%	50%	
Trump's performance in the first presidential debate	Much more favorable	11%	11%		
	Somewhat more favorable	12%	14%		
	No impact	18%	16%		
	Somewhat less favorable	11%	10%		
	Much less favorable	43%	43%		
	Don't know	5%	5%		
<i>NETS</i>		<i>More favorable</i>	23%	26%	
		<i>Less favorable</i>	54%	54%	

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14. Have the following made you more or less favorable towards President Donald Trump ahead of this November's election?	Trump`s handling of jobs and the economy	Much more favorable	18%	16%
		Somewhat more favorable	18%	19%
		No impact	16%	15%
		Somewhat less favorable	11%	11%
		Much less favorable	33%	35%
		Don`t know	4%	4%
	NETS	<i>More favorable</i>	36%	35%
		<i>Less favorable</i>	44%	46%
	The fact that Trump contracted COVID-19	Much more favorable	9%	10%
		Somewhat more favorable	8%	10%
		No impact	39%	32%
		Somewhat less favorable	11%	10%
		Much less favorable	28%	32%
		Don`t know	5%	6%
	NETS	<i>More favorable</i>	17%	20%
		<i>Less favorable</i>	39%	41%
	Trump`s public comments around mask wearing and social distancing	Much more favorable	9%	11%
		Somewhat more favorable	10%	12%
		No impact	21%	19%
		Somewhat less favorable	12%	10%
Much less favorable		44%	44%	
Don`t know		4%	4%	
NETS	<i>More favorable</i>	19%	23%	
	<i>Less favorable</i>	56%	54%	
15. President Trump recently announced that he had tested positive for COVID-19. What impact, if any, do you think this announcement will have on the upcoming election?	Major impact	26%	32%	
	Minor impact	30%	26%	
	No impact	30%	29%	
	Don`t know	15%	13%	
18. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?	There should be a state law in New York mandating that masks be worn at all times in public	Strongly agree	48%	52%
		Somewhat agree	27%	28%
		Somewhat disagree	10%	9%
		Strongly disagree	11%	7%
		Don`t know	4%	4%
	NETS	<i>Agree</i>	75%	80%
		<i>Disagree</i>	21%	16%
	There are an adequate number of COVID-19 testing sites in my community	Strongly agree	20%	25%
		Somewhat agree	38%	39%
		Somewhat disagree	17%	15%
		Strongly disagree	7%	8%
		Don`t know	17%	14%
	NETS	<i>Agree</i>	59%	64%
		<i>Disagree</i>	24%	22%
	I feel comfortable dining inside a restaurant	Strongly agree	15%	13%
		Somewhat agree	28%	28%
		Somewhat disagree	22%	23%
		Strongly disagree	30%	32%
		Don`t know	5%	4%
	NETS	<i>Agree</i>	43%	41%
<i>Disagree</i>		52%	56%	



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18. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?	I will take the first generation COVID-19 vaccine when it is approved by the FDA	Strongly agree	19%	20%
		Somewhat agree	26%	27%
		Somewhat disagree	16%	17%
		Strongly disagree	24%	21%
		Don't know	15%	14%
	NETS	Agree	45%	47%
		Disagree	40%	38%
	I am having trouble, or have had trouble, paying my bills as a result of COVID-19	Strongly agree	18%	21%
		Somewhat agree	27%	29%
		Somewhat disagree	23%	23%
		Strongly disagree	29%	23%
		Don't know	4%	5%
	NETS	Agree	44%	49%
		Disagree	52%	46%
	COVID-19 lockdowns in my community have been too restrictive	Strongly agree	14%	16%
		Somewhat agree	19%	20%
		Somewhat disagree	29%	29%
		Strongly disagree	32%	30%
		Don't know	7%	6%
	NETS	Agree	33%	36%
		Disagree	61%	58%
		IF EMPLOYED	N=842	N=568
	I feel comfortable returning to my workplace right now	Strongly agree	30%	29%
		Somewhat agree	34%	32%
		Somewhat disagree	18%	22%
		Strongly disagree	14%	15%
		Don't know	4%	2%
NETS	Agree	64%	60%	
	Disagree	32%	37%	
	IF NYC BOROUGHES	-	N=850	
I feel comfortable taking the subway or bus right now	Strongly agree	-	16%	
	Somewhat agree	-	32%	
	Somewhat disagree	-	23%	
	Strongly disagree	-	23%	
	Don't know	-	5%	
NETS	Agree	-	48%	
	Disagree	-	47%	
	IF CHILD AGE 5-17	N=457	N=316	
19. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?	My child is falling behind in school because of COVID-19	Strongly agree	23%	25%
		Somewhat agree	34%	36%
		Somewhat disagree	24%	21%
		Strongly disagree	17%	16%
		Don't know	3%	3%
NETS	Agree	57%	61%	
	Disagree	40%	36%	
	IF NOT IN NYC OVERSAMPLE	N=1,000	-	
All colleges and universities in New York should be closed and only offer virtual classes	Strongly agree	27%	-	
	Somewhat agree	32%	-	
	Somewhat disagree	21%	-	
	Strongly disagree	12%	-	
	Don't know	9%	-	
NETS	Agree	58%	-	
	Disagree	33%	-	



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19. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?	My local school district is handling the COVID-19 pandemic well	Strongly agree	16%	15%
		Somewhat agree	40%	36%
		Somewhat disagree	15%	15%
		Strongly disagree	10%	12%
		Don't know	19%	22%
	NETS	Agree	56%	51%
		Disagree	25%	28%
		IF CHILD AGE 5-17	N=457	N=316
	I feel that my child is, or would be, safe attending school in-person	Strongly agree	22%	23%
		Somewhat agree	29%	28%
		Somewhat disagree	22%	20%
		Strongly disagree	23%	25%
		Don't know	5%	4%
	NETS	Agree	51%	51%
		Disagree	45%	45%
		IF CHILD AGE 5-17	N=457	N=316
	My child has the necessary tools to learn in the current environment	Strongly agree	31%	36%
		Somewhat agree	47%	48%
		Somewhat disagree	13%	9%
		Strongly disagree	6%	4%
		Don't know	4%	3%
	NETS	Agree	78%	84%
		Disagree	19%	14%
	All schools in New York should have started the school year with in-person learning	Strongly agree	17%	15%
		Somewhat agree	20%	20%
		Somewhat disagree	22%	22%
		Strongly disagree	33%	34%
Don't know		9%	10%	
NETS	Agree	37%	35%	
	Disagree	54%	56%	
	IF NYC BOROUGHES	-	N=850	
All schools in New York City should have started the school year only with remote learning	Strongly agree	-	38%	
	Somewhat agree	-	33%	
	Somewhat disagree	-	14%	
	Strongly disagree	-	8%	
	Don't know	-	9%	
NETS	Agree	-	70%	
	Disagree	-	21%	
	IF NYC OVERSAMPLE	-	N=451	
Governor Cuomo and the New York State Education Department should take over the management of the reopening of all New York City public schools from Mayor de Blasio and the local department of education	Strongly agree	-	28%	
	Somewhat agree	-	33%	
	Somewhat disagree	-	12%	
	Strongly disagree	-	10%	
	Don't know	-	17%	
NETS	Agree	-	61%	
	Disagree	-	22%	



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20. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?		IF NYC BOROUGHES	-	N=850
	I support the New York City government housing homeless people in hotels or shelters in my neighborhood	Strongly agree	-	27%
		Somewhat agree	-	34%
		Somewhat disagree	-	15%
		Strongly disagree	-	15%
		Don't know	-	9%
	<i>NETS</i>	<i>Agree</i>	-	62%
		<i>Disagree</i>	-	30%
		IF NYC BOROUGHES	-	N=850
	There should be an additional tax on millionaires and billionaires in order to help with the city budget deficit caused by COVID-19	Strongly agree	-	51%
		Somewhat agree	-	27%
		Somewhat disagree	-	8%
		Strongly disagree	-	6%
		Don't know	-	9%
	<i>NETS</i>	<i>Agree</i>	-	78%
		<i>Disagree</i>	-	14%
		IF NYC BOROUGHES	-	N=850
	I see a future for myself in New York City	Strongly agree	-	31%
		Somewhat agree	-	32%
		Somewhat disagree	-	15%
		Strongly disagree	-	9%
		Don't know	-	13%
	<i>NETS</i>	<i>Agree</i>	-	64%
		<i>Disagree</i>	-	24%
	IF NYC BOROUGHES	-	N=850	
I feel less safe in my neighborhood compared to a year ago	Strongly agree	-	27%	
	Somewhat agree	-	31%	
	Somewhat disagree	-	22%	
	Strongly disagree	-	13%	
	Don't know	-	7%	
<i>NETS</i>	<i>Agree</i>	-	58%	
	<i>Disagree</i>	-	36%	
	IF NYC BOROUGHES	-	N=850	
I feel that misconduct cases involving the NYPD are investigated effectively	Strongly agree	-	18%	
	Somewhat agree	-	28%	
	Somewhat disagree	-	16%	
	Strongly disagree	-	24%	
	Don't know	-	13%	
<i>NETS</i>	<i>Agree</i>	-	46%	
	<i>Disagree</i>	-	41%	

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20a. Regarding COVID-19, which of the following are true to you? Select all that apply.	I have been tested and diagnosed with COVID-19	6%	10%	
	A relative has been tested and diagnosed with COVID-19	17%	19%	
	A friend or acquaintance has been tested and diagnosed with COVID-19	28%	34%	
	A relative or friend has died from COVID-19	15%	18%	
	I suspect I have or had COVID-19	6%	5%	
	Someone I know suspects they have or had COVID-19	13%	14%	
	None of the above	48%	39%	
	21. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?	Police using excessive force against Black or African Americans is a widespread problem	Strongly agree	41%
Somewhat agree			26%	26%
Somewhat disagree			13%	12%
Strongly disagree			12%	10%
Don't know			8%	6%
NETS		Agree	67%	73%
		Disagree	26%	21%
The recent protests regarding racial justice will bring about positive change in our society		Strongly agree	17%	23%
		Somewhat agree	32%	37%
		Somewhat disagree	17%	12%
		Strongly disagree	18%	14%
		Don't know	16%	14%
NETS		Agree	49%	60%
		Disagree	36%	26%
Black Americans receive equal treatment to white Americans in this country		Strongly agree	16%	16%
		Somewhat agree	21%	19%
		Somewhat disagree	24%	20%
		Strongly disagree	33%	39%
		Don't know	6%	6%
NETS		Agree	36%	35%
		Disagree	58%	59%
Racism is a significant problem in New York		Strongly agree	32%	40%
		Somewhat agree	34%	32%
		Somewhat disagree	16%	15%
		Strongly disagree	10%	7%
		Don't know	7%	6%
NETS		Agree	67%	72%
		Disagree	26%	23%
Lately, I do not feel safe in my community	Strongly agree	14%	20%	
	Somewhat agree	27%	31%	
	Somewhat disagree	28%	25%	
	Strongly disagree	25%	17%	
	Don't know	6%	7%	
NETS	Agree	41%	51%	
	Disagree	53%	42%	

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21. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?	I support reducing my local police department's budget in order to increase investment in social programs	Strongly agree	19%	26%
		Somewhat agree	22%	27%
		Somewhat disagree	17%	17%
		Strongly disagree	30%	19%
		Don't know	12%	11%
	NETS	Agree	42%	52%
		Disagree	47%	36%
	I support the Black Lives Matter movement	Strongly agree	37%	43%
		Somewhat agree	24%	26%
		Somewhat disagree	11%	10%
		Strongly disagree	17%	13%
		Don't know	10%	9%
	NETS	Agree	62%	69%
		Disagree	29%	22%
	Local police officers are properly trained to handle mental health crises	Strongly agree	12%	14%
		Somewhat agree	23%	22%
		Somewhat disagree	27%	25%
		Strongly disagree	28%	30%
		Don't know	10%	10%
	NETS	Agree	35%	36%
		Disagree	55%	54%
	Since the death of George Floyd, I have a better understanding of the Black Lives Matter Movement	Strongly agree	28%	34%
		Somewhat agree	32%	33%
		Somewhat disagree	14%	11%
Strongly disagree		16%	13%	
Don't know		10%	8%	
NETS	Agree	60%	67%	
	Disagree	31%	25%	
27. How much do you support or oppose the following?	Legalization of marijuana in New York state	Strongly support	37%	37%
		Somewhat support	24%	24%
		Somewhat oppose	12%	12%
		Strongly oppose	19%	18%
		Don't know	9%	9%
	NETS	Support	61%	61%
		Oppose	30%	30%
	National legalization of marijuana	Strongly support	35%	34%
		Somewhat support	25%	25%
		Somewhat oppose	12%	12%
		Strongly oppose	18%	19%
		Don't know	10%	10%
	NETS	Support	60%	59%
		Oppose	30%	31%
	Increased state funding to improve roads and infrastructure	Strongly support	43%	45%
		Somewhat support	39%	39%
		Somewhat oppose	8%	8%
		Strongly oppose	3%	3%
		Don't know	7%	7%
	NETS	Support	82%	82%
		Oppose	11%	11%

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27. How much do you support or oppose the following?	Increased state funding to help schools with virtual or distance learning	Strongly support	48%	52%	
		Somewhat support	32%	30%	
		Somewhat oppose	8%	7%	
		Strongly oppose	5%	4%	
		Don't know	8%	7%	
	<i>NETS</i>	<i>Support</i>	80%	83%	
		<i>Oppose</i>	13%	11%	
28. Last year, bail reform in New York state removed cash bail for most misdemeanors and nonviolent felonies. This means that people charged with these misdemeanors or felonies are no longer required to pay bail in order to be released before trial. Do you agree or disagree with the following statements regarding New York's 2019 bail reform?	The 2019 bail reform decreased the number of people in jail	Strongly agree	22%	22%	
		Somewhat agree	38%	36%	
		Somewhat disagree	12%	14%	
		Strongly disagree	6%	6%	
		Don't know	23%	22%	
	<i>NETS</i>	<i>Agree</i>	60%	58%	
			<i>Disagree</i>	17%	20%
	The 2019 bail reform increased crime in New York	Strongly agree	26%	24%	
		Somewhat agree	28%	30%	
		Somewhat disagree	15%	15%	
		Strongly disagree	8%	9%	
		Don't know	24%	23%	
	<i>NETS</i>	<i>Agree</i>	53%	54%	
			<i>Disagree</i>	23%	24%
	The 2019 bail reform is good for New York	Strongly agree	13%	17%	
		Somewhat agree	24%	29%	
		Somewhat disagree	19%	16%	
		Strongly disagree	24%	18%	
		Don't know	20%	21%	
	<i>NETS</i>	<i>Agree</i>	37%	46%	
			<i>Disagree</i>	43%	34%
	The 2019 bail reform needs to be revised	Strongly agree	32%	29%	
		Somewhat agree	34%	36%	
		Somewhat disagree	9%	8%	
Strongly disagree		5%	7%		
Don't know		21%	20%		
<i>NETS</i>	<i>Agree</i>	66%	65%		
		<i>Disagree</i>	14%	16%	
The 2019 bail reform needs to be fully repealed	Strongly agree	28%	26%		
	Somewhat agree	23%	25%		
	Somewhat disagree	15%	16%		
	Strongly disagree	10%	11%		
	Don't know	24%	23%		
<i>NETS</i>	<i>Agree</i>	51%	51%		
		<i>Disagree</i>	25%	26%	



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About the Study

These are some of the findings of an Ipsos poll conducted between October 7-19, 2020, on behalf of Spectrum News. For this survey, a sample of 1,451 adults age 18+ from New York State was interviewed online in English, including an oversample of 451 respondents in the five New York City boroughs, for a total of 850 interviews in those boroughs.

The sample for this study was randomly drawn from Ipsos' online panel (see link below for more info on "Access Panels and Recruitment"), partner online panel sources, and "river" sampling (see link below for more info on the Ipsos "Ampario Overview" sample method) and does not rely on a population frame in the traditional sense. Ipsos uses fixed sample targets, unique to each study, in drawing a sample. After a sample has been obtained from the Ipsos panel, Ipsos calibrates respondent characteristics to be representative of the population of New York using standard procedures such as raking-ratio adjustments. The source of these population targets is U.S. Census 2019 American Community Survey data. The sample drawn for this study reflects fixed sample targets on demographics. Posthoc weights were made to the population characteristics on gender, age, race/ethnicity, region, and education.

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The poll also has a credibility interval of plus or minus 3.8 percentage points for respondents in the New York City boroughs, and plus or minus 5.3 percentage points for just the NYC oversample ($n=451$).

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