

Siena College Poll Conducted by the Siena College Research Institute

December 2 - 5, 2024

834 New York State Registered Voters

MOE +/- 4.1%

**Q35. The prevailing wage is the pay contractors in New York must pay their employees when working on public construction projects. The rate for hourly pay and benefits is higher than the standard minimum wage and is based on hourly rates paid by unions to specific workers in various counties across the state. The New York State Department of Labor issues prevailing wage rates on a county-by-county basis. Do you support or oppose requiring all public construction projects pay workers the prevailing wage determined by the New York State Department of Labor?**

	Party				Gender		Ideology			Union HH		Region			Ethnicity			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Oth	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	Yes	No	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black/ Afr	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	<\$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+
<b>Support</b>	73%	78%	60%	72%	72%	73%	85%	73%	59%	79%	70%	76%	70%	71%	69%	80%	76%	77%	67%	75%	73%	64%	73%	73%	71%	75%	72%
<b>Oppose</b>	14%	9%	21%	16%	17%	12%	6%	16%	21%	10%	15%	11%	14%	17%	6%	12%	13%	16%	13%	15%	19%	12%	14%	13%	10%	19%	
<b>Don't know/Refused</b>	13%	12%	19%	12%	11%	15%	10%	12%	20%	11%	15%	13%	16%	12%	14%	13%	12%	10%	17%	13%	12%	18%	15%	13%	16%	15%	9%

**Q36. Are you in favor of or opposed to requiring private developers that receive taxpayer subsidies to support a construction project pay all construction workers on that project the prevailing wage?**

	Party				Gender		Ideology			Union HH		Region			Ethnicity			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Oth	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	Yes	No	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black/ Afr	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	<\$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+
<b>In favor</b>	66%	74%	61%	57%	70%	64%	78%	62%	59%	68%	66%	69%	69%	62%	66%	62%	72%	70%	61%	69%	69%	58%	67%	66%	61%	68%	72%
<b>Opposed</b>	18%	14%	19%	24%	19%	17%	10%	19%	23%	17%	18%	18%	16%	18%	17%	24%	20%	14%	20%	17%	14%	20%	21%	18%	19%	15%	19%
<b>Don't know/Refused</b>	16%	12%	21%	19%	11%	19%	12%	18%	17%	16%	16%	13%	15%	20%	17%	14%	8%	16%	18%	14%	17%	22%	13%	15%	20%	17%	9%

**Q37. And in a case in which a private developer receives \$1 million or more of taxpayers subsidies in order to encourage the developer to build a construction project, do you think the developer should or should not be required to pay all construction workers on the project the prevailing wage?**

	Party				Gender		Ideology			Union HH		Region			Ethnicity			Age			Religion				Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Oth	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	Yes	No	NYC	Suburbs	Upstate	White	Black/ Afr	Latino	18-34	35-54	55+	Cath	Jewish	Prot	Other	<\$50K	\$50K-\$100K	\$100K+
<b>Should</b>	77%	82%	74%	71%	77%	77%	86%	76%	68%	84%	75%	76%	82%	75%	78%	74%	73%	75%	72%	81%	81%	74%	75%	75%	67%	84%	81%
<b>Should not</b>	11%	10%	10%	14%	14%	8%	6%	11%	16%	8%	12%	14%	6%	11%	10%	15%	11%	12%	12%	10%	8%	10%	16%	11%	15%	5%	13%
<b>Don't know/Refused</b>	12%	9%	16%	15%	9%	15%	8%	13%	16%	9%	13%	11%	12%	14%	12%	12%	16%	13%	15%	9%	11%	16%	9%	14%	18%	11%	6%

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<b>Nature of the Sample</b>	
<b>New York State Registered Voters</b>	
<b>Party</b>	
Democrat	49%
Republican	22%
Ind/ Oth	28%
<b>Gender</b>	
Male	45%
Female	54%
<b>Ideology</b>	
Liberal	30%
Moderate	42%
Conserv	27%
<b>Union HH</b>	
Yes	24%
No	74%
<b>Region</b>	
NYC	39%
Suburbs	26%
Upstate	35%
<b>Ethnicity</b>	
White	66%
Black/ Afr Amer	15%
Latino	11%
<b>Age</b>	
18-34	23%
35-54	38%
55+	37%
<b>Religion</b>	
Catholic	30%
Jewish	9%
Protestant / Christian	25%
Other	32%
<b>Income</b>	
<\$50K	38%
\$50K-\$100K	27%
\$100K+	29%

This Siena College Poll was conducted December 2 - 5, 2024, among 834 New York State Registered Voters. Of the 834 respondents, 531 were contacted through a dual frame (landline and cell phone) mode (186 completed via text to web) and 303 respondents were drawn from a proprietary online panel (Lucid). Telephone calls were conducted in English and respondent sampling was initiated by asking for the youngest person in the household. Telephone sampling was conducted via a stratified dual frame probability sample of landline and cell phone telephone numbers weighted to reflect known population patterns. The landline telephone sample was obtained from ASDE and the cell phone sample was obtained from MSG. Data from collection modes was statistically adjusted by age, party by region, race/ethnicity, education, and gender to ensure representativeness. It has an overall margin of error of +/- 4.1 percentage points including the design effects resulting from weighting.

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