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ECONOMY STILL TOP CONCERN IN NH, HASSAN STARTS OUT IN POSITIVE POSITION

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DURHAM, NH – Concerns about jobs and the economy continue to top the list of the most important problems facing the state. One month into her term, Governor Maggie Hassan is seen as doing a good job as governor.

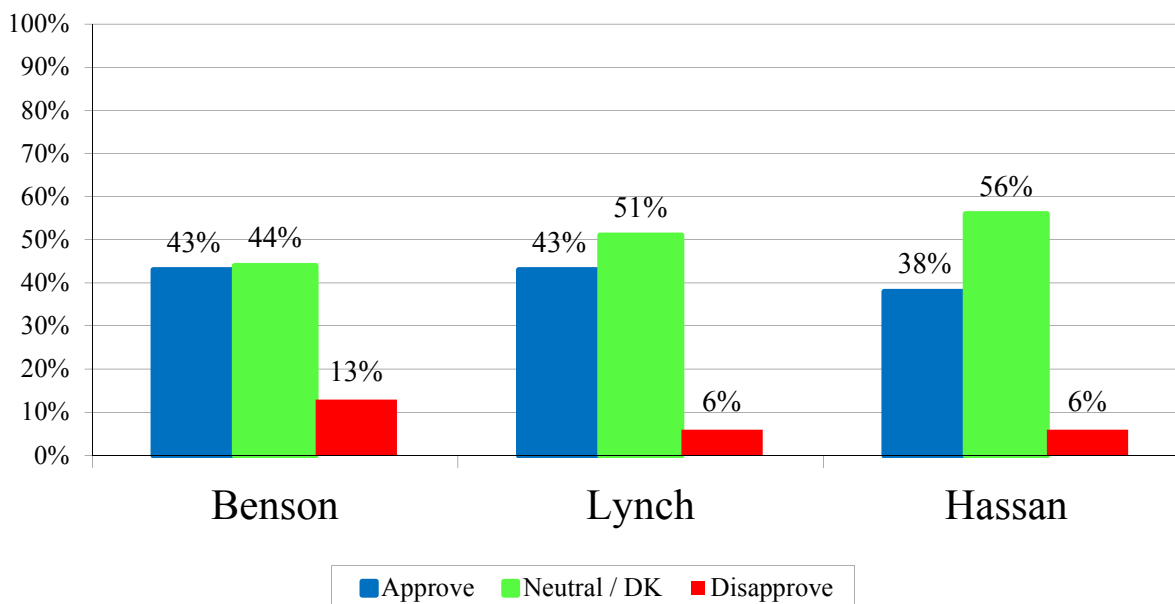
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Gubernatorial Approval

Maggie Hassan was sworn in as New Hampshire's 81st governor on January 3, 2013. She begins her term with similar job approval ratings as her two most recent predecessors, Craig Benson and John Lynch. In the most recent Granite State Poll, 38% of New Hampshire adults say they approve of the job Hassan is doing as governor, 6% disapprove, and 56% are neutral or don't know enough to say. In February 2003, 43% of New Hampshire adults said they approved of the job Craig Benson was doing as governor and in February 2005, 43% said they approved of the job John Lynch was doing.

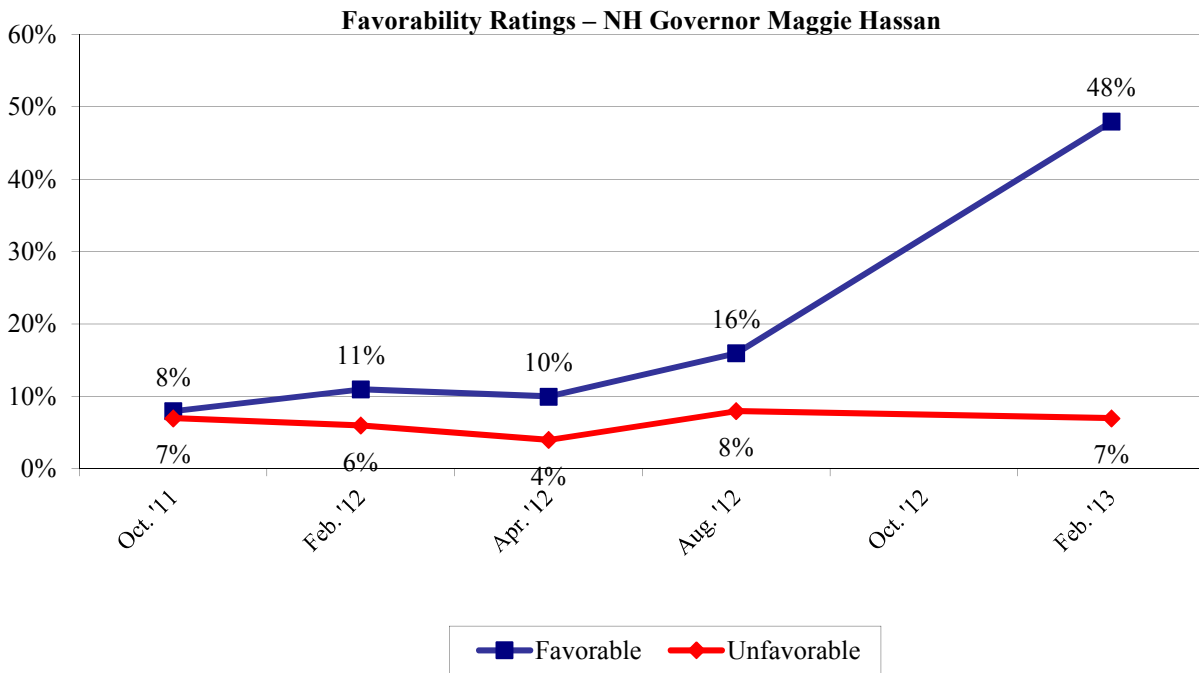
Democrats (57%), liberals (56%), people who oppose the Tea Party (52%), and NHPR listeners (51%) are most likely to say they approve of the job Hassan is doing as governor. Tea Party supporters (19%), conservatives (15%), and Republicans (13%) are most likely to disapprove.

NH Gubernatorial Approval at 1 Month



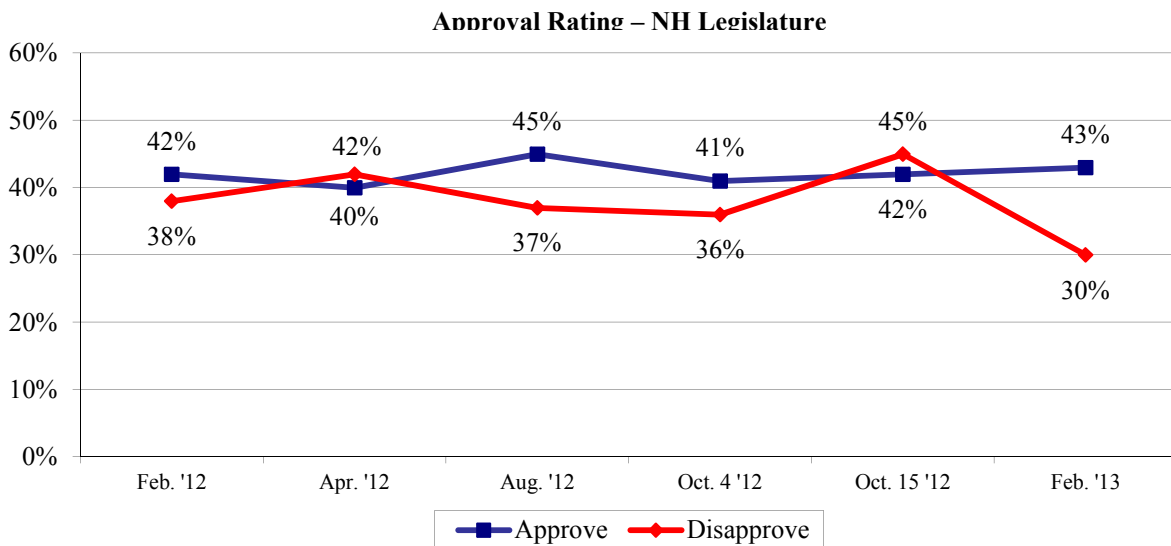
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Hassan’s personal favorability ratings have increased significantly after the election. Currently, 48% of New Hampshire adults say they have a favorable opinion of Hassan, 7% have an unfavorable opinion, 16% are neutral, and 28% say they don’t know enough about her to say. Hassan’s net favorability rating, the percentage having a favorable opinion minus the percentage having an unfavorable opinion, is a high +41%. Hassan receives very high net favorability ratings from Democrats (+69%), solid ratings from Independents (+31%), and even positive net favorability ratings from Republicans (+15%).



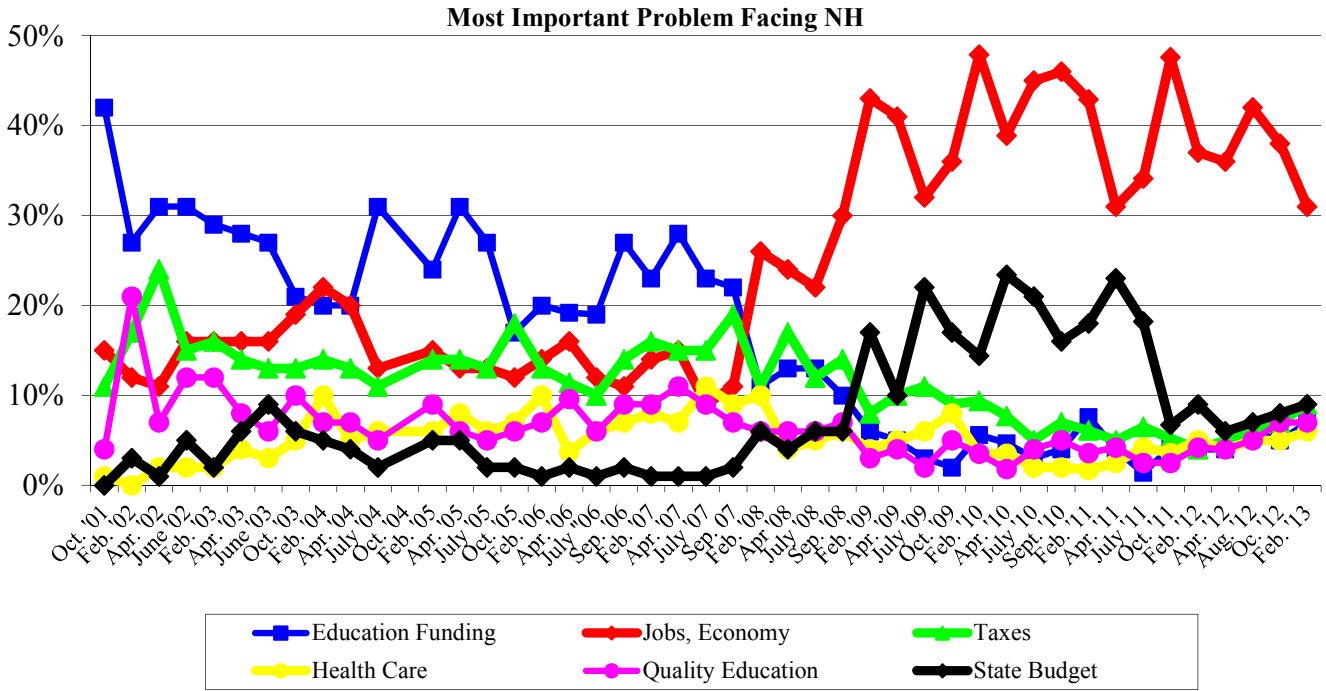
Approval of NH Legislature

Democrats made significant gains in the November 2012 legislative elections, winning control of the New Hampshire House of Representatives and almost taking the Senate as well. This changing of the guard has had a significant impact on New Hampshire’s perceptions of the job the Legislature is doing. Currently, 43% of New Hampshire adults approve of how the State Legislature is doing its job, 30% disapprove, and 27% are neutral or don’t know enough to say. The percentage who say they disapprove of the way the legislature is handling its job dropped from 45% in October. Republicans (45%), Democrats (42%), and Independents (40%) have similar levels of approval for the Legislature.



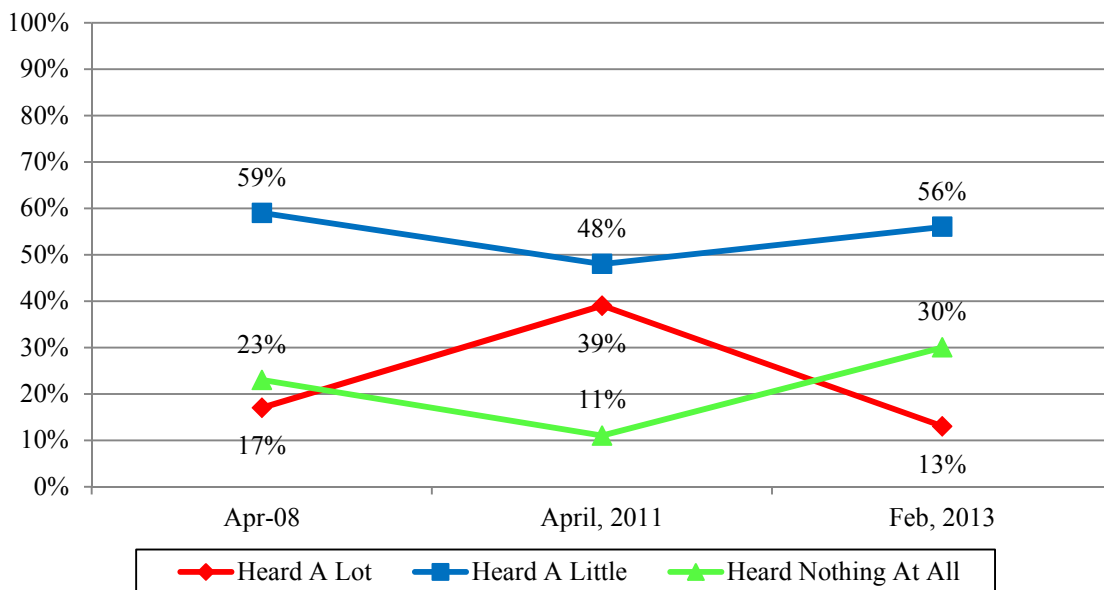
Most Important Problem Facing New Hampshire

Concerns about the state’s economy and unemployment continue to be seen as the most important problem facing the state, although these concerns have dropped somewhat in recent months. Currently, 31% of New Hampshire adults say the jobs and the economy is the most important issue facing the state, down from 38% in October. Other important concerns are the state budget (9%), taxes (9%), education funding (7%), the quality of education (6%), and health care (6%).

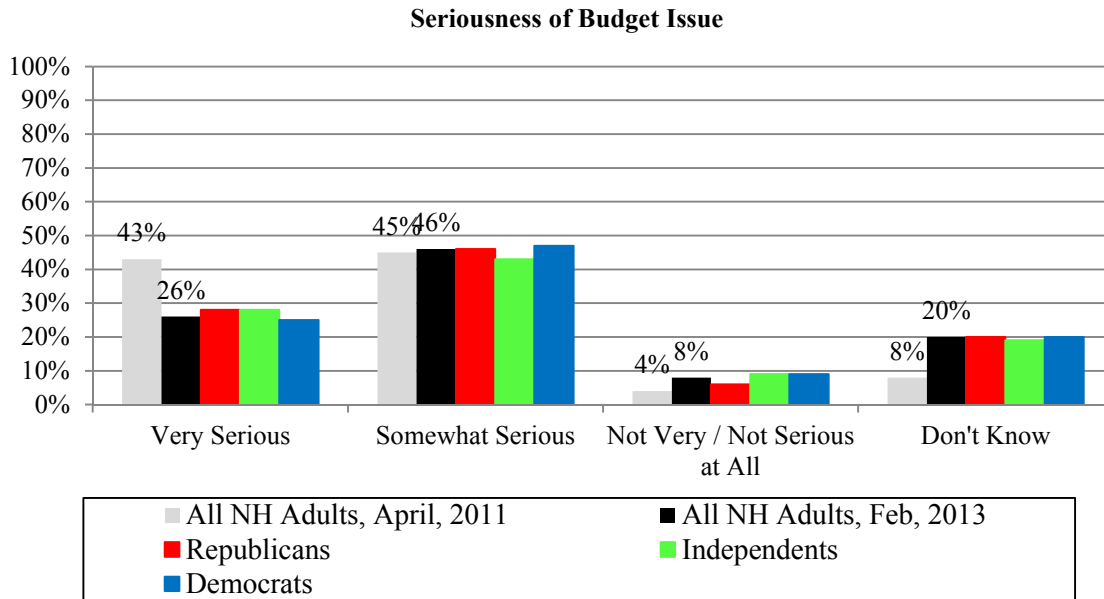


The biggest challenge facing the legislature this year is constructing a budget for the state for the next two years. However, few residents say they have heard much about the states projected budget shortfall – only 13% say they have heard a lot, 56% say they have heard a little, and 30% say they have heard nothing at all.

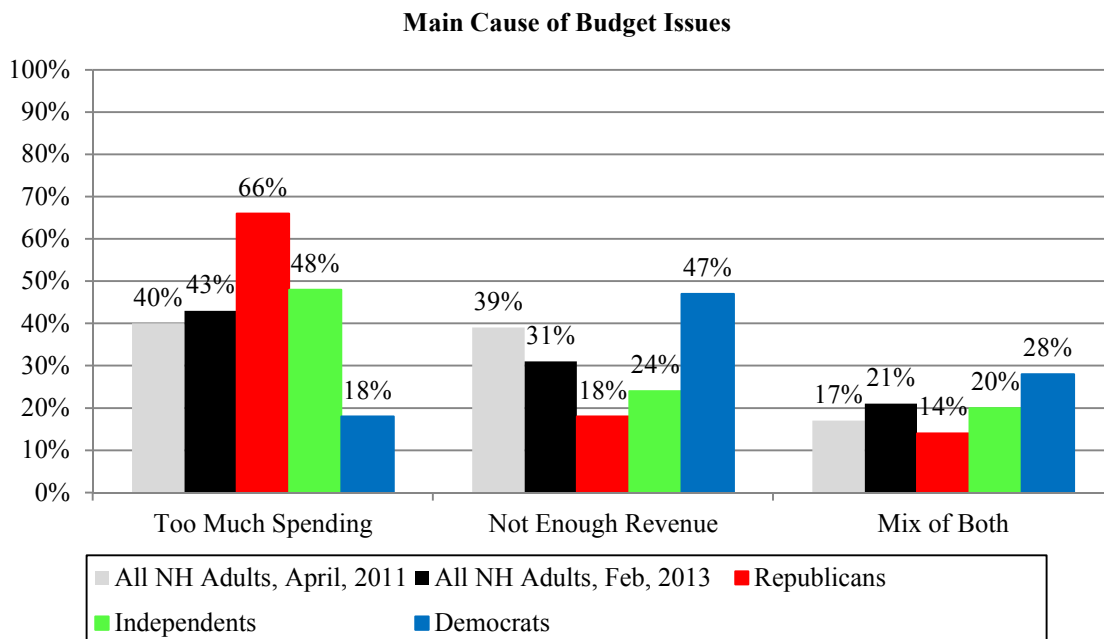
Heard About State Budget Deficit



The budget problem facing the state is not seen to be as serious now as it was two years ago. Currently, 26% think the deficit faced by the state is very serious, 46% think it is somewhat serious, 8% think it is not very serious or not serious at all, and 20% are unsure. In 2011, 43% of state residents thought the budget deficit was a very serious problem. There is no partisan difference in perceptions of the seriousness of the budget deficit.



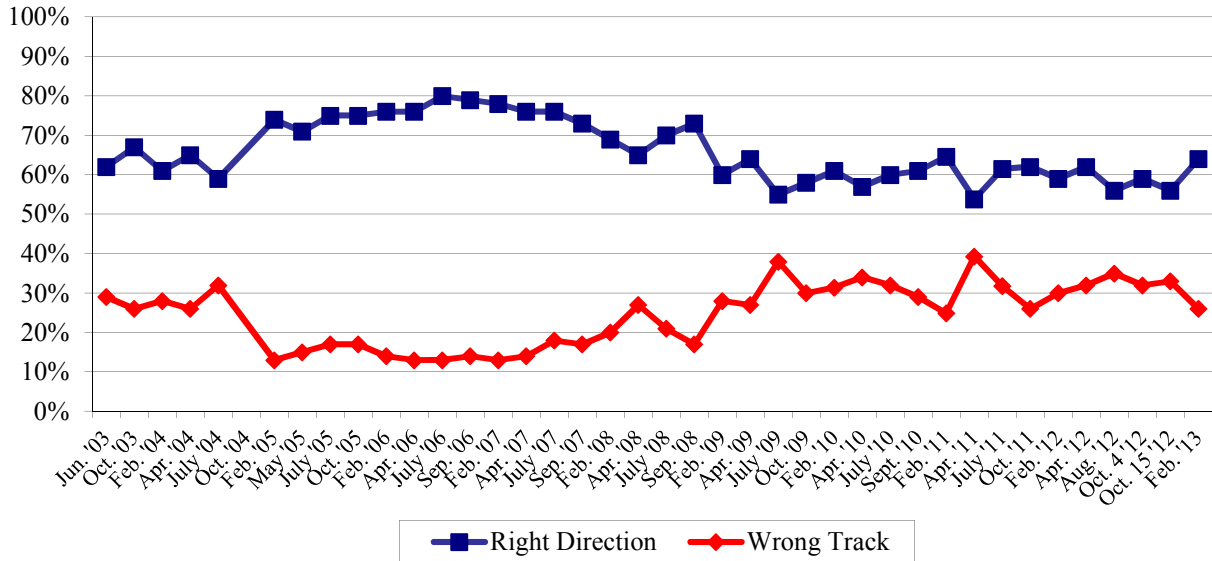
The New Hampshire public is divided about the main cause of the state's budget problems, 43% think it is because of too much spending, 31% think it is due to a lack of revenue, 21% think it is a mix of both, and 5% are unsure. Republicans are most likely to think it is due to too much spending (66%) while Democrats are most likely to blame a lack of revenues (47%).



Right Direction or Wrong Track?

New Hampshire residents continue to think the state as a whole is headed in the right direction. Currently, 64% of New Hampshire adults feel the state is heading in the right direction, 26% think the state is seriously off on the wrong track, and 10% are unsure. The view that New Hampshire is headed in the right direction is bi-partisan -- majorities of Democrats (80%), Republicans (51%), and Independents (55%) say the state is headed in the right direction.

NH Heading in Right Direction or On Wrong Track?



Granite State Poll Methodology

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The data have been weighted to adjust for numbers of adults and telephone lines within households, respondent sex, and region of the state. In addition to potential sampling error, all surveys have other potential sources of non-sampling error including question order effects, question wording effects, and non-response. Due to rounding, percentages may sum to just above or below 100%. Respondent numbers in each demographic may not equal the total respondent number due to respondents choosing not to answer some demographic questions.

Gubernatorial Approval

“GENERALLY SPEAKING, do you approve or disapprove of the way Governor Hassan is handling her job as governor?”

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Neutral/DK</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>(N=)</u>
Feb. '13	38%	56%	6%	(569)

Favorability Ratings – Governor Maggie Hassan

“Next, I'd like to get your overall opinion of some people in the news. As I read each name, please say if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of this person - or if you have never heard of him or her. Governor Maggie Hassan.”
(Prior to Feb. 2013, referred to as “Former State Senator Maggie Hassan.”)

	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>Don't Know</u>	<u>NET</u>	<u>(N=)</u>
Feb. '13	48%	16%	7%	28%	+41%	(578)
Aug. '12	16%	4%	8%	72%	+8%	(580)
Apr. '12	10%	4%	4%	81%	+6%	(531)
Feb. '12	11%	6%	6%	77%	+5%	(524)
Oct. '11	8%	8%	7%	77%	+1%	(555)

Legislature Approval

“And generally speaking, do you approve or disapprove of the way the New Hampshire legislature is handling its job?”

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Neutral/DK</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>(N=)</u>
Feb. '13	43%	28%	30%	(571)
Oct. 15 '12	42%	13%	45%	(584)
Oct. 4 '12	41%	23%	36%	(634)
Aug. '12	45%	18%	37%	(566)
Apr. '12	40%	18%	42%	(533)
Feb. '12	42%	20%	38%	(522)

NH - Right Direction or Wrong Track

“Do you think things in New Hampshire are generally going in the right direction or are they seriously off on the wrong track?”

	<u>Right</u> <u>Direction</u>	<u>Wrong</u> <u>Track</u>	<u>Don't</u> <u>Know</u>	<u>(N=)</u>
Feb. '13	64%	26%	10%	(573)
Oct. 15 '12	56%	33%	11%	(576)
Oct. 4 '12	52%	39%	9%	(622)
Aug. '12	56%	35%	9%	(577)
Apr. '12	62%	32%	6%	(532)
Feb. '12	59%	30%	11%	(517)
Oct. '11	62%	26%	12%	(544)
July '11	61%	32%	7%	(503)
Apr. '11	54%	39%	7%	(491)
Feb. '11	65%	25%	11%	(517)
Sept. '10	61%	29%	10%	(511)
July '10	60%	32%	9%	(496)
Apr. '10	57%	34%	9%	(503)
Feb. '10	61%	31%	8%	(490)
Oct. '09	58%	30%	12%	(496)
July '09	55%	38%	7%	(557)
Apr. '09	64%	27%	9%	(497)
Feb. '09	60%	28%	12%	(605)
Sept. '08	73%	17%	10%	(535)
July '08	70%	21%	9%	(514)
Apr. '08	65%	27%	8%	(491)
Feb. '08	69%	20%	11%	(547)
Sept. '07	73%	17%	10%	(507)
July '07	76%	18%	6%	(500)
Apr. '07	76%	14%	9%	(506)
Feb. '07	78%	13%	8%	(524)
Sept. '06	79%	14%	7%	(509)
July '06	80%	13%	8%	(497)
Apr. '06	76%	13%	11%	(501)
Feb. '06	76%	14%	10%	(495)
Oct. '05	75%	17%	9%	(502)
July '05	75%	17%	8%	(494)
May '05	71%	15%	13%	(488)
Feb. '05	74%	13%	13%	(535)
July '04	59%	32%	9%	(503)
Apr. '04	65%	26%	9%	(530)
Feb. '04	61%	28%	11%	(500)
Oct. '03	67%	26%	7%	(485)
Jun. '03	62%	29%	9%	(510)

Most Important Problem Facing New Hampshire

“Let's turn to the State of New Hampshire ... There are many problems facing the STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE today. In general, what do you think is the most IMPORTANT problem facing the STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE today?”

	<u>Jobs / Economy</u>	<u>Educ. Funding</u>	<u>Taxes</u>	<u>Health Care</u>	<u>Qual. Educ.</u>	<u>Growth/ Sprawl</u>	<u>State Budget</u>	<u>Cost of Gas/Oil</u>	<u>Other/ DK</u>	<u>(N=)</u>
Feb. '13	31%	7%	9%	6%	6%	*	9%	2%	30%	(564)
Oct. '12	38%	5%	7%	5%	7%	0%	8%	1%	24%	(575)
Aug. '12	42%	6%	6%	5%	5%	0%	7%	*	23%	(541)
Apr. '12	36%	4%	5%	4%	4%	0%	6%	2%	31%	(518)
Feb. '12	37%	4%	4%	5%	4%	0%	9%	*	27%	(509)
Oct. '11	48%	4%	5%	4%	3%	0%	7%	*	21%	(548)
July '11	34%	1%	6%	4%	3%	0%	18%	1%	28%	(512)
Apr. '11	31%	4%	5%	3%	4%	0%	23%	1%	22%	(494)
Feb. '11	43%	8%	6%	2%	4%	0%	18%	1%	18%	(508)
Sept. '10	46%	4%	7%	2%	5%	0%	16%	0%	21%	(504)
July '10	45%	3%	5%	2%	4%	*	21%	*	17%	(498)
Apr. '10	39%	5%	8%	4%	2%	*	23%	*	19%	(504)
Feb. '10	48%	6%	9%	4%	4%	*	14%	*	15%	(486)
Oct. '09	36%	2%	9%	8%	5%	*	17%	0%	18%	(494)
July '09	32%	3%	11%	6%	2%	*	22%	1%	31%	(551)
Apr. '09	41%	5%	10%	5%	4%	*	10%	*	24%	(491)
Feb. '09	43%	6%	8%	4%	3%	0%	17%	*	19%	(607)
Sep. '08	30%	10%	14%	6%	7%	*	6%	7%	20%	(531)
July '08	22%	13%	12%	5%	6%	1%	6%	14%	22%	(504)
Apr. '08	24%	13%	17%	4%	6%	0%	4%	7%	25%	(496)
Feb. '08	26%	11%	11%	10%	6%	1%	6%	1%	28%	(542)
Sept. '07	11%	22%	19%	9%	7%	1%	2%	1%	28%	(499)
July '07	9%	23%	15%	11%	9%	2%	1%	2%	29%	(488)
Apr. '07	15%	28%	15%	7%	11%	2%	1%	1%	20%	(501)
Feb. '07	14%	23%	16%	8%	9%	2%	1%	1%	26%	(527)
Sept. '06	11%	27%	14%	7%	9%	3%	2%	2%	26%	(499)
July '06	12%	19%	10%	6%	6%	3%	1%	5%	38%	(490)
Apr. '06	16%	19%	11%	4%	10%	3%	2%	5%	30%	(501)
Feb. '06	14%	20%	13%	10%	7%	3%	1%	3%	29%	(498)
Oct. '05	12%	17%	18%	7%	6%	5%	2%	3%	30%	(503)
July '05	13%	27%	13%	6%	5%	4%	2%	*	28%	(496)
Apr. '05	13%	31%	14%	8%	6%	3%	5%	3%	18%	(487)
Feb. '05	15%	24%	14%	6%	9%	2%	2%	*	28%	(541)
July '04	13%	31%	11%	6%	5%	4%	2%	0%	28%	(504)
Apr. '04	20%	20%	13%	5%	7%	3%	4%	0%	29%	(536)
Feb. '04	22%	20%	14%	10%	7%	2%	5%	0%	21%	(502)
Oct. '03	19%	21%	13%	5%	10%	3%	6%	0%	23%	(490)
June '03	16%	27%	13%	3%	6%	1%	9%	0%	25%	(513)
Apr. '03	16%	28%	14%	4%	8%	2%	6%	0%	22%	(497)
Feb. '03	16%	29%	16%	2%	12%	2%	2%	0%	21%	(644)
June '02	16%	31%	15%	2%	12%	1%	5%	0%	18%	(424)
Apr. '02	11%	31%	24%	2%	7%	2%	1%	0%	22%	(684)
Feb. '02	12%	27%	17%	0%	21%	1%	3%	0%	19%	(312)
Oct. '01	15%	42%	11%	1%	45	2%	*	0%	25%	(519)

* Less than 1%

Heard About State Budget Issues

"How much would you say you have heard or read about New Hampshire's projected budget shortfall ... a lot ... a little ... or nothing at all?"

	<u>Apr. '08</u>	<u>Apr. '11</u>	<u>Feb. '13</u>
Heard A Lot	17%	39%	13%
Heard A Little	59%	48%	56%
Heard Nothing At All	23%	11%	30%
Don't Know / Not Sure	1%	2%	1%
(N=)	(498)	(504)	(581)

Seriousness of State Budget Issue

"Based on what you have heard or read, how serious is the budget deficit faced by the state of New Hampshire ... very serious ... somewhat serious ... not very serious ... or not serious at all?"

	<u>Apr. '11</u>	<u>Feb. '13</u>
Very Serious	43%	26%
Somewhat Serious	45%	46%
Not Very Serious	4%	7%
Not Serious At All	0%	1%
Don't Know / Not Sure	8%	20%
(N=)	(501)	(578)

Main Cause of Budget Problems

"Many people think that the New Hampshire state budget concerns are due to the amount of spending by state government, that is, the state spends more than it needs to ... and many people believe the state budget concerns are due to a lack of revenue, that is, the state does not bring in enough money to meet its needs. What about you ... what do you believe is the cause of New Hampshire's budget concerns, would you say there is too much spending or would you say there is not enough revenue?" [ROTATE RESPONSES]

	<u>Apr. '11</u>	<u>Feb. '13</u>
Too Much Spending	40%	43%
Not Enough Revenue	39%	31%
Mix of Both – Volunteered	17%	21%
Don't Know / Not Sure	3%	5%
(N=)	(502)	(579)

Gubernatorial Approval

STATEWIDE	<u>Approve</u> 38%	<u>Neutral</u> 56%	<u>Disapprove</u> 6%	<u>(N=)</u> 569
Registered Democrat	59%	40%	1%	148
Registered Undeclared	39%	55%	6%	233
Registered Republican	18%	70%	12%	144
Democrat	57%	42%	1%	233
Independent	29%	65%	6%	111
Republican	23%	64%	13%	214
Liberal	56%	44%	0%	134
Moderate	37%	61%	2%	227
Conservative	26%	59%	15%	176
Support Tea Party	28%	54%	19%	113
Neutral	26%	69%	4%	170
Oppose Tea Party	52%	47%	2%	255
Union household	29%	66%	6%	64
Non union	39%	55%	6%	503
Read Union Leader	34%	55%	11%	165
Read Boston Globe	48%	46%	6%	77
Watch WMUR	39%	55%	6%	387
Listen to NHPR	51%	47%	2%	190
18 to 34	34%	61%	6%	86
35 to 49	41%	50%	9%	132
50 to 64	36%	61%	4%	178
65 and over	42%	51%	7%	156
Male	33%	57%	9%	278
Female	42%	54%	3%	291
High school or less	31%	62%	7%	117
Some college	36%	61%	3%	117
College graduate	39%	55%	6%	217
Post graduate	44%	46%	10%	117
Attend services 1 or more/week	42%	49%	9%	136
1 2 times a month	29%	68%	4%	68
Less often	37%	59%	5%	156
Never	39%	54%	7%	199
North Country	42%	54%	4%	41
Central / Lakes	33%	58%	8%	101
Connecticut Valley	48%	46%	6%	89
Mass Border	40%	55%	5%	159
Seacoast	36%	56%	8%	88
Manchester Area	28%	66%	6%	92
First Cong. Dist	35%	57%	8%	250
Second Cong. Dist	40%	55%	5%	319

Favorability Rating – Maggie Hassan

STATEWIDE	<u>Favorable</u> 48%	<u>Neutral</u> 16%	<u>Unfavorable</u> 7%	<u>Don't Know</u> 28%	<u>(N=)</u> 578
Registered Democrat	72%	9%	0%	19%	151
Registered Undeclared	49%	19%	5%	27%	236
Registered Republican	30%	22%	19%	30%	147
Democrat	70%	8%	1%	21%	238
Independent	37%	26%	6%	31%	115
Republican	31%	19%	16%	35%	214
Liberal	69%	10%	1%	20%	138
Moderate	51%	17%	4%	28%	229
Conservative	26%	21%	18%	35%	177
Support Tea Party	25%	24%	24%	27%	113
Neutral	38%	24%	5%	34%	173
Oppose Tea Party	68%	9%	2%	20%	261
Union household	50%	17%	6%	27%	65
Non union	48%	16%	8%	28%	511
Read Union Leader	40%	18%	12%	29%	168
Read Boston Globe	63%	12%	6%	20%	77
Watch WMUR	49%	17%	7%	27%	391
Listen to NHPR	63%	10%	5%	23%	194
18 to 34	41%	14%	6%	39%	87
35 to 49	50%	15%	10%	25%	134
50 to 64	48%	19%	7%	26%	181
65 and over	51%	15%	6%	28%	158
Male	43%	19%	10%	28%	282
Female	53%	13%	5%	28%	296
High school or less	36%	20%	6%	37%	119
Some college	42%	17%	5%	36%	117
College graduate	51%	17%	7%	24%	221
Post graduate	59%	10%	11%	20%	120
Attend services 1 or more/week	48%	14%	12%	26%	138
1 2 times a month	40%	13%	8%	39%	69
Less often	48%	17%	7%	29%	155
Never	50%	18%	6%	27%	204
North Country	52%	9%	5%	34%	43
Central / Lakes	48%	17%	7%	28%	104
Connecticut Valley	54%	12%	7%	27%	90
Mass Border	53%	19%	7%	22%	160
Seacoast	45%	20%	6%	29%	89
Manchester Area	35%	13%	13%	39%	92
First Cong. Dist	44%	20%	10%	26%	252
Second Cong. Dist	51%	14%	6%	30%	326

Most Important Problem Facing NH

	<u>Educ Funding</u> 7%	<u>Educ Quality</u> 6%	<u>Jobs, Economy</u> 31%	<u>Taxes</u> 9%	<u>State Budget</u> 12%	<u>Other</u> 29%	<u>Don't Know</u> 6%	<u>(N=)</u> 564
STATEWIDE								
Registered Democrat	13%	8%	29%	4%	11%	31%	3%	146
Registered Undeclared	6%	6%	30%	11%	8%	30%	9%	236
Registered Republican	4%	5%	35%	9%	18%	24%	6%	141
Democrat	12%	6%	29%	7%	11%	31%	4%	231
Independent	5%	12%	28%	10%	7%	30%	7%	114
Republican	3%	3%	34%	10%	16%	26%	8%	209
Liberal	11%	11%	26%	7%	11%	28%	6%	134
Moderate	9%	6%	28%	9%	11%	31%	5%	223
Conservative	2%	5%	36%	9%	15%	27%	6%	174
Support Tea Party	2%	5%	39%	12%	17%	18%	7%	113
Neutral	2%	5%	32%	8%	11%	31%	10%	166
Oppose Tea Party	13%	8%	27%	6%	11%	31%	2%	256
Union household	15%	5%	29%	12%	10%	25%	4%	64
Non union	6%	7%	31%	8%	12%	29%	7%	498
Read Union Leader	6%	4%	36%	10%	12%	28%	3%	166
Read Boston Globe	10%	4%	34%	5%	13%	30%	3%	75
Watch WMUR	7%	6%	31%	9%	12%	29%	6%	384
Listen to NHPR	9%	6%	25%	9%	13%	33%	5%	192
18 to 34	0%	9%	27%	7%	11%	35%	13%	80
35 to 49	9%	8%	28%	8%	12%	32%	3%	131
50 to 64	8%	6%	36%	11%	10%	27%	3%	178
65 and over	8%	4%	28%	7%	14%	26%	11%	157
Male	8%	7%	25%	11%	17%	24%	7%	279
Female	6%	6%	37%	6%	7%	33%	6%	285
High school or less	5%	6%	39%	10%	8%	19%	14%	115
Some college	5%	8%	31%	10%	11%	30%	5%	117
College graduate	7%	6%	31%	7%	12%	31%	5%	213
Post graduate	11%	7%	23%	8%	15%	32%	3%	117
Attend services 1 or more/week	11%	6%	29%	7%	18%	23%	7%	136
1 2 times a month	1%	4%	39%	9%	13%	24%	9%	69
Less often	6%	10%	29%	10%	7%	32%	6%	152
Never	8%	5%	31%	9%	12%	30%	5%	197
North Country	6%	6%	44%	4%	7%	27%	6%	43
Central / Lakes	3%	4%	36%	10%	9%	35%	2%	102
Connecticut Valley	9%	6%	23%	15%	12%	28%	6%	88
Mass Border	7%	6%	30%	9%	13%	27%	9%	157
Seacoast	6%	10%	29%	6%	15%	26%	8%	84
Manchester Area	11%	7%	30%	5%	14%	27%	7%	90
First Cong. Dist	7%	7%	31%	9%	13%	26%	7%	245
Second Cong. Dist	7%	6%	31%	8%	11%	31%	6%	319

Are Things in NH on Right/Wrong Track

	<u>Right Direction</u> 64%	<u>Wrong Track</u> 26%	<u>Don't Know</u> 10%	<u>(N=)</u> 573
STATEWIDE				
Registered Democrat	77%	19%	4%	151
Registered Undeclared	63%	27%	11%	233
Registered Republican	53%	32%	15%	147
Democrat	80%	16%	4%	236
Independent	55%	33%	12%	112
Republican	51%	34%	14%	213
Liberal	80%	15%	4%	138
Moderate	68%	21%	11%	226
Conservative	49%	41%	9%	176
Support Tea Party	46%	44%	11%	113
Neutral	62%	24%	15%	174
Oppose Tea Party	76%	19%	6%	255
Union household	71%	20%	10%	65
Non union	63%	27%	10%	506
Read Union Leader	56%	34%	10%	166
Read Boston Globe	63%	23%	14%	76
Watch WMUR	63%	27%	10%	388
Listen to NHPR	76%	18%	6%	193
18 to 34	71%	16%	13%	87
35 to 49	61%	31%	8%	131
50 to 64	67%	26%	7%	181
65 and over	60%	28%	12%	157
Male	64%	23%	12%	280
Female	64%	28%	8%	293
High school or less	60%	34%	6%	119
Some college	70%	17%	14%	116
College graduate	63%	25%	13%	216
Post graduate	66%	27%	6%	120
Attend services 1 or more/week	55%	35%	10%	138
1 2 times a month	69%	21%	10%	69
Less often	68%	24%	8%	154
Never	66%	22%	12%	201
North Country	60%	24%	16%	44
Central / Lakes	61%	31%	8%	105
Connecticut Valley	69%	24%	7%	88
Mass Border	60%	26%	14%	156
Seacoast	76%	20%	4%	88
Manchester Area	61%	28%	11%	92
First Cong. Dist	66%	27%	7%	251
Second Cong. Dist	63%	25%	12%	323

Legislature Approval

STATEWIDE	<u>Approve</u> 43%	<u>Neutral</u> 28%	<u>Disapprove</u> 30%	<u>(N=)</u> 571
Registered Democrat	44%	24%	32%	150
Registered Undeclared	39%	30%	31%	233
Registered Republican	47%	22%	30%	145
Democrat	42%	27%	31%	235
Independent	40%	29%	31%	113
Republican	45%	27%	28%	211
Liberal	44%	26%	30%	138
Moderate	40%	29%	30%	228
Conservative	45%	26%	29%	174
Support Tea Party	50%	23%	27%	110
Neutral	45%	30%	26%	172
Oppose Tea Party	40%	24%	36%	259
Union household	33%	37%	29%	63
Non union	44%	26%	30%	504
Read Union Leader	45%	26%	29%	165
Read Boston Globe	33%	27%	40%	77
Watch WMUR	43%	26%	32%	386
Listen to NHPR	40%	24%	36%	193
18 to 34	40%	45%	15%	84
35 to 49	47%	21%	32%	132
50 to 64	40%	28%	32%	181
65 and over	43%	25%	32%	157
Male	43%	27%	30%	281
Female	42%	29%	30%	290
High school or less	42%	31%	27%	119
Some college	43%	29%	28%	114
College graduate	45%	25%	30%	216
Post graduate	38%	28%	34%	121
Attend services 1 or more/week	42%	23%	35%	134
1 2 times a month	49%	26%	25%	69
Less often	41%	29%	30%	153
Never	40%	31%	29%	202
North Country	39%	30%	31%	43
Central / Lakes	40%	22%	38%	101
Connecticut Valley	49%	26%	25%	90
Mass Border	43%	27%	31%	157
Seacoast	43%	32%	25%	89
Manchester Area	39%	33%	27%	91
First Cong. Dist	43%	29%	27%	251
Second Cong. Dist	42%	26%	32%	320

Heard About State Budget Issues

	<u>Heard a Lot</u> 13%	<u>Heard a Little</u> 56%	<u>Heard Nothing</u> <u>At All</u> 30%	<u>Don't Know</u> 1%	<u>(N=)</u> 581
STATEWIDE					
Registered Democrat	18%	63%	19%	1%	151
Registered Undeclared	10%	55%	34%	1%	238
Registered Republican	14%	54%	29%	2%	147
Democrat	14%	59%	26%	1%	239
Independent	13%	54%	32%	1%	115
Republican	12%	54%	33%	1%	215
Liberal	12%	58%	28%	1%	138
Moderate	13%	60%	28%	0%	232
Conservative	14%	51%	34%	2%	177
Support Tea Party	13%	59%	26%	2%	113
Neutral	8%	54%	37%	1%	174
Oppose Tea Party	16%	55%	27%	1%	262
Union household	11%	71%	16%	1%	65
Non union	13%	54%	32%	1%	513
Read Union Leader	21%	51%	27%	1%	168
Read Boston Globe	16%	60%	24%	0%	77
Watch WMUR	14%	57%	28%	1%	393
Listen to NHPR	15%	60%	24%	1%	196
18 to 34	2%	39%	58%	1%	87
35 to 49	16%	58%	26%	1%	134
50 to 64	11%	61%	26%	1%	181
65 and over	17%	57%	25%	2%	160
Male	11%	56%	32%	1%	285
Female	14%	56%	29%	2%	296
High school or less	15%	43%	39%	2%	119
Some college	7%	51%	41%	1%	117
College graduate	12%	62%	25%	1%	222
Post graduate	17%	60%	21%	2%	121
Attend services 1 or more/week	15%	57%	27%	2%	139
1 2 times a month	15%	55%	29%	1%	69
Less often	11%	58%	28%	2%	156
Never	12%	52%	36%	0%	206
North Country	22%	58%	20%	0%	44
Central / Lakes	9%	57%	33%	1%	105
Connecticut Valley	22%	46%	31%	1%	90
Mass Border	11%	54%	35%	0%	161
Seacoast	8%	67%	23%	2%	89
Manchester Area	10%	55%	30%	4%	92
First Cong. Dist	11%	58%	29%	2%	253
Second Cong. Dist	14%	54%	31%	1%	327

Seriousness of Budget Issue

	<u>Very Serious</u>	<u>Somewhat Serious</u>	<u>Not Very Serious</u>	<u>Not Serious At All</u>	<u>Don't Know</u>	<u>(N=)</u>
STATEWIDE	26%	46%	7%	1%	20%	578
Registered Democrat	29%	49%	7%	1%	14%	150
Registered Undeclared	25%	45%	7%	0%	23%	238
Registered Republican	28%	47%	7%	2%	17%	146
Democrat	25%	47%	8%	1%	20%	238
Independent	28%	43%	9%	0%	19%	115
Republican	28%	46%	5%	2%	20%	213
Liberal	27%	47%	7%	1%	19%	137
Moderate	22%	48%	8%	1%	20%	232
Conservative	33%	41%	6%	1%	19%	176
Support Tea Party	32%	47%	6%	1%	15%	113
Neutral	24%	48%	8%	1%	20%	174
Oppose Tea Party	27%	44%	7%	1%	22%	261
Union household	31%	47%	6%	1%	15%	65
Non union	25%	46%	7%	1%	21%	511
Read Union Leader	32%	44%	5%	2%	17%	168
Read Boston Globe	34%	44%	7%	0%	15%	77
Watch WMUR	29%	45%	6%	1%	20%	393
Listen to NHPR	27%	45%	7%	1%	21%	196
18 to 34	13%	47%	6%	1%	33%	87
35 to 49	31%	43%	6%	1%	19%	134
50 to 64	27%	48%	9%	1%	15%	180
65 and over	29%	44%	8%	0%	19%	160
Male	25%	45%	9%	2%	19%	284
Female	27%	47%	5%	0%	21%	295
High school or less	29%	39%	8%	1%	23%	118
Some college	20%	46%	10%	0%	24%	116
College graduate	29%	47%	6%	1%	17%	222
Post graduate	24%	49%	6%	1%	20%	121
Attend services 1 or more/week	29%	47%	5%	1%	17%	138
1 2 times a month	28%	51%	8%	3%	10%	69
Less often	21%	52%	8%	0%	19%	156
Never	27%	39%	7%	1%	27%	205
North Country	42%	37%	7%	0%	13%	44
Central / Lakes	29%	49%	8%	0%	14%	104
Connecticut Valley	24%	49%	4%	3%	20%	88
Mass Border	23%	43%	8%	0%	27%	161
Seacoast	19%	54%	9%	2%	17%	89
Manchester Area	30%	40%	7%	1%	22%	92
First Cong. Dist	24%	48%	8%	1%	19%	253
Second Cong. Dist	28%	44%	7%	1%	21%	325

Main Cause of Budget Issues

	<u>Too Much Spending</u> 43%	<u>Not Enough Revenue</u> 31%	<u>Mix Of Both</u> 21%	<u>Don't Know</u> 5%	<u>(N=)</u> 579
STATEWIDE					
Registered Democrat	23%	45%	27%	4%	150
Registered Undeclared	44%	28%	22%	7%	238
Registered Republican	63%	20%	14%	2%	147
Democrat	18%	47%	28%	6%	238
Independent	48%	24%	20%	8%	114
Republican	66%	18%	14%	2%	214
Liberal	16%	51%	26%	8%	137
Moderate	36%	37%	22%	6%	231
Conservative	70%	13%	14%	3%	176
Support Tea Party	74%	10%	12%	3%	113
Neutral	58%	22%	19%	2%	174
Oppose Tea Party	19%	47%	26%	8%	259
Union household	37%	35%	26%	1%	65
Non union	43%	31%	20%	6%	511
Read Union Leader	52%	24%	19%	5%	168
Read Boston Globe	24%	42%	27%	7%	77
Watch WMUR	43%	29%	22%	6%	393
Listen to NHPR	23%	46%	23%	8%	195
18 to 34	34%	32%	29%	5%	87
35 to 49	47%	28%	20%	4%	133
50 to 64	42%	34%	18%	6%	181
65 and over	41%	32%	22%	5%	160
Male	44%	31%	18%	6%	283
Female	41%	31%	24%	4%	296
High school or less	50%	28%	16%	6%	118
Some college	51%	25%	20%	4%	117
College graduate	38%	33%	25%	5%	222
Post graduate	35%	39%	20%	6%	120
Attend services 1 or more/week	53%	21%	22%	3%	139
1 2 times a month	45%	37%	18%	0%	69
Less often	39%	31%	23%	7%	156
Never	36%	37%	20%	7%	203
North Country	37%	35%	24%	3%	44
Central / Lakes	41%	27%	23%	8%	105
Connecticut Valley	34%	50%	13%	3%	89
Mass Border	47%	27%	20%	6%	161
Seacoast	40%	28%	25%	7%	88
Manchester Area	48%	26%	23%	2%	92
First Cong. Dist	45%	27%	22%	6%	252
Second Cong. Dist	40%	34%	20%	5%	327