



79% of New Jerseyans Say Property Taxes Are Up

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Galloway, NJ – According to a poll conducted by the Stockton Polling Institute, 79 percent of New Jerseyans say property taxes have gone up in the last three years. pointed to

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The poll was conducted with 741 likely voters from June 8–13. Interviewers called both land lines and cell phones. The survey has a margin of error of +/-3.6 percent. The Stockton Polling Institute is part of the William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy at the Richard Stockton College of New Jersey.

“Money matters most – taxes, the economy and jobs are the top issues New Jerseyans care about,” said Daniel J. Douglas, Director of the William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy.

When asked to identify the most important issue facing New Jersey, respondents identified the top two issues as jobs (24 percent) and property taxes (23 percent).

Taxes (12 percent), the economy (9 percent) and K-12 education (5 percent) were the next issues identified. No other issue received more than 3 percent.

With control of the state Senate and the General Assembly at stake this November, those surveyed were closely split at about 36 percent for the Democratic legislative candidates and 35 percent for the Republicans; 7 percent say they would split their vote in the generic legislative matchup; and, 19 percent were not sure or would support another candidate.

Only 30 percent have a favorable opinion of the New Jersey Legislature's job performance, while 62 percent have an unfavorable opinion.

"State legislators can take some solace from the fact that their overall job performance rating, while quite low