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NH LEGISLATURE FACES TOUGH YEAR, DIFFICULT ISSUES

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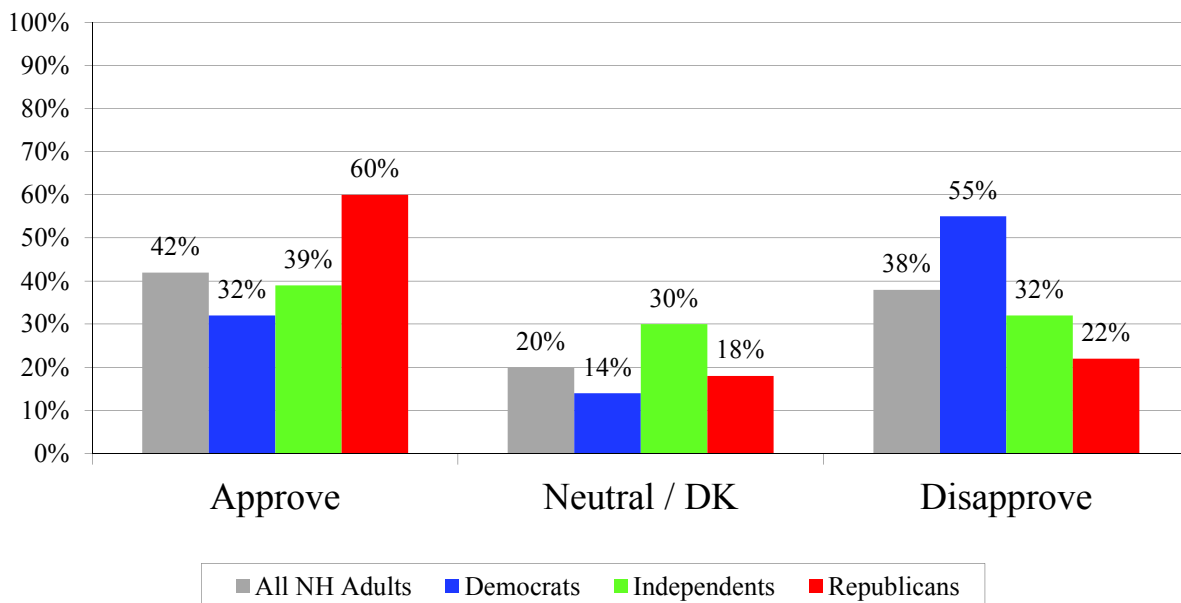
DURHAM, NH – The New Hampshire Legislature receives mixed reviews of how it has done its job. Legislative leaders Bill O'Brien and Peter Bragdon are mostly unknown in the state. Among controversial issues facing the Legislature, there is strong support for a voter ID law, little support for repealing gay marriage, and attitudes are divided on a constitutional amendment prohibiting an income tax, and for the Northern Pass project.

These findings are based on the latest **WMUR Granite State Poll**,* conducted by the University of New Hampshire Survey Center. Five hundred twenty-seven (527) randomly selected New Hampshire adults were interviewed by landline and cellular telephone between January 25 and February 2, 2012. The margin of sampling error for the survey is +/- 4.3 percent.

Approval of NH Legislature

Republicans gained large majorities in the New Hampshire House of Representatives and Senate after the 2010 election and after dealing with difficult budget issues in 2011, have turned to even more controversial issues in 2012. The state is split in how good of a job the Legislature is doing - 42% approve, 38% disapprove, and 20% are neutral or don't know enough to say. There is a significant partisan gap with 60% of Republicans approving of the job the legislature has done while only 32% of Democrats approve. Independents are split with 39% approving and 32% disapproving.

Approval Rating – NH Legislature

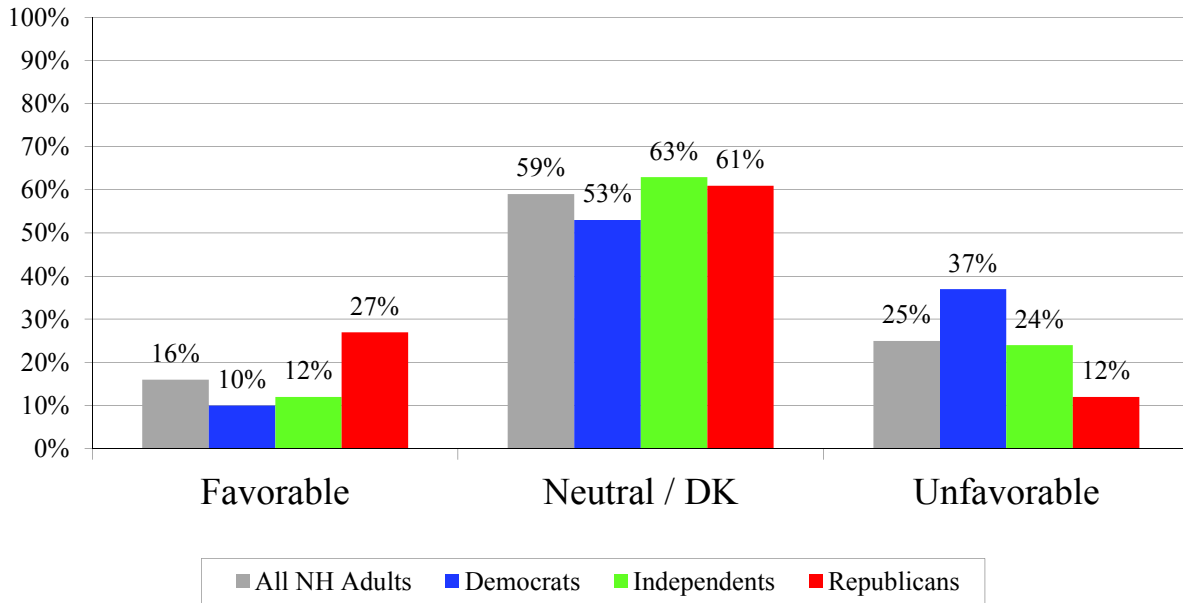


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Favorability Ratings of Legislative Leaders

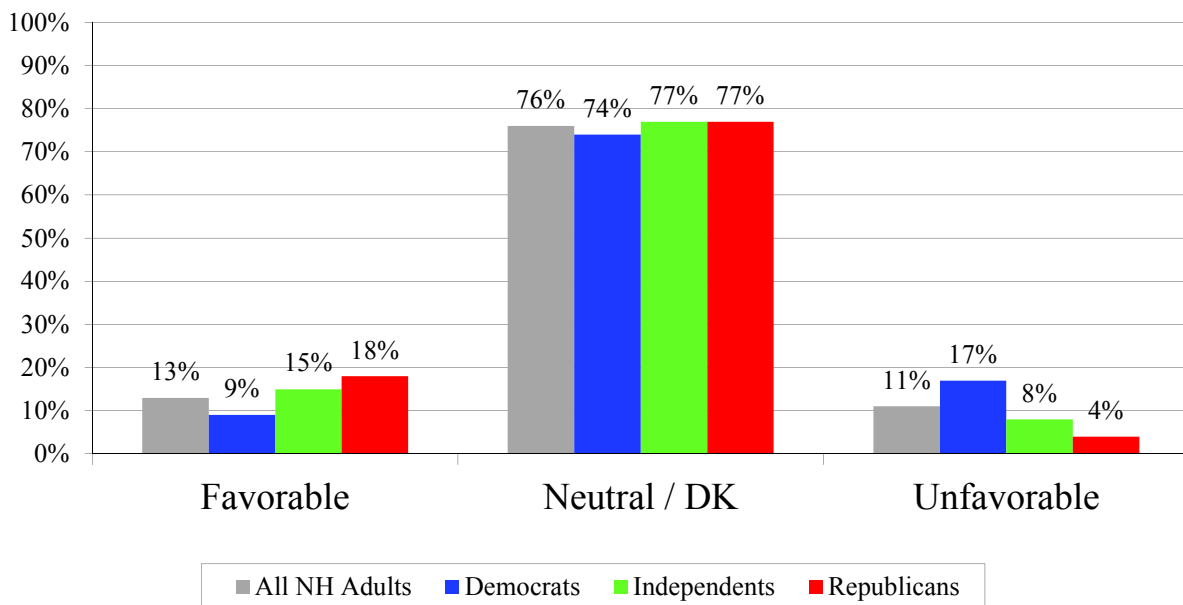
The leaders of the two Chambers of the New Hampshire legislature are largely unknown to New Hampshire adults, and perceptions of them are based strongly on partisanship. Only 16% of New Hampshire adults have a favorable opinion of House Speaker Bill O'Brien, 25% have an unfavorable opinion of him, 9% are neutral and 50% don't know enough about him to say. O'Brien's net favorability rating is -9%; -27% among Democrats, -12% among Independents, and +15% among Republicans.

Favorability Rating – House Speaker Bill O'Brien



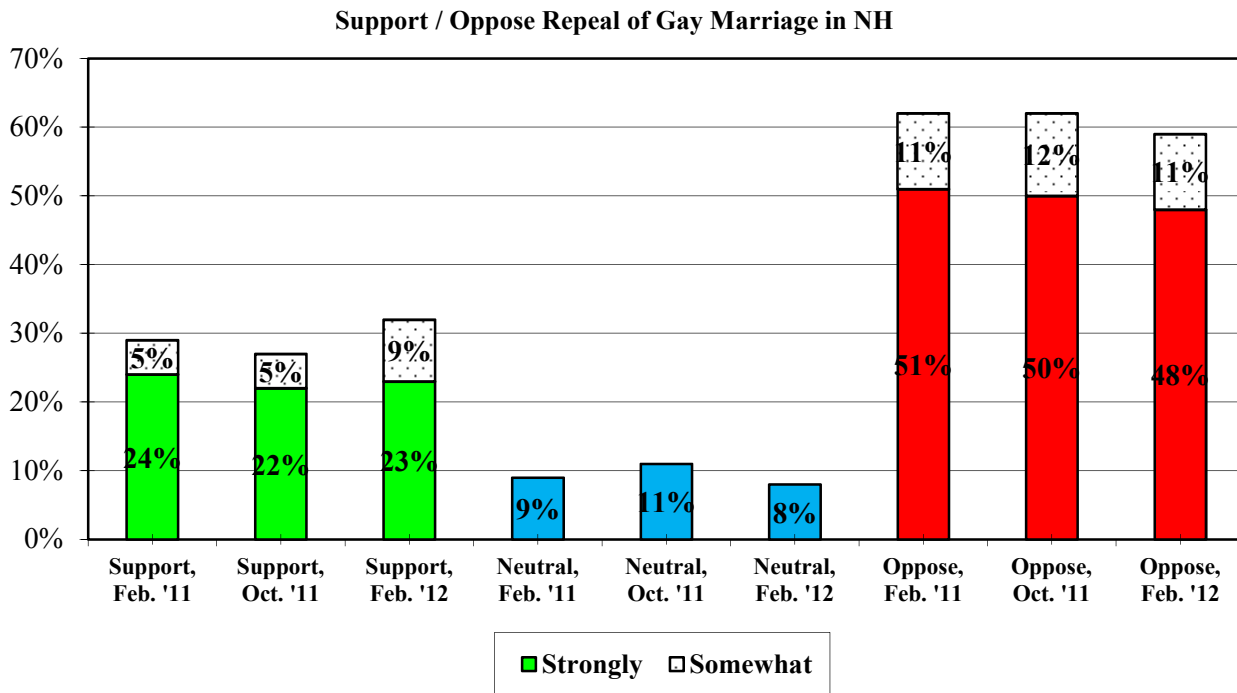
Senate President Peter Bragdon is even less well known, but less polarizing than Speaker O'Brien. Only 13% of New Hampshire adults have a favorable opinion of Bragdon, 11% have an unfavorable opinion of him, 10% are neutral, and 66% don't know enough about him to say. Bragdon's net favorability rating is +2%; -8% among Democrats, +7% among Independents, and +14% among Republicans.

Favorability Rating – Senate President Peter Bragdon



Gay Marriage

Perhaps the most controversial issue facing the legislature is the proposed repeal of New Hampshire’s 2009 law that legalized same-sex, or gay marriage. Opposition to a bill that would repeal gay marriage in New Hampshire remains strong – only 32% of New Hampshire adults support the repeal of the 2009 law that legalized gay marriage in New Hampshire (23% strongly support and 9% support somewhat), 48% strongly oppose repeal, 11% somewhat oppose repeal, and 8% are neutral or don’t know. These figures have remained unchanged over the past year. Republicans are much more likely to favor repeal (58%) while Democrats (85%) and Independents (47%) oppose repeal.

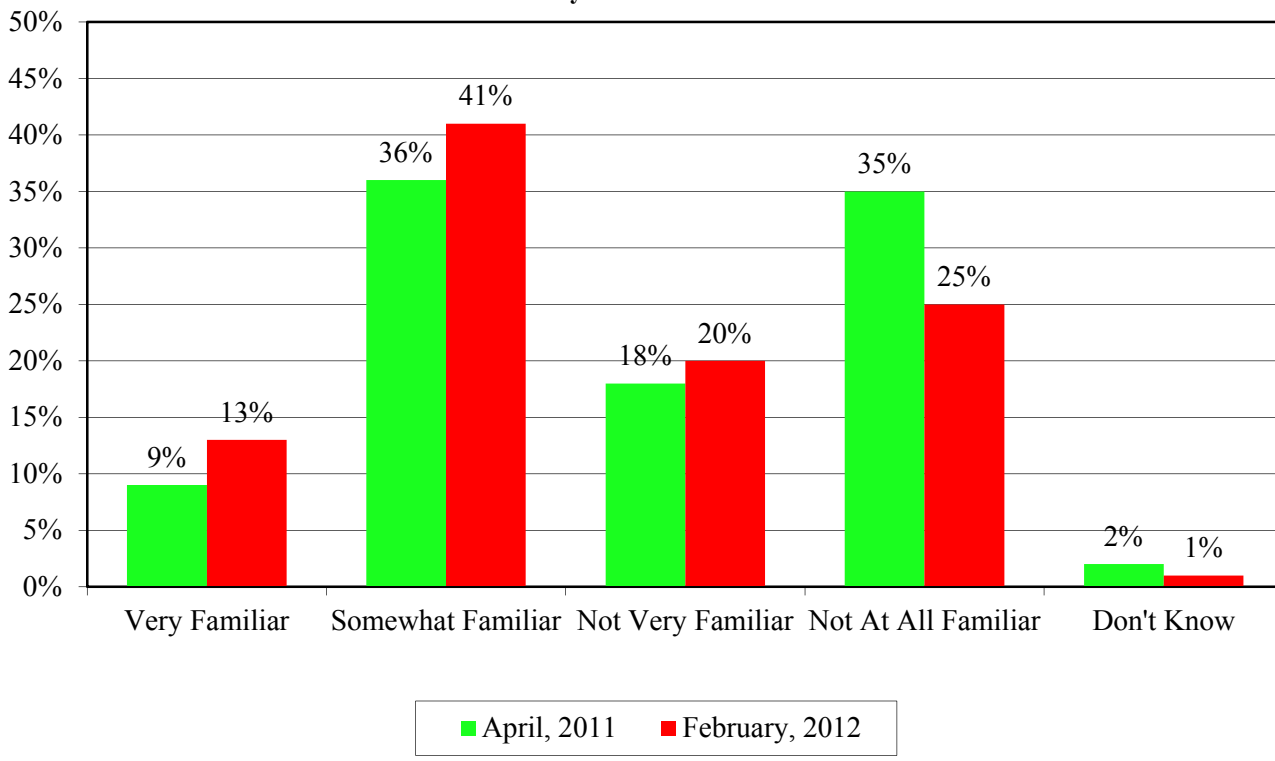


Opposition to repealing gay marriage in New Hampshire remains much stronger than support. When opponents of repeal are asked if they would be upset if it were gay marriage were repealed, almost half (46%) say they would be very upset, 28% would be somewhat upset, 9% would be not too upset, 14% would not be upset at all, and 2% are unsure. By comparison, when proponents of repeal are asked how upset they would be if gay marriage were not repealed, only 23% said they would be very upset, 38% would be somewhat upset, 20% would be not too upset, 16% would not be upset at all, and 3% are unsure.

Northern Pass

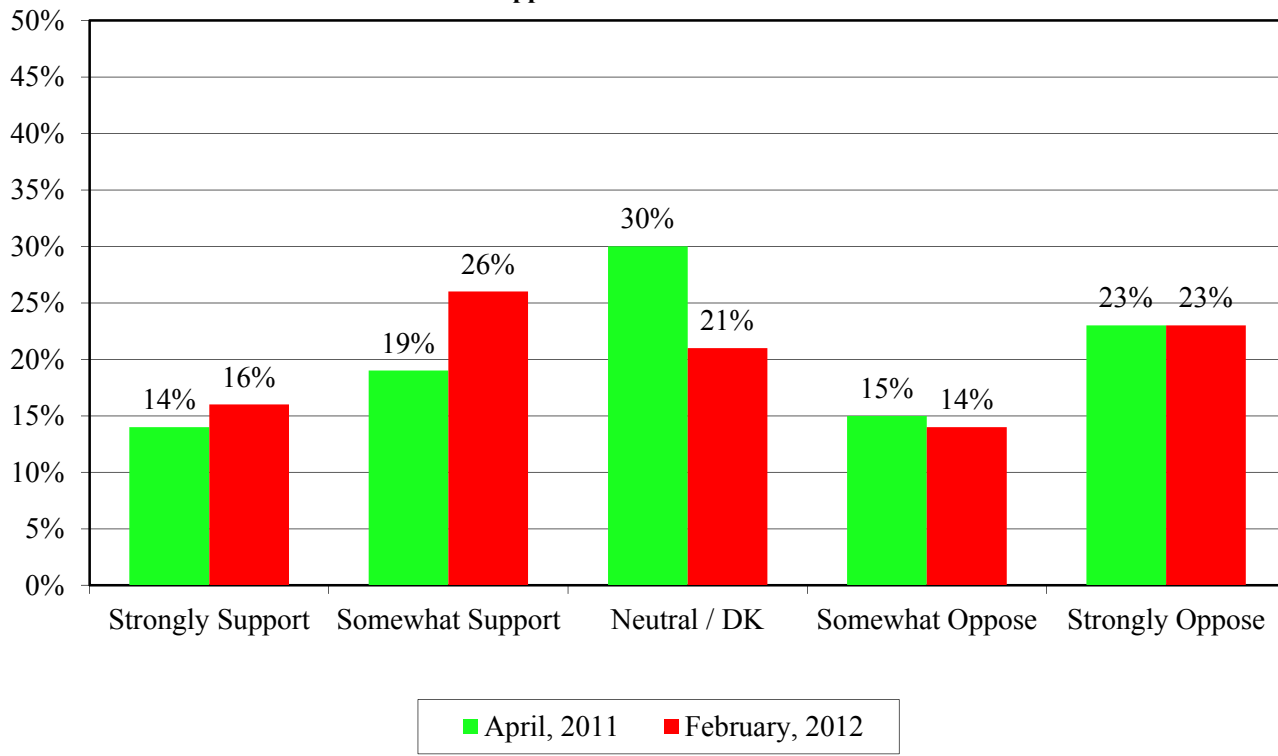
Another controversial issue facing the state is the proposed “Northern Pass” project which would bring hydro-power electricity from Canada through New Hampshire on high tension wires, but many North Country residents have expressed strong opposition to the project. Over the past nine months, there has been an increase in awareness of the project, yet it is still somewhat low. Only 13% of New Hampshire adults say they are very familiar with Northern Pass, 41% are somewhat familiar, 20% are not very familiar, and 25% are not familiar at all.

Familiarity with Northern Pass



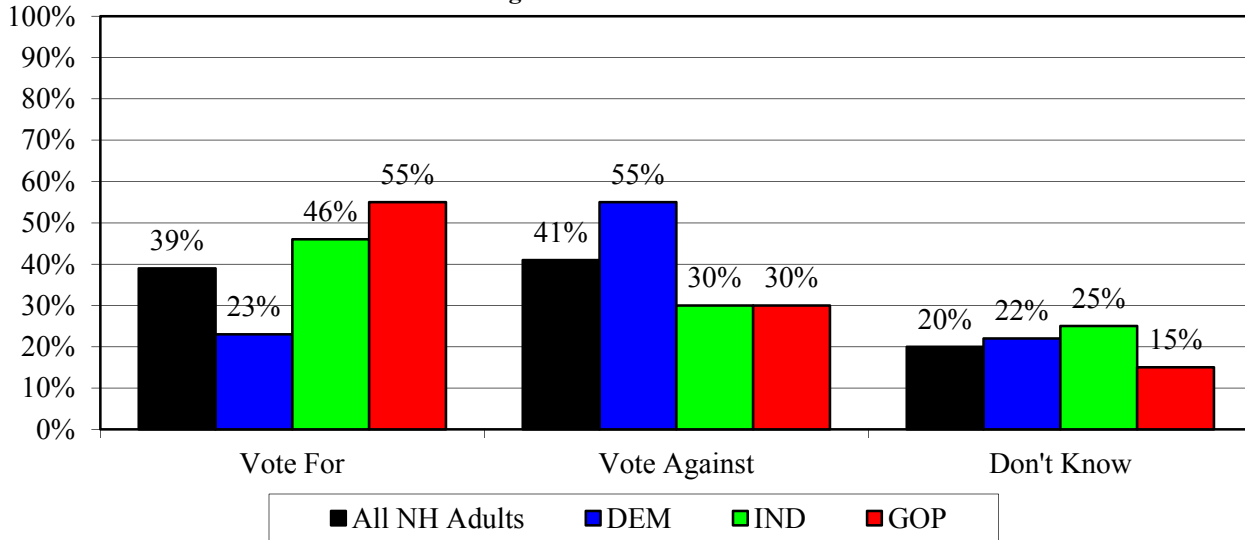
When asked if they support or oppose Northern Pass, attitudes are mixed. Currently, 42% of New Hampshire adults who are familiar with Northern Pass support the project (16% strongly support and 26% somewhat support), 37% oppose the project (23% strongly oppose and 14% somewhat oppose), and 21% are neutral or don't know enough to say. There has been a slight increase in support for Northern Pass since last spring.

Support for Northern Pass



Recently, an amendment to the New Hampshire Constitution has been proposed that would prohibit the implementation of a state income tax. When asked whether or not they would vote for this amendment if it were on the ballot, Granite Staters were evenly divided. In the most recent Granite State Poll, 39% said they would vote for the amendment, 41% would vote against it, and 20% don't know. However, it would require a two-thirds majority for this amendment to pass. The proposed amendment gets support from a majority of Republicans (55%) and a plurality of Independents (46%), while Democrats (55%) would oppose the amendment.

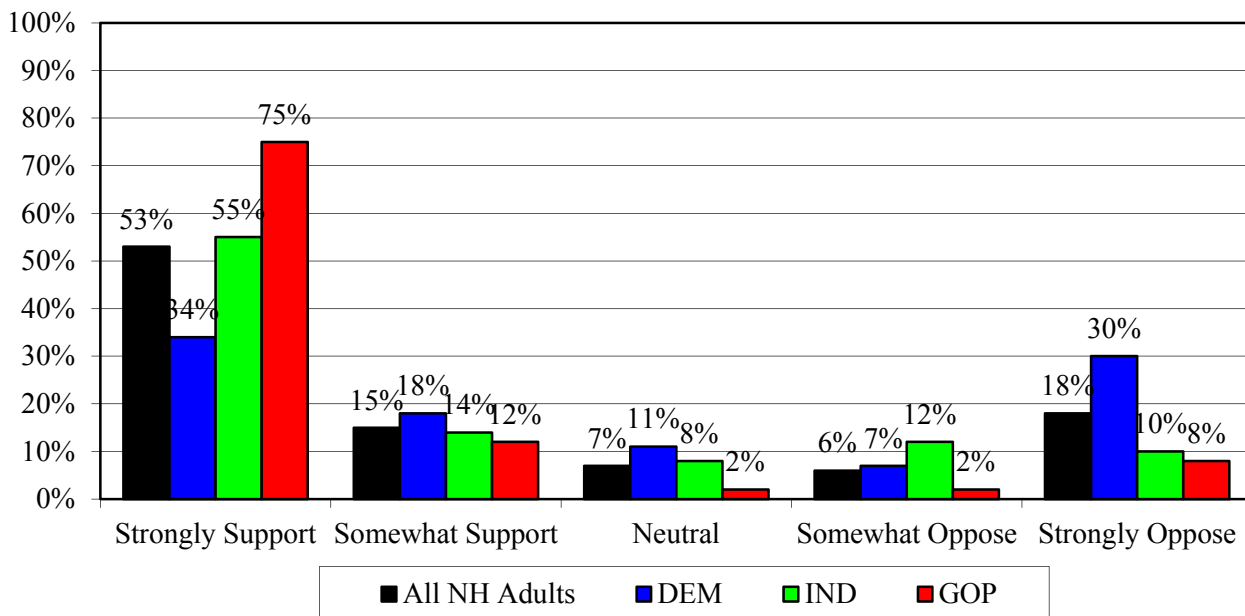
Vote For/Against Income Tax Amendment



Voter ID Law

Yet another issue the NH Legislature will consider is a law which would require voters to show a picture ID in order to vote. There is strong support for such a law. In the most recent Granite State Poll, 68% of New Hampshire adults said they support a voter ID law (53% strongly support and 15% somewhat support), 24% oppose this law (18% strongly oppose and 6% somewhat oppose), and 7% are neutral or don't know enough to say. Support for the law is bipartisan, with majorities of Republicans (87%), Independents (69%), and Democrats (52%) supporting the law.

Support/Oppose Voter ID Law



Granite State Poll Methodology

These findings are based on the latest WMUR Granite State Poll, conducted by the University of New Hampshire Survey Center. Five hundred twenty-seven (527) randomly selected New Hampshire adults were interviewed by landline and cellular telephone between January 25 and February 2, 2012. The margin of sampling error for the survey is +/- 4.3 percent. Included is a subsample of 495 likely general election voters (margin of sampling error +/- 4.4%).

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.

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. '12	42%	20%	38%	(522)

Favorability Ratings – Bill O’Brien

“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. Speaker of the House Bill O'Brien.”

	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>Don't Know</u>	<u>NET</u>	<u>(N=)</u>
Feb. '12	16%	9%	25%	50%	-9%	(526)

Favorability Ratings – Peter Bragdon

“Senate President Peter Bragdon.”

	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>Don't Know</u>	<u>NET</u>	<u>(N=)</u>
Feb. '12	13%	10%	11%	66%	+2%	(525)

Repeal of Gay Marriage in New Hampshire

“On another topic ... As you may know, New Hampshire legalized marriage between gay and lesbian couples in 2009. Recently, there has been an effort in the State Legislature to repeal this law. Would you say you support or oppose the effort to repeal legalized gay marriage in New Hampshire?”

IF SUPPORT: “Do you strongly support this or just somewhat?”

IF OPPOSE: “Do you strongly oppose this or just somewhat?”

	<u>Feb. '11</u>	<u>Oct. '11</u>	<u>Feb. '12</u>
Strongly Support	24%	22%	23%
Somewhat Support	5%	5%	9%
Neutral/Don't Know	9%	11%	8%
Somewhat Oppose	11%	12%	11%
Strongly Oppose	51%	50%	48%
(N=)	(517)	(482)	(521)

IF SUPPORT REPEAL:

“Suppose the current gay marriage legislation does not get repealed. Would you be very upset, somewhat upset, not too upset, or not upset at all?”

	<u>Feb. '11</u>	<u>Feb. '12</u>
Very Upset	17%	23%
Somewhat Upset	38%	38%
Not Too Upset	22%	20%
Not Upset At All	19%	16%
Don't Know / No Opinion (N=)	3% (147)	3% (169)

IF OPPOSE REPEAL:

“Suppose the current gay marriage legislation gets repealed. Would you be very upset, somewhat upset, not too upset, or not upset at all?”

	<u>Feb. '11</u>	<u>Feb. '12</u>
Very Upset	42%	46%
Somewhat Upset	30%	28%
Not Too Upset	15%	9%
Not Upset At All	12%	14%
Don't Know / No Opinion (N=)	2% (321)	2% (310)

State Income Tax Amendment

“Let's turn to some recent proposals in the New Hampshire legislature...”

“Recently, the New Hampshire House of Representatives proposed an amendment to the New Hampshire Constitution which would prohibit the state from having an income tax. If this amendment were to pass the New Hampshire Senate, it would be on the ballot in November. As of now, would you say you would vote for or against the proposed amendment to prohibit an income tax, or don't you know enough about this to say?”

	<u>Feb. '12</u>
Vote For	39%
Vote Against	41%
Don't Know (N=)	20% (520)

Voter ID Law

“The New Hampshire legislature is considering a law that would require people to show a photo ID, such as a driver's license, in order to vote in elections in New Hampshire. Would you support or oppose a law that required people to show a photo ID in order to vote in elections in New Hampshire, or don't you know enough about this to say?”

IF SUPPORT OR OPPOSE: “Is that strongly or just somewhat?”

	<u>Feb. '12</u>
Strongly Support	53%
Somewhat Support	15%
Neutral/Don't Know	7%
Somewhat Oppose	6%
Strongly Oppose (N=)	18% (525)

Northern Pass

“Let’s change the subject again.”

“How familiar are you with an electrical transmission project called the Northern Pass project? Would you say you are very familiar with it ... somewhat familiar ... not very familiar ... or not at all familiar?”

	<u>Apr. '11</u>	<u>Feb. '12</u>
Very Familiar	9%	13%
Somewhat Familiar	36%	41%
Not Very Familiar	18%	20%
Not At All Familiar	35%	25%
Don't Know / No Opinion	2%	1%
(N=)	(502)	(527)

“Based on what you have seen or heard, would you say you support or oppose the Northern Pass project?”

“Is that strongly or just somewhat?”

	<u>Apr. '11</u>	<u>Feb. '12</u>
Strongly Support	14%	16%
Somewhat Support	19%	26%
Neutral/Don't Know	30%	21%
Somewhat Oppose	15%	14%
Strongly Oppose	23%	23%
(N=)	(316)	(383)

NH Legislature Approval Rating

STATEWIDE	<u>Approve</u> 42%	<u>Neutral</u> 20%	<u>Disapprove</u> 38%	<u>(N=)</u> 522
Democrat	32%	14%	55%	222
Independent	39%	30%	32%	106
Republican	60%	18%	22%	176
Liberal	29%	18%	53%	113
Moderate	42%	16%	42%	221
Conservative	55%	21%	24%	153
Support Tea Party	63%	15%	23%	125
Neutral	40%	28%	32%	160
Oppose Tea Party	32%	12%	56%	208
McCain/Palin Voter	55%	20%	25%	178
Obama/Biden Voter	32%	16%	52%	252
Other	54%	22%	24%	26
Did Not Vote in 2008	47%	32%	21%	48
Union household	22%	10%	68%	62
Non union	46%	20%	34%	453
Read Union Leader	43%	17%	41%	119
Read Boston Globe	35%	9%	56%	81
Watch WMUR	45%	19%	36%	333
Listen to NHPR	34%	12%	54%	176
10 yrs or less in NH	42%	26%	31%	83
11 to 20 years	43%	24%	33%	99
More than 20 years	43%	16%	41%	328
18 to 34	59%	15%	27%	79
35 to 49	44%	22%	34%	81
50 to 64	45%	15%	40%	152
65 and over	34%	20%	46%	139
Male	45%	17%	39%	256
Female	40%	23%	37%	266
High school or less	39%	30%	31%	127
Some college	44%	21%	35%	139
College graduate	45%	17%	38%	146
Post graduate	43%	7%	50%	106
Less than \$30K	43%	29%	28%	57
\$30K to \$60K	41%	16%	43%	97
\$60K to \$75K	49%	14%	37%	33
\$75K to \$100K	40%	13%	47%	41
\$100K or more	47%	11%	41%	89
Attend services 1 or more/week	43%	20%	37%	125
1 2 times a month	47%	10%	43%	56
Less often	39%	21%	40%	145
Never	45%	22%	33%	175
North Country	44%	33%	23%	42
Central / Lakes	42%	17%	41%	91
Connecticut Valley	42%	13%	45%	80
Mass Border	45%	21%	34%	133
Seacoast	43%	21%	36%	111
Manchester Area	36%	18%	46%	65
First Cong. Dist	42%	21%	36%	250
Second Cong. Dist	42%	18%	40%	272

Favorability Rating – Bill O’Brien

	<u>Favorable</u> 16%	<u>Neutral</u> 9%	<u>Unfavorable</u> 25%	<u>Don't Know</u> 50%	<u>(N=)</u> 526
STATEWIDE					
Democrat	10%	7%	37%	46%	224
Independent	12%	8%	24%	55%	107
Republican	27%	11%	12%	50%	177
Liberal	8%	9%	31%	52%	115
Moderate	16%	6%	35%	42%	221
Conservative	25%	13%	8%	55%	153
Support Tea Party	27%	14%	11%	47%	125
Neutral	18%	9%	13%	60%	161
Oppose Tea Party	10%	6%	47%	37%	209
McCain/Palin Voter	25%	13%	14%	48%	180
Obama/Biden Voter	9%	7%	38%	46%	253
Other	31%	5%	9%	54%	26
Did Not Vote in 2008	13%	7%	11%	69%	48
Union household	8%	6%	37%	49%	62
Non union	17%	9%	24%	49%	458
Read Union Leader	23%	8%	27%	42%	119
Read Boston Globe	17%	3%	36%	44%	83
Watch WMUR	18%	9%	23%	49%	335
Listen to NHPR	15%	6%	39%	40%	177
10 yrs or less in NH	16%	11%	10%	63%	83
11 to 20 years	17%	11%	16%	56%	99
More than 20 years	16%	8%	33%	43%	330
18 to 34	16%	8%	26%	51%	80
35 to 49	14%	19%	19%	49%	81
50 to 64	14%	9%	26%	51%	153
65 and over	20%	7%	31%	42%	140
Male	20%	10%	28%	42%	257
Female	12%	8%	23%	57%	269
High school or less	10%	8%	21%	61%	129
Some college	20%	9%	16%	55%	141
College graduate	16%	14%	24%	46%	147
Post graduate	18%	4%	44%	34%	105
Less than \$30K	17%	16%	18%	48%	59
\$30K to \$60K	13%	6%	25%	56%	97
\$60K to \$75K	31%	6%	41%	22%	33
\$75K to \$100K	8%	6%	23%	63%	41
\$100K or more	22%	14%	25%	38%	90
Attend services 1 or more/week	25%	7%	26%	42%	126
1 2 times a month	28%	6%	26%	39%	56
Less often	14%	11%	29%	46%	144
Never	8%	10%	21%	61%	177
North Country	9%	16%	15%	61%	42
Central / Lakes	19%	9%	35%	37%	91
Connecticut Valley	20%	9%	27%	45%	80
Mass Border	14%	6%	27%	53%	134
Seacoast	17%	11%	23%	49%	114
Manchester Area	13%	9%	16%	62%	65
First Cong. Dist	17%	10%	22%	51%	255
Second Cong. Dist	16%	9%	28%	48%	271

Favorability Rating – Peter Bragdon

	<u>Favorable</u> 13%	<u>Neutral</u> 10%	<u>Unfavorable</u> 11%	<u>Don't Know</u> 66%	<u>(N=)</u> 525
STATEWIDE					
Democrat	9%	9%	17%	65%	224
Independent	15%	9%	8%	68%	107
Republican	18%	11%	4%	66%	177
Liberal	7%	9%	14%	70%	113
Moderate	14%	11%	15%	60%	222
Conservative	17%	10%	3%	70%	154
Support Tea Party	21%	12%	3%	64%	125
Neutral	8%	8%	6%	77%	161
Oppose Tea Party	13%	10%	20%	57%	209
McCain/Palin Voter	19%	12%	4%	66%	180
Obama/Biden Voter	11%	10%	16%	63%	253
Other	14%	5%	18%	63%	26
Did Not Vote in 2008	9%	7%	2%	82%	48
Union household	12%	12%	14%	63%	62
Non union	13%	10%	10%	66%	457
Read Union Leader	13%	11%	10%	67%	119
Read Boston Globe	14%	11%	17%	58%	82
Watch WMUR	14%	11%	9%	66%	334
Listen to NHPR	17%	9%	18%	57%	175
10 yrs or less in NH	10%	10%	7%	73%	82
11 to 20 years	15%	7%	9%	69%	100
More than 20 years	13%	11%	12%	63%	330
18 to 34	13%	13%	10%	64%	80
35 to 49	10%	11%	11%	68%	80
50 to 64	12%	10%	10%	68%	153
65 and over	18%	7%	11%	64%	139
Male	18%	10%	11%	61%	257
Female	9%	10%	10%	71%	269
High school or less	14%	8%	6%	72%	129
Some college	7%	10%	5%	77%	141
College graduate	9%	13%	13%	65%	146
Post graduate	27%	9%	19%	46%	106
Less than \$30K	20%	12%	6%	62%	59
\$30K to \$60K	14%	7%	12%	67%	97
\$60K to \$75K	6%	10%	25%	59%	32
\$75K to \$100K	4%	12%	8%	76%	41
\$100K or more	20%	15%	10%	55%	88
Attend services 1 or more/week	15%	9%	11%	64%	125
1 2 times a month	25%	6%	9%	60%	56
Less often	16%	11%	10%	63%	145
Never	7%	10%	10%	72%	176
North Country	2%	9%	0%	89%	42
Central / Lakes	20%	12%	9%	59%	90
Connecticut Valley	19%	11%	13%	57%	80
Mass Border	16%	9%	14%	61%	134
Seacoast	8%	10%	11%	71%	113
Manchester Area	9%	10%	8%	74%	67
First Cong. Dist	8%	10%	8%	73%	255
Second Cong. Dist	18%	10%	13%	59%	271

Support/Oppose Repealing Gay Marriage in NH

	<u>Strongly Support</u> 23%	<u>Somewhat Support</u> 9%	<u>Neutral/ Don't Know</u> 8%	<u>Somewhat Oppose</u> 11%	<u>Strongly Oppose</u> 48%	<u>(N=)</u> 521
STATEWIDE – Feb. ‘12						
Democrat	5%	4%	6%	12%	73%	225
Independent	31%	6%	16%	7%	40%	105
Republican	41%	17%	4%	13%	24%	174
Liberal	4%	5%	8%	6%	78%	115
Moderate	15%	9%	10%	12%	54%	219
Conservative	49%	14%	5%	12%	21%	150
Support Tea Party	47%	18%	6%	9%	20%	125
Neutral	21%	11%	9%	15%	44%	157
Oppose Tea Party	9%	4%	7%	10%	69%	209
McCain/Palin Voter	45%	18%	6%	11%	20%	179
Obama/Biden Voter	7%	4%	8%	10%	71%	252
Other	41%	7%	11%	24%	16%	26
Did Not Vote in 2008	14%	8%	12%	13%	53%	46
Union household	14%	14%	2%	8%	62%	60
Non union	24%	9%	8%	12%	47%	454
Read Union Leader	32%	15%	9%	9%	34%	116
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11 to 20 years	21%	8%	6%	13%	51%	99
More than 20 years	24%	10%	8%	12%	46%	328
18 to 34	7%	1%	6%	14%	71%	78
35 to 49	21%	7%	11%	16%	45%	79
50 to 64	25%	16%	6%	11%	42%	153
65 and over	29%	10%	10%	6%	46%	140
Male	25%	11%	10%	11%	43%	254
Female	21%	8%	6%	11%	54%	267
High school or less	24%	9%	9%	15%	43%	128
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Post graduate	18%	11%	5%	8%	58%	104
Less than \$30K	27%	6%	11%	5%	51%	59
\$30K to \$60K	24%	7%	10%	16%	44%	95
\$60K to \$75K	34%	5%	16%	6%	38%	33
\$75K to \$100K	18%	8%	2%	17%	55%	40
\$100K or more	12%	13%	9%	11%	56%	89
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Less often	15%	13%	10%	16%	47%	143
Never	15%	3%	8%	11%	63%	176
North Country	13%	13%	4%	14%	55%	42
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Connecticut Valley	19%	7%	13%	7%	54%	79
Mass Border	22%	13%	6%	12%	47%	133
Seacoast	27%	5%	9%	9%	50%	112
Manchester Area	24%	5%	8%	16%	46%	65
First Cong. Dist	24%	9%	8%	11%	47%	253
Second Cong. Dist	22%	10%	7%	11%	50%	268

**Upset if Gay Marriage WAS Repealed
(Opponents of Gay Marriage Repeal)**

	<u>Very Upset</u> 46%	<u>Somewhat Upset</u> 28%	<u>Not Too Upset</u> 9%	<u>Not Upset At All</u> 14%	<u>Don't Know</u> 2%	<u>(N=)</u> 310
STATEWIDE – Feb. '12						
Democrat	54%	32%	4%	8%	2%	190
Independent	44%	21%	20%	15%	0%	49
Republican	25%	27%	15%	33%	1%	65
Liberal	62%	31%	4%	0%	4%	96
Moderate	48%	32%	9%	10%	1%	145
Conservative	19%	21%	16%	44%	0%	48
Support Tea Party	27%	19%	13%	42%	0%	37
Neutral	35%	28%	12%	22%	4%	93
Oppose Tea Party	57%	32%	5%	4%	1%	166
McCain/Palin Voter	16%	31%	16%	34%	2%	55
Obama/Biden Voter	57%	27%	6%	8%	2%	204
Other	12%	59%	7%	22%	0%	11
Did Not Vote in 2008	45%	27%	11%	13%	4%	30
Union household	59%	28%	9%	4%	0%	42
Non union	44%	28%	9%	16%	2%	266
Read Union Leader	29%	33%	15%	18%	4%	50
Read Boston Globe	49%	24%	11%	10%	5%	53
Watch WMUR	47%	29%	9%	13%	2%	189
Listen to NHPR	57%	27%	11%	4%	1%	129
10 yrs or less in NH	48%	43%	1%	7%	0%	49
11 to 20 years	54%	17%	8%	18%	3%	64
More than 20 years	43%	29%	11%	15%	2%	192
18 to 34	53%	29%	8%	9%	2%	67
35 to 49	43%	33%	8%	15%	2%	48
50 to 64	43%	30%	9%	16%	2%	81
65 and over	49%	30%	6%	12%	3%	73
Male	34%	28%	13%	22%	3%	137
Female	56%	29%	6%	8%	1%	173
High school or less	41%	19%	16%	20%	4%	75
Some college	36%	32%	11%	18%	2%	73
College graduate	46%	33%	5%	15%	1%	93
Post graduate	63%	29%	2%	4%	1%	69
Less than \$30K	50%	25%	11%	8%	6%	33
\$30K to \$60K	40%	40%	6%	14%	0%	57
\$60K to \$75K	70%	25%	0%	4%	0%	15
\$75K to \$100K	44%	23%	11%	18%	4%	29
\$100K or more	45%	33%	5%	17%	0%	59
Attend services 1 or more/week	37%	27%	9%	22%	4%	46
1 2 times a month	49%	39%	4%	7%	0%	31
Less often	40%	28%	7%	21%	4%	89
Never	50%	30%	10%	9%	1%	129
North Country	35%	35%	8%	20%	2%	29
Central / Lakes	58%	12%	19%	12%	0%	48
Connecticut Valley	54%	22%	9%	10%	5%	47
Mass Border	40%	35%	3%	19%	3%	78
Seacoast	50%	36%	5%	8%	1%	66
Manchester Area	36%	25%	17%	20%	2%	41
First Cong. Dist	44%	29%	10%	16%	1%	147
Second Cong. Dist	48%	28%	8%	13%	3%	163

**Upset if Gay Marriage Was NOT Repealed
(Supporters of Gay Marriage Repeal)**

	Very Upset 23%	Somewhat Upset 38%	Not Too Upset 20%	Not Upset At All 16%	Don't Know 3%	(N=) 169
STATEWIDE – Feb. '12						
Democrat	12%	35%	21%	31%	0%	21
Independent	15%	29%	21%	21%	13%	39
Republican	28%	41%	20%	11%	0%	101
Liberal	22%	0%	18%	40%	20%	10
Moderate	21%	35%	28%	16%	0%	52
Conservative	25%	48%	13%	13%	1%	94
Support Tea Party	28%	42%	15%	14%	1%	80
Neutral	9%	36%	31%	16%	8%	50
Oppose Tea Party	28%	28%	19%	25%	0%	28
McCain/Palin Voter	25%	42%	21%	11%	1%	113
Obama/Biden Voter	23%	27%	12%	39%	0%	28
Other	29%	38%	25%	0%	7%	13
Did Not Vote in 2008	0%	40%	24%	25%	11%	10
Union household	5%	32%	48%	15%	0%	17
Non union	24%	39%	17%	16%	3%	149
Read Union Leader	21%	46%	19%	10%	4%	55
Read Boston Globe	8%	57%	20%	11%	5%	24
Watch WMUR	22%	39%	19%	18%	3%	119
Listen to NHPR	27%	35%	24%	15%	0%	35
10 yrs or less in NH	29%	30%	13%	25%	4%	25
11 to 20 years	22%	50%	20%	8%	0%	29
More than 20 years	22%	37%	22%	16%	4%	108
18 to 34	11%	18%	17%	25%	28%	7
35 to 49	23%	33%	26%	18%	0%	22
50 to 64	15%	43%	24%	17%	0%	63
65 and over	30%	39%	13%	12%	6%	54
Male	25%	37%	22%	16%	1%	93
Female	22%	39%	18%	16%	5%	77
High school or less	26%	35%	17%	20%	3%	42
Some college	23%	33%	24%	14%	6%	53
College graduate	14%	51%	22%	13%	0%	42
Post graduate	29%	34%	16%	18%	3%	30
Less than \$30K	9%	40%	19%	26%	5%	19
\$30K to \$60K	32%	29%	19%	10%	10%	29
\$60K to \$75K	12%	52%	23%	12%	0%	13
\$75K to \$100K	26%	35%	5%	34%	0%	10
\$100K or more	22%	26%	34%	19%	0%	22
Attend services 1 or more/week	33%	44%	15%	6%	3%	74
1 2 times a month	21%	58%	10%	11%	0%	17
Less often	16%	33%	19%	30%	3%	39
Never	10%	21%	35%	28%	6%	32
North Country	8%	8%	37%	36%	11%	11
Central / Lakes	4%	37%	31%	22%	5%	36
Connecticut Valley	37%	37%	14%	11%	0%	21
Mass Border	23%	52%	14%	9%	2%	46
Seacoast	45%	21%	15%	16%	3%	36
Manchester Area	13%	53%	20%	13%	0%	19
First Cong. Dist	25%	35%	21%	16%	2%	84
Second Cong. Dist	21%	40%	19%	15%	4%	85

Vote For/Against Amendment To Prohibit State Income Tax

STATEWIDE	<u>Vote For</u> 39%	<u>Vote Against</u> 41%	<u>Don't Know</u> 20%	<u>(N=)</u> 520
Democrat	23%	55%	22%	222
Independent	46%	30%	25%	105
Republican	55%	30%	15%	177
Liberal	20%	58%	23%	112
Moderate	38%	44%	18%	222
Conservative	57%	25%	18%	153
Support Tea Party	64%	24%	12%	125
Neutral	40%	34%	26%	159
Oppose Tea Party	26%	59%	15%	207
McCain/Palin Voter	56%	27%	17%	178
Obama/Biden Voter	24%	56%	20%	252
Other	68%	25%	7%	26
Did Not Vote in 2008	38%	26%	37%	46
Union household	35%	53%	12%	62
Non union	40%	40%	20%	452
Read Union Leader	48%	31%	21%	119
Read Boston Globe	36%	44%	20%	82
Watch WMUR	38%	42%	20%	332
Listen to NHPR	30%	53%	16%	175
10 yrs or less in NH	41%	31%	28%	81
11 to 20 years	43%	34%	23%	100
More than 20 years	37%	46%	17%	327
18 to 34	42%	32%	26%	80
35 to 49	44%	32%	24%	80
50 to 64	42%	46%	12%	152
65 and over	31%	48%	21%	138
Male	44%	41%	15%	257
Female	35%	41%	24%	264
High school or less	41%	32%	27%	126
Some college	33%	42%	25%	141
College graduate	45%	42%	14%	146
Post graduate	38%	50%	12%	104
Less than \$30K	31%	42%	27%	59
\$30K to \$60K	43%	43%	14%	97
\$60K to \$75K	36%	50%	14%	32
\$75K to \$100K	47%	30%	23%	41
\$100K or more	43%	42%	15%	90
Attend services 1 or more/week	44%	31%	25%	125
1 2 times a month	41%	53%	6%	56
Less often	36%	43%	21%	143
Never	36%	44%	19%	174
North Country	46%	31%	23%	42
Central / Lakes	30%	53%	17%	90
Connecticut Valley	32%	52%	17%	77
Mass Border	47%	30%	23%	132
Seacoast	36%	45%	19%	114
Manchester Area	46%	33%	21%	66
First Cong. Dist	42%	39%	19%	254
Second Cong. Dist	37%	43%	20%	266

Support/Oppose Voter ID Law

	<u>Strongly Support</u>	<u>Somewhat Support</u>	<u>Neutral/ Don't Know</u>	<u>Somewhat Oppose</u>	<u>Strongly Oppose</u>	<u>(N=)</u>
STATEWIDE	53%	15%	7%	6%	18%	525
Democrat	34%	18%	11%	7%	30%	225
Independent	55%	14%	8%	12%	10%	107
Republican	75%	12%	2%	2%	8%	176
Liberal	32%	14%	13%	9%	33%	114
Moderate	47%	16%	7%	8%	22%	221
Conservative	79%	14%	2%	3%	2%	154
Support Tea Party	83%	9%	3%	2%	3%	125
Neutral	59%	14%	6%	7%	15%	160
Oppose Tea Party	29%	19%	11%	10%	32%	210
McCain/Palin Voter	75%	14%	3%	2%	5%	179
Obama/Biden Voter	32%	17%	11%	9%	31%	254
Other	63%	11%	6%	16%	4%	26
Did Not Vote in 2008	69%	12%	7%	0%	12%	48
Union household	40%	17%	6%	3%	33%	62
Non union	55%	14%	8%	7%	16%	457
Read Union Leader	64%	12%	4%	5%	16%	119
Read Boston Globe	40%	13%	8%	9%	30%	81
Watch WMUR	57%	16%	7%	5%	15%	334
Listen to NHPR	38%	11%	8%	13%	30%	176
10 yrs or less in NH	55%	13%	3%	8%	20%	83
11 to 20 years	58%	12%	11%	3%	16%	99
More than 20 years	51%	16%	7%	7%	19%	330
18 to 34	66%	11%	2%	10%	12%	80
35 to 49	53%	13%	9%	9%	17%	79
50 to 64	52%	17%	6%	6%	18%	153
65 and over	51%	12%	8%	3%	26%	140
Male	57%	12%	7%	5%	20%	258
Female	50%	17%	8%	8%	17%	268
High school or less	51%	20%	8%	2%	18%	128
Some college	63%	15%	7%	4%	11%	141
College graduate	56%	14%	7%	8%	16%	147
Post graduate	40%	10%	5%	14%	31%	106
Less than \$30K	54%	13%	8%	4%	21%	59
\$30K to \$60K	43%	17%	10%	7%	22%	97
\$60K to \$75K	67%	13%	2%	8%	10%	32
\$75K to \$100K	55%	11%	4%	11%	19%	41
\$100K or more	53%	14%	2%	8%	22%	89
Attend services 1 or more/week	70%	9%	7%	2%	12%	125
1 2 times a month	53%	13%	1%	14%	20%	56
Less often	45%	19%	7%	7%	22%	145
Never	48%	16%	9%	7%	20%	176
North Country	55%	12%	17%	2%	14%	42
Central / Lakes	54%	13%	2%	9%	22%	90
Connecticut Valley	47%	14%	13%	6%	21%	80
Mass Border	53%	19%	4%	8%	16%	133
Seacoast	51%	13%	9%	5%	21%	114
Manchester Area	63%	15%	4%	6%	12%	67
First Cong. Dist	56%	14%	6%	5%	19%	256
Second Cong. Dist	51%	15%	9%	8%	18%	270

Familiar with Northern Pass

	<u>Very Familiar</u> 13%	<u>Somewhat Familiar</u> 41%	<u>Not Very Familiar</u> 20%	<u>Not At All Familiar</u> 25%	<u>Don't Know</u> 1%	<u>(N=)</u> 527
STATEWIDE						
Democrat	10%	44%	17%	29%	1%	225
Independent	19%	36%	22%	21%	1%	107
Republican	14%	42%	22%	22%	1%	178
Liberal	11%	38%	21%	30%	1%	115
Moderate	16%	45%	19%	19%	1%	222
Conservative	14%	37%	21%	26%	1%	154
Support Tea Party	18%	43%	22%	17%	0%	126
Neutral	11%	37%	16%	36%	0%	161
Oppose Tea Party	14%	46%	22%	18%	1%	210
McCain/Palin Voter	15%	40%	22%	22%	0%	181
Obama/Biden Voter	14%	43%	20%	23%	1%	254
Other	9%	54%	23%	14%	0%	26
Did Not Vote in 2008	6%	31%	17%	44%	2%	48
Union household	15%	37%	24%	23%	0%	62
Non union	13%	41%	20%	25%	1%	459
Read Union Leader	17%	46%	14%	23%	0%	119
Read Boston Globe	17%	42%	14%	27%	0%	83
Watch WMUR	13%	45%	21%	20%	1%	336
Listen to NHPR	21%	48%	13%	17%	2%	177
10 yrs or less in NH	6%	25%	31%	36%	2%	83
11 to 20 years	10%	37%	19%	34%	1%	100
More than 20 years	17%	46%	18%	18%	1%	331
18 to 34	15%	35%	18%	32%	0%	80
35 to 49	14%	42%	21%	20%	3%	81
50 to 64	14%	40%	24%	21%	0%	153
65 and over	14%	46%	16%	23%	1%	140
Male	18%	44%	19%	19%	0%	258
Female	9%	37%	22%	31%	1%	270
High school or less	11%	30%	22%	34%	3%	129
Some college	8%	45%	18%	29%	0%	142
College graduate	13%	42%	20%	25%	1%	147
Post graduate	22%	48%	21%	9%	0%	106
Less than \$30K	14%	29%	19%	37%	0%	59
\$30K to \$60K	15%	38%	32%	15%	0%	97
\$60K to \$75K	19%	30%	26%	22%	4%	33
\$75K to \$100K	18%	52%	12%	19%	0%	41
\$100K or more	16%	41%	19%	24%	0%	90
Attend services 1 or more/week	14%	46%	18%	22%	0%	126
1 2 times a month	14%	36%	22%	28%	0%	56
Less often	13%	42%	19%	26%	0%	145
Never	13%	38%	23%	23%	2%	177
North Country	13%	63%	15%	9%	0%	42
Central / Lakes	21%	45%	22%	11%	1%	91
Connecticut Valley	14%	40%	23%	23%	0%	80
Mass Border	10%	30%	21%	38%	1%	134
Seacoast	9%	44%	23%	23%	1%	114
Manchester Area	17%	37%	13%	31%	2%	67
First Cong. Dist	9%	42%	21%	26%	1%	256
Second Cong. Dist	17%	39%	19%	24%	0%	272

Support/Oppose Northern Pass

	<u>Strongly Support</u>	<u>Somewhat Support</u>	<u>Neutral/ Don't Know</u>	<u>Somewhat Oppose</u>	<u>Strongly Oppose</u>	<u>(N=)</u>
STATEWIDE	16%	26%	21%	14%	23%	383
Democrat	8%	25%	22%	18%	26%	154
Independent	7%	24%	25%	14%	30%	84
Republican	31%	28%	17%	10%	14%	131
Liberal	10%	23%	22%	17%	28%	78
Moderate	13%	26%	22%	13%	26%	171
Conservative	25%	31%	15%	15%	15%	110
Support Tea Party	29%	24%	19%	9%	19%	103
Neutral	12%	32%	19%	16%	20%	100
Oppose Tea Party	11%	25%	22%	17%	26%	166
McCain/Palin Voter	27%	27%	17%	13%	16%	136
Obama/Biden Voter	9%	26%	23%	14%	28%	188
Other	12%	23%	25%	25%	16%	22
Did Not Vote in 2008	10%	25%	21%	15%	29%	26
Union household	13%	19%	23%	20%	24%	46
Non union	16%	27%	20%	13%	23%	332
Read Union Leader	22%	21%	17%	14%	26%	90
Read Boston Globe	14%	30%	17%	11%	28%	59
Watch WMUR	17%	28%	20%	16%	19%	259
Listen to NHPR	11%	22%	16%	18%	33%	139
10 yrs or less in NH	6%	18%	30%	19%	27%	50
11 to 20 years	15%	20%	30%	13%	22%	65
More than 20 years	18%	29%	17%	14%	23%	261
18 to 34	12%	19%	16%	21%	33%	54
35 to 49	11%	27%	26%	14%	22%	61
50 to 64	16%	26%	19%	15%	24%	114
65 and over	22%	28%	18%	10%	21%	104
Male	15%	31%	21%	13%	20%	199
Female	17%	20%	22%	15%	25%	183
High school or less	20%	25%	25%	9%	21%	79
Some college	23%	28%	16%	14%	19%	99
College graduate	12%	22%	19%	19%	28%	109
Post graduate	11%	30%	23%	14%	22%	94
Less than \$30K	8%	38%	20%	16%	18%	37
\$30K to \$60K	13%	22%	23%	11%	31%	77
\$60K to \$75K	17%	33%	3%	16%	31%	23
\$75K to \$100K	19%	12%	23%	18%	27%	33
\$100K or more	20%	29%	23%	8%	21%	67
Attend services 1 or more/week	27%	29%	15%	17%	12%	97
1 2 times a month	23%	18%	25%	7%	27%	38
Less often	11%	31%	14%	12%	32%	103
Never	8%	24%	30%	15%	24%	128
North Country	14%	8%	27%	20%	30%	37
Central / Lakes	18%	20%	15%	16%	32%	78
Connecticut Valley	15%	30%	17%	9%	29%	60
Mass Border	18%	31%	21%	16%	15%	80
Seacoast	12%	36%	22%	15%	15%	84
Manchester Area	19%	19%	33%	8%	21%	44
First Cong. Dist	17%	29%	24%	16%	15%	180
Second Cong. Dist	15%	23%	19%	13%	30%	202