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# BUDGET, TAXES HURT CONNECTICUT GOV, QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLL FINDS; FOLEY TIES MALLOY, HAS BIG LEAD IN REPUBLICAN FIELD

Connecticut Gov. Dannel Malloy's handling of the state budget and taxes, including his failed promise to offer \$55 tax refunds, are big hurdles as he scores a split 48 – 46 percent job approval rating, with voters saying by a slight 48 – 44 percent margin he does <u>not</u> deserve to be reelected, according to a Quinnipiac University poll released today.

Gov. Malloy remains deadlocked 43 – 43 percent in a reelection battle with Republican challenger Tom Foley, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University poll finds. The incumbent edges State Senate Minority Leader John McKinney, 44 – 40 percent, and tops Danbury Mayor Mark Boughton 44 – 39 percent. He leads other little known challengers by margins of 8 to 10 percentage points.

One week before the Connecticut Republican Convention, Foley leads the GOP pack with 39 percent, followed by Boughton with 9 percent and McKinney with 8 percent. No other Republican tops 5 percent and 28 percent are undecided.

Malloy gets a divided 46-45 percent favorability rating. Foley's favorability is 36-23 percent, with 39 percent who don't know enough about him to form an opinion. For the other Republicans, anywhere from 71 percent to 84 percent don't know enough to form an opinion.

"It's deja-vu all over again as Connecticut Gov. Dannel Malloy and 2010 Republican standard-bearer Tom Foley remain locked in a dead heat," said Douglas Schwartz, PhD, director of the Quinnipiac University poll.

"One week before the Republican Convention, Foley is still the clear frontrunner. Mayor Mark Boughton, State Senate Minority Leader John McKinney and the rest of the pack are running way behind. Those trying to catch Foley are still struggling to gain name recognition,"

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"The good news for Gov. Malloy is that the negative headlines about his cancellation of the \$55 per person tax refund does not seem to affect his overall approval rating or his standing in the governor's race. The bad news is that almost all the Republicans are within single digits of Malloy, with Foley tied and Boughton and McKinney on his heels," Dr. Schwartz added.

Malloy's planned tax refund was a "campaign gimmick" which never should have been offered in the first place, Connecticut voters say 60 - 29 percent. But voters say 67 - 31 percent it is "fair to return some share of state revenues to taxpayers" when the state finances are good.

In an open-ended question, allowing for any answer, 18 percent of those who disapprove of the job Malloy is doing cite taxes as the main reason, while another 18 percent list the state budget or finances as 13 percent cite the economy or jobs.

Among those who approve of the job Malloy is doing, 13 percent cite his good job as governor and 9 percent list the state budget or finances.

Only 21 percent of voters say they are personally better off than they were four years ago, while 30 percent say they are worse off and 48 percent say they are about the same. The \$1.5 billion tax hike Malloy signed three years ago to close the budget deficit hurt the state economy, 32 percent of voters say, while 21 percent say it helped and 39 percent say it made no difference.

Looking at Malloy's character, Connecticut voters say 59 - 36 percent that he has strong leadership qualities, 57 - 33 percent that he is honest and trustworthy and 49 - 45 percent that he cares about their needs and problems.

Voters approve 45 - 39 percent of the way he is handling education, but give him negative grades for handling other issues:

- 35-53 percent for handling the budget;
- 32 61 percent for handling taxes;
- 38-55 percent for handling the economy and jobs.

"Economic issues are dragging Gov. Malloy down," Dr. Schwartz said. "A bright spot for Malloy is that voters think he has strong leadership qualities and is honest and trustworthy."

From May 1-6, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,668 registered voters with a margin of error of  $\pm$ 2.4 percentage points. The survey includes 443 Republicans with a margin of error of  $\pm$ 4.7 percentage points. Live interviewers call landlines and cell phones.

The Quinnipiac University Poll conducts public opinion surveys in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Florida, Ohio, Virginia, Iowa, Colorado and the nation as a public service and for research.

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1. (If Registered Republican) If the Republican primary for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were Mark Boughton, Martha Dean, Tom Foley, Mark Lauretti, John McKinney, and Joe Visconti, for whom would you vote?

	REGIS	REGISTERED		ANS					
				POLIT	POLITICAL PHILOSOPHY				
				Lib/	CONSER	CONSERVATIVE			
	Tot	Men	Wom	Mod	Smwht	Very	Party		
Boughton	9음	9%	9%	13%	6%	6%	6%		
Dean	5	5	6	4	6	8	10		
Foley	39	38	39	32	49	37	46		
Lauretti	3	4	1	-	2	8	5		
McKinney	8	11	5	10	10	4	2		
Visconti	4	5	1	2	3	7	4		
SMONE ELSE(VOL)	2	2	3	3	-	3	2		
WLDN'T VOTE(VOL)	2	2	2	3	2	-	_		
DK/NA	28	24	35	33	22	26	24		

TREND: (If Registered Republican) If the Republican primary for governor were being held today, and the candidates were Mark Boughton, Martha Dean, Tom Foley, Mark Lauretti, John McKinney, and Joe Visconti for whom would you vote?

		RED REPUI Mar 04 2014	
Boucher	na	2	na
Boughton	9	11	8
Cafero	na	na	4
Dean	5	na	na
Foley	39	36	36
Lauretti	3	6	na
McKinney	8	3	11
Visconti	4	3	na
SMONE ELSE(VOL)	2	1	1
WLDN'T VOTE(VOL)	2	2	4
DK/NA	28	35	37

2. If the election for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were Tom Foley the Republican and Dan Malloy the Democrat, for whom would you vote?

						AGE IN YRS				
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Foley	43%	90%	11%	44%	50%	37%	23%	43%	48%	46%
Malloy	43	5	78	38	38	48	55	42	42	41
SMONE ELSE(VOL)	1	1	_	1	-	1	1	1	_	1
WLDN'T VOTE(VOL)	2	1	2	3	2	2	4	3	2	1
DK/NA	10	4	9	14	9	11	17	11	8	10

TREND: If the election for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were Tom Foley the Republican and Dan Malloy the Democrat, for whom would you vote?

	May 09 2014	Mar 04 2014	Jun 19 2013
Foley	43	42	43
Malloy	43	42	40
SMONE ELSE(VOL)	1	1	1
WLDN'T VOTE(VOL)	2	3	2
DK/NA	10	11	14

3. If the election for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were John McKinney the Republican and Dan Malloy the Democrat, for whom would you vote?

						AGE IN YRS				
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
McKinney	40%	85%	11%	40%	46%	35%	28%	39%	44%	42%
Malloy	44	6	78	39	38	49	55	45	42	40
SMONE ELSE(VOL)	1	2	1	2	2	1	1	2	1	2
WLDN'T VOTE(VOL)	2	2	1	4	3	2	4	3	2	2
DK/NA	12	6	10	15	11	13	13	11	12	14

TREND: If the election for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were John McKinney the Republican and Dan Malloy the Democrat, for whom would you vote?

	May 09 2014	Mar 04 2014	Jun 19 2013
McKinney	40	37	37
Malloy	44	43	44
SMONE ELSE(VOL)	1	1	1
WLDN'T VOTE(VOL)	2	4	3
DK/NA	12	14	15

4. If the election for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were Mark Boughton the Republican and Dan Malloy the Democrat, for whom would you vote?

							AGE IN	YRS		
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Boughton	39%	83%	10%	39%	47%	32%	29%	40%	42%	38%
Malloy	44	7	78	39	38	50	51	47	41	43
SMONE ELSE(VOL)	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	1	-	_
WLDN'T VOTE(VOL)	3	1	1	4	3	2	4	2	3	2
DK/NA	13	8	10	17	12	14	15	10	14	17

TREND: If the election for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were Mark Boughton the Republican and Dan Malloy the Democrat, for whom would you vote?

May 09 2014	Mar 04 2014	Jun 1 2013
39	35	36
44	44	43
1	2	1
3	3	3
13	16	16
	2014 39 44 1 3	2014 2014 39 35 44 44 1 2 3 3

5. If the election for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were Mark Lauretti the Republican and Dan Malloy the Democrat, for whom would you vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Lauretti	37%	80%	11%	38%	44%	32%	26%	38%	41%	37%
Malloy	45	9	76	40	40	49	50	47	42	43
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	2	1	1	2	1	3	2	1	1
WLDN'T VOTE(VOL)	3	2	2	3	3	3	6	2	3	3
DK/NA	14	7	10	18	12	16	15	11	14	17

TREND: If the election for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were Mark Lauretti the Republican and Dan Malloy the Democrat, for whom would you vote?

	May 09	Mar 04
	2014	2014
Lauretti	37	34
Malloy	45	44
SMONE ELSE(VOL)	1	2
WLDN'T VOTE(VOL)	3	3
DK/NA	14	16

6. If the election for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were Joe Visconti the Republican and Dan Malloy the Democrat, for whom would you vote?

						AGE IN YRS				
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Visconti	36%	80%	7%	37%	43%	31%	30%	38%	38%	35%
Malloy	46	9	81	40	41	50	55	46	44	44
SMONE ELSE(VOL)	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	1	1
WLDN'T VOTE(VOL)	3	2	1	3	3	2	3	2	3	3
DK/NA	14	8	10	18	12	15	11	12	14	17

TREND: If the election for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were Joe Visconti the Republican and Dan Malloy the Democrat, for whom would you vote?

	May 09 2014	Mar 04 2014
Visconti	36	34
Malloy	46	45
SMONE ELSE(VOL)	1	2
WLDN'T VOTE(VOL)	3	3
DK/NA	14	16

7. If the election for Governor were being held today, and the candidates were Martha Dean the Republican and Dan Malloy the Democrat, for whom would you vote?

							AGE IN	YRS		
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Dean	37%	80%	8%	38%	44%	31%	29%	39%	40%	35%
Malloy	46	8	81	39	42	50	56	47	43	44
SMONE ELSE(VOL)	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	1
WLDN'T VOTE(VOL)	3	3	1	4	3	3	4	2	3	4
DK/NA	13	9	8	18	11	15	11	11	14	17

8. Is your opinion of Tom Foley favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

							AGE IN			
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	36%	66%	18%	34%	42%	31%	23%	31%	40%	42%
Unfavorable	23	7	33	24	26	21	16	22	26	25
Hvn't hrd enough	39	25	47	40	32	45	59	45	33	30
REFUSED	2	1	2	2	1	3	2	2	2	3

TREND: Is your opinion of Tom Foley favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

						FAVORAB	LE
	May 09 2014	Mar 04 2014	Jun 19 2013	Aug 05 2010	Jan 21 2010	High Mar 04 2014	Low Apr 02 2009
Favorable	36	38	35	25	31	38	12
Unfavorable	23	21	18	24	6	21	6
Hvn't hrd enough	39	39	46	48	62	39	80
REFUSED	2	2	2	3	1	2	1

9. Is your opinion of Dan Malloy favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

							AGE IN	YRS	YRS		
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+	
Favorable	46%	13%	75%	43%	39%	53%	53%	47%	44%	44%	
Unfavorable	45	82	17	47	51	39	31	45	49	45	
Hvn't hrd enough	6	4	6	7	7	6	13	7	4	5	
REFUSED	3	2	2	3	3	2	2	1	3	5	

TREND: Is your opinion of Dan Malloy favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	May 09 2014	Mar 04 2014	Jun 19 2013	Aug 05 2010	Jan 21 2010	Nov 10 2009	Feb 10 2009
Favorable	46	46	46	40	32	21	19
Unfavorable	45	43	44	15	7	10	11
Hvn't hrd enough	6	8	7	44	59	67	69
REFUSED	3	3	3	2	2	2	1

10. Is your opinion of John McKinney favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

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	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	20%	34%	12%	20%	24%	17%	27%	14%	21%	24%
Unfavorable	8	4	10	9	10	7	11	9	7	7
Hvn't hrd enough	71	61	77	71	65	76	62	76	72	67
REFUSED	1	1	1	_	1	1	_	1	1	2

TREND: Is your opinion of John McKinney favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	May 09 2014	Mar 04 2014	Jun 19 2013
Favorable	20	19	16
Unfavorable	8	8	8
Hvn't hrd enough	71	72	75
REFUSED	1	1	1

11. Is your opinion of Mark Boughton favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

							AGE IN	YRS		
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	15%	26%	7%	15%	20%	10%	13%	14%	17%	14%
Unfavorable	6	1	10	6	7	6	14	5	4	5
Hvn't hrd enough	79	72	83	78	73	84	73	80	79	80
REFUSED	-	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	-	1

TREND: Is your opinion of Mark Boughton favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	May 09 2014	Mar 04 2014	Jun 19 2013	Jan 21 2010
Favorable	15	12	11	7
Unfavorable	6	4	5	2
Hvn't hrd enough	79	82	84	90
REFUSED	_	1	_	1

12. Is your opinion of Mark Lauretti favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

			AGE I				AGE IN	YRS			
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+	
Favorable	10%	22%	4%	10%	14%	7%	13%	10%	10%	9%	
Unfavorable	7	4	9	7	8	6	7	7	6	7	
Hvn't hrd enough	82	73	86	83	77	86	80	82	83	83	
REFUSED	1	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	1	1	

TREND: Is your opinion of Mark Lauretti favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	May 09 2014	Mar 04 2014
Favorable	10	10
Unfavorable	7	4
Hvn't hrd enough	82	85
REFUSED	1	1

13. Is your opinion of Joe Visconti favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

							AGE IN	YRS		
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	9%	17%	4%	9%	13%	6%	12%	11%	8%	7%
Unfavorable	7	3	9	6	9	4	16	5	6	5
Hvn't hrd enough	84	79	87	84	78	89	70	83	86	87
REFUSED	1	_	1	-	-	1	2	-	_	1

TREND: Is your opinion of Joe Visconti favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	May 09 2014	Mar 04 2014
Favorable	9	7
Unfavorable	7	4
Hvn't hrd enough	84	89
REFUSED	1	1

14. Is your opinion of Martha Dean favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about her?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN 18-29		50-64	65+
Favorable	13%	22%	4%	15%	15%	11%	12%	15%	12%	10%
Unfavorable	13	8	16	14	16	12	11	11	13	18
Hvn't hrd enough	73	69	81	70	69	77	77	74	74	70
REFUSED	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	2

15. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Dan Malloy is handling his job as Governor?

								AGE IN YRS				
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+		
Approve	48%	14%	78%	43%	41%	53%	58%	49%	46%	42%		
Disapprove	46	83	17	49	53	39	29	45	49	51		
DK/NA	7	3	5	8	6	7	13	6	5	7		

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Dan Malloy is handling his job as Governor? (\* High also 48% Mar 2014, Mar 12 2013)

						APPROVE	
						High	Low
	May 09	Mar 04	Jun 19	Mar 12	Mar 06	May 09	Mar 09
	2014	2014	2013	2013	2013	2014*	2011
Approve	48	48	47	48	43	48	35
Disapprove	46	45	47	39	43	46	40
DK/NA	7	7	6	13	15	7	25

15a. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Dan Malloy is handling his job as Governor? COMBINED WITH: (If approve/disapprove q15) Do you approve/disapprove...strongly or somewhat?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	 65+
Approve strongly	18%	3%	35%	13%	16%	19%	19%	17%	18%	18%
Approve somewhat	29	10	42	30	25	34	39	32	28	23
Disapprove somewhat	17	23	10	20	19	16	13	18	17	19
Disapprove strongly	29	60	7	29	34	24	17	26	32	32
DK/NA	7	3	6	8	6	8	13	6	5	8

16a. (If approve q15) What is the main reason you approve of the way Dan Malloy is handling his job as Governor?

	Approve Malloy Q15
Budget/State finances Budget/Tax surplus	8% 1
Taxes - General	1
Economy/Jobs	4
Minimum wage	2
Unions	1
Education/Teachers	3
Gun control	3
Policies - General Policies - Other specific	2 3
Storm management Crisis management Handling Sandy Hook	2 4 1
Democrat/Party Political Philosophy	2 1
Good job as Governor Strong Leader/Person Decisive Hard worker Smart/Capable/Competent Effective/Gets things done Good communication skills	13 2 1 2 2 2 5 1
Cares about people/State Straight forward/Direct Honest/Trustworthy Just like him	7 2 2 5

Other DK/NA 8

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16b. (If disapprove q15) What is the main reason you disapprove of the way Dan Malloy is handling his job as Governor?

	Disapprove	Malloy	Q15
Budget/State finances	18%		
Cuts to services	1		
Taxes - General Taxes - Other specific	16 2		
Economy/Jobs Losing businesses	11 2		
Minimum Wage	1		
Unions - General State employee unions	1 1		
Education/Teachers	4		
Gun control	6		
Policies - General Policies - Other specific	1 3		
Handling Sandy Hook	1		
Democrat/Party Political Philosophy Too partisan/Doesn't work	1 1		
with other party	2		
Poor job as Governor Indecisive Not Smart/Not Capable/	2 1		
Incompetent Ineffective/Doesn't get	2		
things done	1		
Doesn't care about people/State Not Honest/Not Trustworthy Just don't like him	4 6 3		
0.1	6		

Other

DK/NA

17. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the state legislature is handling its job?

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	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	35%	23%	54%	30%	31%	38%	49%	37%	33%	29%
Disapprove	41	60	20	47	53	31	28	38	45	47
DK/NA	23	17	26	24	16	30	22	25	22	24

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the state legislature is handling its job?

						APPROVE	
						High	Low
	May 09	Mar 04	Jun 19	Mar 12	Jun 06	Jun 03	Sep 15
	2014	2014	2013	2013	2012	2004	2011
Approve	35	35	33	38	35	48	27
Disapprove	41	50	54	47	51	33	57
DK/NA	23	15	12	15	14	19	16

18. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Chris Murphy is handling his job as United States Senator?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	51%	27%	73%	48%	45%	56%	54%	50%	51%	50%
Disapprove DK/NA	29 20	58 15	9 18	29 23	39 16	20 24	29 17	26 24	30 19	33 17

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Chris Murphy is handling his job as United States Senator?

	May 09 2014	Mar 06 2014	Jun 19 2013	Mar 12 2013
Approve	51	53	52	50
Disapprove	29	31	32	34
DK/NA	20	16	16	16

19. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Richard Blumenthal is handling his job as United States Senator?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	64%	40%	83%	63%	56%	71%	49%	66%	67%	62%
Disapprove	26	52	7	28	37	17	30	22	26	31
DK/NA	10	9	10	9	7	12	21	12	6	6

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Richard Blumenthal is handling his job as United States Senator? (\* High also 64% Mar 2012)

						APPROVE			
						High	Low		
	May 09	Mar 06	Jun 19	Mar 12	Jun 06	May 09	Mar 09		
	2014	2014	2013	2013	2012	2014*	2011		
Approve	64	61	62	63	61	64	49		
Disapprove	26	31	28	27	25	26	25		
DK/NA	10	8	10	10	14	10	26		

20. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	48%	7%	85%	43%	42%	54%	55%	51%	47%	44%
Disapprove	48	92	12	52	54	42	40	45	50	52
DK/NA	4	1	4	5	3	4	6	5	2	4

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? (\*High also 71% Apr 2009)

						APPROVE			
						High	Low		
	May 09	Mar 04	Jun 19	Mar 12	Jun 06	May 27	Mar 04		
	2014	2014	2013	2013	2012	2009*	2014		
Approve	48	45	50	53	53	71	45		
Disapprove	48	51	46	44	43	22	51		
DK/NA	4	4	4	3	4	7	4		

21. Do you feel that Dan Malloy deserves to be reelected, or do you feel that he does not deserve to be reelected?

	AGE IN YRS							YRS			
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+	
Yes/Deserves	44%	9%	75%	40%	37%	49%	47%	44%	44%	42%	
No/Does not	48	87	18	51	56	42	44	48	49	49	
DK/NA	8	4	7	9	7	9	8	8	6	9	

TREND: Do you feel that Dan Malloy deserves to be reelected, or do you feel that he does not deserve to be reelected?

	May 09 2014	Mar 04 2014	Jun 19 2013	Mar 12 2013
Yes/Deserves	44	45	44	42
No/Does not	48	46	46	45
DK/NA	8	9	10	13

22. In general, how satisfied are you with the way things are going in Connecticut today; are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Very satisfied	4%	1%	10%	2%	4%	4%	3%	3%	4%	7%
Smwht satisfied	40	14	64	35	35	44	50	40	38	34
Smwht dissatisfied	28	29	17	35	28	28	26	33	26	26
Very dissatisfied	28	55	8	28	33	23	20	24	32	33
DK/NA	_	-	1	1	_	1	1	-	_	1

TREND: In general, how satisfied are you with the way things are going in Connecticut today; are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

						VERY+SM	WHT SAT
						High	Low
	May 09	Mar 04	Jun 19	Mar 12	Jun 06	Oct 21	Sep 15
	2014	2014	2013	2013	2012	1998	2011
Very satisfied	4	4	4	4	4	21	2
Smwht satisfied	40	37	37	36	37	62	27
Smwht dissatisfied	28	31	28	31	33	14	39
Very dissatisfied	28	28	30	28	26	3	32
DK/NA	-	-	1	-	-	-	1

#### 23. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Dan Malloy is handling - the budget?

				_ ,			AGE IN YRS				
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+	
Approve	35%	10%	62%	29%	33%	37%	46%	34%	35%	34%	
Disapprove	53	85	24	58	59	48	43	53	57	52	
DK/NA	11	5	14	12	8	14	12	13	8	14	

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Dan Malloy is handling the budget?

	May 09 2014	Mar 06 2014	Jun 19 2013	Mar 12 2013	Apr 25 2012	APPROVE High Mar 06 2014	Low Apr 25 2012
Approve	35	37	35	33	31	37	31
Disapprove DK/NA	53 11	53 10	55 10	57 10	54 15	53 10	54 15

#### 24. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Dan Malloy is handling - education?

							AGE IN YRS					
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+		
Approve	45%	25%	65%	43%	46%	45%	52%	44%	48%	42%		
Disapprove	39	64	19	41	41	38	34	43	37	38		
DK/NA	15	12	16	16	14	17	14	13	15	21		

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Dan Malloy is handling education?

	May 09 2014	Mar 06 2014	Jun 19 2013	Mar 12 2013	Apr 25 2012	Mar 21 2012
Approve	45	41	43	45	38	36
Disapprove	39	43	43	39	43	41
DK/NA	15	15	15	16	20	23

### 25. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Dan Malloy is handling - taxes?

							AGE IN	IN YRS			
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+	
Approve	32%	9%	56%	27%	30%	34%	44%	32%	31%	29%	
Disapprove	61	90	33	67	65	58	45	64	64	61	
DK/NA	6	1	11	6	4	8	11	5	5	10	
TREND. Do vou a	pprove or d	isappro	we of t	he way	Dan Mal	lov is	handling	taxes?			

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Dan Malloy is handling taxes?

	May 09 2014	Mar 06 2014	Jun 19 2013	Mar 12 2013	Apr 25 2012
Approve	32	29	29	29	25
Disapprove	61	63	63	61	64
DK/NA	6	8	8	10	11

#### 26. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Dan Malloy is handling - the economy and jobs?

							AGE IN YRS			
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	38%	7%	66%	33%	34%	41%	46%	39%	37%	34%
Disapprove	55	90	25	59	61	50	47	56	56	56
DK/NA	7	3	9	8	5	9	7	5	7	10

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Dan Malloy is handling the economy and jobs? (\* the economy)

	May 09 2014	Mar 06 2014	Jun 19 2013*	Mar 12 2013*	Apr 25 2012*
Approve	38	33	35	35	31
Disapprove	55	60	57	56	56
DK/NA	7	7	8	9	13

#### 28. Would you say that Dan Malloy - has strong leadership qualities or not?

							AGE IN YRS				
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+	
Yes	59%	34%	83%	56%	57%	62%	69%	61%	58%	54%	
No	36	63	12	39	40	33	24	34	38	40	
DK/NA	5	3	5	5	4	6	7	4	3	5	

TREND: Would you say that Dan Malloy has strong leadership qualities or not?

	_	Mar 04 2014	Jun 19 2013
Yes No	59 36	60 35	57 38
DK/NA	5	5	5

#### 29. Would you say that Dan Malloy - is honest and trustworthy or not?

							AGE IN	AGE IN YRS			
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+	
Yes	57%	37%	80%	53%	55%	59%	59%	56%	58%	58%	
No	33	53	13	36	36	30	32	36	33	29	
DK/NA	10	10	7	11	9	11	9	9	9	13	

TREND: Would you say that Dan Malloy is honest and trustworthy or not?

	-	Mar 04 2014	Jun 19 2013
Yes	57	59	57
No	33	33	33
DK/NA	10	9	10

30. Would you say that Dan Malloy - cares about the needs and problems of people like you or not?

							AGE IN YRS				
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+	
Yes	49%	22%	75%	45%	44%	52%	61%	46%	48%	46%	
No	45	75	19	49	51	41	33	48	48	45	
DK/NA	6	4	6	6	5	7	6	6	4	8	

TREND: Would you say that Dan Malloy cares about the needs and problems of people like you or not?

	May 09 2014	Mar 04 2014	Jun 19 2013
Yes	49	50	47
No	45	45	47
DK/NA	6	5	6

36. Would you describe the state of Connecticut's economy these days as excellent, good, not so good, or poor?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Excellent	1%	1%	1%	_	1%	_	_	1%	_	1%
Good	30	15	50	24	28	32	43	34	26	24
Not so good	40	35	36	44	38	41	36	40	41	39
Poor	29	49	11	31	33	25	18	25	32	34
DK/NA	1	-	2	1	1	1	3	1	-	1

TREND: Would you describe the state of Connecticut's economy these days as excellent, good, not so good, or poor?

						EXCLNT+	GOOD
						High	Low
	May 09	Mar 06	Jun 19	Apr 25	Jun 15	Dec 20	Feb 10
	2014	2014	2013	2012	2011	2001	2009
Excellent	1	_	1	_	_	3	_
Good	30	24	23	19	15	51	6
Not so good	40	45	41	51	48	38	53
Poor	29	28	34	28	35	7	39
DK/NA	1	2	2	1	-	1	1

37a. (If economy excellent/good q36) How much credit do you give Governor Malloy for the state of Connecticut's economy; a lot, some, not much, or none at all?

Economy	excellent	/Good	036

A lot	15%				
Some	64				
Not much	14				
None at all	4				
DK/NA	2				

37b. (If economy not so good/poor q36) How much blame do you give Governor Malloy for the state of Connecticut's economy; a lot, some, not much, or none at all?

#### Economy not so good/Poor Q36

A lot	27
Some	49
Not much	17
None at all	6
DK/NA	1

38. Do you think Connecticut's economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Better	21%	8%	36%	16%	19%	22%	29%	19%	22%	19%
Worse	27	44	11	30	30	25	24	21	30	34
The same	50	46	51	52	50	50	46	59	48	44
DK/NA	1	1	2	2	1	2	1	1	1	3

TREND: Do you think Connecticut's economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same? (\*the state's economy)

	May 09 2014	Mar 06 2014	Jun 19 2013	Aug 01 2002*	Feb 22 2001
Better	21	16	20	12	16
Worse	27	30	31	34	22
The same	50	52	48	52	60
DK/NA	1	2	1	2	3

39. Compared with four years ago, do you think Connecticut's economy is better today, worse today, or about the same?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Better Worse About the same DK/NA	31% 32 35	10% 57 32	49% 13 35 4	29% 34 35	32% 34 33	30% 30 36 3	42% 26 28 5	34% 30 33	30% 34 35	23% 36 39

40. Compared with four years ago, are you and your family financially better off today, worse off today, or about the same?

							AGE IN YRS				
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+	
Better off	21%	14%	30%	18%	22%	20%	38%	27%	17%	10%	
Worse off	30	42	17	33	29	31	24	25	35	34	
About the same	48	44	52	48	48	48	38	47	48	54	
DK/NA	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	

43. How much have you heard or read about Governor Malloy withdrawing his proposed \$55 tax refund due to a lower than anticipated budget surplus; a lot, some, not much, or nothing at all?

		_	_	_ ,			AGE IN			
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
A lot	27%	36%	20%	29%	32%	23%	8%	24%	30%	38%
Some	31	30	30	33	30	31	24	28	35	30
Not much	16	13	20	14	14	19	19	18	16	14
Nothing at all	24	20	28	23	22	25	47	29	18	14
DK/NA	2	1	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	3

44. (Intro q44-45: Do you agree or disagree with the following statements) Malloy's tax refund should have never been offered in the first place because it was only a campaign gimmick. Do you agree or disagree?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN 18-29		50-64	
Agree	60%	85%	39%	64%	66%	55%	54%	56%	63%	65%
Disagree	29	11	49	25	27	31	35	30	30	25
DK/NA	11	5	13	11	7	14	12	14	7	10

45. (Intro q44-45) In general, when the state is in a good financial situation, it is fair to return some share of state revenues to taxpayers in the form of a tax refund. Do you agree or disagree?

							AGE IN YRS				
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+	
Agree	67%	67%	71%	64%	63%	70%	77%	71%	67%	56%	
Disagree	31	32	26	34	34	28	22	27	31	41	
DK/NA	2	1	3	2	2	2	1	2	1	3	

46. Do you think the \$1.5 billion tax hike Governor Malloy signed 3 years ago to close the budget deficit helped the state's economy, hurt the state's economy, or didn't make a difference?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Helped	21%	6%	40%	15%	24%	19%	36%	18%	23%	18%
Hurt	32	58	12	33	39	27	23	33	36	31
No difference	39	33	38	44	34	44	33	41	37	42
DK/NA	7	3	10	8	4	10	8	7	5	9