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NEW YORK CITY

Methodology

Conducted September 18-22, 2025 under the joint direction of Beacon Research (D) and Shaw & Company Research (R), this Fox News Poll includes interviews with a sample of 1,003 New York City registered voters randomly selected from a statewide voter file. Respondents spoke with live interviewers on landlines (150) and cellphones (598) or completed the survey online by following a link received via text message (255).

Telephone numbers were randomly selected from a statewide voter file of registered New York City voters using a probability proportionate to size method, which means phone numbers are proportionally representative to the number of voters in all regions across the city. Telephone fieldwork conducted by Braun Research, Inc. of Princeton, NJ.

Results based on the full sample have a margin of sampling error of ± 3 percentage points. A subsample of 814 has been defined as likely voters (LV), with a margin of error of ± 3.5 percentage points. Sampling error associated with subgroup results is higher. In addition to sampling error, question wording and order can influence results. Results among subgroups are only shown when the sample size is at least $N=100$.

When necessary, weights are generally applied to age, race, education, and area variables to ensure the demographics of survey respondents are representative of the registered voter population. Sources for developing weight targets include the most recent American Community Survey, Fox News Voter Analysis, and voter file data.

Results are of registered voters, unless otherwise noted. Likely voters are identified based on past vote history and self-reported likelihood of voting.

Web-based survey wording may differ slightly from telephone wording for improved clarity.

An asterisk () is used for percentages of less than one-half percent. A dash (-) represents a value of zero.*

Some percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding. In the same way, percentages in "total" columns may be one point more or less than the sum of their parts due to rounding.

1. There are a range of reasons why people do or do not vote. Thinking about November's election for New York City mayor, on a scale from zero to 10, where 10 means you're certain you will vote and zero means there is no chance you will vote, please tell me how likely it is that you will vote.

	<u>18-22 Sep 25</u>
10 – Certain to vote	75%
9	6
8	6
7	4
6	2
5	3
4	1
3	0
2	0
1	0
0 – No chance will vote	1
(Don't know / Refused)	1

2. Compared to previous mayoral elections, are you more enthusiastic about voting this year than usual, less enthusiastic, or about the same as usual?

	<u>More</u> <u>enthusiastic</u>	<u>Less</u> <u>enthusiastic</u>	<u>About</u> <u>the same</u>	<u>(Don't know)</u>
18-22 Sep 25	45%	21	33	1

3. If the election for New York City Mayor were today, how would you vote if the candidates were: **[IF DON'T KNOW: Well, which way do you lean?]** **[ROTATE NAMES]**

	<u>18-22 Sep 25</u> <u>LV</u>	<u>18-22 Sep 25</u> <u>RV</u>
Democrat Zohran Mamdani	47%	45%
Independent candidate Andrew Cuomo	29	27
Independent candidate Eric Adams	7	8
Republican Curtis Sliwa	11	11
Or would you vote for someone else?	2	3
(Wouldn't vote)	*	1
(Don't know)	4	5

[SKIP IF CODES 9-11 IN Q3. SKIP IF CODE 2, 4, 6, OR 8 IN Q3 AND CODE AS MAY CHANGE MIND. LV $\pm 3.5\%$, RV $\pm 3\%$]

4. Are you certain to support that candidate, or do you think you may change your mind and support someone else? **[IF DON'T KNOW: Re-read question and probe for answer]**

	<u>Certain to support</u>	<u>May change mind</u>	<u>(Don't know)</u>
Likely Voters			
18-22 Sep 25			
All Likely Voters	72%	27	-
Mamdani supporters	88%	12	1
Cuomo supporters	66%	34	-
Registered Voters			
18-22 Sep 25			
All Registered Voters	66%	33	1
Mamdani supporters	83%	16	1
Cuomo supporters	65%	34	*

[ASK ONLY IF CODES 1-8 IN Q3;

5. And who would be your second choice? **[ONLY READ LIST IF REQUESTED. READ IN SAME ORDER AS Q3.] [DO NOT SHOW OR ACCEPT RESPONSE FROM Q3.] [IF DON'T KNOW: Well, if you had to say ...]**

	18-22 Sep 25	18-22 Sep 25
	<u>LV</u>	<u>RV</u>
Democrat Zohran Mamdani	9%	9%
Independent candidate Andrew Cuomo	20	21
Independent candidate Eric Adams	19	19
Republican Curtis Sliwa	10	10
Or would you vote for someone else?	25	23
(Wouldn't vote)	13	13
(Don't know)	4	4

6. **[SKIP IF CODES 10 OR 11 IN Q3; LV $\pm 3.5\%$, RV $\pm 3\%$]** Would you describe your vote for mayor mainly as a vote FOR your candidate or a vote AGAINST their opponents?

	<u>For my candidate</u>	<u>Against their opponents</u>	<u>(Don't know)</u>
Likely Voters			
18-22 Sep 25			
All Likely Voters	72%	26	2
Mamdani supporters	88%	10	2
Cuomo supporters	58%	40	1
Registered Voters			
18-22 Sep 25			
All Registered Voters	71%	27	2
Mamdani supporters	86%	12	2
Cuomo supporters	59%	39	2

- 7.-15. I'm going to read you the names of several individuals and items. Please tell me whether you have a generally favorable or unfavorable opinion of each one. If you've never heard of one, please just say so. **[IF FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE: Is that strongly (favorable / unfavorable) or only somewhat?]** **[RANDOMIZE]**

	-----Favorable-----			-----Unfavorable-----			(Can't	Never
	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>Somewhat</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Somewhat</u>	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>say)</u>	<u>heard of</u>
Bernie Sanders	61%	35	26	31	13	19	6	2
Kathy Hochul	53%	17	35	38	19	19	5	5
Zohran Mamdani	50%	31	20	38	11	27	8	4
Capitalism	48%	21	27	40	19	22	9	3
Andrew Cuomo	45%	18	27	50	20	30	4	1
Socialism	41%	15	25	44	16	29	12	3
Eric Adams	29%	7	21	66	23	43	4	2
Curtis Sliwa	28%	9	19	51	22	29	10	11
Donald Trump	24%	14	10	72	9	63	3	*

16. **[IF FAVORABLE ON MAMDANI, ±4.5%]** What specifically do you like about Mamdani? **[OPEN END. RECORD VERBATIM.]**

	<u>18-22 Sep 25</u>
Like his policies and ideas	20%
Cares about people / Cares about NYC /	
Looking out for working people	16
Change / New Ideas	16
Policies that address affordability	11
Young / Appeals to young people	7
Honest	5
Good communicator / Good speaker	4
Energetic	4
Democratic socialist / Socialist	3
Better than the other candidates	2
Progressive / Liberal	2
Democrat / Not a republican	2
Stance on Gaza	1
Nothing	1
Other	5
Don't know / Refused	2

17. **[IF FAVORABLE ON CUOMO, ±4.5%]** What specifically do you like about Cuomo? **[OPEN END. RECORD VERBATIM.]**

	<u>18-22 Sep 25</u>
Experienced / Qualified / Good governor	46%
Strong leader / Gets things done	16
Did a good job during COVID pandemic	6
Cares about people / Cares about NYC	5
Like his views / Policy ideas	5
Good person	4
Not Mamdani / Not a socialist	3
Moderate / Centrist	3
Will stand up to Trump	2
Better than the other candidates	1
Democrat	1
Nothing	2
Other	4
Don't know / Refused	2

18. **[IF FAVORABLE ON ADAMS, ±5.5%]** What specifically do you like about Adams?
[OPEN END. RECORD VERBATIM.]

18-22 Sep 25

Experienced / Qualified / Doing a good job as mayor	25%
Tough on crime / Works with NYPD / Former police officer	16
Strong leader / Gets things done	9
Sincere / Honest	9
Cares for people / Loves NYC	6
Like his policies / Views	6
Moderate / Centrist	4
Not Mamdani / Not a socialist	3
Better than the other candidates	3
Supports Jewish community / Pro-Israel	1
Nothing	5
Other	8
Don't know / Refused	5

19. **[IF FAVORABLE ON SLIWA, ±5.5%]** What specifically do you like about Sliwa?
[OPEN END. RECORD VERBATIM.]

18-22 Sep 25

Tough on crime / Guardian Angels	30%
History with NYC / Real New Yorker	11
Tough / Strong leader	8
For the people	8
Sincere / Trustworthy	7
Republican / Conservative / Not a Democrat	7
Like his policies / Views	5
Good person	3
Not Mamdani / Not a socialist	2
Better than the other candidates	2
Not a politician	2
More moderate than Trump / Not MAGA	1
Nothing	7
Other	3
Don't know / Refused	5

20. **[IF UNFAVORABLE ON MAMDANI, ±5%]** What specifically do you dislike about Mamdani? **[OPEN END. RECORD VERBATIM.]**

	<u>18-22 Sep 25</u>
Communist / Socialist	28%
Position on Israel / Gaza / Antisemitic	11
Don't like his policies / Ideas	11
Lack of experience / Unqualified / Incompetent	9
Policies are unrealistic	8
Don't trust him / Fraud / Phony	7
Anti-police	4
Too young	3
Anti-American	2
Religious views / Muslim	1
Will raise taxes	1
Bad for NYC	1
Not a New Yorker	1
Dislike everything	5
Nothing	2
Other	2
Don't know / Refused	4

21. **[IF UNFAVORABLE ON CUOMO, ±4.5%]** What specifically do you dislike about Cuomo? **[OPEN END. RECORD VERBATIM.]**

	<u>18-22 Sep 25</u>
Sexual harassment allegations	21%
Corrupt / Untrustworthy	18
Handling of COVID / Nursing home scandal	10
Did a bad job as governor / Forced to resign	10
Personality (bully, coarse)	7
Too much baggage	6
Too close to Trump / Too conservative	5
Career politician	5
Doesn't care about NYC / Not a real New Yorker	3
Favors the rich	2
Too old	2
Nepotism	1
Soft on crime / Bail reform	1
Dislike everything	3
Nothing	1
Other	3
Don't know / Refused	2

22. **[IF UNFAVORABLE ON ADAMS, ±4%]** What specifically do you dislike about Adams? **[OPEN END. RECORD VERBATIM.]**

	<u>18-22 Sep 25</u>
Corrupt / Untrustworthy	51%
Done a poor job as mayor / Not up to the job	25
Too close to Trump	5
Immigration policies	2
Too favorable to police	1
Too much crime	1
Dislike everything	3
Nothing	2
Other	7
Don't know / Refused	2

23. **[IF UNFAVORABLE ON SLIWA, ±4.5%]** What specifically do you dislike about Sliwa? **[OPEN END. RECORD VERBATIM.]**

	<u>18-22 Sep 25</u>
Not a serious candidate / Attention seeker	26%
Republican / Too right wing	21
Not qualified / Lack of experience	12
Don't like his policies	9
Personality	8
Racist / Anti-immigrant	4
Vigilante / Guardian Angels	3
His past / Age / Broken record	1
His appearance	1
Dislike everything	3
Nothing	4
Other	1
Don't know / Refused	7

24. How satisfied are you with how things are going in New York City today -- are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, not very satisfied or not at all satisfied?

	-----Satisfied-----			-----Not satisfied-----			(Don't know)
	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Somewhat</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Not very</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	
18-22 Sep 25	37%	6	31	62	39	23	1

25. In your own words, what do you think is the number one problem facing New York City today? **[OPEN END. RECORD VERBATIM.]**

	<u>18-22 Sep 25</u>
Crime	25%
Cost of living	20
Lack of housing / Lack of affordable housing	17
Homelessness / Mental health issues	6
Economy / Lack of good jobs	4
Politicians / Politics	4
Quality of life issues (litter, rats, etc.)	4
Trump / Republicans	3
Illegal immigration	3
Transportation / Traffic	2
Inequality	2
ICE / Police violence	1
Democrats	1
Other	7
Don't know / Refused	1

26. Which of the following words best describes the kind of change in New York City's government you would like to see? **[READ LIST]**

	<u>18-22 Sep 25</u>
Small	2%
Modest	18
Substantial	37
Dramatic	20
Revolutionary	18
(All)	3
(None)	-
(Don't know)	2

[ROTATE NEXT TWO QUESTIONS]

27. Do you think the way Democrats talk about politics these days is leading to an increase in acts of violence, or not?

	<u>Yes, it is</u>	<u>No, it is not</u>	<u>(Don't know)</u>
18-22 Sep 25	32%	63	5

28. Do you think the way Republicans talk about politics these days is leading to an increase in acts of violence, or not?

	<u>Yes, it is</u>	<u>No, it is not</u>	<u>(Don't know)</u>
18-22 Sep 25	68%	28	4

29. Which of the following comes closest to your view on illegal immigration? Should the United States... **[ROTATE 1 AND 3]**
SCALE: 1. Deport all illegal immigrants 2. Deport only those illegal immigrants who have been charged with crimes but allow others to remain in the U.S. and eventually qualify for citizenship 3. Allow all illegal immigrants to remain in the U.S. 4. (Don't know)

	<u>Deport all</u>	<u>Deport criminals</u>	<u>Allow all to remain</u>	<u>(Don't know)</u>
18-22 Sep 25	17%	67	13	2

30. Which of the following is closer to your opinion?

	<u>Taxes need to be increased in New York City or there won't be enough money for city services</u>	<u>If taxes are increased in New York City, a lot of people and businesses will leave, and there will be less money for city services</u>	<u>(Don't know)</u>
18-22 Sep 25	25%	69	6

31. Do you favor or oppose raising taxes on New York City residents earning \$1 million dollars or more a year?

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>(Don't know)</u>
18-22 Sep 25	71%	26	3

32. In the Middle East conflict, do you side more with the Israelis or more with the Palestinians? **[IF ISRAELIS/PALESTINIANS: Is that strongly or only somewhat?]**

	<u>-----Side with Israelis-----</u>			<u>-----Side with Palestinians-----</u>			<u>(Don't know)</u>
	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Strongly</u>	<u>Somewhat</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Somewhat</u>	<u>Strongly</u>	
18-22 Sep 25	38%	17	22	46	22	24	15

33. This year, will you vote early or on Election Day? **[IF EARLY: Will you vote early in person, or by submitting a mail or absentee ballot?]** **[IF ELECTION DAY: Will you vote in person, or by submitting a mail or absentee ballot on Election Day?]**

	<u>Early, in person</u>	<u>Early, mail / absentee</u>	<u>Election Day, in person</u>	<u>Election Day, mail / absentee</u>	<u>(Don't know)</u>
18-22 Sep 25	40%	12	43	3	2

POLITICAL IDENTIFICATION

	<u>-----Democrat-----</u>			<u>-----Republican-----</u>			<u>Independent / Other</u>
	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Solid</u>	<u>Lean</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Solid</u>	<u>Lean</u>	
Likely Voters							
18-22 Sep 25	75%	69	6	16	12	4	9
Registered Voters							
18-22 Sep 25	72%	65	7	16	12	4	12

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