Legislative District 2 poll 1
Stockton Polling Institute
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Weighted frequencies

Q1. Voters in your legislative district will be electing a state senator and two members of the state Assembly this November. If the election for state senator were held today, would you vote for:

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Colin Bell, the Democrat	217	36.5	43.3	43.3
	Chris Brown, the Republican	213	36.0	42.6	85.9
	SOME OTHER CANDIDATE	2	0.4	0.4	86.4
	NOBODY	3	0.5	0.5	86.9
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	58	9.9	11.7	98.6
	REFUSE	7	1.2	1.4	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q1A. If you had to pick a candidate for state Senate today, would you lean even a little toward:

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Colin Bell, the Democrat	16	2.7	24.4	24.4
	Chris Brown, the Republican	18	3.1	28.3	52.7
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	25	4.2	38.1	90.9
	REFUSE	6	1.0	9.1	100.0
	Total	65	11.0	100.0	
Missing	System	527	89.0		
Total		593	100.0		

Q1 COMBINED. Voters in your legislative district will be electing a state senator and two members of the state Assembly this November. If the election for state senator were held today, would you vote for:

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Colin Bell, the Democrat	233	39.2	46.5	46.5
	Chris Brown, the Republican	231	39.0	46.2	92.7
	SOME OTHER CANDIDATE	2	0.4	0.4	93.2
	NOBODY	3	0.5	0.5	93.7
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	25	4.2	5.0	98.6
	REFUSE	7	1.2	1.4	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q2. Overall, do you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of Chris Brown, or are you not familiar with him? Is that very or somewhat favorable/unfavorable?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Very favorable	137	23.0	27.3	27.3
	Somewhat favorable	120	20.2	24.0	51.3
	Somewhat unfavorable	24	4.0	4.8	56.1
	Very unfavorable	22	3.6	4.3	60.4
	Not familiar	162	27.3	32.4	92.8
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	34	5.7	6.8	99.6
	REFUSE	2	.3	.4	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

**Q3. Overall, do you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of Colin (CAH-LIN)
Bell, or are you not familiar with him? Is that very or somewhat favorable/unfavorable?**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Very favorable	78	13.2	15.7	15.7
	Somewhat favorable	81	13.7	16.3	31.9
	Somewhat unfavorable	26	4.4	5.3	37.2
	Very unfavorable	20	3.4	4.0	41.2
	Not familiar	269	45.4	53.8	95.0
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	22	3.8	4.5	99.5
	REFUSE	3	.5	.5	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

**Q4. You can vote for any two candidates in the election for state Assembly. If the
election were held today, would you vote for:
Q4A. If you had to pick two candidates for state Assembly today, would you lean even a
little toward:**

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Democrat Vince Mazzeo	264	28.7	32.0	32.0
	Lean Mazzeo	14	1.6	1.7	33.7
	Democrat John Armato	187	20.4	22.7	56.4
	Lean Armato	16	1.7	1.9	58.3
	Republican Vince Sera	125	13.5	15.1	73.4
	Lean Sera	15	1.6	1.8	75.2
	Republican Brenda Taube	115	12.5	13.9	89.1
	Lean Taube	14	1.5	1.7	90.8
	Mico Lucide, Green Party	20	2.1	2.4	93.1
	Independent Heather Gordon	20	2.2	2.5	95.6
	NOBODY	6	0.7	0.8	96.4
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	26	2.8	3.1	99.5
	REFUSE	4	0.5	0.5	100.0
	Total	827	89.9	100.0	
Missing	System	93	10.1		
Total		920	100.0		

Q4 COMBINED. You can vote for any two candidates in the election for state Assembly. If the election were held today, would you vote for:

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Democrat Vince Mazzeo	279	30.3	33.7	33.7
	Democrat John Armato	203	22.1	24.6	58.3
	Republican Vince Sera	140	15.2	16.9	75.1
	Republican Brenda Taube	129	14.0	15.6	90.7
	Mico Lucide, Green Party	20	2.1	2.4	93.1
	Independent Heather Gordon	20	2.2	2.4	95.5
	NOBODY	6	0.7	0.8	96.3
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	26	2.8	3.1	99.4
	REFUSE	4	0.5	0.6	100.0
	Total	827	89.9	100.0	
Missing	System	93	10.1		
Total		920	100.0		

Q5. Overall, do you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of Vince Mazzeo or are you not familiar with him? Is that very or somewhat favorable/unfavorable?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Very favorable	131	22.1	26.2	26.2
	Somewhat favorable	131	22.2	26.3	52.5
	Somewhat unfavorable	29	5.0	5.9	58.4
	Very unfavorable	30	5.1	6.0	64.4
	Not familiar	160	27.0	32.0	96.4
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	14	2.3	2.8	99.1
	REFUSE	4	.7	.9	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q6. Overall, do you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of John Armato, or are you not familiar with him? Is that very or somewhat favorable/unfavorable?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Very favorable	53	8.9	10.6	10.6
	Somewhat favorable	95	16.0	18.9	29.5
	Somewhat unfavorable	25	4.3	5.0	34.5
	Very unfavorable	12	2.0	2.4	36.9
	Not familiar	298	50.3	59.7	96.6
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	13	2.1	2.5	99.1
	REFUSE	4	.7	.9	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q7. Overall, do you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of Vince Sera , or are you not familiar with him? Is that very or somewhat favorable/unfavorable?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Very favorable	39	6.6	7.9	7.9
	Somewhat favorable	40	6.8	8.1	16.0
	Somewhat unfavorable	7	1.1	1.3	17.3
	Very unfavorable	19	3.3	3.9	21.2
	Not familiar	375	63.2	75.0	96.1
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	15	2.5	3.0	99.1
	REFUSE	4	.7	.9	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q8. Overall, do you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of Brenda Taube, or are you not familiar with her? Is that very or somewhat favorable/unfavorable?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Very favorable	44	7.5	8.8	8.8
	Somewhat favorable	37	6.3	7.4	16.3
	Somewhat unfavorable	12	2.0	2.3	18.6
	Very unfavorable	22	3.7	4.4	23.0
	Not familiar	367	62.0	73.4	96.4
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	13	2.3	2.7	99.1
	REFUSE	4	.7	.9	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q9. If the election for New Jersey governor were held today, would you vote for:

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Phil Murphy, the Democrat	255	43.0	51.0	51.0
	Kim Guadagno the Republican	141	23.8	28.2	79.2
	Or some other candidate?	36	6.1	7.2	86.4
	NOBODY	4	.7	.9	87.3
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	58	9.7	11.5	98.8
	REFUSE	6	1.0	1.2	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q9A. If you had to pick a candidate for governor today, would you lean even a little toward:

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Phil Murphy, the Democrat	9	1.6	13.6	13.6
	Kim Guadagno the Republican	13	2.2	19.6	33.3
	Or some other candidate?	3	.5	4.1	37.4
	NOBODY	4	.7	6.2	43.6
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	33	5.6	48.9	92.5
	REFUSE	5	.9	7.5	100.0
	Total	68	11.4	100.0	
Missing	System	525	88.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q9 COMBINED. If the election for New Jersey governor were held today, would you vote for:

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Phil Murphy, the Democrat	264	44.6	52.8	52.8
	Kim Guadagno, the Republican	154	26.0	30.9	83.7
	Or some other candidate?	39	6.6	7.8	91.5
	NOBODY	4	0.7	0.9	92.3
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	33	5.6	6.6	98.9
	REFUSE	5	0.8	1.0	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q10. What is the one most important issue to you personally in the New Jersey state elections?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	PROPERTY TAXES	112	19.0	22.5	22.5
	TAXES (GENERAL)	85	14.3	17.0	39.5
	HEALTH CARE/OBAMACARE	31	5.1	6.1	45.6
	PENSIONS/BENEFITS	30	5.0	6.0	51.6
	JOBS	24	4.0	4.8	56.3
	ECONOMY	21	3.6	4.3	60.6
	EDUCATION (GENERAL)	17	2.9	3.4	64.0
	ATLANTIC CITY/CASINOS	15	2.6	3.1	67.1
	DRUGS/MARIJUANA	13	2.2	2.6	69.7
	EDUCATION FUNDING	11	1.8	2.1	71.9
	TAXES (INCOME)	10	1.7	2.1	73.9
	ENVIRONMENT/GLOBAL WARMING	8	1.4	1.7	75.6
	CHRIS CHRISTIE	8	1.3	1.5	77.1
	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	7	1.1	1.3	78.4
	BUDGET	7	1.1	1.3	79.7
	SENIOR CITIZEN PROGRAMS	6	1.0	1.2	81.0
	TAXES (SALES)	6	1.0	1.2	82.2
	CORRUPTION	5	0.9	1.1	83.3
	CRIME	5	0.8	1.0	84.2
	EDUCATION (K-12)	5	0.8	0.9	85.2
	EDUCATION (HIGHER), COLLEGES	3	0.5	0.6	85.8
	REFUSE	3	0.4	0.5	86.3
	GUN CONTROL	2	0.4	0.5	86.8
	TAXES (CORPORATE)	2	0.4	0.4	87.2
	ROADS/INFRASTRUCTURE	2	0.3	0.3	87.6
	MINIMUM WAGE	1	0.2	0.3	87.8
	GUN RIGHTS	1	0.2	0.2	88.1
	TRANSPORTATION	1	0.2	0.2	88.2
	HOMESTEAD REBATE	1	0.1	0.2	88.4
	OTHER ISSUE (SPECIFY)	32	5.5	6.5	94.9
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	25	4.3	5.1	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q11. If New Jersey Governor Chris Christie were to endorse a candidate for election, would that make you more likely or less likely to vote for that candidate, or would it make no difference?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	MORE LIKELY	21	3.5	4.1	4.1
	LESS LIKELY	291	49.0	58.1	62.2
	NO DIFFERENCE	180	30.4	36.0	98.3
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	6	1.0	1.2	99.5
	REFUSE	3	.4	.5	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q12. If President Donald Trump were to endorse a candidate for election, would that make you more likely or less likely to vote for that candidate, or would it make no difference?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	MORE LIKELY	83	14.0	16.6	16.6
	LESS LIKELY	248	41.8	49.5	66.1
	NO DIFFERENCE	162	27.4	32.4	98.6
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	5	.8	.9	99.5
	REFUSE	3	.4	.5	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q13. How would you rate Governor Chris Christie's job performance:

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Excellent	6	.9	1.1	1.1
	Good	55	9.2	10.9	12.0
	Fair	142	24.0	28.5	40.5
	Or poor?	296	50.0	59.2	99.7
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	1	.1	.1	99.9
	REFUSE	1	.1	.1	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q14. How would you rate President Donald Trump's job performance:

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Excellent	62	10.5	12.5	12.5
	Good	85	14.4	17.0	29.5
	Fair	73	12.3	14.6	44.1
	Or poor?	269	45.4	53.8	97.9
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	8	1.4	1.7	99.5
	REFUSE	2	.4	.5	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q15. Will your feelings about President Donald Trump affect the way you vote in New Jersey's election for governor, or will it make no difference?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	AFFECT THE WAY I VOTE	148	24.9	29.5	29.5
	MAKE NO DIFFERENCE	338	57.1	67.6	97.2
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	12	2.1	2.5	99.6
	REFUSE	2	.3	.4	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q16. Which of the following sentences best describes your feelings about the state takeover of Atlantic City's government:

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	I fully support the state takeover	55	9.3	11.0	11.0
	I may not like it but I think it was necessary	222	37.4	44.3	55.3
	I fully oppose the state takeover	182	30.7	36.4	91.8
	NEUTRAL	16	2.7	3.2	95.0
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	24	4.1	4.9	99.8
	REFUSE	1	.1	.2	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q17. A proposal to amend the New Jersey Constitution will be on the ballot this election. The proposal would require that any money received by the state in actions against polluters be used only to repair environmental damage or to protect natural resour

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	SUPPORT	397	66.9	79.3	79.3
	OPPOSE	60	10.1	12.0	91.3
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	42	7.1	8.4	99.7
	REFUSE	2	.3	.3	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q17A. Would you lean toward voting to dedicate polluter settlements to natural resources, or toward voting against restricting use of those funds?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	SUPPORT	8	1.4	18.6	18.6
	OPPOSE	7	1.1	15.4	34.0
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	27	4.5	61.9	95.9
	REFUSE	2	.3	4.1	100.0
	Total	43	7.3	100.0	
Missing	System	549	92.7		
Total		593	100.0		

Q18. How do you feel about the amount of money spent by New Jersey state government to protect the environment? Regarding environmental protection, do you think the state:

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	Spends too much	67	11.3	13.4	13.4
	Spends too little	194	32.8	38.8	52.2
	Spends the right amount	132	22.2	26.4	78.5
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	105	17.8	21.1	99.6
	REFUSE	2	.3	.4	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

Q19. Also on the ballot is a proposal for the state to borrow 125 million dollars through bonding to provide grants to construct, expand, and equip public libraries. If the election were held today, would you support or oppose this ballot proposal?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	SUPPORT	253	42.7	50.7	50.7
	OPPOSE	200	33.8	40.0	90.7
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	47	7.9	9.3	100.0
	Total	500	84.4	100.0	
Missing	System	93	15.6		
Total		593	100.0		

19A. Would you lean toward voting to support borrowing 125 million dollars for public library construction, or lean toward voting to oppose such borrowing for library construction?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
	SUPPORT	11	1.9	24.6	24.6
	OPPOSE	10	1.7	21.6	46.2
	NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	24	4.1	51.6	97.8
	REFUSE	1	.2	2.2	100.0
	Total	47	7.9	100.0	
Missing	System	546	92.1		
Total		593	100.0		

Demographics

PHONE. Have I reached you on a cell phone or on a regular landline telephone?

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Cell phone	237	40.0	40.0	40.0
Landline phone	351	59.2	59.2	99.2
COMPUTER/VOIP (VOL)	1	.2	.2	99.4
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	1	.2	.2	99.5
REFUSE	3	.5	.5	100.0
Total	593	100.0	100.0	

PARTY. Do you consider yourself to be a:

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Republican	170	28.7	28.7	28.7
Democrat	209	35.3	35.3	64.0
An independent	154	26.1	26.1	90.1
Or something else?	34	5.7	5.7	95.8
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	11	1.9	1.9	97.7
REFUSE	13	2.3	2.3	100.0
Total	593	100.0	100.0	

D1. Which category describes your age:

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
18 to 29	51	8.7	8.7	8.7
30 to 49	125	21.1	21.1	29.8
50 to 64	184	31.0	31.0	60.8
Or 65 and older?	225	37.9	37.9	98.7
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	1	.2	.2	98.9
REFUSE	7	1.1	1.1	100.0
Total	593	100.0	100.0	

D2. Do you consider yourself to be Hispanic or Latino, or not?

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
YES	37	6.2	6.2	6.2
NO	542	91.5	91.5	97.7
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	3	.5	.5	98.2
REFUSE	11	1.8	1.8	100.0
Total	593	100.0	100.0	

D3. Which of the following best describes your race:

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
White	415	70.1	70.1	70.1
Black or African American	88	14.8	14.8	84.9
Asian or Pacific	16	2.7	2.7	87.6
Native American	1	.1	.1	87.7
Or do you identify with more than one race?	45	7.6	7.6	95.3
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	10	1.6	1.6	96.9
REFUSE	18	3.1	3.1	100.0
Total	593	100.0	100.0	

D4. Which of the following best describes your highest level of education:

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Did not graduate from high school	10	1.8	1.8	1.8
High school graduate	139	23.5	23.5	25.3
Some college or associate's degree	185	31.3	31.3	56.6
A four-year college degree	141	23.7	23.7	80.3
Or a graduate or professional degree?	108	18.2	18.2	98.5
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	2	.3	.3	98.8
REFUSE	7	1.2	1.2	100.0
Total	593	100.0	100.0	

D5. Which of the following general categories best represents your household income last year before taxes:

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Less than $25,000	42	7.0	7.0	7.0
$25,000 to less than $50,000	104	17.5	17.5	24.5
$50,000 to less than $100,000	204	34.4	34.4	58.9
$100,000 to $150,000	111	18.7	18.7	77.6
Or more than $150,000?	59	10.0	10.0	87.6
NOT SURE/DON'T KNOW	19	3.2	3.2	90.8
REFUSE	55	9.2	9.2	100.0
Total	593	100.0	100.0	

D6. I'm required to verify: are you:

	Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Male	294	49.7	49.7	49.7
Or female?	296	50.0	50.0	99.7
REFUSE	2	.3	.3	100.0
Total	593	100.0	100.0	