



New England College Poll: Nov 23-24, 2013

Question: *Do you think your personal finances will be better a year from now than they are today? If you strongly agree that your finances will be stronger in a year please press 1, if you somewhat agree please press 2, if you are unsure or have no opinion please press 3, if you somewhat disagree that your finances will be stronger a year from now please press 4, if you strongly disagree please press 5.*

Personal Finances

	Frequency	Percent
Strongly agree	123	18
Somewhat agree	161	24
Unsure	180	27
Somewhat disagree	83	12
Strongly disagree	128	19
Total	675	100

Personal Finances *

Gender Crosstabulation

	Man	Woman	Total
Strongly agree	23%	14%	18%
Somewhat agree	22%	25%	24%
Unsure	23%	30%	27%
Somewhat disagree	13%	12%	12%
Strongly disagree	19%	19%	19%
Total	100%	100%	100%

Question: *Do you think the country's economy will be stronger a year from now than it is today? If you strongly agree that the country's economy will be stronger in a year please press 1, if you somewhat agree please press 2, if you are unsure or have no opinion please press 3, if you somewhat disagree that that the country's economy will be stronger a year from now please press 4, if*

Country's Economy

	Frequency	Percent
Strongly agree	131	19
Somewhat agree	160	24
Unsure	126	19
Somewhat disagree	101	15
Strongly disagree	157	23
Total	675	100

Country's Finances * Gender Crosstabulation

	Man	Woman	
Strongly agree	23%	17%	19%
Somewhat agree	22%	25%	24%
Unsure	16%	21%	19%
Somewhat disagree	15%	15%	15%
Strongly disagree	24%	23%	23%
Total	100%	100%	100%

Question: *As a consumer do you plan to spend more on Christmas or general holiday shopping this year than you did last year? If you strongly agree that you plan to spend more this year please press 1, if you somewhat agree please press 2, if you are unsure or have no opinion please press 3, if you somewhat disagree that you will spend more this year please press 4, if you strongly disagree please press 5.*

Holiday Shopping

	Frequency	Percent
Strongly agree	28	4
Somewhat agree	91	13
Unsure	173	26
Somewhat disagree	195	29
Strongly disagree	188	28
Total	675	100

Question: *Do you think that general consumer goods stores where you can buy products like electronics or clothes should be open for business on Thanksgiving Day? If you strongly agree that consumer goods stores should be open on Thanksgiving day please press 1, if you somewhat agree please press 2, if you are unsure or have no opinion please press 3, if you somewhat disagree that stores should be open on Thanksgiving Day please press 4, if you strongly disagree please press 5.*

Thanksgiving Day Retail

	Frequency	Percent
Strongly agree	50	7
Somewhat agree	53	8
Unsure	105	16
Somewhat disagree	112	17
Strongly disagree	355	53
Total	675	100

Question: *Which of the following issues is the most important to you? If you believe that reducing the federal deficit is the most important issue please press 1, if you believe the most important issue is lowering unemployment please press 2, if you believe it is holding down prices please press 3, if you believe the most important issue is holding down taxes please press 4, if you are unsure or have no opinion please press 5.*

Important Issues

	Frequency	Percent
Unemployment	268	40
Federal deficit	205	30
Holding down taxes	108	16
Holding down prices	45	7
Unsure	49	7
Total	675	100

Important Issues * Gender Crosstabulation

	Man	Woman	Total
Unemployment	36%	43%	40%
Federal deficit	37%	25%	30%
Holding down taxes	16%	16%	16%
Holding down prices	4%	9%	7%
Unsure	7%	8%	7%
Total	100%	100%	100%

Important Issues * Party ID Crosstabulation

	Democrat	Republican	Unenrolled	
Unemployment	63%	25%	37%	40%
Federal deficit	13%	42%	33%	30%
Holding down taxes	8%	25%	13%	16%
Holding down prices	8%	3%	9%	7%
Unsure	9%	4%	8%	7%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

Question: *Among the issues being discussed in Washington is an increase in social security benefits. Do you think the federal government should increase benefits for retirees? If you strongly agree please press 1, if you somewhat agree please press 2, if you are unsure or have no opinion please press 3, if you somewhat disagree please press 4, if you strongly disagree please press 5.*

Social Security

	Frequency	Percent
Strongly agree	276	41
Somewhat agree	174	26
Unsure	89	13
Somewhat disagree	94	14
Strongly disagree	42	6
Total	675	100

Social Security * Party ID Crosstabulation

	Democrat	Republican	Unenrolled	
Strongly agree	47%	33%	44%	41%
Somewhat agree	32%	22%	25%	26%
Unsure	11%	15%	12%	13%
Somewhat disagree	8%	20%	14%	14%
Strongly disagree	2%	10%	5%	6%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

Question: *Among the issues being debated at the state capital in Concord include the expansion of health insurance for low income families through Medicaid. Do you think the state of New Hampshire should increase the eligibility for Medicaid to families with incomes up to \$32,000 per year? If you strongly agree with Medicaid expansion please press 1, if you somewhat agree please press 2, if you are unsure or have no opinion please press 3, if you somewhat disagree please press 4, if you strongly disagree please press*

Medicaid			Medicaid * Party ID Crosstabulation				
	Frequency	Percent		Democrat	Republican	Unenrolled	
Strongly agree	237	35	Strongly agree	66%	15%	32%	35%
Somewhat agree	117	17	Somewhat agree	18%	14%	19%	17%
Unsure	100	15	Unsure	7%	19%	16%	15%
Somewhat disagree	94	14	Somewhat disagree	4%	22%	14%	14%
Strongly disagree	127	19	Strongly disagree	5%	30%	19%	19%
Total	675	100	Total	100%	100%	100%	100%