

Siena College Poll Conducted by the Siena College Research Institute

October 13 - 17, 2024

572 New York State Likely Voters (Excluding NYC)

MOE +/- 5.3%

New York State is currently considering a change to building code that would require all new single and two-family homes built in New York to have automatic fire sprinkler systems. Do you support or oppose this change to the building code that would require all new single and two family homes built in New York to have automatic fire sprinkler systems?

	Party				Gender		Ideology			Union HH		Region		Age			Income		
	Total	Dem	Rep	Ind/Oth	M	F	Lib	Mod	Conserv	Yes	No	Suburbs	Upstate	18-34	35-54	55+	<\$50K	\$50K-\$100K	>\$100K
Support	49%	58%	44%	44%	37%	61%	64%	53%	35%	40%	53%	58%	43%	53%	50%	47%	69%	45%	47%
Oppose	42%	30%	50%	47%	54%	30%	26%	39%	57%	50%	39%	35%	47%	41%	39%	44%	26%	45%	46%
Don't know/Refused	9%	11%	6%	9%	10%	8%	10%	8%	8%	10%	8%	7%	10%	7%	11%	9%	5%	11%	7%

Do you find the supporters or opponents more convincing?
(SPLIT A) Supporters of the change to the building code say sprinkler systems will save lives and are necessary as budget cuts impact the number of fire fighters. Opponents of requiring mandatory sprinkler systems say that they are a large expense and should remain a consumer choice.
(SPLIT B) Opponents of requiring mandatory sprinkler systems say that they are a large expense and should remain a consumer choice. Supporters of the change to the building code say sprinkler systems will save lives and are necessary as budget cuts impact the number of fire fighters.

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Supporters	45%	54%	36%	43%	32%	57%	67%	49%	27%	37%	48%	52%	39%	48%	45%	44%	57%	38%	47%
Opponents	46%	36%	54%	49%	60%	32%	26%	45%	61%	53%	43%	41%	49%	46%	47%	46%	33%	50%	47%
Don't know/Refused	9%	10%	9%	8%	8%	11%	7%	6%	12%	10%	9%	7%	11%	6%	8%	11%	10%	12%	6%

Current law in New York requires homebuilders to provide new home purchasers with information on the benefits and estimated costs associated with the installation of a fire sprinkler system in their new home. Knowing that this disclosure is currently required of homebuilders to new home purchasers would you rather:

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Consumers decide on their own whether or not to purchase fire sprinkler systems	70%	62%	73%	80%	75%	66%	51%	71%	83%	74%	69%	64%	75%	67%	72%	72%	65%	72%	71%
The state mandate all new single and two-family homes have them	26%	35%	22%	16%	21%	30%	45%	24%	14%	22%	27%	31%	22%	32%	26%	23%	32%	23%	26%
Don't know/Refused	4%	3%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	5%	3%	4%	4%	5%	4%	1%	3%	5%	3%	5%	4%

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The NYS Fire Prevention and Building Code Council, a 17-member body including state officials, elected local officials appointed by the Governor and experts appointed by the governor with the advice of the Senate, will decide whether New York State’s building code will require fire sprinklers in all new one and two-family homes. Do you think this council should make this decision, or should this decision require the direct approval of the State Legislature and Governor?																			
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Fire Prevention and Building Code Council	29%	26%	30%	34%	25%	34%	33%	27%	31%	23%	31%	27%	31%	35%	33%	27%	19%	36%	29%
Legislature and Governor	54%	63%	49%	47%	57%	50%	56%	57%	48%	57%	53%	56%	52%	59%	52%	53%	56%	49%	57%
Don't know/Refused	17%	11%	21%	19%	18%	16%	11%	15%	21%	20%	16%	17%	17%	6%	15%	21%	25%	15%	15%

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 572 New York State Likely Voters (Excluding NYC)
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Nature of the Sample	
NYS Likely Voters (Excluding NYC)	
Party	
Democrat	38%
Republican	33%
Ind/ Oth	27%
Gender	
Male	48%
Female	51%
Ideology	
Liberal	22%
Moderate	44%
Conserv	31%
Union HH	
Yes	26%
No	74%
Region	
Suburbs	41%
Upstate	59%
Age	
18-34	15%
35-54	26%
55+	55%
Income	
<\$50K	17%
\$50K-\$100K	33%
\$100K+	45%

This Siena College Poll was conducted October 13 - 17, 2024, among 872 likely voters in New York. Telephone sampling was conducted via a weighted stratified dual frame sample of landline and cell phone drawn from the L-2 database of registered voters (872 completed via telephone). Data was statistically adjusted by region, race/ethnicity, political party, education, statewide vote pattern in the 2020 election, gender, and voter likelihood, a computed score that combines voter history, stated voter likelihood and modeled turnout by respondent. It has an overall margin of error of +/- 4.2 percentage points including the design effects resulting from weighting. There are 572 likely voters from New York State (excluding NYC) with a margin of error of +/- 5.3%

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