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## NEW JERSEY VOTERS GIVE GOV OK GRADES FOR SANDY, QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLL FINDS; 93 PERCENT SAY THEY'RE STRONGER THAN THE STORM

New Jersey voters approve 51 - 42 percent of the way Gov. Christopher Christie is handling the recovery from Superstorm Sandy, according to a Quinnipiac University Poll released today.

Insurance companies get the worst grades for Sandy recovery work, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University poll finds. Ratings are:

- 39 percent say the Federal Emergency Management Agency's Sandy efforts are good or excellent, while 52 percent say not so good or poor;
- 47 percent say state government's work on Sandy recovery is good or excellent, while 48 percent say not so good or poor;
- 63 percent say their local government's recovery work is good or excellent, while 23 percent say not so good or poor;
- 22 percent say the insurance companies' Sandy work is good or excellent, while 63 percent say not so good or poor.

Only 5 percent of New Jersey voters say they've changed vacation plans because of Sandy, while 93 percent say they have not changed plans.

"Garden State voters flunk FEMA and insurance companies for their Sandy recovery work. Gov. Christopher Christie does a little better and local government scores well," said Maurice Carroll, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Poll.

"And – in a New Jersey sort of defiance – practically everyone says they're not letting the storm's depredations change their summer vacation plans."

From April 2 – 7, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,356 New Jersey voters, with a margin of error of  $\pm$ 2.7 percentage points. Live interviewers call land lines and cell phones.

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

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30. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Governor Christie is handling the recovery from Hurricane Sandy?

							AGE IN	YRS		
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	51%	71%	38%	53%	53%	49%	69%	55%	46%	45%
Disapprove	42	21	58	38	40	43	29	41	45	46
DK/NA	7	8	4	9	7	7	2	5	10	9

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Governor Christie is handling the recovery from Hurricane Sandy?

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Approve	51	85
Disapprove	42	10
DK/NA	7	5

31. How would you rate - FEMA's, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, handling of the recovery from Hurricane Sandy; excellent, good, not so good or poor?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Excellent	4%	6%	4%	3%	5%	4%	11%	4%	6%	1%
Good	35	32	42	29	36	34	43	38	35	26
Not so good	34	33	33	37	34	34	32	35	31	41
Poor	18	22	13	20	17	19	10	16	19	22
DK/NA	9	8	8	10	7	10	4	8	9	10

TREND: How would you rate FEMA's, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, handling of the recovery from Hurricane Sandy; excellent, good, not so good or poor?

Apr 14 2014	Mar 27 2013
4	5
35	38
34	33
18	14
9	9
	2014 4 35 34

32. How would you rate - the state government's handling of the recovery from Hurricane Sandy; excellent, good, not so good or poor?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Excellent	3%	8%	1%	3%	5%	2%	8%	4%	2%	2%
Good	44	58	34	46	48	41	60	49	40	34
Not so good	33	21	41	32	28	37	26	32	34	38
Poor	15	10	20	14	16	15	3	11	19	20
DK/NA	4	4	4	4	3	5	3	3	5	5

TREND: How would you rate the state government's handling of the recovery from Hurricane Sandy; excellent, good, not so good or poor?

Apr 14 2014	Mar 27 2013
3	9
44	61
33	19
15	5
4	6
	3 44 33

33. How would you rate - your local government's handling of the recovery from Hurricane Sandy; excellent, good, not so good or poor?

							AGE IN	YRS		
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Excellent	15%	19%	14%	17%	15%	16%	15%	17%	16%	12%
Good	48	56	46	46	51	45	57	53	46	42
Not so good	15	11	16	16	12	18	15	14	12	21
Poor	8	5	11	6	9	8	5	9	9	8
DK/NA	13	9	13	16	14	13	8	7	16	17

TREND: How would you rate your local government's handling of the recovery from Hurricane Sandy; excellent, good, not so good or poor?

Apr 14 2014	Mar 27 2013
15	19
48	55
15	13
8	5
13	7
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34. How would you rate - the insurance companies' handling of the recovery from Hurricane Sandy; excellent, good, not so good or poor?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	AGE IN 18-29	YRS 30-49	50-64	65+
Excellent	3%	5%	2%	3%	3%	4%	5%	3%	3%	3%
Good	19	26	17	17	22	15	37	16	21	12
Not so good	36	32	40	35	33	39	40	37	34	40
Poor	27	22	26	29	26	27	11	29	26	30
DK/NA	15	15	15	16	15	15	7	15	17	15

TREND: How would you rate the insurance companies' handling of the recovery from Hurricane Sandy; excellent, good, not so good or poor?

	Apr 14 2014	Mar 27 2013
Excellent	3	3
Good	19	22
Not so good	36	31
Poor	27	25
DK/NA	15	19

35. Have you already or do you expect to change your vacation plans this summer because of Hurricane Sandy?

							AGE IN	YRS		
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Yes/Change plans	5%	3%	6%	5%	5%	5%	6%	7%	5%	3%
No	93	96	92	93	93	93	93	92	93	94
DK/NA	2	1	1	2	2	2	1	-	2	3

TREND: Have you already or do you expect to change your vacation plans this summer because of Hurricane Sandy?

	Apr 14 2014	Mar 27 2013
Yes/Change plans	5	13
No	93	85
DK/NA	2	2