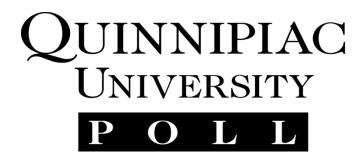
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QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLLSTER COMMENTS ON GOV. CHRISTIE'S ANNOUNCEMENT OF PRESIDENTIAL BID

"The Quinnipiac University Poll shows New Jersey Gov. Christopher Christie has an uphill battle in his 2016 White House bid," said Maurice Carroll, assistant director of the poll.

"He gets the support of only 4 percent of Republican voters nationwide, way behind the frontrunners. In the critical swing states of Florida, Ohio and Pennsylvania, his support among Republicans ranges from 3 percent to 6 percent.

"And in his native New Jersey, voters disapprove 56 - 38 percent of the job Christie is doing as governor, his lowest approval rating ever and the lowest approval rating for any governor this year in the nine states surveyed by Quinnipiac University.

"But there's always New Hampshire where coddled primary voters expect personal attention. And Christie is a natural at the one-on-one campaigning they like. Could 'The Jersey Guy' beat Gov. Jeb Bush and the other GOP contenders in the first primary of 2016? We'll know February 10."

To interview Carroll, call (212) 843-8026.

To see full poll results, click on quinnipiac.edu/polling.